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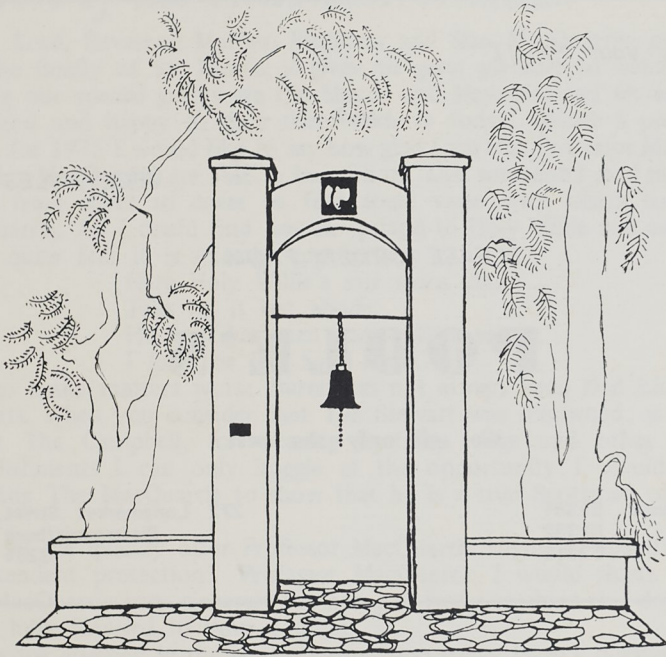
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Report of the Headmistress.....

My Lord, Reverend Mother, Professor and Mrs. MacQuarrie, our Guests and the family of St. John's, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you. Among our special guests are the Mayor and Mayoress and we are indeed honoured and happy to have them with us today. Before I present my report for 1975 I would like to say how glad I am that Professor MacQuarrie and Mrs. MacQuarrie are able to be with us. Last weekend I read my Robbie Burns from cover to cover to find some verse with which to regale a MacQuarrie. All I could find was an epitaph to Holy Willie and somehow I don't quite feel it is exactly appropriate:

Here Holy Willie's sair worn clay
Taks up it last abode;
His saul has taen some other way,
I fear the left hand road.

And to make matters worse Burns has not always been that kind to the Stewarts. When you consider that The Stewart was renowned, as was that traitor The Campbell, for wearing lipstick, rouge and other feminine embellishments I can only boggle at the opportunity I would then be affording The MacQuarrie to show that he is a true Scotsman of wit and riposte!

So let me quickly offer Professor MacQuarrie Highland hospitality with its attendant protection! Professor MacQuarrie I would thank you and Mrs. MacQuarrie very sincerely for being so ready to share this day with us and I look forward to your address.

Anyone engaged in the work of education today faces a dilemma. Pupils leaving a school must be prepared to earn a living in a society where over-population has led to keen competition and where specialisation demands a high degree of skill. Whatever field of study a girl wishes to follow she will need to arrive at a University, Training College, Hospital or Technical College with a very wide and sound foundation in the subjects required for her particular course.

As a higher and higher standard is being demanded by all Colleges so more and more time is being given to syllabuses that are utilitarian and vocational. This is frightening because we begin to lose sight of the purpose of Education and education for life soon becomes Education for work. We cannot lay the blame for this at the door of the Education authorities as this has become a necessary condition in an industrialised society. But however necessary this may be for materialistic considerations the wider and deeper essentials of education must be preserved.

Time must be given to those subjects, and those activities, that develop the whole personality. No school has the moral right to neglect the quality of the environment it creates. No school has the moral right to ignore religious values and it is incumbent upon a school to enable pupils to explore and understand the human condition. It is by these means that a girl creates within herself norms and standards of behaviour that enable her to come to terms with herself and her God and to serve her community.

If a school is to retain its integrity and accept its responsibility as a civilising medium it *must* provide the time and the opportunity for religious guidance and it must nurture the Arts. To neglect the Fine Arts, Music, poetry, drama, painting etc., is to neglect what is fundamental to the growing

personality. A school that places no value on the Arts places no value on the soul. In the fine arts we come nearer to the angels than in any other of our enterprises and accomplishments. Here we are Creators. Here we can see man in relation to his universe and we can explore the human soul rather than measure the *material* world; here too we may come to some understanding of our most pressing problems; for the astronomy of the soul is a more difficult science than that of the stars! We are proud to exist as part of a gigantic universe but 'existence' is not enough. Simply to be, to exist is not in itself sufficient. We ask for more: for happiness, for freedom from all vexation, in a word — for heaven. But Heaven is difficult to define and Heaven is increasingly difficult to find in a world so dominated by money values, selfishness and brutality.

The poet Blake asks:—

“What do we have
In this land of unbelief and fear?
The land of dreams is better far,
Above the light of the Northern Star”

But, do we want, only “a land of dreams?”

A land of dreams *is* to be found in the world of the Arts but it is not merely ‘a land of dreams’; true artists are not escapists, mere ‘purveyors of dreams’, ‘with dreams to sell’ reminding us only of something lost, of a painless existence. Works of art are expressions of the striving, potent, human soul that present us with what Anaragoras calls ‘a vision of the unseen’, a reflection of the true religious quality of Life.

The world is in proportion inferior to the soul; there is, agreeable to the spirit of man, a more ample greatness, a more extant goodness and a more absolute variety than can be found in the nature of things. — And surely it is this awareness of the soul, this consciousness, that is supplied by the vision of the artist.

Our existence is one of anxieties, frustrations, poverty, sickness, conflict and antagonisms but we have to play our part. We *are* in exile from Nirvana and we do, in the midst of

“that Dolphin torn, that gong tormented sea”

long for repose, long for understanding, long for some awareness of order and harmony. And we can satisfy that longing: we can create the harmony or recreate it and be part of it.

The Universe is *no* mad complexity of senseless things. It has a structure that calls to be explained. Its resources are vast and life manifests itself in space and time, displaying inexhaustible wealth. The whole process is periodic and rhythmical. And these physical rhythms shadow a deeper harmony that cannot be apprehended or measured by the sciences alone. It is in the power of music, poetry, drama, painting etc., to put us into contact with these cosmic rhythms and make us aware of the deeper significance of the Universe. It is the Arts that ‘speak the language of the *soul* rather than the intellect’, that create in us the wonder and the knowledge of harmony. “There seems,” said Aristotle “to be a sort of relationship between the soul on the one hand and the harmonies and rhythms on the other.”

It is not therefore our minds that make us conscious as human beings and lead to the deepest truths, but the instincts and intuitions of our souls. The brain and the nervous system deliberately restrict our vision to the outer world; our senses guide us to act in a restricted field. But only a fool would

believe this restricted field was the beginning and end of things. It is our souls that make us alive to a deeper spiritual environment. And it is by means of the Arts that the soul communicates to others its adventures into 'That which was and is and ever shall be' and it is by means of music, poetry, drama, painting and sculpture that 'we *feel* we are greater than we know'.

We may think and talk about the Arts in many ways: music, poetry and drama may be viewed as the arts of time, while painting and sculpture may be seen as the arts of space but they are all 'music' in its Greek and its widest sense: representing the ordered, the shapely, the measured, the flowing, the melodious and the religious and so creating in us a sense of the Divine. The Arts say to us — your experience is real but consult the good within you and you will know that this real is not the *whole* of reality. There is a greater truth; there is a deeper calm.

In the world of the artist then, there, in the picture, are the horses galloping over the snow; under the sleigh-driver's lash, their bells jangling, and the wolves barking close behind: there they are, all motion and sound, in a strange world of rest and silence!

While then we strive conscientiously to provide the academic standards necessary to equip girls to succeed in their careers, and to succeed with merit, it is the constant aim of St. John's to discover this 'strange world of rest and silence', this world of the spirit, to recognise its importance and not to neglect what is vital to the soul; we must therefore continue to foster interest in music, to study and take part in drama and to understand the relevance of poetry and its serious function.



Last year I said how concerned the staff and I were to create really high academic standards at St. John's and I feel the matriculation results at the end of 1974 are a measure of our success in this respect. Twenty four girls entered for the Natal Senior Certificate and, of these, twenty obtained the

Natal Senior Certificate, fourteen with Matriculation exemption, and nine of these with merit or first class passes. Four girls obtained 'O' level passes and there was one failure. There were two distinctions in English and there was one in Mathematics.

I can only congratulate my staff on such excellent results. What is most pleasing to us is that each girl realised her potential and every girl obtained the qualifications she required to embark upon her career.

1975 will see the first Natal Senior Certificate examination to be written, in accordance with the new differentiated system of Education; and this system is quite involved. A girl wishing to enter a University must take four subjects at 'A' level, i.e. English, Afrikaans and two other subjects of her choice; as well as two subjects at standard level. This is further qualified by the fact that different Universities stipulate what subjects must be taken at 'A' level to satisfy the requirements for their specific degrees. Added to this a girl *must* choose one of the subject packages laid down by the Natal Education Department. The school is not free to allow combinations of subjects that do not comply with the N.E.D. regulations, no matter how intelligent or congenial they may seem. One of the difficulties that arises here is that a girl may find that one of the subjects within the package she is required to take, is a subject she has no interest in. But with all the limitations placed upon us we are unable to avoid this.

It must be obvious that since the choice a girl has to make in Std. 7 will have a decided impact upon her future, a great deal of thought and care must be devoted to helping her in this matter. We have to take into account not only the I.Q., but the aptitude of each girl, as measured by Standardised tests. The NSAGT and Junior Aptitude tests are given by Dr. Coetzee in both Std. 7 and Std. 10. There is too, the interest of each girl to be considered, her choice of a career, her level of motivation and her school record. It is only when we have taken all these factors into account and established priorities, that we are able to advise parents on the subjects their daughters should take in Std. 8. We are very fortunate however to have Mrs. van Dijk on our staff as she is a fully trained counsellor, not only is she able to give us valuable and professional advice on these matters, but she is genuinely concerned to help each individual to understand what careers are open to her and to ensure that she makes the most of the talents she possesses. I would stress that any parent who feels at all doubtful about the subjects her daughter has chosen this year is very welcome to come and discuss the matter either with me or with Mrs. van Dijk.

Our experiences of the new syllabuses for the Matriculation this year, have shown us the extent to which the emphasis is now being placed in nearly all subjects upon practical work and individual research. We cannot therefore be anything but truly delighted that we had the foresight to plan our new buildings as we did. To know that they will be open early next year and to know that we will have such wonderful facilities, is the greatest encouragement any school could hope for. This complex is the direct result of the Appeal we made to you in 1973 and to all those of you, and there are many hundreds, who have contributed so generously we extend our very sincere thanks. If you have looked at the buildings you will see that we are going ahead with the whole complex and the Hall will be completed in about May. Our next Speech Day will be held in our new Hall.

I am proud to say that our sporting record for 1975 reflects a high

standard of achievement. Our success is a mark of the spirit of enthusiasm that is so notable in the school.

SWIMMING

We came fourth in the Inter-schools' gala with some excellent individual results. Beverley Macadam, Miranda Train, Ilsa Buitendag and Joan Lambert were selected to represent P.M.B. and Districts Schools. In diving Debbie Hurt was selected for the Natal Junior Schools and in the South African Junior Diving Championships D. Hurt was placed first and Megan Miller second. Congratulations go not only to the girls but to Mrs. van Selm for the time and care she has devoted to their training.

HOCKEY

We have had a very successful Hockey season too. Out of 24 matches the 1st team won 18 and drew 3. Out of 13 matches the 2nd team won 9 and drew 1. Out of 4 matches the 3rd Team won 2. U.15 A played 9 matches and won all of them. Out of 7 matches the U.14 B won 3. Out of 4 matches the U.15 B won 2. Out of 4 matches the Junior Team won 2 and drew 1. Felicity Starr was chosen for the P.M.B. A Team and Sally Salmon for the P.M.B. B Team.

In Easter our Hockey team went on tour to Pretoria and won all their matches very convincingly.

The School's team was also entered in the P.M.B. Women's Hockey League which plays its matches on Saturday afternoons. They played against University teams, touring college teams etc., and despite their youth- or because of it — succeeded in winning the League. As a result they won the right to be promoted to the Natal Women's League. However, in spite of my husband's enthusiasm and hard work in training this team, we feel it is not wise to accept this promotion as it may put too much pressure on the girls who already have such a full school programme.

I would here thank both Mr. van Selm and my husband for the high standards we have achieved in Hockey.

TENNIS

In tennis this year we have done equally well, Paula Cox and Jancie Cook were selected for the Senior P.M.B. Schools' Team and Sheryl Gilson and Debbie Gilson for the Junior P.M.B. Schools. All four of these girls were selected for the B.P. Squad and P. Cox and S. Gilson won the Natal finals of the Appletizer Competition and will be going to Stellenbosch in December to compete in the provincial finals there.

I would like especially to thank Mrs. Ruth Stevens and Greer Stevens who so generously take our most promising players for special coaching every Friday evening.

GYMNASTICS

The school held its annual gym display on September 25th. The girls and Mrs. van Selm are to be congratulated on the variety and quality of the programme. The inter-house gym competition was won by Rhodes; Athlone came second and Connaught third.

In the individual classes —

In Stds. 1, 2, 3 Debbie Hurt and Michelle Willemsen came first. With Carol Jones second.

In Stds. 4 and 5 first was Beth Bulwer, second Megan Miller and third Jane Weaver.

In Stds. 6 and 7 Paula Cox came first, Joan Lambert second and Vivienne Macadam third.

The Senior Section was won by Janice Cook, with Miranda Train second and Lesley Matthews third.

We have been equally active in many other fields —

On 14th September this year the school was at home to the public and thanks to the Embroiderers' Guild, who exhibited examples of their beautiful work, and thanks to the skill and talent of Mrs. Colleen Poole who organised flower arrangements depicting the History in Flower, we had a lovely day. Neil Sack's Gallery put on a display of Art and weaving and a 'stable' of vintage cars created much interest. The girls served teas with grace and charm and we were delighted to welcome about 400 visitors.

OUR SCIENCE CLUBS

Have been very alive this year. The PINSSA Conference was held in June and both Junior and Senior groups attended, the Juniors presenting a paper on "Fun with Fungi". Mr. Mike Cole from the Natal Parks Board gave an illustrated talk on his own experiences in the National Parks of America and Mr. de Burgh Whyte has shown us many films on wild life. There have been several excursions which have incorporated part of the Biology, Geography and Science syllabuses.

Std. 7 visited the Umgeni Valley Game Ranch for a day. Stds. 9 and 10 in separate groups spent a weekend out at the same ranch which is near Howick and the girls spent the night 'under the stars'. All three groups studied various aspects of ecology and learnt a great deal through being able to 'look and learn'. The Natural History Club had two excursions. A small group went to Craiglea, near Inchanga, where they were taught the basics of rock climbing using a rope. A new experience for all girls — they were guided by a Mountain Club member, Pat Irwin and by John Akhurst. A second excursion undertaken by the Natural History Club in conjunction with the Std. 9 Geography class went to Table Mountain. The senior Geography students visited Johannesburg with Mrs. Niven.

I would like to thank Mrs. Steyn, Mrs. Akhurst and Mrs. Niven for giving so freely of their time to these activities.

MUSIC

In an attempt to foster a real interest in *good music* music is now an examination subject for all forms. The school has attended many concerts this year, notable among them was the classical guitarist, Fitz Burs, a Bach and Mozart chamber concert, the Dutch College Band and the symphony concert with Peter Katin as pianist. Unfortunately illness prevented our piano pupils from attending the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music examinations this year.

The Junior Choir went down to Durban to take part in the Natal Eistedfod in October. They were somewhat awed by the vastness of the Durban City Hall but as a result of the excellent guidance and training being received from Miss Murray and Miss Harland succeeded in coming second to Durban Girls' College in this event.

We were sad to lose Mrs. Shingler who left in July and whom we must now congratulate on the birth of her son. We are however very happy to welcome Mrs. Royce from G.H.S. and Miss Harland from Rodean.



PREFECTS - 1975

*Back: Penny Morrell, Alison Irons, Colleen Brownell, Bev McAdam
Front: Kerry-Lee Jones, Felicity Starr, Liz Osborne, Mrs. Stewart, Mandy Train, Jenny Hazlett, Angie Brooks.*

ART

The Art Department made an outstanding contribution to the Royal Show this year. St. John's won the Mrs. Reynolds Cup for Girls. This cup is awarded to the girls' school that wins the most points at the show. We also won the Shuter & Shooter Special Prize for the Senior School (Stds. 6-10) with the most points. This was open to boys as well as girls. We won eight Special and Merit awards (one of which was the only Special and Merit award won by any pupil in the Senior School) and twenty eight Merit awards.

We also had five works from the Junior School accepted for display at the Taalfees - an exhibition organised by the Afrikaans and Art Inspectors of the Natal Education Department.

Considering the small numbers at St. John's these were no mean achievements and I would like to congratulate Miss Wilson on all she has done to stimulate interest in Art and to produce work of such a high quality.

SPEECH & DRAMA

1975 has been a very rewarding year for the Speech & Drama Department. The first event of importance was the Speech & Drama Festival which was held over three successive days in June. All classes from Std. 1 to Std. 9 entered. There were Theme Programmes, duologues, scenes from plays and dramatizations from novels. And there were individual entries in poems,

prose, monologues and duologues. Of our seventy six entries we obtained fifty one distinctions. Athlone House won the Inter-house Drama Competition and their play "The Sixth Hour" was chosen to take part in a Festival in Durban where it was awarded Honours, the highest award given, with special mention of Patricia Stewart for an 'outstanding performance.'

Lessons given in Stds. 4 – 9 included voice production, public speaking, short talks, sight reading and interviews, costume, design, improvisation, mime and dance dramas, while Stds. 1, 2 and 3 concentrate on charol verse, extracts from plays, dance dramas and improvisation.

The Inter-house Debate took place in the first term and this was won by Athlone House. The first round of the Jan Hofmeyr Speech Contest was held at St. John's and we were represented at this contest by Margaret Edwards.

During the first six months of the year Std. 9 and Std. 10 girls attended meetings of the Inter-schools' Forum. On one occasion St. John's and Treverton played host to schools from Pietermaritzburg and District. St. John's and Treverton were the principal speakers and their talks were followed by open discussion. After tea St. John's and Treverton entertained the schools to three short plays. Forum has been very popular with staff and the pupils, as it provides time for group discussion and feed-back as well as formal speeches.

During the year parties of girls have attended a number of stage performances, viz. "The Merchant of Venice", "A Woman of no Importance", "Theatre Roundabout" by the Catherine King Theatre School and extracts from Drama by Rosalind Puller.

The school play this year was Jean Anouilh's "Antigone" a difficult play for schoolgirls, but the standard of Speech & Drama at St. John's is very high and the girls and Miss Wright are to be congratulated on an excellent performance.

On October 9th the Std. 7 class entertained the Rotary Senior Citizens at the Congregational Church Hall to an evening of poetry and prose.

At present there are forty two girls taking private tuition and on November 7th all these girls will be taking part in a theme programme entitled "People", which will include poetry, prose, duologues and dance dramas.

INTERACT

Interact, our Junior Rotary Club, held its Induction Dinner at the Royal Hotel again this year. Patricia Stewart was inducted as the President of Interact. Tessa Stretton Barry, Michelle Raubenheimer and Bridget Winnicott formed the Committee, with Alleyne Stewart, Margaret Jenkins and Sally Salmon as Directors. It was a very gay occasion with much wild dancing and celebration.

The Club has been very active this year. Members have spent many Saturday mornings in town collecting for charities. Two parties were given, one for the children at the Child Welfare Home and one for the Mary Cooke Home. A film 'Great Expectations' was shown to the school and the proceeds, R100, was donated to Life Line. The Club also succeeded in selling certain cosmetic products and the commission earned for this was given to Classes i & ii for equipment. In the Michaelmas holidays Patricia Stewart attended a special leadership course organised by Rotary in Port Shepstone and found it a valuable experience.

This last month the Interact Committee and I were guests at a Rotary Luncheon at which Prof. McMillan spoke on youth in society.

Interact intends to hold a party for several hundred African children in Zululand at Christmas and they are planning a fête for next year. The Club has collected R250 for its social service projects this year.



A.T. Eyles – Vice President Rotary International

CHAPEL

The Chapel remains very much the centre of school life and Canon and Mrs. Jenkins have done so much to create a spirit of worship and co-operation at St. John's. The religious life of the school has really caught fire this year, and the tone seems to have been set by the senior girls whose influence has permeated right through the school.

At the beginning of the year our Chaplain, with a team of adults and students, took our sixth form, together with the post-matrices from Hilton College for a weekend away to study the implications of Christian Leadership and they came back full of enthusiasm and initiative. They seem to have discovered that Christianity can be real, relevant and fun.

A voluntary Bible-study and Prayer Group has been meeting ever since, and here again students from the University Anglican Society have been coming each week to help. This group is remarkable in that it contains girls from the sixth form right through to the first form.

When little ones met in Chapel before their annual St. Joseph's Day party, they asked if they could take over from the Chaplain and run their own service, 'just like the big girls do'. They did it extraordinarily well, showing how much they have picked up from the example of their seniors. All this goes to show how much depends on the standards set by the older girls and how well the girls responded when given responsibility.

Our concern for the girls does not end with their last day at school, and we want them to continue to build on the Christian foundations we have given them here. Knowing how bewildering and crucial the first year out of school can be, we have been taking those girls who intend going to university, to join the Anglican students at their weekday campus communion. The hope is that this will have broken the ice, made them feel they belong, and introduced them in advance to the strong Christian fellowship which is there. The opportunity has been greatly appreciated, and it may do something to overcome the fall-off in church involvement amongst our leavers.

I would at this point like to say a special word of thanks to Mrs. M. Kendall, the Director of Lifeline, who has been coming into the school and holding discussion groups with girls in Std. 9 on human relationships. She is helping each girl to examine her relationships with her parents and her friends and her school, and to gain some insight into her own personality. I feel this is invaluable and we are very grateful to Mrs. Kendall for her kindness to us.

It is not possible to thank individually all those who work so hard to make St. John's what it is, but I value my staff sincerely, both administrative, and academic, for their co-operation and loyalty. It is their enthusiasm and generosity that has created such a happy environment at St. John's. I thank them personally and on behalf of the school. I would like, too, to thank both my Vice-principals, Mrs. Veldman and Mrs. Steyn, and the Housemistress, Mrs. Hawkins, for the special help they have given me, and Mrs. Greene for her personal kindness to me and her ready assistance to the staff. Mr. Young, who joined us this year as groundsman, deserves special mention. His enthusiasm and concern for the school is visible wherever you look and we are indeed grateful to him.

I would like, too, to convey my appreciation to the Chairman and Board of Governors for all they have done for St. John's this last year. They work behind the scenes and very few people realise how much of their time they give to the welfare of the school. Sadly for us, Sister Mary Richmal has felt it necessary to retire from the Board of Governors this year. Sister Mary Richmal came to the Convent in July, 1938, was professed Sister in 1941 and made Sister-in-Charge at St. John's from January 1944 to December 1948. In December 1948 she was elected Mother Superior of the Convent and 'reigned' until May, 1969. Since then she has been a dedicated and valued member of the Board and we wish her happiness and quietness in her retirement.





STAFF - 1975

OUR SCHOOL

St. John's is a small school, therefore it does not have many big buildings. When you drive in, the first building you see is the hall. It is an early 20th century building in the Cape Dutch Style, sturdy and portraying a character of its own. Then you see the boarding establishment with its proud calmness. On the two wings are the steel fire-escapes curling up to those high windows on the second storey with their curved gables. Behind these buildings are the school buildings, but not as beautiful as the others. Between the senior and junior buildings there is an old slave-bell and behind it are four classrooms which spoil the setting because they are not like the others. Nearly all our buildings are painted white with black round the base.

Our Chapel is the most beautiful of all our buildings. Inside the floor is a shiny red. The altar is of beautifully carved wood. A blue carpet comes down the steps from the altar. Along the edge of the last step there is a wooden railing with a gap in the middle. Up on the altar there are tall brass candle sticks. Also the Chapel has a pedal organ which is rather old but still produces a lovely sound. The Chapel has a calmness that always soothes your nerves.

Lessons are the worst part of everything. Bells seem far apart and teachers never seem to forget to come to lessons. Every time we are told to get our books out we all silently think of the things that we could have done if only we didn't have to do notes. Some lessons are very different, though. The thought of these lessons is the only thing that keeps our spirits up. Every time a bell goes we eagerly put those lesson books away and see what lesson is

next. If it is a tolerable lesson we will slowly get our books out but if it isn't we won't until we are asked to.

Breaks always give us a good rest before the next part of the lessons starts. When the bell goes for break we all rush out and race for the letters. There we all push and shove to see if we have a letter. There are squeals of delight when you find a letter for you and more frequently groans. Then there is the mad dash to get something to eat and drink before it is all finished. After that we usually go and get something from our tuckboxes. We then have to run back to be in time for line-up.

Sport plays a very important role in our school. Our main sports are hockey and swimming. The less important ones are tennis and netball. We have seven hockey teams. Our 1st team has been on a hockey tour. They played a number of schools and won most of their matches. Usually on Saturday mornings the hockey matches are played. During the week-ends a number of tennis matches are played but few people ever watch.

Our school grounds are very small. Down at the bottom of the grounds we have our tennis courts and wall. To the right is our swimming pool. Where the circle used to be, a big building project is going up. All over our grounds we have lovely tall trees. Most parts of our grounds have lawns clotted with flowers and shrubs.

Because St. John's is such a small school you know everyone and everyone knows you. Most of the girls are very friendly but shy. You have to know the people before you can judge them, because they are all so very different. I think that the people make St. John's a nice place. Without them St. John's would be different and I love it as it is.

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PIETERMARITZBURG BRANCH REPORT

The following office-bearers were elected at the Annual General Meeting held in April 1975 :

Chairman — H. Shaw
Vice-Chairman — G. Stevens
Treasurer — M. Shepherd

Our main concern this year has been the Fête. The idea originated at an old girl's meeting and we had contemplated running it on our own. Needless-to-say however, with Mrs. Stewart's encouragement, both girls and parents became involved. By the end of February the girls had already collected R933.

We have ourselves run various preliminary fund raising efforts, the most important of which was the raffling of a 66cm T.V. set, which raised R1 103. Special thanks to Dos Burman and Sue Volans who organised this.

We have also had very successful cake and Jumble sales, which together with the Plants sale, raised a total of R490.

We are most grateful to Mrs. Val Murray-Rogers for consenting to be our convenor. Her very efficient organisation of the Jubilee year Carnival was perhaps the reason why we turned to her.

Stall Convenors are the following :

Needlework and Knitting	— Mrs. R. Godden
Produce and Plants	— Mrs. S. Train
Flowers	— Mrs. J. Dalton
Cakes	— Mrs. M. Davis
Sweets	— Mrs. H.E. Taylor
White Elephant	— Mrs. A. Kennedy
Tombola	— Mrs. G. Stevens
Teas	— Mrs. J. Bure
Second hand books and Records	— Mrs. D. Burman
Pancakes	— Mrs. Theron
Curry and Rice	— Mrs. H. Shaw
Hot Dogs	— Mrs. S. le Roux
Hamburgers	— Mrs. S. Volans

Many thanks to them too. I know how much work this has involved and how much is still to come.

Once again we enjoyed a happy day at the Convent with the Sisters and Members of Durban Branch. This is the second time we have taken the VIth Form down to Durban, and we've decided to make this an annual event.

We had a most delightful and original Xmas Party at Rhoda Taylor's home and many thanks go to her and to all who have given hospitality in their homes this year.

Thank you, too, to the committee, for their help and support. They have worked hard and I have been inspired by their enthusiasm.

Hasel Shaw
Chairman

ATHLONE HOUSE REPORT – 1975

Captain: *Penny Morrell*

Vice-Captain: *Shirley Barker*

Once again our member of staff is Mrs. Theron. Throughout this year the house spirit has been extremely high and the members have been enthusiastic in their activities. On the whole we had a very successful year both in sport and drama and debating.

Our Inter-House swimming gala was held on the 21st February. Our cheerleaders were dressed as baby dolls and the potential of spirit in Athlone was absolutely fantastic. I am proud to say Athlone was chosen as the House with the best spirit. From the beginning it was apparent that Connaught was going to be victorious but this did not dampen our spirit. We came a well deserved second. Well done swimmers and better luck next year!

House Tennis was played on the 10th and 13th of March. Once again we were pipped to the post by Rhodes. Well done Rhodes. Congratulations to Paula Cox and her partner Sheri Gilson of Rhodes, on getting to the semi-finals in the Appletiser Tournament played in Stellenbosch over Christmas. Well done Paula and keep it up.



Athlone Cheer Leaders

The house debates were held on the 18th of March. A lot of work was put into these speeches and I would like to congratulate the speakers on a fine victory. Also to Di Naudé for getting best speaker – a very noble achievement.

Netball matches were played on the 4th June. As always the spirit and sportsmanship was fantastic. Congratulations to Connaught for a well deserved win. Never mind Athlone, winning isn't as important as good team spirit and cheerfulness, both of which qualities we really have. Special mention of

Sally Salmon as she was invited back for Natal Netball Trials but unfortunately could not attend. Bad luck Sal but all the same we are proud of you.

Our House plays were the highlight of ten years for Athlone. A well deserved win Athlone! The play which was produced was "The Sixth Hour" written by Wilfred Grantiem, the story of Judas Iscariot's last few hours on earth. Congrats to Pen for such a fantastic and moving production and also to all our actresses. Tish Stewart was voted best actress of the evening. Well done Tish – keep acting! The cast were invited down to Durban to participate in a play festival. For this performance in Durban we got an A which is really fantastic. And again special mention was made of Tish. Our sincere thanks go to Miss Wright who helped and encouraged the actresses all the way.

The Interhouse Hockey was played during the 3rd term. Congratulations to Rhodes on coming first and Connaught for coming second. Never mind Athlone, we'll show them next year! Congratulations to Sally Salmon on being chosen to play for 'Maritzburg "B" side. Keep it up Sal – What about Natal next year?

Our gymnasts did extremely well in the interhouse gym – Debbie Hurt and Paula Cox both winning their sections. Well done you two. And to the rest of you too. Congrats Rhodes on a fine victory. Bad luck Connaught, but better luck for next year.

Special mention of little Debbie Hurt for being invited to South African Schools Diving Championships. Well done Debs. Also, congratulations to Sally Salmon, once again, for being chosen as reserve to the Natal Squash side. Better luck next year Sal.

I would just like to thank Penny for being such a fantastic house captain and for all the tremendous support and encouragement she has given Athlone throughout this whole year. The spirit this year was really fantastic and I am sure it will be the same in years to come. So Athlone take Penny's advice 'yell like hell and this should ensure a shout of victory in 1976'. Everything of the best for next year Athlone – you're all tremendous.

CONNAUGHT HOUSE REPORT – 1975

Captain: *B. Macadam*

Vice-Captain: *A. Stewart*

Connaught began the year with tremendous vigour with the interhouse swimming gala. Out of the fifteen new records Connaught set eleven and came out as the well deserved victors. As usual the house spirit was outstanding and Alleyne Stewart and her fifth form cheer-leaders are to be thanked for keeping the spirit up. B. Macadam was chosen as captain and to represent the Pietermaritzburg swimming team.

The inter-house debates proved most exciting. Although the Connaught team of M. Edwards, I. Buitendag, J. Booth and M. Jenkins spoke well they failed to beat Athlone and had to be content with second place. Congratulations to M. Edwards for winning the debating cup.

With netball in full swing the Connaught players became the winners of the inter-house netball matches.

Connaught decided to break away from the old tradition of a comedy in the house plays. We chose "The late Miss Cordell" and we were awarded an A

symbol. Liz Osborne, Lee Ladbroke and Alleyne Stewart must be thanked for their support and encouragement to the actresses.

The hockey match was a thrilling one. Our first match we lost 1-0 to Rhodes, but this did not dampen our spirits and we fought back to beat Athlone 3-0 and to win second place. From the Connaught hockey players F. Starr was chosen to represent the Pietermaritzburg and Districts team.

Gym our weakest sport by far. The gym competition was won by Rhodes and Athlone came second which left third place for us.

Connaught was not extremely successful in the inter-house tennis matches and again Rhodes and Athlone left us the third position.

To sum up Connaught has had tremendous fun, spirit and success and best wishes must go to the house for the future.

A. Stewart

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RHODES HOUSE REPORT – 1975

Captain: *Mandy Train*

Vice-Captain: *Tessa Stretton-Barry*

We went back to our old tradition of having overcast weather for the Inter-house gala held in February. Well done to Beverly Macadam for leading her house to victory and to Athlone for their high apirits. Rhodes came third.

The Maritzburg and District Diving Trials were held at the Alexandra baths. Our congratulations go to J. Cook for winning her section and to M. Miller and M. Willemson for taking second and third place in their section.

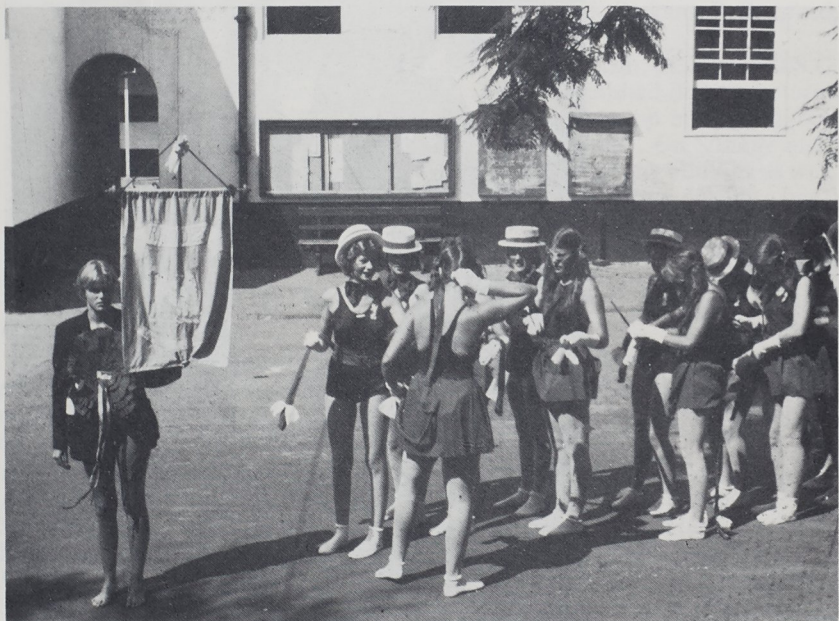
The Maritzburg Swimming Trials were held at the College baths and J. Lambert and M. Train were selected for the team. The Inter-house tennis took place in the second term. The team was J. Cook, S. Gilson, D. Gilson, P. Stanford, J. Dickens and T. Stretton Barry. They played well and Rhodes won the cup.

The house play was called "Jeannie". It was produced by J. Haslett, Assisted by K. Jones and C. Bronwell. The cast was said to have acted well but the crit was extremely poor. Special congratulations to P. Morrel for producing Athlone's excellent play, which came first. Athlone also won the house debates. Our speakers were J. Cook, L. Dale, G. Harding and P. Butts. L. Dale was second best speaker.

We managed to make up a netball team which came second. The cup went to Connaught. We made up our loss by winning both the Inter-house hockey and Inter-house gym. Thanks to Lesley Mathews who shot Rhodes' only goal (against Connaught who came second) and to Janice Cook, Beth Bulwer and Michele Willemson for winning the most points in the gym.

We are extremely proud of Colleen Bronwell who was chosen as a Rotary exchange student to go overseas to America. We sincerely hope that she recovers soon and may God bless her.

Tessa Stretton Barry



Rhodes Cheer Leaders



TENNIS REPORT — 1975

Captain: *Elizabeth Osborne*

1st Team	—	P. Cox	and	J. Cook
		S. Gilson	and	D. Gilson
		E. Osborne	and	S. Salmon
2nd Team	—	A. Stewart	and	P. Stanford
		A. Irons	and	J. Dickens
		T. Stretton-Barry	and	C. Stretton-Barry



1st TENNIS — 1975

*Back Row: Debbie Gilson, Paula Cox, Sally Salmon.
Front Row: Sherry Gilson, Liz Osborn (capt), Janice Cook.*

The following matches were played during the first quarter :

Sat.	1 February	vs	Collegiate	(away)	Match lost
Thurs.	6 February	vs	Epworth	(home)	Match lost
Sat.	15 February	vs	Wykeham	(home)	Match won
Thurs.	18 February	vs	St. Annes	(away)	Match won
Mon.	3 March	vs	G.H.S.	(away)	Match lost
Sun.	16 March	vs	Cordwalles	(home)	Match won

Our sincere thanks must go to Mrs Stevens for coaching eight players every Friday evening. The players were :

J. Cook	and	P. Cox
S. Gilson	and	F. Gilson
S. Salmon	and	J. Dickens

C. Stretton-Barry

The P.M.B. and districts tennis trials were held on the second and ninth of March. P. Cox and J. Cook were chosen to represent the P.M.B. and Districts A team and S. and D. Gilson for the B team. These four girls must be congratulated. The Smythe Trophy was held on the eighth of March and P. Cox and J. Cook came second in their section to Westville, who were the overall winners.

TENNIS TOUR —

The following girls were taken up to Johannesburg by Miss Harmuth and her fiancé :

E. Osborne (captain), A. Irons, A. Stewart, J. Cook, J. Dickens, P. Stanford, P. Cox, S. Gilson, C. Stretton-Barry and D. Gilson.

We palyed against Parktown Girls High, Bryanston High, St. Mary's D.S.G. We won two of the matches and one match was unfinished due to a storm.

We arrived in Johannesburg tired after a long journey up in the mini bus. On Saturday night we went to see the live show “Pipin”. On Sunday night we had dinner at the Carlton Centre and we had a tour of the building as well.

On Monday evening we were reluctant to come home and dive into bed! Our special thanks go to Miss Harmuth and her fiancé for taking us up and being chauffeurs, chaperones and coaches for us. A. Stewart

A. Stewart

NETBALL REPORT — 1975

Captain: *T. Crawford*

This year we managed to have a number of netball teams. The first team players were most enthusiastic but never won a match due to hockey taking up most of their time. Our thanks go to Miss Harmath and Mrs van Selm for arranging the matches and coaching the teams.

<i>1st team</i>	<i>U/15A Team</i>	<i>U/14A team</i>
A. Stewart (captain)	J. Dalton	T. Evenett
J. Cook	N. Symons	S. Starr
P. Cox	B. Rattray	D. Gilson
J. Starr	K. Nicell	S. Stretton-Barry
S. Gilson	S. Schmidt	A. Wallis
S. Salmon	M. Jones	K. McLeish
A. Rodger	M. Shaw	S. Crawford

The following matches were played during the 2nd and 3rd quarters :

12 April	vs	G.H.S.	(away)	match lost
19 April	vs	Epworth	(away)	match lost
26 April	vs	Howick	(away)	match lost
3 May	vs	Russell High	(away)	match lost
17 May	vs	Estcourt	(home)	match lost
31 May	vs	St. Annes	(home)	match lost

The Maritzburg and Districts trials were held at St. John's this year.⁷ schools came here and the team was chosen.

Sally Salmon was recognised as a promising player but due to her hockey commitments in the P.M.B. and Districts B team she was unable to play for the P.M.B. and Districts Netball team.

A. Stewart



1st NETBALL - 1975

L.-R.

Back Row: Paula Cox, Janice Cook, Pam Stanford.

Front Row: Sally Salmon, Alleyne Stewart, Tracy Crawford (Capt), Avril Rogers, Jenny Starr.

1st TEAM HOCKEY RESULTS - 1975

Team:

G: L. Steer

RH: F. Starr (capt)

RW: T. Stretton-Barry

LI: S. Salmon

Also: M. Train; C. Schmidt; J. Roberts.

RB: S. Barker

CH: J. Starr

LW: A. Rober

CF: L. Kelly

LB: B. Macadam

LH: J. McBean

RI:

vs St. Michaels (Bloemfontein)

won 4-0

Queen Elizabeths (Salisbury)

won 2-0

Greytown

won 1-0

Girls High School

lost 2-1

Collegite

drew 1-1

Epworth

drew 0-0

Russell High

won 2-1

vs Wartburg

won 1-0

Ixopo

lost 1-0

East Griqualand

won 2-0

Estcourt

won 2-0

Howick

won 3-0

Voortrekker

lost 1-0

Arundel

won 4-1

Germiston

won 4-1

Old Girls

Won 2-1

Played 16 matches: Won 11 Drew 2 Lost 3

2nd TEAM HOCKEY RESULTS - 1975

Team:

I. Shaw

G. Harding

D. Robert

A. Rogers

P. Stewart

C. Schmidt

B. Egan

L. Ladbroke

A. Stewart

M. Train

(capt)

E. Osborne

S. Dale

J. Robert

K. Rattray

L. Mathews

va Clapham High (Pretoria)

won 4-0

Loreto Convent

won 4-1

Played 4 matches: Won 3 Lost 1

vs Gert Maritz

lost 2-3

Kokstad

won 2-0

Played 10 matches: Won 5 Drew 2 Lost 3

UNDER 15 A – 1975

Played 9 matches: Won 7 Drew 2

UNDER 14A – 1975

Played 8 matches: Won 2 Drew 1 Lost 5

JUNIOR TEAM

Played 4 matches: Won 2 Drew 1 Lost 1

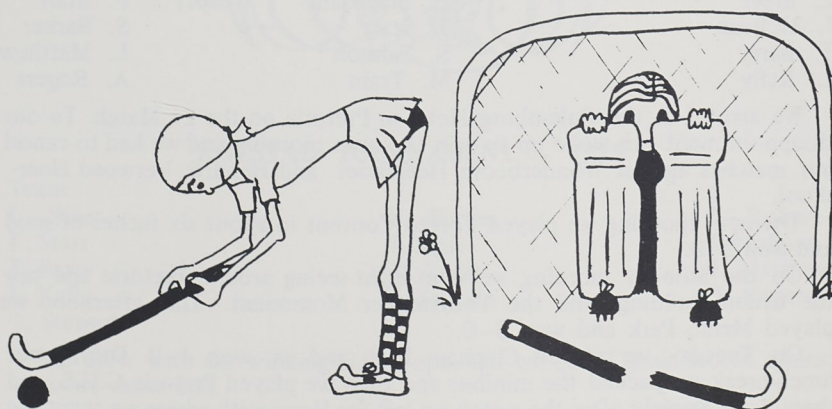
ST. JOHN'S OLD GIRLS – 1975

Team:

L. Steer	B. Macadam	F. Starr
J. McBean	J. Robert	S. Barker
T. Barry	L. Kelly	M. Train
S. Salmon	A. Rodger	S. Schmidt
D. Robert	K. Rattray	A. Stewart
P. Stewart.		

vs Voortrekker "B"	won	6-0	vs Wanderers "B"	won	6-0
Voortrekker "A"	lost	2-4	Varsity "B"	drew	1-1
N.T.C. "B"	won	1-0	Ripps "B"	won	4-0
Varsity "C"	won	1-0	N.T.C. "C"	won	1-0
G.H.S.O.G. "C"	won	1-0	G.H.S.O.G. "B"	drew	0-0
Ripps "B"	won	2-1	N.T.C. "B"	won	1-0
N.T.C. "C"	won	2-0	Wanderers "B"	won	1-0
Varsity "B"	won	2-0	N.T.C. "B"	lost	0-1

Played 16 matches: Won 12 Drew 2 Lost 2



HOCKEY TOUR — 1975



1st HOCKEY TEAM — 1975

L—R

Back Row: Jane McBean, Tessa Stretton-Barry, Shirley Barker, Jacky Robert, Mandy Train, Lynne Steer, Lee-Ann Kelly, Kerry Rattray.

Sitting: Jenny Starr, Sally Salmon, Felicity Starr, Mr. Stewart, Bev Macadam, Avril Rodger, Lesley Mathews.

Team:

L. Steer
J. McBean
T. Barry
L. Kelly

B. Macadam (capt)
J. Starr
S. Salmon
M. Train

F. Starr
S. Barker
L. Matthews
A. Rogers

We arrived at the Culemborg Hotel in Pretoria on the 21 March. To our disappointment we woke up to rain the next morning and we had to cancel our matches against Wonderboom Hoërskool and Hendrik Verwoed Hoërskool.

The next morning we played Loreto Convent in about six inches of mud and won 2–0.

On the Monday morning we went sight-seeing around Pretoria and saw the Union Buildings and the Voortrekker Monument. That afternoon we played Menlo Park and won 3–0.

On Tuesday we played Clapham High and we won 4–0. During our lunch-break we packed the minibus and then we played Pretoria G.H.S. and drew 2–2. Straight after the match we left for Harrismith where we spent the night in the Holiday Inn and arrived in P.M.B. the next day after a very enjoyable and successful tour.



L—R. from top to bottom:

Lynne Steer, Jenny Shaw, Lesley Mathews, Miss Harmith, Shirley Barker, Bev MacAdam, Mandy Train, Sally Salmon, Mr. Stewart.

Tessa Stretton-Barry, Avril Rodgers, Lee-Ann Kelly, Felicity Starr (Capt).



KOKSTAD TOURNAMENT — 1975

Team:

L. Steer

F. Starr

T. Barry

L. Kelly

A. Stewart

S. Barker

J. Starr

M. Train

S. Salmon

J. Robert

J. McBean

L. Matthews

A. Rogers

We drew with the winning side Ixopo, but we had 3 goals scored against us so we came 2nd.

Congratulations to :

F. Starr who was chosen to play for Pietermaritzburg "A" team and S. Salmon for Pietermaritzburg "B" team.

GYMNASTICS REPORT – 1975

The inter-house gym cup was won by Rhodes who had 25 points. Athlone came second with 11 points, and Connaught came third with 2 points.

The Senior winner was Janice Cook. The Intermediate winner was Paula Cox. The Junior winner Beth Bulwer. The Scraps winners were Debbie Hurt and Michelle Willemson.

Unfortunately no girls were able to attend the Natal Amateur Gymnastics Competition to which we were invited.

The Primary school competition was held in May and the High School competition was in mid-August.

The Gymnastics Display was held during the third term. Each class had their own theme in which everybody took part. The Gym Club gave a display of floor work and vaulting.

Our thanks go to Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. van Selm who made the display such a success.

Tessa Stretton-Barry



Sitting: Carol Patmoor, L.A. Kelly, A. Stewart, P. Stewart, L. Ladbroke, A. Campbell, C. McKleish.
2nd Row: S. Barker, S. Salmon, J. Lambert, L. Mathews, M. Burno, S. Schmidt, D. Lederle, A. Brooks, B. Egan, J. Starr.
3rd Row: K. Stevenson, M. Jones, K. McKleish, L. Osborn, B. Macadam (capt), Mrs. van Selm, M. Train, S. Starr, T. Stretton-Barry, J. Dalton, N. Symond.
4th Row: D. Viller, C. Winnicot, D. Naudé, J. Martin, B. Macadam, C. Stretton-Barry.

SWIMMING REPORT – 1975

Captain: *B. Macadam*

The first event to take place this year was the inter-house gala. The results of the gala were :

1st Connaught (234) 2nd Athlone (206) 3rd Rhodes (186)



LIFE SAVING – 1975

L-R.

Back: T. Barry, C. Brownell, P. Stewart, A. Stewart, L. Kelly, C. Strachan.

Middle: K. Rattray, J. Labistour, T. Crawford, P. Stanford, L. Osborne, P. Morrell, S. Barker, S. Salmon.

Front: D. Kahn, A. Macleane, B. Winnicott, A. Brookes (capt), Mrs. van Selm, M. Burns, P. Jennings, S. Joyner, C. Schmidt.

The following age groups were won by :

16 years and over: B. Macadam

14 years: A. Campbell

12 years: S. Starr

10 years: C. O'Keith

15 years: A. Stewart

13 years: J. Lambert

11 years: L. Goupille

9 years: M. Culverwell

The following cups were also presented :

The Lambert Cup for progress in swimming

The Double Cup for style

The Maxwell Cup for Diving

The Macleod Cup for most able swimmer

— A. Cambell

— I. Buitendag

— J. Cook

— B. Macadam

In the Inter-schools gala we were placed fourth. The juniors had a Private Preparatory Schools gala in which they came third.

J. Lambert, M. Train, I. Buidendag and B. Macadam were chosen to represent the P.M.B. and Districts swimming team. B. Macadam was chosen as captain for this team as well.



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MUSIC REPORT — 1975

This year we attended a number of concerts. Fritz Burn a classical Guitarist gave an enjoyable performance. The Chamber Concert was attended at the City Hall. The Dutch College Band and a Symphony Concert with Peter Katin as pianist were also attended by the girls.

Illness prevented piano pupils from attending the Associated Board Examinations for which they had been entered.

The junior choir were rather successful this year. Under the encouragement of Miss Murray they were placed second at the Natal Eisteddford held in Durban.

This year we welcomed Mrs. Royse as senior choir mistress and a piano teacher to St. John's. She had just left G.H.S. Miss Harland also new on the staff from Roedeian in J.H.B. is now teaching piano lessons to some girls and she also takes hymn practise with the boarders. Mrs. Shingler left us in July to have an infant.

Special mention must go to P. Morrell who was selected for the Natal Schools Choir 1975.

A. Stewart

ECOLOGY TOUR — 1975

The Std. 9's departed on the 21 September in St. John's mini-bus and Mrs. Ackhurst's (the biology teacher) van. It took us approximately twenty minutes to reach our destination which was the Umgeni River Valley Ranch where our Ecology expedition began.

There were two groups, one of which were to sleep in the caves over night and the other to sleep in a large tent. Our ruck-sacks were taken to our destinations for us and the two groups set off together. We spent the entire morning walking, observing certain facts of nature and at about 12 noon we had a brief rest by the river. We set off again and after walking in the scorching sun for quite a while, sat down near a cool water-fall from which we got our water supply, and had lunch. After lunch the two groups split up and went to their camps. That evening group A went on an obstacle course and group B sat around the fire and were spoken to about spotting animals in the dark. During the night we all, individually, had to stand on guard duty and keep the fire going. This we took in hourly shifts. We arose early the following morning in order to watch the sun rise.

Monday the 22nd was spent in tracking, learning why animals had died and learning about the vegetation. We were also taught the operation of the ecosystem.

After a very exhausting morning, we went down to the river which was also our bath-tub the previous evening, and swam to cool ourselves off. Lunch was spent down at the river and, after lunch, and a tedious walk back to the camps, we closed camp and, in two Combies were taken back to the base camp where a corporation bus awaited us to return to school. That evening, after a thoroughly good scrub, we collapsed into our beds, exhausted, but full of knowledge, experience and memories of fantastic fun — also of hard work.

In conclusion the Standard 9's of 1975 would like to thank all those who arranged such a super week-end for us, especially Mrs. Ackhurst for taking us and joining us on this ecology trip.

OUTING TO CRAIG-LEE — 1975

At 7.30 a.m. one Sunday in March, 1975, Std. 9's all clad in a variety of shadeless blue jeans and vast variety of gay coloured tops to match our spirits, left by St. John's mini-bus and Mr. and Mrs. Ackhurst's "taxi" to go to Craig-Lee in the Valley of a Thousand Hills. Mr. Ackhurst kindly became chauffeur and drove the mini-bus and about 13 or so girls, and Mrs. Ackhurst with about five girls in her van. On arriving at Craig-Lee, and spending about half an hour in search of the mini-bus and of our way — which we had lost, we did a little bundu-bashing and, still clutching our heads, came to a halt a few yards away from a somewhat steep descent. Mr. & Mrs. Ackhurst, whom we have much to thank for, arranged for one of their friends "Pat", (known to us all as "General") who had had some experience in mountain climbing, to take us up the mountain.

We climbed down this somewhat steep descent with cameras and all, and once all were at the bottom, we were instructed a little about mountain climbing, after which our little, or should I say our great, experience began.

We were not compelled to perform this treacherous act, nor did we feel obliged to either. However, about seven people made the attempt out of which the majority were victorious. Having conquered the height, they were asked to display their abilities and carry the lunch box down and the cool-drinks which the Ackhurst's kindly provided for us. The food was brought to the water-fall, from which we all drank and next to which our lunch was devoured by what appeared like a pack of ravenous hounds.

After lunch, we returned to the climbing sight to observe how to end off a climb and how the ropes are hauled up after the last climber who removes the pegs as well.

We then packed up to return to school, but Mr. and Mrs. Ackhurst, who seemed to have felt what we felt about ending the day at 4.30 p.m. kindly took us up to World's View before delivering the pack of "dirty darlings" to school.

A very large thank you goes to Mrs. and Mr. Ackhurst and to the General for giving up their week-end in order to give us Std. 9's a totally different and yet most exciting experience — Thank you!

OUR TRIP TO ANN'S BAKERY

On Wednesday we went to Ann's Bakery. We saw how they made meringue mixture and hot cross bun mixture. We saw them flatten a little piece of pastry in pie dishes.

When we left Mr. Westner gave us a packet of meringues and a packet of hot cross buns. Then we went to Southern Cross Bakery. We saw how they made bread. At the end we all got a loaf of bread.

Rosaline Harris — Std. 2

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Friday 26th March.



*Mr. & Mrs. A. Stewart
(Principal of St. John's
D.S.G.) and Prof. and
Mrs. J. Niven*



*L.A. Kelly (Head Girl)
and M. Platt*

MY MAGIC CARPET

One bright sunny day I was walking to school when suddenly I saw a peculiar scene, there in the sky I saw with my own eyes a magic carpet. I thought I was seeing things so I called one of my friends that I saw walking along the path and asked if she saw it too. She thought I was seeing things, so she walked off.

I said to myself, do you want to have a flying carpet Carolyn? My voice came back to me. I said in my mind call it, call it down, try some funny words, I started thinking for a while, at least I thought of a word, I shouted "coble coble, cooklies" To my surprise it drifted down softly.

It was yellow, black and blue stripes. I wondered why it had such strange stars on it. Eventually I decided to sit on it. I sat down and said "Cobble, Cobble, Cooklies". It gently lifted. I think I was too fat for it, because it went, creek, teer, creek, teer. Suddenly I went bumperty, bumperty, boomps. I landed on Lyns head. The teacher was so cross that she took me by the scruff of my neck and gave me a scolding and cane.

Carolyn Shepperson

MILKY WAY

Slowly into the blue cloudless sky.
The sun peeps over the distant purple hills
A choir of morning birds sings in the shady chestnut tree.
In the dappled shade of the tree a mare grazes daintily
A breeze gently ripples her mane
She lazily swishes her tail against her silken coat.
Beside her gambols her frisky foal
Ungainly on his still unsteady legs
Their coats are as milky as the foam on the stream.
Bubbling and frothing over the stones.
The mare as serene as the tree
The foal as bust as the river.

L. Richardson - Std. 6

THE STEED IN THE SUNSET

It appeared for a brief moment as if in tribute to the setting sun. The arched neck vibrant with rippling muscles, a powerful poise. The nostrils flared and raised towards the heavens delicate to all aromas. Mane and tail streamlined co-ordinate in motion with the waving sea of grass. The shimmering velvet coat saturated and foam flecked. It neighed — a sharp sound — carried by the breeze and echoed by the purple hills. Then it was gone a fleeting shadow in the distance.

Debbie Curtis Setchell - Std. 6

STILL TO COME

Like bristles of a broom, his mane streams behind him,
Jock knows whats in store for him,
He can smell it in the air,
Galloping through the never ending veld,
He tries to imagine the scene to come.
Men shouting breathlessly, and horses neighing loudly;
Bullets whizzing in the air, and blood curdling yells.
But now, but now silence.
It is all still to come.

G. Delport - Std. 6

MY DREAM LEAF

I saw a little butterfly
Flying delicately from flower to flower
It's autumn orange wings with black velvet edges,
Like leaves fluttering, swiftly but gently down to the ground,
Reminded me of walking under tall oak trees in autumn
With dead leaves crackling under my feet.
And fresh leaves falling on my head.
But my dreams faded,
For as I watched,
My dream leaf fluttered farther and farther away.

June Weaver – Std. 4

A RIDDLE? ?

Two faces I represent
I am one of a group of twelve.
I find pleasure in June
And I do in your future delve.

(answer: Gemini (star))

Debbie Curtis Setchell – Std. 6

(IDI) "IDIOT" AMIN

A black cloud is hanging over Uganda,
A thunderous cloud, too prominent, too overbearing.
The bull-frog image dad army-green,
Weighed down with the flashing array of false medals.
His nose is flat, flaring with evil rapture,
A strange contrast to that charming smile with it's perfect
Array of white teeth.
The man is immature, a child perhaps, with an insane thirst
for blood,
Yet a powerful, fear-worshipped figure.
He is there to reign, there to spread terror and there to stay.
He is a black cloud that can also have a silver lining.

Debbie Curtis Setchell – Std. 6

IN DEFENCE OF TOWNLIFE

I don't think I'd miss anything if I never saw a pig grovelling in the dirt.
I have always lived in Durban and always will if I can. The coloured lights of
the beach front, the yells of delight from people on the big dipper, the snake
park and salt water swimming pools, all delight me.

I love the mad rush of everyone to the tinkling of the ice-cream cart; the
bustle of the day and the elegance of night; the lighted shop windows
displaying row after row of goods.

I love the loud, gay music from the discoteques, the soft music of the
dimly lit restaurants, the silence down dark alleys which run away to
wickedness. I have enough here to last many miles of open space on the
plains; I don't need farm life'

Helen Jackson – Std. 8

BAGHEERA

The silent, sleek black figure of Bagheera.
The well known panther
Went:
Prowling.
Pouncing
Through the dark eerie night.
Suddenly — He stopped
Animals of every kind came hurrying and scurrying past.
He listened. There came the hated sound of fire.
Bagheera leapt up and went to the big lake where they waited.
In an hour the hungry yellow and orange flames,
Left a charred, smoking Jungle
Which they had loved.

Paula

“THE CAT”

Tiptoeing in the dark.
One, two, three, four,
Sly Black Cat slinks along
Paw by paw, paw by paw.
Under the trees mysterious and grey
Sly Black Cat waits till day.
While standing there great figures pass
Tramping!
Running!
On the grass.
Then the red from sunrise glows,
Making Sly Black Cat as pink as a rose.
As he leaps and runs away
He looks around as if to say
“I’ll come back here another day”.

Elizabeth Raab — Std. 4

THE JAGUAR

Seeking for food day and night,
Using his claws with all his might
His eyes shining like a luminous ball
Through the jungle and over the moor.
The jaguar can climb, swim or run.
Under the moon or under the sun.
He slinks through the trees
As quiet as a mouse
He sleeps anywhere
For he has no house.

Carole Jones — Std. 4

THE GONGDUN BIRD

1. Have you heard of the Gongdun bird?

It lives on the Isle of Bilifurd.
It eats cream cheese and custard curd
That silly billy scroogagilly Gongdun bird.

Chorus:

He's a star on his belly and he loves cream jelly.
That silly billy scroogagilly Gongdun bird.

2. He rules the pollywogs and wigwags too.
And a small, shy thing called Igwiggoo.
And he always thinks about Johnnydancydo
For he just loves dancing on the Shinglefoo.

Chorus:

He's a star on his belly and he loves cream jelly.
That silly billy scroogagilly Gongdun bird.

3. He is very, very, smart and very good at art,
And he always eats a tart in the presidential cart.
That fitty, nitty, twitty, gritty Gongdun bird.

Nicky Cunningham-Brown



L-R

Guard: Sally Salmon. Antigane: Tish Stewart. Guard: Margie Jenkins.

MY FABULASTIC BIRD

1. My Bird is Fabulastic
I think he's made of lastic.
His blood is different colours
He gets cold in summers.

2. My Bird lives in a woggle tree
He looks so far But can't see me.
3. He fell in love with a dinkydo
So beware he'll take note of you.
He eats Hou Beans ever so fast
So beware when you go past.
4. One day he fell out of the tree
Goodness greases deary me.
He ran down in to the sea
And after him went the bumble bee.
5. My Bird can't swim I forgot to tell.
And now I guess he's on the swell.

Jackie Mordaunt



Pat Butts "Creon"

MY FABULASTIC BIRD

My bird is fabulastic
It's feathers are fantastic
It dines on worms and things
but it hasn't any wings
It's a keewee from Nigeria or
from Panperia.
Its full of spots and dots
Its feathers are full of knots

It's got a hat like Robin Hood's
But the colours aren't very good.
Now you must admit
It's feathers are fantastic
It's really fabulastic.
It isn't very harmful
Though to manage it's really
quite an armful.

Rosaline Harris

THE NELY TWONG

1. There is a bird called the Nely Twong,
Who lives on the Isle of Honk,
Whose colours are shelly with a bright yellow belly,
And likes watching tely.
2. The Nely Twong lives in a cave,
And hates waves,
She paves her cave with branches of gold,
And saves her shells in the sea,
So if you see some shells in the sea,
You'll be sure the Nely Twong has lives nearby.
3. The Nely Twong lives not today,
She's sand in the sea below,
She's how not known,
She died below,
But she might come again one day.

Caroline

MY WORLD

Lying in my bed at night
When darkness stretches out it's arms
And caresses me, enfolds me into the super-natural
The world of spirits, joy, and love.
My world —
When suddenly —
My enemy, daylight,
Snatches me away
and again places me in the world,
The furnace of hell,
Where I belong
To undergo torture and torments
Until I die.
I die to live,
To live in another world —
My world —
Of spirits, joy and love,
to love and live —
Forever.

Jane Labistour

THE BLACK LEADER

The black, graceful, streamlined body
Raced the wind to the mountain foot.
As free as a bird,
As quick as lightning,
Is this black, wild stallion.
Around the prairies this stallion leads
His herd of horses, against his foe.

With the pounding of hooves,
And the neighing of horses,
They race down the mountain sides and enter
enemy territory.

Along come the cowboys,
With their lassoes swinging,
Suddenly the rope flies through the air,
And catches the leader around the neck,
With a triumphant cry, the cowboys swoop
down on the struggling horse.

D. Cox - Std. 6



TO A SISTER

You are so close to me,
We have shared so many things together —
We used to fight,
Now, we understand each other.
I think back on all the times we've had together,
How we used to play dolls —
Fight with the next-door kids —
Always together.
I remember when you used to get into trouble
How I used to cry with you.
Then as we grew older,
We still used to cry together.
How big our problems used to seem,
Comparing one heartbreak with another . . .
Yet as we grew up, we didn't grow apart,
We became closer —
Shared problems and happinesses.
Today you are to be married —
I watch you as you carefully

Put on your beautiful dress of white,
 The look of radiance in your eyes —
 My sister, we won't drift apart,
 Just as you will repeat your marriage vows,
 I will think back on the vow that we have made —
 Never to grow apart . . .

Mandy Burns — Std. 9a

A DROP OF SALT

Last night I felt a drop of water of my cheek.
 At first I thought it was a raindrop that had escaped through my
 open window.
 But then I realized it was not a raindrop.
 It was warm
 and the night was dry.
 I knew then Mom.
 It was a tear.
 I knew then Mom.
 You were going away.
 It was your Farewell.

Sally Hall — Std. 9

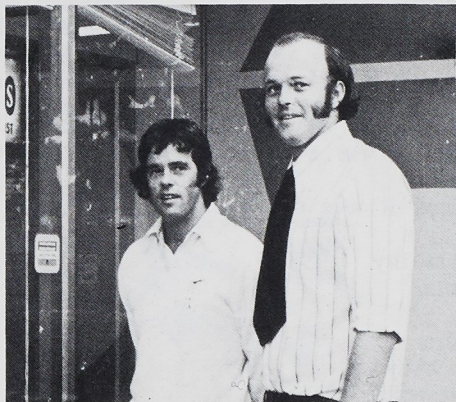
ONS SWEMGALA

Ons het Vrydag swemgala gehou.
 Daar was baie toeskouers en swemsters.
 Dit was 'n mooi sonnige dag.
 Daar was drie laers, Connaught, Athlone en Rhodes.
 Al die standerd 9's het snaaks aangetrek en ons was almal opgewonde
 Ons het geskree en gesing.
 Al die swemsters het baie vinnig geswem.
 Daar was wedrenne, afloswedrenne en 'n mooi waterballet vertoning.
 Baie mense het rekords geslaan en bekere gewen.
 Na die swemgala het Mev. Stevens die bekere oorhandig en
 Mev. Stewart het 'n toespraak gelewer.
 Connaught het eerste gekom,
 Athlone tweede
 en Rhodes derde.
 Ek is in Connaught.
 Na die gala het ons huis toegegaan.
 Almal het die gala geniet.

K. Strachan — Std. IV



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Brooks	C	C	D	C	D							D	SM	C
Brownell	C	C		B	E	B	D						SM	C
Crawford	C	C	D	B	E							D	SM	C
Davey	E	E	E			D			G		D		S	
Labistour	E	E	F					E	FF	F			S	
Dundas St	D	E	F			E			E		E		S	
Haslett	C	C	E	D	E							E	SM	D
Irons	C	B	E	D	E							D	SM	D
Jones	B	B	C	C	B							B	SM	B
Joyner	C	D	C	A			B					E	SM	B
Ladbrokee	D	D	D					E	E		D		S	
Macadam	B	C	B	C	B							D	SM	B
McLean	D	D	E					E	D	G			S	
Morrell	B	B		B			C	D		C			SM	B
Mumford	D	C	D			D			E	E			S	
Osborne	B	C	B	B	D							D	SM	B
Robert	D	E	D						C	D		D	SM	D
Shaw I.	D	D	D			D			D		D		S	
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White	D	C	F			E			E		D		S	

PRIZE LIST — 1975

Tokens of Appreciation —

Head Girl's Cup	...	E. Osborn
Head Day Girl	...	M. Train
Head Server	...	P. Morrell
Long Attendance	...	K.L. Jones, M. Train, P. White

Sports Cups —

Swimming:

Henwood Cup for Progress	...	A. Campbell
Doulle Cup for Style	...	M. Train
Maxwell Cup for Diving	...	J. Cook
Macleod Cup for Most Able	...	B. Macadam
Lambert Cup for Inter-house	...	Connaught
Dalton Cup for Synchronised Swimming	...	J. Starr, T. Barry

Gymnastics:

Scraps	...	D. Hurt and M. Willemssen (tie)
Kay Miller Cup (Junior)	...	B. Bulwer
Heather Dukes Cup (Middle School)	...	P. Cox
Kerby Shield (Seniors)	...	J. Cook
Murray-Rogers Trophy (Inter-House)	...	Rhodes

Tennis:

Bunnies	...	K. Rattray
Under 14	...	C. Stretton Barry
Titren Cup Under 15	...	P. Cox
Raubenheimer Cup (School Champion)	...	P. Cox
Inter-House Cup	...	Athlone

Deportment:	...	P. Stewart
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Inter-House Hockey:	...	Rhodes
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Goodman Cup for all round Sport:	...	M. Train
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Class Prizes —

Std. 2	...	C. Bull
	...	N. Cunningham-Brown, C. Shepperson, R. Harris
Std. 3	...	E. Raab
Std. 4	...	M. Penny
Std. 5	...	L. Richardson
Std. 6	...	J. Brien, V. Macadam
Std. 7	...	J. Currie, B. Rattray
Std. 8	...	D. McBlain
Std. 9	...	B. Winnicott

Special Prizes (Std. 10 only) —

English	...	P. Morrell
Afrikaans	...	A. Irons
Housecraft	...	P. Davey
Mathematics	...	S. Joyner, P. Morrell

Art	...	P. Morrell (History)
		A. MacLean (Prac.)
History	...	B. Macadam
Geography	...	C. Brownell
French	...	K.L. Jones
Biology	...	E. Osborn
Physical Science	...	S. Joyner
Typing	...	D. Robert
Speech & Drama	...	P. Stewart
Speech & Drama Honours Certificates	...	P. Butts, C. Strachan
Music	...	S. v.d. Merwe
Labistour Cup for Debating	...	M. Edwards
Accounting	...	D. Robert
Dux of School	—	P. Morrell, E. Osborn

ST. JOHN'S OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION

43rd ANNUAL REPORT

Office bearers for the year were:

Chairman: H. Shaw
 Vice-Chairman: Ann Steer
 Treasurer: Sue Volane
 Secretary: Sue Le Roux

Maritzburg Branch Representatives:

Collie Davis, Royce Godden, Christine Quicke.

Durban Branch Representatives:

Joy Jackson, Peggy Burns, Phylis Bazley.

Association meetings have been held quarterly.

Bursaries have been awarded to:

Tracey Evenett — Border, for 2 years.
 Dibby Curtis-Setchell — Boarder, for 1 year
 Terry van de Riet — Day-girl, for 2 years

We raised our Boarder bursaries from R200 to R250 last year, and we are considering raising them again in proportion to the rise in school fees.

The urgent need for money to equip the new buildings was evident at our last A.G.M., and the decision to hold a Fête was taken then. Response to the idea was enthusiastic and energetic, and the major part of the last year has been spent in Fête preparations.

We feel that with the new buildings and their facilities, St. John's will be able to offer a wider and better education, and we have all been pleased to contribute to the progress of our old school.

My sincere thanks to my Committee and to all who have helped during the year.

Hazel Shaw — Chairman

ST. JOHN'S OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION
Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1975

Bursary Fund	1982,04	
<i>Add:</i> Amount Invested	<u>6080,00</u>	8062,04
Life Membership	141,79	
<i>Add:</i> Amount Invested	<u>2940,00</u>	3081,79
Association Account		258,34
Magazine Account		<u>126,49</u>
		<u>R11528,66</u>
Represented by:		
Cash in Special Savings Account	2009,51	
Cash in Savings Account	<u>499,15</u>	2508,66
Trident Building Society		
10 year Fixed Period Shares —		
Bursary	3580,00	
Life	<u>140,00</u>	3720,00
Trident Special Savings Account		1000,00
Palmer's Trust Mortgage Bond —		
Bursary	1500,00	
Life	<u>2800,00</u>	4300,00
		<u>R11528,66</u>

DURBAN BRANCH REPORT — 1975

With the loyal support of a small group of members, the branch continues to function. We have held regular monthly meetings at various members homes and have raised funds with cake and jumble sales.

The response to the fête appeal has been good and I feel that the extra effort has brought members together.

On two occasions our meetings have been held at the convent. Once with the P.M.B. Old Girls and St. John's Sixth Form, and the other our regular monthly meeting with a buffet supper. Both occasions were extremely enjoyable. Our thanks go to Rev. Mother and the Sisters, not only for allowing us the use of the Convent but also for their continued interest and support.

The Branch is indebted to Lyn Medway who as Treasurer continues to manage our finance and to Gwen Anderson our Secretary.

In conclusion I would like to appeal to "New" and "Old" Old Girls — come and join us — we need you.

Joy Jackson

OLD GIRLS ASSOCIATION NEWS — 1975/76

ADENDORFF, Shirley (Aggett-Griffin) — Married with two daughters Catharina and Rosemary and living happily in Rhodesia.

- ANDERSON, Gwen (Tedder) – I have a new teaching post at Durban Girls College and am still the Secretary of Durban Old Girls.
- BARTLEET, Jane (Eweg) – Helps to run a Health food shop in Rosebank. Sharon and Trevor are at Convent St. Marys School and Shaun is at school in Linden.
- BAYES, Judy (Miller) – Living in Johannesburg. Eldest daughter passed her matric last year.
- BAZLEY, Phyllis (Baatvedt) – Is a proud Granny of three and is very busy as Superintendent of St. James Sunday School in Durban.
- BEEVERS, Denise (Medway) – Living in England and has three children Simon (7), Nicholas (5) and Michelle (18 months). Had an enjoyable trip to S.A. last year.
- BEYLEVELD, Robyn (Allenbrook) – Third child – girl, born 6/2/76 making family of two boys and a girl. Two older stepchildren still at home and two away at university. With three dogs (one a St. Bernard) and two cats the family is now complete!
- BONYNGE, Anne (Swan) – Recently returned from London and now living in Johannesburg.
- BOSWORTH-SMITH, Gwen – Engaged in October to Barry Heard – Still working for attorneys as secretary in Durban – had a most enjoyable trip abroad for three months last year – saw several school colleagues.
- BOSWORTH-SMITH, Jean (Peerman) – Still farming at Nottingham Road. Mervyn completed Post-matric at Hilton College and awaiting army training course beginning in July.
- BRAY, Rozanne (Wallis) – Has a part time job as a Sister in Doctors rooms. Also acting as Cub Mistress in my eldest son Graham's scout group which is proving enjoyable and educational! Roger started school this year and have Gavin (2) still at home.
- BROWN, Susanne (Eweg) – After five months in and out of hospital with thrombosis last year – now teaching in her own beauty clinic mornings only and for daily exercise therapy rides her horses in the afternoons. Rosanne and Lorraine are both in High School now.
- BROWN, Alison (Darby) – Now farming in the Somerset East district after having spent six months touring overseas last year. Their first child, a son was born in January.
- BURMAN, Doss (Spiller) – Living in Pietermaritzburg and has two children Richard (5) and Franwyn (4).
- BURNS, Peggie (Mossop) – An interested Old Girl – youngest daughter Amanda in Std. 9 at S.J.S.
- CAIRNS, Rosemary (Jackson) – Had a lovely trip to England last April, Dione (12) is in Std. 6 at St. John's, Neil (9) still at Athlone.
- CHRYSTAL, Colleen (McKenzie) – Gordon at Alexandra High School, Alistair at Athlone, the girls still at home.
- CLARK, Gillian (Schouten) – Settled in Cape Town and recently had a third son.
- CLIFF, Katharine (Swan) – Living in Ladysmith, three children, eldest at school, two at nursery school.
- COOK, Moira (Richards) – Alive and well and living in Hillcrest.
- COUBROUGH, Dorianne – Working for Town and Regional Commission at Natalia in Pietermaritzburg as a planning Technician. Is to be married to Trevor Hornby in May.

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- COUBROUGH, Marianne — Just returned from a nine month holiday in Europe and England and is nursing in Johannesburg for a few months.
- DALTON, Jenefer (Henwood) — Living in Pietermaritzburg — busy with large garden, citrus and pottery. Has one daughter left at S.J.S.
- DALTON, Mandy — Living in Pietermaritzburg and very happily employed in advertising for a newspaper.
- DALTON, Pippa — Doing her midwifery at Addington Hospital — engaged to marry Dr. Rob Armstrong.
- duPLESSIS, Jenniffer (Macqueen) — Baby Colleen Dianne born 22/11/75. Still living in Durban.
- ENGLAND, Teazle (Fricker) — Is teaching at Prep. School in Yorkshire which is run by her husband's family. Always thrilled to see South African friends.
- FINLAYSON, Jane (Allen) — Living in Surrey, England. Husband works for local government — is teaching and has three children, Jennifer, Caroline and William, all at school locally.
- FISHER, Diana (Lee) — Children Hayden (5) Lee-ann (3.1/2) — running ante-natal relaxation classes in Athlone Park.
- FOOTE, Jane (McClelland) — Living in Langebaawaag C.P. (air-force base) has an 18 month old daughter Sally.
- FORTMANN, Gillian (Wilkinson) — Living in Camperdown and has a little boy Martin 2.1/2 years old.
- FREDERICK, Wendy (Henwood) — Linda writing final nursing exams at Greys in March then going overseas in April — starting midwifery at Addington in July. Robyn happy at Addington studying radiography.
- GACE, Betty (Blackler) — Living in the cottage on her sons farm in Bergville.
- GOOD, Charlotte (Ridgway) — Youngest child Geoffrey just started school in Creighton. Three daughters are boarders in Ixopo. Have met Norma (English) who lives near Umzinkulu.
- HALLOWES, Helen (Chennells) — Have sold the farm at Nottingham Road and are living at Winterskloof where we are altering the house.
- HAMILTON, Jean (Hinton-Catherine) — Is now Senior Secretary at Durban Girls High School and is moving to a new flat in Marriott Road in February.
- HONGO, Jenifer (Ivins) — Children Louise (7) class 2, Vicki (5.1/2) and Michale (3.1/2) at Nursery School. Spends every spare minute doing pottery in 'Toti. Sees Di Fisher daily at school.
- HOPWOOD, Valerie (Fletcher) — Living in Durban — has a baby daughter Caroline.
- HOYTE, Margaret (Hamilton) — Was married to Trevor Johan Hoyte on 14/11/75 in St. James Church, Durban. Is now Sister in Charge of a floor at TAFTA and loves looking after her "old ladies".
- JACKSON, Gwynneth (Flemmer) — Has started firearms lessons with S.A. Police also Zulu lectures. Hoping son from Canada will visit soon — enjoys old girls cheery meetings.
- JACKSON, Joy (Salmon) — A daughter at St. John's. Visited U.K. last year and stayed with Teazle England.
- JENNINGS, Evelyn — Running her own advertising design studio in Pinetown, keeps her fully occupied — has been operational for 15 months now. Recently saw Jenny Keegan (Lee) and her sister Val whilst dining out, the

- first chat to either of them since S.J.S. days ten years ago. Any old girls in Pinetown are welcome to call by or phone – shall be delighted to see past friends again.
- leROUX, Sue (Medway) – Living in Pietermaritzburg and has two sons, Hein (4) and Matthew (10 months).
- MAGGS, Barbara (Hallowes) – Resigned from her job with the personnel department of Greatermans last September and her son Rowley Rupert was born at the end of October.
- MATTHEWS, Margaret – Has entered Fourth year Medicine at the University of Cape Town.
- McCLELLAND, Sue – Working at City Health Department, Pietermaritzburg.
- McINTYRE, Shirley (Ridgway) – Has a son at College, daughter at G.H.S. and younger son at Clarendon School. So pleased to be living within visiting distance of each other now.
- MEDCLAF, Rhone (Richards) – Alive and well and living in Johannesburg.
- MEDWAY, Lyn (Strachan) – Living in Durban – had a most enjoyable trip to the Far East in October.
- MILLS, Lynette (Porrill) – Now living in Estcourt, where together with her husband own and run the Estcourt Drive-In. Have three daughters, the eldest started school at the beginning of this year.
- MILNER, Joy (Allenbrook) – Came out from Australia for second unexpected visit this year with two children and husband Greg in January. Visited both sisters – Lynne at Elandskop and Robyn in Port Elizabeth. Moving from Pert to Melbourne.
- OUWEHAND, Dianne (Cole) – Has also had to leave Lourenco Marques and is now living in Port Shepstone. Her two sons Gua and Mark are at school at Highbury.
- PAUL, Valerie (Aggett-Griffin) – Still flitting around the world.
- PIEW, Sue (Bayldon) – Enjoying living in England, now in Somerset with three children at school so able to practice Physiotherapy again.
- POCKET, Gail (Harper) – Living at Kearsney, has two children Wendy (4) and Justin (2).
- PRATT, Ruth (Chennells) – Lost her husband, Thomas, last August.
- PURNELL, Margaret Ann (A'Bear) – Still in Glenashley, Eldest daughter Deanne at High School, Sally Ann at Primary School and Sue at Junior Primary.
- QUARMBY, Pamela (Goodman) – In her 26th year of teaching, son Patrick (22) completed B.Com at Stellenbosch University and daughter Jane (19) on A.F.S. in Texas. Living in Johannesburg.
- QUICKE, Christine (Jamieson) – Teaching Std. 1 at St. John's, loving it. Three children Michael (20), Jill (10.1/2) and Mary (7.1/2).
- RAULSTONE, Glenda – Completed Botany Honours degree in 1974 and spent most of 1975 in the U.K. and the continent. Hs now returned to do a Bachelor degree in Town and Regional Planning in Durban.
- ROSE, Margaret – Still lives and works in Pinetown.
- SHAW, Gaynor, (Lee) – Daughter Lorraine an old S.J.S. girl is in her third year teaching training at Edgewood College in Pinetown, son Gower has just written his matric and starts army training at Heidleberg in July. Tim is a prefect in his final year at Maritzburg College – he made the Natal Schools cricket team last year.
- SHAW, Hazel – Is our hardworking Chairman of the Old Girls Association

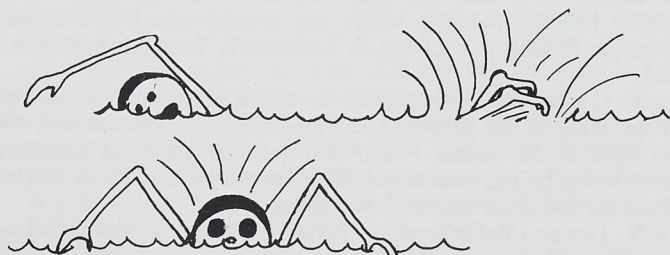
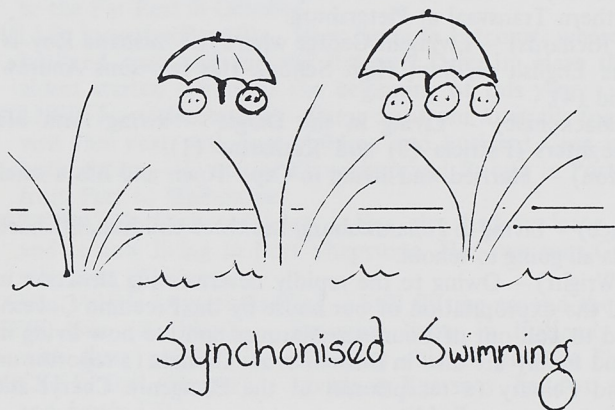
- SHAW, Ina — Had a very enjoyable tour overseas and is now doing her nursing training at Entabeni in Durban.
- SHENTON, Barbara (A'Bear) — Barbara and her husband Bob enjoyed a Farmers' tour from Zambia, where they live, to Australia and New Zealand last year. Their eldest son is farming in Zambia. Jill is at Edgewood Training College at Pinetown and the two younger children at school in Rhodesia.
- SHEPHERD, Margaret (Peacock) — Living in Pietermaritzburg and has two children Mark (4) at St. John's Nursery school and Linda (2).
- SHUTTLEWORTH, Winkie (Shaw) — Has been teaching at Epworth for five years — left at the end of last year and concentrating on her weaving on a small farm newly acquired at Nottingham Road.
- SIMKINS, Myrle — Spent a most enjoyable sea cruise for a month over the Christmas and New Year holidays with her sister. They stopped at Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, Santos and Montevideo.
- SIMPSON, Caryl (Abbot) — Married David Simpson in April 1975 and now living in the Northern Transvaal at Pietersburg.
- SIMPSON, Deline (Richards) — Living in George where her husband Roy is Vice-Head of the English medium High School. Has two sons Andrew (5.1/2) and David (4).
- SMITH, Lindsay (Mackenzie) — Living in the Dargle — loving farm life and has two daughters (Patricia (3) and Katharine (1).
- SNAITH, Sue (Dalton) — Married and living in Cape Town and has a small son Justin.
- SAROUR, Vera (Gace) — Living in Johannesburg, has three children, Michael, Gillian and Nicola all going to school.
- SPENCE, Pauline (Wright) — Owing to the rapidly deteriorating situation in Mocambique and the expropriation of our house by the Frelimo Government we decided to pull out of Lourenco Marques and are now living in Durban. Lynn and family are also in Durban as are Graham (a reporter on the Mercury) and Felicity (a receptionist at the Elangeni), Cheryl and family are still farming near Peddie.
- SPILSBURY, Cynthia (Gace) — Was married on 20/9/1975 to Rob Spilsbury, a farmer in Harrismith — enjoying farm life.
- STEAD, Shirley (Wilkinson) — Farming in Umlass Road, area. Has a daughter (7) and a son (5).
- STEVENS, Gillian (McKenzie) — Working as a doctors receptionist now. Michelle (9) is in Std. 2 and Gregory (7) is in class 2, both at St. Johns — Claire is 2.1/2 years old.
- STREEK, Deena (Clayton) — Had 3.1/2 months holiday with husband in U.K. and Europe during 1975 and will again be in Edinburgh from March 1976 for some months to help when the second grandchild arrives.
- STUART, Veronique (Kinsey) — Living in Ladysmith, Baby Murray now a lively toddler.
- TAYLOR, Rhoda (Davies) — Moved back to Pietermaritzburg about two years ago after living in the country. Rejoined Old Girls Association; one daughter on staff at St. Johns — also two granddaughters as boarders. Other children living in and near town. With another old girl have started attending shooting and Zulu lessons — still drawing cats!
- VAN HEERDEN, Denise (McClelland) — Living in Orapa, Botswana. Two children Annalise and Deon.

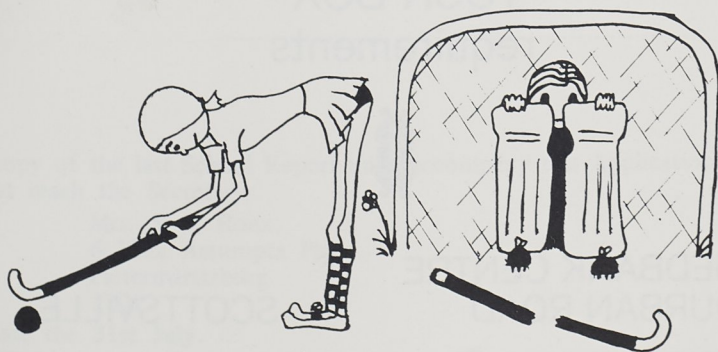
VOLANS, Susan (Whithey) — Living in Pietermaritzburg and has two boys Luke (3) and Simon (6 months).

WATSON, Lynne (McKenzie) — Son Kevin a boarder at Merchiston, the girls Bronwyn and Meryl still at Underberg school. Had a lovely trip overseas in November/December.

WEST, Jean (Mackenzie) — Is doing public health course in Maidstone, England. All three children at school and loving the country life in Faversham, Kent.

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Years in which Bursary will be required

Name and Initials of Father or Guardian

Address

Mother's Maiden Name

Date Mother attended St. John's

Is Mother a Member of the S.J.O.G.A. Yes/No

Present Standard of Applicant

Names and Addresses of two References:—

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A copy of the last School Report must accompany this Application, which must reach the Secretary:

Mrs. S. le Roux,
6 Villa Assumpta Place
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St. John's Old Girls' Association

To: The Hon. Secretary (Mrs. S. le Roux)
6 Villa Assumpta Place, Pietermaritzburg, 3201.

I herewith enclose the sum of R1/R6,30, and apply to be enrolled
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