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## News

### RETIREMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD -DR A.A. LLOYD

A dinner was held in the Memorial Hall on the 22nd November, 1984, to mark the retirement from the Board of Governors of Dr Anson Lloyd, and Mr Dick Hennessy as a member of the staff. The dinner was presided over by the Rector, and was attended by present and past Governors and their wives, together with members of staff and their wives.

Dr Lloyd was a Governor for over 28 years, 9 of which were served as Chairman, and Mr Walter Strachan, Chairman-elect of the Board, in making a presentation to Dr Lloyd of a painting of the School by Errol Boyley, paid tribute to his great contribution to Michaelhouse over this very long period.

The Rector and Dr A. Lloyd

An extract of Dr Lloyd's reply follows.

Although parting can be sweet sorrow, and farewell and goodbye can be sad moments, I do not regard this as a parting, because I intend to remain very much part of the Michaelhouse Community. I will always be willing to serve in whatever capacity I can, to assist our Chairman and Rector, from the experience I have acquired in the affairs of this school over a lifetime.

When our first chairman, Bishop Frederick Samuel Baines retired on Saturday 18 February 1928, having served as chairman from 1901 to 1928, he said in his farewell address in this very same Memorial Hall 56 years ago, with characteristic modesty, that he disclaimed any credit, and that anything he had done for the school had been, and always would be, a pleasure, in that it was done for Michaelhouse.

I too claim no credit, nor seek any accolades for any achievements as a member of this Board, or as its chairman, because I believe firmly that we work together as a happy team, and no member is greater or more important than the others. I have always recognised that my long connection with Michaelhouse has done for me, far more than anything I have done for the school.

So, I am able to look back as I walk down memory lane together with you my dear friends and colleagues, and recall the years. Nine years is a long

time to have sat in the warm, sometimes hot, but always pleasant seat of the chairman. Twenty eight years is an even longer period to have sat around the Board room table, for eighteen of which I faced the stern gaze of My Lord Bishop, Vernon, who made a great contribution to the development of this school by his vision, wise counsel and firm control, and flanked on either side of me were Ernest Hudson Bennett and Neville James, a formidable trio indeed!!

But fifty years and more is half a century, of a life time "love affair", and my thoughts tonight turn back the clock to 1927, or fifty seven years ago. When my mother, informed me of her intention to enter me for the first ever scholarship exam in the hopes that I might manage to get into Michaelhouse for the last two years of my school education at a net annual fee of £60, had I won, which I didn't.

So, my introduction to Michaelhouse followed in February 1928 when, as little boys of 12, wearing short trousers, and with no doting parents in expensive motor cars, we trudged up the dusty road from Balgowan station, carrying our suitcases in the gathering gloom towards those forbidding battlement towers, parting with sixpence of our frugal pocket money to a willing umfaan. There, we found our places in somewhat rough, crude dormitories, and even less inviting ice-cold plunges, with not a drop of hot water, nearer than the kitchen tap, which we conveyed for our lords and masters in a paraffin tin with wire handle, when not required to clean their cricket boots and pads with bianco, or make their beds.

My earliest recollections are the laying by Bishop Baines of the foundation stone of Foundation West in the main quadrangle, on Saturday 18 February

1928. Then came the "Ad Portas" visit on 27 June

1929, of the Governor-General, the Earl of Athlone, Princess Alice and Lady May Cambridge, and, in the year after my departure, the "Ad Portas" visit of Field Marshall Jan Smuts on 22 August 1930. These events are embedded in the fabric and soul of this great place of learning.

The failure to prove myself while at school was probably the inspiration and motivation required to fulfil the ideals of Charles Hannah and our Founder. After serving for 25 years as honorary auditor of the Old Boys Club, and later for two years as its President, in 1956, when I was at the ripe old age of 42, Bishop Vernon Inman called to see me at my office to inform me that on August 1956, I had been elected as a Governor of Michaelhouse. He said - "Let me assure you that this job is no sinecure, and no prestige is attached, as in early years. It simply means hard work and plenty of it."

Having cut me down to size, as only Vernon could, I then entered on my first term of five years hard labour in rock-breaking as a member of the Finance Committee under George Boyes, and between us we passed through the tranquil years with first Clem Morgan as Rector, until his death in 1960, then under Tommy Norwood from 1960 to 1968. Then followed the appointment of "a Pennington" when Rex took over as Rector and performed a great job for the next nine years, and saw great developments in the completion of the Pennington quadrangle, named after his father Ken, another Mr. Chips of

Michaelhouse.

Shortly before the retirement of Rex, I found myself in the difficult situation of having completed almost twenty years on the Board and intending to retire, when we faced firstly, the retirement in 1974 of

Bishop Vernon as Chairman, and only one year later my good friend George Boyes, who succeeded him, was laid low by illness and compelled to retire as Chairman. As I was the next senior in line of succession, the Board did me the great honour on 21st November 1975 of electing me as Chairman, an achievement which I then believed, more than compensated for the lean years of 1928 to 1929. So I must have been a classic case of a "late developer".

I later was given even further cause for humble gratitude to the Board when, on 23rd February 1979, I was awarded the rare distinction of election as a Fellow Associate, granted only on eight occasions since first inaugurated by Ronald Currie in 1931.

This is why I feel that Michaelhouse has done so much for me, and this is why I am so happy tonight, to recall the major events in which I have been privileged to play a part, in carrying on the great traditions of our predecessor Chairmen, of whom there were only three in our first 74 years, of the Boards of Governors, of the eleven Rectors, and of the many great school teachers, too numerous to mention, who have served this school with distinction.

I have noted that since I joined the Board in 1956, that:

â€¦ numbers have increased from 400 to almost 500.

â€¦ fees have increased from R480 to R8 000.

â€¦ total fee income over the 28 years has grossed R25 million.

â€¦ the Michaelhouse Trust established from 1958 to 1964 with an original capital of R367 000, now has a market value which recently exceeded R5000 000, and has contributed gross income of more than R3000 000.

â€¦ the Development Foundation established between 1970 and 1975 with contributions amounting to R1 000 000, enabled the school to complete the Pennington quadrangle and the Schlesinger Theatre and the new laundry.

Dr A. Lloyd and Mr W. Strachan at Dr Lloyd's Farewell Dinner.

â€¦ the grand ball and Jabula fete in 1984 raised about R200 000 gross proceeds, and enabled the Old Boys to provide a home for the permanent secretary, and to improve the quality of the community office.

Among other major events which have occurred during my nine years as Chairman, we had to undertake some difficult and delicate adjustments to the policy of the Board which included:

â€¦ the admission in 1978 of the first coloured boy, who was followed during the next five years by pupils of the Indian and Black race groups.

â€¦ application for the Provincial grant in aid which provided R47 000 in 1975, and R228 000 in 1984, with a total over ten years of R1 405 000, together with a capital grant of R80 000 for new biological class rooms.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our benefactors and old boys, as well as the benefits derived from the grant, and the help given by Barclays Bank in the form of beneficial loan facilities, the Board has been able to undertake major building projects which include:

â€¦ the six new squash courts with excellent spectator facilities and change rooms.

â€¦ the Zenzane African village now completely rehabilitated.

â€¦ the Lotus Park Indian village.

â€¦ several new staff houses.

â€¦ modifications to all dormitories.

As a result of friendly relations with the then Minister of Transport; Mr Lourens Muller in 1979, it was possible to persuade the Authorities to build the new railway bridge and school entrance, since

â€¦ beautified by the impressive gateway and driveway leading to Warrior's Avenue, so named on Armistice Day 11th November 1928.

I am able, therefore, to look back with a feeling of pride that not only I, but more so, the Board of Governors, to whom I now offer my humble thanks for all their forbearance and tolerance, and the four Rectors, with whom I have had the privilege to

serve, have been able to ensure that the great traditions inherited from our predecessors have been handed on intact, and our material facilities ever better, to our successors.

But what is far more important than the material bricks and mortar, school equipment, and playing fields which are the glorious beauty of this famous school, is the product we have produced, and now are producing, in young men, totally educated in every possible aspect of their formative years as future leaders in all walks of life. As Hannah said:

â~... "The school must stand or fall on its product, which is not just the present boys, but those who

have gone before, how they bear themselves in after life, and how they show its mark upon them. This great interest, pride in, and love for Michaelhouse, should be the one great dominating influence on their lives", as it has been in mine.

Rector Neil, Chairman Walter, Governors, Staff and Friends, I have detained you for too long, but I could not resist this one special and final opportunity, of handing on to future generations, my philosophy and experience which my great love for this place has taught me. This has been a cavalcade and a great saga of kaleidoscopic exciting events in a life time which few have been privileged to experience and enjoy.

May you now go marching onwards and upwards to new pinnacles of achievement, victory and triumphs in the illustrious history of Michaelhouse.

In "Michaelhouse News" No. 15 Walter Strachan's appointment as Chairman of the Board of Governors was mentioned. However, the part dealing with his business career was inaccurate and inadequate, and amendments are being made in this issue of the Chronicle. Apologies to Walter.

#### THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD - DAVID WALTER STRACHAN

Walter's family connection with Michaelhouse goes back to the turn of the century, as part of the land which the School owns at Balgowan was donated by his grandfather, Mr Walter Jaffray. His mother, Miss Dorothea Jaffray, was the music teacher at the school before marrying a prominent Durban Accountant and young Walter made frequent visits to



the Balgowan area before becoming a pupil of the school. He was educated at Cordwalles and Michaelhouse (39-42) before joining up and serving with the 6th Division in Italy as an Artillery Surveyor. After the war he completed his articles, qualified as a Chartered Accountant and became a partner and later senior partner in his father's firm of professional accountants. During the course of his professional career he was President of the Natal Society of Chartered Accountants and Vice-Chairman of the Public Accountants' and Auditors' Board. He has been successful in business and holds a number of prestigious directorships and is currently the Vice-Chairman of theTongaat-Hulett Group.

Walter has held the office of Deputy-Chairman of the Board since November 1975. He was appointed to

the Board on 1st June 1973. He has been Chairman of the Finance Committee for 9 years and has been responsible for keeping the School's finances on an even keel.

A deeply Religious man, Walter has been involved with the temporal affairs of the Presbyterian Church at Durban North for more than 25 years. He is married to Gertrude and has 5 children; 3 sons and 2 daughters. In his spare time, he farms "Iansfield" adjoining the School and is keen on golf, tennis and trout fishing. Walter and his family have many friends and are noted for their warm and generous hospitality. All 3 sons were educated at Michaelhouse; John recently passed the primary examinations of the Royal College of Surgeons and Robert has passed his final exams towards becoming a Chartered Accountant. Andrew, who recently completed his National Service in the Artillery, sadly passed away in late December, from an asthma attack, and all of us extend our deepest sympathies to Walter, Gertie and family.

#### R.W. HENNESSEY

Michaelhouse has been served by a long list of dedicated staff. In this issue we pay tribute and say farewell to Dick Hennessey, whose name must stand high on that list of distinguished service. Dick came to the school as a bachelor in 1952. A product of Bishops, Stellenbosch University and an old Cape family, he has always been true to his heritage as a South African, and belies the criticism often levelled at schools like Michaelhouse - that they are too English. His running of the African Affairs society for many years, culminating in the institution of a political forum, now held every two years is a testament to his determination to make boys aware of their political responsibilities.

Dick was housemaster of Tatham for ten years, and the number of Tatham old boys and parents of his time in Tatham who are still "huisoriende" and always take time to visit or enquire about him is witness to the love and concern that he brought to the job. In the classroom Dick has taught Afrikaans and Geography and has been head of the Geography department since 1962. The number of boys taking Geography has risen steadily during this period to the present level of about 70 per cent of our matric candidates. This is a tribute to his capable handling of the department and to his work in the academic sphere.

On the sports fields, Dick's first love has always been hockey and he has coached the game and played it with skill and true sportsmanship during

the whole of his career here. He also coached rugby at U14A level for many years and cricket, a game at which he claims no expertise, but where he was able to encourage and pick out and push upwards those who had talent. Always a keen competitor on the staff tennis scene, he was greatly missed there, too, when an infirm shoulder prevented further participation.

Dick is a man of a quiet dedication, a convinced Christian, whose faithful attendance at worship has been an example and inspiration to all. His long battle with ill health - which is fought with never a complaint or overt sign that it exists, has been a clear beacon to his colleagues and the boys that service to others is the real purpose of life.

Dick is sometimes slow to make decisions, but his (or her!) decision to marry June in 1961 delighted all his friends, and Michaelhouse gained as much as did Dick. June's involvement with Dramatics in the school, as actress, producer, designer, costume lady, backstage dynamo and general heartbeat in this area, has been immense. Something close to fifty productions have been enlivened - and sometimes made possible - by her skill and devotion. Not content with this, she started the Craft shop in 1973 and encouraged and taught weaving and sewing to the women of the African community to help supplement their incomes. More recently she has helped in the Swop Shop, where her sense of humour has enlivened the second-hand clothing scene. June is a gourmet cook, whose invitations to dine were eagerly awaited. Our gastronomic life will be sadly depleted without her.

Dick and June Hennessy

June has also had her health battle to fight, but has encouraged us all by her cheerfulness in adversity.

We salute a remarkable couple who have immeasurably enriched the life of Michaelhouse and we wish them a long and happy retirement in their beloved Cape.

## BRIAN MILES

Brian Miles, a Michaelhouse stalwart for the past sixteen years, has decided to join the Hennessey trek and head for the Cape, to Queens College to be exact.

As benefits a stay of this length, Brian's involvement at M.H.S. has been very varied. As Stage Manager for school productions, he designed many sets and his artistic and practical gifts in this area ensured exceedingly high professional standards. He coached tennis for many years, and was responsible for the "Organised Walk" which raised the money for the building of new courts. Brian was no mean player and possessed a sizzling forehand, most times in, but, when out, it was accompanied by a yell of frustration, amiably meant, as Brian's sportsmanship was never in doubt. Brian also taught carpentry, and was the organiser of numerous Trust Tours to Johannesburg. These tours were always very well organised and varied.

### Brian Miles

In 1972 Brian, after being House Tutor for three years, took over the Housemastership of East. Here he built up a very good relationship with the boys under his care, evidenced by the number of past Eastonians who always looked for "Milo" when they returned to the scene of their early days. After seven years of Housemastering, Brian found that being Head of Department as well was too much, and relinquished the former to run Biology full time. Interviewed before leaving, Brian had the following observations to make:

#### Teaching at Michaelhouse:

I enjoyed the generally easy relationship between staff and boys, a mutual trust which has made for easier teaching; and the happy period of housemastering.

#### Regrets at leaving:

"Leaving friends and the Old Boy contact. I hope that those who used to pop in to see me at M.H.S. will do so when they pass through Queenstown".

#### Balanced education at M.H.S.:

"Within the constraints of the Matric. system and the O.B. and parental pressure for good rugby re-

sults, I feel that Michaelhouse does pretty well on this one. In one way or another the school caters for the interests of most boys and, if willing and energetic enough, most pupils will leave the school well prepared to meet the world".

In conclusion, may we say that Queens College is gaining a man of wide talents, one who always spoke well of his fellowman and who made a deep and lasting impression at Michaelhouse.

STEVE EARNSHAW

"What part of England does Mr Earnshaw come from?" I was once asked, shortly after Steve's arrival at Michaelhouse eight years ago.

"He doesn't come from England - he's from Yorkshire!" was my reply.

How best will we remember Steve? Many will associate him with rugby; combining with Eddie Hilditch to keep the Hilton pack at bay so successfully (Steve never lost a 1st XV match to Hilton); or patenting a brand of rugby for his 2nd XV that did without forwards - 0 sacrilege!; or refereeing a minor rugby match and being so determined to let the game flow that he gently seized an offside flank by the collar and held him helpless rather than blow the whistle; all this before he graduated to the Termites and ran that group so successfully.

He later moved on to Hockey and Water Polo, where he continued to pass on his love of sport to all his teams - if the boys didn't enjoy the game, then Steve believed there was no point in playing.

The most lasting memory of Steve will be a golfing one. He established golf as a Minor Sport at the school, and regularly rushed off to Mooi River or Howick with a bunch of lads. Steve's was never a natural swing, but the whole Michaelhouse community will bear witness to his dedication - Wil-

lows and Meadows will never be the same without him, beating ball after ball in the twilight.

Steve Earnshaw

Steve enjoyed his teaching too - many a budding Biologist has owed much to Steve's interest and genuine enthusiasm. Ecology was his particular concern and there he has left his mark in the Biology syllabus.

We shall miss the whole Earnshaw family: Caroline and Kay were an attractive feature of the Michael-house community - we are sure the boys appreciated their presence - with Kay particularly prominent in the horse-riding group.

Barbara ran the Tuck-shop for several years, so was always a popular figure with the boys! She also organised Bridge evenings for the Staff, with all profits going to the Farm School; the cause was worthy, the evenings always enjoyable. Of course, with Barbara's departure, many people will restart buying raffle tickets - and they say lightning never strikes twice!!

We shall miss Steve's laughter and his company; he was a fine example of a man who always spoke his mind but never bore a grudge. We wish them good luck in Australia. If Steve battles to find a job, then surely Barbara can win at least one more car to keep them going for a while!

The community will retain Gypsy, their border collie, so we will have a living reminder of the Earnshaws for a few more years. Certainly, if there are such things as ghosts, then Willows will undoubtedly be haunted by a golfer creaking into action, and a frantic dog, dripping leaves and enthusiasm as it chases the little ball.

CILLIERS AND JULIANA HEYMANS

Cilliers, never one to compromise his principles and ideals, and very much a believer in good "old fashioned" discipline, set himself very high standards, expecting and obtaining those same standards from his pupils. He was not prepared to tolerate less than 100 per cent commitment and involvement, and some of the boys may have thought him a hard taskmaster when he demanded maximum effort from them to strive for excellence in the classroom and on the sportsfield. However, underlying this outward firmness, there was a sincere concern and em-

pathy for those in his charge. This was reflected in the way in which he motivated and earned the respect of the boys.

Cilliers and Juliana, together with their three delightful children, moved to Michaelhouse in 1979 from North of the Limpopo. Cilliers immediately proved his ability as a highly competent and professional Afrikaans teacher, while Juliana displayed the same level of competence and dedication when she joined the Afrikaans department a couple of years later.

In 1982 Cilliers was appointed Housemaster of Pascoe, where he and Juliana worked together to create a well-ordered, efficient and happy house.

As 1st XV rugby coach and master in charge of rugby, Cilliers was highly dedicated and innovative and was deeply concerned with the overall development and progress of rugby throughout the school. He has studied the game thoroughly, and his ability to impart his knowledge of the game was acknowledged when he was nominated as a Selector, Assistant Manager and then Manager of the Natal Craven Week team. Cilliers was also a competent cricketer and showed his prowess as a batsman for Caversham with many ruthless onslaughts on opposition bowlers.

But behind a successful man is a supportive wife, and Juliana, in her cheerful, friendly manner, gave her full support and encouragement to Cilliers and to all aspects of school life. We wish Cilliers, Juliana and their family every happiness and success in their new life in Pietermaritzburg.

## JOHN AND JUNE WILSON

A full tribute to John and June is included in the Old Boy's section of the Chronicle; but I feel that a few words on behalf of the staff would not go amiss.

The Wilsons have been very much part of the Michaelhouse scene, generous hosts, stimulating

party-goers, and friendly to all. We will miss June's throaty laugh and keen sense of humour; and staff golf will have to find a worthy successor to John, the perennial winner of the "best knees" competition.

John and June have always been prepared to stop and smell the flowers; and one always felt that they had a deep interest in all of us and were genuinely concerned about the everyday life at the school.

It is sincerely hoped that the Wilsons will remain at B.G. and give us the opportunity to continue the cordial relationship built up over the years; and provide John with the opportunity to defend his title.

Good luck, from all of us at Michaelhouse.

#### KAREL AND ANNE VAN DEN HAAK

Karel and Anne arrived on 1st January 1980, and very quickly established themselves as people of diverse interests and talents. They both have a deep interest in and empathy for the boys in the school, and have been involved in many areas.

Karel's deep love, apart from Anne, is basketball. He was a Natal Schools' Selector for four years, coached the Natal Schools' Colts and Schools' "B" side, and took a school tour to the Cape in 1983. In his time in basketball involvement, Karel has produced no fewer than eight Natal Schools' players - the big disappointment was not getting a SA Schools' player, though he did get two reserves. Another of Karel's interests is, of course, photography, and he will long be remembered for his "candid cameras - remember the Cooks" Fancy dress party! Karel also taught the boys how to play the drums and played at school productions.

Anne is not one to sit back and let things happen. She has also thrown herself wholeheartedly into Michaelhouse affairs. "If you can't beat them join them!" the saying goes. Anne joined Karel in basketball and, in a way, beat him! It was Anne who coached the Michaelhouse side that beat the W.P. Schools' side - Karel became the official referee and Anne the official coach! Anne also became manageress of Natal Schools' Colts and "B" sides. We all know of Anne's successful involvement in the music at the school, particularly her running of the Music teaching. Anne also ran the Junior Cooking Society, but this was not too successful, as the boys wanted to eat, and not cook, so the society folded.



As we all know, their main concern and involvement was the catering of the school - arguably the most difficult job there is. Karel and Anne will always be remembered for their willingness to help, and co-operate in some trying circumstances.

Karel and Anne have made many friends, and these stay for life - remember us, for we will always remember you.

## ANNE BRYSON

It was fitting that the final farewell for a number of staff took place at Anne's wedding, in the atmosphere of Christian fellowship with which we will always associate her. Her warmth and strength as a person were well in evidence, especially to those conversant with Anne's commitment to Christian Fellowship at Michaelhouse.

Anne became Bursar's secretary in 1980 and thoroughly identified herself with life here - from taking the role of a Greek damsel in the Theatre, to joining the boys on Venture Club outings. Anne has a great love of flowers and eloquent testimony to this can be seen in the Quad and in the area of the Science Block.

As Bursar's secretary, Anne was always very bright and cheerful, an oasis of calm among screeching telephones and agitated staff looking for transport at the last moment!

To Anne and Roger, Garth and Craig, not to forget Binky, may we extend our very best wishes for the future and a happy stay at Winterton.

## INTERVIEW WITH MR ROBIN COX

T.H.M.: Did your year as Head Prefect at Bishops give you an insight into the workings of the school system and community and encourage you to pursue a teaching career?

R.B.C.: That year certainly did give me a glimpse into the way schools such as Bishops and Michaelhouse are run, the thoughts of staff towards a variety of issues, the sensitivity of housemasters when one went to see them about poor behaviour of boys in their houses, for example - yes, it was not only an eye-opener but also the most memorable year of my school career.

I learnt a great deal about my own charac-

ter, my strengths and weaknesses, which has certainly helped make my teaching career that much more rewarding and enjoyable. I came to appreciate the importance of serving the school, not taking so much for granted, and possibly more than anything else, the importance of communication - communication between staff and pupils; communication between Prefects and all types of individuals. Trying to encourage

the "rebels" to be a bit more co-operative, yet still to feel free to express their opinions, was a worthwhile experience. I was very fortunate to work alongside Mr Anthony Mallett who taught me many valuable lessons about life, particularly with regard to leadership. I was humbled on many occasions - it's never easy to admit we have made a mistake, is it? - but I was always encouraged to maintain a sense of humour and to be unafraid to express my feelings and opinions, even though it might cost me popularity. But, in the end, respect was seen to be far more important than popularity. Being a contributor to the decision-making process at the school was also a valuable experience, teaching me to look at matters more objectively, weighing up all the arguments, etc.

To answer the second part of your question: teaching had been my life's ambition since I was about twelve, I think, though I dabbled in Law for a year at University when I studied Constitutional Law. I suppose that year as Head of School made me more determined than ever to pursue my teaching career, because I always enjoy chatting to young people, helping them to gain some direction in life and trying to encourage them not to make as many mistakes as I did in my teen years.

T.H.M.: What are your views on the religious ethos of the school? Do you agree with the compulsory chapel system?

R.B.C.: I am in a distinct minority when it comes to the question of religious ethos at schools such as Michaelhouse, but since you ask the question I might as well attempt to give you an honest answer. I believe that there should be far more emphasis on the spiritual life of the school. After all, we were founded as an Anglican School, but sometimes I wonder whether or not too many of us are only paying "lip-service" to this aspect of school life! The older I get (and I'm not that old!) the more convinced I am becoming that boys who leave this school with strong moral convictions are more likely to be able to handle the pressures of life outside these protective walls. They won't have to dabble in drugs, drink exces-

sively and indulge in promiscuous behaviour as they search for a meaning in life, for they will have the strength of the Christian faith as their rock in life -hopefully, their

example will rub off on those around them!

I am not one of those who follows a modern theory that it's good to experiment in everything so that you eventually "find" yourself!

I have mixed views about Compulsory Chapel services. I enjoy the Sunday system here, with boys having to go to one or other of the services. I find the compulsory Wednesday Services uninspiring overall, but then it depends what one goes to Chapel for! We need to make the Christian faith far more attractive, so that boys might want to find out more about it. I'm not sure that's the case at the moment. Suggestions? Drop the Voluntary Service on a Saturday; have two compulsory services a week, with more staff/pupil participation; drop the house (voluntary?) Chapel services unless there is more thorough preparation and a more sincere approach from those running them.

It worries me that there are insufficient opportunities for discussion on religious issues after the C Block. I have, for example, found a great interest in Eastern religions among the boys, yet when asked what these religions profess, most of the boys haven't a clue. B Block and A Block years are the years of real questioning and searching for meanings to life, self-discovery, the role of religion in one's personal life etc. The quarterly seminars that are run for these blocks are not meeting that need.

I suppose I'm being a little idealistic when I suggest that if there were two Chaplains to share the teaching and worship the religious life of the school might be enhanced. There is too much for one person to handle.

T.H.M.: Do you think there is a good educational-sport-cultural balance at Michaelhouse? The emphasis placed on 1st Teams has been criticised. Is it justifiable?

R.B.C.: There is an excellent educational-sport-cul-

tural balance here at Michaelhouse, which I think is one of the real strengths of the school. I'm only sorry that the boys don't appreciate the cultural side a little more. The variety of societies, too, is excellent.

Is there a great emphasis on 1st teams here? I've certainly not noticed this as much as I've been aware of it in other schools I have taught at. I think this sort of atmosphere stems from coaches who tend to build their players up into demi-gods,

which does the players no good whatsoever. I don't think we have those types of coaches here. Keen, yes, but certainly not fanatical!

I don't support the idea of the whole school trotting down to the rugby field for a "war cry" rehearsal. I like to think that boys voluntarily attend matches and cheer their team on because they feel a loyalty to their school and want to cheer their friends. It's only during the winter season that our "animal" instincts appear isn't it? But then we live in a country in which rugby is the "religion" and during that time of the year many schools lose sight of the role of sport in a schoolboy's life. Although I am a hockey coach, I did coach rugby for three years and loved every minute of it (although I didn't understand the technicalities of the rules!), so I'm not trying to stir the pot!

T.H.M.: Do you agree with fagging?

R.B.C.: I think fagging has a lot of merits! You might be interested to know that during my final year at school I suggested that we abolish fagging for a term, but it was turned down by the housemasters! Sadly, though, fagging is inevitably abused and I certainly oppose the traditionalist viewpoint of fags being treated like dirt (that's probably a controversial statement!). It is important that the fag respects his fagmaster, but this respect must be earned by example, not by resorting to bullying and bellowing tactics! The fagmaster must be a mentor rather than a tyrant- if this is the case I'll support the principle of fagging any day. Such a system will also successfully humble the "golden boy" from the Prep, school who needs to be sorted out on his arrival at Senior School.

T.H.M.: What aspect of Michaelhouse has impressed you the most?

R.B.C.: Many aspects have impressed me, not just one specific one. Free bounds on a Sunday, being allowed bicycles, the number of socials during a year, the cultural life, the School Council idea, the fact that there is healthy house rivalry, the healthy relationship that exists between staff and

boys and, of course, the idyllic surroundings.

T.H.M: How does Michaelhouse compare with other schools of your experience and where does it fall short?

R.B.C: Michaelhouse compares very favourably

indeed with Peterhouse and Bishops. As I have already mentioned, there is far more emphasis on the cultural side here which can only be healthy. The standard of education, as well as the facilities offered is excellent and will be even better once a new classroom block is built, together with the new Music School.

Where does it fall short? I would like to see a greater emphasis on self-discipline, which would lead to less swearing, pride in appearance, better table manners, and, hopefully, a greater desire to serve society without expecting a reward (i.e. service points!). I would like to see a school with a more multi-racial flavour, for it is only beneficial to a child's education to live and play alongside people of all races, particularly in this country. It would be good to have more Staff-parent contact, something that was much better at both schools I taught at previously, though the situation of Michaelhouse so far out in the country does make this difficult. I would like to see the VIth Form playing a more active and contributory role in the life of the school. The year is too academic. We should be offering subjects that broaden the pupil's mind rather than concentrating on UNISA courses. I prefer the A-level system. And, on a more mundane note, I'd like to see all boys showered and dressed fifteen minutes before first period (which, incidentally I would prefer to start at 6.45 am the year round), so that at least they will be able to appreciate something they are taught during that time!

Michaelhouse is a school that offers its pupils a fantastic amount. My wife and I feel very privileged to be here and certainly hope to be around for some time yet!

INTERVIEW WITH MR B. TARR

Why did you change to teaching after starting out in business?

B.T.: The change you refer to is really not as dra-

matic as it would seem to be. My business career has been in the Personnel Management field and more specifically, latterly, Training and Development. I have, thus, been directly involved in training work aimed at the development of people in organisations for the five or six years prior to joining the staff at Michaelhouse. There are



significant differences which have required adjustments on my part, but overall I see my career path as having changed lanes rather than direction. My decision to change lanes arose out of a desire to be involved in teaching, in its broadest sense, coupled with a long-held wish to move out of "suburbia" and to farm a small property on a part-time basis.

How do you find teaching at Michaelhouse, i.e. is the community a friendly, open one?

B.T.: I believe I have been extremely fortunate to

have had my first exposure to school-teaching at Michaelhouse. Besides the fact that it is always easier to slot into an efficient and clearly stated system, I have found all those with whom I have acted to be uniformly helpful and supportive. Yes, I have found the community to be a friendly and open one, but I am also conscious of an air of purposefulness and professionalism which provides a healthy, balanced climate.

What do you feel about the hours of your job, i.e. coaching sports, umpiring, etc?

B.T.: In answer to your first question, I men-

tioned my wish to be involved in teaching in its broadest sense encompassing classroom^ sportsfield, societies etc. Viewing the job in this way I find nothing unusual in the demands that it makes on my time.

How quickly (if you have) have you settled into your new way of life?

B.T.: My new way of life is, in a way, the realisa-

tion of what was, 2 or 3 years ago, a pipe-dream. Despite this, my family and I have had to fit into a new community and adapt to a variety of different demands and situations. I think that, now, after the first year, we feel a lot more settled and "at home".

Do you find it easy to teach Afrikaans to mainly English pupils?

B.T.: I don't believe it's "easy" to teach anything

to anyone! My experience has been that learning Afrikaans as a second language has been a distinct advantage in teaching it to English-speaking pupils. I find myself able to identify fairly closely with the problems the pupils are having with the language and to provide the sort of guidance needed.

Where were you stationed before coming to Balgowan? Do you find Balgowan quiet and maybe even boring?

B.T.: We lived in Johannesburg prior to moving

to Balgowan, and my family and I are entirely happy with our decision to move to this area.

Do you have hobbies or any other interests?

B.T.: I am living on a 30 acre small-holding in

need of a great deal of attention and, for the foreseeable future, I think this will fill the "hobbies and interests" column.

So far, what is your impression of Michaelhouse?

B.T.: Extremely favourable. I have already used

the word balanced, but I am totally convinced that any boy who takes advantage of all the educational opportunities offered by the school will leave Michaelhouse with a wonderful all round education.

MR AND MRS JOHN COOK

We extend a hearty welcome to Mr and Mrs Cook, our new caterer and his wife. They have settled rapidly into our community and are most impressed by the kind, warm way in which they have been accepted.

Mr Cook originates from England, where he qualified as a baker and then as a caterer in the R.A.F. He has been in South Africa for sixteen years. Mr Cook previously worked at the mines in the O.F.S. where he catered for 10 000 workers. Before that he worked at Rhodes.

When asked to compare the boys with students at Rhodes he said that the latter were supposed to be more adult, but weren't. He has a son who is matriculating at Graeme College this year and two daughters already out of school.

He finds his job does not leave him with much spare time, and thus has not become involved in any other activities. Mr Cook has no trouble in his relationship with his staff, although he finds them lacking in training, but he is slowly teaching them how to play their roles. Problem areas in the present system, as he sees them, are hygiene, co-ordination of equipment, disposal of dirty, eating utensils and the rate at which food is served. He is presently liaising with two designers on how to improve the present system, and is intending to buy more equipment to replace old stocks and to give him the ability to make a

larger variety of puddings. He also intends to get women staff to clean the halls, as he feels they do the job better.

Mr Cook is very keen for the Kitchen Council to liaise with him effectively, as he feels they are his main means of communication with the boys.

At a rough estimate, it costs R1 400,00 per day to feed the boys. Mr Cook's main aim is to improve the variety and type of food and, at the same time, to remain within the budget.

Mrs Sheila Cook also hails originally from the UK and is a qualified Book-keeper and Computer Operator. She spent two years as Office Manageress for Wadekor Building Systems in Welkom; seven years as Financial Assistant/Sub. Accountant to the Assistant General Manager of the E.P. Building Society in Grahamstown, where she thoroughly enjoyed the money-marketing side.

This is the first time that the Cooks have worked together, and Sheila's first experience of the Catering field. We wish them a long and happy stay at Michaelhouse.

## MR BARRY STONE

Barry Stone, who replaces Steve Earnshaw in the Biology Department, comes to us from the University of Southampton, where he is reading for an M.A. (Ed).

Barry was born in England in 1952, attended Spring Grove Grammar School and then, after seven months in SA moved with his family to Salisbury, Rhodesia. He attended Oriel Boy's High, Churchill School and then the University of Rhodesia, where he graduated with a B.Sc. in Chemistry, Botany and Zoology.

He was then posted to Fort Victoria High School, where he remained for eight years, being appointed Head of Science in 1979. In September 1981 he was appointed Acting Superintendent of a school hostel, and then Superintendent. In 1982, Barry enrolled with the University of Southampton.

Barry has stated that he seeks a school, such as Fort Victoria, where there is "total involvement, total contribution". Let us hope that Michaelhouse comes up to his expectations, and that his time here will be fulfilling.

## MR REG HARRIS

Reg came to Michaelhouse in September 1983, to take on the newly created post of Projects Manager.

Natal born, Reg was brought up in the Transvaal and educated at Parktown Boys' High. He was Production Manager of SCAW Metals, and studied Production Engineering in his spare time; and then ran his own business, an Estate Company, assisted by Dawn his wife. After that, Reg was Managing Director of a Construction Company in Natal for fifteen years, before coming to Balgowan.

Reg and Dawn share recreational interests in horse-riding and Hobie sailing, both readily available in this area. Both have adapted well to the school environment and are very approachable people. We wish them a happy stay at Michaelhouse.

## MRS SANDY ROLL

Sandy, Bursar's Secretary, arrived at Michaelhouse on 4th July 1983 -her birthday and American Independence Day!

Sandy was born in Bulawayo, and educated there. After school and college, she worked for a company of Stockbrokers as receptionist and secretary.

In 1976, Sandy, Robin her husband, and their two children, Christopher and Joanne emigrated to the Republic. Here Sandy assisted Robin in his Real Estate business, as a member of the sales team during the boom years. They moved from the South Coast in 1977 to a farm in Balgowan, where they are happily settled. Sandy's love of people is apparent when one walks into her office - there is always a cheerful smile and "can I help you?" In spite of the continual traffic, Sandy manages to run her job smoothly and efficiently, and irons out the hassles of school transport, amongst otherthings.

To Sandy, Robin (a "friendly" 18 handicapper) and their family we wish a long and happy stay at Balgowan.

## MRS JILL TIPPETT

Jill, Kenyan born, took over this year from Charlene Hulley, as Rector's Assistant Secretary. She has fitted in well, especially in her friendly dealings with the boys, and in her acceptance of the many interruptions that bedevil the efforts of Di Mulinder and

herself to get on with their tasks.

Jill lived in England for twenty years and, during her stay in Kenya, helped to run a Safari business. She is a keen gardener, very good on dry arrangements, and artistic in many areas. She is also involved in farming, on a small scale.

We wish her, and Cathy, her daughter, a long and happy stay at Michaelhouse.

MR PETER SNYDER

Peter Snyder, who succeeds Dick Hennessy as Head of Geography, is an Old Hiltonian who comes to us from Vainona School, Harare, where he has been Headmaster since 1979.

Peter matriculated from Hilton College in 1953, as Deputy Head Prefect. During his school career, he distinguished himself at sport, particularly in rugby and cricket.

On arrival at Rhodes University, in 1954, he gained selection for the 1st XV; but a promising rugby career as a tigerish flank-forward was cut short because of a recurrent knee injury. Peter majored in Geology and Geography and graduated with a B.Sc.

He then had a spell in mining and moved to Rhodesia, completed a P-Graduate Certificate of Education, at the National University and commenced his teaching career at Churchill School. There he remained until 1974, when promotion took him as Deputy Headmaster, first to Mount Pleasant and then to Marlborough High School. He then became Headmaster of Vainona in 1979.

Peter is married to Jennifer, and they have two children, Nicola, a graduate of UCT and Neil who is in the "A" Block in Farfield.

We wish them all a long and happy stay at Michaelhouse.

## CHRONICLES OVER THE YEARS

CORRESPONDENCE 1909

TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir-Is it true that two ladies - Ivy and Susan - have been admitted to Michaelhouse? Though they have brothers there, yet that is no excuse for them being there.

Yours truly

B.A. Cheler.

B.A. CHELER ESQ.

Dear Sir - We have found out that we have been deceived. Say no more about it. We have sent them back to St. Anne's College.

Yours truly  
Editor.

## FOOTBALL 1899

"Captains I would divide into three classes. First we have the apathetic man, who wanders about from scrum to scrum, occasionally shouting "play up" or "mark your man". This is the extent of the advice he gives.

Estate Fire seen from the Berea

The Fire Squad

MC-6

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Again, we have the opposite extreme - the noisy hair-tearing individual who is continually screeching out congratulations and objections so that after about ten minutes his side hardly knows whether they are playing football or assisting in a betting ring. What the right man is we must try to find out. On arriving at the field a good captain should have a look round the ground, he must see if there be wind and hill, and note the space at the back of the goal between the goal line and the dead ball line.

The manner in which men are sometimes ruthlessly kicked when on the ground is absolutely disgraceful, and against the true spirit of the game. In the England and Scotland match of last year, we were treated to a great many stoppages owing to men being kicked on the head when laid on the ground. A Captain should do all in his power to prevent anything of this sort going on.

#### MICHAELHOUSE V ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS

Played at the Garrison Ground on 15th and 18th March 1899.

Result - A win for the Fusiliers by 33 runs.

(THE EDITOR'S REVENGE!)

#### NEW ARRIVAL 1904

In the train between Ladysmith and Newcastle, I came across a copy of the Natal Witness in which was the following advertisement: Michaelhouse, Pietermaritzburg, School for the Sons of Gentlemen. Rector J.C. Todd M.A. Term opens 5th Aug.

It took me a full half-hour after arriving in Pietermaritzburg to find where Michaelhouse was. "Maritzburg was very badly lit in those days, and as we groped round the street corners I began to feel I had come to the world's end. At last, in pitch darkness, we found it.

How strange it was to find two such able men as Canon Todd and Mr Spencer Tryon engaged in starting a small school of 10 boarders and 5 day boys, and I had come to help.

Still, (ex-Hilton) was made prefect, and was an iron disciplinarian, but was a poor hand at methods of red tape. I can well remember his attempts at compiling rules and regulations for his dorm. On a sheet of foolscap headed: "Michaelhouse Dorm. Rules",

were the mystic words "No boy shall -". Obviously, he would "wait and see" what the offender did and then regulate accordingly.

The first term was rendered famous by one significant and memorable event-M.H.S.' first cricket match, which resulted in an extraordinary win for the school by 1 wicket. P.M.B. College, whose num-

bers were over a hundred, had a fairly strong team -M.H.S. could barely put eleven players in the field. The ages varied from Mr Tryon, well over 40, who had not held a bat for 10 to 15 years, to youngsters of 9 and 10 who had never held a bat at all.

Scores: College 105/4; M.H.S. 106/9

I think most Michaelhouse boys realise that their masters are not their natural enemies, that they are not considered as convicts to be watched by suspicious jailers, that they are not to avoid wrong-doing because they fear to be found out, but because wrong is wrong, and lastly, that the school is to a great extent theirs to make or mar.

MR TRYON (ACTING RECTOR)

PRIZE DAY 1899

TRACK FEVER 1947

(After John Masefield and dedicated to John Morgan and Ram)

I must go down to the track again, where I seem to spend my life

At the tiresome task of making lines while the rain is running rife

And all I ask is a smoking pipe and a rest on a patch of clover,

And a quiet sleep and a sweet dream when Sports Day is over.

DADS'ARMY

Hilton have now won three games in a row, maybe this fathers' side could improve on the situation.  
(Pen pictures taken from Chronicles)

F.B.: BUTCHER W.M.: The outstanding player in

the side: his positioning, fielding and kicking are very good, and he has sufficient pace and elusiveness to play a valuable part on attack.

W. C.A.R. DRESSER: Played very well, good hand-off, runs and tackles hard.

C. D.B. HATFIELD: Stamped himself as one of our best wings in years. With quick acceleration and deceptive swerve he scored a record number of tries this season. At times very robust in defence.

C. I.W. JEFFERY: Good kick, slow - uncannily skilful (lucky) in judging a bouncing ball. Nearly always in trouble, nearly always gets out of it.

W. C.B. PERRY: Very quick to give and take a pass at speed - handling excellent - and

long and accurate kick with both feet. Has a good eye for the gap, and the speed to take it. Defence not robust enough.

F.H. P.J. HYDE: Excellent hands, speed, magnificent side-step. Frequently brilliant.

S.H. D.J.D. TWEEDIE: Never shirked in the rough, and gave a crisp, lengthy service from the base of the scrum. Could tidy up kicking.

Prop. J.H. HENDERSON: Front rank and often (Capt.) centre. Used his speed well in the tight, loose and line-out. Played eight games at centre - one of the best forwards we have ever produced. Scored 100 points from front row.

H. P.M. WATTAM: Hooked with a fair amount of success and adapted well to the position. Intelligent in line-out but lacked speed to add the finishing touches. Tackled soundly, when in position.

P. D.A. GUTHRIE: Packed very hard in front row. Bustling type, good in line-out, but inclined to lie off-side.

F. R.W.H. HALL: An extremely fast and dangerous flank, and uncannily skilful in his cover defence. Has a keen eye for the loose ball, and backing up excellent.

L. C. ARMSTRONG: Hard and solid scrummer - great courage in loose and line-out. Hangs on to ball a little too long from the throw-in.

L. D.B. MITCHELL: Improved his line-out work and linked well with the front row. Work in the loose lacked real pace.

F. W.D.C. MORPHET: Tireless worker-never

tackled high. Fine example of how, by determination, a loose forward can overcome lack of real pace.

8th: R.W. GILSON: Used his weight well in the

Man tight and was dangerous close to the line.

Lack of speed affected his potential to some extent.

## APOLOGIES TO THOSE PLAYED OUT OF POSITION

### FARM SCHOOL REPORT

The Zenzane Farm School, just a few kilometres up

the road, serves the needs of children from the

Michaelhouse estate and also the local farms. 450

pupils attend it, taught by 11 teachers most of whom have been on the staff for some years now. The Headmaster, Mr Isaac Mzila, runs a tight ship, ably supported by Mr Sipho Gaza, as vice-principal. Fees were increased this year from an average R13,00 to R20,00 per year, but these barely cover running costs, and allow little for capital development, though the Department of Education and Training will subsidise buildings and other improvements.

The pipeline bringing water from the Mooi, and the building of oxidation ponds temporarily destroyed the soccer field and the vegetable garden, but these are now functional again, partially thanks to help from Michaelhouse boys working on service projects, and mainly thanks to boys at the school: and to Mr Morgan in providing fencing.

The school takes part in all activities organised by the Natal African Teachers' Union, and Department of Education and Training. The choir, under the expert baton of Mr Sipho Gaza, won the competition for Howick schools and won 6th place in the Edendale contest. The soccer and netball teams also won their local tournaments, but did not repeat this success in the Natal tournament at Dundee.

The Bursary Fund, largely contributed to by Michaelhouse staff, continues to enable some more deserving pupils to attend high schools. However, while this further education continues to become

more and more expensive, parental income does not increase at the same rate, making this continued education often impossible. Sincere thanks are extended to those who contribute to the Bursary Fund.

The exam results have been very satisfactory, and the following pupils have excelled. Std 6 - Sipho Mdladla: Std 5 - Thulani Sokhela: Std 4- Fisani Sithole. Senior prefects this year were Matrinah Deedericks and Sipho Mdladla who have been great assets to the school in the efficient handling of their duties.

The education of Black South Africans has been sorely neglected over the years but is now receiving more and more attention at government level. However it is not merely a government matter: it is a matter of concern for each one of us that facilities improve and with them the qualifications of teachers. The obligations of Michaelhouse towards its Farm School are clear... we must be in the forefront of helping to provide for our entire community an educational foundation of which we can be proud.

D.M.R. LEWIS (Manager)

## Academic

### MATRICULATION RESULTS DECEMBER 1984

#### Name Result

Baber, A. SM (Afrikaans, Maths, Biology, Science, Art)

Baber, R. SM

Bailes, D. de L. SM (English)

Baker, D.R. SM

Barrett, G.M. SM (Science)

Bhoola, V.S. S

Bishop, J.M. SM (English)

Bisset, C.W. SM

Blacklaw, K.R.S. SM

Blades, M.A. SM

Borland, N.G. SM

Brand, M.P. S

Brannigan, B.S. S

Brotherton, J.R. S

Buchanan, J. SM (Afrikaans)

Burn, A.R. SM

Church, R.L. SM

Cullinan, R.B. SM

Cundill, G.J. SM (English, Maths, Science, History)

Curlewis, L.B. SM

Davidson, A.J. SM (Maths, Science, S. Maths)

de Knoop, J.J. SM

Desmidt, P.N. SM

Dijkman, P.A. SM

Douglas, R.C.S. SM

Edwardes, H.R. SM

Ellis, G.W.P. SM

English, M.J.C. SM

Evennett, G.L. S

Firth, W.R. S

Fleming, R.A. SM (Geography)

Forbes, A.D. SM

Garland, S.G. SM

Gillatt, J.F.S. S

Gilson, M.W.B. SM

Goschen, J.K. SM

Graham, A.D.N. SM (Biology)

Griffith, J.W. SM

Hall, A.R.W. SM

Hallier, W.P. SM

Hammond, G.A.G. SM (Geography)

Hastings, C.A. SM (Maths, Science)

#### Name Result

Henderson, M.G.C. SM (Science)

Hepker, P.N. SM (English, Science, Music)

Hochstadter, R.M. S

Holland, P.C. SM

Hulett, S.R. SM  
Hyde, C.S.C. SM  
Jack, S. SM  
Jackson, C.B. SM  
Jackson, M.C.H. SM  
Johnson, M.J. S  
Johnston, K.R. SM  
Kidd, A.B. S  
Kirsten, C.P. S  
Leishman, R.J.S. S  
Lidgett, A.G. SM (Maths, Biology, Science)  
Lyne, A.G. SM  
Marx, C.S. SM  
McCarthy, A.R. SM  
McLuckie, R.K. SM (Science)  
Meyer, W.H. SM  
Mitchell, R.V. SM  
Mitton, B. SM  
Morgan, P.G.B. S  
Mundell, G.D. S  
Nash, P.C. SM (Maths, Biology, Science, Geography)  
Niehaus, J.P. S  
North, R.F.C. SM (Science, Geography)  
O'Connell, I.G. SM  
Pennington, A.F. SM (Science)  
Phipson, D. SM (English)  
Poll, M.C.R. S  
Pon, C.N. SM  
Poole, A.J. SM  
Potter, T.H.R. SM  
Preboy, J.R. SM  
Quin, R.W.T. SM  
Randeria, R.M. SM  
Renton, J.B. SM  
Rissik, A.J. SM (Science)  
Roberts, J.F. SM (Science)  
Roberts, P.A. SM (Biology, Science)  
Robinson, N.J.C. SM (Maths, Science)



Name

Russon, C.J.

Shiel, K.N.

Singh, S.K.

Smail, R.G.

Stainbank, G.D.

Stuart-Reckling, A.

Theron, P.

Thompson, A.J.

Tilley, K.R.T.

Vallet, N.A.

Wade, P.A.D.

Whitehouse, P.C.

Williams, D.M.

Witherspoon, W.M,

Yorke-Mitchell, M.

Yorke-Smith, R.

Result

SM (Science)

S

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SM (Afrikaans)

SM (Science)

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## Summary

Matric Exemptions: A (aggregate 8)

B (aggregate 19)

C (aggregate 26)

D (aggregate 21)

E (aggregate 5)

Total: 79

School Leaving Certificates: 21

Failures: Nil

Total: 100

(88 Candidates wrote Matric Exemption)

(12 Candidates wrote School Leaving Certificate)

Distinctions: Higher Grade: 45 Standard Grade: 8

## INTERVIEW WITH MR M.E. THOMPSON

Vlth FORM TUTOR 1974-84

Q. Your aims in Vlth Form?

A. To encourage boys to seek intellectual satisfaction- not to study only to pass exams. To expose them to the political realities of South African life and to attempt to dispel the standard South African prejudices. To encourage independence, and to get the boys to make their own decisions and mistakes. They must seek information and advice, not have everything decided for them; but this is often difficult.

Q. Exams written?

A. Demand has dictated a shift away from A levels towards UNISA and, while the nature of UNISA courses does not encourage independent thinking, many boys want to get a couple of credits, and I can't see this changing. Where possible, we have continued to offer A levels.

Q. How have the Shell scholars contributed to the Vlth Form?

A. They have contributed greatly. More by their

presence and occasional incisive comment and action on the racial situation than in any other way. Their brains have impressed our boys too; also the fact that they are basically no different to whites is easily registered when you work with them on equal terms.

## VIth FORM UNISA RESULTS

Anderson, J.

Boult, J.  
Desmidt, M.  
Everrett, I.

Hammond, J.G.

Gush, R.W.  
Hamilton, H.W.

Lavender, G.  
Lloyd, B.L.  
Mkhize, E.

Magudulela, L.

Petersen, D.

Hickman, M.

Chemistry 101, 103, 104: Economics I  
Maths 101  
English I

Economics I English I Latin SLJ

Computer Studies 111 (D) 112 (D)  
Inf 101 Maths 102, 103 Computer  
Science (D) Economics  
Accounts, I, Economics I (D)  
English I Inf 101 (D) Maths 101,102  
(D) 103(D)

Economics I English I Maths 101  
Chemistry 101, 102, 103 (D), 104  
(D) Computer Studies 111, 112  
Maths 101, 102 Physics 101, 102,  
103 (D), 104 (D) Computer Science 121

Chemistry 101, 104 Physics 102,  
103,104

Accounts I Economics I (D) English  
I Maths 101 (D) 102,103

Accounts I (D) Economics I (D)  
Maths 101 (D), 102 (D), 103 (D)  
Computer Science  
Computer Studies 111, 112 Maths  
101, 102, 103 Physics 103, 104  
Computer Science 121  
Chemistry 101, 102, 103, 104  
Maths 101, 102, 103 Physics 101,  
102,103(D)

Economics I (D) English I Maths  
101,102

## SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Date: 6 August 1984

Open

Major:

1st Minor:

2nd Minor:

Closed

Cordwalles:  
Clifton Dbn:

Peter Bennett (Cowan House)  
Warwick Rebeck (Clifton Durban)  
Charles Mulinder (Cowan House)

Peter Lambert  
David Schaefer

Clifton NR: No award  
Cowan House: Andrew Versfeld  
Highbury: Christopher Field  
Pridwin: Phillip Hofmeyr  
Ridge: No award  
St Peter's: Stephen Melville  
Waterkloof: Robert Harvey  
Exhibitions  
Cordwalles: Anthony James  
Clifton Dbn: Rhan Baboolal  
Michaelhouse: Anton Strydom  
Trust

Stephen Wimbush (Westville)  
Patrick Schofield (Borrowdale)

## ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Last year we chose not to boast about the best English results in Natal, as far as Matric is concerned. This year we feel justified in commenting on the success of English throughout the school.

As a department, we value success in all blocks in the school, and we were delighted when Richard Andrews and Ryan Short from "E" Block, and Lou Levine, David Littlejohn and Stephen Beukes from "D" Block did so well in the Victoria League Essay Competition - they all deserved their prizes.

We had success in the Shell Public Speaking Festival, with our "C" Block team winning the Pietermaritzburg section and our "D" Block team gaining a Certificate of Merit - RWA is congratulated here.

The Alan Paton Competitions proved most successful - all three of our candidates - James Pitman,

J. Bishop; A. Clark; A. Walker

Andrew Walker and Paul Hepker - won through to the semi-finals of the Literary Competition, and Andrew Walker went on to come second in the Standard Nine section, with his excellent talk on Mongane Wally Serote - we are hoping for a first prize from him in 1985.

In the Alan Paton Poetry competition, Andrew Clark won the Standard Eight section, and Joey Bishop won the Standard Ten - a great honour for the school. Their winning poems are printed elsewhere in this edition.

In the English Olympiad, Gary Cundill came eighth

out of three thousand candidates, and in the Jan Hofmeyer Public Speaking, David Bailes was eliminated in the Semi-finals, by the eventual winner ironically, a boy from Howick whom he beat in the first round - first and second go through from the first round.

We are not boasting - we are saying that the range of success in these various competitions suggests that all is well with English at Michaelhouse. We have teachers who are well qualified and well motivated. If we can compete so favourably with Natal Schools at all standards, then we are justified in hoping for comparable Matric results in the future.

## AUDIO VISUAL RESOURCES

The educational technology of the electronic age, first appeared at Michaelhouse in the late 1960s when the Science Department acquired some overhead projectors and began making extensive use of 35 mm slides. A 16 mm film library was also established with Hilton and Kearsney Colleges.

Other departments then followed suit and a new department, known as the Audio Visual Department, was established to promote the use of educational technology throughout the school. An experimental lecture theatre was constructed in a building which was demolished during the construction of the Pennington Quad. This latter development saw the Audio Visual Department acquiring a permanent home and a new name viz. the Hersov Resources Centre.

Such were the developments in the 1970s that four years ago the decision was taken to appoint a full-time director to the Resources Centre. In 1983 a decision was taken to begin upgrading certain teaching areas so that staff would be able more easily to utilise educational technology in their teaching, without having to trek to the Resources Centre. In

1984 classroom 7 was extensively modified.

## Classroom 7

This classroom now ranks as one of the most modern classrooms in South Africa. It has the full range of both audio and visual equipment which permits the teacher to use either 35 mm slides, overhead projector transparencies, an audio recording or a video clip, without any disruption to the flow of his lesson. Indeed the opposite occurs: the flow of the lesson is greatly improved. Plans are to upgrade certain of the teaching areas, which are used by the Geography Department in 1985. The ultimate aim is the completion of the Pennington Quad with a series of new modern teaching areas.

### 1984 STANDARD BANK NATIONAL SCHOOLS' FESTIVAL

My attendance at the 1984 Standard Bank National Schools' Festival from 15-19 July, as one of the top fifteen in the English Olympiad, was a very enriching and rewarding experience, which I enjoyed immensely.

The schedule was very demanding. We arrived late on the afternoon of the 15th, and that evening all 1 200 pupils attended the official opening ceremony, held in the Monument Theatre, which was followed by a recital by the Natal Philharmonic Orchestra.

During the next three days we were continually bombarded with literary treats, mainly slanted toward the Shakespearean, but certainly not limited to that sphere. NAPAC's production of "Julius Caesar" and CAPAB's "Falstaff" were put on, as well as Frank Barrie's solo presentation of "Macready",

which received a standing ovation in the Rhodes Theatre. Setwork Theatre presented "The Fool in Shakespeare", and we also witnessed a production of T.S. Eliot's "Murder in the Cathedral", directed by Ray Tunmer.

During the course of each day, many lectures were delivered on setworks and Shakespeare by such well-known personalities as Prof. Guy Butler and Joseph Ribiero. There was also a wide variety of workshops, ranging from poetry interpretation to a production of the winning play of the RAPS Schools' Festival, Ionesco's "the Bald Prima Donna".

But there was more to the festival than the literary element alone. The top fifteen, as the festival V.I.P.'s, were assigned two chaperones, both uni-

versity students, whose task it was to attend to our every need. We even had our own minibus to transport us across the campus.

One of the most pleasant memories remains the relaxed manner in which we related to one another. There was not the slightest trace of friction at any stage. After the evening's activities we would adjourn to the nearby motel until the early hours, spontaneously discussing such subjects as Freudian psychology and sexism in the Bible.

As guests of the 1820 Foundation we had a dinner at their expense one night at the Grand Hotel, and on the second-last day we attended a luncheon with all the Festival organizers at the Monument Restaurant. On the last night, "The Happening" took place. This consisted of over a thousand bodies gyrating to



G. Cundill

the strains of a steel band (and later a disco) in the fountain area of the Monument. Thereafter, we retired to the motel, obtained a couple of guitars and sang and talked far into the night.

Everything comes to an end, and the next morning a rather agitated (and exhausted) fifteen pupils assembled in the Monument Theatre, where everyone was expectantly awaiting the announcement of the actual positions of the top fifteen. After rather prolonged preliminaries (during which a portion of the Rank Xerox banner suspended above the stage collapsed) we were finally told our standings, myself being placed exactly in the middle, the same position as the last Michaelhouse boy to be in the top fifteen.

After the customary tree-planting ceremony and a final milkshake in the local coffee-bar, we parted amidst handshakes, embraces and tears, ending one of the most worthwhile experiences of all of our lives.

#### SCHOOL FRENCH TOUR DURING JUNE/JULY HOLIDAYS

The party consisted of Mr and Mrs T.G. Hart, two Michaelhouse boys, J. McDonald and P. Roberts, five Hiltonians and three boys from Kearsney. The whole group ranging from Std. 7 to matric. After meeting at Jan Smuts airport on Friday 22 June, we left for Cannes, where we all stayed, separately, 'en famille'; most families couldn't speak English.

We stayed in Cannes for three and a half weeks, attending an international school, for three hours each morning (speaking French only), before going to the beach, where we swam, windsurfed and tanned; admiring the "view" around us, for the afternoon. We'd arrive home at about 6.00 p.m. Later, we would have a superb supper, before catching the bus back into town again, to enjoy the night life of the French Riviera. On Wednesdays the school took us on excursions to the nearby towns such as Grasse (perfume factories), St Tropez, Monte Carlo, Saint Paul de Vence, Eze, Port Grimaud ("Little Venice") etc. We left Cannes on 18 July, spending two days at Tours.

On the first day (Friday) we visited the famous Chateaux to the east of Tours, and on Saturday, we went westwards - tiring, but enjoyable and very in-

teresting. We also visited the wine cellars of Nouray, where all the local grape farmers send their wines.

We left Tours on Sunday 22 July, by train, for Paris, where we spent four and a half days. We spent most mornings sight-seeing - Eiffel Tower; Versailles; Arc de Triomphe; the Louvre and many other places of interest.

During the period between leaving Cannes, and leaving Paris, we stayed in Youth Centres, Hostels, or universities, which were all very pleasant and comfortable.

On Friday night, 27 July, we left Paris from Charles de Gaulle for Johannesburg after an extremely enjoyable, "educational" and interesting trip, which proved to be very beneficial to our spoken French, and knowledge of France and the French in general.

## NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE WEEK

During the July holidays Sandy Davidson, Andrew Pennington, and Richard North attended the twentieth National Youth Science Week at The University of the Witwatersrand. They were among 104 pupils chosen to attend this gathering as a result of their achievement in this year's Science Olympiad. There were a record 12 500 pupils who wrote the Olympiad, 6 500 of whom were Blacks.

In the top 104 there were: 4 Coloureds, 12 Blacks, 15 Asians and 73 Whites.

The province that scored the highest was Natal, with 38 in the top 100, followed by the Cape with 30, the Transvaal with 28 and the Orange Free State with eight. There were also two boys from Holland and Germany, ex-South African citizens who had obtained special permission to participate in the Olympiad.

piad. Of all the whites only 24 were Afrikaans speaking.

The top scholar over-all was Mein hard Hanley of Hilton College, who was also placed first in 1983. He lost 2 marks only which gave him a total of 240 out of 200, once the marks had been scaled by the computer. He also won a total of R1 000 in prize money and an equivalent amount for his school library. Hilton was also the Top School over-all, followed by St Stithians and then Michaelhouse. The top school is given the opportunity to send one of its Science masters to the International Science Convention in Tokyo.

During the Science Week itself various day-visits were organised to such places as Wes-driefontein, a fully operational gold mine, the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, the South African Bureau of Standards, Waterkloof Airforce Base and the Nuclear Development Corporation, to name but a few. These were, on the whole, very interesting and, at the majority of the companies the scholars were treated to extremely tasty lunches. In the evenings a variety of entertainment was provided, ranging from a talk on "The Big Bang Theory", a talk on evolution, to a Variety Concert on the final evening.

On the whole, it was felt that the time was most profitably spent, and that there is no reason why Michaelhouse should not manage to come first in the future.

## DON'T KILL OUR WORLD

Two atoms of hydrogen and one of oxygen - that's water, the essence of life on earth. It is the life support of even the simplest creatures, let alone modern man. But not only does it support life; it constitutes life to very great extent. Take yourself, for example, you are approximately seventy-five per cent water. So it is only too easy to see that an absence of water would mean the obliteration of life. Although water in excess is a partial killer, a lack of water is a total killer.

You may well look around and wonder "What's there to worry about? There is more water than anything else." Indeed there is, but how much of it do we or can we use? Seventy one per cent of the earth's surface is water; only two per cent of this is fit for human consumption. But due to more than one per cent of that being the polar ice-caps, there are barely two fifths of one per cent available to hu-

man use. Then again, those two fifths of a per cent also have to supply all those plants and animals that do not inhabit the oceans. Due to the hydrological cycle, water is an inexhaustible natural resource -

that is, once it has been used it is not materially lost for ever. For example, although the amount of water evaporated each day is phenomenal it does return in the form of rain. But if water is improperly utilized, as so much is today, it is lost to further use for ever, it may become unfit for consumption by humans, animals and plants.

With the progressive technological advances and human population increases of the modern age, water consumption is increasing in leaps and bounds. Consumption figures for agriculture, industry and domestic uses add up to immense quantities. And, unfortunately, a large amount of this water is being destroyed as far as further use by man, animals and plants is concerned. Literally, in his folly, man is slowly dehydrating the world.

Technology has advanced to such a degree that industry produces many different forms of deadly pollutants that are disgorged into the sea, dams and rivers, and go on to kill many life forms as well as reduce the amount of water fit for human consumption. And yet this highly developed technology is not used to develop efficient recycling plants. Surely the cost of developing and installing recycling plants is less than the eventual loss of life? - as that is what water wastage and pollution boils down to.

When talking of water pollution, one should also take into consideration the indirect causes, videlicet air pollution. Probably the most notorious example of this is acid rain, formed when sulphur dioxide and moisture in air combine to produce dilute sulphuric acid. This acid falls as rain and has, among others, detrimental effects on the growth rates of plants. Thus we can see that the problem lies not only in effluent but also in the atmosphere.

Man has been on earth for a relatively negligible length of time. Yet in this time he has successfully set about destroying his world. To err is human, but, the folly of dessicating water - the essence of life - is not one to be shrugged off. If life on earth is to continue, we must utilize our water properly. Don't kill the world - conserve water.

This essay was submitted to the 1984 Department of Environment Affairs Essay Competition.

## THE ENGINEER AND THE ENVIRONMENT

By Reiner Schneider-Waterberg. Standard VIII. This essay won Second prize in a nationwide contest

Is there a connection between the engineer and the environment? What can the engineer do for the environment? What are his capabilities, and how can

he apply them to the environment. If you see the environment as being your immediate surroundings, the engineer is, of course, one of its main creators. Houses are designed, street networks planned, electricity and water supplies installed, engines built. Ubiquitous everyday technology is controlled by the engineer.

Beauty can also be created by the engineer as part of his work. The hope for tomorrow's landscapes depends on his acting today: highway engineers have, for instance, learned that the maintenance of the traffic surface depends on preventing erosion on the road shoulders and backslopes.

Vegetation planted on these critical places, according to the modern approach called bio-engineering, also provides beauty, and makes driving less monotonous and, therefore, safer.

Mine dumps, or a small mountain of the World War Two rubble - as in West Berlin - can be changed into parks and green lungs. Obviously, there are endless variations to this theme.

A critical and surely more important field of action for the engineer lies in his influence on the natural environment. The inherent problems of our environment are almost exclusively caused by human "progress". Progress mostly in the form of technology. Technology can, therefore, at some cost, deal with the greater part of the environment's problems.

#### R. Schneider-Waterberg

The choice of technology is surely the area where mankind has the greatest influence on our planet.

But is it to the engineer's advantage to protect the environment? There are more economic ways to invest money and obtain returns for the present.

For the future, the world has to understand that it needs change in objectives.

Emphasis must rather be put on environment than on profit. The world cannot only give. It needs to be given to if we want to keep it from collapsing.

Over the past 2 000 years, mankind has compiled an impressive record of pushing back the apparent limits to population and economic growth. Yet people, expecting technological breakthroughs to go on

raising physical ceilings indefinitely, and to solve all problems, are too optimistic.

Let us look at the four main factors influencing the environment's limiting effect on growth: pollution, food supply, resources of energy and population growth.

Under those headings almost all our environmental problems can be classified. Let us see what technology does about them. Although none of these problems, solved by itself, will save the world from running into a catastrophe, we will discuss solutions to each of them separately.

Let's start with resources.

One of the oldest and most pressing problems is that of energy. We can expect to exhaust most of our energy fuels in the next century. Substitution is necessary.

Engineers have found new types of energy, as for instance solar and atomic energy.

Better techniques can provide yields out of mining waste. A relatively new and effective way of regaining metals is recycling.

The energy-intensive processes of recycling are made viable by the nearly unlimited supplies of atomic energy.

Food is the next vital aspect.

At the present rate of the population explosion our planet has to endure, a much bigger food supply is necessary.

This can be done in several ways which fall under the heading of bio-engineering.

In my view the most important is preservation of soil. This is done by stopping erosion and the extremely important preservation and maintenance of plant cover.

This again is done by dam-building, using grazing management, slope stabilisation, minimum tillage techniques, and promoting natural vegetation as ground cover in the form of trees and grass. Crops and, possibly, also animals that are more efficient, can be designed by performing genetic manipulations at the cellular and even molecular level.

Microwaves from satellites can monitor factors like soil moisture, crop and grazing conditions and desert encroachment. Biotechnology has unlimited potential. Crop and animal diseases can be predicted by monitoring the weather. Pests and other diseases are researched and controlled by better technology. Protein can even be gained from methanol and can enrich all feeds and food. These developments could alleviate world food shortages.

Also, the water problem is about to be solved - a new, cost effective, reverse-osmosis process can desalinate sea water and even purify polluted water.

As a result of progress in the form of tremendous industrial development the world over, pollution has become a serious problem. For these damages the engineer must be blamed to a great extent. But we mustn't forget that he can stop them too. It is possible for the engineer to purify polluted water, air and soil in endless different ways. He is only limited by his own inventiveness - and the dictates of big business.

Lastly our population problem. The technological solution would be to provide better methods of birth control by improved technology of manufacture and widespread effective communication.

Yet even with sufficient energy resources and a minimum of pollution, with increased yields from agriculture of undreamed-of abundance and a controlled birth-rate, the result will most probably still be a collapse of humanity before the year 2100. The growth of production the earth can offer has a limit. The basic behaviour of the world tends towards exponential growth followed by a collapse.

The application of technological solutions alone will prolong the period of population and industrial growth, but it will not remove the ultimate limits to that growth.

Technology will remain a decisive factor and will perhaps solve the world's problems in co-operation with other disciplines. The engineer has built our



world as we know it, and we rely on his sense of responsibility. He has the moral obligation to create and apply a set of ethical standards for the long-term survival of humanity.

## THE MICHAELHOUSE EXCHANGE SYSTEM REVAMPED

A new aspect was introduced into the exchange system at Michaelhouse as seven Standard 9 boys from Voortrekker and Michaelhouse swapped environments for a week. The idea was born from the success of a similar system that has been operating with Port Natal, Voortrekker's Durban counterpart, for some time. The exchanges offer Standard 9 pupils an opportunity to gain a greater insight into the workings of schools often thought to be at opposite ends of the educational spectrum, and the people involved. Although Michaelhouse is private and English, whereas Voortrekker and Port Natal are Afrikaans and under Government auspices, there were many inherent similarities. The medium of education obviously differed, but the systems are surprisingly similar.

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### Voortrekker Exchange Students

All the boys lucky enough to be involved in these exchanges were impressed with the strong cultural undercurrents evident, and the balance in terms of education and sport. Most impressive, however, was the hospitality shown by the teachers and pupils, as the boys slotted into the school routine, and by the families who provided lodging. This is the only aspect in which Voortrekker revealed their inexperience, by providing male mentors only. Parties were provided by the host schools for the Michaelhouse visitors. All things considered, this week of orientation proved to be a highly enjoyable experience, during which new friends were made and school bonds strengthened. It can only be hoped that the Voortrekker boys enjoyed themselves equally, and that this opportunity will always remain as an ambassador to better understanding.

View from road behind Baines

View from the Chapel Tower

## 'FLU CLOSED THE SCHOOL IN JUNE

The influenza epidemic which swept through South Africa this year hit Michaelhouse hard, and closed it for about a fortnight.

By mid-June 150 out of the total of 477 boys were ill. The school doctor warned Rector Neil Jardine that

unless the school closed the number of sick would double in three days. Already two houses had been converted into hospital wards to carry the overflow from the San.

So the mid-year exams were cancelled except for the matriculants, who remained at the school for a few more days to complete them, sporting fixtures including the first rugby/hockey tournament with Hilton were washed out, and all the boys were bundled off home ten days before the normal end of term.

Just as well. Almost immediately after that 80 per cent of the staff went down.

## LEADERSHIP AT MICHAELHOUSE

Efforts were intensified in 1984 to create better and bigger brothers to do the watching over, as the Standard 9 pupils of Michaelhouse were launched into a crash course of Leadership under the auspices of the MAST organisation.

This course of management and skills training involved the whole of B block, who were used as guinea pigs of sorts by the "Masters", who have never catered for South African schools before. All present were presented with files containing much useful and pertinent information regarding the component parts of leadership and a number of group exercises. A panel of three lecturers then proceeded to portray their points in a colourful manner with frequent audience participation. Discussion groups were formed at the completion of each section and practical examples were shown through leadership exercises.

A few boys were given an opportunity to specialise in the art of leadership when they were invited to attend the annual Rotary Youth Leadership course

at the University in Pietermaritzburg. This was a far more personal course as, although open to a number of schools of both sexes and different race, it spanned a full week. This was a highly worthwhile week, during which public speaking was coached by the Toastmasters, human relations techniques and memory training by a former teacher of the Dale Carnegie course and an informative speech given by Mr Raymond Ackerman, the business tycoon of Pick 'n Pay acclaim, on management. This course also allowed for frequent social mixing with the pupils from the other schools, which stimulated an informal atmosphere conducive to learning. The attempt to extract any "leadership potential" that might be lurking in our unsuspecting midst was then concluded as a questionnaire dealing with the do's and don'ts of prefect-orientated situations.

## Chapel Notes

The Scripture Union mission to the school this year came as a prelude to the Africa Enterprise mission of 85 and was led by Paul Culwick and Iain Anderson who came, after all, with an added bonus as far as the boys were concerned in Pippa Ross, of whom one boy wrote, "Pippa was the main attraction, for us boys are not used to having good looking teachers who are witty as well." Seriously, the boys did enjoy the mission and appreciated the efforts made on their behalf by the team which also included from time to time Mark Straney of Africa Enterprise.

Bishop Michael came to us to confirm 21 boys who committed themselves to Christ in Confirmation on June 15th. A number of boys are now confirmed in their home parishes; this is a practice which is increasing and one which we applaud and hope to see become even more popular. Naturally, for some boys, this is an impossibility. Bishop Michael will visit us again early in the new year when the A Blockers will experience his teaching and pastoral gifts in a seminar.

Admission to Communion continues to be valued by the boys. There are those who leave the school still of the conviction that they are not yet ready for Confirmation. Boys of all ages from E to A blocks still continue to come up at the time of the administration of the Eucharist in order to receive a blessing.

On Tuesdays this year a new member of staff, Robin Cox, has been responsible for the voluntary chapel services which have been enjoyed by those who have participated in them. Wednesday morning services, which are of obligation, have been conducted by the Layministers and the Senior Master. We are, as always, very grateful to those priests and ministers who kindly give of their time and ministry to come out to address our boys and staff. We are especially grateful to Fathers, Rod Boyd OMI, Hylton Knowles, Arthur Hills, John Wiseman SDB, Rod Smith, Hugh Harker, Ray Horrocks, Gordon Melrose, Richard Martin, David Jenkins, Andre de Villiers, Roger Sparks and Malcolm Sargent.

Collections were given to ... The Christmas Stamp Fund for Malnutrition and Pulmonary Disorders, the Natal Blind Society, St James Hospital Lesotho, the South African Child and Family Welfare Society, the Diocesan Ordination Fund, Durban Indian Welfare, Avril Elizabeth Home, the Bishop's Discretion Fund,

the Community of the Precious Blood (who include our seriously sick in their devotions, for which we say thankyou very much) St Luke's Homes of Healing, Scripture Union, St Cross Home, the National Cancer Fund, SA Legion and Poppy Day Fund, and the Pietermaritzburg Community Chest.

At the instigation of the Rector the Michaelhouse Prayer Book has been revised and reprinted, with Liturgy 75 and a New Translation of the Psalms printed for worship by Wm. Collins and Sons Ltd.

1985 will see the largest enrolment yet and the chapel seating, already terribly cramped for full school Eucharists and Wednesday and Friday worship which is of obligation, will be strained yet more, which is not conducive to meaningful participation in worship.

The fine, robust singing continues to be a feature of our worship thanks to Mike Thompson and Derek Tasker. Many people commented on the fine singing by the choir and the spirituality of the Advent Carol Service which came even before Advent had begun this year. Our thanks to Derek and Muriel Tasker for the music of the carol service.

As 1984 ends we must report that preparations are under way for the Africa Enterprise mission led by Michael Cassidy, and his team; and that preliminary activities and meetings are being scheduled as a run up to the main effort in the third quarter of the year.

In conclusion we must say thankyou to all who assist in our worship in anyway whatsoever, especially to our Layministers, to our musicians, servers and choristers (from E block to A) chapel cleaners, washers of linen, arrangers of flowers, polishers of silver, to all who enhance the beauty of our worship by their especial contributions.

MISSION TO MICHAELHOUSE -  
2nd to 9th September

The visit to Michaelhouse must be one of the happiest and most successful teaching weeks conducted by the current staff-and this in spite of the fact that it was bracketed by important school events (Speech Day, and Sports Day and the Matric Dance) which kept staff and boys pretty busy. The team were warmly welcomed and quickly made to



feel at home by the Rector, Mr Jardine, and the Chaplain, Stephen Hall, in whose houses they stayed. Paul, Ian and Pippa were joined for the week by Mark Straney, the Australian ("ullo, cobber") who helped Paul at the St John's mission in May.

If "happy" describes one characteristic of the week then "solid" and "deep" describe others for it would appear that the Gospel made a substantial impact on the school. From the outset, interest ran high, with many good questions and discussions in the classes, and substantial attendances at the voluntary meetings. The team was also kept busy chatting to boys during the afternoons, and it was clear that it was not mere interest - there was genuine hunger for spiritual truth. As has happened in the past, a good many boys' faith was strengthened, but it was also tremendous to see a number make thoughtful and serious professions of faith as a result of what they had heard.

Another feature of the week was the excellent relationships established between boys and the team - facilitated by the odd game of squash, touch rugby, and meals with the school. These have led to a sizeable number of Michaelhousians applying for Skogheim in January, but it has also made good follow-up possible: Pippa and Paul went to the school fellowship (which has, incidentally, increased considerably in size) in early October, while Ian and Pippa spent nearly two days there later in the month. It was most encouraging to see those who made a profession of faith pressing on through the problems of peer pressure and doubt, and helping one another in various ways.

All in all, the visit to Michaelhouse has proved a rich and fulfilling experience, and we commend to your prayers those overseeing the spiritual life of the school - particularly Stephen Hall, and the two masters involved in the school fellowship, Andrew Cook and Robin Cox.

## CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.W. Cook

Committee Members: W. Meyer, K. Johnston, P.

Hepker, G. Embleton, T. Otter.

1984 has seen significant growth in the Christian Fellowship at Michaelhouse. We have moved into the old Natural History room and this has proved a

congenial meeting place and focus for the fellowship's activities.

Once again, we have been privileged in the number and quality of speakers who have given up their time to come to speak at Michaelhouse. These talks, generally held in the Christian Fellowship Room on Tuesday nights from 7.45-8.30 have been as inspiring and challenging as they have been various. To mention but a few, we have heard a remarkable piano evangelist, John Lawton; Mr Dick Pagett presented a film and a talk on his brainchild, Tsanga Lodge, a rehabilitation centre for war wounded in what was then Rhodesia; Philippa and Gerald Dede-kind gave us an audiovisual presentation on their work with ACAT. To all these good people go our most sincere thanks.

Seminar: "Christianity and Sport"

Andrew Cook; Brian Booth; Trevor Goddard; Rector.

In the third term, Scripture Union in the Private Schools led a week of teaching at Michaelhouse with the question "Why bother with Jesus?" as a theme. Meetings, which were held in the Crypt, were well-attended and many boys found their approach relevant and challenging. At the end of the term we hosted an inter-school fellowship meeting, at which pupils from Wykeham, Treverton, St. Anne's, and Hilton attended, much to our mutual benefit.

Michaelhouse again participated in the 40 Hour Famine this year and some 142 boys raised R2 056,00 between them to help feed the hungry.

In 1985, Mr R. Cox will take over the organisation of the Fellowship and we all look forward to his enthusiastic and caring leadership.



## House Notes

### FOUNDERS

Housemaster: Mr K.D. Sowden

House Tutors: Mr J.W. Miller, Fr S.C. Hall

Head of House: M.C.M. Jackson

House Prefects: B.S. Brannigan, G.A. Hammond, I.G. O'Connell, R. Yorke-Smith.

The absorption into Founders, its traditions and its spirit of a big group of "cacks" has been one of the major preoccupations of this year's prefects. The team spirit and house loyalty exhibited by the prefects have been fine examples to the house and a great support to the housemaster in his first year in office. An especially pleasing part of Founders for the last few years, and this year was certainly no exception, has been the great house spirit evident in all aspects of house participation. This has helped to make Founders a most enjoyable house to live in, and to make even the most dismal failures seem worthwhile.

Congratulations go to all of last years matrics and especially to Steve Carter, who gained an A aggregate with three distinctions. This year the Founders Gym team were able to make history. For the first time since 1938, when it was first started, Founders won the Youngleson Shield competition, taking the cup from a "dangerous" East who have won it for the last six years. Special congratulations to both senior and junior teams for their hard work and dedication, to their captain Paul Carter and the "old man" of the team, Guy Hammond, for his high scores.

Once again the Gala was an exciting day, with Founders coming fourth after a tough battle with Tatham. Delme Thomas, swam in the U13 freestyle final, Mark Stephens and Graeme Duane were both placed in the U14 breaststroke final, Grant Hawkins, came third in the U15 butterfly, and Dennis Venter, Iain Guthrie and Fraser Conlon swam in the open age group, (Iain Guthrie and Fraser Conlon coming

2nd in the butterfly and backstroke respectively). All deserve congratulations for their effort. Things did not go as well on the rugby field, with the seniors' being soundly beaten by a very strong Pascoe side in the first round, and our junior team being de-

feated in a nail-biting final by East, after our captain and a number of our best players had fallen victim to illness and injury.

Founders came second in the Standards competition, and fourth in the relays. Sports Day saw a number of talented Founders athletes in action, with Rob le Sueur gaining four first places in the U14 age group and Grant Hawkins two firsts and two seconds in U15. We gained third place in the cross country, with Grant Hawkins winning the junior run in a new record time.

Our strong hockey team, led by Natal Schools' representative Richard Yorke-Smith, reached the semi-finals, where they were defeated in a very close match by Pascoe. The Founders' Shooting Team put on a suprisingly good effort to be placed second with 668 points out of a possible 800, only 2 behind the winners.

This year's House play was written and produced by Dennis Venter and Paul Carter, who also took leading roles. The production, entitled the "A Scream", was a farce based on the popular A-Team series. The two producers can congratulate themselves on a fine effort, which gained us a popular third place. The acting ability of James Quin and Andrew Henderson served to enhance the production greatly. The Inter-House Music didn't go off quite as well, despite a real team effort by all the House and especially by our group of talented musicians led by John Goschen and Ian O'Connell.

We were, unfortunately, unplaced in the Public Speaking. Another win was chalked up by the Junior tug-of-war, who out-pulled all opposition in a gutsy performance. The seniors', however, in spite of the services of a self-confessed "professional coach" were out-pulled in the first round.

Whether this was due to the coaching or the inability of the team to remember even the most simple techniques, for more than 30 seconds, is a moot point.

Another positive aspect has been the very full involvement of boys in extra mural activities and ser-

## FOUNDERS GYM TEAM (Discobolus Winners)

L-R: G. Hammond; F. Conlon; P. Carter; A. Owendale

vice projects. We have nine boys in the choir, the Pacesetter Chairman of the award winning Natural History Society, Ian Guthrie; the only recipient of the Endangered Wild Life Fund tie, Robert Brown, and several active committee members of societies, as well as successful instrumentalists, dramatists and debaters in the house. Finally the following deserve congratulations.

### Brains Bars

Sloan G., Curtis-Setchell G., Grobler C., Whelan T., Tatley R., Whitaker C.

### Service Ties

Todd A., Guthrie I., Sloan C., Clucas J., Raynor G. (see award), Price M., Carter S., Owendale A., O'Connell I.

### Honours

Yorke-Smith R. (Hockey)

### Colours

Owendale A. (Hockey)

### Teams

Hammond G. (Rugby), Jones N. (Sailing), Venter D. (Rugby), Herbert B. (Waterpolo), Jackson M. (Waterpolo).

### Salvete

Anderson /?., Duane G.K., Francis S., Grobler C.G.,

Le Sueur R.A., Osmond K.J., Quin J.D.W., Robson

I.S., Stanistreet P.C., Versfeld M., Wallis J-P., Williamson C.R., Yorke-Smith A., Price A.J., Tatley R.L., Whelan T. & Youens J.A., McCarter P. S. A.

### Valete

Brannigan B.S., Hammond G.A.G., Hoy J.B.G.; Hoy

D.G.G., Jackson R.C.H., Lidgett A.G., O'Connell I.G.,

Prien R., Stephens M., Yorke-Smith R.

## EAST

Housemaster: Mr W.E. Ashmole

House Tutors: Mr K.J. King, Mr L.J. Walshe

Head of House: J.H. Anderson

Prefects: D.R. Baker, J.F. Roberts, W.M. Wither-  
spoon.

1984 saw East a pleasant mixture of discipline and relaxation, with a good general standard of tidiness and behaviour.

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Academically, J. Bishop did exceptionally well, winning the "Alan Paton Creative Writing" Prize for matric pupils in Natal. H. Hamilton also did well to be placed in the top 300 in the Science Olympiad.

Congratulations to Frederick Hamilton, who was awarded his Academic Honours for obtaining an A Aggregate and 3 Distinctions in the November exams. Other outstanding results in the November examinations were achieved by D. Littlejohn (5 Distinctions + 4 Credits) and G. Newcomb (5 Distinctions + 2 Credits). G. Newcomb was awarded his "Brains Bar" for academic distinction during the year.

W. Meyer and R. Gauntlett were in the school production of "Amadeus", and quite a few boys were in the cancelled "West Side Story". J. Anderson, H. Hamilton and D. Petersen were in the VIth Form Play.

James Anderson addresses the Toastmasters' Society

The East House play was "A Fistfull of Fingers" and was well produced by K. Henderson and R. MacKenzie. J. McCormack played the part of Sniverly very well, while R. Gauntlett's portrayal of the "mean, rotten and vicious" stranger was very good. D. Baker on the piano and C. Teversham as Slade also deserve a mention. All in all, 30 boys took part in the production.

J. Anderson, D. Baker, P. Wade, R. MacKenzie and K. Henderson were awarded their Service Ties, and D. Baker and M. Ross their Natural History ties.

On the Sports Field, East has not had an extremely successful year, with two first places only. In the Junior Cricket the East side defeated Farfield, with good performances coming from D. Ashman 63,

M.J. Wilson 38, R. Armstrong 29. N. Armstrong and S. Dougherty each took 3 wickets. The Seniors were unfortunate in coming up against an extremely powerful Pascoe side. In the rugby, East's Junior team were again successful, and beat Founders in a hard-fought final. Again, the Senior team were unable to make it, being beaten in the 1st round by West.

Other results of interest were our 3rd place in the Inter-House Shooting, with good scores coming from S. de Haast and A. Burn. Our Junior Chess side did well by beating Farfield and Founders, before

losing to Pascoe in the finals. In the Public Speaking, East was represented by W. Witherspoon in the Seniors, and his speech on "Food and Drink take it or leave it" earned him a 3rd place. D. Littlejohn's speech on "The Religion of Balls" in the Junior Section was of outstanding quality, and earned him a 2nd Place. Overall in the Public Speaking East came 3rd. The Canoeing team, despite a few major setbacks, managed a good 2nd place. In the Inter-House Music Competition East managed a creditable 3rd place, due largely to the hard work of J. Bishop. After winning the Gymnastics competition for 6 consecutive years, East let things slip a bit, but did well to come 3rd, behind West and Founders. In the Junior Singles Tennis championship, C. MacDonald did exceptionally well, and won the event. In the Cross-Country, J. Anderson and W. Witherspoon did very well, being placed 1st and 6th respectively in the Senior Section.

The following are congratulated for their individual achievements: D. Baker (Colours), W. Witherspoon (Colours) and J. Wilson (Honours for making the Natal Schools side) all represented the 1st XV Rugby side. K. Blacklaw and J. Morphet played for the 1st Cricket team. J. Anderson (Honours for making the Natal Schools Mynahs) and C. Teversham (Colours) represented the school in the 1st Hockey team.

The House extends its warmest thanks to Mr Ashmole, Mr King and Mr Walshe for all they have done for East this year.

Salvete

Delve C., Ardington A., Butcher R., Cathcart M., Gauntlett C., Henderson T., Inman P., McCormack

S., Mitchell-Innes D., Moffat /\_, Stiebel M., Strachan K., Wilson M., MacDonald C., Newcomb G., Roberts M., Petersen D.

Valete

Anderson J., Hamilton H., Petersen D., Baker D., Barrett G., Bishop J., Blacklaw K., Lyne A., Meyer W., Mundell G., Pon C., Roberts J., Wade P., Yorke-Mitchell M., Littlejohn D.

## WEST

Housemaster: Mr D.M.R. Lewis

House Tutors: Mr A.L. Carter, Mr W. van der Walt

Head of House: J.M. Boulton

Prefects: C.A. Baber, D. de L. Bailes, R.W.T. Quin, R.G. Smail.

Questions thrown around about West in the course of the year to various members of the House have brought the following answers: Is it strict? - "Quite": Is it organised? - "Yes": Is it happy? - "Yes". That all adds up to the kind of place most people should enjoy spending some of their schooldays in, assuming of course that schooldays can be enjoyed at all. Relationships through the House have been healthy, with the A Block setting a sound example of maturity and responsibility, with the odd quirk of madness only towards the end: and the prefects keeping a sensible balance between discipline and spirit. Important is the fact that the atmosphere has allowed quieter, less confident members of the House to find their feet, and also the more outgoing characters not to be stifled. We shall all remember George and his colourful and unconventional, but friendly personality. All in all, it's been a good year for living together in West.

We had another quite good year at sport winning the senior hockey (with Pascoe), the senior and junior squash, and the shooting (again): and reaching the finals of the cricket and tennis, and coming second in the Youngleson Shield, with good young prospects for the future. Our heavy brigade, under the effective coaching of Jack Brotherton, won the senior Tug - o - war. George Morgan made SA Schools at hockey and was awarded Honours: Murray Gilson made Natal Schools A squash, and John Boulton Natal Schools B hockey, and both were awarded Honours. Jack Brotherton made Natal Schools B squash. Colours went to Jack Brotherton for squash and rugby, Simon Camerer for rugby and water-polo, Murray Gilson for rugby and cricket, George Morgan for cricket, Russell Smail for tennis, and Ant Baber for rugby. We also had a healthy representation of juniors in school teams.

"The Adventures of Chastity Pewke" was the House play this year, produced and acted in by Ian Everett.

Other leading parts were played by Simon Jonsson,

Thurlow Hanson-Moore, Bob Wyly and Paul Marchand who displayed a considerable ability. Numerous policemen and others supported them, while Nick van Beeck organised the stage crew. Being a play on words, it had no real plot and kept the audience and adjudicators guessing a bit - but it was well done. Ian Everett and Simon Camerer also took parts in the school production of Amadeus.

The House performance in the inter-House music was a near disaster, equalled very nearly by our rivals next door, Farfield. Firstly, we found ourselves without an accompanist, and then tried to sing "Born Free" pitched too high. The "Jovial Beggar" group also suffered from the new ruling that accompanists could not be staff and thus also lost their way a bit. Only Simon Camerer and David Bailes in the Clarinet Polka rescued our sullied reputation. Great effort went into our programme and our thanks to Mrs Thompson for accompanying during practice - the ruling barring staff from the final performance floored us.

#### WEST SENIOR HOCKEY

L-R: Standing: R. Fleming; D. Bailes; J. Dickson; I. Lambert.  
Sitting: G. Morgan; G. Evernett; J. Boulton; R. Smail.

In the inter-House public-speaking Thurlow Hanson-Moore and Richard Evans spoke convincingly on "National Service" and the "Boat Race," respectively. Thurlow went on exchange to Port Natal while Paul Marchand went to Voortrekker. Paul was also awarded his Venture Club tie, David Bailes, Rob Fleming, Ian Everett, Jack Brotherton and John Boulton their service ties, and Simon Camerer a reward. Regular members of the choir were Anthony Fowler, Gavin Cowden, Andrew Jonsson, Alan Newton, Stephen Mayfield and Simon Camerer: and there was a firm group from West in Christian Fellowship, in the 40 Hour Famine, and Sponsored



Bike Ride. David Bailes passed his Grade V Clarinet exam.

We didn't win a place in the Inter-House academic competition, though 766 superiors were won for hard work, and the following members of the House were awarded over 20 in the course of the year: Messrs Edwardes, Robinson, Lambert D. van Beeck, Young, Brotherton T., Dickson, Meagher, Price, Zingel, Cobbett-Tribe, Cowden, Redfern D. (35), Simmons and Viljoen (34). A Housemaster's Academic board has been presented: this award will go to any boy earning Academic Honours, and the best matriculant in the House each year. Though only put up this year, it already has the names of A.C. Boulton for 1982, the year the award was first mooted, and A.C. Selby for 1983. This year's award goes to Nick Robinson. Prize-winners on Speech Day were David Bailes and Jeremy Spencer (Gabrielle Massey): David Bailes (Collins Music Prize): Ian Everett (Vlth Form Computer Studies), Rupert Edwardes (A Block Latin), Nick van Beeck (B Block Afrikaans and Zulu). All our 1984 Matrics made it - Congratulations.

Each year's prefects have their own style inevitably. This year's happy House was very much due to them, and our thanks go to them for their efforts. Prefectship is a useful first experience at carrying privilege and responsibility: mistakes can be costly in the short term and result in musical chairs in the "copshop", but the lessons learned through prefectship are some of the most valuable learned here. John Boulton was firm, understanding and effective in his leadership. Next year's prefects will be Thurlow Hanson-Moore (Head of House), Simon Camerer, Rob Fleming, Murray Gilson, Derek Harvey, and Nick van Beeck.

Special congratulations to John Boulton for being voted the Poynton Memorial Award for his contribution to the welfare of West, and to Murray Gilson for winning the Christopher Nash Memorial Award for his contribution to House sport: also to Ian Everett for winning the Nick Crowe Fellowship Award, a school award for genuine fellowship and friendship - richly deserved. Farewell to all our leavers. Each and every one made a contribution to the House, and we thank them for it. May fortune favour them and God go with them. Hamba Gahle!

Salvete:

Magudulela L.L., Reardon G., Cowden G.D., Fowler A.G., Garland B.M., Greene C.R., Greig J.D., Hall

P.C., Jonsson A., Read man J.E., Reynolds C.P.F.,  
Simmons D.P., Wadley A.D., Dodd J., Hall B.G.,  
MayfieldSNewton A.R., Redfern A.M., van Rooyen  
J.B.

Valete:

Baber C.A., Bailes D. de L., Bisset C.W., Boulton J.M.,  
Brotherton J.R., Edwardes H.R., Evennett G.L.,  
Everett I.R., Garland S.G., Magudulela L.L., Morgan  
P.G.B., Quin R.W.T., Robinson N.J.C., Smail R.G.

## FARFIELD

Housemaster: Mr B.C. Reynolds  
House Tutors: Mr R.W. Aitchison, Mr B.R. Naidu  
Head of House: P.C. Nash

Prefects: M. Desmidt, P. Holland, L. Curlewis, P.  
Whitehouse, D. Phipson.

The most efficient and effective way for a house to run is as a body, for all the parts depend on one another, and this is what has been borne out in Farfield in 1984. A spirit of comradeship and determination underlined all our endeavours this year and this is, without doubt, the reason that we were able to do so well in many of the inter-house competitions, although, as in 1983, we had to be more content with 2nd's rather than 1st places.

Three examples of the above were the Inter-House Swimming, Standards, and Athletic competitions. The swimming took place in the 1st Quarter and it was not unusual to see members of our team training before 1st period under the watchful eye of our captain, Michael Riley. Special mention is made of Jon Pool, our Natal Schools swimmer, who achieved the fastest time in the U15 freestyle in South Africa. Thus, it was with the combined talents of Jon Pool and the rest of Farfield that we achieved an admirable 2nd place.

The Standards Competition consists of field and track events, where points are awarded and a house average calculated. Therefore, a genuine effort on behalf of every boy is required. It is a tribute to the motivation of Captain Peter Holland and the determination of every boy that we gained another 2nd place only 0,16 points behind winners Pascoe. We managed to support this with a very good 3rd on Sports Day, partly due to the brilliant efforts of Michael Jeffery, who, by winning all his six events, kept the Senior Victor Ludorum in Farfield for another year.



Other sporting events in which Farfield did particularly well were the Junior Hockey, which we won, and the Senior Basketball, where we almost caused the "Against all Odds" upset of the year by narrowly losing to a talented Pascoe side. This is yet another example of Farfield's ability to rise to the challenge and succeed.

Farfield was definitely not found to be lacking in the Academic sphere this year. Sandy Davidson and Richard North were placed 24th and 60th respectively in the National Science Olympiad, whilst Reiner Schneider-Waterberg achieved an admirable 2nd place in the Society of Professional Engineers nationwide essay competition. Finally, on Speech Day, Simon Woodland received three prizes and Andrew Schaefer five - an outstanding achievement.

Culturally, things have not gone all Farfield's way this year. The House Play was "The Seventh Man" produced by Giles Embleton but, unfortunately, we were unplaced, the same fate befalling us in the Music competition. It will obviously take time for Farfield's lusty bass voices to be appreciated!

Finally the following deserve our congratulations:  
Honours:

M. Jeffery (Athletics)

Colours:

D. Phipson (Canoeing); S. Davidson (Natal B Canoeing); L. Curlew (Rugby); P. Holland (Natal B Basketball)

Natal Schools' Yachting - M. Desmidt

Brains Bars:

A. Schaefer; K. Latter; G. Benson  
Service Ties:

C. Jackson; D. Phipson; P. Nash; S. Davidson; S. Woodland.

Salvete

Schneider-Waterberg R., Andrews R., Curry D., Davies A., Holdcroft P., Berry B., Dingley P., Doull J., Dykins R., Marshall W., Schaefer A., Schensema C., Strover R., Young S., Snyder N.

Valete

Desmidt M., Curlewis L, Davidson A., Desmidt P.,  
Forbes A., Graham A., Holland P., Jackson C., Kidd

A., Leishman R., Marx C., McCarthy R., Nash P.,  
North R., Phipson D., Russon C., Whitehouse P.,  
Riley M., Young S.

## TATHAM

Housemaster: Mr F.J. Human

House Tutors: Mr T.G. Hart, Mr. R.A. Currie

Head of House: R.D. Hickman

House Prefects: R.L. Church, M.J. English, L.G. Lavender, A. Pennington, A.J. Poole, A.J. Rissik.

1984 has been a very successful year for Tatham, with the emphasis being on all-round performance. Not only has Tatham featured prominently in the many sports and cultural competitions which are held during the year but, more importantly, has enjoyed a year characterized by stability due to the mature attitude towards discipline held by the vast majority of the house. So marked was this attitude that Tatham became known, to some disparagingly, as "thefamily house". Although not a popular description, it carries the essence of the excellent spirit which has been so much a part of Tatham. Credit must of course go to Mr Human, the prefects and also to the "A" block who have played a greater role than before in the maintenance of discipline this year.

Tatham had a number of successes in the various competitions held during 1984. On the sports field a highlight was our victory in the Senior Rugby,

where Andrew Poole captained an under-rated side to a narrow victory over Pascoe in the finals. Other sporting clashes were less successful; however we were second in the Standards and Cross-Country events and second in Athletics. Particularly encouraging was a wealth of athletic talent amongst the juniors which bodes well for the future. Although the emphasis is on the house rather than the individuals, a number of people deserve special mention for outstanding performances. Roger Hickman captained the Natal Schools Hockey XI and was selected for the South African Schools "B" side. Bruce Carter played tennis for Natal and received his colours while Ian Pluke and David Oxley-Oxland were chosen for the Midlands teams for Tennis and Basketball respectively. Grant Pennington and Gareth Boltman were selected for PMB and Districts, Pennington for Cross-country and Boltman for Athletics. Honours were awarded to Roger Hickman (Hockey) and Andrew Poole who captained the 1st Rugby XV.

The following received colours:

Rugby: R. Randeria; R. Church; G. Lavender and A. Hall.

Hockey: S. Barendsen.

Tennis: B. Carter.

Waterpolo: M. Faulkner.

Academically, Tatham also featured well. Andrew Pennington received his colours for outstanding results in the National Science Olympiad, Guy Lavender also performing well in this event. In the Alan Paton competition, Andrew Clarke was placed first

in the creative writing section and Andrew Walker second in the literary category. We were very pleased to win the Academic Trophy, having been runners up in 1983. The following academic awards have been made:

Honours:

Roger Hickman; Andrew Walker and Piers Stead.  
Colours:

Andrew Pennington and Murray Bolton.

Brains Bars:

C. Chamberlain; S. Barendsen and K. Walker.

In the Inter-House Music Competition, held in the Third quarter, Tatham gained a first, much to the surprise and delight of Mr Human. This was, incidentally, on the same day as the victory in Senior Rugby which serves to emphasise the all-round nature of Tatham's talent. The House song "76 Trombones" was placed first, as was the duet by Andrew Pennington and Andrew Walker in the group section.

The evening was well rounded off with a piano duet by H. Baboolal and I. Thompson. We also fared well in the Interhouse Public Speaking Competition, being placed second once again to Pascoe. Also noteworthy was the award of Service Ties to R. Grantham, P. Stead, M. Johnson and N. Colquhoun.

It remains only to congratulate Roger Hickman both on the award of the Christopher Nash Scholarship and also on the way he and his team of prefects have maintained discipline during the year. Tatham also thank particularly Mr Human who has, as House-master, guided us through 1984 with the help of the House-tutors MrCurrie, Mr Hart and their wives. The best of luck to Richard Grantham as the 1985 Head of House and may 1985 be as successful as 1984.

Prizewinners:

K. Walker, M. Blore, S. Phillips, O. Bradley, A. Clarke,  
B. Hawke, C. Chamberlain, R. Hickman, J. Buchanan,  
C. Tonkinson, L. Levine, G. Meyer, A. Walker.

Salvete

Blore A, Carter B., Chamberlain C., Dunstan M.,  
Findlay R., Hawke B., Oxley-Oxland D., Pennington

G., Savory R., Scott R., Strydom A, Wright C.,  
Wright J.

Valete:

Hickman R., Lavender G., Bhoola V., Blades M., Buchanan JChurch R., English M., Hall A,  
Hockstadter R., Johnson M., Pennington A., Poole A., Randeria R., Renton J., RissikA.

Roger Hickman

## PASCOE

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Housemaster: Mr A.W. Cook

House Tutors: Mr P.E. Dennyson, Mr J.C. Willis

Head of House: J.G.W. Hammond

School Prefect: R. W. J. Gush

House Prefects: R.C.S. Douglas, J.W. Griffith, B.L. Lloyd, R.V. Mitchell, A.J. Thompson.

The 2nd Quarter of this year saw Pascoe taken under the enthusiastic and capable wing of Mr Andrew Cook, when he took over as Housemaster from Mr Cilliers Heymans, and along with him we welcomed Mr Julian Willis as a new House Tutor.

1984 has once again been a very successful year for Pascoe. To judge such a house on achievements done is very impressive but does not, however, present a complete picture of the House as a whole and it is for this reason that Pascoe is particularly proud of its team achievements. It has not been merely a matter of the teams taking part in various competitions but that the entire house has been alongside to support them in all their endeavours. On the sports field we won the following competitions: Senior Cricket (Capt. J. Thompson); Senior Hockey (Capt. J. Hammond); Senior Basketball (Capt. R. Mitchell); Sports Day, Relays, Standards, Senior and Junior Cross Country; Senior Tennis (Capt. J. Thompson).

Our involvement was not limited to these as we were placed second in Senior Rugby, Senior Squash, Junior Hockey and Junior Basketball.

Culturally we have not been found lacking, having won the Inter-House Public Speaking Competition with Jeremy Hammond (Senior) - "The Psycho-Seduction of Children" and Peter Armitage (Junior) - "Michaelhouse as compared to the French Revolution" - representing the House. Under the expert directorship of Paul Hepker we were narrowly edged out of first place in the Music Competition and won for the fourth year in succession the Inter House Play Competition, Andrew Clarke and Michael Shakerley were co-directors; as well as being runners-up in the Senior and winners of the Junior Chess Competitions, under the captaincy of



Kevin Johnston and Peter Armitage respectively.

Pascoe contributed considerably towards the School Production "Amadeus" in which Jeremy Hammond, Bruce Lloyd, Richard Gush and Paul Hepker played leading roles, supported by Rory Lange and Mark Suzman along with Bruce Mitton who was in charge of the Stage Crew. Jeremy Hammond and Bruce Lloyd won Best Actor and Best Supporting Actor for the year respectively.

On Speech Day, Pascoe did extremely well with twenty five prize-winners in the House, walking off with thirty per cent of the total number of prizes awarded on the day - a remarkable feat. The following received two or more prizes: G. Cundill, B. Lloyd, J. Hammond, E. Mkize, R. Cullinan, P. Hepker, J. McDonald, and R. Short. Apart from his achievements on Speech Day, Gary Cundill was placed 8th in the English Olympiad and 31st in the Science

#### PASCOE TENNIS

L-R: Standing: C. Hulett; J. Wilson.

Sitting: S. Hulett; J. Thompson.

Olympiad. Congratulations to all those whose Academic efforts have earned them recognition. As far as awards are concerned, on top of those already held, the following were made this year: Honours went to R. Mitchell (Rugby), A. Vallet (Basketball), M. Short (Basketball), V. Anderson (Rugby), G. Ferrans (Hockey), J. Hammond (Academics), P. Hepker (Academics), J. Wilson (Academics), and M. Suzman (Academics): while Colours went to B. Lloyd (Academics), N. Evans (Cricket), R. Lange (Hockey), R. Pithey (Cricket), V. Anderson (Cricket), M. Short

(Squash), J. Wilson (Tennis) and R. Mitchell (Basketball). Those who received Honours represented the Natal Schools Asides in their various sports while R. Lange made Natal Schools B Hockey and M. Short captained the U16 Natal Schools Squash side.

To add to the list of those who already have their service ties, the following awards were made this year for outstanding service rendered to the Community: R. Gush, S. Hulett, J. Preboy, A.J. Thompson and C.K. Draper.

As with its swimming, Pascoe has not been renowned over the past years for its Venture Club and Natural History involvement. However, this year Richard McDougall and Ross Douglas did us proud by being awarded their Venture Club and Natural History tie respectively.

All in all 1984 has been an extremely enjoyable year for the House and all that remains to be said is a big thank you from all those involved with Pascoe to everybody else in the House for making everything possible.

Salvete

Mkize A., Clarke S., Cradock T., Hall M., Rivers-Moore G., Wolseley-Brinton C., Hoepfl P., Jacobs C., Olivier G., Robbins D. G., Short R., Sykes R.

Valete

Gush R., Hammond J., Lloyd B., Mkize E., Cullinan R., Cundill R., Douglas R., Hulett S., Mitchell R., Mitton B., Preboy J., Singh S., Stainbank G., Stuart-Reckling A., Vallet N.A.

BAINES

Housemaster: Mr S.N. Winckworth  
House Tutors: Mr J.M. Buckley, Mr R.B. Cox  
Head of House: P. Theron

Prefects: R.A. Baber, J.J. de Knoop, W.P. Hallier, M.N. Davies, D.M. Williams.

Looking back on the past year one can definitely see that Baines has gone from strength to strength in all school activities, especially in Interhouse competitions. This House is not lacking in talent and, although we won only three competitions, the overall

improvement in House and individual achieve-

ments coupled with the determination to give of one's best certainly shows that Baines cannot easily be overlooked.

It would appear that Baines is invincible in the water, with our convincing victory in the Interhouse Swimming Gala for the third successive year. The whole team are congratulated for their superb efforts and especially James de Knoop for his efficient captaincy of the House team, as well as his appointment as 1984 School Swimming Captain. He was also awarded his colours for Swimming, while Michael Poll received his colours for Sailing.

#### BAINES JUNIOR BASKETBALL TEAM

L-R: Standing: O. Burnett; M. Clarke; M. Antoniades.

Sitting: M. Gilbert; P. van derPost; W. Denninghof-Stelling.

Once again Baines dominated the Canoeing scene and the House team, led by Michael Ellis, easily won the Interhouse competition. Special mention must be made of both Mike Ellis and Simon Houghton. Mike gained his Natal colours and came first in the Junior section of the South African Slalom Championships, while Simon finished third and represented the Natal B Slalom team. Honours were awarded to Mike and Simon received his colours. There is a large following of canoeists in Baines and this augurs well for another victory next year.

In the Senior Interhouse Rugby competition Baines gave a gutsy performance and never gave up, even though we had no answer to the superior Pascoe side. J.P. Niehaus and Richard Firth both played for the 1st and 2nd XV's while Mark Brand was a regular 2nd team member. All three received their Teams awards.

Although Baines has few talented cricketers, there can be no doubt that both the Senior and Junior teams were a credit to the House. Willem Firth has given excellent service to the 1st XI for two years as an opening bowler and took several valuable wickets during the Offord Week in December. Billy Stelling represented the U15A side as a highly promising all-rounder.

After an exciting win against Tatham in the Senior Interhouse Hockey competition the Baines side was unlucky to lose to West in the Semi-final. Brynn Furmidge represented the 1st hockey team, gaining his colours, and Dennis Williams played for the 2nd team.

Baines participated with determination and spirit in the various Athletics competitions and it was especially pleasing to see a positive approach by everyone in the Standards Competition. Sean Stringer, Craig Kirsten and James de Knoop were selected for the School team and received Teams awards. Sean succeeded in breaking the U16 Javelin record at the subsequent Pmb. and Districts Athletics meeting.

Baines also won the Junior Basketball competition with Kevin Sheil representing the 1st Basketball team. Peter van der Post did an admirable job as Captain of the Junior Team.

The Academic results this year were good. The following were amongst the top prize - winners on Speech Day: Rupert Baber - 7 prizes - Vivasvan Soni - 6 - Clive Hastings - 3. On the cultural side, the W.A. van der Walt Dramatic Prize for the best

performance by a novice actor was awarded to Nicholas Welz for his part in the Michaelhouse production of "Amadeus". In the Interhouse Play competition Mike Ellis and Stephen Peters produced a farce based on Cinderella. Conspicuous here were "Jack" Goodson and William Hardie as the ugly sisters. This went down very well with the school as a whole, but did not have the polish to rate that highly with the adjudicators. All the same, the result was a considerable achievement in view of the short rehearsal period.

Mr John Buckley and Mr Robin Cox are thanked for their help as Tutors in the running of the House. Thanks also go to Piet Theron and his fellow prefects for their efforts in handling matters concerning the House. Good co-operation and healthy relationships between members of the House have

ensured that a strong House spirit was maintained with the promise of Baines doing even better in 1985.

Salvete:

Furmidge B., Stringer S., Morfopoulos P., Beggs L., de Knoop N., Firth T., Gilbert M., Griffin M., Henderson M., Houghton J., Norman B., Otter C., Welz N., Grover P., Moller B.f Pitout S., Singh N.f Winslow P.

Valete:

Brand M., de Knoop J., Dijkman P., Ellis G., Firth W., Gillatt J., Hallier W., Henderson M., Kirsten C., Niehaus J., Poll M.r Potter T., Shiel K., Theron P., Tilley K., Williams D., Davies M., Ellis M.

## Speech Day

### SPECIAL PRIZES LIST

Old Boys'Essay Prize.....	No award
Tatham Memorial Essay.....	B.L. Lloyd
Bishop Baines Memorial Essay.....	C.A. Hastings
W.R. Hindson Memorial History Essay.....	I.A. Guthrie
W.R. Hindson English Literature.....	B.L. Lloyd
Peter Bell Memorial English Literature.....	C.A. Hastings
Rector's English Verse Prize.....	R.B. Cullinan
J.J.L. Sisson Prize (Written English in Junior School) C, D, f... A.G. Clark	
Rector's Afrikaans Essay.....	R.A. Baber
C.A. Hastings	
P.D. Barnard Memorial Afrikaans (Best progress by a boy starting Afrikaans at MHS)	
SENIOR.....	S.F. Phillips
JUNIOR.....	O.J. Bradley
Norman Lyon Classics Prize.....	G.J. Cundill
Netherlands Bank Biology Prize.....	R.A. Baber
Hutchison Memorial Mathematics Prize	
SENIOR.....	E. Mkize
JUNIOR.....	V.Soni
John Allen Art Prize.....	R.A. Baber
Senior Art Prize.....	R.B. Cullinan
J.P. Niehaus	
Junior Art Prize.....	G.K. Raynor
Photography Prize.....	I.J. McDonald
Senior Music Prize.....	P.N. Hepker
Junior Music Prize.....	R.A.S. Douglas

Senior Carpentry Prize..... G.J. Rivers-Moore

Junior Carpentry Prize..... B.G.T. Hawke

Printing Prize..... A.R. Burn

General Knowledge:

SENIOR..... P.A. Dijkman

JUNIOR..... A.G. Clark

Human Kinetics Project Prize..... R.A. Baber

J.F.S. Gillatt

Hudson Bennett Natural History Prize..... R.C.S. Douglas

Hudson Bennett Ecology Prize..... R.A. Baber

Andrew Henderson Prize for Agriculture:

SENIOR..... E.D. Stainbank

JUNIOR:..... R.A. Le Sueur

Herbert Fisher Prize (Best aggregate in Trial Matric)..... G.J. Cundill

David Small Brand Prize for Science..... H.W. Hamilton

David Small Brand Prize for Arts (for the Post Matriculant  
who had the highest aggregate in Matric - now studying (a)

Science (b) Arts)..... R.D. Hickman

VivienneStranackAward..... P.N. Hepker

Collins Prize for Music..... D. de L. Bailes

Margaret Proctor Prize for VI Form Physics..... No award

Tim Patrick Memorial Prize..... S.R. Woodland

Hally Stott Yachting Prize..... No award

Godfrey Immelman Maths Prize..... R.A. Baber

Peter Beard Memorial Music Prize..... R.C. Lange

I.G. O'Connell

Chess Prize..... K.R. Johnston

Richard Hedden Memorial Award..... W.H. Meyer

The Dramatic Society Awards, which were presented at the Annual Dinner in 1983 were

F.S. Bishop Memorial Dramatic Prize

(Best individual performance of the year)..... M.G. McLeod

W.A. van der Walt Dramatic Prize

(Best performance by a novice actor)..... R.B. Cullinan

Van Velden Trophy

(Greatest Contribution to drama during his school career). M.G. McLeod

## SUBJECT PRIZES

### VI Form

Maths: E. Mkize  
 Physics: H.W. Hamilton  
 Computer Studies: I.R. Everett  
 English: B.L. Lloyd  
 Economics: J.G.W. Hammond

### A Block

English: G.J. Cundill  
 Afrikaans: J. Buchanan  
 Biology: P.A. Roberts  
 Latin: H.R. Edwardes  
 Science: G.J. Cundill  
 Computer Studies: G.J. Cundill  
 French: N.A. Vallet

Geography: G.A.G. Hammond, P.C. Nash  
 Maths: R.A. Baber  
 Zulu: A.G. Lidgett

History: A.J. Thompson, P.A. Dijkman

### B Block



English: A.R.M. Walker  
Afrikaans: N.A. van Beeck  
Biology: S.R. Woodland  
French: I.J. McDonald  
Geography: S.R. Woodland  
Computer Studies: B.M. Furmidge  
Latin: J. Wilson  
Maths: F.H. Hamilton  
Science: F.H. Hamilton  
Zulu: N.A. van Beeck  
History: L.M. Suzman

## C Block

English: A.G. Clark  
Afrikaans: M. Soni  
Biology: C.H.L. Tonkinson

French: A.G. McAllister

Zulu: N.Z. Mthembu

Divinity: C.J.B. Perry

Human Kinetics: R.P.G. Armstrong

Computer Studies: V. Soni

Geography: V. Soni

Latin: R.C. McDougall, J.T. Thomson

Maths: V. Soni

Science: V. Soni

History: A.G. Clark, S.H. Kerton-Johnson  
D Block

English: C.G. Chamberlain

Afrikaans: A.W. Schaefer

French: A.G. Hardie

Geography: A.W. Schaefer

Latin: C.G. Chamberlain, A.W. Schaefer

Biology: M.R. Hall

Human Kinetics: T.R. Cradock

Maths: A.W. Schaefer

Science: S.H. Beecroft, K. Middlemass

Zulu: B.J. Phakathi

History: A.W. Schaefer

Divinity: L.G. Levine

E Block

English: S.F. Pitout

Afrikaans: N. Singh

French: G.D. Meyer

Geography: G.J. Newcomb

Latin: P.R. Grover

Human Kinetics: R.R. Short

Maths: K.D.M. Walker

Science: G.J. Newcomb

Zulu: G.J. Newcomb

Divinity: P.R. Grover

History: G.J. Newcomb

Biology: K.D.M. Walker

## GABRIELLE MASSEY PRIZES

### VI Form

J.G.W. Hammond.

#### A Block:

L.B. Curlewis, D. de L. Bailes, A.R. Burn, M.J. Johnson, J.P. Niehaus.

#### B Block:

A.R.M. Walker, N.G. Embleton, F.H. Hamilton, M.A. Blore, A.B. Todd, D.G. Rowles.

#### C Block:

P.G. Armitage, A.J.H. Henderson, N.J. Dijkman, C.P. Weaver, M.J.E. Griffin.

#### D Block:

A.K. Arnesen, R. Anderson, J.P.D. Spencer, J.G. Roberts, C.D.R. Wolseley-Brinton.

#### E Block:

R.R. Short, P.L.L. Winslow.

Speech Day-Dr A. Lloyd Speaking

## The Rector's Speech Day Address

It is with pleasure that I report today on the present state of the school. I speak against the gloomy background of the current political, economic and financial malaise in which our country finds itself. Times are tough; inflation remains resilient; it is an occasion for reconsideration of priorities.

Having said that, I remain confident nonetheless that Michaelhouse will see its way through the problems of today and tomorrow. Because of its special mix of fine traditions, expert professional teaching, developing facilities, and balanced programme which attempts to meet the needs of every individual child, this school will always stand as an antidote to pessimism and despondency. It is my belief that whatever the future holds, our community and the public-at-large will continue to want the best possible education for their children and many of them will go on looking for that quality of education in the Private Schools of South Africa.

As long as we remember with the Chinese that their sign for DANGER contains the two symbols CRISIS & OPPORTUNITY and, as long as we interpret those positively, we shall cope successfully with whatever lies ahead. What is required of course is a continual re-examination of our priorities within the school and a jealous vigilance over our values and ethos. We must be careful not to lose the wood for the trees: it is as individual persons that we educate young people in the various aspects of their involvement here - academic, social, cultural, physical, moral and spiritual - aiming for a balance which allows for exposure to enriching experiences and which, at the same time, encourages the growth and healthy manifestation of individuality. And this process we follow in the full and humble knowledge that we play our part along with the prep schools, our colleagues in the HMC and Natal Education Department provincial schools, and the universities.

It is not my habit at Speech Day to comment on achievements at the school during the year under review: these are more than adequately covered in both the St Michael's Chronicle, and the Michaelhouse News. In addition, the Senior Prefect mentions in his address many of his colleagues who have done well.

I would like to re-emphasise for the benefit of all parents today my attitude towards results so that they

are seen in a better perspective than is sometimes the case. This is a school of quality: our teaching staff is composed of dedicated professionals: our resources and supporting-services are of a superb standard. A great deal of hard work is done by teachers and boys alike every year. What this results in then, in my view, are results every year which reflect in the main - there are always exceptions - the realisation of every individual pupil's potential to a very high degree. Please do not misunderstand me. There are some boys, each year, whom we fail to reach - but they are very few.

In 1982 our candidates in Matric obtained 22 distinctions and 4 boys gained A-aggregates. With the same teachers - although one or 2 may have been running scared - in 1983, 48 distinctions were achieved and 14 A-aggregates, the highest in Natal, were obtained. This year, we are trying just as hard and the number of distinctions, A-aggregates, will not be as high. RESULTS are only "good" or "poor" in relation to:

- (i) the innate ability of each individual.
- (ii) our ability as educators to detect the level of his ability.
- (iii) create a set of stimuli and facilities which promote aspirations and action towards high standards.
- (iv) the quality of teaching.

This means, therefore, that a D-Aggregate matric pass for one boy is just as "good" a result as an A-Aggregate is for another. In fact, it may often represent a greater achievement.

So, when we all look at the matric results each year, let us all use an intelligent perspective so that the achievements of individual candidates are appraised in terms of their individuality and not in terms of a superficial, random, and often ignorant assessment of what should have been. Careful, well-researched analysis of results each year is essential. A graph of hysteria one year and ecstasy the next helps no-one.

There has nearly always been at this school a healthy yin-yang rhythm of challenge-and-response producing a robust interaction of ideas, a productive friction which generates thinking, planning and action designed to produce even better standards of quality in everything we do. Michaelhouse will



remain a forward-looking school, soundly anchored to its values and moving on and upward towards greater excellence.

This begs the question which ought to be before us all constantly: How good do we want Michaelhouse to be? Comparable with the best in the world? - or not as good? Comparable with the best schools in this country or not? If we want to be up there with the finest educational institutions the human mind has been able to produce, if we want to grow in excellence and educate for the future as well as the present, we must, I believe, continue to look with courageous vision at the years ahead. Amongst other things we ought, as one of the leading schools in this part of the world to look even more closely at our Bursaries policy with a view to being able to bring even more disadvantaged children of all races into this school and to ensure that our responsibilities in this regard include the exploitation - in the best sense of the word - of all the human resources which this country has to offer. We must go on playing our part in this great campaign and be seen to be doing so. We in the private schools can and must continue to give a lead, while accepting that we cannot effect major reforms on our own. That is society's responsibility.

Our focus at Michaelhouse remains today the individual and his needs. While a part of our approach to educating the young is based firmly on the provision of educational opportunities of a very wide range and quality, it is equally important that we do not, inadvertently, stifle individuality and special talent where God has been generous.

The widely enriched individual boy with the emphasis on individuality ought always to be our aim. And we ought to consider, too, the wisdom behind A.S. Neill's words - "Look after the hearts and the heads will take care of themselves".

The following fable pursues the points raised above. Please allow for the American jargon:

"Once upon a time, the animals decided they must do something heroic to meet the problems of a new world'. So they organised a school.

They adopted an activity curriculum consisting of running, climbing, swimming, and flying. To make it easier to administer the curriculum, ALL the animals took ALL the subjects.

The DUCK was excellent in swimming, in fact better than his instructor, but he made only passing grades in flying and was very poor in running. Since he was slow in running, he had to stay after school and also drop swimming in order to practice running. This was kept up until his web feet were badly worn and

he was only average in swimming. BUT AVERAGE WAS ACCEPTABLE IN SCHOOL, SO NOBODY WORRIED ABOUT THAT EXCEPT THE DUCK.

The RABBIT started at the top of the class in running, but had a nervous breakdown because of so much makeup work in swimming.

The SQUIRREL was excellent in climbing until he developed frustration in the flying class, where his teacher made him start from the ground up instead of from the treetop down. He also developed extreme fatigue from over-exertion and got C in climbing and D in running.

The EAGLE was a problem child and was disciplined severely. In the climbing class he beat all the others to the top of the tree, but insisted on using his own way to get there.

At the end of the year, an abnormal eel that could swim exceedingly well, and also run, climb, and fly a little had the highest average and was valedictorian.

The prairie dogs stayed out of school and fought the tax levy because the administration would not add digging and burrowing to the curriculum. They apprenticed their child to a badger and later joined the groundhogs and gophers to start a successful private school".

We try to design techniques at Michaelhouse which allow our squirrels to enjoy the recreation of flying and swimming while they become excellent climbers, our ducks to hone their swimming skills to the nth degree but also have some fun running and flying; our eagles to swoop and soar but also applaud the less-able orthodox climbers.

While one accepts that competition and properly harnessed and perceived aggression are essential ingredients for the development of active and productive individuality, this need never be achieved, let me stress, at the expense of sensitivity, compassion, and tolerance for the individual situation of other people. The much-vaunted "killer-instinct", and a determination to succeed, properly defined and applied, are clearly factors of stimulation and



motivation - but it is well worth remembering with Stuart Walker in his book on "Winning" that it is essential always

"to recognise that although winning is the object of the game, it is not the object of playing the game".

And so today Ladies and Gentlemen, one looks to the future with the sober and realistic confidence that the problems both of this school and the morally mediocre country in which it finds itself can be overcome, I see over the next 12 years as we approach the centenary of this school's foundation -

1996 - that the provision of the following may well

be necessary and ought to be seriously considered:

• the completion of the upgrading and modernisation of existing teaching areas (see Room 7)

• a new Music School and improved Computer Science facilities

• a new teaching block

• bedsitters for senior boys

• the establishment of the Michaelhouse Summer School in January of 1986 so that our wonderful facilities can be used for the benefit of the public-at-large

• and perhaps even an indoor sports centre.

There will be other plans but it is around these projects, I believe, that our Community will pull together in the years ahead to produce the educational wherewithal for the better practice of our profession. They represent an exciting prospect and a great challenge. I am confident that we shall meet it with our customary energy and courage. With perseverance and determination our agreed goals will be reached.

Address by Mr Robert Holmes a Court

It is exactly thirty years since I last attended a Speech Day at Michaelhouse as a student, that was, in 1954. It is indeed also thirty years since I got up at six o'clock in the morning and dived into the Tatham Plunge. Generally speaking, water turns to ice when it gets cold; the water in the Tatham Plunge didn't. It used to get colder and colder. At the time, I thought this was a way to start the day - a way of waking boys up in the morning. Now I know that it was designed to teach you that from there onwards life was downhill. When the Rector rang me and asked me to attend this Speech Day, in the course of the conversation he said "the Tatham Plunge is no longer", and I took that to mean that it is now safe to come back.

What was taught to me in the classroom has for the most part left me, and I say that with both my old Science Master and Latin Master present, but the standards and the principles of those who taught me remain strong. The ethic of Michaelhouse re-

mains strong, and education has been described as what is left after you have forgotten everything you have been taught. If that is true, then I believe that the great challenge facing educators, and Michaelhouse in particular, is to make sure that what is left is appropriate to both its time and its place. The time, I have no doubt, is the future. And the place is South Africa.

The school is of course with us at present, its traditions have been well established, but all these will

be judged against their relevance in the future. And the future of this school is inextricably bound to the future of South Africa. It is easy to forget that - it is easy at Michaelhouse, it is easy living within South Africa - to forget how viable the school and its performance is to the country in which it stands.

It is a country, as we all know, that is in turmoil; that is shut out from the international community. Its people are made up of diverse and separate, different racial and ethnic groups, that must live and work in unity sharing common goals and a common vision for the future. It is a country that does not enjoy the economic prosperity that should flow from its natural resources, or the resources of all its people. It is a country that may - or may not - provide a home for your children and grandchildren. Yet, on the other hand, it is a country that has all the ingredients of a great, stable and vigorous community. And when you think about it, most of the great nations in the world have had to face the challenge of bringing together diverse geographic and socio-economic groups, welding them together into a single nation. Given them a single purpose, the same vision, the same goals and a national spirit.

Your challenge - and it is your challenge, inescapably so - is very clear. While there are rapid and far-reaching changes taking place all over the world in the fields of science and technology, there is indeed a revolution akin to the industrial revolution taking place. The influence of satellites and comput-

ers is changing the world at a rate never before seen. Information and knowledge - there is an absolute explosion, and consequently changes in thought proceed at a faster rate. The changes that are occurring and that will occur in South Africa are magnified, as everybody knows, are substantially more complex and more difficult than in most countries elsewhere on the globe. This I suggest is the environment, the one for which you are being educated; the one in which you will live, and the one which will provide you with your opportunities. Opportunities AND obligations to contribute. I think it is possible to take a very positive view in this country and regard yourselves as lucky to have the opportunity; you cannot avoid the obligation. President Kaunda once said: "In a democracy every citizen, regardless of his interest in politics, holds thumbs." Every one of us is in a position of responsibility. Whatever your chosen career may be, you simply must play your part in the society around you, in the country in which you live. It is not possible to regard yourself as disenfranchized. It is not possible to feel that your contribution is not important, somebody else will carry the can. That responsibility rests very squarely upon you. Changes in the community, improvements, are all brought about by people. Solutions are not solved with formulae or simple answers, it is people working and contributing. Success is more, I would suggest, than personal achievement; more than the accumulation of wealth or status; I would like to define success as being simply, ultimately, the contribution that you made. I believe history will judge Michaelhouse by the way those it educates fulfill this responsibility. In the end I believe that will be the test by which Michaelhouse will be judged. The way in which they, as citizens, succeed in making a contribution to this society.

Michaelhouse must educate citizens for this country, indeed for the world of tomorrow. For this to happen, I think it is patently obvious that substantial changes must occur. Changes that I think are occurring; and, in the end, the changes must be the product of leadership and evolution, not the product of conflict and revolution. In this respect the catalyst is thought. Thought must precede all changes in our life. Our way of life, of necessity, lags behind our way of thought, and lags behind reality.

Thought precedes action, and after your education- your formal education - is over, you begin the lifelong process of learning. And this should continue and should become a habit, become a way

of life on which you build. Most people obtain their initial employment as a direct result of their formal education. Those that are unsuccessful started that

way. Their formal education can become a crutch, become a substitute for thinking and learning and developing. The culmination is indeed to have a formal education - the optimum - and then have the ability to continue after that. It has been suggested that the ideal Company Executive is a man with one university degree, to whom you then give responsibility and whisper in his ear the slogan attributable to the Chief Executive of Boeing Aircraft which is: "To err is human; to forgive, divine. Neither happens to be current Company policy." Success belongs to those indeed who continue thinking and make this a lifelong process. By definition, valuable solutions are new solutions. All human progress and advancement is based on original thought.

Take for example the first surgeon to carry out a heart transplant operation. Now, by definition, he was not taught to do what he did. He was taught the fundamentals, he was taught the skills and the information; but he took that a step further, and contributed to human progress.

It is so important that you challenge and rethink what you were given and what you were taught. Not to be disagreeable, but to build on what has been given to you. It is indeed important. What you are taught is a *sine qua non* (which, Mr Brooks, is all the Latin that I remember). From here you have to start again, and again, many times in your life, and approach fresh solutions, fresh difficulties in a very different and changing world.

The right question which everybody has, has with it the responsibility to be careful and open-minded. Because I do not suggest that you be so forward-looking that you lose your effectiveness. The man "before his time" meets with varied success; his influence is limited - though history may indeed judge him kindly. The only thing that I would suggest is more valuable than a good idea, is one that you can communicate, and one that you can implement. And successful people are just that. They are people with ideas they can communicate, that they can implement. They are people who have the judgement to know when to compromise and when to stand firm. People who compromise issues, but never principles; who stand firm with patience. These are all qualities that are left after the very important formal education has been completed.

So what would I like to see thirty years on for this country, and this school? Firstly, for the country, (as I say, I believe the school is inextricably bound to the environment in which it finds itself), I would like to see South Africa a full and participating member of the international community. Until that is achieved, many other things cannot be achieved. For that to be

achieved, South Africa must be a part of Africa and accepted by the WHOLE of Africa, before it will be listened to and take part in the world community. I would like to see South Africa harness the diverse and dividing factors that exist today to form what could be called a very vigorous and cohesive nation; all the diverse factors giving it strength where every citizen shares a common vision and, above all, has equal opportunity to contribute.

The answers for South Africa are wise answers, bold answers, forward-thinking answers, answers that require leadership. They are all answers that must be provided from within the country, and basically by people who are being educated in the country today.

Boy of Michaelhouse, that was educated at Michaelhouse? Is it not exciting to think how bonds like that could be created, and have their origins in this school?

Ladies and gentlemen, there is reason for confidence that Michaelhouse, under the leadership of its present Rector, Mr Neil Jardine, with its history, with its tradition, with all that it has achieved, will continue to be one of the great schools of the world, and will fulfill its promise for the future.

For my part, I am proud to have been educated at Michaelhouse, and to be part of its world community. I'm very proud to be here today, and thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to address you today.

#### ADDRESS BY ROGER HICKMAN

The Head Boy introduced his speech by citing the example of L. Viren, double Olympic Champion, who overcame the soul-destroying disappointment of being spiked in the Olympic Final, to make up ground lost, when he fell, and break the World Record. Viren realised that life provides us with "one bite at the cherry" and thus his determination not to allow misfortune to prevent him from realising his dream.

In the same way, a boy at Michaelhouse, has four years in which to realise his dream. As Albert Camus said: "Every minute of life carries with it its own miraculous value". There are enough doors at Michaelhouse for everyone to reach out and to grasp what is offered. In the final reckoning, it is up to the boys to learn what they can from the school.

Those who let Michaelhouse pass them by are the losers.

Roger continued by saying that the "Spirit" of Michaelhouse is something very special. This "Spirit" is a sense of belonging, one that develops a sense of meeting challenges. It is apparent in the singing in the Chapel, on the sports field (where retaliatory punches are seldom thrown)., in the Theatre, and among the Old Boys. The Spirit of Michaelhouse will never die - you cheat yourself if you do not become involved in it.

Roger concluded by discussing the first snow that the school has seen in many years, the early closure of the school because of 'flu, and the achievements of boys in various fields. His final words were: "Don't postpone things that must be done - tomorrow I will stop procrastinating!"

Rector, Mr R. Holmes a Court, Dr A. Lloyd

And thirty years on for Michaelhouse itself, what would I like to see? Well, perhaps a community - a microcosm - that really mirrors and reflects this country's diverse racial and ethnic groups. The progress that has been made since I was at Michaelhouse is pleasing to see, but the completion of that process must be inevitable and important. Perhaps also the school that is co-educational. Like the Daschund that takes a long time for its actions to follow its thoughts, the world is taking the view that women are people! Perhaps the school that includes disabled and handicapped children in their midst; perhaps a school with a rich sprinkling of students from overseas, or other countries in Africa, but other countries overseas. The famous schools, such as Eton or Harrow, universities such as Oxford and Cambridge, have educated not only leaders of their own country, but leaders of other countries around the world. Would it not be an exciting concept to imagine an African leader of an independent, perhaps hostile, African country, that was an Old

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## The John Schlesinger Theatre: 1984

The John Schlesinger Theatre had a full programme again this year in which many productions were brought in by professional companies. Many shows were locally manufactured and once again provided the boys with an opportunity of learning more about lighting, stage management, stage construction and various diverse aspects of theatre. I want to thank all those members of staff and boys who gave up hours to make local productions the success they were. I also want to thank Mrs Rita Deyssel of Wykeham and the Wykeham girls who joined us in the production of West Side Story which, for copyright reasons, had to be abandoned four weeks before opening night. It was at that stage that I was informed that the performing rights for this country had been withdrawn pending a professional revival and, after numerous attempts in consultation with New York, it was felt that rather than carry on with the show, it would be better to shelve it for another time. But I do want to thank Mrs Babs Pluke the choreographer and all others who had been involved for their enthusiasm and help.

Mr and Mrs Karel van der Haak, the Catering Managers, left in June and I thank them for their contribution to the Theatre, not only in the sense that they provided refreshments for many shows but also for their active involvement in productions. Welcome to Mr and Mrs John Cook, who have learnt since June what a busy place the Schlesinger Theatre is. Thank you to them also for the magnificent spread at the annual Dramatic Society Dinner held in October.

There are many people leaving at the end of this year who have given a lot of time and energy to the Theatre, and it will be very difficult to replace them: Mr Brian Miles has been Stage Manager and designer of sets for many years and we shall miss his expertise; Mrs June Hennessy has been involved in set designing, set painting, the costume wardrobe, and she has acted in many staff plays and other productions, as well as having directed numerous productions. Her contribution to the success of the Theatre is very much appreciated and it will be very difficult to find someone to fill the gap that she is leaving. Mrs Barbara Earnshaw and her band of staff wives have for many years been active in the make-up department: we wish the Earnshaws well on their departure from the school.

I also want to thank Mr Dan Moodley the Theatre

technician for his all round help and involvement and Mr Richard Aitchison who has looked after the front of house management. Mrs Jean Hall and Mrs Yvonne Kirsten for their help at all times and the boys who have been ushers and box office attendants.

The quarterly Theatre Circular is sent out to as many as 400 people in this area and I thank them for their patronage, and sincerely hope that in the new year we will be able to provide them with "live" entertainment of a high standard.

## PROGRAMME FOR 1984

10th March

The Sixth Form present: Chase Me Comrade  
16th March

Concert by an Instrumental Group from Pietermaritzburg

17th March  
Inter House Public Speaking Competition

19th and 20th March  
NAPAC presents Julius Caesar

23rd March

Theatre Workshop Company presents Hamlet  
1st May

Midlands Forum presents Comic Performance

4th and 5th May  
Brian O'Shaughnessey and Eric Flynn present Puccini

26th May

Concert by the Pietermaritzburg Philharmonic Orchestra

28th-30th May  
Michaelhouse Dramatic Society presents Amadeus

6th and 7th June  
NAPAC presents: London Assurance

27th and 28th July  
NAPAC presents Snoopy!!! The Musical  
29th July

Brian Charteris presents Frank Barrie in Macready  
3rd August  
Concert by the Natal Youth Orchestra

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1st and 2nd August  
PACT presents Poppie Nongena

9th September  
Concert recital by British Pianist John Glegg

3rd and 4th October  
NAPAC presents Ballet Quartet

13 and 14 October  
Inter House Plays Competition

19th and 20th October  
Patrick Mynhardt presents Boy from Bethulie

22nd and 23rd October  
NAPAC presents An Inspector Calls

#### THEATRE AWARDS 1984

The annual Dramatic Society Dinner was held in the Memorial Hall on Thursday 25th October at 8 pm. and was attended by 110 boys and staff. Farewells were said to Mr Miles, Mrs Earnshaw, Mrs Bryson, Mr John Wilson and Mrs June Hennessy. The Acting Rector, Mr John Pluke, read out the awards for 1984 and the book tokens were presented to the recipients at the Assembly the following Tuesday.

#### F.S. BISHOP MEMORIAL AWARD

for the best actor of the year: JEREMY HAMMOND

for his role as Salieri in Amadeus

#### W.A. van der Walt PRIZE

for the best performance by a new actor: NICHOLAS WELZ for his part in Amadeus

#### SPECIAL AWARD

for the best supporting actor of the year: BRUCE LLOYD for his role as Mozart in Amadeus

#### INTER HOUSE PLAYS COMPETITION 1984

The Annual Inter House Plays Competition was held in the Schlesinger Theatre, on Friday 13th and Saturday 14th October 1984, and the following plays were presented:

Founders:

A-Scream directed by Dennis Venter and Paul Carter  
East:

A Fist Full of Fingers directed by Keith Henderson  
and Robert MacKenzie

West:

The Adventures of Chastity Pewke directed by Ian  
Everett

Farfield:

The Seventh Man directed by Giles Embleton

Tatham:

The Ugly Duckling directed by Neil Colquhoun  
Pascoe:

The Great Globe Itself directed by Michael Shaker-  
ley and Andrew Clarke

Baines:

The Way-Out Cindarella directed by Stephen Peters  
and Michael Ellis

The plays were adjudicated by Mr Ken Shuter and  
Mr Nick Cahill, and the First three places were: First  
place and winners of the Henry Murray Cup:  
PASCOE; Second place: TATHAM; Third Place:  
FOUNDERS.

## LECTURE RECITAL

On the 16th March a group of professional mu-  
sicians came to the Theatre to give a very interesting  
lecture recital under the leadership of Errol Girdles-  
tone, who is the conductor of the Pietermaritzburg  
Philharmonic Society.

## JULIUS CAESAR

On March the 19th and 20th NAPAC presented their  
first play of the year, Julius Caesar in the Schle-  
singer Theatre. An interesting production, with an  
all male cast (just as the Bard had performed his  
plays in the Globe Theatre) in Jacobean costumes  
designed by Finlay James. The production was di-  
rected by British actor-director Peter Dews and  
starred some well known South African actors:  
John Hussey (Caesar), James Irwin (from the UK as  
Casca), Eckard Rabe (Mark Anthony), Don Ridgway

(Brutus), and Michael Swinton (Cassius). I felt the production dragged and never really got off the ground but, nevertheless, it was another good opportunity for the school to see professionals at work.

## HAMLET

An outstanding production from the Durban Theatre Workshop was staged on the 23rd March, directed by Prof. Pieter Scholtz. It was brilliantly played, with all the actors working together to produce a memorable evening.

## COMIC PERFORMANCE

On the 1st May, the Midlands Forum presented Comic Performance at 10am in the Schlesinger Theatre. This was directed by Peter Larlam, a lecturer in speech and Drama at the University of Natal, and was an excellent display of versatility and

mime. The skill of the actors, who were mainly students, was quite exceptional. The Midlands Forum has now become a regular item in the Schlesinger diary every year.

## PUCCINI

On the 4th and 5th May Brian O'Shaughnessy and Eric Flynn, two well known South African actors, presented the two-hander Puccini which was basically the life story of the famous composer.

## SNOOPY! THE MUSICAL

On the 27th and 28th July NAPAC brought their fun-filled production Snoopy! The Musical to the Schlesinger Theatre. With a superb orchestra under the able hand of Cape Town's well-known musician Albie Louw and a cast of South Africa's finest entertainers this production could not help being a great success. Tim Plewman was Snoopy, William C. Witter (Of Barnum fame) was Charlie Brown, David Brown played Linus, Cathy Cota was Lucy, Jane de Lenta was Woodstock, Sally Gehr was Sally and Ashleigh Sendin was Peppermint Patty. The show was directed by Geoffrey Sutherland.

Brian O'Shaughnessy and Eric Flynn in a rehearsal scene from "Puccini"

## MACREADY

On Sunday evening 29th July, the school had the pleasure and experience of seeing one of the top actors in the world perform in his own production Macready. We were fortunate enough to have had this performance brought here from Johannesburg, en route to Durban, by Mr Brian Charteris who has brought numerous other shows here. For more than an hour and a half Frank Barrie held the packed house spell bound with his portrayal of one of the greatest actors of all times, William Charles Macready. This really was a theatrical experience not to have been missed.

O'Shaughnessy played Puccini and Flynn played the other roles. Although this was a well produced piece of stage work, I felt it would have been better suited to the radio with the text and excerpts from the composers work.

## CONCERT B Y PIETERMARITZBURG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

The Pietermaritzburg Philharmonic Orchestra, augmented by players from the Natal Philharmonic Orchestra in Durban, gave a fine performance in the Theatre on Saturday 20th May. Conductor was Errol Girdlestone. In order to accommodate the orchestra and the Amadeus set an extension to the existing stage was built. The programme was light and varied and it was an experience hearing a full orchestra "live" in the Theatre. FrankBarriein "Macready!"



## AMADEUS

On the 28th and 29th and 30th May the Michael-house Dramatic Society staged Peter Shaffer's controversial play Amadeus. The play was directed by June Jardine and Ginny Butler, sets were designed and executed by Brian Miles. This was an ambitious choice, as the play had been very successfully staged in Johannesburg and, since then, a film version has gone on to the circuits. Jeremy Hammond played Salieri in a very commanding manner and certainly got to know the character very well to have given such a polished performance. He was awarded the F.S. Bishop prize for the best actor of the year for his portrayal of this role. Bruce Lloyd, as Amadeus Mozart, gave a sensitive and well rounded off performance, and he was awarded a prize for the best supporting actor of 1984. Newcomer to the stage here was Nicholas Welz who, with Andrew Walker, played the two "Venticelli"; and he was rewarded for his performance by receiving the W.A. van der Walt award for the best performance by an actor who had not acted here before. All told this was a very successful production and all who had anything to do with it must be congratulated.

### The Cast:

Antonio Salieri  
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
Constance Weber  
Joseph II Emperor of Austria  
Count Johann Kilian von Strack  
Count Franz Orsini-Rosenberg  
Baron Gottfried von Swieten  
Two "Venticelli"

Major Domo  
Salieri's Valet  
Salieri's Cook

Jeremy Hammond  
Bruce Lloyd  
Sharon Miller  
Richard Gush  
Marc Desmidt  
Ian Everett  
Paul Hepker  
Nicholas Welz  
Andrew Walker  
Billy Meyer  
Michael Ellis  
Rory Lange

Katherina Cavalieri (silent part) Helen Thompson  
Kapellmeister Bonno (silent part) Billy Meyer

Citizens of Vienna Simon Camerer, Mark Suzman

Michael Blore, David Feek  
Roger Gauntlett, Billy Meyer

Credits:

Set design  
Spinnet made by  
Set construction

Lighting

Brian Miles  
Brian Miles  
Brian Miles assisted by  
Nicky van Beeck,  
Derek Harvey, Nick Rowe  
Jack Goodson, Philip Roberts  
Gavin Tweedie, Bernie Mitton  
Dan Moodley, Murray Crowe

& Graham Raynor  
Sound Richard Evans, Graeme Dykes

Props & Wigs made by Biddy Hall

Bust of Mozart (Foyer) Biddy Hall

Costumes Jane Cox, Glynnis Buckley

June Hennessey, Yvonne Hart, Debbie Goulding  
Make-up Barbare Earnshaw, Alison Ashmole

Annette Sowden, Ginny Butler  
Pianist Muriel Tasker

Stage Manager Simon Camerer

Prompt & Production Secretary Giles Embleton

Liaison: lighting box-stage Grant Hawkins

Props mistress Helen Thompson

Photographs Tony Carter and Julian Willis

Special coaching: voice Ginny Butler

Special coaching: Italian Fran Winckworth

Director, SchlesingerTheatre Willem van der Walt

Produced by Ginny Butler and

June Jardine

AMADEUS CAST

L-R: Standing: N. Weltz; M. Ellis; G. Embleton; W. Meyer; D. Feek;

S. Camerer; A. Blore; R. Lange; P. Hepker.

Sitting: I. Everett; A. Walker; J. Hammond; Mrs June Jardine; B. Lloyd; R. Gush; M. Desmidt.

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## LONDON ASSURANCE

### WEST SIDE STORY

On the 6th and 7th June NAPAC brought their production London Assurance to the Schlesinger Theatre with some notable names: Malcolm Farquhar as Sir Harcourt Courtly was brought out from England, Erica Rogers well known South African screen, stage and TV personality played Lady Gay Spanker and Keith Grenville played Maxmillian Har-kaway. The play was directed by Roger Dywer and the sets designed by Patricia Slavin. It was a very entertaining evening with all the intrigues and goings on of that era.

### MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

On the 3rd August the Natal Youth Orchestra gave a performance and on Sunday the 9th September the British Pianist John Clegg gave a lecture recital.

### BOY FROM BETHULIE

On Friday 19th and Saturday 20th October Patrick Mynhardt entertained the audiences with reminiscences from his long stage career, starting in the small town Bethulie in the Free State, going through his struggle to be an academic and his subsequent career in the theatre, radio, screen and TV. A highly entertaining evening's theatre.

Patrick Mynhardt

The Michaelhouse -Wykeham production of West Side Story, which was scheduled for the 12-15th September, had to be abandoned because of problems with the copyright holders in America and the performing rights for this play. After numerous representations to the agents in New York, it was decided to shelve the production for a later date pending the availability of the licence. The girls from

"West Side Story" in rehearsal (Babs Pluke in charge)

Wykeham used to come up to Michaelhouse on Sundays for all day rehearsals and, although it was a great sadness that the production could not have been staged, a lot of fun was had in the rehearsals. Our thanks are due to Mrs Rita Deyssel, music mistress at Wykeham, Mr Derek Tasker, our own director of Music and Mrs Babs Pluke, choreographer, for the hours of work they put into the play and also to all the boys and girls of the cast, set builders and

production secretaries.

The accompanying photo shows the boys being put through their paces by Mrs Pluke in the early days of the rehearsals.

### CHASE ME COMRADE

The Sixth Form play this year, directed by Jeremy Hammond, was a farce from beginning to end. Chase me Comrade, one of the old stalwarts, came off very successfully with such notable actors as Roger Hickman as Commander Rimington, James Anderson as Hoskins, Marc Desmidt as Petrovyan, Bruce Lloyd as Gerry Buss, Richard Gush as Mr Laver, Ian Everett as Constable Pulford, and Humphrey Hamilton as Bobby Hargreaves. Guy Laver was stage manager and the set was built by the stage crew. An evening of hilarious light entertainment was had by all who saw this production.

## AN INSPECTOR CALLS

An Inspector Calls, the well known J.B. Priestly play, was performed in the Theatre on the 22nd and 23rd of October. The play was directed by British stage personality Joan Kemp-Welch and starred British actor Derek Bond, as the Inspector, Jill Fenson as Sybil Birling, John Hussey as Arthur Birling and Lynn Ellis as Sheila Birling.

## NEW ERA

Nick Heaton has managed to get together a group, NEW ERA, that has turned out to be very successful. Earlier this year they launched forth into a few numbers at a school music concert and things didn't work out for them. But since then, due to Nick's enthusiasm and persistence, they have given two highly successful concerts, one at St Annes and one here in the Schlesinger Theatre. Members of the group are: Lead Guitar and vocals, Nick Heaton; Keyboard and vocals, Paul Hepker; Lead vocals, Simon Camerer; Bass Guitar, Grant Hawkins; Drums, Michael Ellis and Sound and electromix,

Andrew Pennington. They are planning some auditions during the Christmas recess with the hope of producing a tape in the new year. Wewishthemthe best of luck.

## BALLET QUARTET

On the 3rd and 4th October NAPAC presented Ballet Quartet. This is the first time a ballet company has performed in the Schlesinger Theatre. There were four short ballets directed and choreographed by Ashley Killar: Afternoon of a Faun, Burlesque, Le Cafe Jacques and Dark Waves.

## POPIE NONGEN A

On the 1st and 2nd August the PACT production of Elsa Joubert's famous novel Popple Nongena was staged in the Schlesinger Theatre. The play was directed by Marius Weyers and Nomsa Nene, who only recently got back from the American tour of this play, played Poppie with Peter Se-Puma as Stone. The play was very well done and provided an evening of thought-provoking entertainment.

A scene from "Amadeus"

## OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

Across the rolling green parks and gracious homes of Old Parktown, across the railway line from the glistening glass and concrete structures of Central Johannesburg and adjoining the synagogues and Chelseafied apartments of Berea and Yeoville lies the bustling and pulsating community of Hillbrow. This ubiquitous suburb has a special vitality to which most people are blinded by decades of adverse opinion and publicity. Those who have never visited are the first to scorn.

Hundreds of thousands of people of countless origins have congregated in this small area to produce unique and colourful contrasts, where the aromas of genuine Israeli shuwarma and homemade Lebanese meat pie can mingle harmoniously; the one emanating from a cornerside all-night discount delicatessen, the other from a family restaurant frequented by conservative old age pensioners, the young and trendy wearing outrageous technicoloured hairstyles as well as wealthy and successful doctors and lawyers who live in the area out of choice.

At night, beneath the flickering of towering edifices, housing both crummy bedsitters and sumptuous penthouses, the city awakens in brilliant outbursts of neon, illuminating even the alleyways, which are, to some, the lairs of muggers and, to others, the beautiful bearers of the resplendent handiwork of graffiti artists' spray paint cans. The reflections of strobes and echoes of electronic beat filter into the open air along with the overflow from smoky night-clubs, still dancing beneath the pavement saplings, and joined by Malawians dressed either in tribal, modern or even Scottish apparel who dance the "Highland Fling" and the "Gumboot Dance" intermittently, while occasionally ushering brightly coloured Japanese "Daihatsus" and German "Golfs" into rare parking places in order to earn their keep.

The crowds are multiracial, despite all laws, in a mood of liberalisation and renovation which will ultimately sweep discrimination before it. "New York ice cream parlours", "Big Apple cafeterias", "United States T-Shirt bars", American cram colleges and dozens of cinemas and theatres in a single

street bear witness to the cleansing and purging

Manhattanisation of Hillbrow, producing an increasing atmosphere of permanence uncharacteristic of earlier days.

Much in evidence is the rejuvenation of the cat-  
acomb-like subterranean shopping malls and flea  
markets, which formerly were the exclusive lairs of  
drug peddlers, but now house rows of automatic  
banking machines, acres of arcade games, totalisa-  
tor offices, all night eating houses, furniture depart-  
ment stores, clothing boutiques, food chain stores,  
liquor supermarkets, grocers, "massage parlours",  
"poker clubs", "escort agencies", "adult magazine  
booths" as well as the modern synthetic music and  
flashing radiance of discotheques.

Hillbrow is a society of irony and drama, where  
some experience loneliness amidst the dense popu-  
lace; where a street intersection newspaper vendor  
can safely leave his stall and takings unattended  
even in a neighbourhood where crime is unfortu-  
nately prevalent; where some people find the entire  
district seedy and distasteful, and others relish  
every moment of a vibrant life of unashamed self  
expression and vitality which only residents can  
understand.

Paul Dijkman Std X

## SMALL VOICE IN THE CITY

He walks with a tread that  
is echoed in every city of the world

- he's the town-city sligger, the No. 1 rat  
and the socialist's flag under his shirt  
is furled.

He marches in a rhythm that all the grey  
men know

Try

not to follow, his feet like thunder,  
small twitching hands, the backbone of  
the world  
and seeds of all diss-passion sow.

His mouth a proclamation, his teeth a  
neat, staccato row.

And his small grey eyes the narrow streets  
plunder

What is coming? Don't let him pass -



are human beings becoming a farce?

10 little billion men saluting the PM

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All tapping and grappling, eagerly wooing  
the precise day we shall see Him.

And tulips shan't fill the heavens.

Rory Lange Std 9

The following two Afrikaans essays won the Rector's Essay prize this year:

### HOEKOM 'N GOEIE VRIEND VAN ONSKATBARE WAARDE IN DIE LEWE IS

Die mens is 'n kuddedier en daarom moet hy saam met ander mense lewe. Hy moet ook goeie vriende he. 'n Persoon behoort die sekerheid van vriendskap te geniet. Dis baie belangrik om die regte persoon te kies om 'n goeie vriend van jou te wees.

Almal het die populere advertensie op die televisie en die radio gehoor dat die mense wat by die Allied Bouvereniging werk, vriende is met wie 'n mens kan saampraat. Ek twyfel nie aan die waarheid van hulle bewering nie, maar ek dink dat 'n ware vriend nie net 'n persoon is met wie jy kan gesels nie. 'n Goeie vriend is iemand wat jou goed ken en jou persoonlikheid verstaan.

In die onpersoonlike wereld van vandag moet 'n mens 'n paar goeie maats he wat by jou kan staan. Die persoon wat alleen is, sal nie lank in ons moeilike wereld gelukkig wees nie. Die groot wereld het geen simpatie met mense wat geen vriende het nie. Daarom het 'n mens 'n goeie maat nodig wat jou kan help en jou met raad en daad kan bystaan. 'n Goeie vriend is nie net 'n persoon wat net vriendelik is omdat jy baie ryk is en vir hom presente gee nie. 'n Mens moet baie versigtig wees en teen hierdie soort valse vriende waak.

'n Mens moet beseft dat die belangrikste rede waarom iemand jou maat is, is omdat hy baie van jou hou. Hy hou ook baie daarvan om saam met jou te wees en met jou te gesels. Daars 'n spesiale aantrekkingskrag tussen twee goeie vriende wat sterker is as enige natuurkundige krag. Daar is geen slegte invloed wat hierdie vriendskap kan breek nie. Nogtans moet 'n mens nie dink dat daar geen probleme is nie - die verhouding tussen twee goeie maats het sy wisselvallighede!

Ons almal is menslike en emosionele skepsels. As 'n mens ongelukkig is, voel jou vriend ook ongelukkig. 'n Goeie vriend wil die oorsaak daarvan weet en hy

sal hard probeer om die situasie te red. Die verhouding tussen twee goeie vriende is nie selfsug nie en dit sal nie jaloesie daarin toelaat nie.

Die stabiliteit van enige vriendskap hang af van hoeveel 'n mens op jou vriend vertrou. 'n Ware vriend verstaan jou gevoelens en gedagtes sowel as hoe jy

in verskillende situasies sal reageer. Dit maak nie saak watter soort persoon jy is nie - daar is altyd iemand met wie jy gemeenskaplike belange kan deel. 'n Mens moet ook nie vergeet dat dit geselskap van 'n goeie maat een van die aangenaamste ondervindings in die lewe is nie.

'n Mens moet ook onthou dat jy ook 'n vriend van die ander persoon is. Jy moet ook jou vriend help en raadgee. Elke vriend is 'n steunpilaar van die ander. Daar is 'n ware gesegde: "In nood leer 'n mens jou vriende ken." 'n Mens is gesellig van natuur en daarom het hy vriende nodig met wie jy die lewe kan geniet. Ons moenie die onveranderlike feit verontfaam dat 'n goeie vriend wat openlik vir jou omgee, van onskatbare waarde in die lewe is nie.

Clive Hastings - Std X

## SUID-AFRIKA: LAND VAN KONTRASTE

Suid-Afrika kan amper beskou word as 'n wereld in een land. Hier, aan die suidelike punt van Afrika is 'n land wie se inwoners aan twee verskillende beskawings behoort, waarin landstreke van uiterstes gevind kan word en waar natuur en beskawing 'n samelewing met die verloop van tyd moet uitkap.

Kontraste. Kontraste oral waar jy kyk. Natuurkundige verskille soos in klimaat en terrein, soos in enige land, is volop, maar hier is dit anders. Deur 'n reis van 'n paar uur te onderneem, ervaar 'n mens hoe die hele omgewing totaal en drasties verander.

Van eindelose vlaktes wat so ver as die oog kan sien in die verte uitstrek sonder onderbreking, tot berge wat die hemel intower; van die droëe onherbergsame streke waar warrelwinde die enigste sigbare bewegings maak, tot digbegroeide bosse waardeur groot riviere stadig en kalm vloei en waar voels en kleinwild orals is; van sandduine tot die see; van bree vlaktes vol doringbosse waar alle soorte wild in hulle natuurlike omgewing woon, tot die golwende grasbedekte heuwels van Natal.

In Suid-Afrika is daar ook kontraste in die ontwikkeling van verskeie streke. In die wildtuine moet diere

in 'n amper kunsmatige omgewing voortbestaan. Groot dele van die Transvaal en die ander drie provinsies is deur ons versteur om vir landbou gebruik te word en op sommige plekke verwyder die boere al die natuurlike plante om landerye te maak. Klein dorpies wat altyd groter word het orals opgespring en laastens het ons monsteragtige stede opgerig waar die grootwild voorheen rustig gewei het.

Besoedeling en vuilgoed, teerpaaie en neonligte, geraas en gewoel - 'n groot kontras met die skoonheid en rustigheid van die natuur. Dit is 'n wildernis

van 'n ander soort - 'n wi I dem is wat deur die mens  
geskep is. Op sommige plekke in ons land vleg die  
ou swart mense nog hulle ware uit lengtes gras  
maar op ander plekke werk duisende mense saam  
met ontwikkelde masjienerie diep onder die opper-  
vlakke van die aarde om goud en ander minerale te  
ontgin. As jy na die inwoners van ons land kyk, sien  
jy dadelik die kontraste. Hier woon mense wat  
afkomstig is van baie verskillende lande en wat  
verskillende tale praat, verskillende gode dien,  
verskillende gewoontes het en wat verskillende  
lewensstandaarde handhaaf. Daar is die kontras  
tussen wit en swart, tussen ryk en arm, en tussen die  
wat moet dien en die wat regeer. Aan die een kant  
van die skaal is die mense wat in spoghuise woon en  
wat gedurig geld verkwansel. Aan die ander kant is  
die ou siek mense wat in slordige pondokkies woon  
en wat vir elke korsie brood moetsukkel.

Die jong mense van Suid-Afrika het die groot uitda-  
ging - die toekoms. Ons moet leer hoe om in vrede  
saam te lewe en hoe om ander mense se regte te  
respekteer. Hier in ons land van kontraste moet ons  
sorg dat die natuur en ontwikkeling langs mekaar  
voortgaan en ons is die persone van wie alles af-  
hang.

Rupert Baber- Standard X

## ALAN PATON POETRY COMPETITION

### III LIEU OF LOVE

In lieu of love, I send my I.D. book,  
Complete with photo, status, age and race;  
That you might know me better; take a look,  
The next I see you, you might see my face;  
See me for what I am, for what I feel;  
Take me for whom I love, take me for you;  
Take this as truth, believe my love is real,  
and give your love, that we might live anew.  
You play so oft (Oh God!) you sometimes flirt,  
You twist me round, and make me so confused,  
And then you turn, as though it's you who's hurt,

As though it's you, not I, who has been used.

I'm tired of the sport, the games we play;

Open, identify with me, today.

J.M. Bishop- 1st Place in Standard X

## ALAN PATON POETRY COMPETITION

I have no work to show you sir,

For as you know, I am not one  
Who can easily sit and write a poem.

For me the cricket field holds more appeal  
than a hot and dreary classroom,

And I would rather stroke a quickie for a four,

Than bayonet a page of garbled syntax into  
submission.

Even to lie, cradled in headphones,

Is better than that

To let your mind flee into the mass

of circuits and resonators,

And to leap, exultant, in, across and around  
The tunnelling bass.

Then of course sir, there was other work.

We had to spar with equations,

those deceitful little chunks of pure chaos,

Which, draped in their algebraic finery,

Masquerade as physical laws.

Believe you me, to strip them of the algebra  
Takes quite sometime.

But I won't say any more,

Because you were a boy too,

Long ago,

And you know how easy it is,

To forget about work

And turn to more pleasant diversions.

Andrew Clark- 1st Place in Standard VIII

## IMPOSSIBLE LOVE

### IMAGES

When my troubled frame restlessness escapes,  
My mind freed from the chains of dreariness,  
Flees afar to wander distant landscapes  
Where abounds the eternal happiness;  
The well-worn paths lead me through sunlit vales,  
In this longed-for paradise of blest love,  
I listen to enchanting melodies  
In praise of the laughing stream and the dove;  
I see your image in the tranquillity,  
I feel your sensuous touch of warmth  
Gently embrace and fill my emptiness,  
As the life-giving energies flow forth;  
Our enrapt souls surge towards unity  
But crash against the bars of reality.

C. Hastings -Standard X

### ALCHEMY

There's fire within the hearts of those who pause  
And box the face of danger in her cave,  
Who challenge fortune, are the Harpies' claws,  
For sure it burns them to an early grave.  
There's ice inside of those who, standing by  
Can watch a chance of life slip slowly past,  
Who know not when to laugh, nor when to cry,  
Whose smiling frowns are frozen to the last.  
There's nothing in the hearts of those who love,  
Before it came to be, 'twas torn away,  
Their tears, as dew, are furnished from above,  
And truth of love provides the words they say;  
And twist the fire and ice, those riches lie



Which founded are upon eternity.

G. Cundill-Standard X

### IT'S MY COMPULSION

Fragile - as a bubble in flight, flimsy  
yet terrifyingly real - of course  
I have no choice butto stumble wearily onwards  
For I was never asked.

Moments of happiness (a bubble, but smaller)  
Interspersed inconspicuously in complexity ... yet  
there for a purpose

To keep us sane (perhaps) inside insanity.

Puppets, pieces, playthings is what we are!

But like dog-fights, we have no choice

We are gently coaxed into the sphere of adulthood:

The padded childhood shatters!

Oh, carry me back into the life of fables,

Pamper, support me from the perplexity of policy  
For in love there is immortality,

But in life there is death.

Dennis Venter-Standard IX

I move withered through this day,  
of wettened sun and weathered leaf.

A forlorn drowned cloud spoke silently,  
as mice-mumbling toes shivered slow in my shoe,  
their voice a trickle in my side.

I thought of dreaming, and saw  
a little man sleeping, with a little dog.

He woke and said "Hello", his apple-tree eyes  
tear-warm on this dark dank day.

The leaves were red-wet and sore upon the ground,  
but moved like coloured tripping thoughts in the air;  
a rip, a cold and somewhat old.

This dusty dream of craggy thought,  
a little grain of life-long time

mine and smokey-lone upon this  
blue orchard road,  
where sounds muffled step  
is of men tired-walking and sad.

Poem by Richard Cullinan, winner of the Rector's  
Verse Prize 1984

## THE CHEETAH

Lone.

Majestic.

The Cheetah.

Silently he surveys  
the surrounding countryside  
from the pinnacle of the rock  
kopje. He slowly moves off.

The muscles in his back ripple;

and die,

and he moves

through the

long, khaki, elephant

grass. Nigh invisible.

Suddenly he stiffens ...

Every nerve and sinew tensed.

He is as still as death, as the  
unsuspecting duiker draws parallel.

Like a bullet, he shoots forward, and  
in a flash, before the buck has turned  
its head, he is on it.

A blur of colour, a leap, a grunt; a dull  
thud.

Silence.

Then the tearing and rending of fresh, raw  
meat.

Simon Pitout-Standard VI

## Sport

### ATHLETICS

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.W. Miller

For the more enthusiastic and talented athletes, the season started during the Lent Quarter. A group of boys entered the Pietermaritzburg and Districts Trials, which were held on the 11th February and from which a team was chosen to travel to Menlo Park, Pretoria. Two of our athletes were selected. They were R. Le Sueur U14800 m in which he gained a second place, in a time of 2 m 14.6 sec and M. Jeffery U16 100 m 1st 11.7 sec, 200 m 1st 22.8 sec. and 100 m Hurdles 2nd 13.7 sec.

The School athletics season was, as usual, held during the Michaelmas Quarter. As short as it was, it proved to be a most successful and exciting season.

The Standards Competition was the first to be held, after an absolutely minimal amount of training. Performances overall were much the same as last year, and the attitude of the boys was generally positive.

Final placings in the competition were Pascoe 51.6 per cent; Farfield 51.4 per cent; Founders 47.4 per cent; East 43 per cent; Tatham 41 per cent; West 40 percent and Baines 36 percent.

In the Relays Competition, Pascoe dominated proceedings in a very entertaining afternoon. Pascoe won 8 of the 14 events. Strangely enough, no records were broken this year; but this may be attributed to a rather heavy and slow track at the time.

Results were: Pascoe 75; Tatham 68; Farfield 50; Founders 41; West 37; Baines 26 and East 17.

"A clean sweep for Pascoe"

The Tug-of-War competition was once again keenly contested, providing an amusing afternoon's entertainment for both boys and staff. In the Junior section Founders, who had a bye in the first round, came through to beat West in the final. In the Senior section, West narrowly heaved their way to victory by beating Tatham.

The Inter-House Athletics Meeting was held on Saturday 8th September. Willows was most attractively prepared, appearing as a colourful spectacle on a fine spring morning. Mr John Morgan, Mr

Ram and the ground staff are complimented on having the track in immaculate condition. In the finals held prior to Sports Day, Victor Anderson gained two records, in the Open Triple Jump 13,80 m an improvement of,69 m and in the Open High Jump 1,95 m an improvement of 19cm.

Other records which were broken on Sports Day were asfollows:

Under 16 100 m Hurdles: M. Jeffery 14,16 sec

Under 16 TripleJump: M. Jeffery 12,96m

Under 16 200 m: M. Jeffery 23,00 sec

Under 15 4 x 100 m relay: Tatham 48,3 sec

Under 16 4 x 100 m relay: Baines 47,0 sec

Gareth Boltman won the Junior Victor Ludorum with a total of 4 760 points. Michael Jeffery was awarded the Senior Victor Ludorum, scoring a total of 5065 points. Final placings were as follows: Pascoe 151; Tatham 145; Founders 123; Farfield 123; East 77; Baines 62 and West 53.

Prof. R. MacMillan, who has served on the Michaelhouse Board of Governors and who himself was a Springbok athlete in the mid 1930s was the guest speaker, and presented the trophies to the athletes.

For the first time in many years Michaelhouse was able to take part in an Inter-Schools Meeting, held at Linpark High School, on Saturday 15th September. From this meeting a Pietermaritzburg and Districts side was chosen to take part in an Inter-Districts Meeting held at Kings Park Durban the following week. Michaelhouse did extremely well, not only did we win the competition, by achieving 15 first places, 10 second places and 4 third places, but also, S. Stringer broke the Under 16 Javelin record with a throw of 55,6 m an improvement of nearly 10 m and M. Jeffery broke the Under 16 200 m.

## BASKETBALL

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M. Jeffery U/16 400 metres Sports Day.

Nine of our athletes were chosen to represent PMB and Districts. They were as follows:

Under 14: R. LeSueur 100m200m  
Under 15: G. Hawkins 800 m 1 500 m  
G. Sloan 200 m 400 m  
G. Boltman 100m Long Jump Triple  
Jump

Under16: G.Jacobs400m

S. Stringer Javelin Discus Long Jump  
M. Jeffery 100 m 200 m 100 m hurdles  
Under 17: V. Anderson High Jump  
Under 19: R. Mitchell Shot Putt Discus

A squad of about 60 boys took part in the Triangular Meeting, which was held at Michaelhouse on Monday 17th September. Despite our efforts to get the boys training and prepared for this meeting a few weeks earlier this year Hilton dominated the sprint and sprint-orientated events. Michaelhouse finished first in 16 events, second in 20 events and third in 19 events. Only one record was broken by a Michaelhouse athlete. This was V. Anderson in the Open High Jump 1,90 m. Final placings scored on a 3-2-1 basis were as follows: Hilton 135^; Michaelhouse 108; Kearsney 382. Hilton are congratulated on a well-drilled squad.

In the Inter-Districts meeting, held at Kings Park, in which nine of our athletes competed under extremely windy conditions, they managed to gain the following places:

Under 17: V. Anderson High Jump 1,95 m 2nd  
Under 16: M. Jeffery 100 m 11,8 2nd  
200 m 22,8 1st  
100 m hurdles 14,0 1st  
G. Jacobs 400 m 51,3 3rd  
Under 15: G. Sloan 400 m 53,2 3rd

G. Boltman 100 m 12,0 3rd

Overall, a most successful season, with the attitude and efforts of the athletes being most commendable and, in particular, may I congratulate Michael Jeffery on his numerous achievements.

Master in Charge: FR S. Hall.

During the course of the year A. Va I let played in the Natal Under19s; G. Short Captained the Natal Colts, R. Mitchell and P. Holland played for the Natal B team.

In the last quarter of the year there were wins against Weston, Treverton and Hilton, and the matches against College and Alex were lost. In the House Matches Pascoe won the senior and Baines the junior division. All teams have shown an outstanding spirit and have enjoyed their practice and coaching sessions, as well as their matches. The success enjoyed is, of course, due very largely to Karel van den Haak although not exclusively so; for Michael Short has been indefatigable in organising and coaching the lads, and has been outstanding in the responsible and reliable manner in which he has acted. Credit must go to him and also to John Rivers-Moore, Kevin Johnston, and Richard Grantham, for their fine and fair standard of refereeing and umpiring. It has been a pleasure to be associated with all the participants of this sport and to take out the teams during the last quarter of the year.

Honours:

A. Vallet, M. Short

Colours:

P. Holland, R. Mitchell.

1ST BASKETBALL TEAM

L-R: Standing: P. Holland; R. Grantham; K. Shiel; A. Vallet;

R. Mitchell; M. Short.

## CANOE CLUB

Master-in-Charge: Mr L.J. Walshe  
Captain: Mike Ellis  
Vice-Captain: Sandy Davidson  
Secretary: Andrew Pennington/Simon Houghton  
Committee Member: Craig Anderson.

Once again the Canoe Club has had an excellent year. The club has increased enormously and there is a continuous influx of new and keen members. It is pleasing to see a certain dedication in many boys to reach a high standard. The performance of many boys has shown that Michaelhouse is still one of the leading schools in the canoeing field.

The results of the Interschools Umzimkulu week-end, where the Michaelhouse teams won both the senior and junior cups, show that Michaelhouse still dominates. The annual Inter-house Canoeing Competition was held on the Upper Bushmans. It consisted of a paddle on the dam, portage around the wall and then a paddle ten kilometres down the river. After heats on Strachan's dam, the finalists, Pascoe, Baines and East, battled it out on a full river. Baines emerged winners, with Pascoe second and East third. Several paddlers achieved outstanding individual results.

1984 Dusi Marathon

Mike Ellis 104th overall 6th Junior K1

Sandy Davidson/Dave Phipson 154 overall 1st

Juniors K2

Natal Junior Long Distance Championships

Mike Ellis 2nd

Natal Junior White Water Championships

Mike Ellis 2nd

Craig Anderson 5th

Canoe Club "A " Team

Back: S. Houghton; C. Anderson

Seated: A. Davidson; M. Ellis

Natal Junior Slalom Championships

Mike Ellis 1st

Simon Houghton 4th

Sandy Davidson 5th

South African Junior White Water Championships

Mike Ellis 6th

Craig Anderson 7th

Sandy Davidson 9th

South African Junior Slalom Championships

Mike Ellis 1st

Simon Houghton 3rd 1st U16

Craig Anderson 7th

Sandy Davidson 11th

South African U16 Sprint Championships

(a) 500 m: S. Houghton 5th

(b) 1 000 m: S. Houghton 6th

(c) 3 000 m: S. Houghton 6th

SpringbokTrials May 1984

Slalom M. Ellis 7th overall

S. Houghton 12th overall

S. Houghton - SA Slalom Championships.

SpringbokTrials December 1984

WhiteWater: M. Ellis 2nd Junior

Slalom: M. Ellis 1st Junior 6th overall

S. Houghton 3rd Junior



The Natal Canoe Union made the following selections and awards during the year.

Mike Ellis-Natal Junior A Team for Slalom, White Water, K2 Long Distance and Sprint. Awarded Natal Colours.

Simon Houghton - Natal Junior B Team for Slalom  
Natal Junior U16A Team for sprints  
Sandy Davidson - Natal Junior B Team for Slalom and White Water.

The following Springbok selections were made

M. Ellis - White Water Junior Squad; Slalom Senior Squad

S. Houghton - Slalom Junior Squad

The following awards were made following these results:

Honours:

M. Ellis  
Colours:

S. Houghton S. Davidson D. Phipson  
Teams:

C. Blewett. C. Roberts

Mark Kruger received the Cup for the most improved Junior. The results above have been achieved by our boys only by dedicated training and intense enthusiasm.

## CRICKET

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.M. Buckley

Played 120, won 54, drew 32, tied 1, lost 33.

Cricket at Michaelhouse would appear to be in a very healthy state, and so it should. The facilities are magnificent, the depth of coaching is tremendous and the material to work with is in abundance. In addition, the traditions of cricket are everywhere to be seen. Whether one looks at the photographs of Springbok Cricketers in the Pavilion, or watches games of "mini-cricket" taking place outside normal practice hours, this is a cricketing school.

With all this background, therefore, why are our re-

sults not better than they are? I believe there are three main reasons for this. Firstly, there is a fairly high degree of individualism and selfishness among players. Players must realise that the team comes first and, through the team, individual talents will develop and flourish. It very seldom works the other way round. I have never known a great schoolboy cricketer who was not a good team man.

Secondly, I feel captains should be more positive with their declarations. Too often the declaration is made on the basis of the opposition not being able to get the runs, instead of on the basis of giving our bowlers enough time to bowl the opposition out. Thirdly, the bowling in general seems to lack penetration. Here a lot can be done by bowlers themselves, simply by bowling "line and length". Too many bowlers are trying to bowl too quickly or trying to make the ball do too much, instead of paying attention to a "side-on" action and "line and length", and then developing their bowling from there.

Not that the overall results are anything but highly satisfactory, but the rather high percentage of drawn games is worrying. There is considerable depth at all levels and one only had to watch the Fourth XI performing in the First quarter to realise this.

The most disappointing aspect of the season was the number of players who discontinued cricket in the fourth quarter. I cannot believe that work was the main reason. I rather believe it was a feeling of frustration of not being able to make the First XI, or a higher side. Please remember there are numerous cricketers playing first class cricket or better who never played First XI at school. The West Indies are a wonderful example of this. I would like to ask players who have opted for cricket in the first quarter, to continue playing in the fourth. I believe you owe it to the school, to your team mates and to your coach.

Finally, I would like to place on record my thanks to the following people; the Rector, Mr N.B. Jardine, and the Senior Master, Mr J.H. Pluke, for their support and enthusiasm; the Estate Manager, Mr J. Morgan, and his staff, for the magnificent facilities we enjoy; the Caterer, Mr J. Cook, and his staff, for food and teas; the Parents for their support at matches throughout the season; the players themselves for their contribution to cricket; the scorers and score-board operators for a thankless task; and last, but not least, to the coaches for their great efforts throughout the season.

## FIRST XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.M. Buckley

Captain: R. Hickman and M. Gilson (latter part of  
fourth quarter)

Scorer: P. Armitage

Team: A. Poole, W. Firth, J. Brotherton, G. Morgan,  
J. Morphet, J. Thompson, V. Anderson, K. Blacklaw,  
R. Pithey, N. Evans.

Notable Batting:

INNS N.O. HS TOTAL AV

M. Gilson 25 5 106 n.o. 818 40,9

A. Poole 26 4 100 n.o. 756 34,4

G. Morgan 19 5 90 n.o. 328 23,4

V. Anderson 24 1 62 496 21,6

J. Brotherton 23 4 64 403 21,2

Notable Bowling:

O M R W AV

W. Firth 299 81 748 54 13,9

M. Gilson 188 31 578 31 18,6

V. Anderson 269 59 891 45 19,8

K. Blacklaw 94 19 270 13 20,8

N.Evans 250 61 679 30 22,6

Results of Games:

First Quarter:

28 January vs DHS

Michaelhouse 148/7 dec. (Morgan 23, Anderson 28, Gilson 27, Poole 44 n.o.)

DHS 112/9 (Firth 5/18, Gilson 2/22)

Match Drawn

3rd February vs Wanderers Nomads

Wanderers Nomads 144/5 dec. (Morgan 2/6)

Michaelhouse 150/5 (Morgan 90 n.o.)

Won by 5 wickets

4th February vs Glenwood

Glenwood 148 all out (Firth 4/49, Anderson 4/15)

Michaelhouse 125/8 (Pithey 29, Anderson 35)

Match Drawn

3rd March vs Westville

Westville 141 all out (Evans3/24)

Michaelhouse 110 all out

Lost by 31 runs

7th March vs Mynahs

Michaelhouse 147 all out (Anderson 62)

Mynahs 76/3 (Anderson 2/28)

Match Drawn

10th March vs College  
College 164/7 dec. (Gilson 3/37)

Michaelhouse 87/8 (Morgan 26)

Match drawn

17th March vs Alexandra  
Michaelhouse 162/7 dec. (Poole 100 n.o.)

Alexandra 109/7 (Firth 3/22)

Match Drawn

18th March vs Hilton

Michaelhouse 165/5 dec. (Anderson 32, Brotherton  
45 n.o., Thompson 33 n.o.)

Hilton 111/5 (Firth 4/48)

Match Drawn

CRICKET 1st XI

Seated L-R: W.R. Firth; R.D. Hickman (Capt); Mr J.M. Buckley; M. W. Gils  
on; A.J. Poole.

2nd Row: N.S. Evans; R.J. Pithey; K.R. Blacklaw; V.B. Anderson; A.J. T  
hompson; J.J. Morphet; P.G. Morgan; J.R. Brotherton.

Murray Gilson - Natal Schools' Cricket  
Third Quarter

20th September vs Old Boys

Michaelhouse 194/5 dec. (Anderson 43, Brotherton 64, Morgan 51 n.o.)

Old Boys 117/6  
Match Drawn

Michaelmas Week:

27th September vs Potchestroom  
Michaelhouse 115 all out (Blacklaw 27, Morphet 29)  
Potchestroom 116/5 (Anderson 3/44)

Lost by 5 wickets

28th September vs Grey College (Bloemfontein)  
Grey College 177 all out (Anderson 3/43)  
Michaelhouse 130/5 (Hickman 56, Gilson 27, Brotherton 24 n.o.)

Match Drawn

29th September vs KES  
KES 159 all out (Firth 2/13, Anderson 2/17)  
Michaelhouse 162/7 (Hickman 33, Poole 43, Gilson 22)

Won by 3 wickets

30th September vs Woodridge College  
Woodridge 201 all out (Anderson 5/58, Blacklaw 4/18)

Michaelhouse 161/6 (Poole 79, Thompson 21)  
Match Drawn

Fourth Quarter

3rd October vs Graeme College  
Graeme 189 all out (Firth 6/34)

Michaelhouse 107/0 (Hickman 46 n.o., Poole 54 n.o.)  
Match Drawn

6th October vs DHS

Michaelhouse 138 all out (Brotherton 39)

DHS 130 all out (Evans 5/29)

Won by 8 runs

9th October vs St. Johns

Michaelhouse 246/4 dec. (Poole 84, Gilson 100)

St. Johns 62/3

Match Drawn

13th October vs Kearsney

Michaelhouse 153 all out (Poole 36, Thompson 34)

Kearsney 154/4 (Anderson 3/29)

Lost by 6 wickets

3rd November vs College

Michaelhouse 203/5 dec. (Gilson 84, Thompson 36)

College 127/9 (Gilson 4/9)

Match Drawn

10th November vs Glenwood

Glenwood 157 all out (Firth 3/31, Gilson 3/31)

Michaelhouse 161/5 (Gilson 106 n.o.)

Won by 5 wickets

17th November vs Northlands

Northlands 180/7 dec. (Firth 3/67, Evans 3/25)

Michaelhouse 137/7 (Anderson 44, Blacklaw 39 n.o.)

Match Drawn

24th November vs Hilton

Hilton 123/8 dec. (Gilson 5/31)

Michaelhouse 126/2 (Poole 62 n.o., Gilson 30 n.o.)

Won by 8 wickets

Offord Week:

4th December vs Inland Durban

Inland Durban 183 all out (Firth 4/38)

Michaelhouse 185/3 (Gilson 104 n.o.)

Won by 7 wickets

5th December vs Alexandra

Alexandra 168/7 dec.

Michaelhouse 169/3 (Poole 39, Brotherton 29,

Gilson 51 n.o.)

Won by 7 wickets



6th December vs Westville

Michaelhouse 219/4 dec. (Poole 51, Anderson 36, Gilson 102 n.o.)

Westville 192/7 (Gilson 3/44)

Match Drawn

7th December vs Kearsney  
Kearsney 172 all out (Evans 3/39)

Michaelhouse 168 all out (Anderson 36, Morgan 40)  
Lost by 4 runs

8th December vs Beachwood  
Beachwood 222/5 dec.

Michaelhouse 149/7 (Poole 57, Brotherton 33)

Match Drawn

Played 26, Won 7, Drew 15, Lost 4.

This was a very strong batting side that should have done a lot better than the results indicate. On only six occasions were they bowled out and the lower order batsmen really had a lean season in terms of opportunities. It took some time to find a reliable opening pair; but, once Hickman was promoted, he and Poole gave the side a number of solid starts. With a good start, the powerful middle order could be devastating.

The real problem was a lack of real penetration in bowling. On occasions Gilson, and to a lesser extent Firth, did penetrate, but then, inevitably we had trouble in cleaning up the tail. To begin, Evans was underbowled, but eventually he was able to close up an end very effectively. Fielding was the one area of disappointment. Not that the fielding was anything less than competent and, at times very good, not that the catching was not at times brilliant, but there was a lack of real urgency in the field. Players tended to look upon fielding as a purely defensive matter, and were slow to get the ball into the "keepers" gloves. As a result, a number of potential run-out situations were lost or, perhaps, not even seen.

Poole as an opening bat had a very good season. Particularly strong on the off-side, he was always a batsman who never surrendered his wicket easily. His selection for Natal B was most deserved. Pithey had a very disappointing season and was in and out

of the side. Form really seemed to escape him and, the more he tried, the more tied down he seemed to become. However, he is such a technically correct player, that this lack of form cannot continue indefinitely. Brotherton played perhaps the straightest of all, but he did not score as many runs as he should have. He was often too tense at the crease; but when he did relax and stroke the ball, he was a pleasure to watch. Gilson started off the season wretchedly, but once he found form, in the fourth quarter and especially at Offord Week, he could be majestic. He hits

the ball with tremendous timing and his straight driving in particular is impressive. Not only did he deservedly gain selection for Natal A, but he was also awarded a bat for the player who contributed the most at Offord Week. Anderson was another player with great potential, and he performed well all season, gaining selection for Natal B. If he can develop more "body" in his action next year he could really be quick and effective. Thompson struggled to find form in the first quarter, but played some very valuable knocks for the side in the fourth quarter. Morgan also played one or two effective innings but was too impetuous, especially against the spinners. Blacklaw was perhaps the most underrated player in the side. He took some time to establish his place, but once there, he proved to be a most valuable all-rounder. Morphet kept wicket very consistently, but must develop more of a "killer instinct" both in his appealing and in his stumping and run out attempts. He has great potential. Evans turned out to be a very useful off-spin bowler and had a very good Offord Week. He still becomes visibly annoyed with himself when he bowls a loose delivery, and this is something he must overcome if he really has ambitions. Firth was the one real disappointment. After a very good season in 1983, he simply seemed unable to recapture his form, and the more he tried the worse his bowling became. He is not the first cricketer this has happened to, nor will he be the last. Nevertheless, having taken one hundred and thirty wickets for the first team, his contribution was enormous.

Hickman captained the side for most of the season and did a pretty good job. His field placings were sound, but rather on the defensive side. His handling of the attack often showed considerable thought, although he was reluctant to introduce his spinner early. However, he was an impressive captain, on and off the field and we thank him for his contribution to cricket at Michaelhouse. Gilson took over once Hickman had left for his overseas trip. On occasions he showed real cricketing flair, but lacked

the experience to pay attention to details. He must also learn to hide his feelings completely on the field, no matter what the situation and no matter how provoked. He must also take some time off to study and think about field placings and the variations that take place as conditions change.

Overall it was an interesting and rewarding season, particularly from the point of view of watching a potentially good side, who suffered a change of coach during the season, struggling to reach their potential, and then finally showing what they could really do at Offord Week. I would like to wish those players leaving the best of luck in the future.

## SECOND XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.B. Cox  
Captain: C. Russon

Team: K. Blacklaw, M. Collins, R. Cullinan, M. Davies, J. Dingley, R. Enthoven, R. Gush, G. Lavender, H. Lloyd, D. Rowles, C. Teversham, P. Theron, P. Whitehouse.

### Notable Batting:

INNS N.O. HS TOTAL AV

G. Lavender 12 2 63 332 33,2

J. Dingley 8 3 45 140 28,0

H. Lloyd 12 - 99 322 26,9

### Notable Bowling:

O M R W AV

K. Blacklaw 35 15 51 12 4,3

C.Russon 111 40 194 20 9,7

R. Gush 149 30 381 33 11,5

### Results of Games:

#### First Quarter:

28th January vs DHS

DHS 52 all out (Theron 4/3, Davies 5/26) and 73/7  
(Gush 3/29)

Michaelhouse 190/3 dec. (Cullinan 100 n.o.)

Won by 10 wickets

4th February vs Glenwood

Glenwood 93 all out (Russon 5/5)

Michaelhouse 62 all out

Lost by 31 runs

11 th February vs Estcourt

Michaelhouse 155/6 dec. (Whitehouse 58)

Estcourt 79/5 (Gush 3/16)

Match drawn

3rd March vs Westville

Westville 114 all out (Gush 6/31)

Michaelhouse 115/9 (Blacklaw 32)

Won by 1 wicket

10th March vs College

College 85 all out (Blacklaw 6/20)

Michaelhouse 34 all out

Lost by 52 runs

17th March vs Alexandra  
Michaelhouse 164 all out (Lavender 57)  
Alexandra 85 all out (Blacklaw 5/10)

Won by 79 runs

Fourth Quarter:

6th October vs DHS

DHS 87 all out (Gush 4/32, Russon 4/74)  
Michaelhouse 88/3  
Won by 7 wickets

2ND XI

L-R: Standing: J. Wilson; R. Cullinan; R. Enthoven; J. Dingley; P. Whitehouse; H. Lloyd; R. Yorke-Smith.  
Sitting: G. Lavender; C. Russon (Cnpt); Mr R.B. Cox; R. Gush; K. Blacklaw.

13th October vs Kearsney  
Michaelhouse 158/5 dec. (Lloyd 50)

Kearsney 95 all out (Gush 4/37)

Won by 63 runs

3rd November vs College

Michaelhouse 166/6 dec. (Dingley 45, Lavender 44,  
Teversham 36 n.o.)

College 168/4 (Lavender 2/14)

Lost by 6 wickets

10th November vs Glenwood  
Michaelhouse 171/9 dec. (Lloyd 58)

Glenwood 122 all out (Rowles 3/23, Gush 4/44)

Won by 49 runs

17th November vs Northlands

Michaelhouse 152/7 dec. (Dingley 36, Collins 37 n.o.)

Northlands 70/7 (Russon 3/22)

Match drawn

24th November vs Hilton

Michaelhouse 237/4 dec. (Lloyd 99, Lavender 63,  
Teversham 35)

Hilton 192/8 (Teversham 2/18; Rowles 2/17)

Match drawn

Played 12, Won 6, Drew 3, Lost 3.

It has been a pleasure to have been associated with such a friendly bunch of cricketers. The spirit in the side has been excellent, for which Charles Russon deserves high praise. Although he made one or two strange declarations, his captaincy was characterised by a determination to achieve a result. So, we have lost a few matches, but the cricket has been positive, attacking and exciting - thus very enjoyable.

The bowling lacked penetration, although Charles Russon and Richard Gush bowled consistently well.

Rob Enthoven promised much during the first quarter, but was injured during the fourth. All bowlers needed to work harder at line and length.

Batsmen seemed to mature as the year progressed. There were fine innings' from "Hal" Lloyd, "Piggy" Lavender and John Dingley, while "Boris" Teversham looks an exciting and aggressive player who could go places next year. With application and self-discipline the batting always looked promising.

The fielding was rather inconsistent with some important catches going to ground, although there were also some memorable catches held. Murray Collins shows promise as a wicket-keeper, but must work harder at his technique to the spinner.

With nine "seasoned" players returning next year, one can only hope that the present enthusiastic and spirited atmosphere will be maintained.

### THIRD XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr M.T. Goulding

Captain: M. English and M. Collins (First Quarter),

N. Rowe (Fourth Quarter)

Team: T. Brotherton, J. Clucas, M. Collins, M.. English, G. Evennett, D. Hall, T. Hanson-Moore, S. Hulett, R. Hyde, G. Jacobs, I. Lambert, P. Marchand, R. Ovendale, N. Rowe, D. Rowles, S. Stringer, A. Swiss, C. Teversham.

Notable Batting:

INNS N.O. HS TOTAL AV

M. English 3 - 54 116 39

N. Rowe 7 1 52 139 23

D. Hall 5 1 56 86 22

Notable Bowling:

O M R W AV

C. Teversham 24 4 46 13 3,5

D. Rowles 50 17 141 16 8,8

S. Hulett 48 4 176 10 17,6

Results of Games:

First Quarter:

28th January vs DHS

DHS 67 all out (English 2/11)

Michaelhouse 71/3 (English 2/26)

Won by 7 wickets

4th February vs Glenwood  
Glenwood 88 all out (Rowles 5/16)

Michaelhouse 90/3 (English 36; Whitehowse 40 n.o.)  
Won by 7 wickets

3rd March vs Westville

Westville 65 all out (Teversham 4/12; Clucas 2/0)  
Michaelhouse 68/7 (Brotherton 35)

Won by 3 wickets

10th March vs College

College 40 all out (Rowles 2/5; Teversham 5/10)  
Michaelhouse 40/1 (Brotherton 22 n.o.)

Won by 9 wickets

17th March vs Alexandra

Michaelhouse 183/9 dec. (Ovendale 60; English 54)  
Alexandra 133 all out (Teversham 3/10)

Won by 50 runs

Fourth Quarter:

6th October vs DHS  
DHS 133/9 dec. (Hulett 4/37)

Michaelhouse 136/8 (Rowe 28)

Won by 2 wickets

13th October vs Kearsney

Kearsney 150 all out (Jacobs 3/13; Marchand 3/26)  
Michaelhouse 152/5 (Hall 56)

Won by 5 wickets



3rd November vs College

Michaelhouse 206/9 dec. (Hyde 59; Rowles 25; Jacobs 33 n.o.)

College 121/7 (Rowles 2/6, Hulett 2/38)

Match drawn

1 7th November vs Northlands

Michaelhouse 187 all out (Rowe 52, Hanson-Moore 33)

Northlands 144/9 (Marchand 4/37)

Match drawn

24th November vs Hilton  
Hilton 192/7 dec. (Hulett 4/72)

Michaelhouse 57 all out.

Lost by 135 runs

Played 10, Won 7, Drew 2, Lost 1.

It is a measure of our depth in open cricket that this team were unbeaten until the last game. There was always a competent member of the Fourth XI to replace any player who, for some reason, had fallen out of the side.

By being unbeaten, it should not be felt that we were negative and played for draws - there was a good spirit and aggressive winning cricket was always played. As the results show, this nearly always paid off and seven wins from ten games is a very good record. Our only loss was against Hilton, who also have a positive approach to the game. It was a very pleasant match, played in good spirit and enjoyed by both sides.

The team was ably led by Matthew English and Murray Collins before their promotion to the Second XI.

FOURTH XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.H. Hall

Results of Games:

First Quarter

11th February vs Estcourt 2

Michaelhouse 257/6 dec. (Hall 102 n.o.; Furmidge 55)

Estcourt 89 all out (Marchand 5/17)

Won by 168 runs

17th March vs Alexandra

Alexandra 170 all out (Stuart-Reckling 4/53)

Michaelhouse 173/5 (Boult 83 n.o.)

Won by 5 wickets

Fourth Quarter:

3rd November vs College

Michaelhouse 88 all out (Lambert D. 35)

College 203 all out

Lost by 5 wickets

24th November vs Hilton

Hilton 124 all out (Anderson 5/49)

Michaelhouse 125/5 (Hammond 41)

Won by 5 wickets

Played 4, Won 3, Lost 1.

During the four games played a total of thirty-three players, a number of whom were non-cricketers, was used. For this reason, any analysis of statistics and performances, apart from those noted above, will be useless.

The Fourth XI is usually for those boys who enjoy cricket but who, even on their own admission, are not much good at it; and as such, it fulfills its purpose well.

The success of the game is not marked by victories, nor even by the number of promotions to the higher games, but by the number of boys who end up the season having caught the ball, having hit the ball, having thrown the ball, having hit the wicket, with that modicum of skill that has eluded them throughout their previous playing career.

FIFTH XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.H. Hall

Captain: M. Blades

Results of Games:

17th March vs Hilton  
Michaelhouse 76 all out  
Hilton 173/9  
Lost by 4 wickets

As with the Fourth XI, in the one match we played during the First Quarter, our concentration was on enjoyment rather than victory.

#### EAST JUNIOR CRICKET

L-R: Standing: C. Gauntlett; G. Newcomb; R. Butcher; S. Dougherty; C. McDonald; M. Wilson.

Sitting: A. Whitton; D. Williams-Ashman; R. Armstrong; J. Arnott; N. Armstrong.

## COLTS A XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.W. Cook

Captain: M. Olivier

Team: P. Zoio, A. Whitton, D. Williams-Ashman, W. Denninghoff-Stelling, R. Armstrong, N. Armstrong,

B. Ridgway, M. Taylor, J. Arnott, S. Dougherty, G. Wattam, G. Hawkins, C. Hulett

Scorer: C.P. Sykes

### Notable Batting:

INNS N.O HS TOTAL AV

M. Olivier 11 5 96 315 52,5

D.W. Ashman 10 1 106 285 31,7

C. Hulett 8 1 53 164 23,4

W. D.-Stelling 10 1 63

n.o. 230 23,0

### Notable Bowling:

O M R W AV

G. Wattam 77 31 140 16 8,8

M. Olivier 160 61 335 34 9,9

S. Dougherty 59 7 194 14 13,9

W.D.-Stelling 85 23 197 13 15,2

B. Ridway 80 29 167 9 18,6

### Results of Games:

#### First Quarter:

28th January vs DHS

DHS 117 all out (Wattam 3/5; Ridgway 3/28)

Michaelhouse 120/8 (Olivier 37 n.o.)

Won by 3 wickets

4th February vs Glenwood

Glenwood 104 all out (Olivier 4/29; Taylor 4/16)

Michaelhouse 106/8 (Hulett 30)

Won by 3 wickets

3rd March vs Westville

Westville 100 all out (Olivier 6/29)

Michaelhouse 101/1 (D.-Stelling 63 n.o.)

Won by 9 wickets

10th March vs College

College 115 all out (Olivier 6/43)

Michaelhouse 97 all out (W. Ashman 31)

Lost by 18 runs

17th March vs Alexandra

Michaelhouse 173 all out (Taylor 54, Arnott 42)

Alexandra 67 all out (Wattam 4/34)

Won by 106 runs

Fourth Quarter:

6th October vs DHS

DHS 182/7 dec.

Michaelhouse 130/3 (Olivier 47 n.o., Hulett 34 n.o.)

Match Drawn

13th October vs Kearsney

Michaelhouse 183/2 dec. (W. Ashman 106 n.o.; D. Stelling 51)

Kearsney 98 all out (Dougherty 4/29; Olivier 4/10)

Won by 85 runs

3rd November vs College

College 124 all out (D. Stelling 5/35)

Michaelhouse 111/8 (Hulett 33)

Match Drawn

10th November vs Glenwood

Michaelhouse 245/7 dec. (Olivier 96; R. Armstrong 33)

Glenwood 168/7

Match Drawn

17th November vs Northlands

Michaelhouse 208/3 dec. (W. Ashman 75; Hulett 53)

Northlands 117/6

Match Drawn

24th November vs Hilton

Hilton 143 all out (Wattam 3/16)

Michaelhouse 126 all out (D. Stelling 32; R. Armstrong 41)

Lost by 17 runs

Played 11, Won 5, Drew 4, Lost 2.

This was a talented and competitive side. At best, it was capable of producing the very highest degree of entertainment with merciless batting, accurate and effective bowling and superb fielding. Unfortunately, particularly when asked to field first, its batting proved fragile in vital games. What was constant though was an indomitable spirit, which was firm in both victory and defeat, and a willingness to admit failure and learn from mistakes, which made them a pleasure to coach.

Special mention is made of D. Williams-Ashman, W. Denninghoff-Stelling, M. Olivier and C. Hulett who formed the backbone of the batting line-up. So consistent were they, that the lower order lacked match practice and were found wanting at times; but, J. Arnott, M. Taylor and the two Armstrongs had their days. As far as bowling goes, this was a side in which either all performed well with the ball or else none of them could find line and length; but M. Olivier, G. Wattam, W. Denninghoff-Stelling, S. Dougherty, B. Ridgway and M. Taylor all achieved notable performances. The side was well captained by M. Olivier, who led by example with both bat and ball and, although he was conservative with his bowling changes he grew progressively better, and this is true too of his field setting.

The enthusiastic support from parents was enjoyed throughout the season and we can look forward to a very healthy open group in 1985.

## COLTS B XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr P.E. Dennyson  
Captain: S. Jonsson

Team: J. Dickson, D. Markgraaf, F. Read, A. Douglas, R. Hooper, I. Pluke, G. Hawkins, A. Whitton, P. Zoio, N. Price, S. Morris, G. Dykes, D. Fieldgate, A. Clarke, D. Williams-Ashman, N. Armstrong, S. Dougherty, J. Arnott, G. Benson, M. Jamalooddeen.

Notable Batting:

INNS N.O. HS TOTAL AV  
I. Pluke 7 2 64 n.o. 203 40,6  
A. Whitton 4 - 33 89 22,3  
G. Hawkins 6 - 43 111 18,5

Notable Bowling:

O M R W AV  
S. Jonsson 47 12 90 13 6,9  
D. Markgraaf 87 16 209 20 10,5  
G. Hawkins 65 19 129 12 10,8

Results of Games:

First Quarter:

28th January vs DHS

DHS 140 all out (Dougherty 4/44; Armstrong 3/17  
Michaelhouse 144/9 (W.-Ashman 43)

Won by 1 wicket

4th February vs Glenwood

Glenwood 39 all out (Markraaf 4/10) and 60 all out  
(Douglas 3/8)

Michaelhouse 142/7 dec. (Hawkins 43; Douglas 50  
n.o.)

Won by an innings and 43 runs.

11th February vs Estcourt

Michaelhouse 174/5 dec. (W.-Ashman 58; Pluke 30;  
Armstrong 46 n.o.)

Estcourt 80/8 (Markgraaf 3/26)

Match Drawn

3rd March vs Westville

Michaelhouse 165 all out (Pluke 51)

Westville 101 all out (Price 7/26)

Won by 64 runs

10th March vs College

Michaelhouse 96 all out

College 40 all out (Jonsson 5/4; Hawkins 3/11)

Won by 56 runs

Fourth Quarter:

13th October vs Kearsney

Michaelhouse 80 all out

Kearsney 81/1

Lost by 9 wickets

3rd November vs College

College 103 all out (Jonsson 3/19)

Michaelhouse 111/3

Won by 7 wickets

17th November vs Northlands

Northlands 113 all out (Markgraaf 4/28)

Michaelhouse 116/4 (Pluke 64 n.o.)

Won by 6 wickets

24th November vs Hilton

Michaelhouse 140 all out (Dykes 42)

Hilton 145/6 (Markgraaf 3/54)

Lost by 4 wickets

Played 9, Won 6, Drew 1, Lost 2.

It is pleasing to report on another successful year for Colts B XI. I had hoped to be writing about an undefeated season, but it was not to be. The fourth quarter began with few practices - it actually rained at last - and we entered the Kearsney match in a poor state of preparation - the result was total destruction by a very efficient Botha's Hill squad.

Our other defeat was in the last match against Hilton

- here the defeat was honourable, we could have won, but we missed a few chances and Hilton held some splendid catches - such is cricket.



Bowling was our real strength - G. Hawkins and D. Markgraaf invariably got us early wickets; with Hawkins frequent promotion to the A Team, D. Fieldgate came into the side, and always bowled steadily. Of course the captain, S. Jonsson, was always taking wickets with his violent in - swingers. The fact that he topped the averages suggests that he bowled himself too infrequently.

A. Whitton was most reliable as an opening batsman, but our mainstay was I. Pluke. He scored two 50's for us, and always looked confident and skilful. I am sure he will go from strength to strength in the open division.

S. Jonsson captained the side throughout the year, and always impressed. He used his bowlers well, and was alert for necessary fielding changes. His encouragement of all players, even in moments of adversity, marked him as a cricketer worthy to continue his career as captain. He had never captained a losing Michaelhouse side until the Kearsney match in October - what a pity we could not preserve this remarkable record for him.

#### COLTS C XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.W. Aitchison

Captain: G. Tweedie

Team: C. Snell, R. McDowell, M. Jamaloodeen, D. Fieldgate, G. de la Harpe, G. Martin, L. Hill, G. Benson, S. Earle, H. Baboolal, F. Read, M. McCarthy, S. Morris, V. Maharaj, C. Napier, A. McAllister, R. Hooper, N. Price, A. Douglas, J. Jonsson

## Notable Batting:

INNS N.O. HS TOTAL AV  
M. Jamalooddeen 3 - 42 93 31,0  
D. Fieldgate 3 - 29 61 20,3  
S. Earle 3 1 20 37 18,5

## Notable Bowling:

O M R IV AV  
C. Snell 40 10 88 12 7,3  
D. Fieldgate 32 9 92 11 8,4  
G. de la Harpe 36 5 119 10 11,9

## Results of Games:

### First Quarter:

10th March vs College

Michaelhouse 108 all out (Jamalooddeen 33)

College 90 all out (Fieldgate 4/26; De la Harpe 3/4;  
Jamalooddeen 2/8)

Won by 18 runs

17th March vs Alexandra

Alexandra 149 all out (Fieldgate 5/19, De la Harpe  
2/16, Baboolal 2/9)

Michaelhouse 114 all out (Fieldgate 20; Jamaloo-  
deen 18)

Lost by 35 runs

### Fourth Quarter:

13th October vs Kearsney

Michaelhouse 106 all out (De la Harpe 35; Fieldgate  
29)

Kearsney 109/9 (De la Harpe 2/14; Baboolal 2/21;  
McCarthy 2/22)

Lost by 1 wicket

3rd November vs College

College 100 all out (Snell 5/28; Jamalooddeen 2/13)  
Michaelhouse 101/1 (Read81 n.o.)

Won by 9 wickets

24th November vs Hilton

Michaelhouse 205 all out (Jamaloodeen 42; Snell 36; Benson 31; McCarthy 23)

Hilton 149 all out (Snell 6/33)

Won by 56 runs

Played 5, Won 3, Lost 2.

There are not many schools that can give us a match at Colts C level. What with this and with inclement weather we were in fact able to have five matches only, but the game was well played in each one, and each one provided a result. We lost in a very close finish to Kearsney and Alexandra, but we finished the season with glorious triumphs over College and Hilton. However, on each occasion, cricket was the real victor. Congratulations to G. Tweedie for the way in which he has led the side, and to his squad for their enthusiasm and the spirited way in which they have played the game.

## BUNNIES A XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr P.M. Charming

Captain: M.W. Pithey

Team: R. Butcher, G. Cobbett-Tribe, T. Cradock, G. Curtis-Setchell, P. Dingley, T. Firth, R. Koevort, W. Marshall, G. Meyer, A. Schaefer, M. Wilson, J. Wright

Notable Batting:

INNS N.O. HS TOTAL AV

G. C-Setchell 11 3 48 n.o. 174 21,8

P. Dingley 12 3 47 n.o. 169 18,8

M. Pithey 12 2 60 n.o. 185 18,5

J. Wright 10 2 54 148 18,5

R. Koevort 10 - 29 116 16,1

Notable Bowling:

O M R W AV

G.C-Tribe 139 40 380 37 10,3

R. Koevort 66 27 120 9 13,3

P. Dingley 59 15 171 10 17,1

M. Pithey 122 35 281 12 23,4

T. Firth 99 18 313 12 26,1

Results of Games:

First Quarter:

28th January vs DHS

DHS90all out (Dingley 4/18; Koevort4/9)

Michaelhouse 91/3 (Butcher 34 n.o.; C-Setchell 28  
n.o.)

Won by 7 wickets

4th February vs Glenwood  
Michaelhouse 66 all out (C-Setchell 20)

Glenwood 67/2  
Lost by 8 wickets

3rd March vs Westville  
Michaelhouse 82 all out (Dingley 47 n.o.)

Westville 86/6 (C-Tribe 4/10)

Lost by 4 wickets

7th March vs Port Shepstone

Michaelhouse 136/4 dec. (C-Setchell 48 n.o.;  
Butcher 30 n.o.)

Port Shepstone 72 all out (C-Tribe 4/10)

Won by 64 runs

10th March vs College  
College 141/3 dec. (C-Tribe 2/44)

Michaelhouse 108 all out (Wright 54)

Lost by 33 runs

17th March vs Alexandra

Alexandra 17 all out (C-Tribe 6/7; Pithey 3/2) and 69  
all out (Firth 5/8)

Michaelhouse 53/3 dec. (Koevort 26) and 35/2 (Koe-  
vort 16)

Won outright by 8 wickets

Fourth Quarter:

6th October vs DHS

DHS 221 all out (C-Tribe 5/24; Pithey 2/28)  
Michaelhouse 117 all out (Koevort 29)

Lost by 104 runs

13th October vs Kearsney  
Michaelhouse 92 all out (Koevort 24)

Kearsney 95/7 (C-Tribe 3/35; Firth 2/23)

Lost by 3 wickets

3rd November vs College  
Michaelhouse 135/7 (Pithey 29; Koevort 29)

College 135/7 (C-Tribe 4/35)

Match Drawn

10th November vs Glenwood  
Glenwood 203/5 dec. (Dingley 2/22)

Michaelhouse 129/7 (Pithey 60 n.o.)

Match Drawn

17th November vs Northlands  
Michaelhouse 100 all out (C-Setchell 41)

Northlands 102/5 (C-Tribe 3/22)

Lost by 5 wickets

24th November vs Hilton  
Hilton 218/5 dec. (C-Tribe 3/67)

Michaelhouse 165/4 (Pithey 35; Firth 37; Wright 35 n.o.)

Match Drawn

Played 12, Won 3, Drew 3, Lost 6

The results do not endorse this, but this Bunnies side was reasonably talented and well equipped to hand out a hiding to most teams. However, they managed to lose quite convincingly to some mediocre sides.

The team possessed two quick strike bowlers in

Cobbett-Tribe and Firth and an abundance of seam attack made up of Dingley, Koevort and Curtis-Setchell. Pithey was by far and away the best leg-spinner we saw and Cradock, although not used much, could offer some off-spin.

Behind the stumps Wilson could have been competent but he was a bit casual and made mistakes. The fielding ability was there, but was not consistently applied. However, Pithey, Cradock and Wright did give some impressive displays in the field on occasions.

Despite a decent bowling attack, and potentially adequate cover in the field, our bowlers were erratic and bowled far too much down the leg-side. Cobbett-Tribe and Pithey were exceptions here and the former worked tirelessly for long spells; a feature of his efforts was his determined aggression, which was not matched by the other seam bowlers. In the fourth quarter Pithey really bowled well but without the success he deserved. To his credit as well, he brought himself on early in the game and always looked menacing.

The batting comprised five very capable batsmen in Pithey, Wright, Koevort, Curtis-Setchell and Dingley, but they were generally shy to display their wares. Only Pithey, and to a lesser extent Dingley and Wright, showed some guts and patient effort in building an innings. Pithey was rather tentative in the first quarter, but in the second half of the season he really began to hit the ball with punch and purpose.

The side was led by Pithey, whose bowling changes and field placing showed some sound thinking and

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Standing: C. Otter; C. Cradock; G. Cobbett-Tribe; R. Butcher; J. Wright; T. Firth; W. Marshall; M. Wilson.  
Sitting: R. Koevort; M. Pithey (Capt); Mr P.M. Channing; G. Curtis-Setchell; P. Dingley.

a degree of flair. His job was not easy, in that there was some reluctance at times for team members to contribute more fully. Perhaps the ability to read situations and involve themselves more was not there.

The single most important feature of the sides' play was this lack of commitment, which bordered on a very casual approach to the game. Certainly in the game situation they failed dismally, whereas their performances at practices were sometimes impressive. However, it must be mentioned that in the last fixture against Hilton, the attitude and approach seemed more purposeful and positive. Hopefully, this is a sign of things to come, because their talents and abilities deserve exhibition and appreciation.

## BUNNIES B XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr B.R. Naidu  
Captain: M. Hall

Team: G. Macquet, M. Liddle, C. Schensema, S. Young, J. Doull, W. Marshall, G. Cowden, A. Ardington, K. Latter, G. Meyer, M. Butcher, M. Wilson, G. Dykes, A. Clarke, G. Cobbett-Tribe, A. Schaefer

### Notable Batting:

INNS N.O. HS TOTAL AV  
G. Dykes 5 1 73 n.o. 165 41,2  
G. Macquet 7 - 96 242 35,6  
A. Clarke 5 - 59 122 24,4  
Notable Bowling:  
O M R W AV  
G.C-Tribe 32 13 58 13 4,7  
M. Liddle 78 18 164 18 9,7  
G. Macquet 79 16 242 20 12,1

### Results of Games:

#### First Quarter:

#### 28th January vs DHS

Michaelhouse 118 all out (Clarke 59; Enthoven 29)  
DHS 111 all out (C-Tribe 6/34; Macquet 2/16)

Won by 7 runs

#### 11th February vs Estcourt

Michaelhouse 286/8 dec. (Macquet 96; Dykes 54)  
Estcourt 90 all out (C-Tribe 5/22; Liddle 2/14)

Won by 196 runs

3rd March vs Westville

Westville 137 all out (Enthoven 5/45; Macquet 2/21)  
Michaelhouse 105 all out (Doull 19, Meyer 19)

Lost by 32 runs

10th March vs College

Michaelhouse 201/7 dec. (Dykes 73 n.o.; Macquet 27)

College 202/2

Lost by 8 wickets

Fourth Quarter:

6th October vs DHS

DHS 68 all out (Macquet 5/13; Cowden 4/19)  
Michaelhouse 69/5 (Dykes 23 n.o.)

Won by 5 wickets

13th October vs Kearsney

Kearsney 149 all out (Macquet 3/37; Schensema 3/31)

Michaelhouse 152/1 (Hall 67 n.o.; Schaefer 37 n.o.; Clarke 33)

Won by 9 wickets

3rd November vs College

College 164 all out (Liddle 5/30; Macquet 3/52)

Michaelhouse 136 all out (Macquet 47)

Lost by 28 runs

10th November vs Glenwood

Glenwood 113 all out (Schensema 3/35; Marshall 2/13; Macquet 2/27)

Michaelhouse 106 all out (Macquet 51)

Lost by 7 runs

24th November vs Hilton



Hilton 194/8 dec. (Liddle 4/81; Marshall 4/27)

Michaelhouse 109/9 (Young 19; Wilson 16)

Match Drawn

Played 9, Won 4, Drew 1, Lost 4.

The boys had a good season. They showed the determination and maturity required to succeed in cricket. They also developed fine qualities of sportsmanship, "walking" when they were given "not out". All the boys took every decision in one spirit of sportsmanship.

Thanks are expressed to our able scorer B. Phakati, who scored in all the matches. Without his good service we would not have been able to extract the impressive figures listed above.

BUNNIES CXI

Master-in-Charge: Mr B.S. Tarr

Captain: K. Borland

Team: R. Atkinson, B. Berry, B. Garland, C. Gauntlett, J. Houghton, B. Norman, J. Quin, J. Readman, P. Reynolds, C. Strachan, P. Viljoen, C. Wolseley-Brinton, A. Yorke-Smith.

Notable Batting:

INNS N.O. HS TOTAL AV

P. Viljoen 6 1 29 88 17,6

K. Borland 6 2 38 64 16,0

C. Strachan 5 1 20 47 11,7

## Notable Bowling

O M R W AV  
P. Viljoen 62 19 107 19 5,6  
J. Houghton 39 8 108 9 12,0  
K. Borland 33 5 112 8 14,0

## Results of Games:

### First Quarter

28th January vs Carter

Michaelhouse 143 all out (Cowden 44, Carter 32)  
Carter 84 all out (Viljoen 3/7)

Won by 59 runs

10th March vs College

College 143 all out (Ardington 5/23)

Michaelhouse 100 all out (Ardington 34)

Lost by 43 runs

1 7th March vs Alexandra  
Alexandra 66 all out (Ardington 7/26)

Michaelhouse 70/4 (Ardington 17 n.o.)

Won by 6 wickets

### Fourth Quarter

6th October vs Cordwalles

Cordwalles 62/6 (25 overs) (Houghton 3/26)

Michaelhouse 72/1 (13 overs) (Borland 38)

Won by 9 wickets

13th October vs Kearsney  
Kearsney 150 all out (Viljoen 6/21)

Michaelhouse 118 all out (Viljoen 29, Latter 24)

Lost by 32 runs

3rd November vs College  
College 167 all out (Borland 5/36)

Michaelhouse 63 all out (Houghton 16)

Lost by 104 runs

10th November vs Highbury  
Highbury 199/6 dec. (Strachan 3/31)

Michaelhouse 23 all out and 97/9 (Garland 22)

Lost by 176 runs on first innings

24th November vs Hilton  
Hilton 38 all out (Viljoen 7/18)

Michaelhouse 41/4  
Won by 6 wickets

Played 8, Won 4, Lost 4.

This was a season of mixed fortunes, which has seen changes in team complement and captaincy as players have been promoted. It was a happy team, with some real talent, who have enjoyed their cricket, and ended the year on a high note with a convincing and deserved victory over Hilton.

P. Viljoen produced some excellent spells of accurate and attacking seam bowling, and received steady support from seamer Houghton and spinner Borland. Strachan showed his potential as a seam bowler, with some tight bowling against the powerful Highbury batting line-up.

Borland and Viljoen batted with the most consistency, while Garland, Houghton and Strachan all came to light with valuable knocks. Most batsmen tended to succumb to the almost inevitable short-coming, at this level, of hitting across the line indiscriminately.

Fielding was always keen and most chances offered were well taken. Atkinson, Yorke-Smith, Strachan, Wolseley-Brinton and Reynolds were particularly useful in the field.

TERMITES A XI  
Master-in-Charge: Mr B.C. Reynolds  
Captain: K. Walker

Team: C. McDonald, R. Andrews, P. McCarter, D. Macquet, G. Newcomb, G. Olivier, A. Price, A. Redfern, C. Grobler.

Notable Batting:

INNS. N.O. HS TOTAL AV

K. Walker 13 3 100 398 39,8  
C. McDonald 13 1 96 n.o. 381 31,8  
R. Andrews 11 1 56 n.o. 263 26,3  
P. McCarter 11 1 64 202 20,2  
Notable Bowling:  
O M R W AV  
G. Newcomb 179 42 308 28 11,0  
K. Walker 108 20 309 26 11,8  
C. McDonald 126 22 347 24 14,4

## Results of Games:

### First Quarter

28th January vs College  
College 226/2 dec.

Michaelhouse 94 all out  
Lost by 132 runs

4th February vs Cordwalles  
Michaelhouse 102 all out (Walker 36 n.o.)

Cordwalles 96 all out (Newcomb 6/23)

Won by 6 runs

11th February vs Cowan House

Michaelhouse 176/8 dec. (Newcomb 35, Price 34  
n.o.)

Cowan House 68 all out and 63 all out (Walker 5/17)  
Won by an innings and 45 runs

3rd March vs Clifton (NR)

Michaelhouse 137 all out (McDonald 36)

Clifton 137 all out  
Match Tied

10th March vs College (B)

College 92 all out (Walker 5/31, McDonald 4/35)  
Michaelhouse 94/4 (Andrews 37)

Won by 6 wickets

17th March vs Alexandra  
Michaelhouse 95 all out (McDonald 36)

Alexandra 90 all out  
Won by 5 runs

Fourth Quarter

6th October vs Cordwalles

Michaelhouse 188/7 dec. (Walker 47 n.o., McCarter 45)

Cordwalles 102/8  
Match Drawn

13th October vs Kearsney (B)

Kearsney 63 all out (Newcomb 6/21) and 69 all out  
Michaelhouse 132/5 dec. (McDonald 49, Walker 37)  
Won by 9 wickets on first innings

24th October vs Clifton (NR)

Michaelhouse 203/3 dec. (McDonald 96 n.o., Walker 77 n.o.)

Clifton 40/1  
Match Drawn

3rd November vs College (B)

Michaelhouse 160/9 dec.

College 163/4  
Lost by 6 wickets

4th November vs Clifton (Durban)

Clifton 181/6 dec.

Michaelhouse 157/9 (Andrews 53)

Match Drawn

10th November vs Glenwood

Michaelhouse 300/5 dec. (Walker 100, McCarter 64,

Andrews 56 n.o.)

Glenwood 94 all out (Andrews 5/26)

Won by 206 runs

24th November vs Hilton (U14C)

Michaelhouse 117 all out  
Hilton 122/6 (Walker 5/18)

Lost by 4 wickets

Played 13, Won 6, Drew 3, Lost 3.

The Termites have had a fine season tempered by both success and failure. Since we set out to establish a sound foundation for a pupil's cricketing career at Michaelhouse, it is important that he is well

grounded in basic techniques. Emphasis is placed on fielding and catching, on bowling a consistent line and length as a bowler and building an innings as a batsman.

Our overall approach to the game has been an aggressive one and, where there was any prospect of a result, we went for it. This resulted in some lusty batting performances from the likes of McDonald, Walker, Andrews, McCarter and Macquet.

The bowlers have developed as the season progressed. Early season problems, in struggling to bowl out the opposition, improved steadily throughout the season as a result of a more aggressive and tactical approach on the parts of Newcomb, McDonald, Walker and Andrews.

The most improved fielder award went to Olivier, closely followed by Price; the best catcher to McCarter and behind the stumps Redfern and Grobler developed well. They were both displaying more agility and anticipation and are sound prospects for the future.

CROSS COUNTRY

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.N. Winckworth

The 1984 season was notable in that for the first time in a while we had a relatively strong senior side. Also, for the first time, there were a few runners who chose cross country as their main winter sport choice. If this trend continues, it may be feasible to allocate a staff member to take the sport as his only winter sport commitment - and thus do more for the sport. At present, we participate in the local schools league every Wednesday, and have a training run every Saturday morning for those available. Clearly, this is not enough for the athlete who wishes to do well and, those in this position, should do plenty of other training during the remainder of the week.

Unfortunately, this year, the Pietermaritzburg and District Trials were held at a time when school had broken up prematurely because of the 'flu epidemic. Thus our only representative was Grant Pennington, who was selected for Pmb. and Districts under 15 side. The Interhouse Cross Country was held, as usual, at the end of the third quarter. The individual winners were James Anderson (E) and Grant Hawkins (Fo), the latter in a new record time of 19 min 54,2 sec. The competition itself was won by Pascoe, with some talented individuals, but largely through team effort. It was clear that significant training had taken place. Tatham came second overall, with these houses dominating both Senior and Junior compe-

titions, these being won by Pascoe and Tatham respectively, both being runners-up too.

## GOLF

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.B. Earnshaw  
Captain: B. Brannigan

Next term is the main Golf term and much will depend on whether the game is to expand or die off.

There is pressure from many boys to play and a potential school fixture list available; however, if this were to take place then it would mean that golf must be expanded to a major game. There are many factors concerned in this state of development, most of which can only be determined within the overall policy of school games. It would seem that this game has been under-rated as a school competitive sport for too long.

## GYM CLUB

Master-in-Charge: Mr G.D. Paterson

Gymnastics is looking particularly healthy at this point in time as it is once again being offered as a summer game. About a dozen boys have opted for gymnastics as a sport with many others doing it as an optional extra game.

The recent Youngleson Shield competition was of a most encouraging standard. The Senior Competition (Discobolus) was won by Founders with 83,5 points. Farfield gained 70,5; East 69,5; West 65,75; Pascoe 58,75 and Tatham 54,5. The Junior Competition was also won by Founders with 53,5 points. West gained 49; Pascoe 47; East 45; Tatham 43 and Farfield 42. There is great potential amongst the juniors and, as can be seen from the scores, the potential is well distributed. Final positions were: Founders 133,5; West 114,75; East 114,5; Farfield 112,5; Pascoe 105,75 and Tatham 97,5.

The John Poynton Trophy for the best individual gymnast was won by George Morgan (West).

## HOCKEY

Master-in-Charge: Mr D.M.R. Lewis

In 1984 Hockey continued to be a popular and successful game at Michaelhouse, with more than 100 boys playing it as their Winter sport. In particular,



the first four teams were very strong scarcely losing a match between them and playing fast, open and attractive hockey. In fact, the 3rd XI played a local 1st XI and beat them convincingly. This situation was

created by most hockey players from last year returning and the few gaps that there were being filled by strong U15's. It will be different this year, however, as there is a considerable exodus from the top four teams and plenty of new places available.

Eight players represented Natal Schools A and B teams, and one in each of the South African A and B sides. Mr Cox umpired the Natal/OFS Schools match at the opening of the Durban astro-turf field, as well as at the IPT: and Mr Lewis was again a Natal Schools selector.

As planned last year, Michaelhouse hosted its own Easter tournament this year. Schools taking part were St Stithians, Pretoria Boys High, St Johns, Jeppe, Springs and Northcliffe High (all from the Transvaal); Bishops from the Cape; and Kearsney, DHS, Hilton and Michaelhouse from Natal. To replace a side that backed out at the last moment a Composite side was gathered, including 7 of our 2nd XI who acquitted themselves very well. The tournament was low-key, used as a pre-season training exercise, but the hockey was good, no team emerging unbeaten. In addition, good communication was established between boys and staff, and Michaelhouse and its grounds and facilities earned great praise. Many thanks to all who helped make the tournament the success it was - on the grounds, in the tuckshop and in the kitchens, especially.

Once again we hosted the St Albans side on their tour to Natal, and the Wanderers Nomads on their annual visit. We are planning an extensive tour ourselves next year.

Senior Housematches resulted in the cup being shared between Pascoe and West after an exciting match of changing fortunes. Farfield secured the junior cup with a convincing win over Pascoe.

This year Michaelhouse hockey loses another two stalwart coaches. Mr Dick Hennessy retires after 30 years involvement with the game here. He has coached and umpired at all levels, played regularly for the staff and, in his earlier days here, in the Maritzburg 1st League. He has been a loyal supporter of the game, latterly coaching Bunnies teams. We shall miss him and his sound advice and regular atten-

dance at matches, as he returns to his native Western Province where he played the best of his hockey on the fields of Stellenbosch, and the province. Mr Steve Earnshaw leaves us for Australia. In a short time as coach of the 2nd XI, and then 2nd Game, he became a shrewd and enthusiastic coach, and an umpire with a real feel for the game and its players. We wish him and his family all the best "down

under", as we do the Hennessy family in the Cape; and thank them both for their real contribution to hockey and sportsmanship at Michaelhouse.

Our thanks also go to Mr Morgan, Mr Ram and the groundstaff who keep the pitches in good nick, especially Knights where the new grass has finally established itself. Mr van den Haak for his helpfulness over the Easter tournament, and Mr Cook for his easy co-operation, and all the coaches and umpires who help to make the game as successful and enjoyable as it is. Finally, a genuine compliment to the players too for their healthy approach to the game, opponents and umpires. All these are necessary for a good season of hockey.

Having taken over very successfully as 1st XI coach this year, Mr Robin Cox takes over from Mr Lewis as master i/c Hockey next year, so the game will be in good hands. Prospects are interesting with some exciting players returning but also some vacant places to be competed for.

## 1ST XI

Coach: Mr R.B. Cox

Captain: R.D. Hickman Vice-Captain: J.M. Boulton  
Selections:

South African Schools "A": P.G. Morgan  
South African Schools "B": R.D. Hickman  
Natal Schools "A": R.D. Hickman (c), G.E. Ferrans,  
P.G. Morgan, R. Yorke-Smith

Natal Schools "B": J.M. Anderson, J.M. Boulton, R.C. Lange, A.J. Owendale

Honours:

R.D. Hickman, J.M. Boulton, J.M. Anderson, G.E. Ferrans, P.G. Morgan, R. Yorke-Smith

Colours:

S.M. Barendson, B.M. Furmidge, R.C. Lange, A.J. Owendale, C. Teversham

Allan Butcher Hockey Stick:

G.E. Ferrans

Under the inspiring leadership of Roger Hickman the 1st XI has had an outstanding season, playing

attractive hockey on most occasions, though tending to lack the killer instinct when it was needed most. However, they have worked hard at mastering the basics of the game and once many of them improve their distribution of the ball, they will emerge as very good players. With over half of the team returning next year, and a challenging tour being planned, there is much to look forward to.

Perhaps it would be appropriate to thank all those responsible for producing these very competent players down the years. Mrs Helene Pateerson, Mr Blaise Reynolds and Mr David Lewis can be proud of their efforts.

The following were regular members of the 1st XI (numbers of matches played are given in brackets):

S. Barendsen (24):

Sean is developing into a very reliable and competent goalkeeper. He is showing more aggression and mastery of the circle, though needs to work at the clearances on the right foot. Should do well next year as a result of the invaluable experience gained this season.

#### HOCKEY 1st XI

Seated L-R: R. Yorke-Smith; J.H. Anderson; R.D. Hickman (Capt); Mr R.B. Cox; J.M. Boulton; P.G. Morgan.

2nd Row: B.M. Furmidge; R.C. Lange; S.M. Barendsen; C. Teversham; A. J. Ovendale; G.R. Ferrans.

ft Hickman (27):

Roger, "Badger", has had an outstanding season.

Matured as a captain and was a good motivator of the team, though possibly could have been more demanding when the team was on top. Ability to break down opposition attacks was a feature of his game. Lacks a little in pace and needs to work more at constructive distribution of the ball. 4 goals.

J. Boulton (26):

Became more disciplined and reliable as the season progressed. A dedicated team member who always gave of his best, with a devastating short-corner shot, though not always controlled. Lacks pace when tackling back, stickwork good and overall distribution improving. An outstanding season. 7 goals.

A. Ovendale (27):

A solid and dependable right-half, developing the art of attacking through the right flank, though needs to work harder at stickwork and distribution of the ball. Shows much promise and is developing into a very competent utility player.

ft Lange (27):

Rory is a tireless Centre-half whose outstanding work-rate is a feature of his game. Tends to overdo the dribble and must develop more creative distribution, while also needing to be more disciplined in his positional play. However, he has gained invaluable experience this year, had some outstanding matches and should do very well next year if this progress can be maintained.

C. Teversham (22):

Charles, "Boris", is a solid and dependable left-half whose game is improving with each outing. Needs to work at skills under pressure, though a feature of his game is his disciplined positional play.

R. Yorke-Smith (27):

On his day a dynamic right wing with a lethal cross, but skills need to be developed to fulfil his potential. A loyal and enthusiastic member of the team who scored a couple of memorable goals. 3 goals.

G. Ferrans (24):

Magnificent progress this season. A reliable and dedicated team member with an outstanding work-rate and excellent skills, but needs to work harder at distribution of the ball and being more aggressive in the circle. Should do very well next year. 4 goals.

G. Morgan (27):

Superb skills on occasions. Scored some brilliant and memorable goals, though missed too many situations! When given room to move he is a devastating

Natal Schools' Hockey

G. Morgan (A); R. Hickman (A); J. Boulton (B); J. Anderson (B); G. Ferrans (A); R. Yorke-Smith (A); A. Owendale (B)

player, but battles when required to make space by running into gaps. Fitness also suspect, though he gave very good service to the team. Perhaps the best is still to come? 27 goals.

J. Anderson (27):

"Joe" has been a fit, loyal and reliable team member with the ability to switch play from left to right superbly. Skills under pressure need attention, but overall a very good season. 4 goals.

B. Furmidge (24):

Brynn's skills under pressure let him down early in the season, but these are being developed and he is becoming a better and more confident player who should do well next year. Understands the game well and has a terrific work-rate in defence. Needs to be more positive and aggressive in the circle and must develop a firmer hit.

J. Clucas (8):

James gave of his best on every occasion, but needs to develop skills under pressure and to take his chances around the circle area. 1 goal.

Also played:

M. Blades (3); N. Evans (1); D. Williams (4) 5 goals; J. Hammond (1); R. Gush (1) 1 goal.

Results:

vs Olympics Club (pre-season

friendly) won 4-2

#### Michaelhouse Easter Tournament:

vs Northcliffe won 3-0

vs Springs drew 1-1

vs St Johns won 4-0

vs Bishops drew 0-0

vs Kearsney won 2-1

vs Jeppe lost 0-1

vs Pretoria Boys High won 2-1

vs St Stithians won 3-0

## Hilton Tournament:

vs Ladysmith won 2-0  
vs Grosvenor drew 0-0  
vs Glenwood drew 0-0  
vs Westville won 3-0  
vs DHS won 1-0  
vs Northlands won 1-0  
vs St Albans (Pretoria) won 2-0  
vs Beachwood won 3-0  
vs College won 2-1  
vs Kearsney won 3-0  
vs Hilton won 1-0  
vs Alexandra won 4-0  
vs Old Boys won 5-0  
vs DHS lost 0-1  
vs Nomad Wanderers'  
(Johannesburg) lost 2-3  
vs Alexandra won 4-0  
vs College drew 1-1  
vs Hilton won 3-0

## Goals Goals

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

27 19 5 3 56 12

mour and ended up a very sound back well capable of 1st team play. Michael Blades kept goal with his usual cheeriness and dependability, while Neil Evans at back showed great promise for next year, though he did commit himself too early at times. Geoff Evenett showed great ball control and attacked effectively from right-half, but was often slow back in defence. Russel Smail at centre-half became very effective as his distribution improved, and Paul Hepker at left-half tightened up his positional play through the season. "Bear" Hall showed a keen eye on the right wing but unfortunately did not match it with speed; and Dennis Williams on the left wing was a fine team man and scored some fine goals, but his ball control was not consistent. Jeremy Hammond's stick-work at inner was often brilliant, but it led him to keep the ball too long to himself. James Clucas at centre forward showed all-round ability but often did not finish off effectively. Colin Hurlbatt, Michael Davies (now in Canada), Sean Hulett and Roger Gauntlett all took turns at right-inner.

This was a successful, relaxed and enjoyable season of fast, open hockey and healthy team spirit backed by sound attitudes to team-mates, opponents and umpires. This is what sport is all about.



### 3RD AND 4TH XI's:

A most pleasant year was had by all. Nearly all last year's 3rd XI returned, so there was already a sound spirit and confidence. They worked hard at basic skills and played bright, open hockey and this, combined with sound leadership from Bruce Lloyd in the first half, and Jonathan Preboy in the second half of the season, led to an unbeaten record.

Hockey Festival- MHS on the attack against St Stithians.

### 2ND XI:

As usual, the 2nd XI was a strong side playing good hockey well up to the standard of many other 1st XI's, witness the fact that most of them played in the composite XI at the Easter tournament which did so well. Results were, therefore, good though we only just got the better of Hilton, and lost to College in our second encounter - on the day they were a better side, and we didn't take our chances. Altogether we scored 27 goals and conceded 8.

Special mention is made of Richard Gush who captained the side for the second year, he showed a sound knowledge of the game, a good sense of hu-

Good wins were notched against Linpark 1st XI, and Alex 2nd's and Estcourt 2nd's. The match against Hilton, second leg, was a nail-biter as they came back from being down at half-time to snatch a draw. Perhaps their hardest and closest games were mid-week against the 2nd XI when competition was keen. These games provided very good practice too. Overall results were 6 played, 5 won and 1 drawn.

The 4th XI too was a strong side who didn't give much away in their games against the 3rd's, and lost two of their matches only because they played higher teams from other schools. Sloan was a key player in the side and captained well till his promotion. But there are a number of younger players who will challenge for top teams next year as their basics are good, and they play intelligent hockey, only an abundance of good players kept them in the 4th this season.

This was an enjoyable season for 2nd Game.

## 5TH AND 6TH XI's:

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the season of light, it was the season of darkness". Dickens sums up most effectively the state of 3rd Game. With well over 30 relatively able-bodied men to choose from, we were in the enviable position of selecting two teams that were stronger than last year's. At times during the season we demonstrated our strength and determination, notably against Alex and Hilton in the first fixture. However, both teams hit a low in the final matches of the season, against Hilton, with the 6th XI scrambling a scrappy draw and the 5th XI edging home 4-3 ... we blamed it on the sleepless night of the Jabula ball.

Several players deserve mention. K. Johnston and

F. Hamilton were the respective captains, and both played with skill and enthusiasm, and set a fine example of sportsmanship, both on and off the field. A. Preboy was undoubtedly our strongest player, and fully deserved his promotion to the 4th XI. R. McKenzie was our most eager and dedicated player - his cup of keenness often runneth over, but he was a great asset in both attack and defence. P. Roberts and A. Lidgett always did lots of running up front, and scored some fine goals.

I am grateful to goal-keepers who lead a dangerous and often thankless existence. N. Mthebu, W. Lake and K. Borland performed admirably throughout the season, with Lake showing great improvement in particular. All players put a lot of effort into practices and matches, and always seemed to enjoy themselves. As coaches we certainly enjoyed watching them work and improve.

## COLTS:

The Colts had a season of mixed fortunes - but it has also been a season that has afforded rich experience to many talented, up-and-coming players. Hard work and practice at basic skills have built up these two teams into more effective units, and have produced some attractive, short-passing hockey.

The Colts A finished the season with a pleasing record. Colin Hurlbatt, acquired late in the season from the 2nd's, gave much-needed impetus to the right. The forwards played some very impressive hockey, the wings combining well with their links and supplying some good ball. The halves and backs presented a solid defence with John Dickson

working particularly hard at centre-half, and very effectively controlling mid-field.

The Colts B team also played with great verve, enthusiasm and tenacity and showed some considerable potential for future years. This must be devel-

oped with some individual practice at basic skills, especially stickwork and ball-control.

The following are congratulated on their selection for the Pietermaritzburg and Districts sides. In the A side Graeme Dykes at left wing, Cameron Hulett at centre-forward, Colin Hurlbatt at right wing, and Tom Otter in the goals. In the B side, James Pitman was selected as right link and captain, and John Dickson at centre-half. Marshall McCarthy and Robert Hanbury were also selected. Unfortunately, due to our 'flu epidemic and early closure most were unable to play in the inter-town matches against Durban.

It is pleasing to see that Pitman, Otter and Dickson have been chosen for the school tour next year. Increasingly the Colts are providing good material for the 1st XI.

#### BUNNIES:

While it is very important that all new boys play both hockey and rugby and thus get a proper chance to select either as their main winter sport, it continues basically unsatisfactory that they can play hockey only once a week. Nevertheless, in the 11 days available swift progress is made and many budding hockey players emerge, certainly by the end of the season all obvious talent has found its way to the A, B or C games. In the A Game Marshall, Grobler, Redfern, W. Brinton and Cradock showed particular promise, as did Wadley in goal - but both teams played good open hockey by the end of the season and only more opportunity to practise basics would bring more to light. Butcher in the B Game exhibited a good eye, Henderson some nippy positional play, and Simmons natural ability in goal. In fact, the C and D teams played some really attractive, short-ball hockey which they put to good use in their few matches. There is some good talent here too. The E and F teams enjoyed their practices and matches too, producing some potentially sound players lacking only in basic skills. So there's plenty of material for the future. Mr Willis and willing seniors organised the League hockey, but great numbers and shortage of time made really constructive coaching difficult.

The best series of matches was that for 5 teams against College, an exercise to be repeated next year. We always enjoy, of course, our matches against Clifton and Cordwalles, and we had good games against Carter which have now become a regular feature, and we hope we can continue to get a match against Treverton. It is in getting more matches for the Bunnies teams that our efforts must be directed, it is here that the basics of good hockey are learnt.

MC-F

## RIDING

### ROAD RUNNING

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.A. Currie

Generally, 1984 presented us with good riding opportunities. Mr Currie was the competent organising master-in-charge and Mrs Hanbury supplied the motivation and energy.

The main events were the "Midlands Horse Trials" and the "Kreepy Krauly Horse Trials" at Springs. Our own show at Michaelhouse, and other small shows in the vicinity, prepared us for the Horse Trials. The "Midlands" was wet and misty, but we all tried to enjoy ourselves. R. Hanbury did well in his class, D. Littlejohn finished the Junior novice class, P. Graham and S. Hoepfl were, unfortunately, eliminated in the cross country and A. Graham was scratched because Quintana sustained a puncture wound in the knee during the cross country. In the "Kreepy Krauly", which was Interprovincial, R. Hanbury finished, D. Littlejohn decided to break his collarbone a day before the event, and was scratched. The Michaelhouse show presented good competition for novice riders and was an enjoyable day.

One thing is certain; if it had not been for Sarah de la Hey, our instructress, we would not have done as well as we did. We hope that riding will grow as a sport and we are sure that it will, once we get lights and electricity in our new stables.

"Over in Style" R. Mundell.

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.N. Winckworth

Membership this year has continued at about the same level as before, with 25 licensed runners. The year has been an unfortunate one in that many of the races which we normally attend have fallen over half term or, on Sundays, when there has been compulsory Eucharist for the whole school.

We participated in the following races:

11 February Bobbies 8/16 - Pmb 16 km

5 May Imperial Half-Marathon - Lion Park 21 km

20 May Midmar Mini-Marathon - Midmar 16 km

2 September Queensberry Half-Marathon -

Ridley Park 21 km

14 October Halloween Road Race - Ashburton 10 km

20 October Midlands 10 000 - Pmb 10 km

10 November Darnis Nite Race-Pmb 21km

Keen participants this year have been Grant Pennington, Grant Hawkins and Tim Cradock who have all done well on occasions. What is important is that they, and all those who run road races, realise that it is necessary to develop a good training programme over an extended period of time before they can achieve results which they really find satisfying.

## RUGBY

Master-in-Charge: Mr G.D. Paterson  
1ST XV

The season commenced with a most enjoyable and constructive training camp on the Natal South Coast. This was rounded off with a match against Stanger High School, which, although finally resulting in a comfortable win, revealed rather poor basic skills but, more particularly, a worrying lack of confidence amongst a number of players. People often talk about "luck" and "the bounce of the ball" going against you. To some extent this is perhaps true, although I choose to believe that you "make" your luck by controlling the situation through superior rugby. A slight lack of winning mentality probably cost us more dearly than any particular facet of our play. Choosing the wrong option and poorly executed skills followed as weaknesses from time to time, in that order.

After a sound win at home against Linpark (24-3) we squandered the game at Westville (6-9). Having been outplayed in the first half, we came back strongly and dominated the second half. Opportunities to share the spoils included a penalty inside the opposition 22 m and almost in front, which was

pulled wide. The luck was there for the taking! College deserved their win against us (0-8), largely due to their superior play in the tight five and especially in the front row. We were particularly pleased with our defence on the day with D. Phipson and M. Short proving to be particularly decisive in this respect at centre.

A generous supply of ball and less pressure allowed us to spread the ball to V. Anderson on the left wing against Estcourt at Woodburn Stadium (37-0). He made good use of his opportunities scoring three of the seven tries, all of which were scored by the backs. However, against Weston, we had our first indication of a lack of real killer instinct, which also perhaps suggests a lack of belief in the big win. Having run up a 19-0 first half lead, we lost the second half 12-4 (23-12). Admittedly, we lost our captain A. Poole at the halfway mark and encountered a typically gutsy Weston comeback; but there was little doubt that we were largely responsible for losing the initiative. This type of lapse was also evident in our games against both Glenwood (15-13) after leading 15-0; and St Stithians (15-13) after leading 15-3. In fairness though, one must give the team great credit for these two wins, which were un-

doubtedly the best of the season. Both were scintillating games of rugby which could have gone either way - we will long remember the power of the Glenwood pack, the danger of the St Stithians backs, R. Church's running on the left wing against the former and V. Anderson's kicking against the latter.

Further exciting games were against DHS (18-21), in Durban where our forwards turned in one of their best displays, but a couple of errors cost us dearly and Voortrekker (21-14) where we took some time to settle before sealing the game with two beautiful tries, scored by R. Church on the left wing, and a third by M. Gilson from good support play.

Kearsney's tactics effectively disrupted us and we had to rely on four penalties for our (12-7) win. The Hilton match was tight, exciting and could have gone either way. As in most tight matches it is a question of mistakes made and opportunities taken, and Hilton came out on the right side (0-3).

Both the Old Crocks (17-18) and the Old Boys (10-11) pipped us by one point in games that we mightwell have won. It is difficult to win possession against competent adult sides, and the low scores in

## RUGBY 7st XV

Seated L-R: V.B. Anderson; J.S. Wilson, Mr G.D. Paterson; A.J. Poole (Capt); Mr J.H. Pluke; M.W. Gilson, R.V. Mitchell.

2nd Row: D R. Baker; S.A. Camerer; R.M. Randeria; M.J. Riley; M.R. Short; L.B. Curlewis; J.R. Brotherton.

3rd Row: L.G. Lavender; R.L. Church; A.R. Hall; C.A. Baber; W.M. Witherspoon.



both games accurately reflect the tenacious, committed tackling of the schoolboys which was a pleasure to witness.

The Johannesburg Tour was tough and, at times, traumatic. It was nearly cancelled due to the 'flu epidemic, (6 players were not available) and we had to contend with King Edward without our three Natal Schools' players who were committed to the provincial side in Vryheid. It was particularly tough on the three replacements, who experienced a (3-32) thumping in their only match in the 1st XV this season. KES were a polished side who play an inventive, effective pattern. The match against Sandringham was an unfortunate affair (13-15) which was not good for rugby. In spite of the difficulties encountered on the field, we squandered some good scoring opportunities in the last ten minutes which should have ensured a win. We are indeed very grateful to St Stithians, Sandringham and KES for the wonderful hospitality we experienced in Johannesburg.

Natal Schools' Rugby: R. Mitchell; J. Wilson; V. Anderson.

This was a season which provided an inexperienced 1st XV coach with a stimulating challenge. The spirit, dedication, commitment and appreciation of the boys made coaching a very real pleasure. In terms of wins and losses this was not a season for record book ecstasy - if that is what you are after! In terms of rugby as a life experience providing wonderful opportunities for less formal education, there was much to enthuse about. The more we learned to give in the interests of others, the better we welded together as a side and the more effective became our skills and pattern of play. The growth in self-confidence and ability to cope with pressure were particularly pleasing features of general development.

We congratulate: R. Church; M. Short; R. Randeria;

A. Hall and W. Witherspoon for their Zone 4 selection- M. Gilson and S. Camerer who played in the Selectors' XV's at the Natal School trials - and, especially, V. Anderson, R. Mitchell and J. Wilson for being selected for the highly successful Craven Week Team.

We thank A. Poole for his inspired captaincy and the school body as a whole for its loyal support. We wish all those leaving the very best in rugby for the future.

Versus Natal Schools

Stanger\* won 24-3

Linpark won 23-4

Westville\* lost 6-9

College lost 0-8

Estcourt\* (Woodburn) won 37-0

Weston won 23-12

Kearsney won 12-7

DHS\* lost 18-21

Glenwood won 15-13

Voortrekker\* won 21-14

Hilton lost 0-3

Other Home Games

Old Crocks lost 17-18

Old Boys lost 10-11

Kingswood (Grahamstown) won 9-0

Johannesburg Tour

St Stithians\* won 15-13

Sandringham\* lost 13-15

KES\* lost 3-32

\* Denotes away games.

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

17 9 0 8 246 193

Players:

A.J. Poole (Capt.); M.W.B. Gilson (Vice Capt.); V.B. Anderson; L.G. Lavender; D.R. Baker; J.R. Brotherton; M.R. Short; R.L. Church; J.S. Wilson; M.J.

Riley; R.M. Randeria; L.B. Curlewis; S.A.R. Cam-  
erer; A.R.W. Hall; R.V. Mitchell; W.M. Witherspoon;

C.A. Baber.

2ND XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.H. Pluke

A most enjoyable season of rugby. In cold terms of  
wins and losses the Second Fifteen did not enjoy the

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most successful season experienced at this level. The success and enjoyment of the season lay in the approach and application to the game, which saw the side develop in stature as the season progressed. It is not easy to be a Second Fifteen in many practice situations as the pattern is naturally orientated towards the First Fifteen. This side came through that difficulty with credit.

Congratulations go to B. Mitton who captained the side well. His own game and leadership qualities blossomed with each match. The spirit in the side is largely attributable to his efforts. He was ably supported by the vice Captain G. Hammond.

To those leaving who continue to play rugby, - may you continue to enjoy the game bringing credit to both yourself and Rugby Football. To those who don't continue with the game, may you look back on your rugby experience as something worthwhile and enjoyable. And finally, to those remaining, please try to remember everything you were taught, for next year!

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

12 7 - 5 172 144

Players:

B. Mitton (Capt.); G. Hammond (Vice Capt.); D. Baker; M. Collins; R. Cullinan; L. Curlewis; R. Firth; P. Holland; G. Jacobs; A. Lyne; J. Morphet; P. Nash; K. Paetzold; R. Quin; M. Riley; N. van Beeck; D. Venter

3RD XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.W. Miller  
Coaches: Mr J.W. Miller and Mr K.J. King  
Captain: Mark Faulkner

1984 has not been one of the most successful seasons for the 3rd XV. Of the nine matches played, five were won and four lost.

At the start of the season, it appeared we had a wealth of talent but this was short-lived, due to the numerous injuries in the "First Game". At mid-season the side was experiencing two to three changes

per week, which is disruptive for any side.

The 3rd XV got off to a shaky start. There seemed to be a lack of communication between the forwards and backs. The forwards at times lacked total commitment, which is essential if possession of the ball is to be maintained. An unstable front row at times also put the side under pressure. However, in matches such as DHS and Hilton the scrum worked extremely well and totally outplayed their opposition.

The line too had its ups and downs, showing great skill and pace on certain occasions and a lack of communication between scrum half and fly half, and poor tackling, on others.

By the end of the season, spirit, combined with skill, was beginning to form a useful side.

Credit is given to Mark Faulkner who captained the side. He had no previous experience in this field before. As a captain, although it disrupted his own pat-

MHS vs College: Bob Mitchell "Well Held

tern of play at times, he was prepared to listen and give constructive advice to his fellow team mates.

Despite a relatively poor 1984 season, I feel many of the players can look forward to a most exciting 1985 season in the "First Game", and must accept the challenge which is ahead of them.

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

9 5 0 4 118 86

4TH XV

Coaches: Mr K.J. King and Mr J.W. Miller.

The 4th XV had a very successful season on the whole, in spite of numerous injuries and changes during the season. The games were played with much enthusiasm and determination and the spirit among the players was very encouraging. The forwards in particular were an excellent combination, winning more than their fair share of ball. The three quarters showed pace and penetration throughout the season and our defence was sound at all times, although our tackling deteriorated slightly towards the end of the season. It is difficult to single out individual players in a team where positions were constantly changed, but special credit is given to Stuart Jack, Andrew Reckling, Ian Everett, who improved

Andrew Hall-MHS vs Old Crocks

tremendously as a jumper as the season progressed, Ross Douglas and Murray Jackson, both of whom were quick to the ball in defence and attack, Rob Hyde who produced some excellent performances at scrum-half, Paul Martin, a powerful runner who made a valuable contribution to the team and Matthew Yorke-Smith, excellent on both defence and attack at centre.

Special thanks to Mr King and Mr Miller for all their help and support given throughout the season.

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

## Players:

W. Hardie (Capt.); M. Yorke-Smith; S. Jack; A. Reckling; I. Everett; M. Jackson; J. Dykins; R. Douglas; R. Hyde; J. Renton; I. O'Connell; P. Martin; R. Enthoven; A. Vallet; H. Hamilton; G. Chamberlain; J. Dingley; K. Henderson; G. McDavid

## 5TH AND 6TH XV's

Coaches: Mr E.R. de Villiers and Mr P.M. Channing.

The season was hampered by injuries, illness and unavailability of players for various reasons, and hence the results were very much a mixed bag. On the whole, however, the morale was generally high and the spirit keen despite the problems encountered.

Some of the rugby played was of a high standard, but there were games that might best be forgotten. An exception was the DHS game which the 5th XV lost by a wide but perhaps exaggerated margin, but it was as good a game of rugby as one could have watched anywhere. The defence on both sides was perhaps the most enjoyable feature, and, but for a couple of lapses, the score might have been closer.

There was not the usual high dedication and commitment of previous years and the level of fitness at times was suspect. Certainly more games would have been won if both sides had been fitter, but, notwithstanding, the rugby was enjoyed and was always played in a fine spirit.

## Results:

	Points	Points	
	Played	Won	Drawn Lost For Against
5th	9	4	0 5 198 107
6th	10	6	0 4 257 119

7TH XV

## COLTS A XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.H. Hall.

Not a successful season, 1984, but all the same, as usual, the team played enjoyable rugby and did its best under difficult circumstances.

With only about 20 players on average at practices it was difficult to train in game sessions and the team became a little weary with skills training. Even so, victories against Treverton 4th (28-8), Weston 5th (6-4) and Voortrekker 5th (8-4) outweighed our disappointments.

It is always encouraging to note two facts about 4th Game: On the one hand how regularly even weak players return to Rugby year after year, and on the other how often boys who have played with us appear in much higher teams (of course, they cannot appear in lower teams!)

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

7 3 0 4 46 140

Master-in-Charge: Mr W.E. Ashmole

Coaches: Mr W.E. Ashmole, Mr R.W. Aitchison

Captain: Bruce Herbert

Vice Captain: Mark Olivier.

This was a highly successful season, not only because of the good results, but also because of the supportive manner in which all members responded to constructive criticism and advice, and applied themselves with such dedication, to improving their individual and team skills. This attitude made it a pleasure to be involved in coaching and guiding this team to produce constructive and entertaining rugby. This was not a team of "stars" and "prima donnas", but one in which every player gave unselfishly of himself and contributed to the overall team effort. An indication of this is the fact that, of 36 tries scored during the season, 11 were by different individuals, with 21 tries scored by three-quarters and 15 by forwards. Defence was also generally sound and the team conceded 6 tries only.



A disappointing feature was the tendency for the team to start well, and, when dominating, to relax

## COLTS A'XV

L-R: Back: J. Jonsson; R. Evans; P. van der Post; J. Pool; B. Ridgeway; D. Williams-Ashman.

Middle: R. Anderson; G. Sloan; J. Arnott; S. Kerton-Johnson; G. Boltman; A. Henderson; M. Jamaloodeen.

Front: A. Whitton; M. Olivier (Vice-capt); Mr W.E. Ashmole; B. Herbert; Mr R. W. Aitchison; R. Armstrong.

during the middle period of a game, allowing the opposition to gain the ascendancy, before coming back strongly at the end.

Late in the season there was also an indication of nervousness, possibly due to an over-eagerness to maintain the unbeaten record, and this sometimes resulted in careless handling errors and panic measures.

The highlight of the season was possibly a hard-earned win against a strong College team, when only desperate and determined tackling in the last 15 minutes, kept a rampant College pack of forwards at bay.

Congratulations to a determined Hilton team who, in the final match of the season, proved the better side on the day, and deservedly "robbed" Michaelhouse of their unbeaten record.

My thanks to Richard Aitchison for his enthusiastic assistance with coaching; to Bruce Herbert and Mark Olivier for their commitment to the team both on and off the field; and to the parents who gave us all such supportive encouragement throughout the season.

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drew Lost For Against

10 8 1 1 218 63

Players:

B. Herbert (Capt.), M. Olivier (V. Capt.), R. Armstrong; R. Anderson; J. Arnott; G. Boltman; R. Evans; A. Henderson; M. Janaloodeen; S. Kerton-Johnson; J. Pool; B. Ridgway; G. Sloan; J. Stewart; P. van der Post; A. Whitton; D. Williams-Ashman

## COLTS TOUR TO JOHANNESBURG

The team undertook a 3 match tour to Johannesburg during the July vacation; but, unfortunately, injury and overseas holidays prevented 6 regular members of the team from being included in the touring party. Although this may have created certain crucial positional problems, it did, however, give 9 members of the B team the benefit of a valu-

able rugby and educational experience.

We extend our appreciation and sincere thanks to the players, staff and parents of the three schools, for providing us with interesting and exciting matches, and for the warm hospitality they extended to all of us. We thank also the Michaelhouse parents who hosted our boys at the start of the tour, and "Chick" Henderson in particular, for making it possible for

the team to experience the cherished opportunity of practising on the impressive new Ellis Park Rugby turf.

Results:

vs. St. Stithians won 24-3

vs. Highlands North lost 16-22

vs. KES lost 0-15

"He went thataway": P. Nash MHS vs College

COLTS B XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.W. Aitchison.

This was a season of mixed fortunes for the U15B team - a season in which they showed themselves capable of achieving great heights and, sadly, on occasions, of sliding to rather depressing depths.

As one is inclined to forget the worst, the best is fondly recalled in a sterling performance at home against College, early in the season, where, through sheer determination the side clung on to emerge victorious by 12 points to 10. Their most courageous and commendable performance as a side was their character-building encounter against Voortrekker. They lost this narrowly, but their commitment to the game and their willingness to take on players vastly superior to them in terms of strength and size was in itself a triumph.

The side was, on the whole, smaller than most up front. In spite of this they frequently won their share of the ball and proved effective in aspects of loose play. The backs as a group tended to lack pace and penetration, sadly, there was evidence, too frequently, of others who were found wanting in this department.

The side was ably led by the plucky Sean Earle. Greg Wattam proved an effective mauler and line out forward, and Jeff Thomson was talented and gave of

his best on attack and defence as a wing three-quarter.

I would like to take this opportunity of wishing all of them the very best in open rugby next year - I shall be monitoring their progress closely.

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

11 3 1 7 145 173

Players:

S. Earle (Capt.); M. Taylor; G. Reardon; J.T. Thompson; G. Sloan; L. Hill; R. Hooper; N. Armstrong; G. De La Harpe; R. McDowell; D. Fieldgate; J. Kernahan; G. Raynor; G. Wattam; D. Markgraaf; G. Griffin; A. Lee; J. Leslie; G. Tweedie; P. Graham.

COLTS B GAME

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.E.G. Duff.

With initially only thirty-two players in this group it was clear from the outset that it would not be possible to field a Colts D XV throughout the season. As things turned out, it was, in fact, only possible on the first Saturday of the season! However, as the players were always keen to have a match, a number of open players from the 4th Game were drafted in - often at short notice on Saturday mornings - to fill the gaps. Consequently, "The D-Team" didn't have much of a season. It is hoped that once these players reach the open group, they will find themselves in circumstances more favourable where they are better able to participate and enjoy the game.

The Colts C XV started off with few changes to the side in the first couple of matches. Thereafter, inju-

S. Jack and R. Firth "Lead the Way"

ries and illness, both in this group and the Colts A Game, made it difficult for the players to knit into a really cohesive unit. However, notwithstanding this difficulty, the players tried their best. There was certainly an improvement in individual skills and a number of players got themselves promoted to the Colts B XV.

It would be unfair to single out any particular players

for mention, as whatever was achieved was very much a team effort. This was most clearly shown in the final match against Hilton. With about ten minutes to go, the score was 0-10 against us and Hilton looked set to win. However, with great determination the players lifted their game and ran in two converted tries. Before Hilton could come back, the final whistle blew and Michaelhouse had won 12-10! Another example of the adage: "The match isn't over until the final whistle blows!"

Results:

Colts C XV

	Points	Points
Played	Won	Drew
Lost	For	Against
8	4	0
4	99	110
"The D-Team"		
4	0	0
4	16	72

BUNNIES A

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.M. Buckley  
Coaches: Mr J.M. Buckley and Mr A.W. Cook.

The most striking feature of the BAXV wastheirtotal unpredictability. On occasions they played sparkling rugby and ran in huge scores, such as against Linpark and St. Charles, and yet on other occasions they lay down and let the opposition crawl all over them, such as in their encounters with Westville and Glenwood.

The side has a lot to learn, not the least area being consistency. They certainly always tried to run the ball, and long may that last! Butthey must pay more attention to the basics of the game. It was this area that often letthem down.

The forwards were small, and suffered from not having two specialist props. Although both tried hard, and J.B. Wright had an outstanding season, G. Murray was not aggressive enough. G. Pennington hooked well. The locks A. Keough and D. Mitchell-Innes played hard, while the loose forwards, T. Firth,

D. Oxley-Oxland and A. Schaefer, were adequate. A. Schaefer captained the side with quiet determination.

The three-quarters lacked real pace at centre, where

G. Cobbett-Tribe and M. Gilbert performed steadily, the former always dangerous on attack and the latter often devastating in defence.

B. Carter on the left wing was the one really penetrating runner, when he didn't hesitate. On the right-wing, C. Greene to start with and latterly, G. Cowden, both tried hard. Full-back was a real problem. To start with G. Cowden lacked experience and to end with M. Liddle lacked pace. Neither, however, ever let the side down. Scrum-half, T. Cradock, had a steady season, but he must learn to use the blind-side correctly and to kick into the "box". J. Curtis-Setchell at fly half showed wonderful hands on a number of occasions and dangerous hesitation on others. He must improve his tactical kicking.

The message is clear. The potential is there, but it did not fully materialize this season. I sincerely hope it will as Colts. I also hope the BA XV enjoyed the season as much as I did.

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drew Lost For Against

10 6 0 4 201 148

Players:

A. Schaefer (Capt.); J. Curtis-Setchell (Vice Capt.); J.B. Wright; G. Pennington; G. Murray; D. Mitchell-Innes; A. Keough; T. Firth; D. Oxley-Oxland; T. Cradock; G. Cobbett-Tribe; M. Gilbert; B. Carter; G. Cowden; M. Liddle

UNDER 14 BXV

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.W. Cook.

The "B's" lost badly to College, narrowly to Kearsney and DHS, and won all their other games this season. With talent pretty evenly spread between forwards and backs, they proved themselves a plucky and skilful team, who were always ready to run the ball and to give of their best. Grant Macquet

James Wilson "On the Break" MHS vs Hilton

captained the team very well, leading by example, and was ably assisted by Adrian Enthoven and Robert Le Sueur. It was soon realised that first time tackling was an essential and not an optional extra to the

team's success and, as the season progressed, so handling skills became more fluent. Their willingness to train hard and their refusal to lose heart even when the going got rough were memorable characteristics of this happy team.

Players:

M. Liddle; M. Pithey; C.G. Mostert; G. Rivers-Moore; A. Enthoven; P. Dingley; A. Hardie; R. Koevort; M. Wilson; R. Brown; K. Strachan; R. Butcher; T.K. Firth; A. Wadley; G. Macquet (Capt.); B. Norman; S. Beukes; C. Chamberlain.

UNDER 14C & D XV's

Coaches: Mr M.T. Goulding; Mr R.A. Currie.

This year the under 14C and D teams did not have a good season. There was a fair amount of disruption to the teams due to injury and promotions so it was difficult for them to settle down. They did, however, show some determination and seldom gave up when confronted with larger and more able opposition. There was also a marked improvement in their tackling and ball handling by the end of the season.

Players to keep an eye on from this game are J. Doull, K. Latter, R. Dykins, C. Schensema, A. Clark, S. Young, J. Roberts, O. Bradley, W. Marshall, R. Strover, M. Hall, J. Wright.

Results:

C Team

Points Points

Played Won Drew Lost For Against

8 3 0 5 112 202

D Team

8 3 0 5 58 147

U14^E XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr P.G. Lavender.

A pleasing feature of the season was that the players were always willing to give of their best even when the going was tough, and at times the team was able to produce some very attractive and constructive rugby. It was pleasing too to see that the basic skills were not always forgotten! Andrew Pennington assisted in the coaching of this team with much enthusiasm and dedication.

Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drew Lost For Against

6 2 1 3 89 115

Players:

A. Jonsson; R. Atkinson; B. Berry; C. Gauntlett; P. McDougall; J. Quin; A. Blore; A. Durham (Capt.); P. Inman; L. Levine; I. Robson; S. Clarke; J. Spencer; A. Mitchell (Vice-Capt.); G. Duane.

#### UNDER 13i GAME

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.J. Rogers

Coaches: Mr A.J. Rogers and Mr T.G. Hart.

The "A" XV did not have a particularly good season in terms of results, but managed to play some very pleasing rugby at times, especially in the games against Westville, Martizburg College and Clifton N.R. In terms of the last named, who will ever forget playing at Nottingham Road, on a snow covered field, with the "wheel" achieving Torvill and Dean grace! Lack of numbers, down to 30 at one stage, meant that adequate replacements were not available in times of injury. The backline lacked speed, but had gutsy wings, Tatley and Short, elusive centres, Olivier and Newton, and Macquet a very hard tackling player. A nippy and gutsy scrum half in Redfern, a fly-half in McCarter who, although slowish, had very good hands and tackling ability, and McDonald at full back who came on very well at the end of the season. The loose forward trio of Van Rooyen, Walker and Whelan were tireless and displayed guts and ball handling of a high degree at times. Davies was the only largish boy in the pack and shows much potential. The front row of Roberts, Newcombe and Strydom lacked technique, but knitted together quite well, and Thomas at lock kept his best performance for the game versus Hilton, playing prop for the first time.

Results:

Played Won Lost Drawn

15 6 8 1

Players:

C. McDonald; R. Tatley; R. Short; A. Newton (Capt.);



G. Olivier; D. Macquet; P. McCarter; A. Redfern; G. Newcombe; M. Roberts; A. Strydom; N. Davies; D. Thomas; T. Whelan; J. Van Rooyen; K. Walker; R. Findlay.

The "B" XV comprised players of very limited, if any, experience of rugby. It was, therefore, very pleasing to watch the improvement in their play as

the season progressed. At first they all milled around the ball, committing breaches of the laws in random fashion, but they were willing to learn, and those who moved to the A's at various times did well, especially Holdcroft, McDonald, Mthembu, Hall and Price. Dodd, at full-back, was "Kamikaze brave and had novel methods of clearing the rolling ball! I am sure, that with more experience, a number of these boys will challenge more established players in the future.

Results:

Played Won Lost Drawn

11 4 5 2

Players:

A.J. Price; J.A. Youens; S. Mayfield; J.E. Readman; P.M. Holdcroft; A. Jamalooddeen; S.S. Mthembu;

G.D. Meyer; C.S. Jacobs; D.G.D. Robbins; J. Dodd; P.R. Grover; B.W. Moller; S.F. Pitout; N. Singh; P.C.L. Winslow; C.J. Otter.

MHS U/13h vs Clifton, Nottingham Road

## SAILING

Masters-in-Charge: Mr K.D. Sowden and Mr T.G. Hart.

The competitive spirit which was so evident last year has remained, despite the influx of a large group of inexperienced sailors this year.

The Interschool Regattas each Saturday have again been the best supported racing on Midmar, with fleets of up to 80 boats or boards, and good competition in most of the classes.

Sailboards and Lasers have maintained their popularity, and it is rewarding to see the coaching points made during training being put into practice in the races. There is no doubt that racing around a full Olympic course on a Saturday is physically and mentally very demanding, and many boys are now taking their fitness training much more seriously.

Good performances in the Natal Schools Regatta earned invitations to the Natal trials for seven boys, and our first team gained a third in the sailboard section. Boys will be able to race a 30' yacht in next years "Ocean Challenge", after a week of training off Durban and, in an attempt to further broaden boys' horizons, there is talk of an entry in Cowes week off the South Coast of England.

Colours:

A. Rissik; M. Poll.

Teams:

N. Robinson; N. Fee; N. Jones; R. Douglas; G. Ferrans.

## SWIMMING

Master in Charge: Mr J.W. Miller  
Captain: J. de Knoop

The early season was, as usual, spent on preparing the swimmers for the Midmar Mile. A total of thirty boys entered and four of them gained places in the top 100.

The House Captains did a fine job in organising and preparing their team members for the Inter-House gala. At the end of the afternoon, Baines took the

honours for the third successive year, with 167 points, followed by Farfield 135, Tatham 92, Founders 66, West 60, Pascoe 53, and East 25.

The Triangular Gala was, this year, held at Hilton. It was a well-organised and most enjoyable af-

ternoon. Final order of the day was Kearsney, Michaelhouse, Hilton.

A number of boys entered the P.M.B. and District Swimming Trials. Here only J. Pool, put in any notable times, and went on to be chosen for the Natal Schools' Swimming Team which was to compete in East London. Jonathan did exceptionally well and was recorded as having the fastest time in South Africa in the 13-14 year age group for the 100 m crawl.

The season concluded with Michaelhouse acting as hosts to the Senior Boys Gala, which was held at the Alexandra Baths in Pietermaritzburg. Our swimmers put in some fine performances and, at the end of the evening, were placed third overall.

This year we say good-bye, and a very big thank you, to Mr Steve Earnshaw who has spent so much of his time with the swimmers over the past years.

## SQUASH

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.N. Winckworth

Coaches: Mr W.E. Ashmole, (summer), Mr D.M.R.

Lewis (summer) and Mr J.P. Lowe

Captain: R.D. Hickman

Vice Captain: M Gilson

Honours:

Murray Gilson

Colours:

Jack Brotherton; Mike Short

Teams:

Graeme Dykes; Roger Hickman; Dennis Williams.

The year behind us has been one of consolidation and, as a result, the "results" have not been signifi-

cantly better than those of 1983. This is particularly noticeable when one considers those selected for Natal Schools. This year those selected were well spread out amongst the Natal Schools and we had a fair representation. The Under 14 group appears to be relatively weaker than is the case elsewhere, as they lost all their matches and had none selected for Natal Schools. Those selected were:

Under 19: Murray Gilson (A Team); Jack Brotherton (B Team)

Under 16: Mike Short (ATeam Capt.)

The Inter-House Competitions were both won by West. The Seniors beat Pascoe 3-2, and the Juniors Tatham 4-1 in a close encounter. The results of the Individual Championships were as follows:

Under 19: Murray Gilson beat Jack Brotherton 3-0

Under 16: Mike Short beat Graeme Dykes 3-2

Under 14: J.B. Wright beat Tim Cradock 3-0

#### 1ST SQUASH TEAM

L-R: Standing: M. Short; D. Williams; G. Dykes.

Sitting: J. Brotherton; Mr S. Winckworth; R. Hickman; M. Gilson (Capt).

It has again been possible, through the generosity of the local farmers to award gift vouchers to the Under 19 and Under 16 winners, and through Clifton (Nottingham Road) to award a squash racquet to the Under 14 winner.

#### Results of Matches:

1st vs Hilton lost 0-5, lost 1-4, (lost 0-5)

vs Kearsney won 5-0

vs College lost 2-3, lost 1-3, lost 1-4  
(lost 1-4)

vs Blackwood won 5-0

vs Ixopo won 5-0

vs Westville won 3-2, lost 1-4

2nd vs Hilton won 3-2, won 4-1, (lost 2-3)

vs Kearsney won 5-0

U16A vs Hilton won 3-2, lost 1-4 (lost 2-3)

vs College won 5-0, won 3-2 (won 3-2)

vs Kearsney won 5-0  
vs Westville lost 2-3  
U16B vs Hilton won 4-1, won 5-0 (lost 1-4)

U14A vs Hilton lost 0-5, lost 1-4

vs College lost 1-3, lost 2-3, lost 1-3  
vs Kearsneylost 2-3  
vs Westville lost 0-5  
U14B vs Hilton lost 1-4

Matches in brackets were played in the fourth quarter, using 1985 age groupings.

#### League Squash:

We again entered a side in the Pietermaritzburg Men's Second League, where we finished sixth out of ten sides, having been hit badly by 'flu at the end of the third quarter, the first time we had another League Side playing in the newly created Seventh League. This side, looked after very enthusiastically by "B.R." Naidu, won its League by a comfortable margin. The idea of entering a second side in the League is to provide depth forthe Senior side and to give some younger players the chance to pick up regular match experience.

#### Non-Team Squash:

Under the current system, we have about 85 boys opting for squash as their main sport in summer and about 25 in winter. In winter we have the court space and time to incorporate some extra players. For the first time this year we entered an informal schools league, playing Weston, Alexandra, College, Hilton, Lin park, Ixopo and Carter High, at both Under 19 and Under 16 levels. The idea wasto provide interschool experienceto balanced teams and, as such, was reasonably successful.

Natal Schools' Squash - J. Brotherton ("B" Side); M. Short (Capt  
U/16A)

## TENNIS

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.C. d'A. Willis  
Assistant Masters and Coaches: A.L. Carter, E.R. de Villiers, C. Heymans, D.B. Miles and M.E. Thompson  
Captain: J. Wilson.

1984 was a most successful year for Tennis, with more matches played, greater depth of talent explored, and our first participation in the Midlands composite team which played in the Natal Boys Tennis Association Beacon Week, while over the year it was a great pleasure to see the keen and happy spirit which should characterise this sport at schools level develop.

At the end of the First Quarter we were very sorry to say good-bye to Mr Cilliers Heymans, who has done so much to promote Tennis at Michaelhouse. A presentation was made to him at a braai held for tennis players and we wish him and his wife Juliana all the best for the future- baaie dankie, Cilliers, vir a l die hulp an raad en vriendskap met jou assosiasie met Michaelhouse se tennis spelers wat ons altyd sal onthou.

In the First Quarter matches were played against Glenwood (Lost 9-3); Westville 2nd (Lost 6-3); College (Lost 16-2) and Alex (Won 13-5).

In the Second Quarter Denness Trophy Competition A Section matches were played against other schools at Kershaw Park, with B Section matches at other school venues. For the first time, selection games for the Midlands Composite Team were played at Michaelhouse under the organisation of Mr David Canning of Howick High School, and we intend to make the selection of players for the Midlands team here in future. Bruce Carter, Ian Pluke and Derek Petersen were finally chosen to play in Beacon Week, held in Pietermaritzburg in July. This event is a vital fixture in Natal Schools tennis and we were delighted to have been able to participate in such a hard playing and enjoyable week of the game, and our grateful thanks go to Mr Canning for all his organisation and enthusiasm which helped make it such a sporting occasion. Congratulations to Ian Pluke, who won the prize for the best match play of the day on Wednesday 11th July, and Bruce Carter, who was awarded his Natal Schools Under 15 Colours at a ceremony at the end of the week before playing in a match vs The Rest of South Africa Junior Players on Sunday 15th July in Durban.

In the Third Quarter the younger teams played in the Bonnefin Trophy and in the Maritzburg Tennis Association Under 14<sup>^</sup> Competition, and again much experience was gained by those participating. We feel it essential that good Primary School tennis

players who come to Michaelhouse should be encouraged to continue to play at a competitive level and we hope to see more of this in the future.

The Junior and Senior Individual Championships again attracted a large number of entries, with C. Macdonald beating R. Schneider-Waterberg 6-3, 6-1 to take the Junior title, while B. Carter won the Senior Championship by beating M. Gilson 6-1, 6-4. The Inter-House matches saw strong play from all competitors, with Pascoe emerging the winners when they beat West, the winners last year, in a thrilling finish.

In the Fourth Quarter we played Weston (Won 7-2); Kearsney (Won 12-6); DHS (Lost 12-0); College (Lost 24-3); Alex (Won 10-7) and Hilton (Lost 22-4). A feature of the final Quarter was our ability to get professional coaching for many players from Mr Markde Klerk, who was able to come up from Pietermaritzburg on several Mondays to give us his expertise, and all who met him know how much they were able to improve their game. Finally, we thank all those who put so much effort into coaching and helping at Senior and Junior levels, and all the players who did so much to help Tennis at Michaelhouse enjoy the status it is receiving.

## WATER POLO

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.B. Earnshaw

Captain: M. Riley

Vice Captain: J. de Knoop.

The usual problem of poor weather plagued our practice time throughout the season - if we are to compete at all in the future we must at least have some form of heating in the pool as it is not possible to get in sufficient swimming time in the water temperatures that we have experienced over the last few years.

As far as the results and team members were concerned, it became obvious that against the stronger schools like College, Beechwood, Hilton etc. that we were not strong or experienced enough to avoid losing by 6 or 7 goals; however, against the weaker

schools of Weston, Treverton and Estcourt, we would win by a similar margin.

M. Riley, R. Firth and J. Pool all represented the PMB district trial team in the Natal Trials. As M. Riley swam for the C side last year, it was hoped he might do well but injury gave him no chance for selection. He was, however, awarded his honours and is congratulated on his high standard of play. J. Pool is also congratulated on his colours, as he represented the 1st team while still under 15.



## Societies

### AFRICAN AFFAIRS

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.W. Hennessy  
Secretary: Jeremy Hammond.

1984 has once again been a year in which the African Affairs Society has striven to promote a better understanding of Africa amongst its selective membership, as well as the rest of the school. In the former we were entirely successful but were, however, foiled in our attempts to stage a Symposium, due to the unavailability of suitable speakers for the occasion; this having been an incredibly busy year for our politicians, with matters such as the Nkomati Accord and, most especially, the introduction of the Tricameral Parliament.

Undaunted by our fruitless efforts as far as the Symposium was concerned, the members presented top quality papers on varying topics which ensured constructive, albeit sometimes heated discussion on completion. Papers presented included: "The Dilemma of Resettlement/Relocation", "Prospects for Terrorism in South Africa", 'Zimbabwe's' development from the early 1970's"; "Finding a future, The Dream of Democracy", "Communism in Africa" and "The Nkomati Accord". Discussion was accompanied as per tradition by tea, generously laid on by Mrs Hennessy, and biscuits, supplied by the members, which ensured that a certain "nameless" individual became a proficient tea-maker.

Apart from the contributions to the meetings by the members we were very fortunate to have such guest speakers as Professor Smythe, who spoke on "Malnutrition in South Africa"; Adv. D.P. Schutte MP whose talk was entitled "Africa and Southern Africa - The challenges of the next decade"; The Hon. Mr Justice M.E. Kumleben, who spoke to the society about aspects of our country's law; and Mr

G. McIntosh MP who addressed the society on the subject of "Aspects one should consider in South African politics." Mr McIntosh and his wife attended the final meeting of the year at which the society was very kindly hosted for dinner by Mr and Mrs Hennessy. It was a great pleasure having the McIntoshs to this memorable meeting as not only is he an Old Boy of the School, and indeed an ex-member of the society, but also he was largely respon-

sible for the Referendum Symposium which was

held at the school in the Fourth Quarter of 1983.

We were very fortunate in having the keen support of Mr Schutte throughout the year, as not only did he attempt to help us with the Symposium, but was also kind enough to invite us to a National Party Youth Forum, which we were unable to attend, as well as sending us a copy of a very interesting survey that had been conducted by the University of Stellenbosch.

Sadly, 1984 spelt the last year of Mr Hennessy's term as Master-in-Charge of the African Affairs Society. Mr Hennessy's amazing knowledge and interest have been the source of all that the society has stood for, striven for and achieved for a good many years; and it is with deep regret that we and all past members of the society bid farewell and thank him for his devotion and inspiration that he has given the society.

Plans for the proposed Symposium of 1985 are already underway and those leaving the society wish Mr Cox, the new Master-in-Charge of the society, and those remaining, every success with their attempts to get it underway.

## AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.B. Morgan  
Chairman: G. Stainbank  
Secretary: N. Evans

Committee: K. Blacklaw, S. Hulett, J. Thompson.

During this past year we have been on some interesting outings: Rainbow Chickens hosted the Society to a fantastic tour, from egg to abattoir. The Society visited the Royal Agricultural Show, but, unfortunately, due to the flu epidemic, our visit to Cato Ridge had to be postponed.

During the course of the year we castrated, branded and dehorned calves. We also tried our hand at artificial insemination on Mr Hu I ley's farm.

All those who participated enjoyed themselves, and learned something at the same time.

## ANGLERS' SOCIETY

### ART SCHOOL PRESS

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.H. Pluke

Chairman: S.R. Hulett

Secretary: J.W. Griffith

Treasurer: J. Thompson.

Since its foundation last year, the society has prospered. Our five outings this year included two weekend trips to Mr John Hulett's farm at Himeville; an outing to Rainbow lakes; Rupert Edwardes farm at Mount West; and Mr Johnson's farm at Rosetta. A planned deep-sea fishing trip to Mr Tweedie's cottage at Tinley Manor was, unfortunately, cancelled as a result of bad weather and has been postponed until next year.

The largest fish caught was a 2,7 kg trout, once again by Mr Pluke, at a trip to the Hulett's dam which was undoubtedly the highlight of the year's fishing, where waterskiing and wind surfing were included on the agenda, as well as 26 trout being caught. All in all, it was a very successful year and we extend our thanks to those people who made our outings possible.

### ARCHIVES

Master-in-Charge: Mr M.E. Thompson

Secretary: S. Camerer.

Activities this year have been threefold. Firstly, the sorting, mounting, naming and storage of photo-

\* graphs has continued and the collection is now approaching 800 photographs. Similar work is also proceeding on plans and documents.

The second major activity has been the fitting out of a display cabinet obtained from the tuckshop. This now contains an interesting collection of memorabilia from the past-in the main blazers, honours caps, academic medals etc.

Finally, groups of boys have been working on particular projects. Some examples are: 1. The compilation of a comprehensive list of Governors of the School. 2. A historical review of yachting at Michaelhouse. 3. A survey of fees and major expenses. The first of these is as complete as our records allow. The other two, as well as some further projects, are being pursued with greater or lesser enthusiasm by

groups of members.

The major task for 1985 will be the establishment of a computer filing system for the location of all the data in the archives.

Master-in-Charge: Mr B.R. Naidu

Chairman: A. Burn

Vice Chairman: C. Jackson

Secretary: C. Roberts.

1984 has been a productive year for the Art School press. During the first quarter, we were visited by Mr S.D. White of The Natal Witness and a team of mechanics. They serviced our printing machine and instructed us in some finer aspects of printing. They also supplied us with our last generous donation of lead, print, ink, paper, etc. This will now cease, as the Natal Witness has installed a new computerised printing system.

Our achievements extended from the usual Rector's Letter to the more intricate Chairman of The Board of Governors Farewell menu, a job on which we were complimented. Next year we hope to swell the ranks of the Art School press and, while maintaining the quality achieved this year, we hope to increase our output.

## ART SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr P.G. Lavender

Chairman: R.B. Cullinan

Secretary: C. Hyde

Treasurer: K.R.S. Blacklaw.

1984 proved to be a year of thriving activity for the art society. We saw many films, which ranged from delving into the lives of artists and architects, to stressing the aesthetic principles of perceptive analysis when attempting to evaluate a work of art. We also saw films on pottery, watercolour painting and printmaking.

The highlight of the year, however, was our visit to the Royal Hotel in Durban on March 21 to see an exhibition of sculpture by Michelangelo and Cellini. To see the terracotta models of a sculptor like Michelangelo, whose genius may have been almost equalled but has never been surpassed in 500 years of artistic endeavour, was a tremendously enriching experience.

The afternoon art sessions proved yet again to be thoroughly enjoyable and productive. Many boys

made use of this time to prepare works for the Royal Show and for the annual Speech Day Exhibition. Mr Lavender untiringly encouraged the less capable artists and was always ready with helpful advice for the more able. Our wide-ranging participation in the arts section of the Royal Show, once again earned for Michaelhouse the distinction of winning the cup

for the boys' school with the largest number of prizewinners.

In addition to the afternoon art sessions, several of our meetings were also devoted to practical work, and a most happy innovation, and one which we intend to repeat, was our sketching trip to the Lidgetton area. Armed with drawing tools and sketch-books, we set off in the mini-bus and spent a most worthwhile afternoon, even though a sudden thunder storm forced us to seek shelter in the bus, from where some of the sketches had to be completed. Another of our away-from-school activities was a visit to the Durban Art Gallery, where we were fortunate to see the gallery's latest acquisition, a painting by John Constable. Overall, 1984 was an active and productive year.

### Royal Show Results 1984

For the third year in succession, Michaelhouse won the cup for the boys' school winning the most number of awards in the arts section of the Royal Show.

The following won awards:

Firsts in Painting:

R. Baber, G. Raynor, N. Dijkman, D. Thomas, R. Tatley.

Seconds:

F. Conlon (drawing), G. Raynor (painting)

Thirds:

R. Baber (painting and drawing), R. Cullinan (painting), C. Hyde (painting), F. Conlon (drawing), D. McDonald (painting), S. Pitout (drawing)

Highly Commended:

R. Baber (painting), R. Cullinan (painting), J.P. Niehaus (drawing), C. Napier (painting).

### 1984 Exhibitions in The Schlesinger Theatre Gallery

M.L. Sultan Technikon School of Art Exhibition  
Jabula Day Art Exhibition  
University of Natal Graphics Exhibition  
Shell Press pictures of the Year Exhibition  
Michaelhouse Matriculation Art Exhibition.

## ASTRONOMY SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr J.P. Lowe  
Chairman: R.J. Wege  
Secretary: C.H.L. Tonkinson

The Society has enjoyed a successful year. The membership has grown and, as a result, subs were introduced in the third quarter. We have watched numerous slide-shows and films, all of which have proved to be most interesting. Unfortunately, astronomical material is lacking in various film centres and video libraries and, as a result, we have been

somewhat restricted in obtaining the sort of material we would like. However, this state of affairs has improved and it is hoped that our Society will continue to grow in the year ahead. Our thanks go to Charles Tonkinson and to Mr Lowe for their help in running the Society, and also to all the members, without whom the Society would not exist!

## BRIDGE CLUB

Master-in-Charge: Mr F.J. Human  
Organiser: J. Poole.

1984 has again been a very enjoyable and fairly progressive year for the Bridge Club. Social evenings with members of Staff were entertaining and beneficial, with bridge of a fairly high calibre being played at times. Others, in turn, have had the enjoyment of learning to play bridge under Mr Human's able leadership.

The Club extends their sincere thanks to all the staff members who opened their homes to us. Also thanks to Giles Embleton for organising the twice-quarterly meetings. Jon Poole has now taken over this task for the following year.

## CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS/ ICL MANAGEMENT CONTEST

Master-in-charge: Mr S.N. Winckworth  
Chairman: G.J. Cundill

Team: G. Ellis; R. Baber; A.G. Thompson; J. Griffith; S. Woodland; S. Peters; C. Hastings.

The contest is designed "to introduce students to the complexities of today's business world." Unquestionably, we all learnt a great deal from the year's activities, delving deeply into the mysterious world of marketing advantages and (hopefully pos-

itive) profit margins. We also benefitted from the experience of working on a team, and the importance of making joint decisions.

We had a relatively successful year. During the first round of four decision-making periods we competed against St Dominic's; Gert Maritz; Treverton and Wartburg. Selling a "Hot-rock braai" in a favourably economic climate, we lost narrowly to Treverton, but we went through to the quarter finals to make up numbers.

In the second round, the situation changed dramatically for the worse, and losses were frequent. We were grouped with Voortrekker, Eshowe, Sunnydale and the triumphant Treverton, who once again emerged the winners.



We thank Mr Harry Drury of Dix, Boyes & Co. who took the trouble to journey up from Pietermaritzburg to attend one of our meetings. He threw new light on the situation, and offered many tips and points. We also express our appreciation to Mr Winckworth, who initiated all of us into the unknown parameters of the game, and gave up much of his time to attend our meetings and co-ordinate the proceedings overall.

On behalf of us all, I wish the 1985 team, under the able leadership of Simon Woodland and Stephen Peters, all the best for the forthcoming year and hope that their sales may be great and their profit margins substantial.

## CHESS

Master-in-Charge: Mr B.R. Naidu  
Captain: I. Everett.

The School Chess Club now enjoys a membership of 25 boys. Two teams were entered in the Pietermaritzburg and District Schools' League. Both teams did very well, finishing in the top four in their respective Sections.

The School did well in the Chess examinations arranged by the South African Chess Federation. Natal had three successful candidates in One Rook Section, two of whom came from Michaelhouse: Jerome Wilson and Robert Brown. There were also eight successful candidates in the Pawn Section. The Club bids farewell to an able and popular Captain, Ian Everett. We wish him every success in his future endeavours.

## CHOIR

Master-in-Charge: Mr D. Tasker  
Head Chorister: A.F. Pennington.

This year saw a larger, more active choir than previously and the standard of singing has improved steadily. The introduction of a Choral Eucharist or a Choral Evensong has played a large part in unifying the choir and in increasing its repertoire. This enabled the choir to sing either an anthem or a hymn at every Service attended. Thus, the services themselves have improved.

The choir gave a fairly polished performance of six choir items on Speech Day, which was well received by all.

Special thanks are due to Andrew Pennington for his long and loyal involvement with the Choir. Every member joins me in wishing him well as he leaves

the choir at the end of this year. He will be difficult to replace.

## CHORAL SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr D. Tasker.

The format for the Choral Society was changed at the beginning of 1984. Instead of having two meetings per term, at which very little could be achieved, it was decided to hold a weekly meeting. This proved to be fairly successful, and initially about ten boys and twelve members of staff attended regularly.

At the end of the first Quarter, the society took part in the Annual Music School concert. In the third quarter, it took part in the Inter-House music competition.

Due to pressure of work, about a dozen persons only are now able to attend on a regular basis, and the society is floundering. More members are needed.

## CLASSICS SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr L.C. Walshe.

To the despair of the forces of Philistia, the Classics Society continues to flourish, with a membership in excess of seventy it remains one of the largest societies at Michaelhouse.

Its programme this year has been varied and stimulating. Mr Walshe gave two addresses accompanied by slides on the remains of Pompeii and the monuments of the city of Rome. Professor Chapman of the University of Natal gave a very informative and entertaining talk on the ancient Olympic Games. There was a very successful quiz evening, in which the different blocks competed for prizes and the honour of winning. More demanding was an evening of taped music selected by Mr Walshe, ranging in time from the 6th century A.D. to the 20th all of which had been set to Latin lyrics or liturgical prose. But the most popular meetings were those at which a feature film was screened: "The Clash of the Titans", "Spartacus" and "Romulus and Remus" proved to be as enjoyable as they were enlightening.

The nomenclature of the office bearers has been reformed to bring it into line with the ideals of the society:

Emperor (chairman): Gavin Tweedie

Consuls (deputy chairmen): Richard McDougall and

Matthew Cockram

Scribe (secretary): Piers Stead

Quaestor (treasurer): Charles Perry

Censor (registrar): Mark Henderson

Arbiter of Elegance (caterer and functions): Jeffery

Thomson.

Perhaps one of the most encouraging aspects of the society is that the majority of its members have not done Latin before. The Society is, therefore, the proud torchbearer of an ancient civilisation, bringing light to those whose lives would otherwise be swallowed up in the darkness, striking terror into the hearts of the barbarians, but inspiring the amateurs of excellence with the knowledge that even in a world of intellectual shallowness and crass materialism there is still a place for those who seek to propagate the classical tradition.

## COMPUTER SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr M.T. Goulding

Chairman: S. Woodland

Secretary: A. Walker

Treasurer: P. Carter.

The acquisition of four BBC-B microcomputers caused a surge of interest in computers which was, at first, thought to be only temporary, but this enthusiasm has continued unabated. Some members converted readily from Apples to BBCs and have found that the ability of the BBC to use procedures has improved their programming style and, in fact, has made programming easier. Other members have stuck faithfully to Apples and find the familiarity of Apples to their liking.

Through the year, numerous talks have been given and videos shown to members which, to the disgust of Apple users, have had a distinctly BBC bias.

Four of our members, A. Walker; P. Carter; A. McAlister and G. Walsh entered programs in the Computer Olympiad but, at the time of writing, nothing has been heard about results.

Two new members, A. Arneson and T. Whelan have shown an interest in interfacing BBCs with external circuits and, to date, have produced some simple

projects. A.P.S. Seminar

## ELECTRONICS SOCIETY

Master-in-charge: Mr T. Hart

Chairman: J. McDonald

Secretary: C. Jackson

Treasurer: G. McDavid.

Before the resignation of the previous Chairman, A. Pennington, at the end of the first term, a new system was introduced whereby members of the society had to attend 1 hourly practical sessions every week. In order to do this, however, money was made available from the Science Society, under Mr King, in order to buy components for the society, which are invaluable in the practical sessions. We are all very grateful to Mr King, not only for the money, but also for the use of the Physics Laboratory as well.

The practical sessions began with a lot of general understanding; theory and practical work creating a basic background, which, as in all hobbies or subjects, is essential.

In the second and third terms, boys concentrated more on constructing projects for themselves in the hourly sessions, as well as doing some "society projects", which will be used later in the year for testing circuits, and other applications.

This society year has proved to be enjoyable, "educational" and very worthwhile. Many more boys have been involved in getting down to serious work, understanding the concepts of electronics, and we are all very grateful to Mr Hart for the invaluable time and effort he has given the Society.

## FILM SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.J. Rogers.

Films shown this year, included The Graduate which introduced a new style of film-making in the '60s; The Final Countdown an interesting movie concerning an American "carrier" transported back into time from 1980 to December 1940, just before Pearl Harbour; The French Lieutenant's Woman, a fascinating study of the morals of the nineteenth century; and Merry Christmas Mr Lawrence, seen in Pietermaritzburg, which gave a different slant to life in a Japanese Prisoner-of-War Camp. Comedy was catered for in videos of Farce about Uys, Not Now Minister-a popular BBC comedy, and two other BBC shows - Fawlty Towers and Candid Camera. A

questionnaire on films shown and discussions from time to time gave an insight into the boys' reaction to what was shown.

## FORUM

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.A. Currie  
Chairman: A. Clarke  
Secretary/Treasurer: M. Collins.

Forum Society this year followed the Forum tradition of controversy and member participation. The most popular themes revolved around South Africa's Zola Budd and the Olympics in general. Other themes included "The future of man and his world", and "The MacDonald Murder".

There were many heated arguments, and society members aired their views on these various subjects. Members respected one another's views and this led to many compromises being reached.

Finally, we thank Mr and Mrs Currie for the use of their house in which we held the meetings and especially Mrs Currie for keeping our appetites satisfied with delicious biscuits every meeting.

## GUN CLUB

Master-in-charge: Mr J.B. Morgan  
Chairman: M. Yorke-Smith  
Secretary: N. Evans  
Treasurer: A. Fyvie.

A Cup, which has been presented by Mr J. Hulett, will be presented at the Gun Club Dinner, to the best clay shot.

We were fortunate to be offered four shoots this season.

\* For the first, we travelled to Messrs R. Yorke-Smith and P. Reynolds' farms, where we shot over a hundred Guinea Fowl.

Messrs W. Gilson and B. Hallier hosted the club in East Griqualand.

Mr J. Fyvie hosted us in Winterton where high winds caused difficulty in shooting and locating the birds - this shoot taught us to lead, otherwise a miss was certain.

Mrs Rowles hosted our last shoot, where many birds presented themselves - all in all a great season - our most sincere thanks go to our hosts for their hospitality and for the shoots.

## HISTORY SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr D.M.R. Lewis  
Chairman: A.R.M. Walker  
Secretary: J.P. Clucas  
Treasurer: L.M. Suzman.

The society has been taken over by Mr Lewis, who explained his aims for the society at the first meeting of the year - to offer a wide range of activities to promote an interest in history - field trips to local historical sites, outside speakers, films and papers delivered by members on historical topics.

The first meeting saw the film of the Falklands War: and the second meeting a film on the Battle of the Bulge. Our first field trip was to Colenso, early in the second term, including a stop at the site of the derailment of the armoured train. We investigated the battle-field from Shooters Hill from where the British attacked, and from the slopes north of the river overlooking Hart's loop of the Tugela where the Boers defended: we also visited the museum, a mine of interest.

Major Hall again presented a slide-tape programme, with Captain Johnson: the topic this time was the D-Day landings, and as always with these presentations, we were transported into the very actions and situations of the whole episode - a most interesting evening. Our thanks to them and our hopes that they will visit us again.

In the third term Giles Embleton delivered an excellent talk on the SS, and this was followed by a film on the Russian campaign in World War II which involved SS units. Billy Meyer also presented a paper on Japan between the wars, and this was followed by a video on the Pacific War.

The final event of the term was a weekend outing to Spioenkop. We spent the night at the Dam resort and enjoyed a braai. We then spent Sunday under the expert guidance of Mr Gilbert Torlage, resident historian there, going up where the main British force ascended at night, covering the battle on top,

G. Evenett; J. Hulett Cup. G. Morgen; J. Poynton Gym Trophy



and then going down where the King's Royal Rifles descended from the Twin Peaks, also at night. It was a fascinating day and we greatly admired those men who had done in pitch dark what we had difficulty doing in broad daylight without the accoutrements of war. Our thanks to Mr Torlage for bringing the whole battle so much alive.

This outing brought the society year to an end. The new committee is Messrs Guthrie, Armitage and Lee.

## HOER TAAL

Voorsitter: Mnr. A. Duff  
Sekretaris: J.C. Anderson.

Daar was vanjaar sestien lede. Die lie naatskap van die vereniging is weer beperk sodat almal gereeld 'n kansgehad hetom 'n bydrae te l ewer. Daar was elke kwartaal twee vergaderings.

Die vorm van die vergaderings het gewissel van toesprakies en bespreking tot die besigtiging van 'n video-program en algemene gesprek daarna. 'n Vriendelike en gesellige atmosfeer het altyd geheers. Die feit dat a l die vergaderings by mnr. Duff se huis gehou is, het ook tot die bygedra. Aan die anderkant het dit ook sekere nadele gehad.

Om by mnr. Duff se huis te kom, moes die lede oor die sportvelde en Bogstroombrug loop. In die winter was die trek 'n koue affere met serpe en oorjasse. Een aand het een van die lede besluit om 'n kortpad te vat. Toe hy by die vergadering opgedaag het, was sy langbroek nat en sy skoene vol modder. In die donkerte kan 'n bekende gebied nogal gevaarlik wees!

Elke lid moes gedurende die jaar 'n toesprakie van sy eie keuse lewer. Die toesprakies was interessant en in die meeste gevalle, goed voorberei. Die algemene standaard was taamlik goed as 'n mens in ag neem dat die lede almal Engelssprekendes is.

Almal het die video Campbell se Koninkryk geniet en ook die speletjies soos bv. twintig vrae. Ons lidmaatskap van die vereniging was genotvol en waardevol.

## HUMAN KINETICS SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr G.D. Paterson  
Chairman: W.M. Witherspoon

Secretary: D. Bailes.

1984 was, essentially, a "trial run" for the Human Kinetics Society. It proved to be an interesting and

new experience for those who became involved with the society.

Guest speakers have been asked to address the members in the past few terms. Among those speakers have been Mr Andrew van der Watt, who spoke on his tour with the Springbok Rugby side in 1969/70. We were also spoken to by Mr Douglas Brazier, an Old Boy of Michaelhouse, on weight training. Mr Brazier also showed us a very appropriate film on the same topic. We also hope to have Graeme Pope-Ellis address us on his journey down the Colorado River in a canoe.

The society had a very successful Speech Day display. Projects done by A-Block Human Kinetics classes, in the form of slide/tape shows, were put on display. These projects involved a study of a particular section of a sport, ranging from the rugby tackle to the abseil in rock-climbing. The weights club section of the Human Kinetics Society also put on a display, handling the different aspects of weights training. A very successful gym display was also staged.

In all, the "test-drive" year has proved to be most successful and the Human Kinetics Society is bound to expand and develop tremendously in the years to come. All members can only benefit from their membership, but this will only be so if each individual is prepared to involve himself fully in the society's activities.

## JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.W. Aitchison

Chairman: A. Henderson

Secretary: M. Olivier

Treasurer: C. Whitaker.

The society has enjoyed a richly varied and fruitful programme this year. We have elected to meet on three occasions per term (in preference to the prescribed two) which, in itself, speaks clearly for the enthusiasm and commitment of the boys involved.

The emphasis of the society remains on developing members' skills of debating and on perfecting debating etiquette; and, for this purpose, we hold a minimum of two internal debates a quarter and one external debate a quarter. This year we enjoyed two

debates with St. Annes and one with Wykeham. We won our first two debates convincingly, but lost our last debate against St. Anne's. Although these speakers spoke excellently they had a very hard motion to oppose. On the whole, these debates were most enjoyable and worthwhile.

We have also enjoyed other less formal functions and occasions in the form of parachute debates,

Greek debates and even an evening of inter-house charades. Although the emphasis was on having fun, we felt that these evenings were very good for confidence building.

Our thanks to Mr Walshe, who helped the society on some occasions and gave good advice to the boys.

In June we entered two teams in "The Shell Forum Competition". Kenneth Borland, Kevin Latter, Simon Beecroft and Rory MacDougall were placed first in the Std. 7 section and Hemanth Baboolal, Zahed Meer, Graeme Raynor and Andrew Henderson were placed first in the Std. 8 sections and voted the best team of the evening.

The society has thrived handsomely and been enjoyed by all who have taken part in it. We thank Mr Aitchison very much for running the society so well and making it so enjoyable for us all. We wish the new committee A. Schaefer; K. Boland; and G. Curtis-Setchell all the best for 1985, and hope that 1985 will be as successful as 1984.

## JUNIOR PLAY READING

Master-in-Charge: FR S.C. Hall  
Secretary: A. Clark.

The Junior Play Reading Society was well attended this year with a membership of approximately 15, 3 from C and 3 from D block the rest from E. On the whole, the standard of reading was good with all the boys seeming to really get "into" their parts.

Plays read were: "Chase me Comrade" ... a comedy which was later produced by the 6th Form.

\* "Edward" by Margaret Woods.

"Amadeus", one of the school productions this year.  
"Blithe Spirit" by Noel Coward and a number of one-act plays by various authors.

The readings were all interesting and entertaining and, on behalf of the society, I thank Father Hall for his enthusiasm and dedication in making the society the great success that it is.

## LAER TAAL: VERENIGING

Personeellidin Bevel: Mnr. B.S. Tarr  
Voorsitter: S.H. Kerton-Johnson  
Sekretaris: C.R. Whitaker

Tesourier: G. Wattam  
Komiteelid: R. McDougall.

Een van die belangrikste doeleindes van tweede-taalonderrig is om leerlinge vlot en spontaan te leer praat, sodat hulle Afrikaans met toenemende vertroue en vermoë in die omgang en in hulle werk-

kring kan praat. Die vereniging poog, dus om geleenthede te skep om korrekte taalgewoontes aan te kweek deur die lewende taal in alledaagse situasies te hoor en te praat. Vanjaar was nogal 'n genotvolle en vrugbare jaar. Ons het twee keer elke kwartaal byeengekom en het, onder andere, verskeie videos vertoon. Quincy, Skooldae en TJ Hooker was baie gewild en lede het hulle woordeskat gevolglik uitgebrei. Ons het ook toneelstukke voorgelees en uitgevoer en ons eerste debat gevoer. Ons het die jaar met 'n braaivleis afgesluit.

Ons vertrou dat die nuwe lede vir 1985 ook heelwat voordeel uit die vereniging se aktiwiteite sal trek en ons wens die nuwe komitee a lie voorspoed toe.

## LITERARY SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.C. Willis  
Chairman: N.C. Robinson  
Secretary: J.M. Bishop  
Treasurer: C.S. Marx.

The year 1984 has seen an encouraging amount of progress for a relatively young society. Under the liberal guidance of Mr Willis much has been done.

The society aim is to encourage an appreciation of English and the English Culture. During 1984 we did just that. We contacted external literary groups and took full advantage of what they had to offer, entering two competitions, and organising two excursions to Pietermaritzburg which were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The society also responded in writing to videos which were pertinent to our 1983/1984 syllabi. The submissions were generally of a high standard.

Although the society deliberately remains small, with about a dozen members, it tries to contribute to the school in general and this is achieved by making all competitions - and certain meetings - open to the school.

Our best wishes go to the 1985 members. May they gain as much as we from an extremely beneficial so-

ciety.

## MOTOR CLUB

Master-in-Charge: Mr K.D. Sowden

Chairman: A.G. Lyne

Secretary: R.K. McLuckie

Treasurer: M.J. Riley.

The club continued to provide a variety of tapes, videos and films on motoring topics, which seemed to entertain the members.

Formula One racing has featured most often on video, but two of them were of particular interest because they dealt with design trends and innovations.

As ever, the trip to the Natal Motor Cross Championships was a popular one.

J. Renton's illustrated talk on Karting was based on his experience and was well presented.

A nucleus of practical members is emerging and we have 2 classic motor cycles to work on and are looking for others, preferably ones which will have some historic value once rebuilt.

## MUSIC SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr D. Tasker

Chairman: P. Hepker

Secretary: R. Lange

Treasurer: A. Douglas.

The society enjoyed a fairly busy year, although clashes with other societies often limited attendance. The society functions as a body to further the general musical knowledge of its members, and impromptu and prepared performances by musicians in the society and critical appreciation of records were arranged. Visits to Pietermaritzburg and to schools in the vicinity were made available to both the society and to the rest of the school. Journeys were made to Howick High School for their production of "The Mikado" and to Maritzburg College for "Jesus Christ Superstar". Other outings included attendance at a Philharmonic concert and, more recently, a concert by Pierre de Charmoy.

The society offers a wide range of activity and encourages more people to attend meetings and to come together to make music.

## NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Masters-in-Charge: Mr K.J. King and Mr B.C. Reynolds

Chairman: R. Douglas

Secretary: I. Guthrie

Treasurer: D. Bailes

Committee Members: S. Phillips, D. Baker.

Over the past year the Natural History Society has

offered a full and varied programme in which many members have involved themselves. As a result of this, a large number of natural History Ties (An award given to members after a considerable contribution and participation in our society) have been awarded: David Baker; Alex Burn; Ross Douglas; Wayne Hulett; Simon Phillips and Malcolm Ross; Ian Guthrie was re-awarded his tie.

During the year, a number of excellent visiting speakers addressed our Society. Dr David Johnston spoke on "The Birds of Equatorial Africa" (his illustrations leaving many a keen birdwatcher green with envy!) Dr Peter Mundy, from the Endangered Wildlife Trust, addressed the school on "The Plight of the Cape Vultures", laying special emphasis on their vulnerability. He also led a daytrip to the Lamergeiyer hide at Giant's Castle, where many including the Cape Vulture and Lamergeiyer were seen. That evening he spoke to our society on "Conservation" and introduced many new and worthwhile ideas which stimulated much thought and discussion. His influence was much appreciated.

A further talk on "Maputaland" was presented to our society by Mr Keith Cooper, the director of Conservation for the Wildlife Society of Southern Africa. Stressing the importance and uniqueness of this area in his extremely well illustrated talk, Mr Cooper put across his optimistic view of conservation in South Africa, especially in Maputaland. Our society is much indebted to the speakers who gave their time to come to talk to us.

Films, slide shows, internal meetings (where members contribute by giving a short talk), and an illustrated talk on "the Mopane Worm" by Rupert Baber (which was subsequently placed first in Pinssa) filled further meetings, and the annual Quiz proved to be a great success. Competition here was of a high standard. The third place was a tie between Lance McCormack and Wayne Hulett, second place went to Guy Benson and first place to Graeme Duane.

Day outings have also been popular. A visit to the Umgeni Bird Park in Durban proved very successful. Many different birds were to be seen. A trip out to sea from Durban on the "Isle of Capri" was the next major birdwatching outing. With the aid of Ian Sinclair, the authority on sea birds in South Africa, we saw many rare and exciting birds including albatrosses, petrels and the very rare Fleshfooted shearwater. Apart from those of us who were sea-sick, this was indeed an enjoyable outing which we hope



to make an annual event!

Two diving outings to Chaka's Rock, hosted by Mr and Mrs Don Guthrie and Mr and Mrs Neil Hulett, were extremely successful and thoroughly enjoyed by all who took part. As a token of our appreciation, Natural History ties were presented to our hosts for their continued support of our Society, and they were placed on our Honorary Life Members list.

Our annual Bike Ride to Royal Natal National Park, raising money for the Endangered Wildlife Trust, took place in September, with over thirty boys participating, the aim being to raise R3 000.

Speech Day saw many members making a big effort with the displays, which reflected our various outings: The Bike Ride, the Sea-Bird outing, the Umgeni Bird Park trip, the two Chaka's Rock outings, as well as an egg display and various other items of interest. Special thanks go to Mr Neil Hulett who brought his Cheetah - "Rocky" and an African Goshawk and Lanner Falcon to liven up our display!

Special thanks from all the members are extended to Mr Kevin King and Mr Blaise Reynolds for their huge contributions, and we look forward to another full year in 1985.

## NAVIGATION SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: FR S.C. Hall.

Although, ultimately, there is now only one member in the society, a lot of basic navigational skills have been covered during the year. Meeting once a week, we first dealt with offshore navigation, worked dead reckoning with the Traverse tables, and took sun-sights for proving out dead reckoning positions. Father Hall managed to clear them up and put the facts over as simply as possible. It was helpful that he has many Nautical Almanacs to use for problems and exercises. Towards the end of the year, he obtained the 1985 Almanac which we will use extensively on a planned Seychelles expedition by the Natural History society. Those boys going on the expedition will receive instruction in some aspect of navigation from Fr Hall.

The society is very lucky that there is so much time and energy put into it by Fr Hall and that there is so much equipment available. It is a pity that so many people have dropped out of this very interesting society.

## PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr T.G. Hart

Chairman: J.E. Preboy

Secretary: I.J. Figenschou

Treasurer: N. Mthembu.

1984 has been a good year for the Society. Not only has the membership increased but also, a large proportion of our members are taking their philately much more seriously and have become regular subscribers to the SA Philatelic Services, thereby regularly receiving issues of RSA; SWA or the Homelands according to their choice. This has also been

the first year that we have attended the termly PMB and Districts Inter-School meetings, in the course of which Mr Eric Holmburg has addressed us on "Catalogues" and "The Presentation of Stamp Displays".

Our usual "swap and buy" meetings have continued, and the winner of the Speech Day Exhibition was again J. Preboy, who is also commended for the many hours he has put into up-dating the School RSA collection. We hope that in the years to come, this collection will be supplemented with a regular supply of the colourful and informative first-day RSA covers.

### PHILONEIKIA SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.H. Pluke  
Chairman: M. Blades  
Secretary: M. English  
Treasurer: J. Renton.

The society functions as a medium for its members to examine closely any topic which is of interest to them. At every meeting, two members introduce a topic, which is used as a basis for discussion.

The society got off to a tremendous start with A. Liddgett producing a paper on "Guns and their dangers in the USA". C. Marx gave an excellent paper on the "1976 Soweto Riots", Controversial topics such as J. Robert's "Resettlement of the Homelands" also provided a very interesting but controversial discussion. S. Jack produced an interesting paper on "Hitler and the new theory of his death". N. Robinson and R. North produced very enlightening papers on Nuclear Wars.

The highlight of the year was the braai, where Mr and Mrs Pluke provided a delicious dinner for us. On behalf of the society, I thank Mrs Pluke for her outstanding contribution to our appetites. I'm sure next year will prove just as successful.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.L. Carter  
Chairman: A. Rissik  
Secretary/Treasurer: S. Woodland.

One of the key objectives of the Photographic Society is active participation by all members. To this end, we hold a competition each quarter to which each member must submit at least one photograph. This has produced a number of very good pictures,

under the varied headings of "Landscapes", "Architecture", "Rugby" and "Jabula Day".

The Society buys supplies in bulk, and these are made available for sale every Friday to the members, thus ensuring everyone can have enough material, without having to wait until the long weekend or the holidays.

In our twice-termly meetings, we have done a multitude of things, including demonstrations of black and white developing and printing, a demonstration of the new Cikachrome colour print from a slide system, viewing an extremely interesting slide/tape programme on the "History of Photography", and discussing the dramatic Shell Press Pictures of the Year Exhibition.

Our thanks go to Mr Carter for his continual help and encouragement throughout a year from which everyone has enjoyed and learnt a lot.

## SCIENCE SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr K.J. King  
Chairman: Gary Cundill  
Secretary: Kevin Shiel  
Treasurer: Richard North.

The society has been active this year, and the range of meetings has been extensive. This has included the viewing of scientific videos such as "Hydrogen

- The Forever Fuel?" and slide-tape presentations on "Life in the universe". Many members have presented talks with such varied titles as "The Ozone Layer", "Image Intensifies", "Hydrogen Bombs", "Nitrogen Narcosis" and "Magnetic Damping". Dr John Rush, who spent a year in the Antarctic as a researcher, delivered a talk, accompanied by slides, on his experiences there.

R. Baber speaking on "Mopani Worms" at "PINSA "

The society has also attended the quarterly PINSSA meetings, held at various Pietermaritzburg schools, where talks have been given by external speakers on subjects like "Environmental Education", "Sharks" and "The Chem-mystery of the Missing Joule". At the annual PINSSA Conference held in the third quarter, Michaelhouse was very successful. Simon Woodland's speech on "Number Numbness" was placed third, and Rupert Baber was awarded first prize for his slide-tape presentation on the life-cycle of the Mopane worm.

S. Woodland speaking on "Number Numbness" at "PINSA

During the first term, an outing was organized to the African Explosives and Chemical Industries plant at Umbogintwini. We were given a guided tour of parts of the factories, accompanied by explanatory lectures, and were treated to a superb luncheon at the

Umbogintwini Club. We were then shown round Durapenta's plastic processing plant in Pinetown, and thereafter retired to Rory Atkinson's house for supper, before returning to school.

Michaelhouse was also very successful in the Science Olympiad this year: Sandy Davidson was placed 24th, Gary Cundill 31st, Andrew Pennington 32nd, and Richard North also attended the National Youth Science Week in Johannesburg during the July holidays.

The office-bearers for 1984-85 are Simon Woodland as Chairman, Vivisvan Soni as Secretary and Hemanth Baboolal as treasurer. The society looks forward to an even more productive year under their leadership and guidance.

## SENIOR DEBATING

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.C. Willis  
Chairman: B.L. Lloyd  
Secretary (Minutes): P. Nash  
Secretary (Organising): R.B. Cullinan  
Treasurer: A. Ovendale.

The society has enjoyed an extremely successful year under the guidance of Mr Julian Willis, who began as master-in-charge at the beginning of the society year. The consistently high standard of debating, that was tradition under the guidance of Mr David Lewis, has been maintained, with active participation by all members in the debates this year.

In addition to the conventional internal debates, a number of Greek and external debates have been held. The latter have been organised by the efficient secretary, Mr Cullinan, involving St Anne's, Collegiate and Wykeham. Owing to the large number of debates this year (about four per term), which were superbly documented by the secretary, Mr Nash, a primary aim of the society - to promote the standard of intellectual argument, - has been achieved. This has been an extremely enjoyable year and the committee wishes every success to the society in the future.

## SERVICE

Master-in-Charge: Mr M.E. Thompson.

The compulsory service scheme has now been operating for five years. The element of compulsion is based on the premise that all boys need exposure to this type of activity, just as they are compelled to attend some theatre, music, sport and societies. Many people feel that compulsion is foreign to this type of activity and that recognition for service work in the form of service ties is mere bribery. This logic leads to the fallacious conclusion that boys only do service to obtain such recognition and any element of compulsion in service work is to be deplored.

After five years of operation, a number of difficulties have become evident. Some have been solved, others we still have problems with. For example, how does one measure the service component of activities? A boy spends two hours a week playing with, cheering up, being an outside presence to mentally retarded people - Another boy spends two hours a week as a projectionist in the A/V centre - Another spends two hours a week repairing tombstones in an old cemetery - Another spends two hours a week on stretcher or first-aid duty while watching rugby matches. All have spent the same time - so all deserve the same recognition? Time can clearly not be the only criteria.

Time, from the point of view of the adolescent in a boarding school, is very precious and he is inclined to judge service activities by this yardstick. This has resulted in some criticism of the awarding of service units, which is probably inevitable. You can't please all the people all the time!

Another difficulty, arising largely from our isolation, is that of finding suitable projects outside the confines of the school. The time spent on travelling to

Pietermaritzburg means that a small proportion of an afternoon in town can be profitably spent. Does the expense justify this?

Some of the projects in which boys have been involved this year are listed below, together with the number of boys involved.

Visits to Sunfield Home 35

Cemetery Restoration Project 12

Making Christmas Cards 22

Preparing teaching charts for the Farm School 15  
Weed clearing in dams 8

Helping in street collections 6

Fund raising for famine relief and Wildlife Trust 155

Service ties were awarded to the following boys during the year. R. Fleming; R. Gush; R. Hickman; C. Draper; S. Woodland; C. Jackson; G. Robson; A. Todd; S. Hulett; A.J. Thompson; J. Preboy; A. Davidson; D. Phipson; R. Douglas.

It is tempting to suggest that the appearance of a number of young Old Boys names in the press as being involved in starting or helping in service groups at universities reflects well on the school scheme. However, the boys who are active would probably have been so anyway.

The composition of the service committee has been altered this year. The committee now consists of one representative from each house, the head of school and four members of staff.

The committee's warmest thanks are due to all members of staff who have assisted in running projects this year, and especially to Paul Carter whose time and expertise in keeping records up to date on the computer disks have been invaluable.

## THEATRE SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr N.B. Jardine  
Chairman: Paul Hepker  
Secretary: Richard Grantham  
Treasurer: Freddy Hamilton.

1984 proved to be another enjoyable year for the society. Once again we had a large membership, ranging from Matric to Std 6. Every member, however,



was actively involved in each meeting, (an achievement not many societies can boast), and a lot of individual development was visible as the year progressed.

This year, the Society concentrated on improving mime and soliloquy technique. We attended various plays in Pietermaritzburg, a stage and general lighting demonstration at Natal University, and were also given a demonstration on body expression, which was extremely successful and fruitful. Unfortunately, demonstrations on mime and make-up could not be arranged.

At other meetings, we saw films, dramatised poems and also produced a film of various disciplinary situations for the Prefects' Leadership Course. The Theatre Society was going to produce Mr Jardine's Primitive Comedy/Musical/Farce "Ogsand Trog's", but it was postponed until 1985, when the Society could "workshop" the play.

The Committee thanks Mr Jardine for all the work he put in to making this a successful year, and the society for making it an enjoyable one.

## TOASTMASTER'S SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr W.E. Ashmole  
Assisted by: Mr J.H. Pluke  
Secretary: R.D. Hickman  
Treasurer: J. Hammond  
Sgt at Arms: R. Cullinan.

Toastmasters can boast a unique system: Every member speaks at every dinner meeting (except the time-keeper). This leads to rapid progress in speaking skills as well as a considerable increase in confidence, which is all important in public-speaking. Once again this year has been an enjoyable and productive one, with the members benefitting enormously from the society.

1984 saw St Johns attending a Toastmasters meeting, thus shattering rumours that the society was a bastion of male chauvinism! The girls took some gentle ribbing, but nevertheless the meeting was enjoyed by all and we hope that the Gavel Club they intend to found at St Johns' will be every bit as successful as Toastmasters has been.

Our final dinner meeting, which the fathers attend and speak at, was a great success. This meeting inevitably leads to some hilarious family tales being told and, since a number of sons have to evaluate their fathers and vice-versa, a good deal of light-hearted criticism flies about! The Jack Crutchley Trophy for Toastmaster of the year was presented to James Anderson, by Mr Maxwell, the guest-speaker.

We extend our thanks to all our guest-speakers: Messrs Todd, Meintjies, Goosen, Ramsay, Guthrie, Van der Walt, Ashmole, Stuckenberg and Maxwell for their time and trouble; to our committee for their organisational efforts and to Mr Ashmole and Mr Pluke for their guiding influence. A special thank-you goes to the caterers, Mr van den Haak and Mr

and Mrs Cook, who fed us extremely well. We also thank Shuter & Shooter and Mr Hastings for the kind donation of two book tokens which were awarded to James Anderson and Andrew Walker.

## TROUT CLUB

Master-in-Charge: Mr M.T. Goulding  
Captain: D. Baker  
Secretary: J. de Knoop

Members: M. Davies; W. Firth; A. Poole; R. Church;  
R. Yorke-Smith; D. Phipson; M. Johnson;  
D. Rowles.

1984 has been a most fruitful year for the Trout Club. It was run with efficiency and dedication by Mr Goulding, who is always keen to find new and varying venues which manage to keep us occupied throughout the season.

As a result of last year's drought, river fishing has not been up to its usual standard, so we turned our attention to still water fishing. This proved most productive and a number of heavy fish were bagged; not as big as last season's record of 3,5 kg but close at 2,8 kg.

We were fortunate in having a great variety of water to fish, and again we are grateful to the Cathcarts for our annual trip to EG during the Easter holidays. We extend our thanks to them and to Graham Strachan for their wonderful hospitality and the excellent fishing enjoyed.

Near the end of the season, our luck was still with us and we enjoyed a memorable outing to the Mailer's farm. Mr Maller did the club a great favour, not only in having us to fish his water but also for arranging Dr Sutcliffe and Mr Hugh Huntly to show us what trout fishing is really about. This weekend led to these two great trout fishermen coming to the school to give us a most interesting and informative lecture on trout fishing in still waters, and we convey our sincere thanks to them both.

Overall, this year has been a most successful year for the Trout Club, a season greatly enjoyed by all. Thanks to all the people who have allowed us to make use of their waters.

Trout Club - J. de Knoop; Mike Davies

'Someone's Smiling

'\_swimming gala-

Port Natal Exchange

R. Le Sueur "Taking the slopes"

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## WAR GAMES SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr N.B. Jardine  
Secretary: G. Embleton

1984 was a highly successful year for the War Games Society. This year we firmly established war-gaming into the Michaelhouse Curriculum. Not only that, we were able to diversify the wargaming to encompass a lot of new games.

The playing of wargames became a more entrenched feature, with many pupils playing over the weekends or in their spare time. A lot of time was also spent in the teaching of games, to make the society an ongoing exercise.

Again, this year, War Games Society put up an interesting Speech Day display, which showed the value of war games, not only for their enjoyment but also their Historical value. A common feature is to "win" battles that were actually lost in history.

This year, we were also able to show several history videos, showing those sections of history which we were re-creating in the evenings of Gaming.

## VENTURE CLUB

Our activities have been severely curtailed since David Bennie left at the end of '83. However, outings such as this one to Cathedral Peak provide a welcome break for those who appreciate the 'Berg, and our excellent ration packs.

### 'Buggers' Gulley

Not only did the War Games Society play historical games; but, in the last year, also branched to fantasy gaming, with the inclusion of such games as Dungeons and Dragons amongst others.

We have built up a large library of games, and are slowly increasing the numbers of people competent to play them. Next year (1985) we are to take on our old rivals, Hilton College, in a new field, War Games. Hopefully, this will be the beginning of a new field of inter-schools wargames meetings. We will continue to teach and grow in numbers, as well as to diversify to such things as historical studies of famous battles, films and, of course, the most important, the playing of Games. We look forward to a good year, to find a permanent home for the Society, and active involvement by staff and boys alike.

We thank, at the close of the year, the committee (T. Otter, G. Embleton and G. Sloan) and welcome the new committee. We also thank the Rector for being our master-in-charge and Mr Rogers for taking this position in the lastterm.

Nick Price battles on

Our September group with Cathedral in the background.

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## PRESIDENT-1984/1985

Michael John (Mike) Bonnet (51-55) is the President of the Old Boys Club for the current year. He had a distinguished sporting career at Michaelhouse and afterwards. At school he was Head Prefect, Captain of Rugby, represented Natal Schools at Rugby and was Captain of Hockey and Boxing. At Natal University he was Vice-Captain of the under 19 Rugby team, and captained the University Hockey team. He toured Europe and the UK with the South African Universities Hockey team and was later Vice-Captain of that team. Before he left University he represented Natal. After University he represented Southern Transvaal and Natal at hockey, captained Durban Wanderers and became Chairman of the Rovers Wanderers Men's Hockey Club in 1980. He trained at University for a career in engineering, and obtained a degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1961. He became an Associate Member of the Institution of Certificated Mechanical and Electrical Engineers of South Africa in 1970 and obtained an MBL degree through UNISA in 1974. In business he joined SAPPI as a pupil-engineer while he was studying for the Government Certificate of Competence. He remained with the Paper Division of Union Corporation until 1967 when he joined Paper Sacks SA Ltd. In 1974 he moved to Non-Ferrous Metal Works (Natal) (Pty) Ltd., and in 1977 he became General Manager of a division of Romatex Mills Ltd. In 1981 he founded Paktex (Pty) Ltd., which developed into a multi-million rand company. This became a wholly owned subsidiary of Consolidated Glass in 1984, and Mike is Marketing Director of the Company.

Mike was appointed to the Central Committee of the Old Boys Club in May 1980 but, prior to that, he had played a very active part in the Durban Branch affairs.

Mike has had two sons, Andrew and Gyles, at Michaelhouse, who both inherited their father's talent for hockey. He also has a daughter of 18. His faithful helpmeet and assistant is his wife, Pam, who is also well known to many Old Boys.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In my year of office as President of your Old Boys

Club I have come to realise the many diverse ways in

which the Old Boys are involved in assisting the School. I believe that a wonderful spirit exists between the Old Boys and the School. I am also sure that there are many Old Boys who would like to become involved in some way in this association. The structure of the Old Boys Club is now very firmly established and with the Community Office and the Old Boys Headquarters together and with the Permanent Secretary's house now adjacent to this at the Manse (made possible through the magnificent efforts of the Jabula Fete and Ball), access to the Old Boys services should be very easy.

In the same way it is important for the Central Committee of the Old Boys Club to provide the back-up in terms of the necessary communication link between the Central Committee and the branch committees spread throughout the RSA and overseas.

I would like to thank John Wilson for the eight and a half years of devoted service to the Old Boys club as our permanent secretary. At a meeting hosted by the Pietermaritzburg Branch he was presented with a very fine oil painting of the Natal Berg area on behalf of the Club.

We welcome Ronald Brooks as our new Permanent Secretary and we hope that he and his wife, Nan, will have a pleasant return to Michaelhouse after twenty-eight years when Ronald was Headmaster of Cordwalles.

## NEW COMMUNITY OFFICER

We welcome to Michaelhouse the new Community Officer/Old Boys Club Secretary, Ronald Charles Brooks, who took over from John Wilson on 1st January 1985. He was born in England and went to Bedford School and King's College, Cambridge, where he obtained an MA in Classical Tripos. He served in World War II with the Beds and Herts Regiment and was demobilised with the rank of Captain in August 1946. His teaching career started at King's College Choir School, Cambridge, before the war as a full-time undergraduate master. In 1947 he came to Michaelhouse and he has taught in South Africa ever since then. He had ten years at Michaelhouse and became Housemaster of Tatham's in January 1951, which position he held until he left to become

Headmaster of Cordwalles in January 1957, a position which he filled with distinction for 28 years.

He married Nan Jones in 1949 and they have three children, the two sons having been at Michaelhouse.

Ronald is not unacquainted with OMs as during his

10 years stint at Michaelhouse several hundred boys passed through his hands. Thereafter, as the majority of Cordwalles boys go on to Michaelhouse, he got to know many more who went through the school.

We all hope that he will find his new job stimulating and that he and Nan will thoroughly enjoy their return to Michaelhouse.

## JOHN WILSON

John Wilson retired from his job as Community Officer and Permanent Secretary of the Old Boys Club on 31st December 1984. There is no doubt that John Wilson will go down in the history of Michaelhouse as one of the School's finest sons. He has dedicated the last 18 years to the service of Michaelhouse. In 1966 he was appointed a Governor and ten years later, when he retired from his legal practice in Johannesburg, he accepted the invitation of the Board of Governors and the Old Boys Club to become the first full-time Secretary of the Club and Community Officer. The tasks taken on by his office have steadily multiplied over the years.

Whilst at Michaelhouse, John was Head of West and those who knew him at that time say that during his years at Michaelhouse he developed a high sense of justice and an absolute determination to see that right was done.

It is as Secretary of the Michaelhouse Old Boys Club that I would like to pay tribute to John. I have been privileged to serve on the Central Committee for most of the years that John has been Secretary. What was always most impressive was his ability to summarise most concisely a 30 minute discussion and record this in such a way that the Committee Members would easily be able to recall the details when preparing for the next meeting. No doubt this ability stemmed from his legal practice where he was a partner in what was originally his father's legal firm. Another area where John excelled in his duties as Secretary of the Old boys was the care and interest he generated in the Old Boys section of the Michaelhouse Chronicle. News of the doings and whereabouts of over 300 OMs was given in the 1984

Chronicle, which is 10 times the number of a decade ago!

John has always insisted that one of the most important functions of the Permanent Secretary is to maintain the link between the School and the Old Boys. Keeping in touch with as many Old Boys as possible through Michaelhouse News and Chronicle is one important means of doing so, but another way is by encouraging Branch activity. He has always sought to do this and the Club's branches are thriving today.

John's dedication to his various tasks at Michaelhouse over the past eight years could not have been possible except for the tremendous support of his wife, June. June always made OMs most welcome at her home at Balgowan. We wish John and June health and happiness in this, their second retirement and in the knowledge that we will still be seeing a lot of them in the Michaelhouse Community in the years that lie ahead. Thankyou John, for a job so well done.

Mike Bonnet, President

#### JABULA DAY 1984

The seed of Jabula Day was sown at a meeting of the Old Boys Club Committee in early 1983. The Secretary had given notice that he wished to retire in 18 months, and he mentioned that his successor would have nowhere to live, that there were no houses to rent near Balgowan, and that the Permanent Secretary Fund did not have sufficient money to build a new house. The Committee had just started gnawing their finger-nails when Bill Lambert said, as if it was obvious, "We must have a Fete".

Bill also knew the right man to be convener. This was Graeme Armstrong, with whom Bill had worked on the successful Cordwalles Fete. It is difficult to say "No" to Bill, so Graeme undertook the job. It is also difficult to say "No" to Graeme, and his OM friends soon found that they were committed to help with the Fete. He has a lot of friends, and it was due mainly to them that the Fete was such a resounding success. There are too many of them to mention individually, so the credit must simply go to "Armstrong and Friends".

Armstrong and Friends met for the first time under their official name of "The Special Sub-Committee of the Old Boys Club convened to organise the Fete" on 5th June 1983. The event was to be called the

"Jabula Fete" after a previous fete about thirty years ago. The target was originally R50000, but it was soon clear that this would not be enough, especially

as it was decided that improvements to the Community Office were also needed. The sights were raised to R100 000. The date was to be Old Boys Day 1984 (31st May). There was no lack of suggestions for projects for the fete, but these were gradually pruned down by considerations of practicability, space, manpower and expected attendance.

In January 1984 the sub-committee decided to postpone the date of Jabula Day to 11th August. 31st May was part of an extra-long week-end, and people wanting to take advantage of this were likely to give the Fete a miss. August 11th was chosen because the Michaelhouse-Hilton rugby matches were due to be played that day, and a large number of people would be attracted to these anyway.

A vast amount of detailed organisation was required and Armstrong and Friends met 12 times before the Day. Durban, Johannesburg, Pietermaritzburg, Zululand, East Griqualand, Midlands, Northern Natal and OFS all participated. Three "Jabula" Newsletters were sent out at intervals, and publicity was given to the event in the Press and on the radio.

Hilton generously entered into the spirit of the occasion and the Old Hiltonian Society provided us with their mailing list to enable us to let their members know what was going on. It was almost a pleasure to allow them to beat us in the three main games on the Saturday.

There were also preliminary events. On 27th July the Jabula Stakes were run at John Hulett's home. To save space the runners were white mice, and the event was a hilarious money-spinner. Graeme Armstrong seems to be in training to become a Godfather. He was Chairman of the Race Committee, Steward and Judge, and the Judge's decision was final.

On 31st July Sandy Stewart arranged for a preview of the Art Exhibition at the Sandton Holiday Inn before the pictures were sent down to Michaelhouse. There were approximately 200 paintings by leading artists.

As the Day approached, workmen converged to construct the giant ampliform structure, which was to provide cover for the whole of the main quad. Inside, a stage with a red and white canopy was constructed for the cabaret show, and for dancing. Flowers were everywhere, and ninety tables were

arranged round the focus of the stage. Other tents appeared outside the quad. A huge marquee was to serve as a place of assembly for the Jabula Ball guests. Another marquee appeared outside the Community Office to shelter the after-rugby party,

to take place the following day, and yet another rose near the Meadows to enable thirsty rugby-watchers to quaff champagne.

The Ball took place the evening before Jabula Day and was the highlight of the whole venture. The guests drove in between two rows of flares from the main entrance to the steps leading to the assembly marquee on the terraces. The ladies were dropped there and were escorted into the marquee by members of the school staff, where champagne cocktails were pressed on them to pass the time until their men appeared from the outer darkness after parking their cars.

But let Bridget Martin, of "The Star", describe the whole event: "The Michaelhouse Ball is going to be a hard act to follow. Undoubtedly the most electrifying social event that's taken place in the Natal Midlands for years. It was an exercise of Texas-size proportions, 900 guests. The Royal Hotel (Durban) entrained waiters, food, pots and pans, for the rusticity of Balgowan, huge undulating sails that covered the entire quad and an army of 100 women, led by Edith Collins, arranged the profusion of spring flowers. Even the cold was of awesome proportions. The whole scheme in the hands of the intrepid Bill Lambert of Maritzburg, was a blueprint for success. Leaving the mink and manure suburbs deserted, limos packed with fripperies by Pasqual and Levin, furs and picnic hampers, streamed for Natal, while the Durban equivalent made for the hills.

"Owners of those snug little tax havens in the Dargle, Lidgetton, Rosetta and so on were inundated with friends, and the local auberges were booked solid. As a full moon rose on the red brick of Michaelhouse, the headlamps of hundreds of cars began to light up the drive where the women were helped from the cars by newly fledged Old Boys. Guests foregathered in the champagne tent, and were then piped through to the tables. The dresses were spectacular, with the majority of people having gone to great lengths to put together outfits that would cope with the rigours of the climate and yet look glamorous at the same time. Old Boy Jervis Pennington gave the cabaret with the Soft Shoes, and the night was then danced away, partly to stave off rigor mortis, until breakfast was served. A good half of the



party seemed to feel that having come so far and prepared for so long for this oversubscribed ball (a brisk trade in black market tickets took place), they'd better make a night of it. The last guests crept through the mist at 5 a.m. to grab some sleep before girding up their loyal old bods for the rugby olympiad between Hilton and Michaelhouse. This kicked off at 9.30, and watching their sons and heirs doing

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their bit were ranks of puffy-eyed parents. Hangovers were trailed about for a while, but a glass or two of Moët and some stimulating rugby seemed to get the juices flowing again. Everybody had a glorious time, and its popularity now ensured, perhaps other schools will follow suit. How about it Hilton? You've beaten them at rugby but can you match their ball?"

As a footnote, Jervis Pennington is not an OM. He is a Pennington who got away, and went to Hilton.

Many of the Ball guests had other things to do instead of watching sons and heirs playing rugby. They were busy from 7 a.m. onwards setting up their stalls for the fete itself. Seldom can a fete have offered so great a range of attractive stalls. It was difficult for the average visitor to get around to all of them before the main rugby games started. For the record, the list of stalls were as follows:

Butcher Shop (East Griqualand & Northern Natal)  
Tombola (Johannesburg)

T-shirts stall (Johannesburg)

Sweets and Cakes (OFS)

Fresh Produce, Poultry and Preserves (Natal Midlands)

Wine Shop (Durban)

Book Stall (Durban)

Art Gallery & Stationery (Johannesburg)

Garden Shop & Nursery (Zululand)

Beer Garden (Pietermaritzburg)

Needlework stall (Durban)

Fast Foods & Minerals (Pietermaritzburg)

Coffee Shop (Pietermaritzburg)

Old Boys' Stall (Old Boys Club)

Picture Stall - Novelty (School)

Champagne Tent (Durban)

Side Shows (School)

Coconut Shies etc. (Cordwalles School)

A brochure was on sale at the main entrance and the sellers kept a count of how many people came in. Most guesses of attendance were in the region of 10 000, but the real count was 7 675, in 2 244 vehicles.

The takings were swelled by competitions for a BMW, three Bursaries at the school and a multitude of smaller prizes. Near the Midlands Stall stood a magnificent but unconcerned Hereford bull, whose weight had to be guessed for another prize.

Eleanor Dixon-Smith and her Durban friends organised a sumptuous Gourmet lunch for 200 in the Memorial Hall. Those who could not get in had to make do with sheep-on-the-spit from Northern Natal, fast foods from Pietermaritzburg or sweets and cakes from OFS.

As the time for the main rugby match approached, the patrons drained away and the stall-workers thankfully locked up, only to have to be there again on the Sunday morning early to clear up so that the school could get back to normal.

The rugby games have been described elsewhere. Dare we say that the results might have been different had our teams had a good night's sleep before the games?

After the rugby there were still survivors who had much to discuss, and they repaired to the marquee near the Community Office to slake their thirst and consume sheep-on-the-spit and salads. Unhappily, solid fare ran out, mainly owing to the fact that some exuberant University students managed to abduct a whole sheep. We hasten to add that their identity was discovered and they were not OMs.

The final figure of the nett proceeds of the Fete is R104 624,53.

In conclusion, the Old Boys Club is most grateful to the School for making this outstanding event possible. Not only did we have a superb venue, but the Rector, and the staff at all levels, White, Indian and Black put in a magnificent collective effort, which was a major factor in the success of the event. We hope that both the School and the Old Boys Club will benefit from having an Old Boys Club base on the School Estate.

J.D.W.

Photographs on pages 112, 113 appearing clockwise.

1. The ampliform goes up.
2. Mannequin parade.
3. Anson and Elaine Lloyd.
4. Graeme Armstrong and Bill Lambert.
5. Lit up for the Ball.
6. June Jardine.
7. In the Pennington Quad.
8. Inside the marquee.
9. In front of the School.

## OLD BOYS CLUB SHOP

Since Jabula Day the Old Boys Club has had an increasingly busy shop. Many new lines have been introduced and the following is a list of articles for sale:

### Glassware

Plain crested glass 645 Red Wine per box .. R16,00

643 White Wine per box R14,00

Cut glass 1276 Red Wine per box..... R51,50

1273 White Wine per box..... 43,00

1271 Sherry per box..... 40,00

Champagne per box..... 16,50

Whisky cutglass 1933 per box..... 50,00

Sherry Decanter 1419 ..... 48,00

Whisky Decanter 1939 ..... 89,00

Whisky Decanter 1420 ..... 48,00

Beer Tankards 2311 each ..... 3,20

2312 each ..... 2,80

Whisky plain, crested, per box..... 10,00

(Boxes contain 6 glasses)

### Containers

Plastic Coolers..... 15,00

Utility Bags..... 2,50

Wine Carriers..... 5,50

### Miscellaneous

Portfolios-Black/Sepia ..... 10,00

Notelets - Black/Sepia..... 1,50

Signed Prints of MHS..... 35,00

Unsigned Prints ..... 25,00

Plaques.....	36,00
History of Michaelhouse.....	3,00
Keyrings.....	7,50
Cufflinks per pair.....	16,00
Clothing	
Jerseys.....	20,00
Old Boys Ties.....	11,00
Cravats.....	10,50
Buttons - large, each .....	0,75
- small, each.....	0,65
Community Ties.....	10,00
Badges - Wire.....	23,00
- Cotton .....	2,20
- Lurex .....	12,50
Belts (Leather).....	10,00
Crockery	
Porcelain Tankards -Coat of Arms.....	10,00
Ashtrays - Crest.....	4,00
- Coat of Arms .....	6,00

Unfortunately we do not like to risk consigning glassware through the post, though if you cannot collect it yourself we can arrange for it to be sent to Durban, Pietermaritzburg, or Johannesburg, where you can collect it. All prices include GST, but please include R1,00 for postage and registration in the case of all articles except glassware.

#### OLD BOYS' DAY 1984

Ascension Day fell on 31st May and the Old Boys gathering was not as well attended as usual. This may have been partly due to the fact that two successive days were public holidays and many added on the week-end and gave themselves a mini-holiday. More probably, however, it was due to the pre-



Jabula Day publicity and Old Boys were bracing themselves for the great event.

#### AGM 1984

Mr R.I. Lister, President of the Club, Chaired the meeting. The opening prayer was said by the Reverend Hugh Harker, who was visiting from Port Alfred.

The meeting stood in remembrance of those OMs whose deaths had been notified since the last AGM. They were as follows:

J.A. Adams  
R.B. Archibald

H.C.W. Austin  
Bruce A. Berend

F.J.B. Brown  
R.R. Butcher  
L.D. Clulow

C.J.J. Crowe  
R.F. Currey (Hon.)

A.M. Curson

L.L. du Toit  
M.P. du Toit  
J.C. Edington  
P.T. Fellowes

H.D. Fyvie

E.W. Gibson  
J.K. Jardine

D.J. Jennings  
D.A. Johnstone  
John F.B. Kerr  
M.E. Lewis  
Dr T.C. Lloyd  
D.K.W. Mackay  
P.J.P. Neall

S.R. Peacock-Edwards  
M.E. Pennington

1940-1942

1916-1922

1929-1931  
1979-1982

1928-1931

1917-1922

1944-1947

1918-1924

1930-1938

1936-1938

1949-1952

1941-1944

1975-1977

1925-1926

1919-1921

1915-1918

1938-1941

1938-1942

1937-1940

1931-1934

1978-1982

1914-1917

1925-1928

1940-1943

1931-1933

1913-1917

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A.S.K. Pitman MP 1944-1948  
Dr R.M.I. Shacksnovis 1942-1947  
H.H. Simmons 1917-1918  
Prof. E.S.W. Simpson 1937-1941  
T.A. Tatz 1947-1951  
J.L. van der Post 1944-1946  
J.E. Ward 1917-1919  
F.H. Williamson 1939-1941  
W.A.B. Wynne 1949-1952

The Khehla was A.R. Moberly (1913-1915) and the youngest OM present was A. Woollatt (79-83).

A.R. Moberly-Khehla 1984

## RECTOR'S ADDRESS:

The Rector said that he proposed to touch on three aspects of Michaelhouse today. These were the curriculum, recent results and positive reinforcement, and the admissions policy.

### Curriculum

The curriculum is defined at Michaelhouse as "everything organised for the educational benefit of pupils". The five main aspects of education are the academic, the physical, the spiritual, the social and the cultural. The aim is to provide an individual balanced programme for each boy. The balance is not only in content, but with respect to compulsory and voluntary involvement. Certain Chapel services are compulsory, the others voluntary. Every boy must participate in the service programme, but has a wide choice within the framework of the programme. All must participate in sport, but there are 16 sports from which they can choose. They may also choose from almost 40 cultural societies, but must belong to at least one. The school is always looking for innovations to expand the curriculum.

### Recent Results and Positive Reinforcement

The Rector referred to certain sporting successes and mentioned successes in the Science Olympiad,

the English Olympiad and the 1983 Matric, in which Michaelhouse had 14 "A" aggregates, the highest in Natal. He warned that the 1984 results would not be as impressive, looked at from a superficial point of view. He said that at the beginning of 1984, he took into the school 18 boys who did not, strictly speaking, pass the Common Entrance Exam. Not many of those boys would go to a university after attempting

Matric in 4 or 5 years time. This did not worry him because he saw Michaelhouse as a family school, which cherishes its links with Old Boys and those with close family connections.

### Admissions Policy

He said that the main hurdle which has to be cleared for entry to Michaelhouse remains the flawed Common Entrance Examination. In borderline cases, sons of Old Boys, Cordwalles boys, those with family connections and sons of Anglican clergy in the diocese of Natal and Zululand, are given special preference provided academic performance is more or less equal between the contending candidates.

In conclusion, he said that he counted as one of the most precious traditions in this wonderful South African school, the consideration, care, concern and love which the Old Boys have for Michaelhouse. "Our community," he said, "is strong, communicative and united (although we do not agree on everything), and is therefore in good heart."

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr Lister, the President, mentioned the impending retirement of John Wilson as Secretary of the Old Boys Club at the end of 1984, and paid tribute to the work he had done over the last 8 years. He also announced the appointment of Ronald C. Brooks as the next Secretary of the Club. Ronald taught at Michaelhouse and is an honorary Old Boy, and served as Headmaster of Cordwalles for 28 years. The President welcomed him and his wife, Nan, and wished them a happy and fruitful time at Michaelhouse.

The President mentioned that there had been several incidents of over-exuberance on the part of younger Old Boys when they return to Michaelhouse on odd occasions. He appealed to all Old Boys to remember that at all times they are guests of the school, and to respect that privilege.

The promotion of the BET Fund had been somewhat hampered during the year by the preparations for Jabula Day. However, earlier in the year, an audio-visual presentation had been made available to the Club for use in the BET Fund drive. He mentioned

the outstanding contribution to this venture by John Anderson and thanked the Rector, Chick Henderson and Mark Devlin for their commentaries. He urged Old Boys to respond generously if approached to make a commitment to the Fund. He said: "If anyone is in any doubt regarding the contribution that Michaelhouse has made to your life, and will carry on doing for our sons and others too, I am convinced that the audio-visual presentation will help to dispel those doubts."

He explained the need for accommodation for the new Community Officer on the estate. The school had agreed to sell "The Manse" to the Club at a reasonable price, but considerable renovations were necessary. Renovations to the Community Office were also needed, and the target had been set at R100 000. He concluded: "My enduring memory of this past year will be of the tremendous amount of camaraderie and fellowship that exists amongst Old Boys, and of the need to maintain and encourage contact amongst Old Boys as an integral part of the Michaelhouse community. If you are approached at any time to serve on a Branch Committee, or help with the Jabula Fete, or the BET Fund, or anything else for that matter, which furthers the interests of Michaelhouse, please respond positively. I can assure you that you will find it an enjoyable and enriching experience."

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer drew attention to the deficit of R3 612 shown in the Income and Expenditure statement for the year ended 31st March 1984. The explanation was that the Club had paid for two issues of the Chronicle in one year. Whereas in 1983 the expenditure was R3 451, in 1984 it was R11 909. The latter figure also included a 5 year supply of covers, more pages and better binding. The Community Office expenses are up by 13,5 per cent over the previous year. There had been a decrease in the number of Life subscriptions and in sales of crockery and clothing. On the other hand, the Permanent Secretary Fund had made satisfactory progress. Contributions of R8 233 had brought the total amount of the Fund to R50 477.

## Election of Office Bearers

The following office bearers were elected for the year 1984/5:

President: M. Bonnet.

President Elect: W. Dixon-Smith  
Committee Members: G.D.R. Armstrong, I.G. Douglas, D. Lewis, Dr R. Turner

Honorary Auditor: Douglas Turner  
Secretary/Treasurer: Until 31st December 1984:  
J.D. Wilson. Thereafter until the next AGM: Mr R. Brooks.

Mr J.D. Wilson paid tribute to Mr Douglas Turner for his long and valuable service to the Club as its Auditor.

### Election of New Members

104 new members were elected. The following members of the Michaelhouse staff were elected honorary members: D.G. Bennie, A.B. Butler, J.H. Pluke, S.N. Winckworth.

### Branch Reports

Reports were presented by the representatives of Durban and Coast, Transvaal, Pietermaritzburg, Zululand, East Griqualand and Natal Midlands. The President also reported on meetings he had had in Zimbabwe and Cape Town.

### Congratulatory Letters

The following were approved:

#### General

Sir Richard Scott:

Knighthood & Appointment as Judge, Chancery Division, England.

Professor Jonathan Burchell:

Professor of Law, Wits University.

A.S. Milne

Chancellor's Gold Medal, Cambridge University.

Michael Cassidy:

Order of St Simon of Cyrene.

Roy Gathorne:

Service to Michaelhouse.

M.G.M. Seymour:

"Pilot of the Year" Award, Commercial Aviation Assn., Springbok colours at World Precision Flying Championships.

Sport

H.R. Fotheringham:

Springbok Cricket.

Murray Heaton-Nicholls:

Springbok Polo.

Gavin Chaplin:

Springbok Polo.

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I.A. Cox:

Springbok Paddle-Skiing.

The Commemoration Service was conducted by the Reverend Hugh Harker from Port Alfred.

Luncheon was served in the two halls, and rugby and hockey games were played against the school in the afternoon.

Results:

Rugby 1st XV Old Boys 11 School 10

2nd XV Old Boys 28 School 3

The traditional beer and curry were served in the cricket pavilion for the chauvinists and in the Community Office for their wives and girlfriends.

## DURBAN & COAST BRANCH

Extract from the Report of the Chairman for the Year 1984. Delivered at the Annual General Meeting on 23rd November 1984.

The Committee met regularly throughout the year on an average of once a month, on licensed premises, and if nothing else, maintained a very fine esprit-de-corps. I must thank every member of the Committee for the considerable amount of time given to the affairs of the Old Boys Club and in many cases for a certain amount of private expenditure. I must particularly thank the Secretary, Charles Phillips who has the unenviable task of all the dogbody work. The Committee is very good at making decisions but it is usually Charles that has to carry them out and this he has done magnificently. During the year Charles Webb left us to retire with Joyce to Stellenbosch. On your behalf we made him a presentation of a painting of a well-known scene of the school which both he and Joyce greatly appreciated. He was on the Committee as Treasurer for about ten years and I don't need to tell you the magnificent work he did in keeping the records up to date. He was the kingpin of all financial and recording aspects of the branch and we were sad to see him go. We have a volunteer replacement as Treasurer in Rob Strachan: he came like an army volunteer because his father is the new Chairman of the Board of Governors and his boss is a member of the Board. He has already proved his usefulness as an accountant.



Apart from meeting and being sociable, the Committee actually did various things during the year.

1. We organised a slide presentation for the benefit

of those persons who had contributed or promised to contribute to the BET fund. This fund has been played sotto voce this year because of the Jabula appeal, but in future years it will be brought back into prominence.

2. The usual new parents' function was held this time at the home of Des and Margaret Webb and I am happy to say again that all the housemasters and parents consider it to be a very worthwhile occasion. It has become a regular function on our calendar. We have in fact been asked to host additional functions in future for parents of boys higher up in the school and, funds permitting, this will be done.

3. We took part in various golf matches such as the Hudson-Bennett, Norman Lewis and D.A. Chapman and were very successful in that we never came better than second which of course is very important as the winners have the responsibility of organising the function the following year. We also took part in the triangular sports tournament with Hilton and Kearsney - this seems to be becoming a regular function. Bowls, golf, hockey and squash were played and a braai was held at Berea Rovers Club afterwards. Again we were extremely successful in not coming first.

We continue to support a scholarship student at the school but the rise in fees is alarming and we have therefore inaugurated the proposed 100 Club with a view to obtaining a regular income sufficient to provide for this and perhaps other scholarships and for such functions as we are being required to hold. I urge you to support this fund as it gives you an opportunity of a handsome windfall.

During the year members of the Committee attended dinners held by Hilton College, Kearsney College and Northlands High School. We find it advisable to spread the risk and so it has become policy for these duties to be shared among the Committee.

We must congratulate our former Chairman Bill Dixon-Smith as President-elect of the Club to replace another of our former Chairmen Mike Bonnet next year. At the annual dinner presentations will be

made to John Wilson the retiring Secretary of the Club and Anson Lloyd the retiring Chairman of the Board of Governors in recognition of their service to the school and formal congratulations will be advanced to Walter Strachan who has been appointed Chairman of the Board of Governors and Mark Kumbelen who becomes Vice-Chairman.

All things considered, the Club has had a successful year.

## SOUTHERN TRANSVAAL BRANCH

John Powell has written to us, and says:

In brief, I am delighted to tell that socially and financially this Branch is in good shape. This year the response to the voluntary subs has been more than generous and the contributions to the permanent Secretary Fund even exceeded last year's record. Accordingly I extend to all members who have supported us so generously the sincere thanks of the entire committee.

Turning now to the 100 Club, the numbers are still creeping up and the funds required to provide a bursary or bursaries to Michaelhouse are accruing.

Our Annual Dinner was in the end a great success, and our thanks must be extended to Mark Henning, the Headmaster of St Stithians, for standing in for Sir John Killick who had to cancel at the last moment. The party for new boys going to school for the first time was held in January, kindly hosted by Roger and Liz Currie. The three buffet supper evenings were held in early April for parents and prospective parents likewise were most successful, thanks to the organisation of Alan Burns and the co-operation received from the three hosts, namely the Hendersons, Fees and the Camerers.

On the spiritual side, the Corporate Communion service was held on the nearest Sunday to St Michael's Day at St Michael's Church, Bryanston on 30th September.

In sporting activities, cricket and golf continue to feature, and squash, hockey and bowls contests are arranged from timetotime".

## PIETERMARITZBURG BRANCH

Annual General Meeting

This was held at the Maritzburg Country Club on 16th May 1984 and the following members were elected to the committee for the ensuing year:

Chairman: M.M. Arnott

Hon. Secretary: C. van Heerden

Treasurer: A.M. Smythe

Members: A.J. Clucas; D.G. Grantham; R.J. Lister;  
J.D.R. Short; C.J. Wilkinson.

#### Hilton/Michaelhouse Dinner

It was the turn of the MHOB to arrange the function this year and the dinner was held as usual at the Victoria Club on 22nd June 1984 and was attended by

equal numbers of Old Hiltonians and MHOB. We were honoured to have amongst our guests the Headmaster of Hilton College, Mr Des Ducasse, and the Rector of Michaelhouse, Mr Neil Jardine, and as our Guest Speaker Mr Ronald Brooks who entertained the company with some of his reminiscences.

#### Hudson Bennet Golf Tournament

The Hudson Bennett Golf Tournament together with a tennis tournament took place on 1st July 1984 at the Martizburg Country Club.

The golf tournament was very efficiently arranged by Oliver James and was well supported; four teams being entered from Durban, three from Pietermaritzburg and one each from Southern Natal, Midlands and the School.

The results for the trophies were as follows:

#### Trophy Winners Runners Up

Hudson Bennett PMBurgA: Durban B:

Mike Young Dick Ridgway  
Ian MacKenzie Gavin Gormley  
Roy Gathorne S. Chetwyn

Palmer  
Oily James Kim Elgie

141 points 138 points

Rhys Evans Olly James 73 G. Hall 75

R. Schram 75

Ken Drysdale Roy Gathorne 67 D. Tasker 70

John Harker 70

Khehla Roy Gathorne 40 Peter Francis 34

The tennis was arranged by Simon Francis but despite early indications of support from other branches was eventually only attended by a few local members and guests but the result was nevertheless an enjoyable afternoon's tennis for those participating.

#### Jabula Fete and Ball

A large number of the local branch contributed towards the success of the Jabula Fete and Ball by involving themselves in the organisation and running of the Ball - Bill Lambert and Russell Collins, the bar - Viv Biggs, and stalls for teas - John Greene, minerals - Mike Arnott, hot dogs - Jeremy Wilkinson and pies - Tony Clucas. Brochures and programmes were arranged by Richard Lister. The above people were ably supported by their wives and friends consisting of members of the Michaelhouse Community and also many other willing helpers. Dave Short arranged the Ampliform structure of the quad., Viv Biggs organised the raffle of the car.

Dave Grantham was the overall convener for the Pietermaritzburg effort.

### Sixth Form Visit to Pietermaritzburg

Richard Lister once again arranged for the Sixth Form to visit the Law Courts and other interesting places in the city.

### Community Cocktail Party

Dave Short arranged a most successful cocktail party for the Michaelhouse Community at the Maritzburg Country club on 16th November 1984. The main object of this function was to provide parents of new boys going to Michaelhouse with the opportunity of meeting the House Masters from the school and also other members of the Community. We were also honoured to have the President of the Old Boys Club, Mike Bonnet, and his wife, present and he made a presentation on behalf of the Club to John Wilson as a token of appreciation for the untiring manner in which John has undertaken his duties as Community Officer.

The cocktail party was very well attended with approximately eighty five people present.

### ZULULAND BRANCH

We have heard from Brian Kramer who reports on the Zulu land Branch activities as follows:

"The Quadrangular Sports Day was held at River-view in September, Michaelhouse winning by one point from Kearsney.

The Annual General Meeting and luncheon took place at the home of the Chairman, Brian Kramer. The Acting Rector, John Pluke, gave an interesting account of the school's activities. The Chairman-elect of the Board of Governors, Walter Strachan, analysed the reasons for the increase in fees. A parting gift was presented to John Wilson, the retiring Secretary.

The new Chairman for 1985 is Graham Chennells from Eshowe with Hugh Lee as Secretary."

### EAST GRIQUALAND

Walter Gilson reports:

"The East Griqualand Branch meets once a year,

and that is on the occasion of the A.G.M., which is usually held at the Swartberg Country Club.

During 1984 this event took place on the 27th April at the Swartberg Country Club. About 40 people were present including wives. The function was attended by the Rector and John Wilson, the Secretary of the Club."

## MIDLANDS BRANCH

Roger Turner reports that the Midlands Branch has had an active year in 1984. The major activity was the organisation of a Midlands stall for Jabula Day. Under the Chairmanship of Nigel Armstrong, representing the Dargle/Merrivale area, the following were co-opted onto the Jabula Committee for the Midlands:

Estcourt: Roger Turner

MooiRiver: Michael Simmons

Rosetta/Balgowan: Philip Quin

Nottingham Road/Lidgetton: Mike le Sueur

Howick/Karkloof: Rob\ Folker and David Mitchell

Special mention must be made of Nigel and Sarah Armstrong, the stall's convenors, who worked so hard co-ordinating donation appeals in the various areas and for being at the helm of what turned out to be a very colourful, happy and profitable "Market".

Thanks to Brian Griffin for the loan of his Hereford Bull, which certainly added interest to our corner of the quad.

Our target was reached through cash donations and livestock sale proceeds before the actual day.

Special thanks go to those farmers who gave so generously in kind - some were Old Hiltonians!

On 11th May the annual cocktail party was held at Rawdon's and was reasonably well attended. Richard Lister, President of the Club, the President-Elect, Mike Bonnet, and the Jabula Convener, Graeme Armstrong, gave their reports and managed to engender further Jabula fever. Nigel Armstrong in an hilarious speech managed to connive promises of a fat cow, sheep and other produce out of unsuspecting Old Boys. It was felt that as he had done this so well, we would hire him out to other Branches at R100,00 a time to get their Jabula efforts really going.

After supper the BET audio-visual was shown. Nigel Porter and Jeremy Cooke will look after the Fund

drive in our area. It was agreed that this should be a low-key, but on-going effort.

The Committee for 1985 will be:

Chairman: Robin Folker  
Secretary: Roger Turner

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Committee Members: Jolm Hooker, Philip Quin, Mike le Sueur, Nigel Armstrong, Ian Mackay, Richard Aitcheson.

## WESTERN CAPE

Anthony Hart reports that the Western Cape Branch continues to be bedevilled by apathy, in spite of efforts made by Committee members to arrange functions. They have lost the much appreciated service of Hugo Leggatt on their Committee, but gained some support in Somerset West through Dr G.D. Campbell who is active in that area in arranging informal gatherings. On 29th June 1984 the Rector was able to attend functions in Somerset West and Cape Town. They hope that 1985 will see more activity, particularly as they have an up-to-date address list and many telephone numbers of local Old Boys.

## CYCLONE DEMOINA

Derek Heaton-Nicholls (32-35) has been at the centre of the post-mortem on the results of Cyclone Demoina. He was extensively quoted in the Sunday Tribune of 27th May 1984. He said: "If there had been correct conservation and storage facilities, like a dam in the catchment area, we would still have had flooding, but not to the extent it occurred. The sand that was washed down came from the catchment area".

The Umfolozi Sugar Planters' co-operative, of which Derek is Chairman, has been pushing for a dam to be built in the catchment area for at least fifteen years. It paid Consulting Engineers and Hydrologists out of the members' pockets to draw up plans and reports for this. A dam would have cost about R30 000 000.

When the experts' reports were submitted to the authorities, ecologists had slammed the suggestion for a dam because they felt the natural riverine veg-

etation would be lost, but during the flooding this vegetation was lost anyway and so was some of the best land in the country. The suggested dam would not only have benefited the farmers, it would have provided irrigation in KwaZulu and would have helped in the transportation of fresh water down to St. Lucia and the Richards Bay complex. "If the authorities still refuse to build a dam, there is a potential hazard that the flooding will occur again and more land in the flood plain could be irrevocably damaged.

Derek's remarks were quoted in a leading article in The Natal Witness of 9th May 1984. "Cyclone Demoina will have been a blessing in disguise," The Witness says, "If the Government pays heed to the warning of Umfolozi Co-operative's Chairman, Mr D. Heaton-Nicholls. As he sees it, the Government must now accept full responsibility for the degradation of the catchment areas of South Africa's major rivers - degradation leading to the massive soil erosion which has covered thousands of hectares of prime agricultural land under sterile sand.

"Over-population, overstocking and deforestation are prime causes now turning KwaZulu into a desert which does not bloom.

"Until South Africa accepts the imperative logic of urbanization, the land cannot be saved".

A more personal angle was that of victim Ralph Morkel (48-51). ... The Sunday Tribune of 27th May 1984 quoted his wife, Cherie: "no money can buy what we have lost. I still can't believe it when I look out of the window - instead of beautiful lush sugar cane, I just see sand ... mounds and mounds of white sand.

When the wind blows you can't keep the sand out. There's sand everywhere, in everything".

Cherie and her husband, Ralph, have been on their land for 20 years. They own one of 26 farms totalling 2 500 ha, all of which were devastated and irreparably damaged by the floods. It is unlikely that sugar cane will be grown there again - at least not for many years.

Wear your OM TIE on Wednesdays

## OBITUARIES

### W.J. Dorehill (04-05)

We have received notification of the death of W.J. Dorehill (04-05). Early in 1984 the Secretary was in touch with him and had garnered considerable news about him and his son P.A. Dorehill (35-38).

W.J. said that he and his younger brother, T.V.D., who was at Michaelhouse at the same time, both joined the British South Africa Police in 1909 and both got malaria while serving at Tuli. W.J.'s malaria was the cerebral kind and he nearly died. He was transferred to Native Affairs and worked with them until retirement at 60, but not without interruptions. He fought in France with the Worcestershire Regiment in World War I and was wounded near Arras in 1917. Meanwhile, T.V.D. was with the 1st Rhodesian Native Regiment in East Africa, was wounded and captured but escaped and rejoined the allied forces. Between the wars T.V.D. attempted many jobs and was game enough to join up again when World War II broke out. In the East African Askari Corps he did guard duties. He then went farming, did well, retired about 1966 and died in 1969 of heart failure, "Poor chap", wrote W.J., "he worked too hard".

W.J. was the father of P.A. (35-38) who is probably Michaelhouse's most decorated Old Boy. He is now 62 and lives in retirement in Bucks, England. This is what St. Michael's Chronicle wrote about him in December 1944: "We heartily congratulate Flight Lieutenant Patrick Arthur Dorehill, R.A.F., on his brilliant achievements as a Bomber Pilot. He had previously won the DFC and Bar, and now has added the DSO to his honours, thus becoming the most decorated OM in this war. The award was made in June. The official citation reads: "The King has been pleased to approve the award of the DSO to Flight Lieutenant Dorehill, DFC and Bar, who has completed his second tour of operations during which he has attacked Berlin on 7 occasions. He has displayed outstanding skill, courage and devotion to duty, and his determination to press home his attack has won him much success. His record has been most impressive".

Tony Heberden (49-52) who farms at Mazoe, used to call in on W.J. at the Selous Hotel in Harare. He was becoming very deaf. However, the Selous Hotel specialised in looking after old-timers and W.J. had expert attention up to the end. He died on 7th Sep-

tember 1984. Tony reports that P.A. came out from England for the funeral.

#### Andrew Lind (77-80)

It was with a deep sense of shock, that we heard of the tragically early death of Andrew Lind in a motorcycle accident in July, 1984.

Andrew came to Michaelhouse in 1977, and was a member of Farfield until he matriculated in 1980. He was quiet in his early days at the school, but was developing well by the time he had left. This development was borne out on his return from an A.F.S. and he showed himself to be confident and self-assured after his year of speech-making and travelling.

Andrew was a sound student, matriculating quite confidently and one felt that he would do well at University. He excelled at Gymnastics, representing the school for a number of years; and was a more than competent swimmer and diver. Andrew played a social game of Bridge and enjoyed the Debating Society.

He was a popular boy, not only with his peer group but also with the juniors, for whom he showed concern and understanding. He never appeared ruffled and always had a wry smile as if to say "Relax - it's not that bad!"

Evidence of Andrew's ability to identify was clearly demonstrated at his most moving funeral, where people from all age groups paid tribute to the young man that he was, and the man that he could have been.

To Bertie, Audrey and their family, Michaelhouse and the Old Boys Club extend their sincerest sympathies.

A.J. R.

#### Dwane Mark Martin (71-74)

Dwane Mark Martin was born in Lubbock, Texas, on 19th December 1956, the son of Mr and Mrs W. Fred Martin. The family lived in Floydada, Texas where Dwane attended school through Junior High School until September 1970. He then moved to South Africa where he attended and graduated from Michaelhouse.

Dwane returned to San Antonio, Texas, to attend

Trinity University, where he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree. His interests during this time included student council work, fraternities and the model United Nations. He studied in Russia and England before returning to Cape Town, where he earned a

B.A. Honours degree and a Masters degree at the University of Cape Town.

At the time of his death, Dwane was a political science lecturer at U.C.T. He was active in student council work, SHACO, RAG Committee, several fraternities and private organisations and Mensa.

Dwane Mark Martin passed away on 19th September 1984 in Cape Town. Services were held in St George's Cathedral, Cape Town on October 3rd. Cremation followed, and private interment was held in Floydada, Texas by his parents.

W.F. Martin

Pat Methley (13-19)

Willoughby Noel Methley died at the age of 84 in July last year. He was at Michaelhouse from 1913 to 1919 and was the third generation of Methleys to farm at Newstead, Balgowan. His father "discovered" the famous Methley plum when he found his farm labourers eating an unknown variety which had never been planted in his orchards. Many an old Michaelhouse boy must have memories of eating this delicious early plum, perhaps not always during daylight hours!

Pat had a great love of nature and the beautiful indigenous forest on Newstead enabled him to become an authority on the fauna and flora of the mist belt in Natal, particularly the birds and trees.

His love of nature became apparent at a very early age. He would crawl into the old pointer bitch's kennel and spend hours playing with her puppies, until one day his mother discovered why his clothes were always dirtied so quickly. "You're not to go into that kennel with your nice clean clothes" she admonished. The following morning there was a pile of small clean clothes outside the kennel. Although Pat, from an early age, had a keen sense of humour, this episode was probably more an indication of his initiative and ingenuity!

Pat played full back for the first XV and his love of sport, the spirit in which he played it, his rather mischievous nature and his genuine friendliness toward people in all walks of life were characteristics which won him so many friends. There walked the man of whom it could be said: everyone who knew him loved him.

His lovely and talented widow, Heloise, his five children and his sixteen grandchildren can only have happy memories of one who faded peacefully away

in the care of the dear souls at Villa Assumpta.

Travers Lister

Peter John Prockter Neall (40-43)

Peter John Prockter Neall died on Tuesday 13th December 1983 after a short illness.

Born in Bulawayo, Rhodesia on 10th October 1926, Peter spent his school years initially at the Ridge Preparatory School in Johannesburg and then attended Michaelhouse from 1940 to 1943 (West House).

During the War he served as an officer in the SA Naval Forces and at the time of his death he was still on the War Reserve List of Officers in the South African Navy.

Peter professionally qualified as an attorney, notary and conveyancer and commenced his own practice in Johannesburg in 1962.

In 1967 he left the legal profession and embarked on his own business career. At the time of his death, he was employed by the City Council of Johannesburg as their chief legal advisor in the Eastern Section of the City Secretariat.

In his early years Peter was well-known as a keen ornithologist and was a founder member of the Witwatersrand Bird Club Society.

As an honorary game warden, he had a tremendous love for nature and spent much of his time in the bushveld and wilderness regions of South Africa.

Peter also had a great concern for his fellow man and dedicated much of his time to the South African Legion. He served as Branch Chairman of the Central Witwatersrand Branch of the Legion and was an active committee member for a number of years.

Apart from many important fund-raising exercises, he became particularly well-known for his efforts in organising the annual Poppy Day collection throughout Johannesburg.

Peter is survived by his ex-wife Barbara and four children Rosanne, Andrew, Clare and Brenda.

A.K.P. Neall

Andrew Walter Strachan (78-82)

We were deeply shocked and saddened to hear of the untimely death of Andrew, on the 23rd December, from an asthma attack while on a "Fun Run" in Durban.

Andrew came to Michaelhouse in 1978, from Clifton Durban, and matriculated in 1982. At school he excelled at canoeing, where he was Captain of the Canoe Club, and represented Natal, gaining his Ho-



nours in the process, and was 4th in the SA Junior Slalom Championship in 1982. He was also a member of the 7th XV, where he displayed the same guts and determination to overcome his handicap of asthma, that he showed in his canoeing.

Andrew also took a keen interest in Chess and in the Natural History Society. On leaving school, Andrew underwent his National Service training - with the basic training in Artillery at Potchefstroom, and the remainder with 10 Artillery Brigade. He continued with his canoeing in the Army, representing the Defence Force in the Duzi, Umkomaas and Berg Marathons. His National Service was completed on the 20th December. Andrew was then due to attend Stellenbosch University to study for a degree in Agricultural Management.

Andrew will always be remembered for his zest for life and infectious humour that was forever a tonic to his family and friends. At school the hint of playful mischief always lurked behind the quiet exterior. However, behind this cheerfulness lay a tremendous spirit of courage and determination in fighting a lifelong affliction of the asthma which sadly took him at such an early age. To Walter, Gertie and the family, Michaelhouse and the Old Boys Club extend their sincerest sympathies.

A.J.R.

Gerard Duncan Alexander Wallace (36-40)

Gerard Duncan Alexander Wallace came up to Michaelhouse from Highbury at the beginning of 1936, and before long he was seen to be a lad of remarkable potential. The modesty of his self-confidence, and the quietness of his personality were all marks of the power of his character, which governed his whole life. Short of stature, but broad and strong, he passed through the school with a remarkable record.

He gained a first class pass in the J.M.B. examination in December 1939. His cricketing prowess vacillated between a place in the 1st XI and the 3rd XI. He took an active part in swimming, gymnastics, and athletics - a photograph of him hurdling is still to be seen in the Chronicle of May 1940 - and he was awarded Colours for Hockey. It was in Rugby that he achieved his best at school sports, playing on the wing for 2 years, and being awarded Honours in 1940. It was an injury that prevented his selection to play in the Natal Schools Trial game, and a probable

place in the Natal Schools Rugby team. Those who saw him in those days will ever remember his unflinching and devastating tackling of his many much bigger opposite numbers.

In his last year at school he achieved the uncommon award of School Prefectship without being Captain of a House, a Game or the Library. This was an index of his character.

Defective colour vision precluded an emulation of his father - an Air Force Pilot in World War I. Nevertheless he joined the Air Force, and was Commissioned as an Observer, and saw Active Service over Europe flying in the famous Boston and Marauder aircraft.

After demobilisation Duncan went up to the University of Cape Town and graduated B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering. A couple more years in training at Vickers in England, qualified him as a most capable Electrical Engineer. As a result his services were much in demand, and he was employed in many situations. These included work in the United Kingdom, in Kenya and Rhodesia, in Bogota, Colombia and also in South Africa. While in Johannesburg Duncan was very involved in the Atlas Aircraft Corporation in its early days. After a spell farming at Harding, he moved to Durban where he was employed by the Municipality of Durban. It was here that he was beset by a variety of medical problems. These he bore, and handled with the same unflinching courage and equanimity that he had displayed from his school days. He was finally taken from us at the early age of 61 years.

His faith was steadfast, and withstood many blows in his life. His friendship was sterling, and once given was unwavering no matter what the circumstances. His integrity was impeccable in all circumstances. To his family he gave a devotion immeasurably deep and devoted, which has left them an example, most enviable. Michaelhouse is a better school for his years here, and for the manner in which he enriched its reputation in his after years.

His wife, Susan, and his sons, both of whom passed through this school, his two daughters, his sister and his brothers must know of our sympathy, and of the pride we share in the memory of "Dune".

DrJ. Harle

John Edward Ward (16-19)

John (Jack) Edward Ward, born 1903, died at his Durban home on the Berea, on 29th December 1983, at the age of 80.

He attended Cordwalles 1914 to 1916 and continued his education at Michaelhouse 1916 to 1919.

His father heard about Cordwalles in 1913 from a visiting Church of England minister the Reverend Smart in Rooiberg, where Jack's father was Chief

Engineer on the local tin mine.

In those days it was an arduous journey by horse and cart and train which took a week of travelling to attend Cordwalles and Michaelhouse.

Jack Ward was very observant, with a keen sense of humour and was quick to pick up any idiosyncrasy of his fellow scholars from which he labelled each one with a nickname.

He kept his Michaelhouse Birthday Book and up until his death he continued to greet each of his contemporaries on their birthday, much to their pleasure.

Jack left Michaelhouse at the end of 1919, when he matriculated and pursued a career in Engineering.

He became a member of the Institute of Certificated Mechanical and Electrical Engineers in 1942.

He retired in 1968 from Government Service, where he had been Factories & Machineries Inspector for Natal.

Jack always derived great pleasure from his recollections and memories of his early days at Cordwalles and Michaelhouse.

D.B.Hine (27-29)

We have also received advice of the death of D.B. Hine (27-29), but have not been able to obtain an obituary notice.

## BET FUND

Please remember the Bursary Endowment Trust Fund in your Will. Costs over which the school has no control are continually driving fee levels up. Each time the fees rise a certain number of boys are eliminated from a school career at Michaelhouse. The BET Fund is intended to build up a large capital fund to provide bursaries for boys whose parents might not otherwise be able to afford to send them to Michaelhouse. The Governors are convinced that there are many boys who might well be great assets to the school who could be lost to us through their parents' lack of means.

If you should wish to make a donation during your lifetime, your attention is drawn to the provisions of Section 18A of the Income Tax Act, which provides for deductions of the amounts of donations to schools from taxable income, within certain limits.

For further particulars,  
contact Ronald Brooks,  
Community Officer.

## Old Boys' Notes

### NATAL AND ZULULAND

B.A. Acker (61-64) is an advocate and has been practising at the Durban Bar for eleven years. He married Lorraine Brown and they have a daughter and a son, who is due to enter Michaelhouse in about 1992.

Chris Barras (60-64) is a Director of the firm of Barras Construction (Pty) Ltd. The Natal Witness reported that he had been re-elected as President of the Pietermaritzburg and Northern Areas Master Builders' Association.

D.H. Bester (75-79) has completed his LLB at Stellenbosch University. He is hoping to take an LLM degree at Cambridge.

T.W.G. Bester (71-75) is a Prosecutor in the Regional Court in Durban.

J.R.H. Blore (42-46) was an exhibitor at Art in the Park in Pietermaritzburg in 1984. He paints water-colour landscapes of East Griqualand, where he lives, having retired from farming. In conversation with the Secretary, he said that he is thoroughly enjoying reviving his talent for painting which was nurtured at Michaelhouse by J.J. van Schaik who was the Art Master at the time.

Professor A.P. Bowmaker (48-52) is now Research Professor, Natal University (Durban). He is also Director of the Oceanographic Research Institute in Durban.

Michael Brooks (79-83) is now studying for a BComm at University of Natal, Durban.

We received a note from R.A. Carte (18-19) one of our most seniors OM's. He lives in Durban North.

Dr Stuart Phillips (66-70) is a G.P. in Bulwer.

G.D. Cominos (1974) is Financial Accountant with Game Discount World in Durban.

The versatile Bob Crass (36-39) is not only an expert on trout fishing, but is the Natal Witness Chess correspondent and contributes regularly on Chess to that newspaper.

A.R. Currie (67-72) was, at the time of writing, doing

National Service as a Lieutenant and Medical Officer of Umpumulo Lutheran Hospital, Mapumulo. His son, Jeremy, was born on 23rd January 1984.

Dr C.P. Dancaster (43-45) has left New Zealand and is back in Port Shepstone.

E. St G. Davey (28-29) is retired and lives in Pennington.

R.J.V. Doming (74-78) stayed at Cirencester for another year in 1984 and then intended to work and travel in Australasia.

D.P.T. Downs (61-64) is practising as an Attorney in Durban.

D.N. Forsyth (35-38) is involved in Estate Agency and Auctioneering in Pietermaritzburg. He is married to Shirley (nee Forsyth-Thompson), a St Anne's Old Girl, and has 4 children and 8 grandchildren.

A picture in the Natal Witness of 30th November 1984 was almost one of a Michaelhouse Community mini-gathering. In it figured Colonel Peter Francis (30-32) Honorary Colonel of the Carbineers, Colonel Harwyn Witherspoon, Commanding Officer of the Regiment, whose son is Head Boy for 1985, and Professor Ronnie McMillan, Chairman of the Council of Trustees of the Natal Museum, who was on the Michaelhouse Board of Governors for 20 years. Also in the picture was Dr Brian Stuckenberg, Director of the Museum, but we do not know of any connection between him and Michaelhouse. The occasion was the unveiling of a section of the Natal Carbineers Regimental Silver Collection at the Natal Museum.

R.W. (Walter) Gilson (53-56) is farming near Kokstad. He is Chairman of the East Griqualand Branch of the Old Boys Club. His family consists of 5 children, 2 girls both married and living in Durban, eldest son, Mark, already through Michaelhouse, Murray writing Matric in 1984, and youngest son, Richard, at Merchiston.

Mervyn D. Grey (58-62) is a Housemaster at Hilton College. He taught at St Paul's in London for 3 years, and then at Bishop's College, a school in Quebec, Canada, for 4 years. He has been teaching at Hilton since 1976. He has 2 children, Mark (10) and Donna (7).

Rob Hankinson (71-74) has been chosen by the Natal Rugby Union, jointly with Des McClean, as Natal Rugby Player of the year. He has played 47 times for Natal during the past three seasons. He



was chosen to play for the SA Barbarians versus Defence in the Curtain Raiser to the 2nd Test vs England at Ellis Park last June. He was also mentioned in "Goal Post", published by the Natal Rugby Union. In commenting on the rankings in their specialist positions by the SA Rugby Writers Annual, "Goal Post" said: "there will be misgivings over the exclusion from Natal rankings of Natal hooker Rob Hankinson, consistently good last year and whose continued good form has since been recognised by the national selectors."

John Harker (68-72) was reported by the Daily News (2nd May 1984) to have been chosen to visit the United States by the United States South Africa Leader Exchange Programme in conjunction with the Graduate School of Business at the University of the Witwatersrand. John is a Personnel Manager and was to make a joint study of labour-management relations in the US, with particular emphasis on labour-management involvement in community upliftment and improved quality of life projects. The purpose of the visit was to influence a perception of the possibilities for labour-management co-operation among future industrial relations leaders in South Africa.

M.J. Harker (78-81) has done 2 years of a legal BComm at Natal University, Pietermaritzburg.

Dr J.O. (Joe) Harle (36-40) is now Superintendent of the Provincial Hospital at Vryheid.

A.C. Harle (75-79) is studying Electrical Engineering in Durban.

P.W.H. Harris (35-38) has been appointed Bursar of Cordwalles.

Michael M. Hickson (63-66) is lecturing in Development Economics at Natal University, Pietermaritzburg. He completed an MA at Leeds in Yorkshire.

In The Natal Witness 125th Royal Show Special Edition, an article appeared about Teb Hill (25-29) headed "Doyen of the Royal Show". The article went on to say "Doyen of the Royal Show and one of the great agricultural characters who have graced the years of Show splendour is Thomas Edward Brassington Hill, known to all his friends as TEB. Mr Hill has won the Supreme Dairy Animal Championship eight times, and in

1983 received the John Simpson Memorial floating trophy.

"Elected Honorary Life Member of the Friesland Cattle Breeders' Association of South Africa in 1980, Mr Hill received an illuminated address when he retired towards the end of 1983. The

scroll referred to his 34 years of unbroken and distinguished service.

"His 1 000 ha farm, Came, in the Umvoti County, has won the Norton Trophy for one of the best conserved farms, on several occasions. As well as his magnificent Friesland herd, TEB farms 800 ha under timber, and 200 ha under agricultural pastures. He has given sterling service to the wattle industry.

TEB saw service in World War II and his wife, Peggy, successfully ran Came during his absence."

Unfortunately we have also received a note from TEB in which he admits that he is now extremely immobile and in great pain in his legs. He can only walk on crutches. Nevertheless, he says that he is still working a little.

Roy Hindle (40-42) has been appointed Provincial Secretary of Natal as from 1st January 1985. This was announced in The Natal Witness of 20th December 1984. Roy was previously Director of the Provincial Roads Department. He graduated with a BSc in Civil Engineering in 1946 and joined the Natal Roads Department in 1947 as an Assistant Engineer. He was promoted to Deputy Chief Engineer in 1970, Deputy Director of Roads in 1973, and Director of Roads in September 1975. He is not daunted by the prospect of taking over a largely administrative post: "I have been Director of Roads for the past nine years and that has entailed a fair amount of administrative work, so I do not foresee any difficulty."

S.J.L. Kirkpatrick (79-83) was at University in Pietermaritzburg in 1984 and, depending on the outcome of exams, he intended entering 2nd year Agricultural Engineering in 1985. His family has left the Free State, and his home is now in Greytown. At University in Pietermaritzburg he met G. Short, R. Benyon, M. Winter, W. Pierrus, I. Riddell, B. Earle, S. Moore and G. Barrett.

I.S.W. Lambie (75-77) is an Industrial and Commer-

cial Property Consultant with Russell, Marriott and Boyd in Pinetown.

The Farmers' Forum dated 30th September 1984 carried a picture of Hugh Lee (56-59) on its front page. He is Chairman of the Eshowe Soil Conservation Committee, which won the Mercury Soil Conservation Trophy. He is also Secretary of the Zululand Branch of the Old Boys Club.

Anson Lloyd (28-29) cannot keep out of the news. In November 1984 he retired as Chairman of the Board of Governors of Michaelhouse. This was

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obviously a move to leave him free for his next assignment. On 10th January 1984, The Daily News had announced, under the heading "He must find R4 million for Durban Expo", that Anson had been appointed "Ambassador" of Durban Expo '85. The Expo '85 Director, Mr Terry Toohey, said he was the ideal man for the job. "Mr Lloyd's task would be to raise the R4 million in guarantees to underwrite the cost of Expo '85". On 1st March 1984, The Natal Mercury announced that Anson had launched his campaign. It was his intention to call on a select and limited number of potential underwriters, inviting them to provide a guarantee of R100 000 each. It has been decided to restrict the number of underwriters to forty. Anson sees the project as not only providing the country with a Durban "happening" to remember, but also as a means of stimulating commerce, tourism and culture, of accelerating the re-development of the CBD, and providing Durban with a spacious new exhibition facility. On 24th May 1984, The Natal Mercury pictured Anson in bed recouping from an operation to his spine. He had then found 23 underwriters and had 17 to go. He has since reached his target.

F.D. Marrian (65-68) is an optometrist in practice in Durban with his father. He is Chairman of Round Table Port of Natal 76 for 1984/1985.

Richard Martin (48-51) is the Rector of Hillcrest. It is a large parish with six outstations and no central church. He has not been in Natal for 5 years and is now beginning to get used to the atmosphere, which is very different from the Eastern Province. He has 4 children, the eldest of whom is now in Farfield. He finds time for occasional sailing races in Durban in the Mirror class. His brother, George, (48-51) who has also been ordained, is still teaching at Peterhouse, Marondera, where he has been since 1961. He has 3 children, all grown up.

J. Mowat (58-61) is a partner in the firm of Chartered Accountants, Gird, Mowat and Williams, practising on the lower South Coast.

Peter Moxiey (34-39) now lives and works in Durban and is a member of the Durban-Musgrave Rotary Club.

Paul Moxiey (76-79) passed his 1st year Civil Engineering exams at UCT in 1983, and had a "leave" spell with S.A. Diving.

Andrew Moxiey (67-71) was married in January 1984 to Leanne Wagner of East London and he is with Barclay's Bank Industrial Loans Division in Johannesburg.

K.J. O'Brien (76-81) was at the time of writing doing his 3rd year BA at Natal University (Pietermaritzburg). He intended to do Honours in Psychology in 1985. He was elected to the Students Representative Council for 1984/85.

The Natal Witness of 4th July 1984 reported that

G.W. (Taffy) Owen (36-39) was retiring after 38 years with the steel industry. After a short period with the sugar industry he served in the SA Technical Corps (Sixth SA Division) in Italy during World War II. In 1947 he joined the Saker Bartle group of companies in Johannesburg, and after transfer to Durban, he joined Baldwins Steel in 1954. In 1969 he was sent to Pietermaritzburg to open a trading branch for the company, which he served until his retirement.

Denys Pennington (40-43) has been transferred back to Durban by his Company, Burroughs Machines, as Branch Engineering Logistics Co-ordinator. He is in his 35th year with the Company. He wrote to apologise for not being at the AGM in

1984, which he said was the first he had missed since 1964 when he was in Johannesburg on a course. However, he was offered a seat as a co-courier on a Mothers' Union tour of the Holy Land, and a visit to the Oberammergau Passion Play. His wife had been given a free ticket also, so he decided that perhaps he would be excused for missing Old Boys Day for once.

Michael Pennington (76-80) has completed his army training and is working for Wesbank. Andrew wrote his Matric at Michaelhouse at the end of 1984.

A.J. Phillips (59-63) is General Manager of Barlows Tractor Division (Natal) in New Germany.

N.P.M. Richards (80-82) is doing his military service and intends to go overseas to travel in Europe when he has completed his training. He will be joining Barclay's Bank on his return. He reports that Alistair Nairn (79-82) and Rory Stewart (79-82) are in the same unit, and did a stint as chefs in the kitchen.

Newman Robinson (30-32) has edited eight issues of Michaelhouse News, which was started as a newsletter when St Michael's Chronicle became an annual publication instead of a six-monthly one. We are indebted to Charles Barry (35-39) for sending us a poem written by L/Cpl. Newman Robinson (now L/Cpl. retired) in a prisoner-of-war camp in Italy in 1942, which was published in Newman's memoir "In the Bag" in 1975. Here it is:

## Captive

We stare across the wire  
At the close of empty days  
To where the wheatlands glisten  
And the alien cattle graze -

To where the ploughman turns  
His horse at the broken wall  
But the vision that meets our eyes  
Means nothing to us at all.

For we live in a shadowland  
Like the audience at a show  
While the play upon the stage  
Is the world we used to know.

The poem has since gained fresh kudos by being re-published in Field Marshall Lord Carver's anthology of British war literature entitled *From Oasis into /fa/* (Shepherd Walwyn, London 1983).

Nick Rockey (73-77) has obtained a BSc (Eng) degree at Howard College, Durban, and is doing his National Service at the SA Naval College, Gordon's Bay.

The Rev Malcolm Sargent (Staff 59-67) is Rector of St Elizabeth's Anglican Church, Westville.

We have heard from David H. Spence (45-46). He is still living in Maputo and has been there since the departure of the Portuguese. The family business is called Mocambique Diesel Electrica LDA and the Spences have been there since 1895. His son, Robert (72-76) is at Thunderbird College in Glendale, Arizona, and Michael (79-82) is at Leo Marquard Hall, UCT.

The Natal Mercury of 20th October 1984 announced that Dr David G. Standing (34-37) was retiring as Medical Superintendent of Clairwood Hospital.

He studied at the University of Cape Town and then spent 10 years in Lesotho as a Medical Officer for Colonial Medical Services. In 1951 he was appointed Deputy Director of Medical Services in Botswana, and from 1965-1972 he was a Director. He was awarded an OBE. Thereafter he held the post of Superintendent at Empangeni Hospital and Deputy Superintendent at King Edward Hospital. He told The Natal Mercury that he would like to continue working part-time. "Working has been fun" he remarked.

W.N. Storm (70-73) reports that his second child (Joann) was born on the 24th January 1984. She is the sixth grandchild of F. Storm (36-40).

D.W. (Walter) Strachan (39-42) is now the third OM Chairman of the Board of Governors of Michaelhouse. More extensive reference to him is made

elsewhere in this issue of the Chronicle. His two predecessors were George Boyes (25-26) and Anson Lloyd (28-29). Before then the Board was always Chaired by the successive Bishops of Natal.

C. Strang (74-77) is a qualified Construction Plant Mechanic. After completing his military service he tried farming in Wartburg, but has now decided to do free-lancing.

The Natal Witness of 27th September 1984 announced that Professor J.A. Stubbings (39-43) has been appointed Director of the recently inaugurated Institute for Commercial Forestry Research in Pietermaritzburg.

R. Thorsen (55-58) is Projects Manager with African Products, which is now part of the Tongaat-Hulett group. He has 3 sons, the eldest of whom should enter Michaelhouse in 1987.

M.R. van Velden (74-77) completed his National Service with the Reconnaissance Regiment, Bluff, in December 1984 and was to be articled to Goodrickes, Attorneys in Durban, in 1985.

Dan Wardlaw (53-56) is married and living in Kokstad. He has two children, a boy at Cordwalles and a daughter still at school in Kokstad. He is Secretary of the East Griqualand branch of the Old Boys' Club.

M.W. Wheelwright (43-46) is serving his third term as Mayor of Pinetown. For his first two years as Mayor, his mother served as Mayoress. However, he got married at the age of 50, and his wife is Mayoress for his third term.

## TRANSVAAL

J.R. Anderson (58-61) is Managing Director of Afgem (Pty) Ltd. in Johannesburg. Last year he competed in the Lion Lager River Challenge down the Tugela River, but was forced to withdraw while lying seventh when his boat capsized



and the motor was written off. He is Secretary of the South African Field Trial Club, which runs field trials for Pointers and Setters, and works in close liaison with the Department of Nature Conservation with regard to shooting of game birds.

George R. Beaton (59-62), who deserted the academic field for the business world, is now Chairman of BBDO Health and Medical Communications, Chairman of Impact Information, and a Lecturer at the Wits Business School. He says "I've decided the time has come to have several

irons in the fire and have therefore diversified into a mixture of commercial and academic ventures in the field of marketing".

Peter J. Brink (63-67), qualified as an Accountant and is now a partner of Alex, Aiken and Carter in their Johannesburg office.

Roland Brooks (75-78), is with the Procurements Division of Anglo-American in Johannesburg.

Derek L. Chapman (48-52), is Managing Director of Harvey & Russell (Pty) Ltd. Johannesburg. The company was taken over in 1983 by Klipton Industrial Holdings Limited, which is owned by Rob and Nigel Matthews. His note goes on: "During this year my wife and I celebrated our 50th birthday and held a party to celebrate our Silver Wedding. Many Old Boys were present on this enjoyable occasion. Our last visit to the school was for the Jabula Ball, an occasion which will be remembered for ever".

R.G. (Rick) Cottrell (49-52), is a senior partner in Coopers & Lybrand, Johannesburg, and was President of the Transvaal Society of Chartered Accountants in 1984.

After serving articles and qualifying in Johannesburg in 1957, he joined Cooper Brothers & Co. (as they were then known) in London. In due course they sent him to Iran where he became partner in charge of the Teheran office in 1965. It was a period of great progress and stability for that country, so that the firm grew rapidly. Many of the staff were South African and at one time the Teheran office had more C.A.(SA)s than the

\* firm's Johannesburg office. He returned to South Africa in 1971 and became a partner in the South African firm in September of that year. He still travels extensively, being one of the representatives of the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants on the International Accounting Standards Committee and being involved in international committees of his firm. He attended the Chartered Accountants' Autumn School at Michaelhouse in March 1984 and slept in almost exactly the same spot in the Founders dormitory as when he was in 'C' Block.

The Natal Mercury of 24th July 1984 reported that Simon Dougherty (54-57), had been appointed Managing Director of Tongaat Foods. He has re-

cently built a country hideout near the school.

C.J. English (40-44), is an Associate with the well-known firm of Consulting Civil Engineers, Watermeyer, Legge, Piesold and Uhlmann. He is Chairman of the Witwatersrand Branch of the SA Insti-

tute of Civil Engineers and President of the Johannesburg Engineers' Toastmasters' Club. He is busy on two major power stations under construction for ESCOM. His son finished at Michaelhouse in 1984.

R.D. Harvey (62-66), is Managing Director of Utex (Pty) Ltd., Carpet Manufacturers, and lives in Pretoria.

R.B. Hayter (26-27), is retired and living in Johannesburg. His main interest now is playing bowls at Fairmount Club. His wife died in August 1983 suddenly from a heart attack. The Club extends its sympathy.

J.H. (Chick) Henderson (44-47), has been appointed by the State President to the Board of the South African Broadcasting Corporation for 1985 and 1986. He is also a Governor of Michaelhouse.

Peter Jardine (67-70), obtained a B.A. and LLB at Stellenbosch University, but has decided against being a practising lawyer. He is now a partner in Fergusson Brothers, Stockbrokers, in Johannesburg. He is married and has a daughter.

Roger Jardine (73-77), obtained a B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering at Wits. University and is at present doing his military service. He is a Lieutenant.

J. Lawrie (53-56), called in at the School in April for the first time in 26 years. He is now owner and Managing Director of Eastern Steels, stainless steel merchants in Johannesburg which he established fifteen years ago. He is married and has a son of five destined for Michaelhouse.

Don MacRobert (53-56), is Chairman of the Anglican Church's Education Subcommittee. He is a Pretoria Educationist who was invited by the Anglican Bishops to establish schools in the rural areas. He then established Youth Development (YODEL), a project in which university students give up a year of their studies to set up homeland schools. St Mark's Comprehensive College at Jane Furse Mission Station in Lebowa is the first

of several schools which the Anglican Church plans to build in the rural areas. The establishment was requested by the people of Jane Furse and involved students of all races from different parts of the country. The first Headmaster will be Mr Peter Anderson, who has been Headmaster of Bishop's Preparatory School in CapeTown for 14 years. (Star, 4th December 1984).

We received a note from A.J.R. Mellor (28-30) who has retired and lives in Greenside, Johannesburg.

H.W. (Hal) Miller (38-42), has been appointed Executive Chairman of the Argus Group in succession to the late Mr Layton Slater.

P.G. Misselbrook (59-62), is Financial Director of Macsteel International, dealing in steel and other commodities. He is married and has two children. His wife, Caryl, runs an ante-natal practice in Randburg and Morningside in Johannesburg.

A.D.G. North (56-59), is a Director of Mathison and Hollidge, Stockbrokers, based in Johannesburg. He has a daughter and two sons and his spare time interests are marathon running and farming.

W.R. Paterson (45-48), is Managing Director of Bill Paterson (Pty) Ltd., Public Relations Consultants in Johannesburg.

M.G. Payn (62-65), has moved to Johannesburg and is National Product Manager in agricultural insecticides with I.C.I.

M.C.E. Pond (67-71), is Agricultural Product Manager with Hoechst (SA) (Pty) Ltd. He was married on 25th June 1983 and lives in Johannesburg. We hope that he and M.G. Payn are not giving each other too hard a time.

G.K.N. (Ken) Potts (32-33), lives in Sandringham, Johannesburg, and is selling Real Estate with Curries-L.K. Jacobs.

John L. Powell (69-74), is now a partner in a firm of architects in Johannesburg, a post that he took up after qualifying at Wits, and gaining what experience he could both internationally and locally. He was married in December 1983.

Professor Michael H. Silk (37-41), called at Michaelhouse in the last quarter of 1984 after a very long absence. We obtained from him a copy of a tribute to him and his wife, Cyndy, published in the Faculty of Medicine News of the University of the Witwatersrand. The article was headed "A Tribute to Mike and Cyndy Silk" and was published to mark his retirement from the University at the end of June 1977, when he had served nearly four and a half years as Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Medicine.

After leaving Michaelhouse, he went to Rhodes University where he became a lecturer in Organic

Chemistry. He subsequently worked for the Anglo-Iranian Company in Persia. He was appointed Permutit Senior Student at Cambridge and enjoyed the privileges of Fellowship in St Catharine's College. Subsequently he was a Research Fellow at the CSIR. He became the Chief

Biochemist and later the Assistant Director of the Liesbeek Cancer Research Clinic in Cape Town. After studying at the University of California Medical School in Los Angeles, in the field of virus cancer research and electron microscopy, he became head of the Electron Microscopy Department at the Poliomyelitis Foundation, which post he held for 10 years before joining the Medical Faculty at Wits. He was at one time Vice-President of the National Association of Scientists. He attended international and local conferences at which he presented numerous research papers, and is the author of a number of scientific publications. He has contributed many articles to newspapers and magazines on politics and science.

The tribute continues: "Mike and his wife, Cyndy, threw themselves wholeheartedly into the University community. Cyndy, an excellent and charming hostess, with a lively mind and a gracious bearing, became Vice-Chairlady of the Witwatersrand University Women's Club". For his last 2 years at the University, he was Chairman of the Board of the Faculty of Medicine. He was an active member of the Senate of the University and the General Purposes Committee.

The tribute concludes: "The Dean of the Medical Faculty, Professor F. Daubenton, wishes to place on record his profound and sincere appreciation of the indispensable contribution which Mike and Cyndy Silk have made to the corporate life of the University of the Witwatersrand".

Since retirement he has farmed for a while in the Vanderbijl Park area and is currently writing a book on "Chromium in South Africa" for the Council for Mineral Technology.

M.J. Smithyman (59-63), is Financial Director of Dorbyl Limited in Johannesburg.

## CAPE PROVINCE

M.J. Bampffield-Duggan (65-69), has taken up a hotel and catering career. He trained at the Kyalami Ranch in Johannesburg and did several

years at the Carlton Hotel there. From 1978-1983 he was with M.L. Doxford Commodity Brokers (Admin, and Catering) in London. He is now a partner in the "Upper Crust" restaurant, St John's Place, CapeTown.

J.A.R. Bester (70-74), who lives in Rondebosch, describes himself as "Director of Form Organiza-

tion (Horses)". Under "Personal News" he says:  
"Still loves horses Best".

W.I. Blakeway (1980) began his National Service in January 1984 in Pretoria, where he also did an Officers' Course. He is a Lieutenant in the Army and lectures to Permanent Force students at the Military Academy in Saldanha Bay, on computer science.

Guy Chennells (31-34) who farms near Stellenbosch writes that Jonathan (63-67) is farming in Eshowe; Roger (64-67) is farming near Somerset West; Mark (66-69) is doing Postgraduate Economics in Amsterdam, Holland and Jeremy (70-74) is with SA Stevedoring in Durban.

H.J. Currie (70-74) was, at the time we got news of him, in his final half-year of Veterinary Science at Onderstepoort. His wife, Alison, was expecting their first child in May 1984. He was due to start National Service in July 1984.

Peter A. Gowans (61-64) is Managing Director of Rennies Consolidated (SWA) (Pty) Ltd. in Walvis Bay.

The Secretary was sent a copy of the Western Province Cricket Club journal of July 1984. It appears that this Club plays hockey as well as cricket for, under the heading "Hockey", appeared a photograph of N.C. Grice (68-72) and his wife, Gillian Ann. Nick has played for Western Province for 3 years and was Captain of both the Club 1st Eleven and of Province in 1982/3. Nick is an architect and the article said that he and Gillian would be leaving for the UK in mid-August. They intended to travel Britain and the Continent for an extended period. The article did not mention that Nick had also received Springbok colours for indoor hockey.

C.C. Harle (79-82) has completed his 2nd year of Medicine at Stellenbosch University.

C.D. Hemus (80-83) is a first year B. Com. student at UCT in Smuts Hall.

H.H. Holley (71-74) is a 2nd Engineer with SA Marine Corporation. He hopes to be an engineer (Mechanical) at Koeberg Nuclear Power Station.

A.C. Inglis (80-83) is at Leo Marquard Hall, UCT, and in 1984 was doing his 1st year M.B.Ch.B.



Dr Arnold L. Jackson (24-28) was at the school for Old Boys Day 1984. He now lives in retirement at Knysna.

Christopher Keeping (75-77) writes interesting news of himself and his brother. He has been ap-

pointed to the Boards of two of his father's companies, both of which are involved in printing and packaging and "below the line" advertising. His career as a sailor has also been flourishing. He won the Rothman's week and the South African Championships in the L-26 class, and was awarded Western Province colours for ocean racing. He and his crew were then selected to defend the Lipton Challenge Cup, one of the most prestigious series in the country. As most yachting people know, they won the series only to have the trophy snatched from their grasp, as they had had a collision during the last race and were protested. They lost the protest. Sandy Ord (64-68) was sailing in the same regatta. On 20th October 1984 Christopher was married to Kim Edwards. Dave Hedden (73-76) was his best man and Steve Shacksnovis (73-77) was also there. His brother, Francis (74-75) is now living in Italy and is studying opera as well as doing concerts.

The Reverend M.B. Lloyd (32-34) is Rector of St Alban's Church, Kimberley. The church had its centenary in 1983. It started in Rhodes' Board Room at the nearby De Beers mine, and the foundation stone of the church was laid in 1886. The centenary was celebrated by Archbishop Philip Russell, who was Visitor of Michaelhouse while he was Bishop of Natal.

Mark Lloyd's first wife died, and three years ago he was married to Claudia, widow of the late Brian Camp. She is the grandmother of Wayne Witherspoon, who is Head Boy of Michaelhouse for 1985.

Mark and his wife recently had a "fabulous" trip to Europe, the Canadian Rockies and the United States. He preached at Grace Church, Brooklyn, New York.

D.J. Morphew (65-69) was awarded the degree of PhD at the graduation ceremony at UCT on 13th December 1984. After leaving Michaelhouse he went to Rhodes University where he graduated in 1973 with distinctions in Systematic Theology and Biblical Studies. For the last 10 years he has

taught Theology and Biblical Studies in various theological institutions in South Africa, as well as serving as a Pastor in the Assemblies of God denomination. His thesis was entitled "A Critical Examination of the Infancy Narratives According to the Gospels of Matthew and Luke".

I.P. Pennington (78-82) is in his 3rd year B.Sc. Mechanical Engineering at UCT. He has been playing hockey for UCT 2nd Eleven and is on the Hockey Committee as Secretary.

O.C. Phillips (77-81) was, last year, a 2nd year Law student at UCT.

John Pridmore (staff 1930-1945) is still going strong and living in Port Alfred. He made the journey all the way to Balgowan for the "Gaudy" in 1983. He retired 9 years ago after teaching for 50 years, and has passed his 80th birthday. The "Gaudy" was his first visit to the school since 1956 and he was delighted to see the school in such good shape.

C.L. Reynolds (56-61) is Managing Director of the James Neill SA Group of Companies. He moved from Durban to Cape Town in September 1983 to take up his new post. The Company is a subsidiary of Neill Tools, Sheffield, England.

P.B. Thompson (51-55) is Operations Manager with Pyott (Pty) Ltd., Port Elizabeth. When he wrote he had just returned to South Africa after a business-cum-holiday trip to the UK and Germany. While he was staying at Crawley near Winchester, he heard that his old Housemaster, Hugh Carey, was living two doors away from him. They made a date, but Hugh died suddenly of a heart attack and they did not meet. He has a son studying for

B.Com at Rhodes, a daughter who wrote Matric. in 1984 and a son at St Andrew's College.

## ORANGE FREE STATE

A.H. Fuller (71-74) is Food and Beverage Manager of the Bloemfontein Sun Hotel in Bloemfontein. He has been employed by Southern Sun Hotels for

the past 5 years. He says that he can recommend Bloemfontein to anybody wishing to learn Afrikaans in a hurry!

## ZIMBABWE

A.A. Barson (63-65) did nearly 14 years service with the BSA Police (later the Zimbabwe Republic Police). He took early retirement in May 1983 and did a short stint as a Supermarket Manager. In December 1983 he joined a butchery chain as Administration Manager. He was married in 1980 to Heather Jill Hawken and has a son Shaun Marc. They are expecting their second child in May

1985.

B.R. Fieldsend (41-45) is now Group Life and Pension Manager of Zimnat Life Assurance Company. This must be a considerable change after 30 years at Peterhouse, for 16 of which he was Rector.

We have heard from F.R. Snell (Rector - 39-52) who lives at Marondera, Zimbabwe. He and his wife have just moved to a larger house, unusual for octogenarians, but he says it is easier to welcome and house visiting children, grandchildren etc. At the time of writing they were expecting their son, Michael (Tatham 56-59) with his wife and two daughters, for Christmas. Michael is at present in the Sudan as a Consulting Engineer. His base is still in Harston, near Cambridge, where his firm MacDonald & Partners have their headquarters.

Wear your OM TIE on Wednesdays

## UNITED KINGDOM

D.A.T. (Tim) Atkins (29-33) is still living in Cambridge. The Atkins' had two months in North America and had a family gathering for Christmas in Vancouver in 1983.

R.H. Bailey (43-44) says that he is unemployed but hoping to start a small manufacturing company. He farmed near Stellenbosch for 15 years and, during that period, developed and manufactured Blitz fire-lighters. He sold out in 1982 and went to the UK where his children have been living since 1979. He says that he has retained some business interests in South Africa and hopes to return in 2 or 3 years time. At present he is living in Eversholt, Bucks.

A.H. (Sandy) Balfour (75-79) taught accounting at Woodlands High School in 1983. He was last reported to be hitch-hiking through Africa to settle in Britain.

H.P. Barnitt (76-79) has completed a BSc (Hons) at Warwick University and was to start with British Olivetti in September 1984. He lives in Tetbury, Gloucestershire.

Peter J.H. Cartwright (66-70) and his old school-fellow Dr Stuart W. Phillips (66-70) called in at the school on the 28th December. Peter lives in London, where he works as an actor. Most of his roles are for British TV.

We heard early in 1984 from I.C.B. Dickinson (30-33). He has now retired. He recalls that when he arrived in West, it had the Wooden Spoon and Farfield (Bok Hannah's House) had everything, but West took it off them eventually. He was clearly also a Free Bounds addict as he remembers Sarsden when it was owned by the Mare brothers, who produced produce which took all the prizes at the Royal Show, and bred Clydesdales which took many prizes. It is worth recalling that he was a Lieutenant in the Royal Engineers and was one of the few OMs to land in Normandy on D-Day. He landed at 7.30 a.m. and was twice wounded within 45 minutes, but carried on till midday when his objectives had been gained. He was given the immediate award of the MC. He now lives in Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Mark Flawn-Thomas (68-69) has made the South African headlines by becoming engaged to Lady

Rose Cecil, daughter of the Marquis of Salisbury.  
Mark is a banker.

Major A.R.M. (Sandy) Forbes (54-57) was on RAF

Brize Norton serving with the Joint Air Transport

Establishment, but was "banished" to the Falklands in mid-1983 for a 9 months tour of duty. When last heard of he was back in England at Aldershot with the RCT Training and Logistic Development Team, and lived in Bradford-on-Avon.

J.R. Hersov (78-81) is at Christ's College, Cambridge, reading for the Archaeology and Anthropology Tripos. He rowed for the College 1st Novice Boat and the 3rd Lent Boat. He plays tennis for the College 2nd team. He says that he is winning, dining and working hard. At the end of March 1984, he bumped (literally) into Dale Townsend (74-78) on the ski slopes in the Austrian Alps. He says that Craig Clucas ((74-78) was also somewhere in the mountains.

R.S.P. Howell (66-70) has had a varied career since leaving school. After National Service in the South African Navy, he graduated BA LLB at the University of the Witwatersrand in 1976, worked for Webber, Wentzel and Company, Attorneys, in Johannesburg and then went to Cambridge to read Law where he graduated LLB in 1978. He met his future wife at Cambridge and was married in England in 1979. He returned to South Africa for one year and has now settled in England as a farmer in County Durham. He is going in for sheep and arable farming, in which he grows wheat, barley, and oil seed rape. He has 2 children, James (3) and Alexander (6 months).

J.D.S. McLeod (64-67) is in London running his own architectural design and building company, sharing a studio with other designers, a jewellery designer and a painter. He obtained his B Arch in Durban in 1973 and received a Master of Arts degree from the Royal College of Art, London, in 1978. He has practised in London, Paris and, for the last three years, has been carrying out a major architectural restoration in Athens, Greece. At the time of writing he was restoring a late Georgian house in London and designing new shops. He also has a part time teaching post at High Wycombe in 3-dimensional design.

We have news of C.J.B. Palmer (59-62). He was married in 1973 to Lucinda Huxley, a granddaughter

of Julian Huxley. He emigrated to England in April 1979, and his son C.J.B. Palmer III was born in London in that year. (His father is also C.J.B. or "Scope" (21-26)) He joined Kestrel Data Services Ltd in London, a service company to the oil industry, supplying data storing and management services. In 1984 he was transferred to an associated company, Kestrel Cyprus Ltd. as General Manager of that Company, covering the Middle East,

Far East, Central and Southern Europe and North Africa.

N.W. Palmer (52-55) is Personal Assistant to the Chief Executive of the Lowndes Lambert Group Limited, insurance brokers in London. He went to the UK after leaving Michaelhouse, and has had 27 years in insurance. He is a member of Lloyds. He is also an Associate of the Institute of Linguists; he speaks French and has a smattering of other languages and has travelled extensively. He has been married for 18 years and has a son at school in Reigate. He lives in Hawley, near Gatwick.

C.W. Pharazyn (65-69), who lives at Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire, has had a varied career since leaving Michaelhouse. He spent 3 years in the RAF, 3 years truck-driving, 3 years on the Care staff in a school for maladjusted boys, with intervals of kitchen, pub, restaurant and clerical work. He has an ambition to run a home for under-privileged children, but seems to be taking a devious route as he is presently Deputy Head of an Old People's Home. He says that his brother, Nick (68-71) is doing well as an Interior Designer/Trainee Architect and as a musician now specialising in jazz. He has also met Dr Brian Brink (65-68) "who is too reticent about his happy family, Angela and Alexandria, and his fine career."

Seamus Smyth (60-64) writes from London that in 1984 he set up his own legal practice there. He says that he is already kept very busy. At the time he wrote his life was somewhat chaotic. His wife had to work to cater for his no-income situation, and they engaged an au pair to look after their son, Adam. However, it seemed that the au pair needed looking after, so they re-engaged an ex-nanny. To help pay for all of these, they took a lodger. This meant that alterations to the house were necessary, and Seamus says that his long hours at his office really seemed quite an attractive alternative.

Simon Taylor (74-77) left Zimbabwe in 1983 after qualifying as an aircraft engineer to take up diving in the North Sea.

J.M. Westoby (80-83) is now in the Sixth Form College in Canterbury, Kent doing A levels in Law, Accountancy and Economics. He hopes to complete these in June 1985 and proceed thereafter to University to read Law.



Brian Young (32-35) who is now a retired Air Marshal living in England, wrote a poem when he was 20 and in his last year at the Royal Air Force

College, Cranwell, where he won the Sword of Honour. We quote:

Flight

How can they ever know the joy to be alive  
Who have not flown?

Toloo pand spin and roll and climb and dive,

The very sky one's own,

The urge of power while engines race,

The sting of speed,

The rude wind's buffet on one's face,

To live indeed.

How can they know the grandeur of the sky,

The earth below,

The restless sea, and waves that break and die  
With ceaseless ebb and flow;

The morning sun on drifting clouds  
And rolling downs -

And valley mist that shrouds  
The chimneyed towns?

So long has puny man to earth been chained  
Who is now free,

And with the conquest of the air has gained  
A glorious liberty.

How splendid is this gift He gave  
on high to roam,

The sun a friend, the earth a slave,

The heavens home.

The poem is published in a new book *Wings of  
I/Var* (Hutchinson) by P.B. Lucas CBE, DSO, DFC, a  
friend of Charles Barry, who sent the poem to us.  
Brian was shot down in France in May 1940 in a

Hurricane at the beginning of the German breakthrough to the west.

## AMERICAS

L.W. Brink (78-82) is an Architectural student at Kent State University, Ohio.

We have heard from Terence Carter (Staff 1946-50) who wrote from Chelmsford, Essex. By the time this appears he should be living in the United States. He has now retired, but his wife is a Visiting Professor at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. He visited the school in 1984 and was amazed at the developments since his time at the school. His chief memorial is the Michaelhouse Farm School which he was largely instrumental in inaugurating.

Dr R.G.D. D'Aeth (51-55) is Assistant Regional Director of Medical Services, North West Territories, Canada, and lives at Yellowknife. He quali-

fied with MB ChB at UCT in 1964. He now has a wife, 2 girls at Saskatoon University and a boy at school in Yellowknife.

Professor R. Fiddian-Green (54-58) is Professor and Chairman of General Surgery at the University of Massachusetts. He has just moved therefrom the University of Michigan after completing a Sabbatical in London.

S.C. Fleischer (66-70) is a Vice-President of Morgan Stanley & Company in San Francisco. He would welcome any OMs visiting that city. His address is: 2332 Vallejo Street, San Francisco, California, 94123.

N. Vere Forsyth (39-42) is in the printing trade in Calgary, Alberta, after being in the oil-seeking business in Alberta and Texas.

Howard B. Johnson (43-45) called in at the School in July 1984. He now lives at 119 Johnson Road, Charleston, West Virginia, USA 25314. Immediately after leaving Michaelhouse he went to the United States and was drafted into the Army. His first assignment was in the Philippines and thereafter he was in the Army of Occupation in Japan where he had a close view of the devastation caused not only by the atomic bombs but by the conventional bombing by the US Airforce. After his discharge from the Army he went to the University of Virginia and later got an M.B.A. at Harvard. He went into the family business called the Charleston Electric Supply Company which was sold to the McJunkin Corporation in 1969. He remained with the McJunkin Corporation and is now Marketing Director. The main business is in Mining Equipment. He is married and has two daughters and a son who is presently at the University of Virginia.

We hear fairly regularly from Denys Kisch (56-59) who is a Director and part-owner of Germetec/UITracura, a company in Rio de Janeiro, manufacturing industrial ultraviolet equipment. He indulges in ocean racing and wind surfing.

K. Knutzen (37-39) who lives in New York, visited the school in May 1984 but was not spotted by the Secretary. However, he says that he was impressed by the well-groomed grounds and new physical plant since his day.

D.C.O. Schoeman (79-81) is working on a mixed

farm (cattle and corn) in Louisville, Kentucky USA. He writes to say that he is enjoying the life there. They work long hours but all six of the men working there enjoy their work.

Hamish P. Stevenson (74-78) has been having varied and interesting experiences since leaving Michaelhouse. He was awarded a Nomad Scholarship to Haileybury, UK where he studied for 'A' levels. He stayed on as Head of the school, prior to going to the United States on a Morehead Scholarship to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In 1983 he graduated from UNC with highest honours in Political Science, and was then admitted into the Graduate School with a Teaching Assistantship in the office of International Programs. This gave him the stimulating experience of teaching a course on American foreign policy issues to American undergraduates. In the summer of 1984, he did some fascinating research with the South Africa Foundation in Washington, quantifying the bias of the US media coverage of South Africa. When he wrote he was about to return to UK for 2 years at St Edmund Hall, Oxford, where he intended to read for the M.Phil in Management Studies at the Oxford Centre for Management Studies. Since he left Michaelhouse he says that he has benefited enormously from brief, but diverse, work experiences with Los Angeles Sheriff Department; Coors Porcelain Company, Colorado; Lloyds of London; South Africa Foundation, Washington DC; and the family farms in Eshowe. He played an active part in Rugby at the University of North Carolina, and has been bitten by the "ski bug" which he has done in the Western States and Austria. He has visited Toronto, Bermuda, Venezuela, Eire, France, Italy, Spain and Switzerland.

He says that he has a great squash rivalry with Paul Kumleben (67-72) who, he says, continues to excel with the law firm Davis Polk and Wardwell, in their Washington office.

P.W. Tucker (58-61) sailed his family across the Atlantic to the Americas, and has ended up in Chesapeake Bay where they have settled and Peter is running a Marina. They have two children.

The news from David A. Whiting (44-47) is that he is a Clinical Associated Professor at the South-Western Medical School in Dallas, Texas. He is Chief of the Dermatology Clinic in the Children's Medical Centre in Dallas, and is in private dermatologic practice at Baylor University Medical

Centre. His wife, Harriet, is Chief Administrator of the new Radiology Department in the Ambulatory Care Centre at Southwestern Medical School. He makes no mention of knowing the Ewing family!

## AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

We have considerable coverage of news of Old Boys in Australia, thanks to the efforts of two of them, namely John Nelson (40-43) and Paul Large (34-37). John Nelson attended the Gaudy in 1983 and when he got back to Western Australia he contacted all the OMs in that State for whom we had addresses. He was able to get together 8 of the 11 OMs resident in Western Australia, according to our records. With 5 wives they had a party of 13 who, after drinks at John's place, proceeded to a Fremantle restaurant for dinner. They only broke up when the restaurant told them that there would be a 20% surcharge if they stayed any longer. The function was held on 8th June

1984 and was attended by Charles Brookes (42-45) and his wife; Brian Downing (54-58); Bob Jenkins (49-52) and his wife Gill, and J. Talbot (53-57). The khehla was Dr Jim Woods (33-34) who was there with his wife, Honey. They plan to have a men only function later and another function about Old Boys Day 1985. John remarks: "It was marvellous how they all got together and were into non-stop conversation from the start".

The other OM who has gone to a lot of trouble in contacting other OMs in Australasia is Paul Large (34-37). He attended Old Boys Day in 1983 and undertook to make some contacts with OMs in the Antipodes. He has been extraordinarily thorough and nearly all the following notes come from him or John Nelson.

Charles Brookes (42-45) works for the West Australian Ministry of Education.

Brian Downing (54-58) is currently doing a West Australia Government research job on the plants of the Nullarbor in conjunction with the South Australian Government.

Hamish Fraser (55-59) is the financial editor of The Sydney Herald. His wife is Women's Editor and columnist for The Australian, a daily newspaper. Hamish says that Adrian Newton (54-57) and Jody Trouncer (55-58) are in Sydney and he might be able to trace their addresses. He is trying to get Old Boys together for a social function.

John Fraundorfer (36-39) called on the Secretary in June. He now lives in New Zealand and has only

been to the School once previously since World War II. As it happened the Secretary and he were in two POW Camps in Italy together in that War and John was extremely lucky to survive hepatitis in Italy and further hardships in Germany.

D.J. Gordon-Thomson (74-77) sends us news of the Gordon-Thomson family. He spent 1984 as an intern at King Edward VIII hospital, having obtained his MB Ch.B degree from UCT last year. He got married in September 1984 and intends to join the rest of the family in Australia in 1985.

His brother W.A. (78-81) is doing a BSc Agric. at the University of Queensland in Brisbane, having spent a year at UCT and a year at Hobart, Tasmania.

His father, W.D. (50-54) is in business in Brisbane.

He also mentions his cousins, the Drummonds, who have settled in Sydney. C.N.H. (50-53) is in business there and Guy (80-82) is doing a BSc at the University of Townsville, Queensland, having spent a year at Wits.

Jerry Guinness (45-48) phoned John Nelson from Busselton (150 miles south of Fremantle) to say that he could not attend the party, but we hear from Paul Large that he has recently sold his farm and has a number of irons in the fire.

Michael Guinness (43-46) now lives in Hawthorn, Victoria.

Steve Golledge (47-51) works for WD & HO Wills in New Zealand. He and his wife grow proteaceae for the cut flower market. This activity has taken him away from his position on the Executive of the Wellington Rugby Referees' Association.

John Harris (61-65) is a busy geologist in Sydney, working for major mining and geological consultants.

Dermott Hatfield (55-58) lives in Sydney and has an interest in a manufacturing and importing business. He is addicted to wind surfing and outback expeditions. While on a trip to South Africa, he and his wife came to Jabula Day.

Jeffrey Kidd (61-64) is in Victoria and is Senior Lecturer in Marketing at the Footscray Institute of Technology. He has 2 children, aged 7 and 2.

Paul Large (34-37), our correspondent, is not retired and has the "usual hobbies of car washing and house painting". He says he is back at school re-learning Vietnamese.

Tony Large (36-39) is a busy doctorand trout fisherman in Tasmania.

John Mayne (39-42) has been in Australia for 4 years. He is living in Toowoomba and describes himself as officially retired, but unofficially "beavering away".



Craig McIntosh (80-81) left at the end of 1981 in 'D' Block to go to school in Australia. He was at St Paul's school, Brisbane. In 1984 he was a prefect and the top academic student. Although still under 16, he was awarded a prize as the Best All-round Sportsman of the year. In 1983 he played rugby and was an athlete and Captain of his House. In 1985 he intended to study commerce/law at the Queensland University.

P.D.D. (Derek) McIntosh (55-58) lives in Petrie, Queensland. He is a Director of Colliers Property Consultants, but is obviously much in love with his 10 acre property north of Brisbane. He has 3 children.

Robert Mosse (48-52) visited the School from Australia in October 1984. He is farming in New South Wales, growing mainly avocados and is happy in his new life. John (77-81) is in his third year of studies of business and financial management at the University of New England in NSW. He still plays rugby for the University but is too busy to accept selection for the New England representative side.

James (79-83) will be attending Queensland Agricultural College in 1984 specialising in horticulture. He was selected for special coaching in athletics by NSW over the 100 metres and 200 metres distances. Charles (81-83) wrote his HSC (equivalent to matric) in November 1984. He was a prefect at Geelong and had his rugby colours. He was hoping to be admitted to the Medical Faculty at Trinity College, Melbourne.

John Nelson (40-43) is Co-ordinator of Studies at Scotch College (1 029 students) but says he can't last much longer.

Tim Sharp (37-40) is a Senior Design Engineer with a firm of architects and engineers, and very occupied with hobby farming, tennis, golf and out-back explorations. He lives in Hawthorne.

Doug Sisson (71-74) is farming at some illegible place in Western Australia.

Jerry Talbot (53-57) works in the Western Australian State Crown Law Department. This means he is involved in framing sundry laws and regulations for the control of the lives of ordinary Aussies.

Hugh Thomson (30-34) is retired, full of energy, and has gone back to school and university to study geography and geology.

Nicholas Thomson (67-70) is a primary school teacher, and much involved in an after-school

club, and a Church library. Paul Large says he is in Western Australia, but we have him on record as being at Giralang, ACT.

Mark C. Turner (67-70) is a partner in Coopers and Lybrand, Australia, and is practising in Bunbury, Western Australia. He succeeded in qualifying as a Chartered Accountant at the age of 23, when he had already been married for 2 years. He has 2 young children, aged (at the time of writing) 3 and 1.

Dr Ken Whiting (63-66) spent two years in Canada and has settled in Perth, where he is a Child Specialist.

Dr Jim Woods (33-34) came to Australia via Canada, but has been in Western Australia for 24 years. He recently retired as Senior Physician at the Fremantle Hospital. He has two sons, a daughter and three grandchildren, and is now indulging in what he calls "gentle farming and golf".

Howard Zingel (58-61) is in the Bay of Plenty, New Zealand, which Paul Large says sounds beautiful and Howard is proud of it.

## REST OF THE WORLD

David Barrett (51-54) won the Dr E.G. Malherbe award for 1983 for his outstanding achievements in Industrial Management in South Africa and several overseas countries. He obtained a BSc in Physics and Chemistry at Natal University, Pietermaritzburg in 1958, and a BSc Chemical Technology at the Durban campus. He was a Judo enthusiast being awarded a Half Blue and gaining a Brown Belt. After training with the Shell Company in the United Kingdom, he joined the

oil refinery near Durban, when it was first commissioned in 1963. After further experience with this Company in Australia, the Netherlands and again in Durban, he moved to Cape Town in 1975 where he became Manufacturing and Supplies Director of the Shell Company. After two years in London, he returned to South Africa in 1980 to the appointment of Managing Director of the

Chemical Division of Shell South Africa. This was a singular distinction because he became the first South African to hold this position. In 1984 he was transferred to Japan for three years, to become the President of Shell Kagaku (which means Shell Chemicals in Japanese). (With acknowledgement to Convocation News, Natal University, Pietermaritzburg.)

N.J. Cave (65-68) who was working for Shell in England was posted last year to Bangkok as Industrial Chemicals Manager for Shell Thailand. He reports that Ivor Orchard (67-71) also works for Shell, and was posted to Laos a few years ago.

Dr D.M.L. Kelbe (70-73) was, when last heard of, "cycling over Europe (and perhaps Egypt if the tandem will take them there!)" He should be back in South Africa by the time this appears.

John Rowley (63-67) has written to us from Stavanger, Norway. He is there on a 2 year assignment for his Company, but his permanent home is in Kent. He gives us a brief synopsis of his life after leaving Michaelhouse. He obtained a degree at Natal University and in 1972 did some teaching in the Cape Peninsula. After that he moved to Johannesburg and got married. In 1975/6 he toured Britain and Europe and, at the end of that, he joined an oil company in London. The Company sent him to Holland during 1981/2 and in 1984 his

2 year assignment in Norway commenced. He has 2 sons born in 1981 and 1983 respectively.

## ARE YOU MOVING?

Each time we send an issue of the Chronicle or Michaelhouse News we get scores of them returned marked with such comments as "Gone away-no address left". Please remember to keep us informed of your change of address. It causes extra work in the Secretary's office and worse still, it means that your Chronicle or Michaelhouse News is either de-

layed or does not arrive at all. Apart from that there is the expense of wasted postage and computer print-outs.

If you know the whereabouts of any of the following OMs, please let the Secretary know.

Missing old boys 1985

L.G. Archer (35-38)

C.R. Argo (73-76)

N.M. Argo (71-75)

J.M. Arkwright (41-45)

J.G. Armstrong (77-79)

J.S. Aubrey (22-26)  
J.T. Barry (33-36)  
N.A. Beckett (74-77)  
M.J. Bentley (59-63)  
C.K. St J. Bird (51-55)  
A.J. Bosman (61-64)  
J.N. Boulter (68-72)  
B.J. Bowes (67-70)  
J.M. Brooks (68-72)  
D.M. Brown (68-71)  
J.M.J. Burrows (50-52)  
P. Clinton (79-80)  
A.J. Clothier (57-60)  
R.S.V. Cockram (51-53)  
N.C. Coleman (67-71)  
Michael Cross (59-64)  
B.S. Crunden (61-64)  
R.N. Cure (72-76)  
J.J. Davidson (66-69)  
J.S. Dench (52-56)  
A.W. de Villiers (71-75)  
R.H. Dougall (77-80)  
J.W. Drummond (60-62)  
O.F.P. du Pont (78-80)  
G.R. Edmunds (72-74)  
V.G. Edmunds (47-49)  
C.N. Egerton (60-63)  
B.M. Eustace (59-63)  
C.B. Fieldgate (62-65)  
K.G. Flint (69-72)

P.T. Forbes (43-47)  
R.N. Frew (67-70)  
R.I. Garland (64-67)  
R.J. Grant (70-74)  
J.M. Harris (62-65)  
M.J. Havers (60-63)  
N.R. Haysom (66-70)  
C.P. Heming (65-68)  
R.J.W. Henderson (64-67)  
R. Hewit (57-61)  
A.W.G. Hunter (34-37)  
J.W. Hurst (42-45)  
C.M.B. Hutt (75-77)  
M.C. Jackson (69-73)  
N.G.C. Jackson(67-70)  
C.N. James (57-61)  
R.H. Jefferies (55-58)  
M.H. Johnson-Watts (72-75)  
P.A. Johnson-Watts (71-74)  
C.V. Kempster (62-66)  
J. Laughton (44-48)  
J. Leith (60-64)  
C.A. Lewis (78-81)  
J.V.M. Lister (65-68)  
R.C. Lucas (51-55)  
R. Lupton-Smith (49-52)  
R. Lyon (58-63)  
J. Macnab (34-38)  
R.A.N. Maidment (57-60)

H.R. Mansell (74-78)

E.P. Mansfield (55-58)

K.A. Mayer (71-74)

J.W. McBride (78-81)

A.D. Mendelow (60-63)

P.G. Metelerkamp (67-70)

G.S. Morgan (52-55)

A.R. Morphet (53-56)

D.M. Morphew (66-70)

J. Morrison (66-69)

K.J. Mullen (Staff)

T.M. Newton (79-80)

C.R. Nicholson (59-63)

N.G. Norman (58-62)

A.M. Olver (48-52)

C.G. Olver (72-76)

J.G. Orford (34-37)

A.K. Pein (72-75)

V.F. Pennington (43-47)

M.J. Perry (72-75)

## Missing Old Boys (Continued)

D.A. Pollard (70-73)

S.P. Randon (60-63)

G.M.D. Reid (75-76)

K.A. Renton (65-69)

P.J. Richter (76-78)

D.J.E. Roberts (56-59)

P. de B. Roberts (73-76)

D.G.Rothwell (69-72)

J.C. Rowe-Williams (68-72)

E. Russell-Walling (65-68)

J.P. Rycroft (69-74)

J.J.H. Rymer (40-43)

R.B. Saunders (79-82)

R.B. Scott (44-47)

G.T.Shanley (74-78)

P.G. Smyth (54-57)

A.C. Soffe (44-48)

R.V. Starkey (68-71)

M.N. Starling (23-26)

J.S. Stubbings (60-63)

J.M.M. Stubbs (55-58)

S.J.Taylor (74-77)

P.H. Trehwela (55-58)

D.C. Thorndike (77-78)

D. Thorrington-Smith (67-71)

D.R. Townsend (74-78)

M.J.C. van Reenen (41-43)

I.J. van Zuydam (76-79)

R.S. Wallace (60-62)

T. Weideman (68-72)



M.S. Whittington-Wriford (76-79)

C. Winter (70-73)

J.B. Woods (64-67)

Our Feeder Schools 3. highbury school, hillcrest

Highbury was founded in 1903 by Mrs Sibella Douglas McMillan who had been widowed the previous year and who had been left with three young sons to educate. Her inspiration came from her mother, Mrs Frances Duff, who had been left in similar circumstances and who had successfully run Highbury House School at St Leonard's-on-Sea, Sussex which her husband had established barely three years before his death in 1867. It was in this environment that Sibella had grown up, and when she was faced with the need to provide for herself and her family she immediately thought of a school.

Her husband, Henry Douglas McMillan, had been a keen Mason and also secretary of the Durban Club.

Both organisations helped her financially and several friends gave her active encouragement. Mr Ernest Acutt, then mayor of Durban, had recently acquired the lease of a large tract of land at Hillcrest and he subleased four acres to her and then helped her to acquire two long granaries from a Boer War remount camp at Gillitts which were dismantled and then rebuilt with minor alterations as her school buildings. She opened her doors to the first boarder and several day scholars on 16th April 1903. Mrs McMillan employed a teacher to help with the classroom instruction but her only other help was a young Norwegian girl, Christine Evendvig, who had been nanny to her children for several years and who now became her right hand "man". She acted

as matron and handyman. She looked after the boys clothing, washed their clothes, nursed the sick, cut their hair, mended their shoes, made uniforms for the servants, and knocked up shelves, cupboards and lockers with saw, hammer and nails.

As the school enrolment increased, other teachers were engaged, but for the first ten years, apart from African servants, Mrs McMillan had no male assistants except for her eldest son, Alan, a delicate young man with a congenital heart defect. This prevented him from doing anything very active, but he helped with games coaching and he helped his mother in countless other ways. He died in 1913 and the second son, Elliott, interrupted his university course to take his brother's place at Highbury.

Soon afterwards, during the first World War, the numbers on the roll topped the 100 mark. Other wood and iron classrooms had been erected and the lease of an additional 135 acres adjoining the school was acquired just after the war. By this time Si bel la's third son Noel had joined his mother, having taken Elliott's place. Elliot had gone to England to join the British army at the end of 1917 and had remained there following the armistice to complete his degree and education diploma at Oxford University. When Elliott returned in 1921 the two brothers stayed on with their mother. Both married and then settled down to make the development of Highbury their life's work.

Two things were, however, a great handicap for the first 25 years of the school's existence. The one was the leasehold tenure of the property, which discouraged the erection of expensive, permanent buildings, and the other was the lack of an adequate water supply. Not until it was possible to purchase the land, (eventually 35 acres were converted to freehold), were the first brick under tile buildings erected in 1928. This coincided with the acquisition of rights to a spring in the valley behind the school which effectively solved the water problem. 1928 ushered in the new era and the years from then until the outbreak of the second World War were years of steady growth.

In 1933 Sibella ceded the school to her sons in partnership. She officially retired, aged 70, but she remained in residence and still maintained a very real interest in the running of her school until her death at 92 in 1955.

The war years created many problems. Noel served

in the South African forces for six years, initially as Commanding officer of the NMR and later with the Youth Training Brigade. Elliott meanwhile kept the school running in the face of many shortages, including suitable teaching staff.

At the end of the war Noel returned but after a couple of years the brothers decided to part. Elliott undertook to buy his brother's share of the business and Noel entered parliament as United Party member for Durban Central, a seat he held for the next ten years.

Elliott's elder son, Sholto, joined his father in July 1949 following a successful university career at Rhodes and then at Oxford University. Five years later Elliott died after a short illness and the responsibility of running Highbury fell upon Sholto's shoulders. By now the school was well and truly established as one of the leading prep schools in the country. It had celebrated its golden jubilee and everything was set fair for further growth and development.

Actually at the time of Elliott McMillan's death the school numbers were well down, but in the next few years they picked up rapidly and soon reached new heights. The buildings were steadily renovated and improved and success after success was achieved academically and on the sports fields. However a shortage of capital for rebuilding and further extensions was a severe handicap. For this and several other reasons in 1968 Sholto McMillan formed The Highbury School Society, a company limited by guarantee, later to be changed into an Association not for gain, and he sold his personal financial interest to this new body. Since then a Board of Governors has been responsible for the management of the school with Sholto remaining as Headmaster. He still occupies the position today.

The formation of the Highbury School Society was a very wise move. It enabled the material growth of Highbury to be accelerated. By means of an appeal to the Highbury Family and by borrowings, capital became available for a comprehensive rebuilding programme and the school has gone from strength to strength.

As the Kloof/H i Merest area expanded as a residential suburb of Durban and Pinetown there was an increasing demand for day scholar places, until in recent years day scholars have achieved parity with the boarders and overall numbers have exceeded the 360 mark, making it one of the largest prep

schools in the country.

Traditionally Highbury was regarded primarily as the feeder school for Hilton although a fair number always went to Michaelhouse. Today large numbers also go to Kearsney College, but Highbury is an independent school and boys are directed impartially to all three of these great private schools.



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