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Hearing that the Thompsons were about to leave Michaelhouse, was like hearing that the Michaelhouse/Hilton rugby clash was being discontinued! Mike and Anne have been so much a part of Michaelhouse, for so long, that it is difficult to picture the place without them.

Mike arrived at Michaelhouse as a bachelor in July 1956, soon to be joined by his bride in October of that year. Together they have made such a contribution in such a wide spectrum of areas, that it would seem to require at least half a dozen talented people to replace them in these fields. Nobody could replace them in the position they hold in the hearts of all with whom they have come in contact.

In the classroom, from E Block to VI Form, Mike always displayed a unique ability to cut through the waffle to those points which were important, and to present them in such a way that even the slower boys were able to say "I see!". This ability extended to his sympathetic treatment of the many problems which face growing boys, as he ran Founders House, strictly but fairly, for 14 years. Founders' boys always knew that they could rely on his sound advice.

At different times during his long stay at Michaelhouse, Mike coached Colts, 2nd Game and 1st XV rugby, Bunnies and 1st XI cricket, and the tennis team. His strong bass voice was heard in a number of musicals and dominated the Congregational Practice which he ran for 27 years! He was VI Form Tutor, ran the Science and Astronomy Societies, was a member of the Garden Committee and also thoroughly organised the School Archives. He was also stage manager for (and acted in) - many School and Staff plays - the list goes on and on! Perhaps the contribution that gives him most pleasure is his launching of the African Feeding and Bursary Scheme at Ženzane Village and the Service Projects at Michaelhouse.

Another important aspect of Mike's involvement has been his role as a Lay Minister, at his and Anne's very supportive Christian Ministry. Kevin King paid tribute to Mike's influence on the Science Department, at a moving farewell speech at Assembly, after the Rector had given the School's farewell to the Thompsons. This, in itself, reveals the esteem in which Mike was held by all who worked with him.

Mrs Anne Thompson

Anne's list of involvements is just as long. She has
taught Afrikaans full time since 1974, run the Swop Shop for 14 years (during which time all the profits went to the Farm School or to other charities). A talented pianist, she was roped in to play the accompaniment for many notable school musicals. While raising 4 children (the two boys also distinguished themselves at Michaelhouse) she was a gracious hostess who, for many years, made a point of entertaining every new member of Staff in the same house by the Bogstream which they occupied for all 31 years of their stay at Michaelhouse. Countless Staff children also owe her a debt of gratitude since she not only provided a Schoolroom for them in her garden, but also provided lodging for their teacher, Miss Stacey.

Sadly we say goodbye to Anne and Mike and their family. We will miss them, but we wish them everything of the best in their new home at All Saints Senior College at BishoinTranskei.

(L-R) David; Mike; Jonathan Thompson

J.P.L.

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Willem van der Walt (Willie to all of us) was educated at Queen's College, Queenstown, and the University of Stellenbosch after which he taught for three years at Queens and then had a spell as an Announcer/Producer at the SABC in Johannesburg. He arrived at Michaelhouse in April 1963 and soon settled into the activities of the School: he was first House Tutor in Pascoe (under JPL) and then in Farfield (under BAL). In 1968 he took over as Housemaster of West from GVL. He had the ability to instil confidence in everyone who passed through West and his door was never closed. His sympathetic and understanding way of dealing with the most difficult boys created an atmosphere of warmth and homeliness and many will remember his untiring efforts to help boys. He retired from West in 1977 and became the first Director of the Schlesinger Theatre, a position which he held until he left in December 1987. I remember him well as a versatile and talented actor: I will never forget his Fagin in "Oliver". He also produced and directed more plays than I can remember. He was in charge of the Dramatic Society from 1966 and a great deal of credit goes to him for the high standard of theatricals the School has seen.

Willem van der Walt

He took over as Careers Master from the late John Odams in 1964 and built the Counselling Department up to the integral part it now plays in the School life. He would be in his office every day (often over weekends as well) from 2.30 pm till 6 pm, listening and helping sort out a myriad of boys' problems. No problem was ever too big or too small and no matter how insignificant the matter may have seemed to the boy (or parent or member of Staff) he gave his time and attention to it. It was the late Andrew Smithers who once said of him that "he is the champion of the underdog". He had an incredible talent for listening and I remember once trying to sort out some problem and he hadn't said a word for a long time. When I stopped and asked why he hadn't said anything he simply replied: "You have not finished"! He will be greatly missed in the Counselling Room. His sense of humour and great ability to mimic led to many amusing incidents. His classes crackled with wit and repartee; there was never a dull moment with him around. I am sure the Common Room too will be a much duller place without him.

In his early days at School he was very active in the Venture Club but once he took over the Dramatic Society and rehearsals were held over weekends, he had to
give up his mountain outings. He was a member of the Choir for many years and sang many solos under the late Harry Stanton in anthems and cantatas. In short: Willem is a man of many parts "for all seasons" and while we are sad to see him go, we wish him well in his new venture at Bishops who are very fortunate to have acquired his services. His loyalty to Michaelhouse will never be forgotten by those hundreds of boys who came into contact with him. As Head of the Afrikaans Department he led his team and I am sure his efforts were not in vain although it cannot have been an easy task to teach Afrikaans in the Midlands of Natal! I am sure there will be other Afrikaans teachers, actors, producers, counsellors, housemasters, tutors in the years to come but the gap which his leaving has left in the School will never be filled as he did. All I can say now is: Vale ehu maglster.

M.J.B.

BENJIRAMPHAL

To generations of Michaelhouse boys the Book Room was the source of the latest Cricket scores, a place for a chat and many instances of Benji’s quick wit and ability to put impertinent youngsters in their place, firmly but in a fatherly way. He will be remembered for his infectious laugh and ability to poke gentle fun at the South African racial scene - his response to the lifting of the ban regarding Indians being permitted to stay in the OFS was to state his intention of holidaying in Bloemfontein.

Benji was born at Michaelhouse in 1935, and started work in the Linen Room in 1950. He later controlled Book Room affairs for 35 years until forced to retire because of ill health. In 1959 he married Bhagmanie and they have three boys and a girl. Rakesh, the third child, realised his parents’ dreams by attending Michaelhouse and he did them proud by passing matric in 1987.

Benji excelled at Cricket and represented Natal during the 1968-70 seasons. He played league Cricket at the age of 13, represented Young Natalians for 24 years, was a founder member of Aurora, the first Multi-Racial club side in SA, also played for Michaelhouse United and was the first Indian to play for Caversham, the Michaelhouse staff side. Benji was a most formidable "quickie" and was much respected at all levels even when forced to bowl off a short run. His greatest disappointment was when he was "kicked out" of SACOS for having a son at Michaelhouse-racism in reverse.

Benji will be sorely missed by all at Michaelhouse and Old Boys will no longer be able to pay their customary visits to Benji’s room. We wish the Ramphal family well and hope that they will return to their old haunts as often
as possible. A. J.R.
LOUIS CELE

At the end of 1987, Mihaelhouse bade farewell to three long-serving members of staff, Louis being the baby with 29 years service!

Louis was born at Edendale in 1932, and matriculated from Marion Hill School, also gaining a two years teaching Diploma. Louis then taught at Mukumbani in 1958. Old Boys of that time will recall Mr Zuma, the previous Zulu teacher. The move in 1958, was the last that Louis was to make, Michaelhouse being his home thereafter.

correctly was respected by the School Doctors and treatment of anxious patients in the San. was both reassuring and expert.

Helen taught Zulu, gave lectures on Rugby injuries and helped with Education for Living. She put many a Michaelhouse three-quarter to shame when called upon to run on to the Rugby field, with her box of tricks, to attend to the injured.

We will miss the fun and expertise of Helen, and wish her and her family Pippa and Stewart, a very happy future in Durban. A.J.R.

(L)Mrs Cele (R)Louis Cele

Apart from being Head of Zulu, Louis was in charge of Soccer for a number of years and took part in two staff plays. On Sports Days he had the task of calling together the Zulu staff for their "big" race. It was a task, in the fact that some of the runners were usually busy having a last "draw" while being called to move to the starting line.

Louis has a lovely speaking voice and to quote from the Rector's farewell speech to Louis, "I'm sure that if Louis had not gone into teaching, he would have been eagerly 'grabbed by the SABC as an announcer."

Louis is returning to Edendale, and we will miss his cheery greetings and hearty chuckle; and we wish him and his family a happy retirement. A.J. R.

HELEN THOMPSON

Michaelhouse 1979-1987

Michaelhouse lore abounds with apocryphal tales of the San. Sisters over the years; and no doubt, the same will happen with Helen Thompson in years to come. However, Helen was a character in her own right, and we will
not easily forget her expletives on a loose tennis shot, her rejoinders to malingerers seeking sanctuary from Athletics training, or her risque stories at Staff parties.

The above is but one facet of Helen's character; and it is as an undoubted expert in medical affairs that Helen will be best remembered. She was a "rock" in times of crisis, and this was never better exemplified than in her composure and speed of action during the tragic lightning strike some years ago. Helen's ability to diagnose

Helen Thompson

BRYANTARR

When Bryan Tarr decided, after a great deal of soul-searching to return to the world of commerce from which he had "escaped" some two years previously, Michaelhouse lost a highly talented, caring and sensitive schoolmaster.

Bryan believed in championing the cause of the underdog, challenging the high flyer and encouraging the average pupil. Many boys will have benefited from his sincere encouragement, genuine concern for their welfare, yet disciplined approach when he felt it was necessary. Whether he was teaching Afrikaans, coaching sport or tutoring, Bryan's commitment was total. During his very short stint as Housemaster of West, Bryan was highly respected for the manner in which he led the house.

On the sportsfield, Bryan contributed an enormous amount. His 2nd XI Cricket and Hockey sides played the game in the spirit in which Bryan approached his own sport: "play hard; give of your best; don't be afraid to take the odd risk even if it means you might lose the game; above all, enjoy the sport". A shrewd judge of character, with an eye for the lad with potential, Bryan possessed that special ability to motivate and draw the best out of his team members. Small wonder that his teams seldom lost a match! The familiar "velskoens" were also in evidence when Bryan served as a timekeeper in Athletics and Swimming Sports.

We thank Bryan and Sue for their great contribution to the Michaelhouse Community in such a short time. We shall miss their cheerful approach to life, but are pleased that they will be remaining on their smallholding in Lid-
getton. We wish Bryan well in his exciting new venture.

R.B.C.

MICK LEWTHWAITE

When Mr Buckley was away during the Fourth Quarter, we were fortunate in being able to secure the temporary services of Mick, an Australian, with teaching experience in various countries. Mick pitched in, in typical Aussie fashion, to help in whatever areas required his involvement. He umpired cheerfully, sank a pint with the best, displayed chauvinistic tendencies when Australia triumphed in some far-flung corner of the globe and, all in all made a noticeable impact on the teaching scene. We wish him well at Hilton.

MR ARTHUR BARNES

Science

Arthur, Pretoria born, comes to Michaelhouse from the M.L. Sultan Technikon, where he was Head of Department, Mechanical and Metallurgical Engineering. He was also a Senior Lecturer, Metallurgical Engineering, at the Technikon and has held posts at Phalaborwa, Iscor and the University of the Witwatersrand. His academic qualifications are: BSC (Metallurgy) Pretoria; BSC(Hons) (Metallurgy) Pretoria; MSc (Eng) WITS. Arthur is also a member of the SA Association of Registrable Engineers and Technologists and Professional Technologists (Engineering). In addition to the above, he has numerous Publications to his name and has been involved in Research, Symposia and Consultancies.

Arthur is married to Cynthia and they have two children, Shirley (13) and Michael (5).

MRS YVONNE COLLEN

Sanatorium Sister

Yvonne is Vryheid born, educated at Newcastle, and trained at Addington Hospital, where she received her SRM SCM. She worked at Addington and at Newcastle, before her marriage, emigrating to Rhodesia. Yvonne returned to South Africa in 1985 and was at Epworth, in Maritzburg, for 2' years. She is an excellent sportswoman, and was involved in coaching in Rhodesia. Her three children are all married, with the sons still in Rhodesia.

MRS LILIAN DOWKER
Bookkeeper

Lilian is a Capetonian, married to a farmer, John, who manages the farm "Kwa-Heri" in the Balgowan district. Lilian opened and ran an office in Newcastle, for the Television manufacturing Co (SATV), and has also been a secretary in Eshowe, a bookkeeper in Vryheid and a buyer in Estcourt. She and John have three children and two grandchildren; and Lilian is looking forward to her new position, while still being involved in farming.

MR DEREK GRIFFIN

Director of Counselling and Development

Derek, a Capetonian, is a graduate of UCT and has a BA Teacher's Diploma, and taught at Norman Henskilwood High School, in Constantia, before joining Shell. At Shell, he held the positions of Project Manager for the newly-established Science and Mathematics Resource Centre, Senior Corporate Training Officer, and finally Public Affairs Manager (Natal). His responsibilities included the management of Shell's education projects, and community and social responsibility programmes, among others.

Derek is married to Tracey, also a Capetonian, and they have two children, Paul (3) and Kezia (1). Both Derek and Tracey share a common interest in the theatre, she as a dancer and a choreographer; and sporting interests are regarded as social.

MR TERENCE HENDERSON

Afrikaans

Terence is Germiston born and was educated at Goudveld Hoerskool in Welkom. After school, he obtained his HED (PE) at the University of the Orange Free State; and then returned to his old school, where he taught for two years. From there, he went to Bloemfontein, where he taught at St Andrew's for three years before coming to Michaelhouse.

Terence is an avid sport lover, having represented the Junior Springboks at athletics, and his Province at rugby. He is also a 4 handicap golfer and will stiffen the Staff side considerably!

MR JOHN LANG

Assistant Caterer
John was born in England, educated in Scotland and has been in the Catering trade for 31 years. His trade has taken him to England, Scotland, Rhodesia and finally South Africa.

John joined the Rhodesian Air Force, 1969-79, and there besides his job, he was able to enjoy cricket, tennis, singing and squash interests. John is also very involved in Christian work.

MRS DAPHNE McKENZIE
Bookkeeper

Daphne is South African born, and comes to Michaelhouse from Rentokit Wood Preserving Company, at Pinetown. She is a widow, and has a son who plays baseball and soccer for Defence, and grandchildren. Daphne is a keen sports watcher, and enjoys knitting and reading.

MR RICHARD NOTT
Zulu

Richard, a bachelor, is a Durbanite and was educated at Marist Brothers College and the University of Natal (Dbn). His qualifications are BA (Dbn) and HDE (UCT). Before studying for his HDE, Richard completed his National Service, serving as a Language Instructor. His interests are birdwatching and hiking, and the Venture Club will welcome his services, as there is always a need for outdoor specialists.
MRS ISABEL SWART

Afrikaans

Isabel, Transvaal born, matriculated from Ermelo Convent and subsequently obtained her BA Natal University (PMB): BA (Hons) (German) and MA (Afrikaans) both from UNISA. She is presently studying for her HED through UNISA. Before coming to Michaelhouse, Isabel taught Afrikaans at Edenvale Technical College (Kwa Zulu).

Isabel's husband, Gerhard, is Assistant Chief Valuer (SA Transport Services) and they have two sons, Henk and Kobus, aged 11 and 9 respectively.

Isabel enjoys tennis and still has time to indulge in part-time farming on their small farm at Tweedie.

MR JAAP VAN DER MEULEN

Caterer

Jaap was born in Wageningen, Holland, but emigrated to the Indonesian East Indies at one year old. He spent the next five years in a concentration camp in Java, and then emigrated to South Africa in 1949; where he attended Nelspruit School.

Jaap has had wide experience in his profession - Hotel School, Montana, Lucerne: Hotel Astoria, Lucerne: Hotel Beau Lac, Neuchatel: The Durban Club: Bloemfontein University: and District Manager Natal South Coast and Natal Midlands, to name a few. Jaap is married to Anna Dorothea, and they have a daughter, Yverne.

INTERVIEW WITH MR GRAHAM WOOD

By J. BEGGS

J.B. What made you decide to come to South Africa?

G. W. I simply wanted to go somewhere, and, since a contact at Michaelhouse had already been established by a colleague of mine, it was an immediate choice.

J. B. Could you briefly tell us about yourself?

G. W. I was born in London, on the 19th August 1947.
I attended a Grammar school in London, called Emmanuel. I then went on to Oxford University and studied history, and subsequently learned how to sing tenor, drink port and smoke a pipe.

I received a teaching degree at Exeter University, and then I began teaching and finally arrived at my present post, Oundle, in 1974.

J. B. Have you enjoyed your stay at Michaelhouse?

G.W. Very much indeed, although the weather has been confusingly inconsistent.

J. B. What do you feel are the major differences between the British and South African Educational Systems?

G.W. Well, I can only compare Oundle to Michaelhouse, which does not allow for much depth, yet I think I can say the South African Education's Syllabus is far more rigid. I feel that there is a case of more parrot-learning and less use of brains. There are fewer subjects in South Africa, which also creates limitations.

J.B. Have you found any major problems with regard to discipline?

G.W. I have taught History, which I believe encourages discussion and I have received a very lively response. There have been no riots in the dining-hall, and generally people have been punctual and reliable. I have not been offended by enigmatic Afrikaans swearwords. Actually, I haven't confronted any major disciplinary matters, although I do feel there are too many rules here. At Oundle most rules are left up to common sense. At Michaelhouse it is made much clearer what is expected of you.

J.B. What do you think of the teacher/pupil relations?

G.W. It's difficult to say over such a short time, yet I do think Michaelhouse is more formal than at Oundle. Obviously it depends on the master concerned, but at Oundle each house has 6
Tutors who act as counsellors, and this builds relationships.

J. B. Have you found any differences with attitudes to religion?

G. W. There isn't much difference, although we only have to go to Chapel once a week, and there are three Chaplains. Also staff attendance at Oundle is voluntary, unlike Michaelhouse.

J. B. Have you found any differences with an attitude to sport?

G. W. The attitudes are very similar. The school support is much better here.

J. B. Do you feel you were given a realistic impression of the political situation in South Africa while in Britain?

G. W. How can my exposure be realistic living in Balgowan? I think we are given quite a clear picture, actually it’s similar to your view of Britain during the Miner’s Strike.

J. B. What do you think of the manners?

G. W. Very good. I am always greeted, and I received a note after entertaining the boys. Generally, it’s better than in Britain.

J. B. What are your plans for the future?

G. W. I want to see more of South Africa, before I return to Oundle. It's very pleasant there, but I don't want to spend the next 20 years of my life there. I certainly hope to return to South Africa at some stage in the future.

Mr G. Wood
Prize Crossword

Fourteen of the clues are connected with 4, 18 (12 letters) which is not itself clued, but should present few problems to solvers. Solvers should submit their own clue to 4,18 with their solution and send them to: The Crossword Editor, The Michaelhouse Chronicle, 58 North Street, Oundle, Peterborough, PE8 4AL United Kingdom by 1st June 1988. Best judged clue to correct crossword will win a prize of dinner for two at the above address.

Clues Across

8. Model opiate gives run in Greek Alphabet. (3,2,2)
9. Family mixes with 31 to give a 20 at 4,18. (7)
10. See-saw often? Only once! (5)
11. What makes sly hole on 20 at 4,18. (7)
13. Acceptable trees lay severely? (9)
15. Sounds like a tie for a lisping singer. (5)
18. 1,2,3,24dn 20,26,28 or 31 at 4,18. (5)
20. Vlei perhaps, not against defender of the faith? Most are 25 not Oval. (5)
24. Priest gets about a hundred before. (5)
27. Jack-in-the-box? No, they never got him, the tearaway! (3,6)
29. What Knights did? A non-drinker bled profusely. (7)
30. Son or daughter? Looks more like the latter. (5)
32. Naas takes pole. Very hard 20 at 4,18. (7)
33. Graceful trees for batting on 20 at 4,18. (7)

Down
1. "31 is 31 and 1 is 1 and never the twain shall meet," (except at 4,18 on the 20s. (4)
2. It would be a sin to miss this 18 at 4,18. (6)
3. English Public School (no beginner) surrounded by eminent English Scholar to make 18 at 4,18. (8)
4. (See preamble)
5. Graduate is around a 20 on 20 at 4,18. (7)
6. Steer round junction in the road. (6)
7. Emergency makes the French agitated but the English é€¢ â€¢â€¢(4,2)
12. Go backwards to a stream at 4,18. (3)
14. He helps us here to find a seat. (5)
16. Sound lad to chop colour. (3)
17. Poke about naked force. (5)
19. Sounds as though I long for a vase. Not I! (3)
21. First in North India there is always lovely snow (G.D.W.) (8)
22. Stories about a good man? They're far from new. (7)
23. Farmlands on 20 at 4,18. (7)
24. Backward airforce reaches 20 in 18 at 4,18. (8)
25. 12 on 50 makes a shape not quite square. (6)
26. Town Gallery and 18 at 4,18. (6)
28. Father's firm point is 18 at 4,18. (6)
31. See 1. (4)
THE LAWS OF RUGBY

AS SEEN BY MR GRAHAM WOOD

The Laws of Rugby are a curse
So here are some, in doggerel verse.

To start the game the ball must go
Ten metres, if it don't, you know,

The kick is taken once again
Unless the opposition claim
A scrum upon the centre spot.

(Tis this will happen, like as not).

But if the others play the ball
The game continues. That is all.

Though if instead it goes straight out
A Line-out may be claimed. I doubt
You know where this should quite occur.

It's on the centre line. Yes sir!

But let's assume the ball is caught
The playerturns (as he's been taught)

And both sides join (behind the bali)

This situation's called a "Maul".

If not involved, the players must
Remain behind the back foot, just
Until the ball is fiddled out.

But if the refs in any doubt

And thinks the ball will never come

He'll stop the maul, and hold a scrum.

(The same will happen if the maul collapses:
The side going forward will gain from such lapses).

If ball is grounded, it's a "ruck"

And I have not yet had the luck
To find a word that rhymes with "ruck".

If any players forward pass
Or knock the ball on (on the grass)
A scrum is formed upon the spot
If referee thinks there has not
Been'vantage to the other team
In terms of ground gained or (I seem
To think) a tactical position.

* Then play goes on at his volition.

At scrums all players must remain
Behind the back foot, if they're sane.

(Unless they fill the scrum-half's role
When they must stay behind the ball).

And if the flankers, being thick,
Break early, the result's a kick.

Scrum-halves must put the ball in straight,

And hookers always have to wait
Until the ball is in the scrum
Before they raise a foot. By gum!

If either pack shoves ere the ball
Is in the scrum - a free kick - (all
Offences in this paragraph
Are treated thus - it's quite a laugh!).

(I've not dealt with the law on wheeling
'Cos this has caused a lot of feeling).

Now when the ball goes into touch
A Line-Out's formed. The laws have much
To say about this exercise,

So pay attention, if you're wise.

The thrower in must now decide
The greatest number on each side.

If t'other team's put in too many
They give away a kick. If any
Player on either team's within
Ten metres of the line. What sin!

They give a penalty kick. But stay!
Scrum-half and thrower are both O.K.

Ten metre law applies as such
Til ball has moved from line of touch
For now the line-out's thought quite over
And both sides find themselves in clover.

The forwards may not bump or bore
Or lift or hold. (Yes, that's the law)

And if they do, a penalty kick
Is given on line of touch - how chic!

When ball's not straight, you have the choice
Of line again or scrum. Rejoice!

Advantage gained, and you are free
To play on, just as in law three!

If any player kicks the ball
Ahead, you must remember all
The players still in front of him
Are offside. Now their hope is slim.

They must retire and not take part
'Til onside once again. The art
Of this device - if you can find him -

A run by kicker, or one behind him.

When "in goal" there's a general rule
That you must never play the fool
Offence by defence means a scrum.

(At full five metres it will come)

But if attack makes blunder here
A "Twenty-Two" soon will appear.

If ball is held up, you must end
And soon five-metre scrum attend
(In-goal you cannot be offside
But if you knock-on, you must hide).

A tackled man must play the ball
But what's a tackle? This is all
You need to know on this: if held
And on the ground, then he is felled.

But if he's upright, or the mugger
Skips grip - goon playing rugger!

Foul play's a topic I deplore
But it's a vital part of law.

If you go in around the neck
You're penalised. A kick, by heck!

And if you tackle late: God wot!

The kick is given on the spot
Where ball landed, if it's good
If not, then where the victim stood.
Always play with spunk and gristle
And never stop til you hear the whistle
The Rector says I'm strict, he knows
That if you break the Laws - I blows!

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ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

It is traditional for a departmental magazine report to praise its teachers, to explain how absurd Shaw was to say, "He who can, does. He who cannot, teaches", and then to list the successes that various boys have brought to the departmental door.

As I say, it is traditional and I here defy tradition - so this time I dedicate these notes to certain boys at Michaelhouse, mentioning their strengths and achievements. As teachers, we hope they succeeded so impressively because of our efforts (do I hear a whisper of "despite your efforts"?) but, also as teachers, we know our achievements owe much to the quality of the material we are given: so we salute the boys and their parents.

Firstly, I salute Nicholas Welz, in recent years he has brought so much honour to Michaelhouse and the English Department; this year he ended on the highest possible note by coming third in the Poetry section, and first in the Short Story section of the Alan Paton Creative Writing Competition; and he won the Alan Paton Literary Competition for Standard Ten with his excellent talk on Christopher Hope's "A Separate Development". Nicholas has had poems published in all sorts of magazines, has spoken impressively at numerous Public Speaking Competitions and has never failed to be outstanding. We have always enjoyed his company on trips to the corners of Natal; we appreciate the efforts of his parents to be present at these competitions - we were amazed and delighted that his mother enjoyed the "cacophonous hullabaloo" on the victorious return from this year's finals in Durban.

I salute Jonathan Beggs who delivered an excellent paper on Sylvia Plath at the Alan Paton Literary Competition which won him third place in the finals; I'm sure the presence of his family helped him do so well. We always enjoyed his conversation, and sometimes his music, on our various excursions.

I salute Philip Lindop who worked so hard at his paper on Mphahlele's "Mrs Plum" that he thoroughly deserved to get first place in the Alan Paton Standard Eight Competition; we appreciate his parents and grandparents travelling from Johannesburg to encourage him, and then share in his triumph. We also enjoyed Philip's school supporters who provided not only sensible advice on various aspects of his talk, but also vociferous musical backing during our journeys.

I salute Ryan Short who won the Standard Nine Short Story section of the Alan Paton Creative Writing compe-
tition with his excellent essay "Hello, is anyone there? Ryan also spoke impressively in a Shell Forum winning team and had a poem accepted for the final stages of the St John's Inter-School Poetry Competition. His parents, and grandmother, have travelled many miles to witness his endeavours - we always enjoy their company and appreciate their support.

Finally, as far as individuals are concerned, I salute Richard Dyson. Richard is only in "C" Block but will I'm sure, be featuring in lists of literary prize-winners very soon. He was awarded a runners-up prize in the St John's competition for his fine poem, "Poetic Appreciation". He must be one of the few people whose response to a St John's girl's comment that "Michaelhouse produces gentlemen, but Hilton produces men!" would be that that was the nicest compliment he had ever heard!

Mention must be made of other boys who did well in literary competitions this year, in the Paton competitions, Andrew Arnesen received a certificate of merit for his poem "Fugue"; and in the short story section, certificates of merit went to Nicholas Barnes and Jeremy Collins. Jeremy's essay entitled "The Winklepicker Prophet" was also published in English Alive, a highly prestigious schools magazine. In the English Olympiad, Andrew Schaefer and Craig Chamberlain were both placed in the top hundred in this national competition that attracts over four thousand competitors each year.

In speech competitions Andrew Schaefer reached the semi-finals of the Hofmeyr, Nicholas Welz made the finals of the Shell, and Christopher Field won the Crossways-Toyota; in the Shell Forum Competitions, we had winners in both the Standards Eight and Nine sections.

No changes have taken place among the teachers of English, so the unit continues to function well; we communicate well with each other and also, we hope, with our pupils. Congratulations to Richard Aitchison on his promotion to Director of Sixth Form studies; as a Department now we might be accused of having too many chiefs and, pace BR and Angie, not enough Indians! Certainly we have more powerful arrows in our quiver than Cupid - and we hope our vision is better too!

We are all doing our best to educate Michaelhouse boys in literary matters. I admit that a question such as "What are Keats?" is asked occasionally, but at least we have progressed beyond the 19th Century English schoolboy who when asked by an Inspector, "Who wrote Macbeth?" could only reply, "Please, sir, it wasn't me!"

P.E. Dennyson
This year's results confirm History's success in the Matric over quite a number of years now. Only Maths earned more distinctions than the 6 from History candidates and there were 7 Bs - not quite the overall performance of last year, but still very healthy.

N. Welz; J. Beggs; P. Lindop

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Nicholas Welz brought great honour to himself and the History Department this year by winning the National Final of the Young Historians Conference with his dissertation on "The Separate Representation of Voters Bill, and the South Africa Act Amendment Bill" in the general topic, "The Use and Abuse of Power". His talk was finely researched, very logically argued and confidently delivered. Our congratulations to him.

Numbers opting for History continue to rise, another indicator of the popularity of the subject, and this year for the first time, there have had to be four sets after D Block.

The reasons for the growing move to History remains as reported in other Chronicles - that History is now so topical, both for South African History and for World History, its relevance for modern education and an understanding of the country and world we live in is so obvious. The syllabus now is regularly upgraded to keep pace with developments, and Natal is still fortunate to have an examination which encourages wide reading and individual interpretation (based on accepted fact, of course). Herein lies the practical value of the modern History course - that the candidate develops the skills required to read, analyse and select information provided from any number of sources, and then use that information to present his own view of a situation. These are vital skills in any professional existence today; no longer is there any justification for the question, "What's the use of History?" More and more top men, even scientists, regard History as one of the vital courses in their degrees. Furthermore, information from our candidates at university suggests that Michaelhouse History students are well prepared for the university courses, especially in method and approach. An excerpt from a letter this year reads, "I enjoyed my History throughout my 5 years... I have found it such an important background to my understanding of things going on around me ... and I never even struggled for a moment with university History, as so many others did, because we had been taught it the right way, and other Michaelhouse chaps agree..."

The audio-visual facilities in the History Department help, of course, to keep the subject alive and exciting, and more and more material becomes available each year. This year, for example, some films on the revised aspects of the matric syllabus (eg: Mussolini and Italian fascism) resulted from the Head of Department's exchange to England.

The Department's three regular members, Messrs Le-
Mr Graham Wood, on exchange from Oundle for two terms, made a great impact on many aspects of school life, not least History. He brought his own style and humour and vast fund of knowledge to his classes, all of whom thoroughly enjoyed his teaching, especially when it was fascinatingly but only faintly related to the syllabus. Mr Lewis enjoyed his half of the exchange at Oundle broadened his own knowledge and brought back some very useful and interesting History video material, especially on Vietnam, Italy, World War I and Ireland.

Our own Junior History syllabus has been revised to provide a slightly broader coverage for the E Block, yet leaving sufficient depth coverage to keep it interesting. For example, Shaka Zulu remains on the menu but there will be much more on African settlement in South Africa: Modern China remains, but now only for a term, while the Schools Council project moves from D Block to E Block. The D Block will study less of World War II to make way from some American History. The C Block will study outlines of the French Revolution and the Industrial Revolution (there are basics here vital for the understanding of any society), and South Africa in the 19th Century, and then compare the Trekkers and their reasons for trekking in 1836 with the American "Forty-niners" and their trekking across America - dissatisfaction at home, search for more land, conflict with the native peoples ... B Block will look at the Scramble for Africa, European colonisation, independence moves, and World War I, some reasons for it and some aspects of its ghastly campaigns - and then move on to the Matric syllabus later in the year.

Finally, Mr Rogers takes over the Department from Mr Lewis who has run it for 12 years but who has responsibilities now which keep him from being able to give it the time he would like. We look forward to continuing growth and progress.

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THE SEPARATE REPRESENTATION OF VOTERS BILL AND THE SOUTH AFRICA ACT AMENDMENT BILL

BY NICHOLAS WELZ, MICHAELHOUSE

Winner- "South African Young Historians Contest"
Good morning adjudicators, ladies and gentlemen. This morning I propose that the motivation behind the provisions of the Separate Representation of Voters Bill of 1951 and the manner in which these provisions became law amounted to an abuse, rather than the use, of power.

The Cape Coloured franchise was legislated by Act 35 and entrenched by Act 152 of the South Africa Act of 1910. This meant that the Act could only be amended by a two-thirds majority in a joint sitting of both the House of Assembly and the Senate. Significantly, the only other entrenched Act protected the equality of the two official languages. It was the last thought that entered the minds of those behind the Constitution that these entrenched clauses would ever be touched.

Shortly after coming to power in 1948, Dr Malan stated:

"The Nationalist Party bases its policy on the fact that the Coloured people form their own separate group."

Dr Malan believed that white society must remain pure
and that this wouldn't be achieved until the Coloured had been politically alienated from the White. This was a major policy shift from Gen Hertzog who believed the Coloured to be a constituent of White society. In addition, Dr Malan feared that by means of their Cape vote, the Coloureds might one day outnumber the Whites politically.

This motivation clearly reveals an abuse of power by the Government because there were only 50,000 Coloured voters and they only voted in one province. There was thus no chance that the Coloureds could overwhelm White political say in an election. It is important, however, that, although historians differ on the significance of the Coloured vote in the 1948 election, they all recognize that the majority of Coloureds voted for the United Party. This is particularly significant in view of the fact that the 1948 election results revealed that the Government was voted into power on a slim thirteen seat majority and that this majority was achieved only with the help of the Afrikaner Party.

Nicholas Welz

Thus it appears that the Separate Representation of Voters Bill, introduced in the House of Assembly on the 8th March 1951, was introduced, not because of any ideological motivation, but rather to lessen the support for the United Party and in so doing bring a few more seats within the Government's reach. This reveals an abuse of power because the measure was implemented chiefly to ensure that the Government remained in power and not because it was in the interests of either the White or Coloured groups.

It was, however, not so much the bill itself, but rather the means by which the Government made it law, which created a constitutional impasse of great significance. The Act was upheld in the Cape Provincial Division of the Supreme Court but leave to appeal was granted. The Appeal Court invalidated the Act primarily because it rejected the proposal that Coloured peoples' rights were not being deprived.

The Appeal Court judgement, handed down on 20th March 1952, implied that the Government was abusing its power by denying a minority groups its rights. In fact Dr Malan himself made it clear that: "The relative power of the Coloured Vote changes and in that sense is curtailed and diminished."

After the Appeal Court judgement, Dr Malan stated that the Government would take the necessary steps to ensure the legislative sovereignty of Parliament. While this
aim falls within the use of the Government's power, the fact that the matter was brought up only because the Government wanted to implement the Separate Representation of Voters Bill once again shows an abuse, rather than a use, of power because the Government shifted the issue from the Separate Representation of Voters Bill to the sovereignty of Parliament.

Next the Government introduced the High Court of Parliament Bill. This Bill established a High Court made up of a select committee from both Houses of Parliament. It had the right to review any decision made by the Appeal Court and its decisions were final and binding.

While this measure was introduced, according to Dr Donges, the Minister of the Interior, to relieve the existing South African Courts of the "invidious necessity of becoming involved in constitutional issues which have a party political bias", this move was clearly an abuse of power. Not only would the new court have a party political bias, but it would also consist of a majority of Government members as the committee would be chosen by the Government.

It also undermined the independence of the Law Courts. This was an abuse of power because the Government were ensuring that their political moves could not be checked by the Judiciary.

The Bill contravened the fundamental legal premise that no man should be a judge of his own case. Furthermore, those involved in the High Court had no legal qualifications at all. Once again it was obvious that the measure was implemented to see the Separate Representation of Voters Bill become law. At this time the Government were trying to gain public support for the High Court of Parliament Bill and in so doing they assured the public that the entrenched clause regarding the equality of language would not be tampered with. This implies that the Government had the only other entrenched clause, i.e. that regarding Coloured voting rights in mind at the time.

The High Court of Parliament in fact sat on the 27th of August 1952 in Pretoria and reversed the Appeal Court's earlier invalidation of the Separate Representation of Voters Bill. However, two days later, on the 29th August 1952, the High Court of Parliament Act itself was challenged in the Cape Provincial Division of the Supreme Court and declared invalid. During November 1952 the Appeal Court reinforced the Supreme Court's decision to invalidate the High Court of Parliament Bill. Thus the High Court of Parliament Bill and the original Separate Representation of Voters Bill were declared unlawful by the highest Court in the land. This is surely a clear indication that both Bills constituted an abuse of
power by the Government.
The 1953 election revealed conclusively that the Government was abusing its power because the influence of the Coloured in this election was nominal. In the words of the historian P.G. Robertson, "The measure was now one in which considerations of prestige and refusal to be thwarted had become the major driving forces". Thus from this time onward any measure introduced by the Government to lessen Cape Coloured voting power constituted an abuse of power because of the lack of ideological backing for such measures.

The subsequent addition of six new Appeal Court judges, while strictly legal, was an abuse of power because the Government was packing the courts for no other conceivable reason than to ensure the passage of the provisions of the Separate Representation of Voters Bill.

Simultaneously the Government introduced the Appellate Division Quorum Bill which ensured that in all cases involving the validity of an Act of Parliament, all eleven judges would sit. Once again this shows an abuse of power because all six new judges chosen supported the Government. Here the Government elected their own supporters into a supposedly apolitical Judiciary.

In addition, the Senate Bill increased the Senate in such a way that the Government could easily obtain the necessary majority in the two Houses sitting together, in the event of the provisions of the Separate Representation of Voters Bill being reintroduced. This too was an abuse of power because of its timing. Since no other reason was given for the Bill's introduction, it was obvious that it was designed especially to ensure the passage of the provisions of the Separate Representation of Voters Bill through Parliament.

On the 13th of February 1956 the South Africa Act Amendment Bill was passed by a two-thirds majority in a joint sitting. The Bill re-enacted provisions of the Separate Representation of Voters Bill, striking Cape Coloured voters off the common roll. Any appeal against this Bill was rendered useless by the second part of the Bill which disallowed the Courts to enquire into or pronounce on any Act of Parliament, whatever it was or by whatever procedure it had been adopted, except if the Act affected Act 37 of the South African Act which entrenched the quality of the two official languages and Act 152 which safeguarded this.

In terms of the moral implication of the Separate Representation of Voters Bill and the South Africa Act Amendment Bill, it is significant that throughout the six-year constitutional impasse the Government appears to
have discounted the question of morality. As early as
1952 ex-speaker of the House, Mr J.F.T. Naude, having
justified the Separate Representation of Voters Bill in
strictly legal terms said, "I am not going in to the aspect
of whether it is moral or immoral, right or wrong". Mor-
ality, however, can surely not be divorced from respon-
sible legality. By this very disregard for morality, the
Government revealed an abuse of power.

In conclusion, the South Africa Act Amendment Bill and
particularly the means by which it was adopted
amounted to an abuse of power by the Government be-
cause, firstly, it undermined what the Hand Daily Mail
called, at the time, the "power of precedent", and sec-
ondly, because it had been implemented to suit the Gov-
ernment's purpose without the interests of any particu-
lar group except the Government themselves in mind.

REPORT ON TEACHER EXCHANGE TO
OUNDLE SCHOOL, NORTHANTS, UK BY
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Oundle School: (Often confused in name with Arundel
School). The school is situated in the small market town
of Oundle, about 15 miles from Peterborough, and 90
miles north of London. It is a boys' public school (in-
creasingly known as "independent" schools), almost
entirely boarding. Day-boys and a few girls from the ad-
joining Laxton School attend classes and share facili-
ties, making the complement of pupils about 880, and
staff about 100, including some part-timers. Fees are
about £6,000 a year, and boys from all over England,
but especially the Midlands, attend. There were also
boys from Asia, and Africa - both black and white. In
fact, a boy from Nairobi had come to Oundle rather than
Michaelhouse because of the problems with visas.
Oundle's sporting rivals were other independent
schools such as Repton, Rugby, Stowe, Uppingham,
Greshams and Haileybury.

Similarities: I was immediately struck by similarities be-
tween Oundle and Michaelhouse, rather than differ-
ences. At my very first staff meeting the comments from
the Head, and matters discussed (Staff collective re-
ponsibility for punctuality, behaviour, and so on: re-
quests to reduce "bumff" in pigeon-holes: the Bursar’s
explanations regarding new policy on the cutting of
lawns). My exchange’s opinion after his first staff meet-
ing was similar.

At no time did I feel strange in the system: the language
and terminology were much the same - House-
masters, Tutors, voluntary chapel, grades/mark orders, chaplain, societies. Oundle offers the same kind of education offered by Michaelhouse - an all-round education encompassing the academic, cultural, sporting, religious - to meet the needs of the individual.

Workshops: Oundle's particular claim to fame is its workshop programme, a compulsory addendum to each pupil's programme, and designed to give him a wider experience of creative activities, especially of design and construction processes, so that he may be better fitted to live and work in today's technological society.

Workshop activities involve woodwork, metalwork, micro-electronics and pattern-foundry work: common materials worked with are wood, metal, glass-fibre and plastics. Each form is divided into groups of about 20 which will visit the workshops for a continuous 4-day period each term. Though this creates a timetabling nightmare, it does enable a boy to get really stuck-in to whatever project he might be involved in, rather than working for a double lesson every Monday, for example.
(It is significant, however, that every other school that has visited the Oundle workshops and then set up its own has not adopted the Oundle workshop timetable.)

My own limited view is that such a scheme is a valuable addition to a school curriculum. Too many boys go out into life without an inkling of matters practical or technological. Unfortunately, the establishment of such workshops involves great capital outlay and additional members of staff: but even if only one aspect, woodwork, for example, were concentrated on, it would be worthwhile.

The Tutor System: A significant difference between Oundle and Michaelhouse is the Tutor system. Every member of staff at Oundle undertakes to be a tutor in one of the Houses. He is responsible for a group of 12 tutees, their academic progress in particular, but also any other problems they may have. There are 5 tutors in each House, and a Housemaster. Each tutor also does one evening duty per week, from 7.00 pm to 10.30 pm during which time he will take prayers, supper and be around the House, getting to know the boys, not only those in his Tutor group.

Obviously the Housemaster is in overall control, and is ultimately responsible for each boy in his House (60 boys), but he is greatly assisted by his tutors who become very closely associated with the House, and offer their 12 tutees very individual attention.

A Non-Campus School: There are many advantages to a campus school, especially one like Michaelhouse in the country. Control, communication and organisation and the fostering of a healthy community spirit are easier, and I was a little disappointed to know that I was going to a non-campus school, for Oundle is spread about the town from House to House, Science Block to Modern Languages Block to Music School and sports-fields. A boy might have to walk 600 yards from his House to his first lesson while another boy might be almost a mile from the rugby fields. Though most of my lessons were in the History Department I taught one in the Modern Languages Block and on my way there between lessons I passed the Post Office, the butcher, a stationer, two pubs and the ironmonger - also the townsfolk, the aged and the young.

Thus the boys of Oundle are not closeted away as they are constantly in touch with reality, and many parents and Old Boys maintained that another advantage of being so spread out is that you learn to organise yourself for the day ahead.
Discipline and Rules: I have taught in a London Comprehensive, an Afrikaans High School and two private schools so have been part of a variety of systems ranging from highly disciplined to pretty free and easy. Possibly the aspect of school administration I think about most is that of discipline and rules, and my time at Oundle prompted me to open the discussion within myself again.

South Africans tend to regard discipline as almost an end in itself, and rules as a necessary vehicle for the attainment of that end; and I have tended to believe that too much discipline is a better fault than too little. More and more, however, I realise that teacher/pupil relationships are far more worthwhile working on than merely solving disciplinary problems. If teacher/pupil relationships are sound and healthy, real discipline problems will be few. The average South African teacher would have found the Oundle boys, in general, casual, untidy and often ill-mannered (if they judged manners by the number of times a boy greeted one, stood aside or stood up for one). Certainly, I found myself irritated by behaviour in class sometimes which my colleagues wouldn't even have noticed. I had no trouble keeping control by tightening the screws a bit but my pupils, the senior ones, remained coolly distant and tolerant. However, by midway through my second term my relationship with them was far more relaxed and friendly, and we communicated better within and without the classroom because I was less concerned with manners and behaviour than with exchanging views and getting to know the boys.

Looking back at Oundle I see it as a very relaxed community with little obvious formal discipline: yet it was not in any way undisciplined. The only punishments seemed to be rustication for serious offences (repeated smoking or illegal drinking), gating for offences such as skipping classes or constant idleness, and SMP (Sunday Morning Parade) for minor offences like being unpunctual: and there were very few published rules. The townsfolk thought Oundle boys were often scruffy and mildly badly behaved but they were also often most impressed by their drama, their music, their service to the community and their sport: and certainly Oundle's academic record is a fine one.

Perhaps we fuss too much here about dress, formal manners and nonconformist behaviour, and too little about meaningful contact?

Outings/Tours/Exchanges: A feature of Oundle that impressed me immensely was what was offered in the broader field of educational experience. Of course, the
proximity of London, great universities and Europe makes this all the easier. Staff and boys were constantly engaged in holiday, and sometimes term-time excursions. There were pupil exchanges to and from Hungary and France, and local comprehensive schools, annual excursions to Berlin and Strasbourg, and the Somme battlefields (which I went on) and Normandy landings. I also took a History outing to Portsmouth to see HMS Victory and the Mary Rose. In 1984 the Oundle History Society came to South Africa: there were Geography field trips all over Britain, orchestral outings to London, and walking tours to Switzerland, a service venture to Ethiopia, sports tours and many others.

Academic/Sporting/Cultural: Although Oundle has a healthy reputation in the sporting world, especially at rugby, cricket and rowing, and offers a wide variety of sports: and although the frequently inclement weather has recently forced the building of a very impressive indoor sports hall, the priorities at Oundle are very definitely academic, with the cultural enjoying second spot with the main games. The academic timetable is full and challenging, and the teaching day is a long one. Acceptances to Oxford and Cambridge ("Oxbridge" results)
seem to be a general gauge of academic excellence in England, valid or otherwise, and great emphasis is laid on the brighter A-level candidates.

A professional theatre provides the venue for many school productions (each form produces something every year) and many touring companies such as the National Theatre. The music Department boasts two orchestras, a wind band, a rock band and a dance band: the choir, with a local girls' school, presented the Verdi Requiem in Peterborough Cathedral, a magnificent setting.

Culturally, the average Oundle schoolboy is more appreciative and better read than the average Michaelhouse boy, but he is much less sportingly orientated, though he plays willingly in appalling weather conditions, conditions which led me sometimes to believing I was near frostbite.

Religion: Although Oundle has a magnificent chapel, and enjoys the services of three chaplains, the religious life of the school, boys and staff, is pretty stagnant. Boys attend compulsory chapel on Sundays, and once during the week. Staff are neither expected nor encouraged to attend, though quite a number attended churches of their own choice in the town. Meaningful Christian expression comes from Christian Fellowship groups led by individual members of staff, quite independent of the chapel.

Drink/Drugs/Cigarettes: Problems at Oundle didn't seem to be any greater or less than our own. I heard of no drug problems while I was there and Housemasters informed me that they were not common. Smoking seemed to be a pretty regular concern for authorities who punished a first offence with a fine or gating, and repeated offences with rustication. Drinking was not a problem at all as there was a Vlth Form club with a bar at which all Vlth Formers of legal age could gather for a beer. No boy could drink more than 5 pints a week or two pints a night: and a member of staff had to be in charge every opening time - there was a staff duty roster for this though it was voluntary. Boys could invite staff for a drink and vice versa.

Attitudes to South Africa: I found the boys and staff remarkably well informed on South African affairs, and at no time were they in any way hostile to me. Though always critical of apartheid itself, embodied as it is in law, most people I met were understanding of South Africa's problems and of racialism itself. They admitted their own feelings toward other nationalities now living in Britain but emphasised that they all enjoyed equal rights.
Summary. It was a well worth while experience for the whole family, and especially for me. I feel that in certain areas my approach to pupils has undergone a subtle change already which is bearing fruit. I am a little concerned, however, that certain improvements, in my estimation, in administrative matters and certain aspects of school routine and rules, gleaned from my time overseas, are falling amid the rocks of conservatism and insularity and suspicion of things British. I doubt whether any ideas from Michaelhouse will even reach the agenda of an Oundle meeting, but I gather that my exchange has greatly benefited from his time here, so the exchange has been worthwhile.

This experience of a good English school has also been valuable in that it has confirmed in me the belief that the education provided by the Private schools in South Africa is very sound too, and long may it remain so. Our aims, our facilities and our values in education are of top quality, so are our teachers, and our independence from centralised control is the key to this fine tradition.

Finally I must express my thanks to the Industrial Fund and the Association of Private Schools for their assistance to me. David Lewis

MICHAELHOUSE TEACHER UPGRADE PROJECT

INTRODUCTION: an excerpt from an interview in The Natal Witness with Mr John Pluke, Rector of Michaelhouse:

"Over many years, we have been examining the part we could and should play in black education. We have been very much aware that in facilities and number and quality of teachers, black education is nowhere near comparable to that offered to whites.

Earlier this year, we made contact with Mr Francois van Zyl, a deputy director of KwaZulu education. After discussions with him, our determination to make a contribution gelled into this mathematics course."

A new mathematics syllabus was introduced into standard 9 in KwaZulu in 1977, and some of the sections in the new syllabus - analytic geometry, calculus, remainder theorems and linear programming - have never been covered by the KwaZulu teacher training colleges.

"This naturally presents a very real problem to KwaZulu teachers, and the main thrust of the course will be aimed
at these aspects, although some time will also be spent on general teacher-enrichment."

The course has been designed by Shell education experts. Shell will also finance the tuition, while "a number of philanthropic business houses" have contributed to the cost of housing the 160 teachers at Michaelhouse for the week.

"The costs are high," Mr Pluke said, "and we do need the support of business."

Mr Van Zyl said that "a first-class team of 24 tutors has been assembled, comprising teachers from white, black and Indian Government schools, as well as from Hilton College, St Anne's and Michaelhouse". He added that he believed the Michaelhouse initiative to be a "tremendous breakthrough and only the start of great things to come".

TEACHER UPGRADE AT MICHAELHOUSE

Mr John Buckley

"The Shell Science and Mathematics Resource Centre Educational Trust sponsored a 'Mathematics Teachers
"Group discussions"

Upgrading Course’ at Michaelhouse from 29th June to 3rd July 1987.

Approximately 120 teachers of mathematics from Kwa-Zulu (and other areas) were invited to a course covering mainly 'new topics' to be examined for the first time in their syllabuses in 1988.

Topics to be concentrated on by a panel of 20 tutors (four from Michaelhouse, two from Hilton, two from St Anne's - and the others, Asian and Black, from other centres) were calculus, linear programming, the remainder and factor theorem and analytical geometry, although some geometry and trigonometry was also included.

Monday 29th June began somewhat chaotically as not all the teachers arrived on the Sunday evening as instructed, when they were briefed and grouped. However, once underway, the course ran smoothly and hard work was the order of the day.

As with so many such events, time proved to be the problem and there was too much to cover thoroughly. Nevertheless, the panel managed to cover the required topics by Thursday evening.

Friday morning was used as a calculator session run by Professor Sam Moodley from the University of Westville.

Feedback from the teachers seemed to be very positive and there is a possibility of the course being repeated in January 1988."

BURSAR OF MICHAELHOUSE

Mrs Y. Thompson

Interviewed by R. Tatley and S. Pitout

RL T: As Michaelhouse s 1st woman bursar, how do you view your accomplishments over the past year?

YT: Quite frankly, its not very different whether you're a man or a woman; I don't believe in making that distinction. You're either equipped to do the job or you're not, regardless of whether you're male or female. I've realised that from the point of view of the traditions in
the school it is certainly not an established concept, but apart from that you'll find that many private schools now have women bursars.

RL T: Have you experienced any major difficulties in your position (with particular regard to the responses of this largely male-dominant community)?

YT: None that has come to my ears. Look, you're always going to have difficulties that arise as a bursar here, because Michaelhouse is not just a school - I've been Bursar of another school before, and that was fairly easy. Michaelhouse is more of a community, in which I am in charge of about 60 staff houses, which makes me rather like a town clerk. Michaelhouse is very different from other schools with everybody living on the estate, making the Bursar's job far more complicated.

RLT: Many boys are uncertain as to what your job comprises - what does being "Bursar of Michaelhouse" actually entail?

YT: At the Finance Committee meeting I meet with the Rector and the Chairman of the Finance Committee. Their concern is that the parents and the boys are kept happy and that we don't run over our budget, keeping all finances controlled. From the Rector's point of view, I'm his Administration Manager, to handle all the problems of the parents and the 200 odd staff members. I have five managers who report to me, each one of whom is responsible for different aspects of administration. There actually isn't anything non-academic that I'm not responsible for.

RLT: What changes have you deemed necessary and have made during the year?

YT: There are a number of changes we've made -

The Trade Inn, which performs its service mainly to the boys and to the parents so that they don't have to go into town.

- We've also changed quite a few of the inter-
nal control systems which deal with the school's files, books and so on. Those do not really affect the boys but rather the running of the administration.

RLT: Lastly, on the completion of your first year at Michaelhouse, what changes do you foresee, or would like to see in the near future for the school?

YT: The major thing I would like to do is to put an efficient computer system into Michaelhouse. We don't have an effective system at the moment. (I'm not talking about the school's Computer Studies Department). I would like a fully networked computer system where we've got a data base of information for everyone to use; to make all the staff members' jobs easier. That is the main reason, and, of course, to stay within the budget.

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That is what I'd like to be remembered for - an efficient computer system - as I think it is very necessary for the age in which we live.

INTERVIEW WITH MRS S. ROLL - RECEPTIONIST

S.F.P.: You are known as having one of the most frustrating and irritating jobs in the school - bus lists! But what else does your job entail?  
S.M.R.: Well, I have a lot more to do than just bus lists! My job also entails a lot of PRO work - talking to prospective parents; booking theatre productions - I phone the theatre companies and make the necessary arrangements, and I also sell the tickets. I spend a lot of my time on the phone - making the bookings and such-like. I have to do the school bus bookings - School transport buses etc. But the biggest part of my work is the PRO. Oh yes, I also type parts of this magazine!

S. F. P.: Would you like to see any major changes in your particular sphere of administrative work?  
S.M.R.: Changes ... Yes, sometimes I wish I could work in some sort of summerhouse in the sun in the middle of the quad! No ... changes ... I don't really think so. If anything though, I would like to feel that the bosses knew more about the workings of the admin, department and felt freer to be able to communicate with us.

INTERVIEW WITH MRS TARR - ACCOUNTANT

S.F.P.: As the accountant at an institution such as Michaelhouse, what does your job involve?  
V.T.; Well, it is not in actual fact very different from the job of an accountant in the "true" business world. Michaelhouse is really a business in itself, and has to be run like one, for example, the way we have to run on a budget. We have a system of filing in which every receipt and account of the school is filed. I have a small staff who assist me, with things like credits and debits, and the various other aspects controlled by the accounts department. It is my job to coordinate these, making me ultimately responsible to the bursar, Mrs Thompson.

S. F. P.; As the accountant, what changes in the future (if any) would you deem necessary?  
V.T.: I do feel that a new computer-network would
definitely be advantageous. The most important part of this would be a direct link to the external computer system on which we rely at present. I also would not mind a new admin, block, come to think of it!

VISIT TO BRAZIL - JULY/AUGUST 1987

By Mr Kevin King

I spent the first two weeks of the trip on holiday touring the country as widely as possible. My wife and I visited Rio de Janeiro, Manaus, the Pantanal region, Iguassu Falls and Sao Paulo in the space of twelve days. This was only possible by virtue of the fact that Brazil offers foreign tourists an "air-pass" facility allowing very generous air travel at a very low package fare.

Brazil is an amazing country, and, as a naturalist, I found the experience quite spectacular. I have a lasting impression of a thickly-forested land carved up by innumerable vast rivers. The natural resources in this land are on quite a different scale from what we know in Southern Africa! We ranged through rain-forest in the Amazon basin to the woodland swamp area of the Pantanal, to the sub-tropical forests in the south. We saw a lot of trees! Even cities like Rio and the enormous greater Sao Paulo region are ringed in thick forest, but, as was quite apparent, these resources are dwindling at a frightening rate.

Iguassu Falls

I spent the last six days of the trip at the Ninth International Conference of Chemical Education. The Conference was held at the City University in Sao Paulo, and the delegates were bussed-in each day from hotels in the city. There were over five hundred delegates from at least thirty-six countries around the world. There was a truly international flavour to the Conference, with a wide variety of contributions, and the bulk of participants coming from the Latin-American countries. All the Conference sections were in English, fortunately, and there were three broad themes collected under the central theme of "Chemistry for our New World":

(1) Good Chemistry in all circumstances;
(2) Introducing Chemistry to the Citizen;
(3) Research in Learning Applied to Chemistry.

A full day of study was given over to each theme, and it
was most stimulating to hear problems and solutions being discussed that were pertinent to South Africa. In fact, in science education, it was quite apparent that all countries face similar problems to a lesser or greater degree, and, when it came to a search for solutions, we were pretty well in the same boat! Details of conference matters will be available in my full report.

I would like to acknowledge the generous assistance that I received: Michaelhouse, the Board of Governors and Sentrachem (via the Science Olympiad prize) all assisted, and I am most grateful to them for making this experience possible.
Beginning in 1951 with one teacher and a handful of pupils, and intended originally as a school for the children of Michaelhouse employees only, it now serves the entire Balgowan area and boasts 480 pupils and 14 staff. It is thus one of the biggest of its kind in the country. Its classes range from Sub A to Std 7, its teachers are dedicated, its pupils are disciplined and only too keen to make academic progress.

While Michaelhouse maintains the school, and pupils' fees cover simple running costs (an average child pays R20 a year - to be increased this year) there has been little money for any kind of capital improvement or extension. A number of Chronicle reports have outlined plans for such improvements but not much has got off the ground though there have been donations to the Farm School fund. Well, at last we can begin on substantial improvements, for much financial support has been given by JCI's Chairman's Fund - R50 000 for which we are very grateful. In addition, the Mooi River Pipeline Commission has paid compensation, there have been donations from local farmers, and the Farm School Building Fund has been saving. We thus find ourselves with a sound basis for starting our building project which includes three new classrooms, including a Science room, a staff room and Headmaster's study, improved sporting facilities and an ablution block. We would like also to cover the floors of the classrooms and fit ceilings to take the edge off the winter's cold. A building to house the new pre-primary school, so professionally cared for by Mrs Rachel Seloane, is also on the list, as well as increased bursaries for our pupils to senior schools.

But we must draw the line somewhere, although all these proposals are essentials, by no means luxuries, even our R100 000 now available will not provide them all, inflation being what it is. We thus continue to appeal for assistance, even in material form (eg. Linoleum) to go some way towards equipping the school with the essentials it has so long lacked. At the same time, we do record our thanks here to those local farmers and other individuals and organisations who have contributed to our funds.

The Staff.

Headmaster: Mr Isaac Mzila (SEC: Vista), HOD/Vice-Principal: Mr Sipho Gaza (PTC: Adams), Mrs C.M. Gaza (SED: Vista), Mrs N.J. Sikhakhane (LPTC: St Bruno's), Mr F.T. Zondi (PTC: Ndaleni), Mrs D.T. Ramorobi
For most of this year Mr Mzila acted as a District Inspector, so Mr Gaza acted as Principal. The normal school activities were pursued, perhaps with not quite the success that has crowned our efforts in the past but nevertheless with great enthusiasm. Again Mr Gaza's choir was highly trained, but could not carry off the trophies they usually win. The soccer and netball teams reached the finals of their respective competitions. Educational tours were organised to Durban and Ulundi, and a school picnic was held at the seaside.

The Michaelhouse Vth Form initiated a programme this year to include the Farm School in its activities and, in the latter half of the year, Farm School pupils were collected by bus and taken down to Michaelhouse on Friday afternoons where they played soccer and even rugby. The intention is certainly to extend these activities and thus create a slightly more meaningful contact between the two schools. To share academic pursuits is not so easy as the Farm School is largely a primary school, only two classes, Stds 6 and 7, overlapping with ours. Another factor making meaningful communication difficult is the fact that by 2.30 pm most of the Farm School pupils are on their way home while ours are just beginning their afternoon activities.

From time to time we receive letters commending the progress of the school while some condemn the blatant disparity between the two schools. It is significant to remember that the Farm School is actually a State school, controlled by the Department of Education and Training, merely assisted by Michaelhouse, while Michaelhouse is financed entirely by its parents whose fees may not in any way be used to finance the Farm School, and whose taxes contribute already to State-controlled education. In the absence of generous financial support from the state, it is necessary to rely on the generosity of individuals and organisations for any capital development. We take this opportunity once again of thanking Johannesburg Consolidated Investments (JCI) for its very generous contribution from its Chairman's Fund, also local farmers and individuals, and the Colquhoun family for moneys donated in memory of Neil. It is hoped that this
report next year will cover the sound expenditure of this money on those vital extensions and facilities listed in previous reports.

D. M. R. Lewis and I. Mzila

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SEWING CIRCLE

The sewing circle was started at the beginning of this year as a result of a request from the women of the African community. We had a meeting to ascertain how many women were interested and what sort of clothes they would like to make. Fifty-two women joined the circle and they decided to make skirts and blouses for themselves.

Nineteen staff wives responded to the call for instructors. Special mention must be made of Heather Cook who did most of the groundwork as far as patterns and sizes were concerned. We were fortunate to be able to purchase nine sewing machines with funds from the Craft Shop, and donations from the old Swop Shop, the staff tennis club and the Howick Round Table.

During the first two terms of the year the initial fifty-two women were able to make themselves skirts and blouses and also to become familiar with a sewing machine. Since the number was large, they were divided into two groups who attended the circle on alternate Thursday afternoons.

In the third term a course in patchwork was run for those who were interested. About fourteen attended the course regularly. The resulting cushions seemed to be a real source of pleasure to the makers, and one lady has made five patchwork cushions for the Craft Shop. Our thanks for this course go to Anne Pitout, Alison Ashmole, Heather Cook and Jenny Snyder.

This quarter the sewing circle has made children's clothing; simple dresses for small girls, skirts and shorts. The numbers have dropped to a more manageable twenty-four.

Requests for next year's programme vary, but we hope to be able to meet the various requirements which range from ladies dresses to babys' dungarees.

There were also requests for help with knitting and crocheting. The knitting circle under the leadership of Babs Pluke and Elna Lourens and the crochet groups led by Sister Thandi run on more informal lines, with members approaching their instructors when they require materials or assistance.

Nicky Dennyson ran a course for four ladies who asked for instruction on the knitting machine. She is available to assist them with problems and further advice.
The year ended with a tea party to which most of the members wore the clothes they had made. Thanks to Jenny Snyder some happy snaps were taken and the instructors were treated to a song and a dance. We missed the members from Zenzane Village who were busy with their school commitments.

My thanks to all the women who have given of their time and expertise to make the sewing circle possible.

Arleen Duff

Lidgetton bridge

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MICHAELHOUSE

RECTOR:

THE REV. JAMES CAMERON TODD, M.A., B.Sc.
(Late Scholar of Christ's College, Cambridge).

MASTERS:

MR. J. N. WOODCOCK, B.A.
(Magdalen College, Oxford).

MR. E. SCHMIDT
(University of Heidelberg).

MR. G. H. LEGGOTT, B.A.
(Late Exhibitioner of Jesus College, Oxford).

BURSAR:

MR. C. E. CARPENTER
(Trinity College, Dublin).

MUSIC MISTRESS:

MISS G. R. GRIFFITHS, L.R.A.M.

MATRON:

MRS. S. JACKSON.

Buildings and Grounds. - The School, erected in 1900, stands in seventy acres of land near Balgowan Station, on the main line through Natal.

Age of Admission and Length of Residence. - Boys are admitted from the age of ten years and may remain until they are nineteen. No boy ought to be sent to Michaelhouse unless his parents or guardians intend him to remain there for at least two years.

Religious Instruction. - The Boys attend the School Chapel and receive instruction at School on the Bible and Prayer Book.

Course of Study. - In the Lower School (intended for boys from ten to fourteen years of age) the course consists of Latin, English Subjects (including History and Geography), Mathematics, French and Arithmetic.
The Upper School is divided into two sides - The Classical and the Modern. On the Classical side the subjects are Classics, Mathematics, English, and one other Modern Language. On the Modern side the subjects are Natural Science, Mathematics, Modern Languages and History.

Candidates are prepared for the Examinations of the Cape University, viz: - the School Higher, the Matriculation, Intermediate and B.A.; also for the Natal Civil Service and Law Examinations.

Pitman's Shorthand is taught throughout the School.

Personal Supervision. - Every Boy in the School is taught by the Rector himself during part of the week.

Physical Training. - Special attention is devoted to this subject. Drill and Gymnastics form part of the regular course, and are taught by Military Instructors.

Cricket and Football. - Cricket and Football are compulsory (in their season) except in cases where a physician certifies that it would be injudicious to enforce it. The Masters supervise and "coach."

Amalgamation. - The School Fees include the subscriptions to the various clubs. These subscriptions are "amalgamated" and administered by a joint Committee of Masters and boys.

School Year. - The School Year consists of two terms, each of which is divided into two "quarters." Term begins on the first Wednesday after Lammas (August 1st), and on the first Wednesday after Candlemas (February 2nd). Term divides on Easter Day and on the 15th of October.

Boys must reach School before the last Call-over (9 p.m.) of the first day of term.

Per Annum.

FEES. - Board, Tuition, Laundress, and Amalgamation:

For Boys of thirteen and over ... ... ... ... Â£73 10 o
For Boys under thirteen ... ... ... ... 63 o o
Pianoforte or Violin ... ... â€¢ â€¢ â€¢ â€¢ â€¢ â€¢ â€¢ â€¢ 880

Reduction of Five per cent, for two Brothers.

FEES PAYABLE QUARTERLY IN ADVANCE TO THE BURSAR.

ENTRANCE FORMS TO BE HAD FROM THE RECTOR.
From the Editorial of S. Michael's Chronicle, May, 1897, the Editor being Mr H.C. Dobree BA (Late scholar of Jesus College, Cambridge, and a Master at Michaelhouse)

Cricket, 'Rugby' or any other form of manly athletics develop students physically, morally and intellectually. Morally inasmuch as, apart from good comradeship and friendships form thereby, no little self-denial in the matter of living and unselfishness on the field of play are essential. Intellectually, inasmuch as very considerable brain power has to be exercised in order to compete successfully in any branch of modern athleticism now that Science exerts so great an influence. It is the daily practice that keeps a boy's brain 'fit' and clear to do his work. In a climate like ours here in Natal, the blood must be freely set in motion, and the whole system continually braced to enable the brain work necessary in schools to be properly done. Daily experience, personal and by observation, can attest this a thousand times over, that 'games' are a 'sine quo non' for getting the maximum of work out of anybody and the minimum out of not a few."

"We have elected to play 'Rugby' and Mr Rigby BA (Caius College, Cambridge) and a Cambridge Blue ought to teach us the game thoroughly ..."

To Mr Rigby the school owes a great debt for the energy he displayed in captaining the XV. He was always a guarantee that the game should be hard and fought out to the finish!"

from the ARCHIVES.

How Balgowan got its Name

A note for future historians of the School: Inscription on the back of a photograph of Balgowan, Perthshire, Scotland (now hanging in the office of the Rector's Secretary) reads:

"This is a photograph of Balgowan, Perthshire, situated halfway between Perth and Crieff. It was presented to Michaelhouse by C. W. Hannah, Esq., in April, 1930. It belonged to William Thompson, grandfather of the said C. W. Hannah, from 1840-1881. A tenant of his, one Ellis, coming out to Natal in the 60's, named his farm after his old house in Scotland."

Shooting October 1923

ST. ANNE'S DIOCESAN COLLEGE v. MICHAELHOUSE SCHOOL CADETS.
A miniature rifle shooting match by correspondence was held recently between the above two Schools. Interest was added to the match by the fact that they are both Diocesan Schools and that they were expected to be very even in scoring capability. This expectation was fulfilled by the match resulting in a tie, in favour of St. Anne's as far as the highest individual score was concerned, but favouring Michaelhouse in the lowest score counted out. Altogether the match was a very satisfactory one, and the average score of 65-3 out of a possible 70 very creditable. The individual scores were:

ST. ANNE'S

Miss H. Hill............................. 69
Miss D. Melville......................... 67
Miss G. Steart......................... 66
Miss B. Moultrie....................... 65
Miss B. Woollatt....................... 63
Miss M. Shaw........................... 62
Total................................. 392

MICHAELHOUSE

Fynney............................ 68
Morphew........................... 67
Beningfield ...................... 66
Wilson............................ 64
Pryde............................. 64
North............................. 63
Total................................. 392

Counted out: - St. Anne's: Miss R. Webb, 60; Miss M. Mackenzie, 51. Michaelhouse: Rafte, 61; Mackenzie, 59.

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Academic

MATRICULATION RESULTS
DECEMBER 1987

Name

Arnesen A.K.

Ardington J.A.
Atkinson R.C.
Berry B.N.
Beukes S.J.
Blore A.C.
Borland K.R.
Braun N.F.

Butcher R.R.
Carter B.
Carters G.
Cathcart M.B.
Celliers N.C.
Chamberlain C

Clarke S.
Cobbett-Tripe
Cockram B.D.
Collins J.W.
Cowden G.D.
Cradock T.R.
Dingley P.S.
Doull J.A.

Duane G.K.
Dunstan M.
Durham A.J.T.
Dykins R.W.M.
Enthoven A.D.
Findlay R. S
Firth T.K.
Francis S.
Garland B.M.
Gauntlett C.R.
Gilbert M.J.
Greig J.D.

Griffin M.J.E.
Grobler C.G.
Hall M.R.

Hall P.C.

Hardie A.G.
Hawke B.G.T.
Heinamann J.J.
Henderson M.S.
Hindle R.S.
Houghton J.D.
Inman P.F.
Jonsson A.
Keough R.

Result

SM (English, Biology, Maths, Science, History, Add. Maths)
"A" Level Biology - "B"

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SM (English, History, "A" Level Biology - "C")

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SM (English, Maths, Science, Biology, History, Add. Maths)

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SM (Geography, History)
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Kerton-Johnson SM
Koevort R.J. SM
Landon T.M.W. S
Larson C.R. SM
Latter K.G. SM
Le Sueur R.A. SM
Levine L.G. SM (Afrikaans, Maths, History)
Liddle M.J. S
Macquet G.P.J. SM
Marshall W.H. S
McCormack S.R.S. SM
McLuckie D.P. S
Meyer G.M. SM
Middlemass K. SM
Mitchell A.K. SM
Mitchell-Innes D. S
Moffatt L.S. S
Mostert C.G. SM
Murray G.T. SM
Norman B.L. S
Norrish J. S
North I.H.L. SM (Maths, Science, Geography, Add. Maths)
Otter C.J. SM
Oxley-Oxland D. SM (Maths, Science, Biology)
Pennington G.G. SM
Phakathi B.J. SM
Phillips B.P. S
Pithey M.W. SM
Quin J.D. W. SM
Rampal R. SM
Readman J.E. SM
Redfern D.R. SM
Reitz B.A. S
Reynolds C.P.F. SM
Rivers-Moore SM
Robson I.S. SM
Roberts J.G. SM
Schaefer A.W. SM (English, Maths, Science, Biology, History, Add. Maths)
Schensema C.B. F
Scott R.C.D. SM
Simmons D.D. SM (Geography)
Slack N. S
Spencer J.P.D. SM
Stanistreet P. S
Strachan K.W. SM
Strover R.M. SM
Strydom A. SM
Viljoen P.R. SM
Wadley A.M. SM
Wallis J.P. S
Williamson C.R. SM
Wilson M. J.
Wright C.B.
Wright J.B.
Wynne M.B.A.
Yorke-Smith A.
Young G.F.
Welz N.A.

Summary

A Aggregate?
B Aggregate 11
C Aggregate 20
D Aggregate 35
E Aggregate 5
Total: 78

School Leaving Certificates: 25
Failures: 1

Distinctions: Higher Grade 39 Standard Grade 9

VⅥth FORM UNISA RESULTS

Armitage P.
Bradley O.
Clark A.
Desilla N.
Dloti T.

Lake W.
Leishman C.
Leslie J.
Matitoane W.
Mbatha M.
Ndlovu V.
Nohamba R.
Phakathi E.
Price M.
Ridgway B.
Robinson N.
Sithebe G.
Versveld M.

Economics (D), Accts., Comm.
Law, Maths 101, 102, 103 (D)
English, Psychology (D)

English, Economics (D), "A"
Level History - "A"

Psychology

Maths 101, 102, 103, Economics
English

Psychology, Economics
Maths 101, Economics (D)

Maths 101, Physics 103, Chemistry 102

Maths 103, Physics 101, 103,
Chemistry 101 (D), 102, 103, 104
Maths 102, 103, Physics 101 (D),
102, 103, Chemistry 101, 102 (D), 104

Maths 101, 102, 103 (D), Physics
101, 102, 103, 104, Chemistry
101, 102, 104

Philosophy, Maths 101, 103,

Economics

Maths 101, Physics 101, 102, 104
English, Psychology, Economics
Philosophy, Psychology
Philosophy, Maths 101, 102, 103,
Economics
English, Psychology

Apology

J. Wilson: Vlth Form 1986 "A" Level History Result
- "C" not "E" as stated in 1987 magazine.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Open

Major: Simon Nicholson (Cordwalles)

Closed

Cordwalles:
Clifton Dbn:
Clifton Nr:

Cowan House:

Highbury:

Pridwin:

Ridge:

St Peter's:
Waterkloof:

Exhibitions

Michaelhouse:
Clifton Dbn:
Cordwalles:

Ridge:

Durwest Primary:
Trust

Durwest Primary:
Warner Beach:

No award
Jason Ekstrand
Oliver Armstrong
St John Bungey
No award
No award

Shawn Schwegman
No award
No award
Angus McIntosh
Julian Pendlebury
Murray Hibbs
Thomas Southwood
Justin Bothner
Connel Barnabas

Ashley Barnabas (75 %)
Peter Landry (70 %)

1st Minor:
2nd Minor:

Mark Hewat (Clifton Dbn)
Greg Garrett (Cordwalles)

Top 30 in matric
Craig Chamberlain (top)
Andrew Schaefer (bottom)

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SIXTH FORM

Director of Sixth Form Studies: Mr A.J. Rogers

Service

In July, the Sixth Form took over the running of the Service Scheme. This involves the co-ordinating of the various projects, the organisation of the necessary transport, and discussion of possible project areas.

The Form made, as its formal service project a commitment to improve the sports and educational facilities at the Michaelhouse Farm School. Standard 6 and 7 pupils were brought to Michaelhouse on Friday afternoons and the Sixth Formers coached them in various sports and helped them to make use of the numerous facilities which the school has to offer. It is hoped, that as the scheme progresses, improvements in the Farm School facilities will be possible.

Sixth Form Visits to Natal University (PMB)

Following on a letter from the Rector to Professor Schreiner of Natal University, the university authorities very kindly gave permission for the Sixth Form to attend lectures on several Wednesdays during the Trinity Term. The boys attended lectures on English, Physics, Maths, Psychology, Economics and met the Sports Organiser, Mr Dave Edmundson, who showed them the university sporting facilities.

During the Lent Quarter, the Form attended a number of "Open" University Lectures, the theme of which was "Education in South Africa", and these provided the boys with a variety of opinions on an important aspect of South African affairs.

Chapel

The Sixth Form have become more involved in Chapel activities, and during the year they helped in the organising of Morning Chapel and in the reading of Lessons.

SIXTH FORM TOUR OF CAPE TOWN

For the first time in many years, the Sixth Form's annual tour took place in Cape Town. The timing of the tour was changed from July, to mid-November, immediately after the UNISA examinations had been completed; this arrangement worked very favourably as it provided a fitting climax to the end of the year.

As we had taken the Midnight Flight, the first day was a relaxing one as our participation in the tour commenced
with an afternoon visit to the Houses of Parliament. Our host here, and at other times on the tour, was Mr Roland Hudson-Bennett, OM. He organised a most interesting visit and we owe much to him for his organisation and friendly assistance. The following day saw us at Simon-sig, where considerable interest was shown in the various aspects of wine-making. The sampling of various wines during the wine-tasting interlude was carried out with evident enjoyment, if not expertise. That afternoon was spent touring Stellenbosch, both the town and the University. On the Saturday, Mark McLeod a recent OM and official guide, took us on a superb tour of the Peninsula. Refreshed by relaxation on the Sunday, the party was taken on an informative visit to Cape Town University, by Mr Allen Douglas ex Bishops teacher; and, as several of the form hope to attend the university, the day proved most valuable. That afternoon saw us at Koebberg Power Station, where scientists among the party more than came into their own. The following day, a visit to Khayelitsha at Cross Roads brought the other side of life in South Africa sharply to the attention of all. What stood out here, amidst all the poverty, was the natural ebullience and friendliness of the children. They swarmed around us at their "schools", eagerly producing drawings for us to admire. That was a morning which will not be forgotten easily. In stark contrast, the rest of the day was spent on Table Mountain, the Cable Way making a few stomachs lurch, in the afternoon; and then on to the Nico Malan to see "Hello Dolly". There we were joined by Mr and Mrs Hugo Leggatt, MHS Staff 1966-1979. To Mr Leggatt goes our deep appreciation for the expert manner in which he organised our Tour and was continually available to make sure that all went well. The final morning, was spent at Bishops, seeing another Private School in operation; and then on to Groot Constantia, where lunch under the Oaks proved a fitting climax to a Tour thoroughly enjoyed by all.

A final word of thanks to Mr Anthony Hart, our OM in the Cape for his part in organising, without any hitches, such an enjoyable itinerary; to Mr Bryan McCarthy of Durban, for his generosity in lending us a Hi-Ace from his Cape Town branch; to Mr Kenneth Geeling for getting the tour off the ground by providing financial assistance and to Richard Aitchison for his help in assisting with the driving and companionship on the Tour.

MINI ELECTION

The Sixth Form, under the able leadership of Peter Armitage, organised a Mini-Election to coincide with the SA General Election. Candidates from the various parties presented their points of view in the Theatre each evening, posters were prominently displayed all over
the school, and impromptu discussions could be observed at any time of the day. The result was a convincing win for the PFP with the CP performing very well, mainly because of their most amusing leader, Mike Liddle.

Guest Speakers

Our thanks go to Mr Graeme McIntosh and Mr Richard Robinson, who gave up their time to speak to the Form.

Mr McIntosh led us through the intricacies of Parliamentary procedure and provided an insight, both humorous and serious, into this mostly unknown world.

Mr Robinson spoke on the Gold Mining Industry, and discussed the job opportunities that the industry provides. Here again, the Form was given a very clear picture of an important aspect of South African industry.

SIXTH FORM OUTING TO GAZANKULU

"We set out from Michaelhouse on Saturday morning, a group of six boys and two masters - Mr Rogers and Mr
the education system. We had time to discuss our morning with some MP’s at lunch. We were invited to lunch with the Minister and some other officials.

From there we set out for the rather more relaxing part of our trip. The Chief Minister gave us permission to use Letaba Ranch. This is a hunting ranch which borders on the Kruger Park. There we were hosted by the Head Game Warden and his wife, who made us feel very welcome. Tuesday morning found us somewhere in the bush, with eyes peeled for a sight of game. We were well rewarded with sightings of wildebeest, zebra, sable, giraffe, and hundreds of impala.

Unfortunately it was all much too good to last. On Wednesday morning we said our last goodbyes, and climbed reluctantly into the bus for the long journey south. We thoroughly enjoyed that short visit and are

AT THE FARM SCHOOL
(L-R) E. Phakathi; P. Armitage; B. Ridgway;
G. Sithebe: Mr S. Gaza (Headmaster, Acting)

Aitchison. The trip, though very long, took us through some very scenic countryside. Most notable was, perhaps, the pass leading up to the Jan Strydom Tunnel. Saturday night found us at Tzaneen where we spent a relaxing evening with the Williams family who very kindly fed, and put us up for the night.

Before leaving on the final leg to Gazankulu we were treated to a tour of the farm and to the avocado pears which Mr Williams and his wife farm.

On arriving in Giyani (the capital of Gazankulu) we were met by Mr Layne who took us out to a braai at the Giyani Dam. This dam is the smaller of two impressive dams supplying water for irrigation schemes and household use. Here we got a taste of the fantastic Gazankulu meat which was to add to "waistlines" over the next few days. We were introduced to the Director of Education, his wife, and their son Lloyd. In the Giyani Hotel (the only hotel in Gazankulu) we were able to prepare for the activities of the next day.

Mini-election
(L-R)N. Welz; M. Liddle; S. Beukes; M. Suzman; A. Enthoven

During our time in Gazankulu we were the guests of the Education Department. Mr Layne, the Director of English and ex-Michaelhouse teacher, acted as our guide. Monday was a day of fairly hard work, but never-
theless enjoyable and informative. We were shown round the Department of Education, and spent some time talking to the Secretary and to the Minister of Education. From there we were taken on a brief tour of Giyani which proved very impressive. The houses and gardens were all well kept since Giyani employs a system of private ownership. Giyani has the impressive record of supplying running water, and school and health facilities within walking distance. An interesting feature of the morning was a tour of the Agricultural School which Lloyd (Director of Education’s son) attends. He was able to give us a tour of its impressive grounds. We learnt that it is one of Gazankulu’s main aims to upgrade very grateful to all the benefactors of it. To them we say "Inkomo" (thankyou in Tsonga).".

To Mr Layne goes our special thanks for organising such an educational and thought-provoking tour; and it has been decided that this will be a yearly event.

Mr Adrian Rogers will be running the History Department in 1988, taking over from Mr David Lewis who has been promoted to Assistant Senior Master. We thank Mr Rogers for his efforts on behalf of the Form over the past three years; and for the more involved role he has provided for the Form in its relationship with the rest of the school.

To Mr Richard Aitchison go best wishes on his promotion.

Cape Town Tour
T. Dloti; G. Sithebe; M. Versfeld

Vlth Form with local dignitaries at Giyani

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Speech Day

SPECIAL PRIZE LIST

Old Boys' Essay........................................................

Tatham Memorial Essay............................................... S.E.M. Melville

Bishop Baines Memorial Essay................................. P.G. Armitage

W.R. Hindson Memorial History Essay.......................... A.W. Schaefer

W.R. Hindson English Literature................................ A.G. Clark

Peter Bell Memorial English Literature........................ A.W. Schaefer

Rector's English Verse Prize....................................... A.G. Clark

J.J.L. Sisson Prize (written English in Junior School) C, D, E........ R.N. Dyson

Rector's Afrikaans Essay........................................

P.D. Barnard Memorial Afrikaans (Best progress by a boy starting Afrikaans at MHS)

Senior................................................................. N.F. Braun

Junior................................................................. P.R. Schofield

Norman Lyon Classics Prize....................................

Netherlands Bank Biology Prize................................. C.G. Chamberlain

Hutchison Memorial Mathematics Prize

Senior................................................................. A.W. Schaefer

Junior................................................................. C.W. Shields

John Allen Art Prize............................................... C.J. Otter

Senior Art Prize.................................................... R.C.D. Scott, J.D.W. Quin

Junior Art Prize..................................................... R.N. Dyson

Photography Prize.................................................. R.N. Dyson

Senior Music Prize.................................................. S.R.S. McCormack
Junior Music Prize................................. R.N. Dyson
Carpentry Prize................................. P.G.W. Lindop
Printing Prize................................. M.B. Cathcart
Calligraphy Prize.............................. A.J. Strydom
Human Kinetics Project Prize.................... P. Inman, P. Stanton
Hudson Bennett Natural History Prize............ G.K. Duane
Hudson Bennett Ecology Prize.................... K.S. Begg
Andrew Henderson Prize for Agriculture......... R.A. Le Sueur, R.M. Strover, P.F. Inman
David Small Brand Prize for Science............. R. Nohamba
David Small Brand Prize for Arts (for the Post Matriculant who had the highest aggregate in Matric - now studying (a) Science (b) Arts) A.G. Clark
F.S. Bishop Memorial Dramatic Prize (Best individual performance of the year).......................... A. Douglas
W.A. van der Walt Dramatic Prize (Best performance by a novice actor)............................... M. Mapumulo
Van Velden Trophy (Greatest contribution to drama during his school career)..............................
Vivienne Stranack Award............................. N.A. Welz
Collins Prize for Music............................ B.P. Ryan
Margaret Proctor Prize for VI Form Physics.............
Tim Patrick Memorial Prize........................ L.G. Levine
Hally Stott Yachting Prize........................ S. Mayfield
Godfrey Immelman Maths Prize..................... C.G. Chamberlain
Peter Beard Memorial Music Prize.................. C.G. Barendsen, C.M. Barendsen
Chess Prize............................................ L.G. Levine
Richard Hedden Memorial Award.............................................. L.G. Levine, A.D. Enthoven

Stubbings - Dyson Prize......................................................... P.G.W. Lindop

Zulu Progress Prize

Senior.................................................................

Junior...................................................................... S. Ramdayal

Lions River Conservation Prize................................. K.R. Borland

J.L. Robinson Award (for achievement in the theoretical
and practical realms of Physical Science)..................... A.K. Arnese

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SUBJECT PRIZES
Maths
Physics
Economics
English
Afrikaans
Biology
French
Geography
Computer Studies
English
Afrikaans
Biology
Geography
Computer Studies
French
English
Afrikaans
Biology
French
Geography
Human Kinetics
Computer Studies
English
Afrikaans
French
Geography
Latin
Maths
Human Kinetics
English
Afrikaans
French
Geography
Latin

Human Kinetics
R. Nohamba
M. Mbatha
P.G. Armitage

C.G. Chamberlain
C.G. Chamberlain
A.W. Schaefer
N.F. Braun

I.H.L. North
A.K. Arnesen

C.C. Field
W.B. Rebeck
A.E. Thunstrom
C.C. Field

A.D. Versfeld
R.M.A. Baboolal

A. Naish
R.N. Dyson
R.V. Engelbrecht
R.L. Andersson
M.J.D. Vaudin
S.J. Wimbush
G.R. Larson
S.J. Wimbush

B.N. Gundry
J.W.A. Templeton
M.I. Porter
J.W.A. Templeton
M.J.A. Gowen
S. Ramdayal
R.M. Armitage
G.C. Sherriff
A.R.D. McIntosh
T.O.E. Stephens
L.D. Ferreira
L.D. Ferreira
T.O.E. Stephens

B.D.R. Munro

VI Form
English
History
Psychology

A Block
Maths
Science
Zulu
History

B Block
Maths
Science
Zulu
History
Latin

C Block
Science
Zulu
History
Divinity
Latin
Maths

D Block
Science

Zulu

History

Divinity

Biology

E Block

Science

Zulu

History

Divinity

Biology

Maths

A.G. Clark
A.G. Clark

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A.W. Schaefer
C.G. Chamberlain
A.W. Schaefer
A. Jonsson
A.W. Schaefer

A.D. Versfeld
A.D. Versfeld
P.J.H. Bennett
A.S. Gamede
C.C. Field
A.E. Thunstrom

S.J. Wimbush
T. Sokhele
P.G.W. Lindop
N.N. Pryce
R.N. Dyson
C.W. Shields
C.W. Shields

J.W.A. Templeton
N.S.Zungu
M.J.A. Gowen
J.W.A. Templeton
M.J.A. Gowen
J.M. Thomas
L.D. Ferreira
S.E. Malevu
T.O.E. Stephens
L.D. Ferreira
W.A. Thorsen
S.E. Malevu

GABRIELLE MASSEY PRIZES

VI Form:
A.G. Clark

C. Block:

A Block:

B Block:
C. Field, N. Davies, G. Crwys-Williams, S. Kelly, H. Jones.

D Block:

E Block:
J. Matthews, B. Silver.

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Governors of the School, Rector and Staff, Parents and Friends, and most important of all, boys of Michaelhouse, I am glad today to have this opportunity of speaking to you. And what should I speak to you about? I am going to speak to you about the most important question that confronts any young boy or girl, and that is "what am I going to do with my life?" And, of course, I remember that for a good number of you, this is the last year of your school life.

When I ask the question "what am I going to do with my life?" I am not thinking of whether you are going to become a lawyer or a teacher or an engineer, though that is important enough. You will probably marry and have children of your own. You may become a great supporter of your church and your parish, you may even become a priest, you may even become an archbishop, as one of your old boys did. His parents had him christened as Bill, not William, and so he would have to sign himself Bill Capetown. Some people thought that this just wouldn't do, and wanted him to change his name, but he refused and Bill Capetown he became. You may become a great national sportsman, but at the moment your chances of becoming a great international sportsman look rather dim. You may take up good works and become a Lion or a Rotarian. You may do all or any of these things, but you may go further still, and decide that the best you can do with your life is to devote it to the service of your country and your society. I have seen many beautiful sights in my life, but one of the most beautiful and most moving is the sight of a young boy or girl who has decided, at so young an age, to use his or her life in the service of country and society.

The self-righteous people of the outside world think that white South Africans are a wicked lot, and that their society and its economy should be destroyed so that Utopia can be built. Well, I've lived in this society for 84 years, and I can tell you that some of the finest people in the world are members of it. And I can also tell you that without exception these are people who have used and are using their lives and their gifts to make this a more just country. I shan't give you their names because I have only twenty-five minutes to give this address.

I should like to tell you a story. It is known to all of you, and has been known to me for most of my life, yet it can still move me today... "and when the meal was over he took a basin of water and a towel, and he girded himself with the towel and began to wash their feet. When he
came to Peter, Petef said to him, 'are you going to wash, my feet? You'll never wash my feet'. And Jesus said to him, 'if I don't wash your feet then you will have no part in me'. And Peter, always impetuous, said, 'Lord, not only my feet but also my hands and my head.' And Jesus said to him, 'If I wash your feet you are clean enough.' And when he had finished washing their feet, he put down the basin and the towel, and he sat down and taught them saying, 'You call me Lord and Master, and that is true, for that is what I am. If I then, your Lord and Master, can wash your feet, then you ought to wash the feet of others'. He ended up with those words, 'if you know these things, then happy are you if you do them".

These words are not just high religion or high philosophy, they are also common sense. If you know these things and you don't do them, then your life cannot be a happy one. I don't say that if you know these things and you do them, then your life will necessarily be happy, but you will have found one of the great essentials for happiness, and people are often happy when they have found something to do with their lives.

I am speaking especially to those who are leaving school this year, though my words are meant for all of you. I remember when I left school - it was in 1918. There was one great difference between me and you. I knew almost nothing of the country into which I had been born. I knew nothing of its problems. We never talked about them, and our masters never spoke about them to us. Most of us didn't know that there were any problems. The content of your school education is far richer than ours. Not one of you can leave school without knowing that you are going into a world many of whose problems seem insoluble. That is not only true of the world; it is true of your own country also.

You live in a very beautiful and a very strange and in many ways a very sad country. Its future is at the moment unpredictable. The great plan of racial separation in every department of the country's life, the great plan of apartheid or Separate Development or whatever you like to call it, so eloquently stated by Dr Hendrick Verwoerd, is falling to pieces about our ears. We must not blame all our troubles on the National Party, because our troubles didn't begin on 26th May 1948, they began on 6th April 1652, the day that Jan van Riebeeck and his three ships landed in Table Bay.

So began our written history, and I am going to tell it to you in three minutes. But I must tell it to you, because unless you understand it you will not be able to understand the nature and the causes of the problems that confront our country, and will confront you if you decide
to be a servant of our country.

Our written history since 1652 is a history of conquest. The first conquests were easy. The Khoikhoi, who were at one time called Hottentots, could not stand up to the white man and his gun, and they either became servants or fled into the interior. The San, who at one time were called Bushmen, mostly fled into the interior; they
were hunted like animals and ended up in the Kalahari desert. Today, by a strange irony of history, many of them serve in the army of the conqueror. But the trekboer, the trek farmer, encountered a much tougher enemy, the Xhosa people, who resisted the northward movement of the trekkers. Their struggle lasted for a hundred years, the years of the interminable frontier wars, and it left an indelible mark on the minds and souls of both white and black. For reasons that are too complex to deal with here, the struggle left a much deeper mark on the mind and soul of the Afrikaner than on that the English, who arrived in 1820 to settle the troubled border region.

Then in 1836,'37 and'38, came the Great Trek, when the trekkers conquered one black chiefdom after another, as far north as the Limpopo. Meanwhile in the east, Shaka established the great Zulu kingdom by conquest, and refugees from his wrath, notably Mzilikazi, conquered others. Shaka was assassinated in 1828, and the Zulu kingdom was conquered by the British in 1879. In the Anglo-Boer War of 1899-1902 the British conquered the Boer republics of the Transvaal and the Orange Free State. And in 1948, before any of you boys were born, came the greatest conquest of all when the Afrikaner Nationalist Party conquered us all, and it has ruled us ever since. The greatest consequence of this conquest was the Grand Plan, whereby the conqueror decided the future for ever and forever of the conquered, the Grand Plan that is now falling to pieces about our ears.

And where do we stand now? What kind of world are you boys going into? You are going into a world where conquest has to be undone. Why does it have to be undone? There are several reasons, but I shall mention briefly three. The first is that after three hundred years the black people of South Africa, largely though their children, have said to the whites, "you can't do this to us any more". They are not going to behave like conquered people any more. When did they say this? Well you can't fix a date, but if you do want to fix a date, it is 16th June 1976, the day when Hector Petersen, aged 13 years, was shot dead by police in Soweto. I don't know if there is a book called One Day in June in your library but every senior boy in this school should read it. It will tell him more about the kind of world he is going into than any other book I know.

A second reason why conquest has to be undone is that the outside world demands it more and more forcibly. I do not believe that the outside world always acts with wisdom. I do not believe that you persuade a govern-
ment to behave better by threatening it with punitive measures. These self-righteous people abroad, and I mean particularly the Americans, think they can fix a date by which South Africa will have done away with Apartheid completely, but they forget that they themselves only did away with Apartheid when the Supreme Court ordered them to do so. Lucky country, to have a Constitution and a Bill of Rights and a powerful Supreme Court to uphold and enforce them. Those of us in South Africa who work for a more just order of society don't have such weapons to help us. We have to struggle on without them. My most serious criticism of these self-righteous Americans is that they don't seem to know that there are any decent white South Africans. They ought to go down on their knees every day and give thanks for their Constitution and their Bill of Rights and their Supreme Court.

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A third and last reason why the age of conquest is coming to its end is because more and more white South Africans realise that this is so, that their privileged position of conquerors and rulers has to be given up, and that the alternative to giving them up is to go back to the times of the Frontier Wars. Luckily more and more Afrikaners are beginning to realise this too, though you will know that there are still too many of them that don't, and who think they can go back to the days when Parliament passed the Group Areas Act and the Mixed Marriages Act and the Population Registration Act and all the security acts that have done such damage to the rule of law. It was a bad day for our country when Parliament gave to the Minister of Justice the power to restrict the freedom of the citizen, and made it impossible for any court of law to intervene. The rule of law is a complex subject and learned books are written about it, but briefly, and I am sure not accurately, it means that if a person is charged with an offence against the law, only a court of law can decide on his guilt or innocence and only a court of law can punish him if he is found guilty. The rule of law is one of the greatest moral achievements of sinful man and when you go out into the world, do your utmost to uphold it, and work to restore it to our society and our country.

Let me tell you very briefly what I think the future holds for us. There are I think three possibilities. The first is armed revolution, which the prophets of doom say is coming. I don't think it is. Those who may want to wage revolution have neither the money nor the arms. They would be fighting the most powerful army in Africa. A revolution could succeed only if there were armed intervention from abroad, and in view of the present relations between the superpowers, I do not think that is likely.

The second possibility is one that we all fear, and that is the continuance of the unrest and hatred that has disfigured our national life on and off for the last eleven years, the declaration of states of emergency, and an endemic ungovernability. May God save us from that.

The third possibility-and the one that I think most likely - is that we have entered an evolutionary period, which will always be difficult and will often be painful, Christina Rossetti's road that winds uphill all the way. It is in fact the period of the undoing of conquest.

And what are you going to do, those of you who decide to use your lives in the service of your society and your country? Well, be prepared for the uphill road. You will sometimes think that the road will never come to an end. When things are bad, remember these words of William
the Silent: "It is not necessary to hope in order to undertake, and it is not necessary to succeed in order to persevere"; stoical advice indeed.

Don't think you know everything or that you have a special kind of wisdom, for this is a failing that reformers are prone to. Remember the young man who wrote in his diary; "when I turned 18 I realised that my father knew nothing". Three years later he wrote: "when I turned 21 I realised that my father knew a great deal". He reflected on that and then he wrote: "what a lot my father learned in those three years".

I want to say a few special words to those of you who take the problems of life and the world too much to heart. Beware of doing that. It is good to care for the life and happiness of others, but care for your own too. Your life wasn't given to you to be spent in suffering. It was given to be enjoyed. It is good to fight against injustice, but don't become obsessed by it, for such an obsession - indeed any obsession - will eat away your life. I know, because I've seen it happen.

One last thing. It is my hope that the young people who are listening to me are going to stay in the country into which most of them were born, and are going to travel Christina Rossetti's road. Looking at it dispassionately you are under no moral obligation to stay here. If it were a moral duty to stay in the country of one's birth, there never would have been a United States of America, or a Canada, or an Australia; there would never have been any Afrikaners; there would never have been any Michaels. When young people come to ask me what they should do, I tell them that they must decide for themselves, that when I was their age I would have known that I must decide such a question myself. I want to read some words that I wrote 22 years ago.

If someone were to ask me, "What would you and your wife do if you had young children?" I would answer, "we would have two choices: to stay here and to give our children a father and mother who put some things even above their own children's safety and happiness, or to leave and to give them a father and mother who put their children's safety and happiness above all else." Which would I choose? They are both good courses, are they not? I hope I would choose the first.

To those who want to stay, whether out of love or duty or just plain cussedness, I direct these few words:

Stand firm by what you believe; do not tax yourself beyond endurance, yet calculate clearly and coldly how much endurance you have; don't waste your breath and
corrupt your character by cursing your rulers and the South African Broadcasting Corporation; don't become obsessed by them; keep your friendships alive and warm, especially those with people of other races; beware of melancholy and resist it actively if it assails you; and give thanks for the courage of others in this fear-ridden country.

You know there is a famous blessing which says: "The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and give you peace". I wouldn't use it at a school or at a time like this. I don't really think you ought to have peace, especially when the road winds uphill all the way. So I will close by saying: "Boys, the Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and give you a purpose for your lives. Amen."
Mr Chairman, Mr Alan Paton and Mrs Paton, Ladies and Gentlemen, boys.

It is a proud moment for me to be addressing you on the occasion of my first Speech Day as Rector of Michaelhouse. I extend a very warm welcome to all of you.

Among the multitude of my reactions on hearing that I was to be the next Rector of Michaelhouse, perhaps the strongest reactions were those of a sense of honour, of humility and of excitement. Honour and humility brought about by the recognition of the outstanding values and achievements of my predecessors and excitement at the thought of the challenges and the opportunities that lie ahead. These reactions make the theme of my address to you today. A look at the past; where we are at the moment; and where we are going in the future.

We move in a time-warp back to 1896 when the school was started by Canon James Cameron Todd. Our Founder wished, by the name of the School, to emphasise the connection between religion and education as the two greatest influences for the uplift of mankind. He wished his school to combine these two, namely religion and education, the House representing education. Michael the great champion of God, religion. Michael is made up of three Hebrew words Mi-cha-el meaning "Who but God?" When he gave us our name Michael and the Latin motto, Quis ut Deus, it was the Founder's aim that this place should be something far more than a place of secular education.

When Canon Todd left in 1903 the Old Boys and School found it impossible to express in words what they owed to his courage and wisdom. Those who remained could only write "Si monumentum requires circumspice" - if you want a memorial - look around you. What a magnificent tribute to our Founder.

The Rev Hugh Jones arrived in time to see Michaelhouse play Maritzburg College at Rugby. The 1903 Chronicle records that "It was played on our ground, August 22nd in the presence of our new Rector and resulted in a win for the school by 24 points to 3. The College kicked off and play was fairly even for the first few minutes after which our opponents were completely out played as well as overweighted. The game being in their territory nearly all the time!" Oh for the old days!
In 1910 Canon Hugh Jones resigned due to ill health and on his way back to his home in England he died and was buried at sea. In a tribute to Canon Hugh Jones it was stated that "if an example of high moral worth intending to turn out the ideal man had been set before Michaelhouse boys it could not have surpassed the lofty ideals of Canon Hugh Jones.

Mr A.W.S. Brown was not yet 30 when in 1911 he became the third Rector. At a prize-giving in 1913 he stated that the School had been advancing. Its numbers from something over 50 two-and-a-half years ago had risen to something over 70, and he had every reason to suppose that when the School reassembled in August there would be over 80 boys. Further on in his speech Mr Brown stated:

"We have unhesitatingly put the training of character before the training of intellect, and we try to make everything we do, our Chapel services, our school work, our games contribute to that end."

In 1915 this Rector, with characteristic unselfishness and patriotism devoted a much needed holiday of 12 months to active service in Europe and, in August 1915, he found a soldier's grave when a sniper shot him through the heart while he was conducting operations in the construction of a trench in France. What an example!

Mr Eldred Pascoe was appointed from within the School in 1917 and he was to go through to 1927 when, due to ill health, he had to resign. Shortly after his resignation in 1927, Eldred Pascoe was buried at Michaelhouse. He was an inspiration to boys and paramount to him was earnest and conscientious work. He took over when it was stated that the School "decried all work that was not absolutely necessary". Pascoe held that work must come first and that games should be looked upon rather as a recreation after hard work than as an end in themselves. He was a man who never asked more than he was ready to give himself.

The fourth Rector, Mr W.F. Bushell, took over from Eldred Pascoe and lasted but two years. Nevertheless his educational aims were very much part of today's thinking in that he believed that education should not end with producing mere scholars or athletes, but that it should produce men who should become useful citizens and efficient leaders in the national life of South Africa.

In July of 1930 Mr R.D. Currie took over as Rector in the year when the great Alan Melville left Michaelhouse and went on to captain South African Cricket. Alan Melville played for five years in the 1st Eleven and in that time
amassed a total of 3 899 runs and took 367 wickets. After eight years Mr Currie left to assume the headship of St Andrews College in Grahamstown. In his time at Michaelhouse there was a period of expansion from about 190 boys to 320 boys. New buildings were erected, for example the Currie Quad environs. He initiated the building of the present Chapel. He and his wife manifestly subscribed to Bacon’s saying that "A Garden is the purest of Human pleasures without which buildings and palaces are but gross handiworks". He resisted strongly any tendency towards a myopic view of
education and refused to regard success in examinations or in games as in themselves of any great merit. He valued much more highly the thorough preparation which made these successes possible. He also possessed a sincere and effective Christianity which was a living example to those who merely called themselves Christians.

How well the educational foundations were laid by early Rectors. We have not come upon our present Michaelhouse mission statement by accident!

Mr F.R. Snell was our longest serving Rector. He left in December 1952 after 14 years service at Michaelhouse to start a private school in what was then Southern Rhodesia. He felt that his spell here was long enough, that it was time for new blood and that there was an urgent need in Rhodesia to start a private school.

So was born Peterhouse. Fred Snell believed that the most important function that a school has to perform is to give its sons knowledge and faith, knowledge such as may fit them to seek and recognise in life the good, the true, the beautiful, but also with pragmatic sense to enable them to earn their living, and a faith which will be to them at once a compass and an anchor in those times of swiftly moving change.

1953 saw Mr C. Y. Morgan, who was the son of a Church of England clergyman, and Deputy Headmaster at Radley College, take up the reins as Rector of Michaelhouse. Of the many things achieved by Mr Morgan perhaps the most outstanding was the establishment of the Michaelhouse Trust which has borne such rich fruits and has been of such benefit to so many. Tragically he died in office while on a Trust Tour in Johannesburg. His disposition was to polish, renew, stabilise rather than revolutionise. In his first Speech Day address he indicated his most pressing concern was the intellectual life of the School. He saw the chief aim of education as giving a sense of values and the power of distinguishing what is first rate from what is mediocre. His dignity and calm wisdom and even his comparative aloofness, conveyed an air of peaceful stability. He was able to inspire the senior boys with a sense of importance of excellence.

And so time marches on until 16th September 1960 when Mr R.T.S. Norwood was appointed. In his time we saw the establishment of toyes, which led to a modicum of individuality and study. The Venture Club was created and generally the Societies and sports were broadened in availability and involvement for the boys. The aim of the School in Rector Norwood's time was to pro-
duce boys who were robust physically, mentally, morally and spiritually. He acknowledged that the last was the most important, namely spiritually, and at the same time the most difficult to develop. There could be no doubt about the robust leadership given to Michaelhouse - the high value which Rector Norwood placed on vigour, intellectual as well as physical.

At the resignation of Rector Norwood, the first Old Boy and first South African Rector was appointed - Mr Rex Pennington was a committed Christian with a very real concern for every member of the community. On his final Speech Day the Headboy made the statement that "Mr Pennington will always be remembered for his humility, integrity and compassion. He abolished corporal punishment by prefects and a general relaxation of certain aspects of discipline in an effort to create self-discipline among the boys at Michaelhouse.

And so to my predecessor Mr Neil Jardine. What a talented man. Perhaps the most talented man I have ever worked with or come across. Perhaps he will be best remembered for his emphasis on education of the whole being and he leaves behind a legacy of increased opportunity for boys at Michaelhouse. I say no more about my predecessor as all here, I am sure, know him well for his qualities as past Rector of Michaelhouse.

Small wonder then that my feeling of humility accompanied the announcement of my appointment. What a magnificent platform on which to build. Education is synonymous with change. It is dynamic and while we have noticed changes associated with each subsequent Rector, what have remained throughout as the central themes to education at Michaelhouse are the strong Christian values, the striving for excellence, the development of the individual in an atmosphere of discipline, the concern for his fellowmen, and the duty of each individual to play his part positively to the advantage of our country and all who dwell in it - this, ladies and gentlemen, is what I see in the endeavours and messages of the past Rectors, staff and their Boards. The challenges and the opportunities that lie ahead are innumerable. We are in a position where we are ready to launch ourselves into many exciting and innovative projects. It would be totally irresponsible and in fact indefensible to sit back without adding and improving on the achievements of those who have gone before. As I have mentioned in previous talks, a School is never completed in both tangible and esoteric terms. I quote from Proverbs, Chapter 19 verse 18 "Where there is no vision, the people perish". The Board have created a Strategic Planning Committee to deal with capital development over the next few years, to take us to our Cente-
nary in 1996. Capital development is inexorably linked with the wholistic educational ideals that are Michaelhouse.

The first evidence of our development is the new Music School which will be completed by the end of February next year. This is an aspect of education that I strongly support. The participation in making music or an appreciation of listening to music, is something that stays with you for ever. It can become a vessel for creativity and self-expression; it can be a palliative for many a furrowed brow.

Secondly, you might recall the toyes which were introduced by Tommy Norwood in the late 50s taken from an idea at Winchester in England; it is our intention to move to bedsitters. This will provide better living quarters and also an atmosphere for improved academic endeavours. Coupled with this will be the need for a new classroom block. In this upgrading is envisaged a new Library, Audiovisual area and a top class Computer Science Department to meet the increasing demand in our high-tech era for the better understanding of Infor-
mation Technology - this covers all aspects of data storage and information retrieval.

Thirdly, a further exciting development is the Vlth Form, building on the developments made by Rector Clem Morgan. The main aim of the Vlth Form year is to provide a bridge between secondary and tertiary education; where boys are taught to handle the freedom of action which they will have at University and elsewhere. It is an opportunity, too, for the boys to learn to manage their time to organise study assignments and for social and creative enrichment.

We encourage the inclusion of boys from other Schools and indeed from other countries.

Next year we have 12 people from other Schools including boys from Wales, the United States of America, and Natal, the Transvaal State Schools and Provincial Schools. 1988 will see one of our biggest Vlth Forms and should prove a very challenging and exciting year for the boys who are going to experience it. Should the demand be big enough we are seriously considering the possibility of building a brand new separate Vlth Form block to house up to 50 boys or, dare I say it, even girls.

We are looking at the use of School facilities in the holidays. During the past holidays a very successful five-day course was held for the upgrading of the KwaZulu teachers, and an equally successful African Affairs Symposium involving over 300 boys and girls of all races.

Staff; Governors; Dr Paton; singing "Die Stem"

All of these ideas and the success of them, lie mainly with the staff that are here at the School. I would like to take this opportunity of publicly thanking my Senior Masters and the Staff at Michaelhouse for their hard work, professionalism and loyalty. Ladies and Gentlemen, and I do not say this lightly, I have never worked with a Staff which is as competent as the one you see before you today. Unfortunately from time to time, members of Staff must move on and while it is not customary to mention every member of Staff who leaves the School, I must today make mention of two such people. Firstly, Willem van der Walt, who arrived at this School in 1963, will be leaving us at the end of the year to take up a post at Bishops. Willem has been involved in so many things - the highlights are a successful Head of the Afrikaans Department; the running of the Schlesinger Theatre; his performance in a multitude of plays and his direction of many as well. And then his deep
concern for the boys in the School and the very successful job he has made of being Housemaster of West and Counsellor to so many boys over so many years at Michaelhouse. Willem’s loss will be a great one, and we thank him for his time at Michaelhouse and the part he has played in the development of the School. The other member of Staff is Mike Thompson, and his wife Anne, who came to Michaelhouse in 1956 and leave after 31 years service. I have always known that Mike has long been interested in teaching in Black education. It has been something very near and dear to him for many years and is almost a calling. Well, he will see out his next teaching years as a teacher in such an establishment in Bisho and we do wish him and Anne great happiness in their new venture. I am very sorry that they will be leaving Michaelhouse. Mike is a quite outstanding Science teacher and to replace him will be very very difficult indeed. Apart from that, over the years he has involved himself in so many things that it is impossible to list, but perhaps he will be best known for his House-mastering of Founders House. His involvement in coaching sport including First team Rugby and Cricket. He has taken over the Choir from time to time and he has taken congregational practices on Fridays for 25 years. The organisation of the Archival material has been another large Thompson project. Anne has been a great support to Mike. Apart from teaching Afrikaans, Divinity and History she has involved herself so fully in the School as well. Deeply committed Christians the pair of them, they have lived as a fine example to the Christian faith. I thank them on behalf of the Michaelhouse community.

Ladies and Gentlemen, you have endured a fair amount of educational rhetoric over the last twenty minutes or so. The talking is easy; the thinking is more difficult, but hardest of all is the implementation of the ideas and ideals. It is too easy to pay lip service to liberal educational values. Let us ensure that here at Michaelhouse we educate really meaningfully. That we practise what we preach.

I close with a quotation from Proverbs "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom and with all thy getting get understanding".

Thank you.
Mr Chairman, Bishop Michael, Mr and Mrs Alan Paton, distinguished guests, Ladies and Gentlemen.

It is now my turn to address you and your turn to listen to me. Hopefully we will both finish together.

There is a tendency on occasions like this for us to become overly introspective, without looking outwards as to our responsibilities. It is extremely important to look inward and decide if the individual is being enhanced and uplifted. However, we must look to what this means, and what our obligations are. I am going to attempt in my speech to look at how we should react to our education. It is through the actions of individuals that a School contributes to Society. Michaelhouse is presently a vital laboratory of South Africa, promoting the values of tolerance, understanding, co-operation and justice. Michaelhouse is relevant to Society if we, the products of the School, are able to transfer these values into our deeds externally.

The South African scenario is one of crisis. Let us examine what this entails. Crisis originates from the Greek word "krino" and means "to decide". A crisis is a time for decisions. The Chinese figure for the concept "crisis" has two characters, one symbolises danger, and the other opportunity. What is devastating is the complacent, and in some instances entirely indifferent attitude towards making these decisions, and seizing these opportunities. For hope to materialise in South Africa, it is vital that we take up the challenge and opportunity aspect and work in unison. The alternative is disaster and catastrophe, words which place little emphasis on hope, opportunity and challenge.

In my opinion, the singularly most significant entity one learns about at Michaelhouse is "the value of teamwork". I believe that it is this, above all, which equips the Michaelhouse student to play a relevant part in the changing of South Africa. It is through teamwork that crisis can be combated.

Let us examine the constituents of a team. The team member is prepared to sacrifice personal objectives for the team effort. The leader of the team must consolidate all the individual efforts into a team result. He must be able to function simultaneously as part of the team, and on a level where he can survey the entire scenario, and make objective decisions. The true leader works with the team, and suffers the hardships with the team, en-
abling him to make decisions with true experience. The outlets for leadership development at Michaelhouse enable a person to fit this role.

The Boarding School environment, and particularly the atmosphere nurtured at Michaelhouse, teach a man, of necessity, to cope with his own decisions, indulge in activities most likely to produce character, self-discipline, achievement and above all to be an individual. It is these individuals that are the make-up of the team - a team cannot function on uniformity. Individual characteristics merge together to give a team character. A Rugby team needs props as well as wings, only the extremely versatile can replace each other. The individual traits must all be directed concurrently. Excellence is something we can all achieve in some sphere, and thus we are all equally valuable, because of our unique personal contributions.

While paging through an old Michaelhouse Chronicle, I discovered the following report on the early days of my Rugby career: "Playing against more powerful and often larger opponents, they managed to remember, and at times put into practice, the skills learnt. P.G. Armitage captained the side with much drive and enthusiasm and welded his men into a motivated unit.

Played 6 Won 0 Lost 6 Drawn 0 Points for 16 Against 196. One shudders to think what the season would have been like had we not been a "motivated unit". What is significant is that the very same players who composed this team progressed through teamwork and the persistence associated with it, to have extremely successful open Rugby careers, and beat bigger numbers with unity.

It is deliberate School policy that a boy must play one team sport every year. For, if Michaelhouse is preparing boys for a future in South Africa, they must have the ability to be team members. This involves co-operation, tolerance, and an attitude of service. Supremacist attitudes must be shed, as they are divisive in the team context. Boundaries are overcome if people compete as individuals in a team, but boundaries are strengthened if people compete as groups.

It is thus also association that must be promoted, as animosity has been prolonged by a lack of real understanding, and a distancing of entirely reconcilable elements. An example of this progressive lack of association can be seen in the fact that my grandfather was fluent in Zulu, my father can converse at a basic level, and my vocabulary is limited to greeting. This must be rectified. The finishing tape can be reached together, as the ros-
trum is substantial enough to accommodate all.

The attitude of service is well expressed by Bernard Armitage in his inaugural address on becoming Chancellor of Natal University; "The challenge to you, and the challenge to me is that, before we are this, or that, or any of the things which tend to divide or separate us, let us above all, and in all, place a sacrifice of service, upon that part of the altar of the world allotted to our country, and not treat that altar as a crib out of which to feed." It is in this spirit, that the School recognises those who have served the community with Service Ties.

The greater proportion of mankind has always been dependent upon the visions, skills and achievements of the few. These are the people who have seized their opportunities, resulting in a realisation of their potential. We, the products and associates of Michaelhouse, have been granted exceptional opportunities. A great responsibility is allied to this opportunity; to utilise our education and act as catalytic elements towards a society which is a credit to man's intelligence. What I am talking of is a transference of the values learnt at Michaelhouse. The era of English in South Africa is dawning, as a linking language between the diverse groups of our land. Opportunity and responsibility thus exist for us to
play pivotal roles in contributing to the future of South Africa. What is vital, too, is that the youth of today re-mains in the country, to relay his or her experience into solving the country’s problems. For we have a future not "too ghastly to contemplate", but "too challenging to desecrate".

If I am to report on school affairs, perhaps the most interesting facet can be seen in the new dimension of Hilton and Michaelhouse relations. I am not referring to the inconclusiveness on the Rugby field, but rather to a budding romance. Before too many eyebrows are raised, let me hastily explain that a Hilton female in their co-educational Post Matric has had her eyes on a Michaelhouse VIth former, not without reciprocation. Besides illustrating her good taste it certainly opens up new possibilities. Hilton and Michaelhouse sports matches may one day take on a whole new perspective.

Michaelhouse means something different to everybody, and that is its strength. Besides the common core of compulsory activities, there are substantial channels for each individual’s interests, where he can develop his own personal attributes and talents as intensively as he wishes. At this point I would like to pay tribute to the extraordinary staff input that I have experienced at Michaelhouse since I arrived. It is only due to their dedication that such diversity of activities is possible.

Detailed achievements since last Speech Day are listed in the leaflet you have all received, but one in particular warrants special mention. Reiner Schneider-Waterberg’s 9 As and 1st position in Natal will be extremely hard to match, and is a genuine example of German perseverance. Among the other features differentiating 1987 from previous years has been a mock-election, organised by VI form, at the time of the South African General Elections. There were heated and amusing moments in some very enthusiastic campaigns. The purpose of this was to enlighten boys as to the manifestos of the different parties, and their responsibility as voters. Closer contact with the Farm School has also been initiated, and hopefully this will flourish into something which will be equally beneficial for both parties.

Perhaps the most positive event this year at Michaelhouse was the African Affairs symposium held over the first few days of the July holidays. 300 Scholars and Staff of all races, from all over SA assembled to consider
the theme "South Africa, My Role in its Future". Various prominent South African speakers addressed the gathering, and the delegates debated their visions for South Africa. This was a truly awakening experience, and it is hoped that from here regional symposia will branch out. It is said that "Old men dream dreams, and young men have visions". It is essential for our future that we claim our right to our vision of the future. It is of vital concern that we, the youth, establish where we stand, shrug off our apathy and make a stand on what we believe.

Before I end, I sincerely thank all who have helped me this year, especially the Prefect body and Blaize Ridgeway, our Second Prefect. I am confident that the rest of 1987 will continue in the same spirit of co-operation and we will continue to act in our School's best interests. Finally, if we are to thank Michaelhouse, the institution, for anything, the following is appropriate.

We must thank Michaelhouse for teaching us:

NOT WHAT TO THINK BUT HOW TO THINK
NOT WHAT TO BELIEVE BUT HOW TO DECIDE

BUT HOW TO JUDGE
FRIENDSHIP
BUT HOW TO HELP
BUT HOW TO FIND OURSELVES.

NOT HOW TO MAKE
FRIENDS

NOT WHO TO HELP
NOT WHO WE ARE

B. Moller

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Chapel Notes

The heart of the school is the chapel, and the quality of our worship reflects our relationship with our Lord and the spiritual temperature of Michaelhouse.

We have enjoyed some wonderful and uplifting services; times of quiet and reflection; the need to search and struggle through the difficulties of our South African situation; and to come out of the troughs of life's challenges in the light and strength of Christ.

Our lay ministers (the Rector, Allen Duff, Mike Thompson, David Lewis, Andrew Cook and Robin Cox) have faithfully continued to lead worship. The band of servers have done a wonderful job under Warren Lake. The Christian Fellowship leaders have been responsible for Tuesday morning services and individual Houses have led Thursday morning chapel.

The music has been catered for by Derek Tasker, our organist and choirmaster, and further enriched by the Chapel Music Group led by Anne Pitout. Together with the Chaplain, the group visited and led evening worship at St Anne's, Hilton, Maritzburg College, Cordwalles and Clifton Nottingham Road.

A number of ladies have helped to beautify the chapel with flower arrangements. Seasonal banners, made by the Christian Fellowship Group, have adorned the walls. Some beautiful vases, kindly donated by Neil and June Jardine, have filled the window niches.

During the year there were a number of baptisms (Mandla Mthalane, Britt Springorum, Brett Davidson, Daniel Dollow, Nolan Pienaar, John Sabatta, Matthew Fairweather, John Paterson, Robyn Paterson, Anne Fleischack and John Pickstone).

On 19th September, Suffragan-Bishop Alfred Mkhize, presided at our Confirmation service. Some 83 boys had been prepared by the Chaplain, Anne Thompson and Wendy Rogers. This was a time of great joy and encouragement as these young men committed their lives to Christ and received His Spirit for their future. Deirdre Rogers and Denys Everett (a M.H.S. Old Boy of the 1950s) were also confirmed.

There were also a number of marriages: Patrick van Hoegaerden and Laura Spies on 4th July 1987; Howard Clouga and Sister Gaye Bullimore on 19th December 1987.

On 12th June 1987 Ian Glashan was laid to rest, and a
Memorial Service for Bill Bailey was held on 14th July 1987. Harry Stanton, former Director of Music, passed on to be with the Lord and his ashes were interred in the cemetery. The ashes of Alice Cotton were also interred alongside her husband. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

The Michaelhouse community continues to grow and it was with great joy that we welcomed Tsietsi Seleane

CHOIR

Back: J. Templeton; H. Gunter-Kuper; E. Cottrell; R. Thomas; M. Cotton; G. Higginson; L. Naidu; I. McLeod; J. Pearse; M. Gowen; M. Salmon; A. Fenwick

Middle: B. Cele; A. Akker; G. Osborne; L. Ferreira; M. Clucas; J. Matthews; A. Warren; C. Wadman; D. McCall; R. McNaught-Davis; T. Gifford-Nash; Z. Kubukeli; G. Stroebel

Seated: R. Leal; D. Marshall-Smith; C. Barendsen; B. Phakathi; Mr D. Tasker; P. Grover; K. Begg; R. Andersson; C. Barendsen

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and his wife Rachel and their family, to assist in the Ministry. They have settled into ZenZane village and Tsietsi has a regular visitation programme, house meetings and services, as well as taking the Saturday morning chapel service. Rachel is now running a very successful creche.

During the year we were blessed by the visit of Bishop Michael as he came to license our new Rector and lay ministers. Our thanks also for the many visiting preachers and to Fr Hills, Fr Wakeling and Fr Shaw for presiding at some holiday services.

Finally, our grateful thanks to Mike and Anne Thompson for their Christian Ministry and support. Mike has been a particularly faithful and supportive lay minister; has run the choir on a number of occasions and for 29 years, at least, taught the school to sing at Friday Congregational practices. Anne has given of her musical talents and taught Divinity and Confirmation classes; Willem van der Walt, too, has given of his musical talents in the chapel. We say goodbye and god-speed to you and to all the leavers.

"Aim for perfection, be of one mind, live in peace and the God of love and peace will be with you." (2 Cor. 13:11)

CHAPEL MUSIC GROUP

Belonging to this group has been entirely voluntary, and it has been encouraging to be part of a group committed to enhancing this worship in the chapel. We have various musicians, including pianist, flautists, guitarists, as well as an occasional trumpet or saxophone. The singing has improved greatly and we have been able to tackle pieces in four parts.

A special occasion was the confirmation at which eight "staff wives" joined the group to make music which, I am sure, was pleasing to the Lord and to his people.

Anne Pitout

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP 1987

Thanks be to God for a full and vibrant year. There has been a deep spiritual growth in many boys and a genuine seeking and questioning in many others.

We have met with St. John's, Wykham, St. Anne's and Hilton College, so that boys and girls can meet each other as Christians. We have had various films and videos, meetings led by the boys themselves and speakers such as Tim Middleton from Scripture Union,
David Peters from Africa Enterprise, John Schroder, Fred le Roux from the Leprosy Mission, Doug Reichel from Youth for Christ, Mr Lourens, Mr Cook, Tsietsi Seleone and David and Lyn James. Shared evenings with Clifton Nottingham Road and Zenzane Village have been helpful in opening our eyes to the needs of others. A highlight of the year was a trip to Pietermaritzburg to hear Miss Jackie Pullinger speaking and ministering. Many boys were richly blessed.


Thanks also to the staff for support and encouragement.

Anne Pitout

CHAPEL MUSIC GROUP
Back: J. Stephens; C. Higginson; J. Ramsay; P. Mbuyazi; P. Strydom; R. Dyson
Middle: C. Wadman; S. Gane; I. Findlay; H. Gunter-Kuper; J. Templeton; A. Stead; T. Stephens
Seated: B. Ryan; B. Briedenhann; Mrs A. Pitout; A. Enthoven; C. Shields; P. Schofield

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on the mines, but he was not hearing me, although he said he did.

I knew he wasn't listening, I've seen his type before in Gazankulu, Crossroads, District Six, KwaZulu, Kwandebele the list goes on and on but I know how to deal with them now though.

He babbled on about how his father's father had done this and that and I wondered how old the kippersol tree we were sitting under was and whether the drought would be as bad this year.

The younger blacks around the fire nodded, shook and clucked their agreement as the old man rambled on about his hardships and the things which his people had to endure, like the pass laws and the schools and wages and lots of other trivial matters.

It is just a plan to get the compensation money raised, but I know you have to be firm with them, if you give them too much, they will never stop, but I have learnt how to handle them... from experience.

The old man asked if I knew what it was like to know that you were part of a great nation and that he had known the time when Shaka's voice had echoed through the hills of Zululand and thousands of troops had rallied to his command and if I knew the sensation of the charge, battle and the taste of glory, the thrill of knowing that you

C. Higginson

OTHER VOICES, OTHER ROOMS

Certificate of Merit in the Alan Paton Creative Writing Competition.

The old man's face was wizened and weathered from the harsh life he had lived. His gums were bright pink and mashed the grass stem without the aid of any teeth whatsoever. His jaws moved methodically while his mind was deep in thought, very deep indeed.

The old man wasn't hearing me, he could not understand how he would be better off with the compensation that he was being offered. All he did was squat on his haunches and stare into the fire, his wide nostrils flaring as his tired lungs drew air. He asked me if I knew what it was like to see your land eaten away by parasites who neglected nature and her children, he asked me if I knew what it was like to see one's cattle come home thin be-
cause they could not find enough to eat and I said I did.

He said that we did not understand the black nation and that we never could, that his people were not animals but humans with pride and emotions like us, did I know this; I said I did. But still he refused the compensation. I told him about the homelands that the government was creating and the money he would receive and how all the black people of South Africa would be united into one nation, and I told him of the employment available
were the greatest army in the world and I said I did, after all I did my national service in Walvisbaai and Upington.

The words which I spoke were travelling no further than the fire and I knew even as I talked that I could never win with this old man and it wasn’t because he did not understand me or I him but because I saw something in his knowledgeable old face that made me realize that we were not talking to each other, we were hearing other voices in other rooms.

Nicholas Barnes
Standard 9

BUBBLES

Soapsuds and water,
Grandma’s promised way;

Metal ring,

A bit of string,

To blow them all away.

The bubble is formed when its paper-thin membrane Covers the carbon dioxide from my lungs,

And from that moment forth

The bubble rises and descends like a yoyo.

Some say that when a bubble is in full flight It looks so awkward,

But they are blind,

As I see it the common bubble Has the majesty of an eagle,

The mobility of a swift,

The speed of a falcon

And the colourful spectre of pastels

When light is refracted,

Until...

It reaches that predestined height of fate And pops
To become yet another drop of soap water.

Robert Harvey
Standard 8

COMING HOME

The air is electric with excitement and anxiety
As the prelight bell reprimands those in suspended ani-
mation;

Like a juggernaut they transport trunks and consume
breakfast

As they vainly fantasize that time will hasten.

Stragglers just slip into the theatre in the nick of time
As the supremacy majestically ascend to the assem-
blage's attention.

The trivialities eventually are depleted
And a vigorous, quick pace is easily maintained to the
Chapel.

Upon reducing lung exposure after the final school
hymn

We internally celebrate and feel a sense of achieve-
ment;

We smile with glee and vivacity liked released prisoners
And joyfully, laden with luggage, we mount the mecha-

Then we come up against the excruciating, almost
never-ending trek

With only the ongoing road and grasses to amuse you
(Except for the occasional dream about the loyal (?) Ju-
liet)

The only escape then is to let all eyelashes unite!

Like an enormous congregation of pious worshippers
bearing their flaming torches

The lights amongst the concrete metropolis awaken you
And when the rubber tyres have experienced the jour-
ney's tar

The long-awaited reunion between procreator and cre-
ated rejuvinates.
THE BUMBLEBEE

The sodden, putrid language drooped in the air
Languishing on the eddy currents filtering through
The open window. The brilliant blue dullness,

Green smell and sizzling beetles flaunting wings
Outside.

The teacher strained on in the silence -

Fat, dying like a bumblebee dragging along.

The sweet veil of sleep closed round
Cradling the head slowly to soothing oblivion.

Deep within a pin prick of consciousness
Accelerating tenuously till eyelids opened.

Once again the bumblebee had landed.

Andrew Arnesen
Standard 10

R. Tatley

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BACKSEAT (A Passage of Light)

No blackness here

I sit in the money-car and I am oblivious;

Outside, on a screen wider than my mind

the sun is showing off to the hushed countryside

On a stage of clouds

washed with clear gold, so intense

She pirouettes and hides

behind dark fans of mountains

and plays shadow games with stark poplars

On and on.

The car speeds past, soulless
But from my window I watch, still.

Full circle she glides, as we stream over tar.

Everything becomes wonderment
for one moment as we pass;

The light shines briefly through open sheds

turning them into temples

To a god way beyond our own small creations

And my mind says No More

and she becomes beaten brass over a dam,

Stills the wind

turns a bird in flight to an angel for a second;

Trees from shadows into pyres...

Finally exploding red and bright

beyond the staggered clouds and cobalt sky;

my attention wanders,

And she is gone
Leaving me with a pen and a piece of paper—a canvas that no artist could ever fill.

Jeremy Collins
Standard 10

THE WINKLEPICKER PROPHET

Certificate of Merit in the Alan Paton Literary Competition and published in English Alive.

(run to the window alone. A cold belowness of bricks and plaster, glass and - it begins. A bang like wet lightning, the charges tear glass and rage closer in a cloud of bricks, dust, noise and I lie on the shaking floor as the)

Heart shaking, I kicked the duvet off my legs and sat up carefully. Oh God, what a way to wake up. With a phlegmy groan I hoisted myself from my warmth. Sleep is for pigs, I thought as I lurched to the bathroom. God's work. Then, rubbing my myopic bleariness with my fingers, I swore my way down to the kitchen. I opened the squat refrigerator and peered into the corners, as cold air washed over my feet. No milk. I contemplated eating dry muesli from the box, phoning my mother and choking to death over the line. I made a mug of black coffee instead.

Outside, even as I dressed, the world travelled on. It was winter, Transvaal winter. Cold windy freshness. Red nostrils under a clear sky. And best of all, even under the often present sun, one can dress warmly and thickly without steaming to death. Trenchcoats and sunglasses. How Cool. I grinned at my little vanities and finished my coffee; then (my dream almost forgotten) I thudded down the stairs again, opened the front door

and stepped out into July Johannesburg 9:57 a.m. The cold wind stirred pieces of dry grass along the ground. It whispered through leafless branches and swept over my face. Then the enchantment of the moment struck me: a fresh blue day and no worries to plague me at all. How it should be really, complacement and almost certain of a life ahead; "Happy Days" still in the making. I reached the busstop and waited, smiling.

The bus arrived in a friendly diesel hiss. I let a young girl board before me, while I groped in my coat for the fare. I stepped up to receive my ticket, the wonderful bus-smell was all around me - smoke, clothes, perfume and vinyl. Perhaps something else too; an attitude of righteousness. My change slid towards me and I selected a seat. Hiss. Growl. Hiss. The doors shut and the bus rolled on. I watched the driver lighting a cigarette after having searched his pockets worriedly for his cheap
lighter. My attention wandered and I slouched in my seat and watched the warm winter world glide past.

Suburbia, with its wheat coloured lawns and children reading comic books behind sun-filled windows, gradually gave way to traffic lights and the scattered weekday bustle of faceless convenience centres. Prim suburban housewives rattled trolleys filled with prim suburban staples. Purple three-ply, Tampax and dog food. Glossy magazines, Judith Krantz and butter lettuce; and all this conveyed into middle class suburban vehicles. Hatchbacks, station wagons and sedans; in beige, cream, light green, metallic blue and white. Colours which mixed together to make grey. ..

... like the buildings that rose above roadside trees, pushing enviously at the hazy sky. The movement of the bus, coupled with tugs and hisses as it stopped at traffic lights and quiet bus stops, made me drowsy. My thoughts turned to the late breakfast I was planning to have in town, but a vision of vast quantities of greasy fast foods suddenly appeared and damped my hunger somewhat. It was in this state that I arrived at my stop, and followed a trickle of people out of the bus and into a subdued wind. The bus roared away, drowning out the sound of the group of chattering gamblers nearby. Braamfontein towered around me, a maze of steel-reinforced building blocks, set in an angular river-basin of tar and concrete. In these canals of tar cruised indifferent barges, piloted by indifferent faces that sometimes belched with acid indigestion. I waited for a lull in the traffic and, with boots scratch-scraping on the bits of glass and gravel, I forded the stream. All I suffered was an oily hoot from a leonine woman in a BMW, some twenty metres away from me.

I joined the secondary stream down the pavement and walked through swirling colours, polyesters, tweeds, swinging arms, herringbone overcoats, hats, sunglasses, shoes and anonymous faces. People in conversation, people smiling, people with money-worn faces seeing the cracks beneath their feet. Cafes, tearooms, bookshops, gadget emporiums and fashion markets with shuffling mannequins, dressing their companions behind glass.

Suddenly (like things always happen) the tenuous foothold of all this became so clear to me. I remembered my
dream and the fear of being a faceless statistic that I had felt, and how it pertained to this. And as I realised nobody really believes that they are mortal -

Bang. Far away, but near enough. Just a shudder in the ground; I wanted to fall, to bite the cold filthy concrete and taste ash and rust and

there was no silence (but smoke, above the monuments!) just the traffic and people and my sweating hands. A siren howled blocks away. All this, the offices with false air and light, the shiny towers; all this a handful of sand rolling through clenched fingers.

The wind called and I let it bite my face.

Jeremy Collins
Standard 10

J. Findlay

blood pressure. He was so young!" And she d burst into a hopeless, helpless giggle.

I'd try another approach: "Would you like me to bring the Pastor..."

"I tell you what you can do" she'd retort in terror, sitting bolt upright, "you can ask the nurse for another of my yoghurts."

She wanted me out of the room so that she could recharge the batteries - invent another nonsensical anecdote or remember another series of frightful jokes she's heard on Port Natal that cold morning, lying in the sweat drenched sheets. I brought the yoghurt.

Occasionally, I became more angry than upset, especially when I thought of the sometimes disarming sincerity - "about forty-eight hours", I'd been told that very morning - that we had both received at the hands of the doctors.

THE GULF BETWEEN

Winner of Std. 10 Alan Paton Short Story Comp.

It had been like this for months now - Mother waving a bejewelled hand telling me about "that bitch in Ward Two", me sitting on the end of the bed trying to look as nonchalant as possible. I'd developed this love/hate relationship with Matron Pienaar and her firm "Mr Welz, it is four o'clock, you know." She signified a strange mixture of failure and relief, Matron Pienaar.
Ja, deep in deception, Mom and I. Sometimes it would become really unbearable.

"Mom" I'd say, "What did the doct..." - but she was bloody sharp, you know, even as ill as this - "Talking of doctors," she'd say, "have you ever read..." or, with sly frivolity, "Ah doctors are funny fellas, you know; you should have seen the character they sent to check my

Today I was feeling particularly weak as I played along.

"I went to friends for supper last night Mom", I said truthfully, but fully aware of the chasm I'd neatly hopped over.

"What'd you have?" she asked with what in other circumstances would have passed for genuine interest.

"Er.......a kind of... lobster bisque." She took a slow sip of water and partially screwed up one eye in deep concentration. This was her terrain. Her interest in things domestic gave her an advantage. She was determined to get as much mileage as possible out of it. She fixed her eyes on me again. Her dogged stare demanded an elaboration.

"Duck, roast duck", I said. Yet it was all true, yet I was digging myself in deeper and deeper. By now there was about forty hours left. She knew it, I knew it. But soon we'd get onto the crockery, the maid's overalls and the Dachshund's worms. And before long Matron Pienaar would loom over us pronouncing her harsh peace.

She put the plastic cup down with a disgustsed rap. "Nobody does duck decently nowadays." And on Port Natal, Pastor Ray McCauley oozed on about the wine and the water.

"Oh and for pud, a kind of a peach melba." She was looking nervous. Already I was on the dessert and there was a full ten minutes until Matron Pienaar's beetle-crushers would thump their way down the little passage to the private ward.

With the coffee came a daft exposition on the intricacies of coffee rationing during "the war years". (Made even more pathetic when one considered that this was 1987 and my mother was 35). Three minutes to four.

"And a toffee liqueur", I volunteered.

"I never liked toffee" was the reply.
My heart leaped. The comment had that subtle ring of finality about it. I'd been waiting for it for ages.

"But I'm sure I'll acquire a taste for it", she said cunningly.

My mother had done it again.

It was her last battle.

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Nicholas Welz
Std. 10
POETIC APPRECIATION

Runner-Up in the St John's Inter-School Poetry Comp.

Wednesdays we did poetry.

I hated to open the book, but
He said we must, and we did.

First we stared our victim in the face -
And scrutinized him.

Then we dissected him.

Gone was the meaning, the unity, the art,
Now was there chaos in parts -

Crude classification of simile and assonance
Loose alliteration and inverse adjectives
Pounding hyperboles and metaphors personified.

I lost the meaning in "complex themes'4.

We felt no remorse, sorrow none -
To trample and tread such territory,

And would the poet - in Art's own name
Be pleased?

Be gratified to know
We think him "great"

Despite the fact we treat him so?

Richard Dyson
Standard 8

A PRAYER

May my life pass, like the silken foot of danger.
May my love be as radiant and warm.
As the blood that flows from His cup.
May my heart be guilded with golden love,
So the sweetness of his soul is mine.
May my time be one of joy,
A joy resplendent in His name.

May my faith be that of the resolute basalt dragon.

A regal dragon, in steadfast tranquility.

May my death flit past, like the wing
Of a Hummingbird.

So I may be born to eternal life.

The Blood of Christ whispers peace within........

Craig Higginson
Standard8

BLIND TO SIGHT

Waxen-like
Time engraves sight
But a shallow niche.

So cold and clear,

Passages of light record little
But blindness blank -

True sight a void

Where tones of colour have no meaning
Nor words nor time but all of warmth
Recorded with sharp indelibility,

Not a scrape on emotions.

Eyes a blindness to all;

Though physical,

Blindness is but sight

To those who see
And sees not once,

But always, not of eyes
But of heart.

"SKELETON IN THE CUPBOARD"

O despised, evil skeleton! We have jailed you and cast away the key. We have sentenced you to a lifelong imprisonment. We have set a course by which you cannot escape. We hold you in our land.

O living skeleton! Your ghost encircles, embraces our
whole world. Have you selected our land for a home? Or, have we chosen you? Have we, like fools invited you to live with us? And does not our jail protect you? Does it not bless you - and condemn us? Yes! we have set light on your cloudy-white bones! We are working together to salvage that key we threw into the depths of evil. And have not our protests already weakened the curse (or rather - the blessing) which glued your frame together? Even now, I can hear your bones rattling!

But you know (your stoney grin proves it) that your defence is strong. A reign of centuries has proved you as stubborn as those who uphold you. They have only to consult History to realise their stupidity; doom eventually grasps the oppressor. And were not Hitler's Germans remembered, despised and condemned for the persecution they performed.

And O skeleton, protected in the cupboard of South Africa, I read the evil humour in your face. And however hard I try to hide my identity, for the rest of my life, foreigners will recognise my being a South African and, like a persecutor of men, I shall be judged, condemned as part of this cruel society. Try as I might, I cannot struggle against the identity of which foolish men are proud, an identity which associates me with you. Aye, I love my land, but you are the flavour which makes it sour.

And o apartheid you cruel, grinning skeleton, when finally we find the key and wrench open the doors which enclose you, and drag you out into the sunlight; we'll hack and saw, and shatter your gloomy bones until a fine dust of white guilt hangs over the land.

Andrew James
Standard 7

R. Tatley

Richard Dyson
Standard 8

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TARPEYS

FUGUE

Winner-Rector's Verse

Leaves freckle the Rugby fields in the weak sun,
And flitter down from the brown trees
Or rustle end over end on the impulse
Of the clear wind from the hills behind.

The blue dome over head sky fades
To haze white at the edges where it is
Pierced by the double-upstand of the posts
And crossbar framing the grumble
Of a leaf red, dead-slow freight train
Along the flash of the tracks.

Sun from above squints eyes
Pure silver on a scrum machine, ugly from closer.

First bird-sound in the rush of wind,
Like the last time echo of a far back crowd
Reminds of the duality men create.

Hemmed in by line, by posts or tracks, This ground still
lives and turns, brushed by the air
And showered by the sun and rain alike.

It will go on,

Long after we, and all our games, are gone.

A. Clark
Vllth Form

Certificate of Merit in the Alan Paton Creative Writing Group

Bursting bubbles brilliant blue hues
Babbling happiness kaleidoscoping across an
Inwardly singing heart.

Joyously asinine the brandy of love
Warms the roots of hairs and
Expands the chest to the beating of
Fists in selfcontrolled thought,

Distilled to a fix of pure adrenalin!

Through time passing the barbaric simplicity
Begins encrusting the sunken mountains.
Continually, eternally reef building on
The flowing magma of accepting relation
And verbose expression of splitsecond looks.

Until the attenuated symbiosis of shared thought
Unbreakably built provides
a coral haven for all.

A. Arnesen
Std 10

R. Dyson

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A SCHOOLBOY’S THOUGHTS -
ZOO LAKE

An unimposing splash is barely audible above the roar of enthusiastic vigour with which the surrounding life rolls onward with frictionless momentum. But only for a moment is this roaring life re-echoed in countless drop-lets and ripples, and then it is completely sealed off as it becomes a world outside while the pebble slips under the surface and sets in motion an unplanned expedition, duration unpredicted. The motion is slow and the water pressurises silence. The stone stumbles and glides in silent solitude, under the surface, slowly downwards.

A subjective thinker, he slouches behind a tree seeking solitude for his crestfallen thoughts. These thoughts are like the pebble and more in accordance with it. Slowly and quietly they sink deeper in depression and gloomy thoughts, immersed in water of realisation but of confused understanding (for the boy is still young) his thoughts have clamped onto a discovery. This realisation has struck him as essentially relevant to his life and he is utterly engrossed in it, cut off from the outside life and under the surface. He is not to be distracted, but most important, he is depressed.

This is Zoo Lake. Here the buses depart for school, great big buses stuffed full of greedy teenagers. Hot, cramped and noisy, a quite unpleasant journey to school is intended (and still worse is to be expected of school).

He slouches against a tree for support, thoughtful. He gazes at a fixed point on the patterned brick paving without seeing it, and appears relaxed, but all efforts are dedicated to his wild mind. He'll have to be forced to board at that school, even though his brother has already gone. A blunt look of dissatisfaction and distress is portrayed in the poor boy's expression. A pity that he sickens at the thought of it already so early in life. His dull eyes convey a sulky, stubborn and spoilt image and show that School plays no part in his Utopia.

The pebble sinks deeper and deeper with his thoughts in the darkening waters of depression and continuously it becomes darker and more confused. But simultaneously his angry feelings strengthen, and he views school with bitter loathing. Faster and faster like the stone, tumbling and falling in complex imaginings, he realises further unpleasant dimensions to the school he is creating (although they are strikingly relevant to his mind), and finds now that he dislikes intensely learning and teachers, and for once he feels an instant sorrow for his brother who has just left on the bus. But still he
dreams of awful experiences at a nightmare and prison-like boarding school to which he soon will follow in this brother's weak footsteps, and the little boy is only more depressed. His mind continuously works faster, replacing old dreams with brighter flashes of thought and ... thud!

The pebble jerks at impact as it embeds itself in soft ground, and so, with a jarring shock his thoughts turn away from a half-dazed impression of terrible schooling worries. His mother has found him and calls him back to the mercedes. Now the pebble rests, abandoned and quite undisturbed and it lies quite worthless and unimportant at the bottom. Worthless because his thoughts through youth are unreasonable. Through stages these confused thoughts will fade while others develop and mature to a point of mind quite changed to these imaginations. They will be logical and have understanding, far from these, the groundless thoughts of this little schoolboy, fallacies.

Richard Andersson
Standard 8

J. Beggs

"HELLO, IS ANYONE THERE?"

Winner of the Standard 9 Alan Paton Short Story Comp.

My voice sounded frail as I knocked on the wall of the mud hut. The black hole of the doorway knocked back at me. Uncertain of my position, I turned again to where my mother sat in the Merc, filing her nails. Again she gestured for me to enter, signalling her watch to emphasize the lack of time.

Again I asked, "Is anyone there?" listening to the dull klunk of my knocking.

The township on a Sunday afternoon was quiet, except for an odd mongrel's bark and the distant wheeze of a wireless as a fan listened to a soccer match in the shebeen behind the hall. Still, peaceful or not I still felt uneasy here. There was always something forbidden and suspicious about it.

A chicken clucked near my feet. Again I contemplated the black doorway. A sharp blast from the Merc.'s horn reminded me again to enter. My mother cursed
anxiously behind the windshield, pointing to the plastic packet in my hand. The package contained a few ragged dresses belonging to Alice, our old maid. She’d been fired by my father for arriving at work late, and I was glad. I never did like her. The way she was, and those dark eyes that could stare right into you were unnerving and odd. Like the time she looked at me when I showed her my new radio, or when I complained once about how inedible the food was. No. There was definitely something unsettling about her; never on time, always asking for more money. But now she was gone and, as I said, I was glad.

Later she sent word for the rest of her clothes to be brought home as she couldn't afford a bus fare.

"Typical," my Dad had said.

Besides they were hardly clothes, more like rags or "vadoeks" as Alice used to say.

Hesitantly, I entered the hut, leaving the safe, white sunlight outside. Inside it was dark and cool and smelt of wood smoke and thatch. My eyes blinked in the darkness trying to adjust, for a moment I stood until I saw white specks in the dark; the whites of people's eyes. I edged forward holding the parcel.

"Sawubona," I ventured. "Alice?"

No one moved. A small fire smouldered in the centre of the room, where someone squatted. I stared about. Specks of white stared back.

"Alice," I began again, "I've brought your clothes." My eyes slowly adjusting to the blackness glanced about. At the small fire I recognised Alice, squatting as she stirred a black pot with one hand; the other holding a baby to suckle at her breast.

As I spoke, she continued stirring, her black eyes looking straight at mine. Next to her stood two young children. One naked, the snake from his navel dangling on his pot belly. The other stood, his nose drooling, staring at my shoes. Behind him stood another boy, a bit younger than myself. His eyes were fixed on my watch, my new watch. Swallowing I edged from foot to foot uneasily as he raised his eyes to mine and grinned strangely. Wood smoke caught the light from small holes in the thatch, casting white columns across his smile. A million miles away I heard the Merc.'s hooter. No one moved. The baby moaned. The child stared at my shoes. The boy grinned ominously. Twelve white
eyes stared up at my whiteness.

Dust rose, scattering the columns of smoke as the packet dropped to the floor.

"Well, was anyone there?" my mother asked starting the engine.

"No," I said, "no one was there," as the car rolled on down the hill.

R. Short
Standard 9

WHEN THE TAPE FINISHED

Heavens! There's a storm on.

And I'm learning Bio (Proteins)

A sound like a vast heavenly log being broken
- and I'm worried about the right amount of tippex.

And a drenching

And a huge, cosmic rumble

that goes burping off into the valleys

As though disillusioned
- distant dissatisfied rumblings

To put the headphones back on

seems criminal now. Nicholas Welz

Standard 10

F. Reardon
House Notes

FOUNDERS

Housemaster: Mr R.B. Cox
Senior Tutor: Mr B. J. Stone
House Tutor: Mr K. Fairweather
Head of House: K. Middlemass
House Prefects: C. Grobler, J. Leslie, R. le Sueur, A. Yorke-Smith

In 1987 Founders proved to be a smoothly and efficiently run house, with the emphasis being placed on communication with the individual. The result of this policy proved to be the advocation of better living conditions and a greater understanding of the needs of members of the House. Examples of this are the introduction of bedsitters and more privileges for the A Block, and the inevitable bending of the rules! But most significantly there was a far better understanding that breached the junior-senior gap.

The achievements of Founders were not purely academic, as we managed to win the Junior House Tennis, the Discobolus Trophy for Senior Gym and the Current Affairs Competition. The winning of the Current Affairs competition was the most significant achievement due to it necessitating the involvement of all members of the house. This showed the traditional Founders spirit and determination as it was the house as a unit that worked together and not a group of individuals.

However, the House has had a large number of individuals achieving and our congratulations must be extended to these people. Clinton Grobler gained his Hockey Honours and represented the Natal Schools B Hockey team; Rob le Sueur and Christi Yorke-Smith both represented Natal Schools Teams in the Pentathlon and Squash teams respectively, as well as gaining Colours for their sport. Barry Newton represented Natal Schools Squash; Justin Thomas represented the Pietermaritzburg Schools Squash team, as well as winning the Junior Victor Ludorum on Sports Day; Brett Davidson represented the Pietermaritzburg Schools B Tennis team and James Quin played for the Pietermaritzburg Schools B Hockey Team. Service ties were awarded to: Keith Middlemass, Ian Robson, Grant Curtis-Setchell, Philip Stanistreet, James Quin, Craig Higginson, Brendan Ryan, Steven Francis and James...
Ramsay. Natural History Ties were awarded to Graeme Duane (re-award), Simon Carter and Philip Stanistreet. Venture Club ties were awarded to Craig Higginson and James Ramsay.

Culturally, Founders continued to be actively involved in school life. The house came second in the Interhouse Music Competition, while Brendan Ryan also managed to gain his Grade 5 Music Award. Founders continues the healthy tradition of being actively involved in Chapel worship, with many of the boys involved in the choir, the Chapel Music Group and as servers.

1987 called for strong and firm leadership in the house. Prefectship in this day and age is very demanding, but Keith Middlemass, quiet, firm and sensitive to the needs

FOUNDERS DISCOBOLUS
J. Sabatta; A. Price; S. Carter; H. Jones 47
of others was an outstanding head of house, ably supported by a strong Prefect body, Rob le Sueur deservedly being awarded School Prefectship during the year. The emphasis in the Founders Prefectship body is towards prefects playing the role of mentor rather than tyrant, while still maintaining the firm discipline expected at Michaelhouse. Self-discipline and unselfishness are the two important qualities we are trying to nurture in all boys that pass through the house.

Our thanks are extended to Mr Cox, whose guidance was much used and appreciated, to Mr Stone who is a real asset to the house, and to Mr Fairweather who will be going to West next year as Senior Tutor. Our thanks to all members of the House who contributed towards the friendly atmosphere that continues to grow in Founders. As we move into 1988 we would do well to remember Helen Keller's words: "I find life an exciting business, and most exciting when it is lived for others".

Salvete:

William Matitoane, Vincent Ndlovu, Justin Arbuckle, Timothy Whelan, Brian Scott, Anthony Africander, Graeme Chadwick, Tomas Clark, Michael Clucas, Stuart Dilworth, Alexander Elworthy, Reginald Engelbrecht, Gavin Steiner, Edward Cottrell, Justin Friend, Cade Russell, Andrew Warren.

Valete:


EAST

Housemaster: Mr W.E. Ashmole

House Tutors: Mr A.J. Venter, Mr K.J. King, Mr J.W. Miller

Head of House: A. Ardington

House Prefects: P. Inman, D. Mitchell-Innes, M.J. Wilson, K. Strachan

The potential for friction is obviously considerable when
some 65 boys of vastly differing personalities, each with his own interests, aspirations, principles and standards, are grouped together in such close proximity for 24 hours each day.

Under such circumstances, empathy and tolerance for divergent views and behaviour patterns are essential requirements. Every boy needs to be encouraged to cultivate a healthy respect and appreciation for each member of the house as an individual, with his own particular needs. There needs to be consistent enforcement of codes of behaviour and standards of cleanliness and tidiness so that the personal freedom and well-being of individuals are not too severely encroached upon.

Unfortunately, East has not always met, in this regard, the high standards that were set in the past, but it should be easier to meet these ideals, when plans to upgrade accommodation, as indicated by the Rector, are implemented, hopefully, in the not too distant future.

Members of East have once again distinguished themselves in a wide range of activities in and outside the classroom. The following obtained distinctions in the June Examinations:


On speech day the following were awarded prizes for various academic achievements:


Richard Dyson is congratulated on obtaining a Merit Pass for the Grade 8 Associated Board piano examination and for his involvement in music school concerts and chapel organ playing. S. McCormack, M. Britton and G. Buckley have made a valuable contribution to the Windband and S. McCormack was awarded his choirtie.

Natural History Ties were awarded to K. Borland (re-award), R. Hindle, and M. Wynne.

C. Gauntlett, P. Inman, M.J. Wilson, C. Mostert and M. Britton were presented with their Service Ties for outstanding contributions to the school service programme.

East House were placed 3rd in the Inter House play
competition which was adapted, directed and produced by J. Collins. He was assisted by C. Gauntlett.

On the sportsfield East acquitted themselves very well in most of the Inter-House activities, and apart from the Swimming Gala, were generally well placed.

The senior rugby team won the Rugby and Seven-a-Side tournaments while the juniors reached the semi-finals. East won the Canoeing and Youngelson Shield for Gymnastics and were placed 2nd in the Discobolus Trophy and 3rd in Relays. The junior and senior cricket teams reached the final, but lost both games.

Individual Sporting Achievements:


C. Macdonald

C. Gauntlett (Teams award)

G. Armstrong
M. Armstrong, M.J. Wilson
Honours were awarded to K. Strachan and G. Roberts

It has been an honour and a privilege to have been so closely associated with East during the past 10 years. Although it has brought with it periods of frustration and exasperation, the experience has been both interesting

2nd XV:
Hockey 2nd XI:
Cricket 1st XI:
2nd XI:
Canoeing:
and challenging, and I recall with some nostalgia, the many interesting personalities and characters who have been members of the East family during the last decade. The prefects have played a vital role in the effective functioning of the House and I have been fortunate in the relationship and rapport I have enjoyed with the 10 heads of House who have worked closely with me in motivating and maintaining sound realistic standards for the mutual benefit of all.

My sincere thanks to the Tutors for their loyal service and support over the years - Messrs Ingles, Goulding, Bennie, King, Snyder and Venter. They have all contributed significantly to the ethos and efficient functioning of East and I could certainly not have performed the role of Housemaster effectively without their help.

A Housemaster's task would not be easy without the assistance and support of his wife and I thank Alison for her patience, her efforts to placate home-sick new boys and for opening our home to entertain boys and parents.

Best wishes to Mr Miller and his wife Sharon for an equally happy association with East over the next decade.

Salvete:


Valete:


BILL AND ALISON ASHMOLE

In December, 1987, Bill and Alison said goodbye to East, after ten and a half years of Housemastering.

As Bill only arrived at the beginning of 1977, he had little time to prepare himself for the job ahead. Housemastering at Michaelhouse differs in many respects from Hos-
tel Mastering in Zimbabwe, and, it is to Bill's credit that he adjusted so quickly to the changed scene. East became of paramount importance to him, and he followed the House's fortunes in all the multi-faceted activities that occur during the school year. There was always an extra swing to his step, when East triumphed on the field of "battle" and the visitors were soon rewarded with celebratory feasts and it was in this area that Alison made appetising contributions. But, Bill's main concern lay in the pastoral side of Housemastering, and he deeply involved himself in making sure that East boys always had the knowledge that they could go to him with problems.

Alison was always ready to put up with the many disruptions that occur during Housemastering; and gave Bill valuable assistance in "pressing" times.

On behalf of a generation of East boys, we wish the Ashmoles well.
WEST

Housemaster. Mr A.L. Carter
House Tutor. Mr W.A. van der Walt
Head of House: B.K. Ridgway
House Prefects: D. Simmons, A. Keough, G. Cob-bett-Tribe, G. Cowden

1987 was a year of change for West. David Lewis finished a 10 year spell as Housemaster and the House then came under the direction of Bryan Tarr. The lure of industry proved too strong, however, and Bryan left mid-year to join Hulett's Aluminium. We wish him well in this appointment. Then Tony Carter took over the steering wheel at the beginning of the third quarter.

I know that all ex-West boys who received ministrations from Teddy Lewis will wish him well in his new position as Assistant Senior Master, which he took up on his return from six months in the UK at Oundle school. His particular knowledge will be invaluable in guiding the school on a forward looking path, which at all times will take in the traditions build up over the years. A tribute to David's wife must be made here. Boo Lewis always gave sound backing to David during his time as house-

WEST HOUSE SENIOR SQUASH
Back: A. Redfern; P. Viljoen; T. Ridgway
Front: B. Ridgway; D. Redfern

master. Since tributes are being made I would like to give thanks to another stalwart of West and a previous Housemaster. Willem van der Walt proved to be a most helpful tutor during the transition period of new Housemasters. We at West salute Willem and wish him well in his new post at Bishops.

The strong sporting tradition in West continued during 1987. We were well represented in both House cricket and rugby. Unfortunately our skills did not quite match those of our opponents, however, we did well to win the following competitions: Diving, Senior Tennis, Senior Squash, Junior Squash.

Pete Viljoen deserves a mention for being awarded the trophy for the largest river trout caught in 1987. Derek Redfern made the Natal "A" hockey team after captaining the school 1st XI through a successful season. Derek was awarded Honours for his efforts in hockey and Colours for both Tennis and Squash. He later became a
school prefect and gave staunch support to his Head of House.

Adam Keough had a successful year in both canoeing and rugby and was awarded Colours for his efforts in both of these sports. Tony Wadley was awarded Colours for rugby and later in the year was appointed a school prefect. He was also awarded the John Poynton trophy for the best gymnast.

Other Colour awards went to Gareth Cobbett-Tribe - rugby, Peter Lambert - hockey, Blaise Ridgway - cricket and tennis.

Blaise captained the school cricket team and was then awarded Honours for his contribution to cricket and for representing the school so well during the Nuffield week. I must commend Blaise for his assistance during the change over periods of new Housemasters. He was the rock on which I pinned my hopes for continuity and he carried out those Head of House duties with considerable dedication and expertise.

In the academic field Warwick Rebeck was awarded his Colours, and Nick Braun received the Housemasters academic award for his excellent academic performance during the year and for his matriculation results.

James Dodd is commended for his fine efforts during the House play competition.

Salvete

Moonlight Mbatha; Robert Nohamba, Ryan Maxwell; Donovan Dales; Warwick Dales; Murray Evennett; Craig Fellowes; Andrew Garland; Graham Harkess; James Lewis; Richard McNaught-Davis; Ryan Roberts; Christopher Smart; Thembinkosi Vundla; Jonathan Matthews; Dwight Thompson; Carl Wright.

Valete

Moonlight Mbatha; Robert Nohamba; Blaise Ridgway; Nicholas Braun; Gareth Cobbett-Tribe; Gavin Cowden; Bruce Garland; James Greig; Patrick Hall; Andrew Jonsson; Aidan Keough; John Readman; Barry Reitz; Phillip Reynolds; Douglas Simmons; Jeremy Spence; Pete Viljoen.
FARFIELD

Housemaster: Mr B.C. Reynolds

House Tutors: Mr R.W. Aitchison, Mr B.R. Naidu

Head of House: A. Schaefer

House Prefects: C. Leishman, I. North, G. Young, P. Dingley, K. Latter

The outstanding features of Farfield's 1987 year have been the camaraderie and goodwill which have flourished throughout the year. The key to the happiness and success of any boy at boarding school is the foundation provided by his house, and a friendly, warm atmosphere is imperative for the uninhibited progress of each boy. Farfield has striven to achieve such an atmosphere, and the effects have rubbed off on all its members.

Although Farfield's success in the Inter-House activities was not as marked in 1987 as in previous years, it continued to excel in the academic field - testimony to the working atmosphere which prevails. Out of a possible 12 prizes awarded to the D block at Speech Day, Farfieldians were awarded 8, and special congratulations to James Templeton and Mike Gowen who were awarded four and three prizes respectively. Stephen Wimbush, Andrew Versveld and Christopher Field were each awarded three prizes and Andrew Schaefer was awarded six prizes. Christopher Field, Kenneth Neethling, Andrew Versveld and Iain North were awarded their Academic Colours for their outstanding academic performances and Andrew Schaefer was placed in the top 100 for both the Science and English Olympiads. Such a fine academic tradition in Farfield provides the necessary foundation for a continued prowess in the academic sphere of the school's activities and assists in attracting the dedicated scholar and talented sportsmen to Farfield's ranks. The year was rounded off by the winning of the Academic Trophy.

The ethos of Michaelhouse as a school is the development of the whole man, and academic achievements are but a single facet of the prowess Farfield has main-
tained in 1987. Farfield extended a spirited and enthusiastic atmosphere into each house activity, clinching several fine victories against strong opposition. Although awarded the honours in the Junior House Cricket and Senior Hockey events only, Farfield was "pipped at the post" in numerous events, frustratingly being denied the top spots by uncannily small margins. The "gutsy" and dedicated efforts of the Farfield house teams always made them a force to be reckoned with, and often sheer determination and house spirit made up for a lack of talent. In 1987 Farfield was placed second in no fewer than eight Inter-House events, and seldom was the Farfield flag denied a spot in the top three. Clearly, Farfield has established itself as one of the foremost houses in the school, and such a record illustrates Farfield's continued success in the Inter-House activities.

Several outstanding individual performances bear mention. Warick Marshall was selected to play for Natal School's B Hockey XI, and for this achievement he was awarded his Hockey Honours. Richard Andrews was selected for Natal Schools U16A Squash team and also won the Natal U19 Pentathlon event. Hearty congratulations to Klaus Schensema who won his Junior Springbok Colours for Windsurfing and to Gareth Bryden who represented the Pietermaritzburg U15A Hockey team. The Farfield flag certainly flew high in 1987 with strong membership in all the school's sporting teams, and a number of colours awards were made to Farfeldians for sporting excellence. Colours were awarded to Paul Dingley (Hockey, Cricket), Richard Andrews (Squash), Guy Murray (Rugby), Kevin Latter (Canoeing), Warwick Marshall (Cricket), Nicholas Davies (Rugby) and Andrew Schaefer (Rugby).

It was very pleasing to note the continued service commitment with Farfield in 1987, with several boys earning the coveted Service tie. Richard Andrews achieved the remarkable 200 service point barrier - a fourth re-award! Congratulations to Alan Akker, Patrick Lees, Guy Young, Paul Dingley, Kevin Latter, Charles Leishman and Klaus Schensema on their service tie awards.

However, although achievements, victories and successes provide yardsticks along which the performance of a house can be measured, they are really only of minimal significance when compared to the happiness of every boy and to what extent each boy's interests are served in the house. The primary good within Farfield is to provide a secure and happy environment in which every Farfeldian has the opportunity to excel to the best of his ability, and it is no mean feat that Farfeldians can call Farfield "home". The vibrant house spirit and caring
atmosphere fill the gap of family and friends who have been left at home, and encourages success in every arena of house activity through a solid foundation.

Many thanks to Mr Aitchison, who bids Farfield farewell as Senior Tutor. Throughout his five year association with the House, he contributed extensively to its success and efficiency, and all his efforts for the growth of Farfield were highly beneficial. His association with Farfield has been rewarding and fulfilling and certainly much appreciated. We wish him every success as Director of VI Form Studies, and trust that he will maintain a close association with the House. A warm welcome is extended to Mr Andre Ventor who replaces Mr Aitchison, and we trust that his involvement with Farfield will be enjoyable and rewarding.

1988 appears to be an exciting challenge of better and higher goals, of growth and development and of further success. The dedicated and energetic individuals within Farfield seem set to break free of the restraint of second place, and as such 1988 appears to hold bright prospects for Farfield's future.

Salvete *

Craig Allan, Phillip Benson, Shane Capper, Mark Compton-James, Nick Denoon-Stevens, Richard Emery, Chris Hoepfl, Sean McGuigan, Justin Pearse, Michael Porter, Ryan Read, James Templeton, Chris von Klemperer, Tim Weaver, Alan Yeowart, Tim Gifford-Nash, Murray John, Gary Stroebel.

Valete:


TATHAM

House Master: Mr R.A. Currie
House Tutor: Mr P.C. Fleischack
Head of House: A.G. Clark


1987 has been varied and successful for Tatham with achievements in all areas of the spectrum of house and school activities. Under the now established leadership
of Mr Currie, the House has entered a stable phase of steady progress in most fields and this is mirrored in both the good atmosphere within the house and the good achievements of the boys in the house, both inside and outside the schools curricula programme.

On the sporting front, 1987 has been a good year for Tatham. Inspired by Athletics Captain, James Findlay, who won all the events he entered on Sports Day, and who was named Senior Victor Ludorum, Tatham took the Sports Day competition at a trot. This was a fine effort on the part of both the small core of really talented athletes, who were required to exhaust themselves in running race after race, and on the part of the larger group of less talented boys who put in so much effort to garner those vital few extra points. Thanks are also due to the body of the House who lent their (extremely) vocal support to the proceedings.

Other sporting achievements which deserve mention are the House teams' victories: The Junior Hockey Competition and the Senior's hard-fought win in the
TATHAM JUNIOR HOCKEY
Back: C. Pilot; C. Barendsen; C. Milne; C. Barendsen; R. Dunstan; P. Schofield
Front: S. Porrill; D. Porrill; P. Hayward-Butt; J. Gilmour; S. Wingate-Pears

Senior Basketball House matches. The House Senior Rugby side won through to the finals of the Rugby House matches before being outweighed by the larger East side and the Senior Cricket side narrowly lost to the eventual winners, Pascoe, in the Cricket Housematch Competition. Several individual boys are congratulated for their sporting achievements this year:

James Findlay was awarded his Natal Colours for the 400 m Hurdles, breaking the Natal U19 record for this race and earning his Honours for representing the Natal Team: Grant Pennington was selected for the Natal Triathlon Team; Bruce Carter represented the Natal Schools "A" Squash side, was runner up in the School Squash Championships and also in the School Tennis Championships; Clive Charlton was the winner of the Pietermaritzburg Interschools Diving Competition and James Findlay, Clive Charlton, Andrew Clark and David Oxley-Oxland were awarded their Colours for Basketball.

Culturally, the house programme has been equally full.

A. Clark and A. Stead won the Inter-House Public Speaking Competition for Tatham for the second consecutive year. A. Clark was adjudged the best speaker in the Senior Section. The House Play this year, an adaptation of a story by Herman Charles Bosman, was conceived and directed by Nicholas Barnes and performed with considerable enthusiasm by diverse members of the House. The play was not placed in the competition but the cast was praised by the adjudicator for its enthusiasm in portraying a kitchen full of drunkards! In the Inter-House Music Competition this year, Tatham, led by the Zimbabwean Musical maestro, J.B. Wright, presented as a House Song Oh Lord it's hard to be humble in singing with much force but little finesse. The House Music Group then presented a far more organized version of I could have danced all night and the presentation was rounded off by an excellent instrumental presentation from C. Barendsen and P. Schofield. Still on the cultural front, congratulations go to L. Levine who won the Natal Bible Quiz for the third year and to Bongani Sithole who was the winner of the Pietermaritzburg Districts Chess Championships. Several boys were awarded Service Ties for outstanding contributions to the School Service Programme and Tatham
boys distinguished themselves in the field of Academics, receiving prizes on Speech Day and being awarded Brains Bars.

Yet it is not its achievements or those of the boys within it that makes any one House a good House to be in. It is the general character of the House, the spirit that gives all its members a feeling of being part of something worthwhile and an enjoyment of that feeling. Good luck to both leavers and stayers in 1988 and thank you to all those who helped to make Tatham a worthwhile place to be in 1987.

Salvete:

Joseph Scheel, Andrew Youd, Dawood Akoojee, Pierre Bekker, Roland Dunstan, Sibusiso Mbambo, Justin Nash, Christopher Pilot, Stuart Porrill, Andrew Rissik, Alfred Andersson, Brendon Briedenhann, James Cousin, Iain Findlay, Andrew McPherson.

Valete:

Oliver Bradley, Andrew Clark, Goodwill Sithebe, An-

PASCOE

Housemaster: Mr A.W. Cook

House Tutors: Mr M. Neal, Mr J. Willis, Mr P.E. Dennyson

Head of House: A. Enthoven


Pascovians have continued reason to be proud of the roasted brown of Pascoe. 1987 saw Pascoe maintain their high standards, and, indeed, set new school standards in some spheres. Pascoe did not have quite the same talents as former years, but achieved equally highly, through team effort and application.

The Housemastership of Mr Cook and his tutors, coupled with the inspired leadership of Adi Enthoven and his prefects, resulted in an atmosphere of tolerance and co-operation - which is necessary when living at close quarters.

The level of teamwork attained in Pascoe is revealed by the nature of the competitions won by the house, and the high level of participation in every competition. House Music, the ultimate in teamwork - getting 70 teenagers to sing in unison - was won comfortably by Pascoe. The rendition of Caravan of Love by Andersson, Short, Liddle and Slack was by far the best item of the evening, and perhaps the entire competition.

Ending a two-year drought, after four consecutive wins, was the Pascoe House Play Unman Wittering 2 2140 well directed by Liddle and Armitage, it was a play concerning a new master at an English school, who discovers his predecessor was killed by his class. Its success probably had something to do with the fact that the boys could relate very easily to the plot! Pascoe continued their Public Speaking tradition with a close second place to Tatham. Christopher Wadman won the Junior Section with a delightful speech entitled "Why can't the English teach their children how to speak?" Peter Armitage was the Senior Representative, his topic being,
"Speak Up".

PASCOE STANDARDS

Back Row: P. Hofmeyer; P. Hoepfl; B. Liddle; J. Suzman; G. Robbins; R. Short; S. Campbell; N. Pickard; M. Hu left; K. Collins; J. Earle
Second Row: S. Pattrick; A. James; R. Delve; C. Roll; S. Buchanan; B. Sutherland; D. Harker; R. Leal; R. Thomas; A. Mackay-James
Third Row: M. Ferguson; P.J. Sykes; K. Gilson; C. Mullin; D. Oosthuizen; R. Andersson; P. Lindop; C. Pascoe; D. Marshall-Smith;
B. Lawrence; D. McCall; G. Osborne; A. Gilson
Fourth Row: N. Pienaar; Z. Kubukeli; B. Munro; L. Ferreira; A. Gettliffe; C. Carrara; B. Naby; M. Cotton; E. Hening; R. Locke; C. Wadman;
G. Sherriff; A. Hewitt

Front Row: S. Beukes; P. Armitage; M. Hall; M. Pithey; T. Cradock; W. Lake; A. Enthovan; M. Liddle; G. Rivers-Moore

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On the sportsfield, that is out of water, Pascoe continued to excel. Swimming continued to elude us but not for the lack of effort. Having won at least one of the cricket competitions each year for the last five years, a lot of pressure was put on the Senior team after the talented juniors were ousted by a game Fairfield side. The seniors emerged victors, against the odds. This victory was a particularly fine effort as the Pascoe team had only one 1st XI player. In an effort to put a stop to Pascoe’s dominance on the cricket field, the authorities have banned our long-standing gutter cricket game. Despite this setback, the future is bright: with 6 Pascovians in the U14A. The onslaught will continue.

A further area of excellence in 1987 was the athletics track.

Pascoe won the Standards Competition and, on Relays Day, the Brown vest broke the tape in 9 out of 13 races, for a convincing victory. We had to settle for second place on Sports Day, largely due to a long casualty list. Pascoe won the Cross Country event for the fourth consecutive year, this year by a single point. Special tribute is paid here to Tim Cradock, Pascoe and Michaelhouse's long-distance star. His efforts gained him Natal Schools colours for Athletics and Cross-Country.

Things augur well for the future of Pascoe, with the Junior reaching the finals of Squash, Tennis and Chess, along with solid showings in other competitions. Everybody has his own special talent, and the diversity of achievements in Pascoe illustrated a good balance. Service ties were awarded to Jonathan Heinamann, Graham Rivers-Moore, Ryan Short, Nicholas Slack, Paul Hoepfl, Nicholas Pickard and Colin Pascoe, with Adi Enthoven receiving a re-award. Bilal Naby, Nikoae Bergs, Adi Enthoven, Nicholas Slack and Steven Kelly received Gabrielle Massey prizes on Speech Day. In outside cultural competition, Ryan Short and James Suzman won the Shell Forum for their age group. Ryan, in addition, came first in the Alan Paton Short story competition. Philip Lindop came first in the Standard 8 Alan Paton Literary Competition, while Christopher Wadman and Dominick Marshall-Smith were Victoria League essay winners.

In sport, Colours were awarded to Graham Rivers-Moore (Basketball), Stuart Buchanan (Sailing) Phillip Hofmeyr (Tennis), Ryan Short (Basketball), Sean Patrick (Rugby & Canoeing), Glen Robbins (Sailing), Michael Hall, was awarded Honours for Hockey. Simon Clarke completed the Dusi, with Sean Patrick being part of the 2nd Doubles canoe home. Christopher Roll reached Natal Schools "B" standard in a golf tourna-
ment and Kenneth Collins was in the Natal men's bare-foot waterskiing team, a remarkable achievement for a Std. 8. pupil. Emmanuel Hening did well to make Natal Schools 1114 for squash and tennis. Other highlights of the year were Rupert Thomas’s 148 for the U14A against Glenwood, and Rupert Sykes’s hat-trick for the 3rd against Hilton.

Best of luck to the 1988 prefect body of Beukes, Phakathi, Earle, Liddle, Olivier, Pattrick, Robbins all headed by Ryan Short. It promises to be a year full of potential and achievement.

Salvete:

Emmanuel Phakathi, Jim Meacock, Steven Kelly, Nicola Bergs, Christiano Carrara, Mark Cotton, Bruce Fallet, Mark Ferguson, Anthony Hewitt, Zuko Kubukeli, Bilal Naby, Guy Osborne, Rupert Thomas, Christopher Wadman, Lloyd Ferreira, Bryan Munro, Loren Naidu, Nolan Pienaar, Gary Sherriff.

Valete:

Peter Armitage, Warren Lake, Emmanuel Phakathi, Simon Clarke, Timothy Cradock, Adrian Enthoven, Michael Hall, Jonathan Heinamann, Michael Liddle, Michael Pithey, Graham Rivers-Moore, Nicholas Slack.

BAINES

Housemaster: Mr S.N. Winckworth
Senior Tutor: Mr J.D. Pickstone
House Tutor: Mr D. Cumming
Head of House: A. Hardie

Baines House had yet another successful year in both the sporting and Academic spheres. Not only did the house receive contributions from some brilliant sportsmen, but also from other determined people, who, along with a lot of house support, helped us to win many inter-house competitions.

We had a good start to the year when we won the Swimming under the leadership of Andrew Hardie, the head of house. Baines has had a particularly strong swimming team over the past few years, but this year, with some extra talent and our house spirit, we managed to beat our rivals, Farfield, quite comfortably. Grant Larson, one of our aquamarine stars, was chosen for the Natal Schools side and is the 1987 Michaelhouse champion. Patrick Duffy proved his navigational skills by receiving Colours for sailing. Although Baines’s cricket team had little depth, we did have some remarkably good players. Garth Furmidge was awarded his Ho-
nours for his achievements on the cricket field and
Roger Koevort was awarded his Colours. Garth Fur-
midge is truly a versatile sportsman, he won the Senior
Tennis Championships and was chosen for the Natal
"B" side and was also awarded his Honours for the
sport. Sebastian Lurie, after a brief absence, returned to
play in our first tennis team. Clint Larson was chosen for
Natal Schools Softball team and he received his
Colours for his Water polo skills.

Baines has always had strong representatives in the
rugby field, and this year was no different. Mark Gilbert,
Tim Firth and Brendon Edwards and Clint Larson all rep-
resented our 1st team, but it was the junior team who
took the honours in the Inter-House Rugby matches.
Trevor Stanisforth proved not only to be a committed
captain for his U15 "A" side, but also a modest intellec-
tual when he led the chess team to its victory. Both of our
chess teams were unbeaten.

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Canoeing is yet another forte of Barnes House and Patrick Ellis was the true star of the Inter-House Canoeing Competition which we won. He had an outstandingly successful year, when he was chosen for SA School Sprints and Slalom. He also received his Natal Colours and his School Colours, Keith Begg also received his Canoeing Colours. Guy van der Post led the Junior Basketball team to win the Inter-House Competition. He is a dedicated member of the first team and received his Colours.

Other individuals have achieved recognition in their specific sports. Gary Plumstead arrived at half year and received his Squash Colours almost immediately. He was chosen for the SA Schools U16 squash team.

On the academic side, we had a good year. Nicholas Welz received his Academic Honours for some outstanding achievements. He won the Young Historians Competition and the Alan Paton Literary Competition. Jonathan Beggs, who was also involved in the Alan Paton Literary Competition, came third in his age group. Andrew Arnesen received an A for his matric finals and received a B for his A Level Biology Paper. Simon Pitout and Keith Begg both received prizes for their Expo projects. Keith received a Gold Medal and first prize.

1987 was a strong year and, through the positive contributions by the many individuals that make up the House, we managed to achieve in the spheres of sports and academics. We look forward to another prosperous year in 1988.

Salvete

Thabo Dloti; Garth Furmidge; Paul Glavovic; Gary Plumstead; Isaac Kiviet; Jonathon Erasmus; Alasdair Kirk; Heinz-Gunter Kuper; Bradley Price; Tarquin Samuels; Charles Smith; Gregory van Heerden; Simon Von Kaufmann; Brian Bikitsha; Jonathan Desilla; Wiseman Dladla; Angus McIntosh; Siyabonga Malevu; James Moller.

Valete

Thabo Dloti; Nicholas Desilla; Andrew Arnesen; Rory Atkinson; Timothy Firth; Mark Gilbert; Murray Griffin;
Andrew Hardie; Mark Henderson; Johnathan Houghton; Roger Koevort; Clint Larson; Brendan Norman; John Norrish; Christopher Otter; Rakesh Ramphal; Nicholas Welz.
As I sit down to type this, my last Schlesinger Theatre report, the mist is curling up at the office windows and the Christmas tree's lights have taken on a fairy-like appearance. Through the darkness comes occasionally the sound of one of the many passing trains; otherwise everything is quiet and the Theatre is dark. I have indeed been privileged to have been involved in the running of the Theatre since its opening on 3rd September 1976. I have seen its entire development into a really active cultural centre in the Midlands of Natal, being the venue for professional companies, local productions, talks, slide shows, films on some Saturday nights, music recitals and countless more activities not only to enrich the lives of the boys at the School but also to provide entertainment to many people from this area.

Getting professional companies here remains a problem mainly due to the prohibitive costs involved, but I want to place on record my gratitude to NAPAC (the Drama Company and the Loft Company) and in particular Mr John Moss, the Artistic Director of the Drama Company who still visit us regularly and I hope this will continue for many more years as they have, over the years, brought splendid productions to the Schlesinger and we have been able to see local and overseas professionals at their best all for R4.00 a ticket - surely this must be the most inexpensive Theatre in the world!

During the Free Activities Week, Mike Neal and I spent three days as guests of NAPAC and toured the Play House complex with a group of boys. No effort was spared for us to see everything that operates that large complex, from the basement where the enormous stage lifts operate to the very roof of the Opera House from where the set changes are electronically controlled. The boys were also allowed to sit in on a dress rehearsal of "Superbike" while I preferred to attend "Madama Butterfly". My sincere thanks to all who made our visit a memorable one.

My thanks to Mr Jaap van der Meulen, Catering Manager, for meals and refreshments for visiting companies and interval refreshments in the foyer. To Mr Paul Lavender for arranging Art Exhibitions in the upperfoyer, Mr Richard Aitchison, Front of House Manager, who now takes over as Theatre Manager when I leave. Mrs Sandy Roll who did the bookings and seating organisation; Mrs Glynnis Buckley and Mrs Fran Winckworth and their helpers for the flowers in the foyer and Mrs Arleen Duff who kept the keys of the Theatre wardrobe for many years; Mr Mike Neal the Stage Manager and Goy Ralfe without whose help I could never have run the
Theatre since the departure of Mr Dan Moodley. Mrs Liz Morgan, the Matron, has been a great help in many ways and I would like her to know that I appreciate her involvement a great deal.

Due to the fact that there was no school production this year, there are no Theatre awards and there wasn't the annual Theatre Dinner. Finally I would like to wish Mr Aitchison the very best as Theatre Manager and I look forward to reading about his productions for many years to come. I would also like to thank the Rector for his support and all those many people who have in any way contributed to the activities in the Theatre. Thank you also to all our patrons for their support. The short reviews that follow have been written by boys and staff and I thank them.

Willem van der Walt (Theatre Manager)

MAJOR PRODUCTIONS IN THE SCHLESINGER THEATRE 1987

1. 5th and 6th February:
   NAPAC DRAMA presented: Cider with Rosie.

2. 5th, 6th and 7th March:
   NAPAC's Loft Theatre Company presented: Boo to the Moon.

3. 26th March:
   Inter-House Public Speaking Competition.

4. 8th and 9th May:
   Inter-House Plays Competition.

5. 25th June:
   Music School Concert.

6. 13th August:
   Inter-House Music Competition.

7. 26th, 27th and 28th August:
   NAPAC's Loft Theatre Company presented: Maid in South Africa.

8. 4th and 5th September:
NAPAC Drama Company presented: Breaker Morant.

9. 11th September:
The Bafanas presented a Musical Review.

10. 23rd September:
Natal Technikon Drama Department presented: Emma.

11. 19th October:
Committed Artists presented: Asinamali.

12. 27th and 28th October:
NAPAC Drama presented: Under Milk Wood.

13. 6th and 7th November:
Richard Aitchison presented: Stuff and Nonsense.

INTER-HOUSE PLAYS COMPETITION: 1987

The Annual Inter-House Plays Competition was held in the Schlesinger Theatre on Friday 8th and Saturday 9th May 1987 and the following plays were presented:

Founders

Red hot Cinders by Richard Tydeman and directed by James Quin.
The Boy Comes Home adapted from A.A. Milne and directed by Jeremy Collins and Clive Gauntlett.

Who written by the West B Block and directed by Frank Reardon, Alan Newton and James Dodd.

Top Table adapted and directed by Chris Field.

Willem Prinsloo's Peach Brandy adapted from H.C. Bosman and directed by Nick Barnes.

Unman Witting directed by Mike Liddle.

The Black Crow by H.C. Bosman and directed by Simon Pitout.

Winning play Pascoe; Second Farfield; Third East; Adjudicator Mrs. M. Winslow.

The Annual Inter-House Music Competition was held in the Schlesinger Theatre on Friday 13th August 1987. The adjudicators were Mr Mike Thompson, Mrs Anne Pitout and Mr Derek Tasker. Pascoe won the Human-van der Walt Floating Trophy with Founders second and Baines third.

Napac Drama presented Laurie Lee's well known play Cider with Rosie on 5th and 6th February. This was a South African premiere and starred British actor Malcolm Farquhar, Jill Fenson and David Butler. The play is based on Lee's book of childhood reminiscences, with Farquhar as the narrator. This excellent adaptation of the well known work had beautiful moments full of poetic and imaginative dialogue. As a London critic said when the play was first staged at the Kings Lynn Festival: "a bucolic ritual of beauty and humour". The play was directed by Malcolm Farquhar.
BOO TO THE MOON

Paul Slabolepszy's play Boo to the Moon was presented by Napac's Loft Theatre Company in the Schlesinger Theatre on 5th, 6th and 7th March. The cast consisted of Greg Melvill-Smith, Judy Brodrick, Christopher Wells, Simon Heale and Annie Harvey and was directed by the author. Peter Dennyson writes: "we had enjoyed Under the Oaks and Over the Hill and were not disappointed by this witty and moving examination of a group of youngsters in that see-saw world between youth and adulthood, exploring, probing, seeking a means of self-expression. Rarely do we see a car on the stage, rarely do we hear such language, but equally rarely do we witness a play that entertains and instructs so thoroughly. Spider's language may well have upset some people, but the expression fitted the characters so well, and his predicament was so full of pathos and realism that most of us reacted sympathetically to all he did and said.

Growing up in modern South Africa is not easy. The audience responded well to this excellent portrayal of so many relevant issues."

MAID IN SOUTH AFRICA

Clive Morris's award-winning farce Maid in South Africa was staged by the Loft Theatre Company on 26th, 27th and 28th August. Directed by Rex Garner with Norman Coombes as James, it was basically a crazy romp; mistaken identities, innuendoes, multiple exits and all the other paraphernalia of farce were present in this production. The resident actors of the Loft Company once again provided the audience with many laughs, although one did feel the mixture was a bit strong at times and often some of the action rather forced.

BREAKER MORANT

Napac Drama presented Breaker Moranton 4th and 5th September. The play was directed by John Hussey with Andre Jacobs in the title role supported by Iain Winter, Gavin van den Berg, Stephen Gurney and Michael Swinton. This was a remarkable performance with strong acting and some very tense moments particularly during the court-room scenes. A production that could hold its own on any professional stage in the world with some of South Africa's top actors at their very best.

THEBAFANAS

Nick Welz writes: "On Friday 11th September, The Bafanas, a Black Theatre Group from outside Pietermaritzburg, presented a dance routine and play. The dance
was unusual, highly imaginative and great fun. The dancers were clearly well rehearsed and disciplined. The play, while aimed primarily at a Black audience was mainly in English with many witty Zulu asides. This was real township theatre - in an unsophisticated and charming manner it set out to reveal the foibles of human nature in a modern township.

"It differed in numerous ways from the Eurocentric theatre we at Michaelhouse are usually exposed to. (For instance the play was untitled). There was some very sensitive characterisation and all the characters were well drawn. All in all it was a most interesting and enjoyable evening’s theatre. We wish the Bafanas well for their presentation in the Shell Road to Fame Competition."

EMMA

On Wednesday 23rd September, The Natal Technikon drama students presented Emma, an adaptation of the Jane Austen novel which was one of the 1987 matric set books. Peter Dennyson writes: "Hilton and Treverton pupils joined the Michaelhouse pupils for a morning performance that fitted in well with the revision programme. It was interesting to see some of the Austen characters
frustrations mixing satire, humour, music and spirited passion.

UNDER MILK WOOD

Dylan Thomas's Under Milk Wood was presented by the Napac Drama Company on 27th and 28th October. Directed by Keith Grenville this superb play for voices had James Irwin, Peter Holden, Maureen Adair, Brenda Radloff, Andre Jacobs and Barry Meehan as actors. There was a certain freshness about this classic which I have not seen before in many other productions. The characterisation was exceptional and each actor played up to ten different characters. Thomas's masterly manipulation of the language and the idiosyncrasies of his characters were superbly drawn by the actors. Enclosed by some of the roughest prose, one finds the finest poetry, combining the best of Thomas's worlds - the introspective poet's and the broad, controversial extrovert's.

STUFF AND NONSENSE

On 6th and 7th November, Richard Aitchison directed a variety show, Stuff and Nonsense, assisted by Babs Pluke. It was an evening of fun and music; the music provided by the Michaelhouse Wind-band conducted by Derek Tasker. There were numerous sketches, duos and trios and I am sure all who attended it enjoyed it very much.

C. Higginson

come alive on stage: the histrionic and somewhat effeminate Mr Elton was most accurate, and his ghastly wife was portrayed most effectively as the total snob, revolting enough to contrast with Emma - though we would have liked the latter to have demonstrated more noble and redeeming qualities.

"Harriet Smith certainly had plenty of physical appeal; the idea of her as a sensitive, thoughtful narrator seems questionable, but it did give classes room for plenty of discussion. All the players helped in some way to clear much of the confusion that surrounds the central issues of this complex novel. A dramatisation of a set work is always useful; we are grateful that the Technikon players were willing to travel so far from home and we hope they will come again."

ASINAMALI

On 19th October Committed Artists presented Asinamali. The action takes place in a jail as five prisoners
recount through word, song and dance the events which have brought them there. There is the innocent, condemned unfairly after a security raid because of his skin colour; a farmer whose momentary indiscretion brings him face to face with the Immorality Act; a migrant labourer whose struggles to find a job lead to murder; a con-man and pickpocket who plies his trade at funerals and demonstrations; and a young activist. In a series of sketches these five brought to life their dreams and
Sport

ATHLETICS

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.W. Miller
Captain: T. Cradock
Vice-Captain: R. Le Sueur

The first quarter was once again a time for the more talented athletes to prove their strength.

A number of boys took part in the Pietermaritzburg and District Trials which were to choose a team to travel to Menlo Park. Two of our athletes were selected, Tim Cradock and James Findlay. Unfortunately, they never took part in the meeting and withdrew from the team due to the "Skweegee Affair".

In the Natal School Championships our athletes once again proved themselves by gaining a number of places. J. Findlay and T. Cradock were selected for the team. In the Natal Junior/Senior Championships, James Findlay gained two gold medals in the 300 m hurdles and the 400 m. Tim Cradock gained a gold medal in the 2 000 m steeplechase. Both athletes were selected to take part in the National Championships. James Findlay was not only selected for the 300 m hurdle but also for the pentathlon event.

Tim Cradock; James Findlay

The heavy rainy season played havoc with the various Inter-House Competitions in the third quarter. A great deal of shuffling and reshuffling had to be done in order to complete them. The first to be held was, as usual, the Standards Competition, in which every boy in the school takes part. Although the results were higher than last year, a disturbing factor was the number of boys "off games" for so called medical reasons. Winners of the John Odams Trophy were Pascoe 53 per cent, followed by Tatham 45 per cent, East 44 per cent, Baines 43 per cent, Founders 41 per cent, Farfield 39 per cent and West 38,5 per cent.

The Inter-House Relays Competition lived up to its reputation of being one of the most entertaining and enjoyable Inter-House competition. The track was wet and heavy, which prevented any records from being broken.

The competition was won by Pascoe 91, followed by Tatham 62, East 44, Baines 42, Farfield 41, Founders 18, and West 17.
Sports Day was held on Saturday 12th September. Fortunately, it was one of the days that the rain held off and it was a beautifully warm spring day. Willows was a most attractive scene with the young, pale green leaves evident in the trees surrounding the track. Mr Jon Morgan and his staff are complimented for having the track in tip top condition. No records were broken. The Paul Nash Trophy, which is awarded to the Junior Victor Ludorum, was won by Justin Thomas of Founders with a total of 4184 points. The John Odams Memorial Trophy for the Senior Victor Ludorum was won by James Findlay of Tatham with a total of 4235 points. Final placings at the end of the day were as follows: Tatham 159, Pascoe 145, Baines 136, Founders 87, Farfield 83, East 82 and West 43. This is the first time Tatham has won the Eric Strapp Memorial Trophy for many a year.

The Triangular, which was to have been held at Michaelhouse this year, unfortunately had to be cancelled due to rain.

The fourth quarter saw James Findlay and Tim Cradock back in action for Natal Schools. On the 10th October, James Findlay was chosen to take part in a Prestige Meeting in Pretoria. Here he gained a 5th place in the 400 m hurdles and a 6th place in the 200 m sprint. On the same weekend Tim Cradock travelled to Newcastle with the Natal Schools Invitation Team. Here he was placed 2nd in the 1500 m.

On the 18th October both athletes were once again chosen to take part in an Inter-Provincial Meeting held at Sasolburg. They were to compete against Eastern OFS, Vaal River and Goldfields. James Findlay gained a 2nd place in the 400 m hurdles in a time of 54,0 sec which was within the Vaal Triangle record. Tim Cradock won the 2000 m Steeplechase in a time of 6 m 15,4 sec which was within the Vaal Triangle record of 7 m 5,3 sec.
Thanks go to M. Gilbert and G. Murray who both led their teams so ably over the year. In addition, thanks must also go to those players, who, because of the nature of the game, spent more time sitting on the bench rather than playing on the court. Their perseverance and support were much appreciated.

Results

James Findlay Jumps Ahead'

In the 1 500 m he was placed 2nd in a time of 4 m 13,2 sec also within the Vaal Triangle Record.

James Findlay for his efforts and achievements was awarded his Natal School Colours.

Both Tim Cradock and James Findlay are congratulated for their various achievements throughout the year and for the fine example they have set to the more junior athletes. Such achievements can only be gained through a great deal of training and self-discipline.

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Basketball continues to prove itself as a successful sport, despite the relatively small number of boys who play. With the notable exception of the two major schools, College and Alexandra, Michaelhouse is a force to be reckoned with in Natal Basketball. Although we did not have any players in the representative provincial sides, the team showed itself to be capable of winning against most other teams in the Midlands and containing the sides from Durban.

The first term season started with a successful short tour to Port Shepstone where the team won all of its matches in a tournament held there. The team had a core of three players only from last year and their performance was most gratifying. The rest of the year progressed much as expected, with some spirited performances, considering that we were often plagued by injuries to key players. The new players in the team progressed well and this was particularly evident in the fourth quarter when the "Stayers" team turned in some polished performances. This augurs well for next year, especially with the injection of some new talent.

The second team continued to enjoy their game, despite the continual changes to the team and having several matches cancelled due to weather and transport problems.

Junior Basketball continues to be a popular choice and has growing support among the younger members of the school. This often entails taking basketball as an additional sport.

Boys often excel at basketball where they would probably not do so well at other sports. The advantages of
the game have become well known and recently there has been a move to encourage serious Rugby players into the sport as it provides a useful link in terms of skills and stamina support through the summer season.

Our success rate in matches has not been particularly high in terms of wins. This is probably to be expected. Our pool from which we can draw players is limited by the size of the school and we do not have an abundance of tall players. This has, however, led to compensations in terms of skills development. The boys have been remarkable in the way they have managed to think themselves through the game without having to rely on size to gain them scores. This begins to show through at the senior level where our success rate is far higher than the average school.

Notable players have been people like Lephatsoana Chabana, Rob Davies, Daniel Dollow, Reginald Engelbrecht, Craig Legge, Ryan Locke, Brett Louw, Thembelwa Magadla, Stuart Mears, James Moller, Justin
1ST BASKETBALL

Back: R. Short; J. Findlay; A. Clark; C. Charlton; G. van der Post
Front: G. Rivers-Moore; Mr M. Neal; M. Gilbert; D. Oxley-Oxland

Nash, Anthony Rissik, Brian Scott, Charles Shields, Nicholas Vaudin and others. The high points of the matches have occurred when teamwork was at an optimum. Fortunately this was most usually the case, and all players are to be commended for this aspect of their game.

In summary, the season has been good from many aspects, and we look forward to the growing enthusiasm experienced thus far extending into the future.

CANOEING

Master-in-Charge: Mr Paul Fleischack
Captain: Kevin Latter
Secretary: Simon Clarke

Committee Members: Sean Pattrick and Keith Begg

The 1986-87 season proved to be most successful for Michaelhouse paddlers. After an enjoyable 'Duzi marathon a number of boys completed the Umkomaas race and Graham Roberts acquitted himself well in the Berg River marathon. Patrick Ellis' outstanding performance in the sprint and slalom events earned him Natal colours.

The inter-schools league has been revived and here, too, we have produced excellent results; winning the open doubles and being placed second in the under 16 events and third in the open singles leagues. Once again we hosted one of the schools races, which proved most successful, drawing 138 entries from 13 schools in Natal.

Strong team efforts from our singles and doubles ensured that we recovered the trophies for these categories from the Hilton mantlepiece.

An encouraging number of junior members have recently joined the club. These novices should ensure the continued success of Michaelhouse in the Natal canoeing scene. Simon Bullimore is our most improved novice and the partnerships of Patrick Ellis and Paul Holdcroft and Keith Gilson and Gareth Thomson appear to be formidable doubles combinations.

A highlight on the home front has been the enlarging of
"New Dam" which is now our main training venue. Canoe polo facilities have been established here and the surrounds of the dam will soon be suitable for visiting spectators. We hope to see the start of the schools canoe polo league in the near future.

The canoe club takes this opportunity to thank Mr Walter Strachan for the many years during which his dam was used for training.

CRICKET

FIRST XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.B. Cox (4th Quarter), Mr J.M. Buckley (1st Quarter)

Captain: B. Ridgway
Vice-Captain: G. Furmidge
Honours: B. Ridgway, G. Furmidge
Colours: M. Pithey, R. Koevort, P. Dingley, W. Marshall, G. Cobbet-Tribe
Natal Schools B: G. Furmidge
Natal Mynahs: P. Lambert

The wet weather hampered the progress of this highly talented team, with the result that insufficient time was available for much needed middle practice and players were unable to get into the nets to work at their weaknesses.

A glance at the notable batting averages at the end of this report, show quite clearly where the problems in this department lay. With the exception of Garth Furmidge, whose form deserted him in the final weeks of the fourth quarter, there were simply no batsmen with sufficient application and discipline to put together very big innings. Warwick Marshall played some good innings at Offord week and Gillespie Armstrong looks ready to emerge as an exciting player, but players with the enormous talent they are so fortunate to have, such as Christi Yorke-Smith and Tod Ridgway, were very disappointing indeed. They are good enough players to bounce back to form, but forward and back defensive techniques must be perfected and they must not be satisfied with anything below half-centuries!

Blaize Ridgway spearheaded a very formidable bowling attack. Not only was he very fast, but he also was able to gain lift on flat wickets, which made batsmen uncomfortable. It was a great tragedy that the schools selectors decided at Offord week that his action was too "suspicious" and that he would not be considered for Natal
Schools, for much work was put into eliminating the "suspect" arm and, in the opinion of those coaching him, his action was fine when he went to Offord week. Removing him from the attack at Offord week did ham-per our success, but full credit to the other bowlers who

CANOEING

Back Row: P. Holdcroft; K. Strachan; M. Roberts
Second Row: C. Mostert; D. McLuckie; S. Pattrick; A. Keough; B. Cockram; M. Henderson; G. Pennington
Front Row: P. Ellis; K. Begg; K. Latter; Mr P. C. Fleischack; G. Roberts; S. Clarke

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had to shoulder greater responsibility. Garth Furmidge has emerged as an outstanding off-spinner, with the ability to out-think his opponents. During Offord week he claimed nearly all the wickets of the top name batsmen and it was a pity that his outstanding bowling efforts were not rewarded with higher honours. Roger Koevort, too, was a highly underrated bowler and probably suffered from the fact that we were able to dismiss so many sides relatively cheaply, thanks to the pace of Ridgway and the spin of Furmidge. However, his 6/35 against Beachwood was a quite outstanding spell of medium pace swing bowling.

The ground fielding received much attention in the fourth quarter, with the result that we were able to pressurise our opponents in the field very effectively. Warwick Marshall grew in stature as a wicket-keeper, his fitness being an example to all members of the team. Sadly, we put down some crucial catches in the slips, yet took some quite brilliant catches in the outfield. Christi Yorke-Smith’s fielding at short-leg was often brilliant.

The most notable win of the year was in the limited overs match against St Stithians, rated the strongest side in Johannesburg, during Michaelmas week. For, having made a hash of the batting, we bowled and fielded quite magnificently, snatching a 10 run victory, Tod Ridgway ending the match with a spectacular running catch at cover-point. Against Maritzburg College in the fourth quarter, we got ourselves into all sorts of trouble with the bat, Warwick Marshall salvaging the situation somewhat with a cavalier-like 68. We left College plenty of time to make the runs, but an inspired spell of pace bowling by Blaize Ridgway soon had the College top order in trouble. But College went for the win and, with an over to go, salvaged a draw after a wonderful game of schoolboy cricket. The final victory of the season against the talented DHS team was also a triumph for positive cricket, with two sides intent on gaining a result.

The spirit in the team was always good, Blaize Ridgway proving to be a captain who led by example, highly respected by his players. Their determination to dismiss opposition as cheaply as possible was a joy to watch and it was only a pity that the batsmen didn't do justice to the bowlers' efforts! The only disappointing match was against Kearsney during Offord week. Michaelhouse lost early wickets and then scored far too slowly in the pre-lunch session on a batting wicket. An aggressive 85 runs in 60 minutes after lunch left Kearsney with a fair total to get in about 45 overs. Against an attack, which opened with a spinner, they decided that just under four runs an over was never on - the game of cricket was
the loser, but reminded both captains of the need to risk losing in order to achieve a result.

With seven of the Offord week squad returning, 1988 could see a formidable team emerging. The talent is definitely there, but are the self-discipline and application?

CRICKET 1ST XI
Back: P. Lees; G. Armstrong; T. Ridgway
Second Row: W. Whaley (Scorer); K. Walker; P. Lambert; C. Yorke-Smith; W. Marshall; G. Cobbett-Tribe
Front: P. Dingley; M. Pithey; B. Ridgway (Captain); Mr R. Cox; G. Furmedge; R. Koevort

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The following represented the 1st XI:

B. Ridgway: An aggressive, fast opening-bowler who bowled some inspired spells against many opponents. Developed into a more than useful middle-order batsman. As a captain he led by example and became more effective as he learned more about the game. Needed to put more pressure on new batsmen and to switch bowlers more frequently. A very fine season indeed.

G. Furmidge: The most experienced player in the team whose all-round performances contributed a great deal to the team's success. Needs to develop a wider range of shots, particularly the hook and the pull. As an off-spin bowler he out-thought numerous opponents, but needs to pressurise batsmen more. A very bright 1988 season is forecast.

K. Walker: Developing into a useful opening batsman, with a sound defensive technique, but now needs to develop more attacking shots, as he is too slow in building an innings. A good season.

C. Yorke-Smith: An attacking top order batsman who gets himself out playing careless shots far too often. Needs to apply himself and to show greater self-discipline without losing his exciting flair. A fine medium-pace bowler and a brilliant fielder, but is learning that talent without results achieves little. 1988 could be an exciting season.

T. Ridgway: One of the most talented all rounders in the team, but too keen to use excuses to explain his failures, particularly with the bat. Without greater application, self-discipline and team commitment all that talent will be wasted. If he heeds advice, 1988 could be a memorable year, for all the right reasons!

Trevor Goddard and G. Furmidge

G. Armstrong: Developing into a very fine all-rounder. Has a wide-range of attacking shots, but needs to work at his defence on the back foot. Running between the wickets is suspect. As a fast bowler, he needs to be more aggressive and to run in faster, but all the ability is there.

G. Furmidge

W. Marshall: Only in Offord week did he show the application and self-discipline required of a good batsman. Needs to develop more attacking shots off the back foot,
but a fine driver of the ball. A very good season behind the stumps, who always gave of his best. With greater attention to his wicket-keeping he could do well.

P. Dingley: Rash shots ended many promising innings, but he showed good application on occasions. Needs to get in line on both the back and the front foot. A useful fielder and a young man who always gave of his best.

M. Pithey: A disappointing season with both bat and ball. Sound application, but needs a more positive and aggressive batting approach. His leg-spinners deserted him as he lost confidence in the middle of the third quarter. We certainly have not seen him at his best but he gave very loyal service to the 1st XI over a number of seasons and was a particularly fine gully fielder.

R. Koevort: An outstanding medium-pace bowling prospect who gave excellent service over a number of seasons to the 1st XI and deserved higher awards. A more than useful bat, but needed to work at his off-side play. A good fielder and a fine, dedicated cricketer, of whom we should hear more in the future.

P. Lees: A talented all-rounder. He needs to get in line to the short ball and to play straighter, but has a sound technique and the potential to do well. He didn't work hard enough at his leg spinners, but clearly has potential. Needs to remember the importance of hard work to develop his game. Two years remaining, so he should do well. A very fine fielder.

G. Cobbett-Tribe: An aggressive fast bowler who had the ability to do well, but lacked the self-discipline and motivation in the end. Produced a couple of inspired opening spells.
Trevor Goddard and Kenneth Walker

P. McCarter: Hampered by injury, but gave notice of his potential as a strike bowler, with the ability to move the ball both ways. Needs to work at his run up, as well as the follow-through. A fine fielder and a more than useful batsman.

Also played: P. Lambert, P. Lewis, M. Armstrong.

* = notout

Results

First Quarter 1987

31st January vs Alexandra

Michaelhouse 170/2 declared. (Furmidge 77*, Lees 60*)

Alexandra 39/2 (B. Ridgway 2/11)

Match drawn (rain)

7th February vs Wanderers Nomads

Nomads 155 all out (B. Ridgway 4/39, G. Furmidge 3/33, M. Pithey 2/24)

Michaelhouse 156/3 (Lees 76, Furmidge 52*)

Won by 7 wickets

11th February vs Maritzburg College (Limited overs)

Michaelhouse 81

College 53/0

Lost on run rate

14th February vs Hilton

Hilton 147/5 declared (B. Ridgway 2/40) and 117/7 declared (Furmidge 3/28, Pithey 2/37)

Michaelhouse 113/9 declared (Furmidge 27, B. Ridgway 28*)

18th February vs Alexandra (Limited overs)

Alexandra 133 (Cobbett-Tribe 2/23, T. Ridgway 3/15)

Michaelhouse 135/5 (Marshall 28, B. Ridgway 33)

Won by 5 wickets

21st February vs Westville
Westville 147/8 declared (B. Ridgway 2/28, R. Koevort 2/17)

Michaelhouse 71/4 (Armstrong 31)

Match drawn (rain)

22nd February vs St Albans
St Albans 157 (Furmidge 5/36)

Michaelhouse 157/6 (Furmidge 51, Marshall 33, B. Ridgway 31)

Match drawn

7th March vs Maritzburg College
College 180/7 declared (Koevert 5/55)

Michaelhouse 94 (Furmidge 27, Koevert 28)

Lost by 86 runs

14th March vs Glenwood
Michaelhouse 109 (Yorke-Smith 32)

Glenwood 110/5 (Cobbett-T ribe 2/24)

Lost by 5 wickets

Fourth Quarter

24th September vs Old Boys
Michaelhouse 173/9 declared (T. Ridgway 49)

Old Boys 110 (Furmidge 4/39, Koevert 3/2)
Michaelhouse won by 63 runs

Michaelmas Week (Johannesburg) vs Potchefstroom

Potchefstroom 107 (Furmidge 6/29, T. Ridgway 2/7)
Michaelhouse 116/3 (Furmidge 57)

Michaelhouse won by 7 wickets

vsJeppe

Jeppe 235 (Cobbett-Tribe 3/62, Pithey 3/51)
Michaelhouse 186/4 (T. Ridgway 87, Pithey 44*)

Match drawn

vs St Stithians (Limited overs)
Michaelhouse 138/7 (Marshall 22)
St Stithians 128 (Yorke-Smith 4/25, B. Ridgway 2/28)
Michaelhouse won by 10 runs

vs St Johns

St Johns 204 (T. Ridgway 5/28, B. Ridgway 3/23)
Michaelhouse 137/4 (T. Ridgway 54, Yorke-Smith 29)
Match drawn

17th October vs Alexandra

Alexandra 92 (Koevort 4/28, B. Ridgway 2/7, T. Ridgway 2/5)

Michaelhouse 93/2 (Furmidge 42*)

Won by 8 wickets

24th October vs Maritzburg College
Michaelhouse 159/7 declared (Marshall 68)

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College 145 8 (B. Ridgway 5/20)
Match drawn

14th November vs Hilton
Michaelhouse 146'9 declared (Furmidge 36)
Hilton 99 6 (B. Ridgway 5 25)
Match drawn

21st November vs Pinetown
Michaelhouse 144 (Dingley 24, Furmidge 40)
Pinetown 52 (B. Ridgway 3 12, McCarter 2/10, Lewis 2/7)
Won by 72 runs

28th November vs Beachwood
Beachwood 121 (Koevort 6/35)
Michaelhouse 113/9 (Armstrong 36, B. Ridgway 24)
Match drawn

29th November vs Natal Midlands
Midlands 130 (Armstrong 3/22, Furmidge 5/48)
Michaelhouse 133/6 (Armstrong 43, Yorke-Smith 23)
Won by 4 wickets

Offord Week

vs Northlands
Northlands 128 (Furmidge 3/43, Koevort 2/27)
Michaelhouse 129/8 (Yorke-Smith 34, T. Ridgway 25)
Won by 2 wickets

vs Natal Midlands
Midlands 93 (B. Ridgway 3/16, Furmidge 2/15)
Michaelhouse 95/6 (Marshall 28*)
Won by 4 wickets

vs Maritzburg College (Limited overs)
Michaelhouse 109/8 (Armstrong 22, T. Ridgway 21)
College 110/6 (Furmidge 4/15)
Lost by 4 wickets

vs Kearsney
Michaelhouse 169/8 declared (Armstrong 47, Marshall " 35, B. Ridgway 27)

Kearsney 92/1
Match drawn

vsDHS

DHS 128 (Furmidge 4/38, Yorke-Smith 3/10)
Michaelhouse 129/8 (B. Ridgway 41, Dingley 26)

Won by 2 wickets

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SECOND XI CRICKET REPORT

The Second XI enjoyed a successful and rewarding year of cricket, and extracted a great deal of enjoyment from the season. The record shows:

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In the First Quarter there was some disruption with many team changes as players challenged for places in the first XI. The group really pulled together and generated fantastic spirit, and, thanks are due to the coaches, who all helped considerably to weld a side. Mr Tarr, Mr Cox, Mr Paterson and Mr King all managed to extract the best on occasion and their insistence on high standards revealed the potential of a very strong team. Mr Paterson, in particular, stressed the important role of fielding and under his coaching the side became more disciplined and gained in confidence on the field.

Some of the season's highlights were:
C. Yorke-Smith 45 vs. Hilton (Draw)
G. Macquet 7/15 vs. Westville (Won)
P. Lees 124 n.o. vs. Glenwood (Draw)
H. Jones 53 vs. Glenwood (Draw)
K. Walker 85 vs. College (Draw)
T. Ridgway 69 vs. Pinetown (Draw)
G. Cobbett-Tribe 6/16 vs. Pinetown (Draw)
P. Lambert 6/30 vs. Beachwood (Draw)

Mention must be made of the great contribution by Captain Grant Macquet. He led the side by example and was often in devastating form with the bat when some long handle was required. He is on record as having hit one of the biggest sixes seen on the Roy Gathorne Oval in some time - easily clearing the deodars in the South West corner! Harold Jones also made progress as a wicket-keeper, and great things are expected of him in the next season.

Players:

Results
First Term
31st January
Alexandra 147/7decl; Michaelhouse 30/1 Match drawn.
14th February
Michaelhouse 149 (Yorke-Smith 45)
Hilton 19/0 Rain stopped play
21st February
Michaelhouse 132 (G. Macquet 56)
Westville 67 (G. Macquet 7/15) Won by 65 runs.
7th March
College 148/7 decl.
Michaelhouse 110 lost by 38 runs.
2ND XI CRICKET
Back: G. Curtis-Setchell; G. Olivier
2nd Row: L. Marshall; M. Armstrong; P. McCarter; D. Macquet; H. Jones; M.J. Wilson; R. Sykes
3rd Row: T. Firth; J.B. Wright; G. Macquet (Captain); Mr G. Paterson; J. Meacock; M. Liddle

14th March
Michaelhouse 228/4 (Lees 124 n.o., Jones 53)
Glenwood 136/5 Draw.

24th September
Michaelhouse 179/7 (Jones 62 n.o.)
Old Boys 151 won by 28 runs.

Fourth Term
1st October
Michaelhouse 195/6 (Walker 85)
College 161/6 Draw.

14th November
Michaelhouse 108
Hilton 97 (Lambert 4/26) Won by 11 runs.

21st November
Michaelhouse 203/7 (Ridgway 69, Macquet 44 n.o.)
Pinetown 60 (Cobbett-T ribe 6/16, Sykes 4/15)
Won by 143 runs.

28th November
Michaelhouse 167/8 decl. (Macquet 39, Holt 38)
Beachwood 140/9 (Lambert 6/30) Draw.

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

The fact that there was only one draw during the year shows that this team played to win. Inevitably, when doing so, some matches were lost; but, in a team which played for enjoyment, this was not a major factor.

In J. Heinamann, G. Young, G. MacDonald, A. Yorke-Smith and P. Viljoen we had some aggressive seam bowlers with R. Sykes and L. Marshall performing well in
the fourth term as medium pace bowlers and G. Olivier, J. Doull, B. Berry and J. Dodd at different times providing the spin attack.

Consistently reliable batsmen were Olivier, S. Holt, Doull and M. Hulett with M. Hall and S. Melville turning in good performances on occasion.

A. Messenger was the best fielder in the side during the fourth quarter.

B. Berry proved a competent captain who had the difficult task of ensuring that all players had some participation in each game.

Some performances worth recording were:

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First Quarter

vs Alexandra

Olivier 54, Heinamann 5/20
vs Beachwood
Young 4/7
vs Westville

Olivier 41, A. Yorke-Smith 4/29, MacDonald 3/28
vs Glenwood
L. Marshall 4/31, Holt 54*

Fourth Quarter

vs Alex

Doull 5/22, D. Macquet 33
vs College

Viljoen 24, Viljoen 3/23
vs Hilton

Melville 37, Sykes 7/29 (including a hat-trick)
vs Pinetown

1st innings Viljoen 6/8, Marshall 4/8
2nd innings Hulett 4/11, Dodd 3/6
Holt 53, Hulett 30
vs Beachwood
Hulett 37

Others who played at least once for the team during the year were:

A. Clark, R. Butcher, G. Cowden, B. Falck, B. Edwards,
H. Jones, T. Firth, R. Atkinson, M. Bissett, J. Smart, J. Quin.

Results:

Played 11, Won 7, Drawn 1, Lost 3.

FOURTH XI
(4th Quarter)

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.H.W. Hall
Captain: Andrew Price

The 4th quarter of the year is always an awkward one for 4th Game. Often we suffer from lack of players and the weather is liable to be unkind. 1987 was no exception, there being seven regular players and two matches,
both against Maritzburg College, one against their 4th and one against their 5th. Aidan Pringle (43), Andrew Price (5/20) and Craig Erasmus (3 catches) helped us to win against the 4th, College making 92 all out and our reply being 93 for 7 wickets. Later on in the quarter Andrew Price again (3/4) and Rory Atkinson (3/4) helped us to put out College 5th for 22 after we had made 130 all out. Other players were Kenneth Borland, Graham Brown and Jeremy Spencer. To make up the sides we were very glad to have the services of a number of volunteer non-cricketers, in particular Charles Macdonald (45,3/13 and 3/2) and Alan Redfern.

It is always rewarding for a coach to see players who will admit that they are not talented returning year after year to play the game because of interest and enthusiasm. In these days of growing professionalism and sponsorship long may this attitude continue.

FIFTH XI

The 5th XI (plus guests) had a jolly first quarter, getting a result at all costs. A well-judged declaration by K. Borland against College 6th XI meant victory by ten runs. Against Hilton, speedy batting with little regard to falling wickets, (we were 32 for seven at one stage) meant we just managed to lose before the heavens opened. Against College 5th XI a cheerful thump by D. Mitchell-Innes helped us to a defeat which was at least entertaining and in the return match against College 6th XI M. Hulett and A. Messenger had a field day with both bat and ball. V. Ramnath bowled consistently well without much luck and B. Garland played some bright brief innings. During the season more catches were held (including remarkable ones by P. Glavovic, B. Phillips and J. Hooper) than were dropped and R. Atkinson proved a sympathetic captain. While none of the players are quite ready for the 1st XI yet there is enough talent and enthusiasm for them to get much pleasure from the game. A most enjoyable season for the coach.

Results:

vs College 6th XI (A way)
Michaelhouse 195/8 declared (G. Brown 59, M. Hulett 29, R. Atkinson 20)
College 185 (P. Glavovic 5/43)
Won by 10 runs

vs Hilton (Away)
Hilton 133 (R. Atkinson 4/9)
Michaelhouse 53
Lost by 80 runs

vs College 5th XI (Away)

College 225/5 declared

Michaelhouse 125 (D. Mitchell-Innes 52, B. Garland 28)
Lost by 100 runs

vs College 6th XI (Home)

Michaelhouse 144 (M. Hulett 55, A. Messenger 39)
College 29 (A Messenger 7/14, M. Hulett 3/8)
Won by 115 runs

UNDER 15"A" XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.W. Cook
Captain: B. Sutherland
Scorer. C. Wadman

A brittle batting line up dogged this very willing side throughout the season. Only rarely were the Colts able to amass the runs required to put pressure on their opponents or give themselves a sporting chance. The openers, James and Sutherland, showed improvement as the season progressed but all too often a promising start was negated by a middle order collapse. There were some memorable exceptions: Harvey's knock against Alexandra in the Christmas Quarter and Sutherland's 88 in the same game were superb. James's 44 against College showed real potential and Chris Milne had some useful innings. But, as a team, there is still much work to be done on building an innings and learning when to go for runs and when to concentrate on occupying the crease.
In the bowling department there is real promise: Milne is a genuine quickie and Harvey, on his day, can bowl the unplayable ball. Good support was given by Sutherland, Edmundson, Hayward-Butt and the wily left-arm spinner Lewis. Again, the vital catch was not always held although Kimble behind the stumps caught some fine ones. Sutherland's captaincy has come on well (difficult situations are quick teachers), and the spirit, despite some indifferent results, has always been very positive.

My thanks to parents for their loyal support.

Results
Played 11
Won 1
Lost 2
Drawn 4
Rained off 4
Team:

B. Sutherland (Captain); A. James; C. Milne; P. Hayward-Butt; R. Harvey; R. Engels; S. Kimble (Vice-Captain); D. Southwood; P. Lewis; G. Edmundson;

G. Bryden.

Results (First Quarter):

31st January vs Alexandra High School (Away)
Alexandra 147 for 6 (declared)
Rained off

14th February vs Hilton College (Away)
Hilton 164 for 5
Michaelhouse batted for only 1 over. 0 for 0
Rain stopped play

21st February vs Westville High (Away)
Michaelhouse 152 for 8 (A. James 44, Southwood 26)
Westville - 79 for 5. Rain stopped play

7th March vs Maritzburg College (Home)
Michaelhouse 73
Maritzburg 74 for 5
Lost by 5 wickets

14th March vs Glenwood (Away)
Michaelhouse 102 for 7 (Harvey 26 not out)
Glenwood 132 for 8
Match drawn

Fourth Quarter

17th October vs Alexandra High (Home)
Michaelhouse 221 for 8 (Sutherland 88, Harvey 44)
Alexandra 125 for 5
Match drawn

24th October vs Maritzburg College (Away)
Michaelhouse 101 (James 43)
Maritzburg 102 for 2 (Rhodes 72 not out)
Lost by 8 wickets

14th November vs Hilton College (Home)
Michaelhouse 203 (James 79, Harvey 32, Southwood 25)
Hilton 189 for 9 (Armstrong 68)
Match drawn

CRICKET U15 XI

Back: R. Engels; G. Bryden; P. Lewis; C. Milne; G. Edmundson; A. James; J. Fleming
Front: D. Southwood; R. Harvey; B. Sutherland (Captain); Mr A. Cook; S. Kimble: P. Hayward-Butt

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21st November vs Pinetown (Away)  
Michaelhouse 138 (Harvey 53 not out)  
Pinetown 62

Michaelhouse won by 76 runs

20th November vs Amanzimtoti (Home)  
Michaelhouse 143 for 8 (Hayward-Butt 44)  
Amanzimtoti 63 for 3  
Rained off

28th November vs Beachwood (Home)  
Michaelhouse 159 for 9  
Beachwood 82 for 7  
Match drawn

14th February vs Hilton  
Michaelhouse 89 (Kruger 49*)

Hilton 58 for 4  
Match drawn - rain

21st February vs Westville

Westville 155 for 9 declared (D. Dales 5 for 34)

Michaelhouse 69  
Lost by 86 runs

7th March vs College  
College 118 (Grout 4 for 17)

Michaelhouse 65  
Lost by 53 runs

UNDER 15"B" XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr P.E. Dennyson  
Captain: P. Lindop

Team:


The weather has played a major role in ruining our whole season but our batting didn't help very much either! In the course of the year, we completed very few matches, but only against Alexandra did we really compile a sizeable total - and then Bryden batted so well that we never saw him again!
Many batsmen showed potential but couldn't produce the goods; Kruger always looked good as an opener but apart from a splendid knock against Hilton where he carried his bat, he kept losing his wicket to an early act of rashness. Butcher looked good when on the attack but had a disturbing habit of padding up to straight balls. Lindop needed strength and a good eye, rather than style, to bludgeon many valuable runs. The rest added up to very little.

Our bowling was above average - Dales D. and Randeria (when fit) and Butcher took wickets in spirited opening spells, and Grout and Fleming bowled tidily as spinners. Pitt was a most reliable wicket keeper for half the year, then proved a useful opening bowler when Randeria was injured.

Philip Lindop was a strong, sensible captain, he set a fine example at all times and showed a good cricketing brain. He did not have a strong team to govern, but handled his resources well.

The weather was undoubtedly the winner this year, but the few practices we had were always enjoyable and I know that all players tried their hardest at all times - not a successful season, but a satisfactory one.

Results:

First Quarter

31st January vs Alexandra

Michaelhouse 186 for 6 declared (Bryden 80*)

Alexandra 68 for 6 (Randeria 3 for 11)

Match drawn - rain

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Fourth Quarter

24th October vs College

College 213 for 5 declared (Butcher 3 for 26)

Michaelhouse 93

Lost by 120 runs

21st November vs Pinetown

Michaelhouse 56 (Randeria 38)
Pinetown 57 for 9 (Pitt 4 for 15, Pooke 4 for 24)

Lost by 1 wicket

28th November vs Beachwood
Beachwood 26 (Pitt 5 for 13, Butcher 4 for 13)
Michaelhouse 106 for 6 (Batted on: Pitt 53*)

Won by 7 wickets
Played 7; Won 1; Drawn 2; Lost 4.

Bowling

Randeria
Butcher
Dales D.

Grout
Fleming

U15 "C" XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.W. Aitchison
Captain: H. Vermaak

31st January vs College U15"C"

College 71 all out (G. Pooke 3/20; I. Kadodia 5/8)
Michaelhouse 72 for 9
Michaelhouse won by 1 wicket

14th February vs Hilton U15"C"

Hilton 50 all out (S. Martin 2/10; G. Pooke 3/14; T. Sokhele 3/12; H. Vermaak 1/1)

Michaelhouse 51 for 2 (D. Dollow 17*; G. Pooke 17*)
Michaelhouse won by 8 wickets

17th October vs College U15"D"

Michaelhouse 185 for 8 declared (J. Shales 65; T. Harkness 42)
College 71 all out (H. Vermaak 5/22; T. Sokhele 4/28)
Michaelhouse won by 114 runs

24th October vs College U15"C"

Michaelhouse 126 all out (S. Wimbush 26*; S. Grant 22)
College 48 all out (T. Sokhele 7/19; S. Grant 3/21)
Michaelhouse won by 78 runs
21st November vs College U15"E"

College 40 all out (T. Sokhele 5/21; H. Vermaak 3/12)
Michaelhouse 41 for 4 (H. Vermaak 21)

Michaelhouse won by 6 wickets

Analysis

Played 5, Won 5, Lost 0, Drawn 0

Team


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Notable Bowling: O M R W 4V.

| I. Kadodia | 15 | 4 | 20 | 6 | 3,33 |
| H. Vermaak | 23,2 | 4 | 54 | 10 | 5,40 |
| T. Sokhele | 30 | 13 | 71 | 13 | 5,46 |
| G. Pooke | 19 | 5 | 34 | 6 | 5,67 |

Inclement weather saw fixtures against Beachwood, Hilton, DHS and Kearsney cancelled. Consequently we only managed to play five matches in the course of the year. For all this we enjoyed our cricket greatly and our success rate could not have been better - we won all five of our games!

Once again our strength lay in an accurate pace and spin attack which made it extremely difficult for our opposition to compile a sufficiently high score to challenge or tax us, even with our limited batting skills.

Hansie Vermaak led the side most ably and enthusiastically displaying considerable penchant as a strategist. Thulani Sokheke bowled with great consistency throughout the season and proved too quick and accurate for most of our opposition. Congratulations must go to Tim Harkness who assured the role of wicket-keeper early in the season and grew enormously in confidence and competence.

To all, who played the game with extreme commitment, spirit and a level of enthusiasm that often outstripped
skill, well done! God bless. All the best for your cricketing future.

UNDER 14”A” CRICKET

Masters-in-Charge: Mr M.E. Thompson (1st Quarter), Mr D.B. Cumming (4th Quarter)

Captain: R.M. Armitage

A difficult year due to the almost continual rain, resulting in most practices being cancelled and matches being interrupted or cancelled. Nevertheless, the side, under the quiet, but capable captaincy of Armitage, developed into one to be reckoned with.

Several of the players - Armitage, Thomas, McCall and Marshall-Smith - have the makings of fine all-rounders.

The batting of the team - with three left handers - is probably the strongest feature of the team. Even under some very poor batting conditions the team was able to set their opponents difficult targets.

While there are a lot of bowlers in the team, with a wrist spinner being the only variation not offered, a genuine match winner able to take four or five wickets a game, has not emerged yet.

The fielding of the side could always be relied on. The ground fielding was good and enthusiastic. While a few easy catches were missed, some very good and difficult catches were taken. The throwing in to the wicket-keeper was erratic and this will improve with practice.

Results
First Quarter
31st January vs Alexandra
Michaelhouse 131/7 declared (Marshall-Smith 32, McCall 24)
Alexandra 82/6 (Thomas 2/9)
Rain stopped play-match drawn
14th February vs Hilton
Michaelhouse 127/6 (Armitage 44)
Rain stopped play-match drawn
21st February vs Westville
Michaelhouse 117 all out (Crutchley 27)

Westville 119/2
Lost by 8 wickets

7th March vs College

Michaelhouse 159/7 declared (Armitage 62, McCall 35)
College 101/6 (Gettliffe 2/13)

Rain stopped play-match drawn

14th March i/s Glenwood

Michaelhouse 262/5 (Thomas 148, Armitage 65)
Glenwood 151 (Armitage 4/31, Gettliffe 3/35)

Won by 112 runs

Fourth Quarter

24th October vs College

College 103 (Gettliffe 5/21, McCall 3/0)
Michaelhouse 105/5 (Armitage 38, Chadwick 22*)

Won by 5 wickets

14th November vs Hilton
Hilton 158 (Gettliffe 5/52)

Michaelhouse 142/6 (Marshall-Smith 66*)
Match drawn

21st November vs Pinetown
Michaelhouse 120 all out (Thomas 44, McCall 32)
Pinetown 100 all out (Armitage 6/19)
Won by 20 runs

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28th November vs Beachwood
Beachwood 100 (McCall 3/19, Fellowes 2/12)
Michaelhouse 103/6 (Denoon-Stevens 22*, Marshall-Smith 21)

Won by 4 wickets

Played 9, Won 4, Lost 1, Drew 4

Team:

Notable Batting

INNS N.O. H.S. TOTAL AV.
Thomas 8 0 148 257 31,9
Armitage 9 0 65 259 28,8
Marshall-Smith 9 3 66* 164 27,3
McCall 9 1 35 169 21,7

Notable Bowling

O M R W AV.
Gettliffe 100 35 217 16 13,6
Armitage 70 20 157 14 11,2
McCall 33 9 118 11 10,7
Thomas 33 10 85 8 10,6

UNDER 14"B" XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr B.R. Naidu
Captains: N. Denoon-Stevens, T. Clark

Results:

First Quarter:

24th January vs Alexandra
Michaelhouse 160/8 declared (Erasmus 31, Lewis 22, Denoon-Stevens 20, Slaughter 16*)
Alexandra 46 all out (Lewis 5/8, Mullin 2/4, Denoon-Stevens 2/7)
Michaelhouse won by 134 runs

7th February vs Beachwood
Beachwood 190 all out (Yeowart 3/28, Mullin 2/26)
Michaelhouse 117 all out (Porrill 47)

Beachwood won by 83 runs

14th February vs Hilton
Hilton 62 all out (Buckley 3/5, Roberts 2/5)
Michaelhouse 64/4 (Denoon-Stevens 15, Buckley 10)
Michaelhouse won by 6 wickets

21st February vs Westville
Michaelhouse 78 all out (Clark 18, Fallet 22*)
Westville 71 all out (Yeowart 6/6)
Michaelhouse won by 7 runs

7th March vs College
Michaelhouse 160/9 declared (Buckley 56", 22, Mullin 15*)
College 156/6 (Denoon-Stevens 2/35)
Match drawn

Fellowes
Fourth Quarter

17th October vs Alexandra
Michaelhouse 271/6 declared (Crutchley 77, Buckley 80*, Erasmus 53, Fallet 30)
Alexandra 23 all out (Roberts 7/14, Fellowes 3/8)
Michaelhouse won by 248 runs

24th October vs College
Michaelhouse 151 all out (Clark 25, Porrill 27)
College 154/8 (Mullin 4/37)
College won by 2 wickets

14th November vs Hilton
Hilton 81 all out (Fellowes 5/25, Roberts 4/43)
Michaelhouse 83/4 (Porrill 30, Buckley 11 *)
Michaelhouse won by 6 wickets

21st November vs Pinetown
Pinetown 93 all out (Crutchley 7/30, Roberts 2/27)
Michaelhouse 94/1 batted on 311/8 (Mullin 59, Buckley 48*, Slaughter 46, Crutchley 44)
Michaelhouse won by 9 wickets

Team:


Notable Batting:

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Greg Buckley
Cricket average 102,00

Report:

This has been a good season for this side. The boys displayed great team spirit and talent. They batted, bowled and fielded extremely well.

Perhaps their greatest quality was that they did not give in at all. This was especially borne out in the Westville
game on 21st February. Westville were 69/4, needing 79 to win when Alan Yeowart took a double hat-trick and Westville were 71 all out! Craig Fellowes also achieved a hat-trick against Hilton. The bowling strength did not end there. Ryan Roberts took 7/14 against Alexandra after giving away 13 runs in his first over! No wonder then, that all the boys did not get a chance to bat or bowl in many matches!

The batting too was very good and Greg Buckley's average of 102,5 runs must rank among the highest in the school. Other useful contributions came from Andrew Crutchley, Christopher Mullen, Stuart Porrill and Jonathan Erasmus.

Tomas Clark proved himself to be a very good captain who displayed wonderful characteristics of understanding and sympathy. He also proved to be a very good fielder and a useful batsman.

This has been a strong, well-motivated side and all of them ought to do well in the under 15 and open divisions in the future.

UNDER 14"C" XI

Master-in-Charge: Mr K. Fairweather
Captain: M. Clucas

Unfortunately rain once again disrupted both matches and practices this season. This, however, did not dampen the Under 14"C" team's spirit and enthusiasm to get out "into the middle" whenever they could. There is plenty of exciting talent in this team, indicating the tremendous depth in our Bunnies age-group. The future of cricket at Michaelhouse looks very good indeed!

The team as a whole improved as the season progressed. We watched Natal play EP in a 55-over Nissan Shield fixture at Kingsmead, when one of our Saturday matches was cancelled due to rain. They, therefore, had the opportunity of seeing a high standard of fielding, batting and bowling from these provincial players, viz. holding all catches, good throw-ins, batting with a straight bat, watching the ball, keeping one's head still, and bowling a good line and length. (They also came to their own conclusions why Natal lost this particular match!)

Congratulations to all these young cricketers for their efforts, determination and dedication. I hope that they continue thus and enjoy their cricket in the future.

Played 8, Won 5, Drew 1, Lost 2.
Results

First Quarter:

31st January vs College U13"C"
Michaelhouse 108/7 declared (Elworthy 24)
College 58 all out (Elworthy 2/7)
Michaelhouse won by 3 wickets

14th February vs Hilton U14"D"
Hilton 50 all out (Pearse 4/19)
Michaelhouse 71/6 (Baker 26)
Michaelhouse won by 4 wickets

21st February vs Westville U14"C"
Michaelhouse 100/3 declared (Pearse 42)
Westville 97 all out (Pearse 4/12, Clucas 3/27)
Michaelhouse won by 3 runs

7th March vs College U14"C"
College 168 all out (Clucas 5/23)
Michaelhouse 88/7 (Slaughter 15)
Draw

Fourth Quarter:

17th October vs College U14"D"
Michaelhouse 144 all out (Kirk 38)
College 40 all out (Harkess 5/5, Gilson 3/11)
Michaelhouse won by 104 runs

24th October vs College U14"C"
Michaelhouse 106 all out (Smart 22)
College 110/1
College won by 9 wickets

14th November vs Hilton U14"D"
Hilton 59 all out (Templeton 3/7)
Michaelhouse 60/5
Michaelhouse won by 5 wickets
18th November vs Howick U14“A"
Michaelhouse 96/9 declared (Ferreira 28)
Howick 97/8 (Ferreira 5/31, Gilson 2/16)
Howick won by 2 wickets

Team:

A. Elworthy, M. Clucas, B. Fallet, L. Ferreira, J. Pearse,

UNDER 13“A”

Master-in-Charge: Mr B.C. Reynolds
Captain: Lloyd Ferreira

Given the nucleus of some experienced players, and adding natural termitian enthusiasm, we had the recipe for a successful season and a side that had all the potential to grow steadily. The side gained both experience and camaraderie and benefitted considerably from the regular coaching (when rain permitted!) of Paul Atkins and Les Fuhri.

While the side won the majority of their matches, they were, on a couple of occasions, guilty of allowing winning opportunities to slip through their fingers. Batting performances sometimes lacked the necessary commitment and we were, at times, too casual in our fielding, and missed vital catches or stumpings. Nonetheless, we learnt and improved with each game and ended with a pleasing record and a rewarding season under our belts.

Lloyd Ferreira, as the captain, had a very fine season and always gave 110 per cent. In the fourth term, his bowling was more consistent and he was moving the ball more effectively in the air and off the track. He also
had some notable batting performances. Loren Naidu matured pleasingly as both a batsman and bowler in the latter half of the season and his performances against Pinetown and Hilton were particularly impressive. Nolan Pienaar, with his awesome in-swingers, took some useful wickets, ably assisted on occasions by Warren Thor- sen. Jonathan Matthews and Andrew McPherson also made useful contributions, and, provided they can settle down and work with greater commitment at their game, they will do very well in the future. Other players such as Dwight Thompson, Brian Munro, and Gary Stroebel worked enthusiastically at their games and were showing marked improvement by the end of the season.

I am often called upon to justify the existence of a Ter- mite group, but after each season it’s easy. It’s the confidence that develops, the experience gained, the team spirit and the friendships that make it all so worthwhile. The group also owes much to the cheerful contribution of less cricket-orientated members and the willingness with which they muck in, particularly with the scoring. Thanks chaps for a fun season!

Results:

First Quarter:

vs Cowan House

Cowan House 59/6 in 30 overs (Matthews 3/9)
Michaelhouse 64/6 in 19 overs (Ferreira 29*)

Won by 4 wickets

vs Alexandra

Michaelhouse 175/2 declared (McPherson 86, Ferreira 76*)
Alexandra 68/2
Rain stopped play-draw

vs Hilton

Michaelhouse 68 all out (Ferreira 25)
Hilton 58/9 (Ferreira 5/28, Matthews 3/15)

Rain stopped play-draw

vs Cordwalles
Cordwalles 184/5
Michaelhouse 90/4 (Matthews 35*, Ferreira 29)
Drawn

vs Highbury
Highbury 127/3 in 25 overs
Michaelhouse 129/3 in 24.3 overs (McPherson 54, Ferreira 45)
Won by 7 wickets

vs Westville
Westville 74 all out (Naidu 4/17, Matthews 3/41)
Michaelhouse 80/2 (Ferreira 45*)
Won by 8 wickets

vs Clifton Durban
Clifton Durban 211/3
Michaelhouse 120/6 (Ferreira 45*)
Drawn

vs College "A"
College 98/4 in 25 overs
Michaelhouse 33 all out
Lost by 65 runs

vs Glenwood
Glenwood 135/7 (Yeowart 3/27)
Michaelhouse 110/6 (Ferreira 32*, McPherson 29)
Drawn

Fourth Quarter:
17th October vs Alexandra
Alexandra 57 all out (Matthews 4/18)
Michaelhouse 59/4 (McPherson 24*)
Won by 6 wickets

24th October vs College "B"
College 140 all out (Pienaar 3/28)
Michaelhouse 31 all out
Lost by 109 runs

14th November vs Hilton
Michaelhouse 78 all out
Hilton 79/9 (Ferreira 6/29)

Lost by 1 wicket

21st November vs Pinetown

Pinetown 49 all out (Matthews 3/21, Naidu 4/15)

Michaelhouse 69 all out

Pinetown 2nd innings 66/8 (Naidu 3/20)

Won on 1st innings

Played 13, Won 5, Lost 3, Drew 5.

Team:

L.D. Ferreira (Captain), A. McPherson (Vice-Captain),
J. Matthews, A. Warren, N. Pienaar, B. Briedenhann, L.
Naidu, W. Thorsen, B. Munro, D. Thompson, B. Silver,
E. Cottrell, J. Friend, G. Stroebel, G. Sherriff

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CROSS COUNTRY

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.N. Winckworth
Honours: T. Cradock

This year, for the first time since Cross Country has been a full sport option in winter, we had a runner of real quality-in Tim Cradock. He had a very successful season and was beaten only once in local league runs during the whole season. In the Natal Junior League meetings the opposition was stiff and he was usually placed in the top four, securing his place in the Natal under 17 team. Unfortunately, although there were some quite keen runners - particularly among the seniors - we lacked the depth to challenge the top school teams and came 5th in the senior league. In the junior league we
were not always able to enter a full team and thus failed

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to score on a number of occasions, coming 9th in the end. There were 14 schools - boys or coed. - against whom we competed and a further five girls schools competing in the Pietermaritzburg and District league this year.

The Interhouse competition, held in the Michaelmas quarter as usual, was a very close event - eventually won by Pascoe - again - from Baines by the narrowest of margins - one point. Unfortunately, because of heavy rain the course normally used was ruled out as being too dangerous and so the course was changed for the day to two or three laps of the school estate. This did make for better spectator appeal, but the course was no longer really cross country as it was run mostly on roads. The senior individual champion was Tim Cradock (P) and the junior Roger Armitage (Fa). The senior competition was won by Pascoe (47) with Baines second (107) and the junior competition by Baines (73) with Pascoe second (132). Thus Pascoe won with 179 points to Baines 180. Farfield was third on 214 points.

S.N.W.

GOLF

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.J. Rogers

Golf is taken as an "additional sport" on Monday afternoons in the first and fourth quarters. We entered teams in the Estcourt Inter-Schools competition at Boschhoek, the Inter-Schools Championships at Maritzburg Country Club, and another Schools' day at Mooi River Country Club. At both Boschhoek and Mooi River we had boys placed in the top six in their various groups, but the competition was too stiff at Maritzburg, as a number of schools offer golf as a full-time sport.

Notable performances: C. Roll - 3rd Natal Schools stroke play championships, quarter finals Natal Schools' match play championships, 3rd Lower South Coast Championships. R. Butcher - Inter Schools' competition at Mooi River 2nd (C Div), M. Pitt - 3rd (C Div), P. Hall - 1st (B Div).

GYMNASTICS

Coach: Mr Paterson
Captain: Tony Wadley

The gym club ran very smoothly this year. In the first term, the members worked well on their individual sequences. For the first time in ages, we had people work-
ing on the pommel horse. This just shows that they had reached a sufficient standard in all the other areas, that they were able to branch out further. During the first term, M.H.S. was lucky enough to have two students from Stellenbosch come and stay with us. These two students had a wealth of knowledge of gym to offer us, and really improved our high bar routines. We greatly appreciate all they taught us.

In the final quarter of the year, it was yet again Inter-House gym time. A great deal of hard work was put into

GYM TEAM

Back Row: B. Cele; B. Ryan; T. Phillips; J. Sabatta; B. Price; R. McNaught-Davis
Front Row: T. Stevens; G. Raife; M. Price; T. Wadley; W. Price; A. Noyce

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the competition this year, and the result was that the standard on the day was extremely high. East House won the overall competition closely followed by Founders, then West. The Discobolus (senior side) was won by Founders with 113.75 points, then West with 112.25 followed by East with 110.25 points. The best juniors were B. Price, B. Cele and G. Buckley. The John Poynton trophy for the best individual gymnast was awarded to Tony Wadley.

On a whole, gymnastics had a very fruitful year. If it were not for our Speech-Day gym display being washed out, I would say that it was the best year I've ever experienced. It is always a let down when you train hard for something, and it is cancelled. This happened with our display. The team really trained hard and productively for about three weeks for the display which was stopped due to rain. In future we are going to hold it in the gym.

KESTRELS OVERSEAS HOCKEY TOUR 1987

The second Kestrels Hockey team, a combined Michaelhouse-St Stithian's squad, toured the UK and Belgium in March/April 1987. A great deal of organization and preparation is required for such a tour, so special thanks are extended to all parents, Old Boys and sponsors who contributed so much towards making the tour a viable proposition.

The team assembled in Johannesburg on Wednesday 18th March, but the inclement weather made it impossible for us to practice before our departure the next evening! We arrived at Heathrow in the early hours of the morning of the 20th March, and having collected our two hired vehicles we set off for the home of Ken and Jennifer Marsden in Abingdon, who had kindly agreed to arrange our accommodation for the first leg of the tour.

We were able to practice on the Radley all-weather pitch that afternoon and next morning played a friendly match at the Dragon School. A friendly game, in pouring rain, against our old friends Felsted, which we played at Radley, gave us a further opportunity to run players and to try to sort out our team.

Then it was time for the Oxford Public Schools Festival, to which we were once again very kindly invited by our Felsted hosts and organizers of the Festival, John Co-clett and Tony Beulah. Problems with our hired vehicles meant that two of our early matches had to be played with make-shift teams, which was not a good way to start the tour! Although we lost a number of these games, the team was beginning to knit together well, but
it was clear that a striker was needed to take advantage of the many chances that did come our way. Sadly, this problem remained with us throughout the tour. Despite losing by the odd goal to Gordonstoun, on time, and St Georges College from Vancouver, after we had missed a penalty stroke and then obstructed as the ball was moving into an open goal, these matches on the final day of the festival produced some excellent hockey.

Then it was on to Stowe, to renew our friendships there. How well we were entertained, though the lads legs were weary and we had to settle for a goalless draw against them. A couple of days relaxing and sightseeing in London came just at the right moment for all of us.

From London we headed south, played superbly against Caterham and Whitgift, were comprehensively thrashed by Canford, under the captaincy of Andrew Ovendale (1985 Kestrels Captain), and a Taunton Invitation XI, which contained a number of Young England players, and then headed northwards for a few days break in the Lake District, where sightseeing tours were organized to the Lakes, the Viking Museum in York and to Blackpool! Wherever we went we were royally entertained by our hosts, but what was quite evident, as far as 'the hockey was concerned, was that our players lacked the necessary skills required on synthetic surfaces. In-

Kestrels vs Stowe
deed, we only lost two of the seven matches we played on grass! South African hockey pitches are a long way behind those of our overseas counterparts.

Before heading for Belgium, via London, we renewed acquaintances with our Cheltenham friends, going down 3-5 in an exciting match against an invitation team, after we had come back from a 0-4 deficit to trail by the odd goal in the second half. We also spent a day touring Bath, another fascinating town, while some members of the touring party managed to fit a quick tour of Stratford into their schedule as well!

Across the Channel by Jetfoil to Belgium, where we were met by our host Thierry van der Haaghe. Our weekend visit took in a hockey festival during which we played some of our best hockey of the tour, recording two fine victories and drawing our other match. The festival was followed by a formal dinner, which was a great success and saw the establishment of a number of good friendships. We were sad to say farewell to our Belgian hosts next morning, the village of Edegem providing us with many fond memories.

A bus tour of Antwerp was followed by a guided tour (on foot) of the beautiful city of Bruges, where we were spending the final night of the tour. Bruges is filled with many places of historical interest, from the Market Place, to the Gothic style Town Hall, to the Basilica of the Holy Blood (dating back to the 12th Century), to the Church of Our Lady in which can be found the Miche-langelo masterpiece, "Our Lady and the Infant".

Last minute shopping, mostly for Belgian chocolate, was followed by an end of tour team dinner in Bruges. Back to the Youth Hostel, for the end of tour awards and final thank you speeches - always a sad occasion as it marks the end of a tour of a lifetime!

Back to the UK the next day and then off to Heathrow and an evening flight to Jan Smuts, where we landed next day. A few Customs problems and an hour later the Kestrels had dispersed and another memorable tour was over!

Our thanks to Mr Huggett, who organized so much of the tour itinerary, and to Mr Wilson, the tour umpire, from St Stithian’s for helping us to make this tour possible. The spirit in the team was always good and many new friendships have certainly been made. Hopefully, another tour will be organised in 1989.

Results:
vs M. Marsden's XI won 6-0
vs Felsted lost 0-2
Oxford Festival: vs Kingswood (with only eight players!) lost 2-3
vs Strathallan won 5-3
vs Wellington lost 0-3
vs Charterhouse (with only eight players!) lost 1-2
vs Gordonstoun lost 0-1
vs St Georges lost 0-1
vs Stowe draw 0-0
vs Caterham won 4-2
vs Whitgift draw 1-1
vs Canford lost 0-5
vs Taunton Invitation XI lost 0-8
vs Cheltenham Invitation XI lost 3-5
Belgium:
vs Royal Beerschot Hockey Club won 6-0
vs Herakles Club draw 1-1
vs Temse won 6-0
Played Won Drawn Lost Goals For Goals Against
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Whitgift
Team talk
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Hockey at Michaelhouse is in a very healthy position, with our numbers remaining much the same (about 108) for the past few seasons. Mr Fairweather’s untiring efforts ensured that there were more fixtures available for the lower sides and this is as good a time as any to thank him for his enthusiasm and dedication towards Michaelhouse hockey during his first season with us. He will be taking over the running of hockey in 1988 and will continue to follow the traditional Michaelhouse approach of producing sportsmen to whom the game is more important than the results - an increasingly difficult challenge in this very competitive age of professionalism.

The hockey noticeboard has carried newspaper reports of the progress of Old Boys. We trotted down to Pietermaritzburg to watch Leith Stewart (Captain) and Giles Bonnet representing South Africa against the touring side from overseas; we heard positive comments on the continued progress at Under 21 and full Provincial level of recent OM’s, Greg Ferrans, Roger Hickman, Shaun Barendsen; while others such as Brynn Furmidge, John Boult, Boris Teversham, Neil Evans, Tom Otter, Peter Dry and David Hall have all gained Provincial Under 21 colours. We congratulate them all!

Nine Michaelhouse players accompanied seven St Stithians players and three staff on the second Kestrels overseas tour in March, this time matches being played in both the UK and Belgium. The quality of hockey in these centres is very high, with most of the UK Public Schools which we visited now playing their hockey on Astroturf, which converts to 12 tennis courts in the off season. One wonders how long it must be before South Africa follows suit. Knights would be a superb venue for such a pitch! Plans are already under way for the 1989 Kestrels tour, such was the warm response we received from our opponents and the requests to return. Without any shadow of doubt, such a tour brings treasured memories for those fortunate enough to be selected.

The 2nd, 3rd and Colts XI’s undertook very short, but worthwhile tours to the Orange Free State and Transvaal respectively and it was a great pleasure for us to host St Alban’s later in the season. My thanks to Messrs Tarr, Neal and Fairweather for organizing these trips and for ensuring that the standard of behaviour was as high as we have come to expect from our touring am-
bassadors. Perhaps this is also a good time to pay tribute to Bryan Tarr, lured back into the world of commerce, for his enormous contribution to Michaelhouse hockey at 2nd XI and Bunnies levels over a couple of seasons. He will be greatly missed, "vellies" and all!

Mr Fairweather also undertook the organization of the Bunnies hockey and thanks are extended to him for a job well done. Hopefully, Mr Lewis will take up the reins of Bunnies hockey in 1988, for he has both the contacts and the valuable experience which ensures the successful running of this age group. The Junior House matches this year revealed just how much hockey talent there is amongst the Colts and Bunnies players, with most matches ending in nailbiting finishes. Of more importance to the coaches though was the quality of hockey played - there was much more passing, running off the ball and teamwork than we have seen in recent years. Tatham were worthy victors, easing out a spirited Farfield side in the final.

The highly talented Farfield Senior side ran out worthy winners in the Senior final, defeating a plucky West team which had done well to make it to the finals. Mention here should be made of the outstanding leadership of Derek Redfern in the West line up. However, Farfield were well "Marshalled" and spread the ball around most effectively.

The Nomad Wanderers drifted in once more for the annual match against the 1st XI. Still smarting from their defeat in 1987 they flew players in from around the country - such a wealth of experience ensured a 2-1 victory for the visitors, but full credit to the 1st XI for putting up a very fine performance. The Wanderers may lack the speed, but they certainly provide the boys with a very good lesson in the art of being in position to receive passes and letting the ball do the work. It would be worthwhile if we could encourage greater communication between our lads and the visitors after the match, as so many tips could be passed on from our more experienced opponents. Thanks again to the Wanderers for
visiting us and for an enjoyable weekend.

So another season has come and gone and it's time to thank all coaches and other staff for their immense contribution to Michaelhouse hockey. We have been blessed with a pool of very experienced coaches which has made the running of hockey a relatively easy job. Once again, our thanks to Mr Morgan, the Estate Manager and his groundstaff; Mr Van der Meulen and the catering staff; Mr Ram and the school drivers; Mrs Roll, who puts up with the bus booking errors; Mr Naidu and the Audiovisual Department and the Sanatorium Sisters - a sport at Michaelhouse would be impossible to run without the co-operation and support of all of the above mentioned. Sincere thanks to each and every one of them.

There are exciting plans for hockey in the pipe-line, but these developments will have to take up the 1988 season's report! The biennial Easter Festival hosted by Michaelhouse will mark the beginning of the new season. Best wishes to all our leavers - thanks to all players for another thoroughly enjoyable season.

1ST XI

Coach: Mr R.B. Cox
Captain: D.R. Redfern
Vice-Captain: P.S. Dingley
Secretary: L.H. Marshall

Selections:
Natal Schools A: D.R. Redfern
Natal Schools B: C.G. Grobler, W.H. Marshall
Pietermaritzburg Schools B: P.S. Dingley, M.R. Hall, J. Rowe

Honours:

Colours:
P.S. Dingley, P.W. Lambert, A.J. Price, J.D.W. Quin,
C. Yorke-Smith, Alan Butcher Hockey Stick (most improved player in his first season in First Game)

A.J. Price

Teams:
After three very successful years, 1987 was regarded as a rebuilding year, yet this relatively young and inexperienced side surpassed expectations, for which much credit must be given to the quiet, yet firm captaincy of Derek Redfern who was also time and again the stalwart of the team's defence.

However, as can be seen from the results below, the team failed to get its act together in some of the needle matches, although their performance against a strong St Alban's touring team was one of the highlights of the season. Our penalty corners were too inconsistent and cost us dearly. In the first College match we had more short corners than they did, yet they converted two of their four, while we failed to get a shot at goal! In the second and third Hilton matches we also wasted numerous short corners. In the final Hilton match, for example, we had five short corners to our opponents nil, yet only managed to convert one of them, while our opponents capitalised on two defensive blunders and fully de-

HOCKEY 1ST XI

Back: A. Price; C. Yorke-Smith; P. Lambert; J. Quin; R. Andrews; J. Rowe; L. Marshall
Front: C. Grobler; W. Marshall; D. Redfern (Captain); Mr R. Cox; P. Dingley; M. Hall

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served their 2-1 victory. A lack of self-discipline and thus a failure to follow a game plan also cost us dearly in these needle games. Failure to anticipate passes and a lack of vision meant that too often passes went astray and the man with the ball had no support. And then, when we did have our opponents with their backs to the wall, we failed to hammer home our advantage.

Playing the 3:3:3:1 system requires players who are fit and, sadly, our links and a couple of forwards were never 100 per cent fit, which meant that this young side was never able to fulfil its potential. 1st XI Hockey today requires very good basics and a greater commitment and dedication than some of this year’s team were prepared to give. Hopefully, some lessons have been learnt!

There was, nevertheless, a very happy spirit in the side. Some fine goals were scored and many patches of brilliant hockey were produced. When we used the strength of our team, namely the wings, few sides got the better of us, though we were at times guilty of not switching play enough. But this team, despite the above criticisms, was a pleasure to be associated with and seldom did they earn the wrath of umpires for ungentlemanly conduct - that is to their credit!

Keith Fairweather will have a very talented nucleus of players to draw from when he takes over the 1st XI in 1988. All that remains is to wish him and the players successful goal hunting and many successful years of playing this wonderful team sport!

1987 will be remembered as a happy year, but there will be many of those “If only...” memories.

The following represented the 1st XI (number of appearances in brackets):

J. Quin (17):

James was a very fine team man who gave of his best and had some fine matches. However, he needed to work a lot harder at his fitness and control of the circle. Inconsistent performances spoilt what could have been a very fine season indeed, although he has certainly matured a great deal in the goals throughout the season.

D. Redfern (17):

As a sweeper Derek was a tower of strength in this side, with the occasional penetrative runs from the back often proving to be very productive. Still needs to develop
sound basics and greater vision, but is an exciting player with the right attitude and with plenty of potential. Also a very versatile player. Worked hard at the captaincy and gained the respect of the team through his quiet, yet disciplined approach. Has the ability to go far next year.

C. Grobler (14):

Developed into a very forceful right-half with the ability to read a game. Cover defence was one of his real strengths, while tackling, too, improved immensely. Injuries in the latter half of the season restricted Clinton's progress, and he still needs to work at not telegraphing passes. A very good season. 1 goal.

P. Lambert (16):

If Peter is ever totally fit he will be a very fine player indeed! Temperament is quite outstanding and his ability to break down an attack and clear well under pressure are the hallmarks of a potentially exciting player. He has a hard, crisp hit and distributes well. But, without greater commitment towards his fitness training, so much potential might never be realised - yet 1988 could be a memorable year for him!

A. Price (17):

After a hesitant start, Andrew grew in self-confidence and developed into one of the top left-halves in Natal. He has very fine basics, distributes well (though still needs to work at this aspect of his game), has a good tackle and is very well-disciplined. No right wings had the better of him throughout the season. He, too, could do very well in 1988, but he must develop his fitness and skills even more!

R. Andrews (11):

A tireless worker whose skills never really developed during the season, mainly because Ric didn't have sufficient time to work at them. He needs to work at his tackling skills, dribbling and distribution and must not be afraid to use his pace to penetrate into the circle, for he has a lethal shot at goal. 1 goal.

H. Jones (6):

"Hack" has outstanding skills when going forward, but needs to anticipate passes and to "link" more with the players around him. Lacked self-discipline and fitness to perform the defensive requirements throughout a match. Much untapped potential, but there are no short cuts to the top. 1 goal.
P. Dingley (17):

A very good team man, who always gave of his best and struck some very fine short corners, even if a little inconsistently. However, Paul failed to master the basic stopping and dribbling skills and was too prone to destructive tackling, rather than working at breaking down attacks and coming away with the ball. Potentially a very fine distributor of the ball, but temperament affected his play and this naturally affected our midfield control on a number of occasions. Made many very positive contributions in team selection meetings and was a good deputy. 10 goals.

M. Hall (17):

Mike was also a very fine team man who always gave of his best, but he needed to work harder at fitness and laying off of the ball. Basics have improved, but now he needs the confidence to vary play, draw the defence, switch play at the right moment, pass back etc. Defensive work was sound, but greater self-discipline was still required in some matches. A good season, overall. 1 goal.

W. Marshall (17):

Warwick was one of the most skilful players in the team, who started the season in spectacular fashion, but peaked too early, mainly due to ignoring advice not to overtrain! Still needs to drive harder as soon as he receives the ball; to vary his pace; to learn to lay off the ball...
at just the right moment and to provide a second wave of attack when a colleague has the ball. Has the ability to do well in this sport, but technique, superior skills and greater vision are now required. A fine stopper of the short corner push out. 4 goals.

C. Yorke-Smith (14):

Christi’s movement into space is one of the strengths of his game, but his basic skills under pressure, shooting at goal and turning the half-chance into a goal have not improved as much as they should have. Holding the ball at the end of the stick and driving at the goal is a skill that needs so much more practice if he wishes to develop his undoubted potential. With younger, more skilful and equally determined players challenging, Christi will have to improve his all round play and his level of fitness if he wishes to hold his place in the team in 1988. A Centre Striker’s job is to score goals! 6 goals.

J. Howe (11):

An immensely talented left-wing, almost unstoppable on occasions, Jonny could have done even better had he worked at his fitness more. Skills are developing, but he needs to be less selfish with the ball and to get in a short at goal earlier. A player who could either go a long way next year or end up as a competent 2nd XI player— I hope his choice will be the former. 3 goals.

L. Marshall (7):

Lloyd has probably emerged as one of the brightest prospects for 1988. A lack of self-confidence, competent skills and a touch of selfishness limited his progress early on, but in the latter half of the season he really blossomed, worked hard in defence, was dangerous going forward, had improved skills and revealed the dedication and commitment of a player who is hungry for success. As long as he heeds advice and works as a team man, bouncing back when things aren't going his way, 1988 could be an exciting year for him. 2 goals.

Also played: C. Leishman (3); C. Gauntlett (3) 1 goal;

B. Liddle (1).

Results:

Hilton Festival:
vs Northern Natal
vs DHS
vs Kloof
goals

Played Won Draw Lost For Against
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2ND XI

Coach: Mr B.S. Tarr
Captain: C.R.H. Leishman

The 2nd XI enjoyed another fine season, remaining unbeaten until the last exciting match against Hilton which was lost 3-4.

The season began with a tour to Kimberley, Springs, Pretoria and Johannesburg where we were hosted by Kimberley Boys High 1st XI (Won 4-0), St Alban's 2nd XI (Won 4-2), Springs Boys High 1st XI (Won 4-0), St Johns 2nd XI (Drew 1-1) and Northcliffe High 2nd XI (Won 5-1). Our thanks to all our hosts for looking after us so well.

At the Michaelhouse 2nd XI Festival, attended by teams from all over Natal, many of them 1st XI's, we played five and won five. The festival provides a feast of hockey for teams as far apart as Port Shepstone, Dundee and Eshowe, as well as some local 2nd XI's, and is a significant contribution of Michaelhouse to promoting hockey outside the Maritzburg and Durban areas.

Our matches against College were all keenly contested and provided hockey of a fine standard. Witness to the standard of play of the 2nd XI this year was their ability to switch systems at will, ending up playing 3:3:3:1. Play was crisp and fast, and stick-work well developed. A number of the team played some matches for the 1st XI where there was plenty of competition for places.
The final match of the year against Hilton was a spectacle of fine hockey with the result in doubt to the final whistle. Perhaps a draw would have been a fairer reflection of the fortunes of the two teams, but our congrats to Hilton for netting a goal more than we did.

Charles Leishman captained the side quietly but effectively, and Doug Simmons in goal made great strides during the year gaining greatly in confidence. Others who played regularly for the side were Barry Reitz (striker), Craig Erasmus (link), Bruce Liddle (link), Alan Redfern (striker), Bongani Phakathi (link and striker), Warwick Rebeck (back), Simon Carter (link), Clive Gauntlett (Vice-Captain and striker), Hal Jones (link). Jonny Rowe played mostly in the 1st XI as left wing, but also played a few games for the 2nd's at the season's end.

Many thanks to Mr Bryan Tarr for an active and successful season of most enjoyable hockey. The 2nd's will miss his enthusiasm and skill as coach in future seasons.

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won 2-0
won 1-0
won 2-1
draw 0-0
won 3-1
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lost 1-2
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2ND XI HOCKEY

Back: A. Redfern; B. Reitz; D. Simmons; W. Rebeck; B. Liddle; C. Erasmus
Front: B. Phakathi; H. Jones; C. Leishman (Captain); C. Gauntlett; S. Carter

3RD XI

Coach: Mr M. Neal
Captain: P. Viljoen

The season started with a short tour which included a very successful clinic in Welkom and three games in Johannesburg. Of these we won two and lost one. This trip was worthwhile and especially useful to the younger, less experienced players.

Although there were only a few stalwarts from the previous year, the team acquitted itself well during the rest of the season. Despite the problems encountered as a result of promotions and injuries, the boys produced some very constructive hockey at times. In the game against our major opposition there was only a goal difference in any of the results, winning and losing against College and losing twice and drawing once against Hilton.

The team also had a successful day when they played in the Michaelhouse 2nd XI Tournament and won all their games.


Goals Goals

Played Won Lost Drawn For Against
11 6 4 1 26 17

4TH XI

Coach: Mr J.D. Pickstone
Captain: K. Borland

Somewhere in the list of names below is the core of 4th team players. This year's team was a balanced one in most other respects. With five matches drawn during the season we must be ranked amongst the most polite players in the world! The true potential of the team was only displayed for really important games against the
3rd's, some of which we won! Ken Borland captained the side, providing solid defence. S. McCormack, A. Noyce, M. Versfeld and G. Duane worked hard at the half back positions. Impressive stick-work was shown by A. Blore, S. Melville and N. Pickard up front. J. Wallis, N. Braun and M. Dunstan played either on the wing or at the back. R. Findlay was probably the most improved player each game we played. James Smart was the looming shadow in goal.

It is quite untrue that the 4th's used more than 12 men (including the umpire) in any game against the 3rd's! An enjoyable and happy season!


Goals

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

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5TH XI

Coach: Mr P.E. Dennyson
Captain: R. Irons

Yet again this band of warriors marched away to a string of victories, the record being ruined only once, on the playing fields of Alex, where a lively Under 14 side took their chances then held us at bay to gain a worthy victory. For the rest of the season we had things much our own way; we played our best hockey against College and recorded two convincing victories; we tired as the season came to a slow end and almost lost to a Hilton side that we had defeated convincingly on our two previous meetings.

East-West peace initiatives were strongly in evidence in our forward line, with Mostert rushing around the defence to centre for Irons, Reynolds and Hall to hammer it home: Reynolds in particular scored some splendid goals.

Robbie Irons was a quiet, efficient captain; he was easily our most skilful player and scored many fine, individualistic goals. We were both happy and fortunate to have his services for the whole of the season.

Only six goals against us in nine matches shows the strength of our defence. Cathcart filled his goal and was most reluctant to let anything past him; Meyer has controlled our last line for years now and was most reliable, as too were Mitchell and Hofmeyr, the latter covering vast distances every match.

No one gave up trying and all were both fit and enthusiastic. Practices were easy to run and pleasurable for us all. I enjoyed the season.


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6TH XI

Coach: Mr P.E. Dennyson
Captain: S. Beukes
Not many unbeaten sides in the school, Mr Rector! It was a great season; we fought out some tremendous battles, most notably against Hilton where we played their Under 14A side, an honour usually reserved for our 5th XI! In our three encounters with the traditional rivals', we won two 1-0 and had a goalless draw in the other. Both wins were "Boys Own" material, with the defence holding on for hours against waves of little magpie-coloured horrors. In a war situation, Beukes in goal and Messrs Strydom and Mayfield as full-backs would have gained VC's! Only two goals against us all season - what a record!

Some others deserve a mention: Stead played well in whatever position I gave him and scored many fine goals; Nohamba was a cheerful, popular centre-forward who picked up the game so quickly and scored in almost every match; McLeod and Kadodia rushed skilfully up the wings and in the centre of the defence Pooke let little go past.

Stephen Beukes was a magnificent captain and a great discovery as a goalie. He started by helping us out in our hour of need and improved dramatically - he has that touch of selfless madness that should take him to higher teams next year. As a captain, he encouraged and consoled and always brought the best out of everyone in the side. I was so grateful to have him around and cannot speak too highly of him as a player and a person.

Lots of people played for this side: all deserve part of the glory. Bravo!


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7TH XI

Coaches: Mr P.C. Fleischack and Mr P.E. Dennyson
Captain: C. Higginson

It was tremendous that so many matches were arranged for the 7th XI this year; we sometimes struggled to raise a side but usually it was pleasing to have so many players so keen to play. We may have lacked a
few basic skills, but we made up for it with enthusiasm and fitness - Mr Fleischack guaranteed the latter!

We only lost to Hilton when we played their Under 14B side - against other schools the 6th XI played the B's, so our record is creditable.

We had many players who all performed enthusiastically and in a fine spirit. Phillips volunteered to be our goalkeeper and improved considerably in the course of the season; we thank him for his noble gesture. Higginson ran for miles all over the field and when asked to captain the side did so very competently encouraging and setting a fine example.

Our defence was a little suspect, with the gentlemanly tendency to leave the ball to the next man to deal with being its most common feature. Dyson and Begg were always willing to try to hit anything that moved, and Whaley usually succeeded; Gane was renowned for comments rather than contact: he managed to look dangerous! Khan and Sithebe were our competent wings.

Enthusiasm never waned and sportsmanship was always present-so, it had to be a good season!


Goals Goals

Played Won Lost Drawn For Against

7 4 2 1 17 12

85
15A HOCKEY

Back: M. Slaughter; R. Harvey; B. Gundry; P. Lewis; C. Whitfield; S. Wingate-Pearse; D. Porrill
Front: G. Edmundson; C. Milne; Mr K. Fairweather; P. Hayward-Butt; G. Bryden; A. Gilson

COLTS

Coach: Mr K. Fairweather

Colts hockey once again achieved a very respectable record and enjoyed a fine season. Keen competition, determination and discipline were the key factors to success. These players displayed good skill, understanding and hand-feet-eye co-ordination which are essential for any talented ball-stick players.

A pre-season tour to Bloemfontein enabled players to find their feet at a more senior level and to combine effectively. The squad consisted of: A. Gilson (Captain), C. Milne (Vice-Captain), S. Wingate-Pearse (Additional Selector), M. Pitt, A. Noyce, P. Lewis, C. Whitfield, M. Slaughter, D. Porrill, G. Bryden, B. Newton and K. Gilson. It was an enjoyable and worthwhile tour. Unfortunately the rain cancelled one game and interrupted another. We drew with CBC and Brebner and lost to St Andrew's. Certain key players were also unable to make this tour.

The domestic season went very well, except for a minor hic-cup (0-1) against Kearsney, after beating them 2-0 in our first encounter. Our other defeats were against the strong Michaelhouse and Hilton 2nd XI's in the Michaelhouse Festival.

The double-headers against Maritzburg College, Hilton, Carter and Alexandra were keenly contested, and the Colts team acquitted themselves admirably, to go unbeaten!

Such is the talent of Michaelhouse hockey that C. Milne, P. Hayward-Butt, S. Wingate-Pearse and G. Bryden were selected for the Pietermaritzburg Under 15A team. They gained useful experience and certainly played well and were good "ambassadors" for Michaelhouse. A.

* Gilson (Captain), C. Whitfield, and D. Porrill gained selection to the strong and talented PMB Under 15B team. Let us not forget that there are eleven players on the field and G. Edmundson, R. Harvey, P. Lewis and M. Slaughter were all stalwarts in the team, fulfilling their
roles superbly. B. Gundry became the regular goalkeeper at mid-season, and showed excellent talent and promise for the future.

Except for certain games, the team played to a 3:3:3:1 system. They were well-disciplined and were able to use triangles, one-two passes, varied with through and aerial balls. Our short-corner team was perhaps our forte and proved that practice makes perfect! They displayed good qualities of sportsmanship and worked hard at playing "total hockey".

Well done to these Colts players and all the best for their future hockey careers.

Goals Goals

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against
18 10 4 4 26 9

COLTS "B"

Coach: Mr B.C. Reynolds

The Colts B team has had a fine season. As a team, they have played hard and learnt a lot.
At the back, both Brian Gundry and Chris Whitfield did fine service, ably assisted by that awesome, tenacious full-back duo Ian Hill and Clive Barendsen. The halves, apart from the odd lapse in positional play, were solid and distributed well. Murray Pitt's control in the centre was impressive and Patrick Schofield and Craig Barendsen must earn the distinction of being the hardest working players on the field. The forwards developed steadily through the season and as they learnt the effectiveness of a short ball game and the value of laying off constructively and running into position so did their tally of goals rise. Our wings, Keith Gilson and James Gilmour worked hard and set up many scoring opportunities in the centre. Colin Pascoe and Daniel Dollow also displayed improved stick-work and an ever increasing determination to put the ball into the back of the net. Brian Scott joined us half way through the season, and while still a little tentative, he's a sound future prospect. Well done to Keith Gilson on his standard of leadership as captain.

Regulars were: B. Gundry, C. Whitfield, C. Barendsen, I. Hill, M. Pitt, P. Schofield, K. Gilson, D. Dollow, C. Pascoe, B. Short, M. Britton, J. Gilmour.

Goals

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against
10 6 2 2 30 16

BUNNIES HOCKEY

Eight Under 14 teams were selected once again this year. This group of young hockey players shows a tremendous amount of potential, and the standard of play this season was high indeed!

Our feeder preparatory schools play an invaluable role in teaching these young boys the basics of hockey. Therefore, on our Monday afternoons we can mainly play matches and teach the boys advanced tactics and skills in a "match-practice" form. This applies to the top four teams in the first two games, with the rest of the boys being drilled in basics and positional play. Credit here must go to Paul Dingley and Warwick Marshall who injected some enthusiasm into the Bunnies League group, as well as to other members of the 1st XI who assisted Bunnies hockey either through coaching or umpiring. It is always good to see 1st XI players sharing some of their experience with the younger lads.

An essential ingredient in the coaching and playing in
this age group is enjoyment. Players are encouraged to
practise basic skills on their own and fitness generally
comes through from their rugby training and matches.
Some very competent players emerged this year right
down to the Bunnies League, and with their useful hand-
eye-feet co-ordination should develop well in the Colts
age-group through more coaching and experience.

We wish those players, who chose hockey to improve
and enjoy their ball-stick skills, much success and plea-
sure and thank Mr Neal, other hockey staff and boys for
the hard work they have put into the running of Bunnies
Hockey this season.

Bunnies "A"

Coach: Mr K. Fairweather

The standard of Under 14 hockey in Pietermaritzburg
and District is certainly high. A good sign was the co-
operation between coaches and various schools to en-
sure that these young hockey players were taught the
correct basics and qualities of sportsmanship in the so-
called "match practices" that were arranged. However
their vision for distribution, one-two passes, supporting
play and creating space needs to be improved.

The "A" and "B" teams played afine brand of hockey and
in so doing went through the season unbeaten! Matches
were organised against Maritzburg College, Hilton, Car-
ter, Alexandra and against various Prep, schools. A suc-
cessful Festival was run at Michaelhouse with Cord-
walles, Clifton (Nottingham Road) and Hilton College. It
is hoped that more Under 14 Festivals will take place
next season, as many schools have expressed interest
in this.

It was indeed encouraging tosee "A" and "B'team play-
ers practising on theirown on various afternoons. In later
years this dedication, effort and training of individual
skills will pay dividends in the form of provincial or na-
tional selection. There is a wealth of talent in this group,
which provides a good "nursery" for the senior sides in
years to come.

Congratulations to the following who enjoyed a success-
ful and rewarding season in the "A" and "B" teams: R.
Thomas and Z. Kubukeli (goalkeepers); G. Chadwick,
A. Crutchley, D. Marshall-Smith (sweepers); P. Baker,
D. McCall, B. Fallet, J. Templeton, B. Newton, M. Eve-
nett (halves); A. Hewitt, M. Clucas, C. Watson, N. De-
noon-Stevens, S. Porrill (links); C. Pilot, J. Lewis, R.
Roberts, A. Elworthy, L. Ferreira, J. Pearce, R. Armi-
tage, C. Fellowes (forwards). Well done to those boys 
who captained the A and B teams for various matches.

Results: Played Won Drawn Lost Goals For Goals Against 
Under 14A 7 5 2 0 18 2 
Under 14B 7 7 0 0 24 3 

ROAD RUNNING

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.N. Winckworth

This year saw the number of licensed runners increase 
to 28. This is encouraging seeing that the cost has been 
R12 per head for the year. Fortunately, in 1988 there will 
be separate senior and junior licences, and the junior 
licence will cost only R5. This should help encourage 
those uncertain of their running prowess to become 
licensed and try a few races. The number of runs in 
which we were able to participate was again slightly lim-
ited because of clashes with Corporate Eucharist or half 
term, but we can only hope and pray that the 1988 cal-
endar is kinder to us.

The outstanding road runner of the year was undoubt-
edly Tim Cradock who was the first junior home in the Bulwer Mountain Race (14 km), Midlands 10 000 (10 km) and the Duke of York (16 km). This was despite the fact that Tim was concentrating on track work and the 3 000 m event.

We participated in the following races:

7 February Bobbies 8/16 8 km or 16 km (9 runners)
3 May Joubert’s half Marathon 21 km (2 runners)
10 May Elangeni half Marathon 21 km (7 runners)
17 May Kentucky Fried 15 km (6 runners)
6 June Edgewood 10000 10 km (8 runners)
8 August Bulwer Mountain Race 14 km (9 runners)
28 August Datnis Nite Race 21 km (1 runner)
   Fun Run 5 km (40 runners)
6 September Queensburgh half Marathon 21 km (1 runner)
13 September Howick Fun Run 6 km (8 runners)
18 October St John's Fun Run 5 km (23 runners)
7 November Old Road Race 28 km (1 runner)
22 November Duke of York 16 km (2 runners)
What has been disappointing is the small number choosing road running as their summer sport in particular. Road running can be so rewarding for the untalented sportsman as he can measure his improvement against himself and he is not under any pressure as can be the case in other sports. In this way he can build up self-confidence and can also derive a sense of well-being from being fit and active.

This year, for the first time, saw an attempt to have an 8 km time trial every second Monday. This was only moderately successful with mainly the few regulars turning up. The best time recorded for the year was 27 min 34 sec by Tim Cradock.

RUGBY

Michaelhouse rugby has entered a difficult period, which will require inspiration, good spirit and hard work during the next few years. Of the seventeen teams which played regularly, seven won more matches than they lost and, of the seven, four managed to do so by one game. Of some concern is the fact that only three of the ten Under Age Group sides managed to win more than they lost: Also of concern is the fact that the depth of our rugby is gradually being whittled away and it is questionable whether we will raise six open rugby teams next year. There were occasions this year when we were unable to raise an Under 15"C" team. There is little doubt that the policy of allowing boys to opt out of the game after only one season of rugby at Michaelhouse does not help the cause of the game at this
school. It is of interest to note that at Bishops, a school of about 600 boys, they field five Under 16! teams, in addition to their five Under 15! teams and eight open teams.

Achieving success at rugby is tough, as we have a formidable fixture list. However, the attraction of other winter options draws boys away from the game after a single season. Our immediate goal should be to attract enough boys to field a regular Under 15|"D" team, as this ensures eight open teams each year. The game of rugby contributes enormously to the spirit of the school. We must nurture the game if we are to derive the many benefits rugby has to offer, educationally and recreationally to our players, and in terms of community spirit here in the Balgcowan valley.

We have been thrilled to note the fine performances of our Old Boys in a number of club and provincial teams. Some of these achievements are:


There are many others and I apologise for not publishing more. It is encouraging to note so many of our players not only continuing to play but also making significant contributions throughout the country.

1ST XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr G.D. Paterson
Coaches: Mr G.D. Paterson and Mr A. Venter
Captain: D. Mitchell-Innes

With only four regular second fifteen players returning from the 1986 First Game, it was very obvious that 1987 would entail rebuilding from foundation level. We were invited to a most enjoyable rugby day at Sarel Celliers Hoerskool in Glencoe, where we played our hosts in the main game. We emerged as fortunate winners by a conversion (10-8), but lost key players in Schaefer at No 8 and Oxley-Oxland on the flank, both of whom struggled
for most of the season and this nullified to some extent what we had hoped to be a loose forward strength in the side. We were flattered to be awarded the trophy for the team which played "The most effective Rugby". I am sure that the second fifteen's sparkling second half in their 35-3 win had something to do with it.

After a few days work at school we left for the St Stithian's Festival in Johannesburg. On the first day, the King Edward's VIII pack pounded us (29-3) while in the second game, Bishops not only controlled possession but, in traditional fashion used it so well to stretch our defences mercilessly (40-3). Lack of experience was obvious but, more disconcerting, was our inability to win any ball and the pounding we were taking up front. We regrouped for the third game against St Stithians',
where we were keen to improve on our showings, and did so with some courage. Although we lost (6-18) we were in contention for more of the game and spent some time going forward. This resulted in a try by an emerging flanker, Davies, and was an early sign of things to come. The Festival was magnificent in terms of spirit, organisation and rugby enrichment. We watched schoolboy rugby at its best, played in contrasting styles. While our own experience was a tough one, we were, however, proud to be part of it all and would not have missed the opportunity for anything.

Back in Natal The Natal Witness announced that we had retained "a solid core" of last year's team; however, the "solid core" was four second fifteen players from 1986. Our first game was away against Kearsney, who had a powerful well balanced side which included more than half of their 1986 team. In beating us (34-3), the imaginative play of their loose forwards in setting up quick second phase ball for their backs was most impressive. However, the defence against tap penalties was our greatest weakness and the source of most tries scored against us. Impressive from our point of view was the last quarter of the game, when we played our best rugby and the team revealed that they were prepared to give of themselves to the end. This admirable sign of character had emerged in Johannesburg and was a strength on which we were able to build.

After being 0-6 down against Westville we should not have conceded a further twenty-five points in the second half - but that is rugby. (0-31) on the left wing Mac-Donald was injured twice in short succession. In addition, we had tried to build up the pack, and this experiment failed dismally as J.B. Wright experienced a torrid final quarter at tight-head prop. Against Escourt it was a case of now or never. We had to learn that we could win. The team produced a determined effort in scoring three tries (17-10) but, as against Sarel Celliers, the price was heavy. We lost Celliers at centre, with a dislocated shoulder, and Wilson at scrumhalf with a broken nose. Both had scored tries, as had Schaefer and Oxley-Oxland, in Glencoe. A cruel blow.

The Old Crocks arrived mid-week and it is sad to report that they disappointed. After letting a few points slip early on they chose to roll mauls downfield for the rest of the game. It was one thing to teach schoolboys how to play tight and drive, but it would seem that the object of the game on this occasion was lost, and winning became all important. How frustrating it must have been for the likes of Tim Cocks, Doc Louw, Laurie Sharp and Gary Joubert not to be given the chance to run at a set of backs which included a couple of sixteen year olds. It
was most frustrating for the spectators not to see them running in typical Natal fashion. Normally a truly festive game, this one was slow in the extreme and resulted in a (16-13) win for the Old Crocks. Charlton played his seventh game as a fifteen-year-old at number eight in this game.

In another tough match we narrowly beat Linpark (8-3) in a game in which we used the ball very poorly in the backs. We had a rare glimpse of what could be done when a move to the left was quickly switched and le

Sueur scored a great try in the right corner. Glenwood followed and it would seem that we struck them on a high. We struggled for possession and only desperate defence saw us hold on at 0-8 at half time. However, in the second half we were guilty of a few missed tackles, brought about by poor defence at flyhalf, and we conceded a further five tries (0-38). This was surely the lowest point of the season and yet, during this game, there were examples of great courage and resilience. None better than a couple of the cover defending tackles put in by our captain Mitchell-Innes, who would come out of locking the scrum and still "get there" in his corner-flagging.

To date we had played ten, won three, lost seven, points for, sixty three, against, two hundred and twenty five. We had conceded just over fourteen points for every four we had scored. Many individuals and teams would have thrown in the towel after such an experience, but not this group of boys. There was a great lesson to be learnt about guts, tenacity, resilience and spirit. It will remain a special memory how those fellows strove to develop strengths under adversity. And how they grew in character as a team and as people.

The Old Boys fielded what has now become a traditionally powerful side, made up largely of young men who are playing league rugby. They played with restraint, competence and considerable flair, and produced the sort of rugby we had hoped would come from the Old Crocks. After being 6-18 down, the schoolboys fought back magnificently. The score had closed to 20-26 when we chose to run from our own tryline. Hardie, at full-back, set le Sueur away and only Victor Anderson could have stopped him from scoring under the posts, which he managed by way of a chase and dive tackle. After a series of dives for the line, Keough crashed over for his second try; unfortunately, quite well out towards touch. Cobbett-Tribe's kick failed and so we lost a great game (24-26). We owe our Old Boys a great deal for the spirit in which they played the game, and for the encouragement they gave the team.
The pack had finally settled and we had lowered the scrumming machine to a level that could not be coped with by any other side in the school. The Old Boys game had proved a real tonic and there was a new buoyancy in the team. Tragedy struck when Wilson, who had shown tremendous potential at scrumhalf, returned from his broken nose injury only to break his leg in his first spell of tight rugby. College played well controlled rugby against us, to run up a 21-3 half time score. However, the side rallied courageously in the second half and, with Cobbett-Tribe kicking a further three penalties, we actually "led" the second half 9-7 before a final College try sealed the score at (12-33). Although still a little thin in terms of threequarter and cover defence, we had contested more purposefully up front and there had been growing evidence of a fighting spirit. In losing (3-9) to Voortrekker, we had arrived at a point when we could actually say "We should have won". It is true to say that Voortrekker committed a few vital handling errors, but it is equally true to say that in the second half we were controlling possession and, by far, had the better of the
RUGBY 1ST XV

Back: B. Edwards; N. Davies; A. Keough; M. Gilbert; A. Schaefer; G. Murray
Second Row: A. Newton; K. Latter; P. McCarter; S. Patrnick; D. Oxley-Oxland; T. Firth; M-J. Wilson; M. Armstrong
Front: G. Cobbett-Tribe; R. le Sueur; Mr G.D. Paterson; D. Mitchell-Innes (Captain); Mr A. Venter; N. Celliers; T. Wadley

game territorially. However, poor handling and squandered goal kicks cost us dearly. On the positive side, we had clearly established a pattern which was showing promise, and the side was believing that they would hold anyone for sixty minutes.

The match against Hilton revealed continued growth in terms of confidence and pattern play. Schaefer was breaking intelligently at number eight and was receiving close support from flanks Davies and Firth. Armstrong showed commendable form in only his second game at scrumhalf, while McCarter, at flyhalf, relieved pressure with some magnificent left footed touch kicks. A Schaefer try from a push over scrum and a Cobbett-Tribe penalty saw us leading 7-0.

However, Hilton rallied and we aided their cause by misusing a little extra possession and keeping pressure on ourselves by not finding touch. Crookes levelled the game for them by way of a try and a penalty, and a typically tense, tight match against our traditional rivals had been drawn (7-7).

Our match against Alexandra was scrappy after five weeks holiday. Andrew Schaefer's try in the first three minutes was not capitalised on but was good enough to take us to the narrowest of wins (4-3). The first half against Weston saw us produce some of the best rugby we had played. Edwards's second try on the left wing, after a drive in midfield by the forwards, was first switched to le Sueur on the right wing before again being switched to the left and epitomised the type of rugby for which we had been striving. After turning 17-3 we lost our impetus, as Weston fought back in fine spirit, and the final score read (21-6).

This took us onto the DHS game, which provided us with the opportunity of proving that we could finally compete with the better teams, and compete we did. In spite of being heavily out weighed we moved the opposing pack backwards on occasions, and the only try of the game came from a textbook break off the scrum by Schaefer, who fed Davies on his inside. Our visitors were perhaps a trifle lucky to scrape home (9-7), by way of a drop goal.
at the death, although we had been guilty of misusing the ball around midfield and so kept pressure on ourselves. There is little doubt that this was our finest hour, and a side who had weathered so much along the way is congratulated on both the growth and character they revealed in this absorbing contest. Without wanting to detract in any way from St Andrew’s motivated and competent display (4-17), we were but a shadow of the side on Monday. Playing our fourth match in eleven days after a five week break, it was the forwards in particular who were able to do little more than ghost through the motions. We gave away an enormous percentage of possession and, although there was some fine midfield tackling, St Andrew’s continuity and fine support play saw them outscore us three tries to one.

The second Hilton game followed a similar pattern to the first. We were having to work harder for possession initially, but both McCarter and Armstrong exploited the
blindside box with effective tactical kicks for position. Cobbett-Tribe opened the scoring with a penalty, which was followed by a Davies try after he had charged down a relieving kick by the Hilton flyhalf from a scrum five metres out. We probably played our best rugby in the third quarter of the game, when we controlled pos-

session, but on several occasions gave away free kicks when we had got ourselves into positions of strength. Moving into the last quarter we lost our edge, while Hil-

ton rallied impressively. A threequarter try, which was goaled, followed later by a penalty, saw the scores level-

led at (9-9). While we felt that we had let it slip again, Hilton no doubt wondered why they had not got into the game earlier.

In the last nine games we had scored ninety-one points while conceding one hundred and nineteen. This meant that we had conceded a shade over five points for every four we had scored - a great improvement on our first ten games.

So ended a tough but remarkably rewarding season. In working at and playing the great game of rugby, we were able to strive for qualities which lay way beyond the end result of each match. Ultimately, it was these life qualities which triumphed and, as a result, so too did our rugby. The spirit evident at our post-season party proved emphatically that when rugby wins, we all win.

I thank all the coaches at Michaelhouse who give generously of their time for rugby.

To Mr Andre Venter and the second team, a special word of thanks for the support and spirit which prevailed on Meadows. Finally, thanks to the ground staff who prepare the fields, the San. Sisters who attend to the injured and the Pietermaritzburg Rugby Referees who handle our matches so competently.

Selections:

Midlands XV. M.J. Wilson, D. Oxley-Oxland.

Team:


Versus Natal Schools:
Sarel Celliers Hoerskool* won 10-8

Kearsney* lost 3-34
Westville lost 0-31
Estcourt* won 17-10
Linpark* won 8-3
Glenwood* lost 0-38
College* lost 12-33
Voortrekker lost 3-9
Hilton drew 7-7
Alexandra won 4-3
Weston* won 21-6
DHS lost 7-9
Hilton drew 9-9

Other Home Games:
Old Crocks lost 13-16
Old Boys lost 24-26
St Andrews lost 4-17
St Stithian’s Festival:
King Edward’s VII lost 3-29
Bishops lost 3-40
St Stithian’s lost 6-18

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Honours: D. Mitchell-Innes

Schaefer, A. Wadley.

* = Away

2ND XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr A. Venter

Coaches: Mr G.D. Paterson and Mr A. Venter

Captain: J. Leslie

A close examination of the season’s results of the 2nd team shows a few significant factors that clearly stand out. In between the biggest win, (35-3) against Sarel Celliers, and biggest lost, (3-27) against DHS, one will find games that can only be classified as: games played with sheer determination and a will to win, because, in no other game, was there a score of more than six points between winning or losing.

Scores like (3-0) against Alexandra, (3-0) against Glenwood, (9-6) and (13-11) against Hilton give one a fair indication of the way in which, and in what spirit, all of the
2nd teams games were played. Beating Glenwood, Kearsney and Westville by even bigger margins made of this an even better season.

But, more than this, the success of the team indicates the perseverance and the ability to cling to a small lead which, in many instances, proved to be the difference between winning and losing. These wins could not have been achieved if it had not been for the strong and mature leadership of "Jabu" Leslie. Leading his men through difficult times, by setting the example had, for instance, contributed directly to the fact that we scored the winning points, (a minute before the end) against Hilton in the first encounter. Also the reliable goal-
RUGBY 2ND XV

Back: M. Pithey; C. Charlton; C. McDonald; B. Gilson; A. Hardie; K. Strachan
Centre: A. Messenger; G. Roberts; C. Larson; S. Campbell; R. Butcher; K. Latter; G. Shiel
Front: J.B. Wright; A. Enthoven; Mr G. Patterson; J. Leslie (Captain); Mr A. Venter; R. Koevort; D. Macquet

Kicking of Roger Koevort proved to be the decisive factor in many games.

I thank Mr Paterson for his contribution for making this season so special; and, lastly, I wish to thank all the players for their loyalty and good spirit during practices this season, I can wish that those who are leaving will remember the year, and that those that are staying will carry on in the fine way they have done this season.

Team:


Points Points

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against
14 10 0 4 156 92

THIRD XV

Coaches: Mr K. King and Mr A. Cook
Captain: I. Robson

The team made a very hesitant start to the season, taking a sound beating from a competent Kearsney side. It was not an encouraging performance, but in the final analysis, this first game proved a telling jolt, and the players worked hard and with great determination to make it the turning point of the season. We worked on defence and alignment, urgency for the loose ball and technique in all the set phases. The improvements came steadily and spirit built up with some early victories against Estcourt and Linpark. Our scrummaging was not as powerful as we would have liked, but we were able to rely on mobility and sound rucking and mauling for second phase possession. Lineouts were much more successful as a source of clean ball, and we...
worked a number of good variations, and contested strongly. Beating Glenwood in Durban was a creditable effort, and the team began to knit together as a cohesive unit. Probably the hardest and yet the most demanding and rewarding game was against College. We went down 20/6, but the standard of rugby was high, the better side won, and a good time was had by all. The first Hilton match followed this, and it was a keenly contested game - we made mistakes and it cost us the match. We were learning the hard way that tackling meant putting the man on the ground! Two excellent games straight after the break, against Alexandra and Weston, saw the determined, hard running and support play of the backs produce some memorable tries. Hindle and Doull on the wings were penetrative and kept the ball alive for inside backs and supporting forwards. We lost narrowly against a strong, hard DHS side and then returned to Hilton for the final match of the season. We formulated a game strategy that worked, and with great determination and dogged pressure, ran out 15/3 winners. Clark turned in a memorable game at lock, and Lees showed great potential and a subtle understanding of the game. Messenger was a great asset as a thrusting forward,
and was well supported by a pack of good-handling forwards, notable, North and Holt.

Robson led the side well, and the whole group can be well satisfied with an enterprising and rewarding season.

Results:

Played 11, Won 6, Drawn 0, Lost 5, For: 175, Against 99


MHS vs Hilton
A Kevin Latter pass gets the line going

4TH XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr K.A.J. King
Coaches: Mr K.A. J. King and Mr A.W.H. Cook
Captain: P.G. Armitage

This has been a very good year for the fourth XV, not only from the point of view of results achieved but more especially because of the superb spirit in which they played the game. Very early on, they gave notice of their ability to handle the ball confidently and, as the season progressed, this strength was built upon to produce some excellent, open running rugby. The side was unbeaten until its encounter with College and, despite losing some key players to higher teams, acquitted itself well for the rest of the season. Fitness and determined tackling were the hallmarks of the team's best games, and their enthusiasm made them a most enjoyable side to coach. Peter Armitage, who captained the side from the flank, was an excellent example and inspiration to the rest of the team, but in all, this was a team effort.

Team:


Results:

Points Points
On the whole, we had a good season, not only because we won a reasonable number of matches but also because we played particularly well against the larger schools.

We started well by beating a good Kearsney team 12-4. It was effective play by the loose forwards that laid the foundation for this win. The next game, against Westville, was a tough encounter and we did well to hold them to a 7-7 draw.

The most pleasing games were those against College and Linpark. Although we lost 6-18 to College, we played extremely well and had a territorial advantage for the second half. In the match against Linpark the team combined well and we had a run away win of 50-0. The team played faultless rugby on this occasion, and ran the ball at every opportunity.

On most occasions the team played above themselves. Seldom did the team that was selected on a Thursday, remain intact until Saturday, as injuries and illness often caused players to be promoted or dropped out. The Open Group also lacked depth and it was not always possible to raise a 6th XV.

It is necessary for the players to realise the importance of possession. These were matches when we seldom won a ball from a lineout. Also, the importance of hard running and sound tackling in the backs cannot be over-emphasised.

Team:


Results:

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against

12 7 0 5 205 106

5TH XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr R.A. Currie
Coaches: Mr R.A. Currie and Mr D.B. Cumming
Captain: O.J. Bradley (and others)
For many of their games this year the 6th XV was the lowest team MHS was able to field. This certainly showed up in the games against some of the larger schools, when their 6th XV was the 6th of 12 open teams, and the 6th XV was outclassed.

As is to be expected, a large number of boys played for the 6th XV and thus "team work" was difficult to attain.

However, the team was very ably led by S. Pitout and managed overall to acquit themselves well and maintain a cheerful, determined approach to their rugby.

Team:

S. Pitout, R. Strover, A. Yorke-Smith, J. Tucker, A.
Results:

Points Points

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against
11 5 0 6 171 173

7TH XV

Coach: Mr R.H.W. Hall

As in the past, what the team lacks in strength and skill, it always seems to make up in enthusiasm. It is constantly inspiring that players of only moderate ability continue to return to the game year after year for what can only be termed sheer enjoyment.

The season was not as successful, from the results point of view, as some previous seasons, but the fact that more than half of the points scored against the side, came in two matches (Kearsney 0-40 and Westville 0-60) indicates that we are able to stick to the task, these were the first two matches, and come back for more.

The honours were more or less shared with Hilton (6-19 and 12-12), we beat Glenwood 9th XV 18-13, lost to College 9th XV 6-22 and drew with DHS 8th XV 12-12. We also won against Estcourt 4th XV (16-6) and lost against Voortrekker 5th XV (0-10).

With a number of injuries and illnesses in higher teams, again as usual, it was difficult to settle a stable side, or stable positions, but all members represented the school in one way or another.

Results

Points Points

Played Won Lost Drawn For Against
9 2 5 2 70 194

U15"A" XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr W.E. Ashmole
Coaches: Mr W.E. Ashmole and Mr P.J. Snyder
Captain: Trevor Stanlforth
Vice-Captain: David Southwood

There was some trepidation that this would be another season of heavy defeats and an exodus from rugby. It is pleasing to report that this did not happen and, in fact, there were a few who came back to the game. The players are commended on the enthusiastic manner in which they responded to the challenges and applied themselves to improving their basic skills. Morale was high and many players began to show potential and promise as the season progressed.

Lack of size among the forwards was a significant obstacle; and, although there was never a glut of first phase possession, lineout and scrummage skills improved appreciably to enable increased possession of the ball. Considerable attention was also given to the techniques of rucking and mauling, but the progress in second phase possession was not as encouraging.

A new backline had to be developed, with a number of players dropped into new positions. By the end of the season they had mastered the basic skills, and, on occasions, proved a potent force. Enthusiasm was never lacking and, apart from some lapses, defence was generally sound.

On reflection, a fairly satisfying and rewarding season in terms of progress, performance and results, although there were at least two matches that could have been won had the team not relaxed their efforts when on top, and allowed the opposition to gain the ascendancy. More determination and resilience are needed at such times.

There are players from this group who will mature and become highly competent 1st XV players. We shall monitor their progress with some interest, and we wish the entire group an enjoyable and successful rugby experience in the open group.

Many thanks to J. Fleming for so efficiently and enthusiastically serving as the regular touch judge throughout the season.

The following played five games or more for the A team:
Results:

Vs Kearsney lost 0-26
Westville lost 6-18
Howick won 32-0
Estcourt won 35-6
Linpark won 10-0
Glenwood lost 4-16
College lost 4-22
Voortrekker lost 6-13
Hilton lost 3-12
Alexandra lost 8-13
Weston won 16-15
DHS lost 6-18
Hilton lost 0-34

Points Points
Played Won Lost For Against
13 4 9 134 201

U15"B" XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr P.J. Snyder
Coaches: Mr P.J. Snyder and Mr W.E. Ashmole
Captains: R. Kruger

The 1987 U15 "B" Rugby side can look back on the season with a great deal of satisfaction. It was not an easy year as the numbers opting for rugby in the U15 Group were smaller than those of previous years. This meant that we were competing against schools that ran six and seven sides and, on one occasion, played against one of the A sides of a particular school. The team was led by a very enthusiastic R. Kruger and achieved commendation.
15A RUGBY

Back: S. Kimble; R. Bates; P. Lindop; R. Bassett; R. Andersson; G. van der Post; A. Evans
Middle: K. Collins; T. Sokhele; L. Chabana; G. Larson; A. James; W. Dales; R. Engels
Front: B. Randeria; B. Lawrence; Mr W.E. Ashmole; T. Staniforth (Captain); Mr P.J. Snyder; D. Southwood; J. Fleming

Team:

C. le Sueur, T. Sokhele, B. Price, N. Pryce, T. Samuels,
B. Sutherland (Vice-Captain), K. Collins, P. Duffy, J. Chaplin, R. Kruger (Captain), G. Mitchell, R. Davies, T. Weaver, R. Butcher, D. Dales, R. Lindheim, S. Dilworth.

Results:

Points Points
Played Won Lost For Against
12 5 7 89 218

U15"C"XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.E.G. Duff
Coaches: Mr A.E.G. Duff and Mr G. Wood
Captains: G.J.C. Mitchell, C.W. Shields, H. Vermaak

With only sixteen players in this group the season was viewed with some trepidation. However, only on one occasion was it necessary to cancel a fixture and only against Weston were a couple of non-Colts included to save the fixture.

In view of our limited numbers and the 1986 season's results, fixtures against rivals with considerable numerical superiority e.g. DHS, were arranged so that we played their lower Colts teams.

From the outset it was clear that everyone was keen to give the season a full go. We worked hard at the basics and where the record shows success, we got them reasonably right. There was a good spirit which kept everyone's perseverance going when times got tough. The players were always keen to do better even if we didn't
manage to win - as the record against Hilton indicates: (Lost 3-34 and 0-10).

We were fortunate in having the enthusiastic and valuable assistance of Mr Graham Wood during the 2nd term and he is thanked indeed for all his contributions. He enjoyed not getting wet and splattered with mud every time he went on to a rugger field!

It is difficult to single out individual players for it was very much a team effort throughout the season. However, Greg Mitchell as a loose-forward (before his promotion to the Colts "B" XV), Gareth Thomson at scrumhalf and Hansie Vermaak on the flank deserve mention.

Results:

Points Points
Played Won Drawn Lost For Against
10 4 0 6 64 155

U14 "A" XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.W. Miller
Coaches: Mr J. Miller and Mr R. Aitchison
Captain: R. Armitage

This year the Bunnies "A" side saw only five changes from last years Termites. The side was well balanced
with some exciting three quarter players displaying a fair amount of flair. The pack provided a solid base.

Team morale was always high, and it was a pleasure to be associated with a team of boys who devoted themselves with such determination to improving their basic skills. They responded positively to criticism and were prepared to work at both their strengths and weaknesses. It is a side which displays a lot of talent, and will improve greatly in future years to play some very exciting rugby.

Roger Armitage proved to be a most competent captain and one of the best eighth men in the school. He appears to have a natural ability to read a game and to be where he is needed, both in attack and defense. Roger certainly led by example and commanded great respect from his team mates.

Shortcomings of the side were tackling lapses, in the games against Kearsney, Westville and Glenwood.

This aspect did improve and there were instances of determined defence, as in the return match against Hilton. The team has three very exciting loose forwards, but at times they were a little slow in gaining second phase ball. Good tackling and the winning of loose ball are the prime importance and will nullify any opposition possession.

The side was fortunate in having a relatively injury-free season. Regular members of the team were:


Results
Points Points
Played Won Lost Drawn For Against
12 6 5 1 146 156
U14 "B" XV
Master-in-Charge: Mr J.W. Miller
Coaches: Mr R.W. Aitchison and Mr J.W. Miller
Captain: C. Legge
An analysis of the results below will reveal the extent to which this side developed in the course of the season. After an early season humiliation at the hands of Westville, they lost twice only and that to the larger College and DHS sides, away from home. Indeed, DHS B’s who had beaten College the previous week, might count themselves lucky that our ace kicker - Sibusiso "hot kicks" Mbambo - was off form that day and missed with three attempts at goal, which would have turned the result around.

But, results aside, credit must be given to Craig Legge and his team for their healthy and spirited approach to the game, their readiness to learn and their courage and commitment on the field of play. I am pleased that so many of the group have indicated that they mean to continue with the game next year. Good luck, work hard at it, believe in yourselves and you will do well.

Team:


Results:

Kearsney drawn 4-4
Westville lost 0-46
Howick (A Team) won 8-4
Linpark won 43-0
Glenwood (CTeam) won 10-6
College lost 6-28
Voortrekker won 34-0
Hilton won 31-0
Alexandra won 36-0
DHS lost 7-8
Hilton won 23-6

Points Points
yed Won Drawn Lost For Against
1 7 1 3 202 102

U14 "C" and "D" XVs

Master-in-Charge: Mr M.T. Goulding
Coaches: Mr M.T. Goulding and Mr B.J. Stone

It was obvious from the first practice that this season was going to be good. The boys responded well to instruction and displayed intelligence during drills.

As always, tackling proved to be the most difficult aspect
of training with boys slowly learning to go in hard only by
the end of the season.

The back lines worked hard, and, perhaps because of
the many changes which occurred through the season,

- found the work very taxing. However, they held off the
opposition in many moments of crisis.

In general the teamwork and play during the season
was good. Particularly noteworthy was the determina-
tion to play hard throughout the game even when the
opposition was clearly winning. Quite often we were
pitted against much larger schools with the consequent
problems of much larger boys. In the main we were de-
feated by weight and not by skill.

All the players deserve commendation of one sort or
another, but a few warrant particular note:

In the "C" team: Watson for his sidestep and ball-
handling skills; Mears and Van Heerden for their tireless
loose forward play; Ndaba for his good support play;
Bam for his fearless tackling and hard running.

In the "D" team: Africander for his stoic propping; New-
ton for his intelligent play in the loose; Kubukeli for his
excellent hooking and availability; Clucas for continued
hard play and game insight; both the Vaudins for their
versatility on the field and their willingness to tackle any-
thing that moved; and Thomas for invaluable direction in
the forwards.

Team:

The list includes all those who played at one time or
another in one or other team.

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U14"E"XV

Master-in-Charge: Mr P.G. Lavender
Coaches: Mr P.G. Lavender, Jonathan Heinamann
Captain: Guy Osborne

In many ways this was a successful season for the Under 14 "E" Team. Although not all the matches were won, the team did produce some very creditable and gutsy performances, working as a motivated unit. In one game, for example, after being down at half-time and seeming to be in all sorts of trouble, they managed to regain composure, put it all together and win convincingly.

Players were quick to learn the basic skills and to put these into practice; fortunately, on the Saturday during the match when it was most needed! Because of this, some very attractive running rugby was produced with forwards and backs combining effectively at times.

There was a greater depth of talent this year, so it wasn’t such a devastating experience to have to release players, inevitably at the eleventh hour, to play in a higher team, as there was always somebody ready to take his place.

Thanks must be given to Jonathan Heinamann for his help in coaching and also for the enthusiasm he managed to transmit to the players.

Results:

Points Points
Played Won Drawn Lost For Against
7 4 0 3 116 68

RUGBY

U13 "A" and "B" XV's

Master-in-Charge Mr A.J. Rogers
Coaches: Mr J.H. Pluke, Mr A.J. Rogers
Captain: A. McIntosh

From the start, it was obvious that lack of size, experience, numbers and skill would make the season a daunting one. We were not always able to raise two sides, and had to "borrow" from the U14 "D' and "E XV's. After some very demoralising defeats, it was decided to strengthen the side, with the agreement of our opponents, with a few players from the U14 "C". This made for more balanced games, enjoyed better by both sides.

Some of our players will do well, in the next few years, once they put on some weight and are integrated in sides that can hold their own. A. McIntosh led the side well, tackled fiercely, and should be a possible 1st XV player of the future. A. Warren came on well on the wing, and has a good turn of speed; D. Thompson has extremely good rugby sense and could do well; J. Matthews needs to tighten up on his defence but handles and kicks well; G. Sherriff, A. Andersson were gutsy forwards and E. Cottrell was developing well at the season's end. C. Russell rarely used his weight to advantage, but could be a most effective forward if he adopts a more aggressive approach.

The "B" side played some very good games and won every other game - a very pleasing season from an often totally out-weighed side.
A number of the players will improve with more experience and probably end up in reasonably high teams in their later years.

The group stayed cheerful during the season, and my thanks to them for being so "gutsy".

Results

Played Won Drawn Lost For Against
"A" 11 2 0 9 48 276
"B" 10 5 0 5 71 922

Team:

"A" XV:

MICHAELHOUSE RUGBY TOUR TO WALES, DECEMBER 1986

Tour Party

Manager: R.W. Aitchison
Coach: G.D. Paterson
Captain: B.C. Herbert
Vice-Captain: M.R. Collins


On Saturday 29th November, the bulk of the tour party flew out from Louis Botha Airport via Jan Smuts for
Heathrow. After a bumpy flight and little sleep we landed at 7.30 a.m. and were met by David Lewis, our travel agent and tour organiser in Cardiff, and Frank Maria who served on the Cardiff & Districts Welsh Youth Rugby Union Committee.

It is important to know that our tour application had reached the Welsh Rugby Union in September having gone through the correct channels which included the Natal Rugby Union and the South African Rugby Board. We were informed that the WRU had passed the application on to both the WYRU and the Welsh Schools Rugby Union and it was the Welsh Youth Rugby Union who took a vote in favour of hosting us and therefore were our hosts while we were in Wales. Although we had been encouraged to keep quiet about the tour prior to our departure we understood that once in Wales we would be taking part in a "legal" tour as everything had been done above board and through the correct procedures.

Monday 1st December saw us practising on our "home" field, the Cardiff Rugby Club's reserve ground at Sophia Gardens which is used by sides such as the All Blacks for their preparation prior to playing at Cardiff Arms Park. We were joined at our session by John Evans, a past Cardiff first fifteen coach who is now in a senior management position at the National Indoor Sports Centre, also at Sophia Gardens in Cardiff. John spoke to the chaps about what they could expect from Welsh Youth rugby and emphasized to them the importance of getting their priorities right and that much of the enjoyment of their tour would be determined by the success of their rugby.

After stocking up with long rugby studs we set off for our first fixture in Pontarduallais, a village a couple of hours north-west of Cardiff. A certain Cyril Gregory travelled with us and soon endeared himself to the team who saw him as a man who brought us good fortune. Cyril could not have been more Welsh - built like a front row forward, he had served on rugby committees for sixty-two years. A past Chairman of the Welsh Youth Rugby Union, he knew his rugby and did not mince his words in calling a spade a spade.

2nd December 1986

VS. PONTARDULLAIS YOUTH FIFTEEN Won 8-6

On a quaint, sloping, muddy field we turned 0-6 down at
half-time. The referee was competent but he gave us very little. The local team had been loaded by the inclusion of a few guest players. We had clearly dominated up front but failed to round off inside their 22 metre area on numerous occasions, usually guilty of trying to run slow second phase ball through the three-quarters rather than taking the short route and driving for the line. In the second half we put the opposition under great pressure and quite significantly it was Ross Armstrong who scored the first try by diving on the ball after we had scrunched them into their in-goal area on their put-in. Equally significantly it was Richard Firth who powered
over on the drive to give us an 8-6 lead. It had certainly been a baptism of fire in the mud as the forward exchanges had been fierce, and we were glad to hear the final whistle.

The post-match hospitality was superb and our boys spent the entire evening learning songs and tricks from the opposition. With Gareth Boltman spontaneously taking up the position of conductor, the team tried to reproduce our hard practised songs but failed miserably and left. With the first match behind us one really had the feeling that the Rugby tour was finally underway.

We set off for Cardiff Arms Park on the morning of Wednesday 3rd December. We were given a most informative tour of the grand stadium by former groundsman Bill Hardiman, after which we were treated to a fascinating hour in the treasured trophy room where Ted John told the stories.

We set off for Sherborne in Dorset knowing that they were widely regarded, in terms of rugby, as the top Independent school in England and on arrival this was confirmed in no uncertain terms. We arrived in time for lunch at a beautiful school, founded in 1560, the original Abbey dating back to the 8th Century, all set in a quaint little village.

4th December, 1986

VS SHERBORNE Won 12-8

The field was manicured turf, typically long, fine grass but fairly firm under foot and in beautiful condition - without doubt the best field we played on. It sloped across field and a very strong wind was blowing down field towards one of the corner flags. There was a good crowd present and a murmur of approval greeted our chaps as they emerged from their changeroom looking immaculate in their navy blue, red and white tour tracksuits. Nigel Bloy, teacher at Michaelhouse for seventeen years and now at Sherborne, joined us during the warmup and wished the lads well. An anti-apartheid banner was raised by some pupils but was so speedily removed by others that few of us saw it.

We chose to play into the wind but soon discovered that we had considerably more to contend with than just the wind. The Sherborne pack were large enough but impressively mobile. They held us in the tight and out-rucked us, thus supplying plenty of ball to their highly imaginative backs who included England Under 19 players at scrumhalf and on the right wing. While victory was sweet it is the game that will always be remem-
bered. The quality of the rugby played against us was outstanding with the imaginative three-quarter variations the best I have seen at schoolboy level. We will not forget the crowd on their feet applauding both sides off the field and into their dressing-rooms.

We arrived at Wentloog to discover that the General Committee of the Welsh Rugby Union had chosen to overrule the Welsh Youth Rugby Union and had stated in the Press that our tour was unacceptable. It was difficult for us to understand how this could happen after all our efforts prior to the tour. We were visited that evening by the Manager of the last England Team that visited South Africa, Dereck Morgan and his wife Ruth. They had read the news in the evening papers and chose to come and offer us both moral and organisational support. Our hosts were both embittered and embarrassed. We suddenly realised that we were in some trouble.

Saturday 6th saw us out on a soccer field at Sophia Gardens in brilliant sunshine. We had been chased off an adjacent University rugby ground so had to make do with the soccer field as there were matches on our home ground. After a shower and change we left for Cardiff Arms Park where we watched a tame trial match between the National Probables and Possibles.

Sunday morning saw us heading west in the rain for about two and a half hours to Haverford West where we arrived in time to have a light lunch at the Glen Hotel. The referee had been told that the game was off so after quite some deliberation the home coach and club secretary filled the position. Rugby did not win on this day in the driving rain and on a marshy field. I felt sorry for the players who were playing for the first time on tour as they were subjected to incredibly frustrating decisions and the team is commended for its tenacity and composure under the most trying circumstances.

We had been keen to record our third win as we had set ourselves the objective of three wins on tour. A most embarrassing moment was to follow when the Club Chairman, speaking at the post-match function, chose to announce that the referee had been awarded one out of ten for his efforts and accused him of grossly biased refereeing.

7th December 1986

VS HAVERFORD WEST Lost 6-8

At this stage fixtures were in doubt and Frank Marais and David Lewis were working hard behind the scenes as clubs pulled out, presumably under WRU pressure.
As coach I was no longer sure of what the next fixture would entail or where it would be played. So when we were offered thirty-five minutes of tight rugby against Monmouth School we agreed to play without any hesitation.

9th December 1986

VS MONMOUTH SCHOOL (35 minutes) UP 8-6

Monmouth has a few quick three-quarters but we were well on top up front and it was against the run of play that we let them in for a runaway try. We responded by putting in a fine forward drive rounded off by Gillies McDavid who scored his only try in the broad stripe. We trailed 4-6 but were gathering momentum and our three-quarters were finally showing signs of penetration having taken quite some time to sort out Welsh conditions under foot. It was a fine three-quarter movement which enabled Gareth Boltman to cross in the right corner and so put us into the lead shortly before the end of play. We were well looked after by our hosts’ and while the contact was brief it was positive and firm friendships were established.

We were due to take a trip out to the Cotswolds on Thursday 11th but as we had been doing a lot of traveling daily, we chose not to go. Instead we drove back out
to Monmouth for a practice only to discover on arrival that Matthew Taylor had missed the bus! John Pluke and Allen Duff arrived at the hotel to find the "absent minded professor" somewhat lost and alone. On the evening of the 11th a party of eighteen travelled in to Cardiff to enjoy a thoroughly festive evening at the Cardiff Rugby Football Club’s Christmas Dinner. If we were warmly welcomed once, we were warmly welcomed on six occasions and we were also called upon to sing. Our Afrikaans medley of Sarie Marie - Babbejaan Klim die Berg - and Suikerbossie was still rather slow and guttural but definitely an improvement on the Pontardulais rendering. We sat amongst rugby greats, distributed amongst the tables and one felt both honoured and happy to be amongst people who have such a fascinating rugby tradition. A memorable evening after which a jovial but jaded party set off on the twenty minute drive to Castleton.

Saturday 13th saw us rounding off preparations for our next match which now had to be kept very much under wraps as the media were keen to have a story - there was little other excitement happening in Wales. Around mid-morning we set off for Neath, stopping at a pub for lunch along the way. We watched Neath gradually gain the ascendancy to run out winners against Bridgend with Jonathan Davies revealing special talents at flyhalf for Neath.

Sunday 14th dawned crystal clear and we set off for our one and only "home" match at Sophia Gardens. The Cardiff Invitation XV included players predominantly from the Old Illtydians Club while James Arnott and Gillies McDavid also turned out for them. Ryder Lee, Andrew Schaefer and Doug Fieldgate had yet to enjoy a win on tour but there was an air of grim determination within the team.

14th December 1986

VS CARDIFF INVITATION XV Won 22-8

Steve Jefferies handled the game admirably and contributed significantly in allowing the game to move and ensuring that a fine spirit prevailed. The post match function was held in a marquee alongside a pub called The Lodge at Sophia Gardens. We spent a couple of particularly happy hours with our hosts, some of whom followed us back to our hotel.

At about 7.00 a.m. on Monday 15th our hotel manager, John Donovan came into our room to say that a BBC television crew had arrived and wanted to speak to us. We advised him that we had nothing to say as we were
respecting our hosts' request that we should not speak to the press. When a group of about eight boys had congregated at the bus stop after breakfast the BBC chose to confront them and tried to make headway by way of asking questions. Even when asked about the weather the quiet reply was "No comment!" It was James Stewart who very courteously advised the crew that they were respecting the wishes of their manager and coach and as such could not make any statements to the press. They were then left alone and filmed as they climbed onto the bus. This little episode appeared as second item of news on TV around 6.00 p.m. while a short clip was screened later.

We set off on Thursday 18th for Monmouth to play against an Invitation Fifteen arranged by Dereck Morgan. On arrival we were told that the press had got wind of the fixture and that the Police had been alerted just in case there was any trouble. The road to Big Side, the School field, was blocked off by a vehicle and the lone reporter who turned up was not permitted on the field. While it was disappointing to finish the tour playing below best, when one considered the circumstances that had prevailed it wasn't altogether unexpected. Much to our amusement, the lonely pressman, who had watched the game from the carpark, gave us a glowing report in the press the following day, writing that we had clearly overwhelmed our hosts.

18th December 1986

VS MONMOUTH INVITATION FIFTEEN Lost 4-12

That evening we were given a farewell party by David and Penny Lewis. Many of the people who had hosted the boys to dinner were present while a number of young damsels had been invited as well. There were many thank you's to be said and gifts were exchanged. A memorable few words were spoken by Albert Francis, the Cardiff Rugby Club groundsman, who had done so much for us. He presented us with Robert Norster's Cardiff Rugby Jersey to bring back to school as a memento - a wonderful surprise. It was difficult extracting the boys from the disco which was in progress. It really was a special evening as one shared final thoughts with newly established friends. Frank Maria presented his one and only Welsh Youth Rugby Union tie to "The Player of the Tour" - Ross Armstrong. Ross had played in every game on tour - at flyhalf against Sherborne- revealing considerable skill in both linking with his three-quarters as well as getting his forwards on the drive. However, Ross's courage when the going got tough was probably the most impressive aspect of his play and he certainly was a worthy recipient of the
award.

In London we did not organise the boys. On the evening of Saturday 20th we all went to the show "Starlight Express" which was truly magnificent. Otherwise we would see each other once a day and for the rest their time was their own. Some shopped while others visited the usual tourist attractions. All indulged in the night life which resulted in a couple learning expensively about the traps of seedy nightclubs. I honestly believe that it was only once in London that I really relaxed for the first time on tour. On the Sunday both manager and coach slept until midday. It was a good idea having the weekend in London at the end of the tour.

On Monday 22nd December, Richard left for Seefeld in Austria with a friend Rob Godfrey and eight boys for two weeks' skiing. A couple of chaps stayed on in England while I took the rest of the party out to Heathrow that evening to catch the flight home. Apart from being dropped off at the wrong terminal, which meant a long walk, we experienced few hassles and the flight home was pleasant enough. There was further happiness in store shortly after our arrival at Jan Smuts when we witnessed Gareth Boltman hearing the news that he had passed his matric, while James Stewart learned that he
had got an A Symbol for Geography. They had all passed!

So ended a great life experience. A dream had become a reality only through a great commitment made in terms of effort and finance by a large number of people. We are all very grateful to those who made it possible. I believe that the boys were fine ambassadors for both their school and their country and I was proud to be associated with them. The experience was multi-faceted running so far beyond the game of rugby. It was not all a bed of roses but certainly challenging and rewarding. The experience was educational in every sense of the word. Such tours must be undertaken whenever possible but with hindsight my considerations for the future would be twofold:

1. The value of the Rand.

2. Have in black and white from the host Rugby Union and not from an affiliated body, an official letter signed by the Secretary which gives the tour its blessing.

G.D. Paterson

1st XV Coach 24.2.87

SAILING

Masters-in-Charge: Mr T.G. Hart, Mr R.A. Currie
Commodore: Glen Robbins
Vice-Commodore: Patrick Duffy

This year the club consisted of 24 members sailing eight dinghies and eight sailboards. Regular Saturday interschools racing has continued along with mid-week training and theory sessions. In addition sailors competed in the annual Youth and Schools Board and Dinghy Regattas held at Midmar Dam.

Because of the large number of novices this year and the fact that many sailboards were of a non-competitive design, results have not been as good as in previous years. However, there has been a notable improvement in technique generally and Glen Robbins and Stuart Buchanan in their Mirror again proved that they are among the best in Natal.

Colours awards:

Glen Robbins, Patrick Duffy, Stuart Buchanan, Simon Martin.
SAILING

Back Row: C. von Klemperer; C. Legge; C. Erasmus; A. Durham; P. Duffy; A. Mackay-James; D. Allester
2nd Row: C. Mulinder; K. Neethling; S. Buchanan; A. Robbins; S. Mayfield
Front Row: Mr R.A. Currie; B. Hawke; C. Gauntlett; A. Enthoven; R. Hindle; W. Lake; Mr T.G. Hart

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Trophies:
Glen Robbins, Stuart Buchanan, Charles Mulinder, Stephen Mayfield.

SOCCER

Master-in-Charge: Mr L. Cele and Fr Fred Pitout

Soccer continued to increase in popularity; even though taken as a summer sport. Some 46 boys opted to play in the fourth quarter. With both Baileys and Atkens marked out, we were able to practise more effectively.

It became progressively clear that a strong, direct approach with short passing moves and tight marking suited our players and paid dividends. We adopted a good 4:3:3 positional play. This really paid off later in the season as the sides settled into the game.

The Senior side struggled somewhat in the beginning of the season going down 2-5 to Hilton (away) and drawing 2-2 against Howick West, after leading 2-0 at half time. The return game against Hilton was hard fought and we lost 2-4, but the side really came together beating Zenzane 2-1.

Richard Hindle captained the Senior side well. Bruce Sutherland was outstanding in goal and Sibusiso Mbambo shows real touches of class. This bodes well for next year.

Winners P.M.B. Second League 1987

The Under 15 side had a successful season under Musa Dlamini's captaincy. He led by example and regularly dazzled the opposition with his footwork, ball-control and sheer speed off the mark. The defence was sound and the halves kept the forward well supplied with good ball.

This side beat Hilton 5-3, lost narrowly to Howick West 1-3 and beat Hilton 9-0 in the return game. With the majority of these players being Under 14 we look forward to a fine start next year.

SQUASH RACKETS

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.N. Winckworth
Coaches: Mr W.E. Ashmole, Mr D.M.R. Lewis, Mr J.P. Lowe, Mr A.P. Venter (summer), Mr J.P. Lowe (winter)
The year started on an optimistic note, but then suffered several reversals through injury to key players, and revived again towards the end with the acquisition of Gary Plumstead in the Michaelmas quarter. Gary is the 1987 Natal U16 no. 1, SA U16 no. 5, and has another year to go in this age group. Added to this is the fact that all this year's 1st V will be back in 1988. This means that 1988 should be a good year for Michaelhouse squash. To en-

STAFF

Standing: Robin Cox; Andrew Cook
Seated: Andre Venter; Kevin King (Captain)

SQUASH 1ST
Back: G. Plumstead
Middle: T. Ridgway; C. Yorke-Smith; R. Andrews
Front: B. Carter; Mr S. Winckworth; D. Redfern (Captain)
sure that standards are maintained we have entered a side in the Pietermaritzburg 1st League for 1988. This will be the first time since about 1975 that we will have had a 1st League side.

Individual Championships

These dragged on rather this year with the finals being played after half term in the Christmas quarter. This is not ideal as it puts a lot of pressure on any matriculant who makes the finals. Nevertheless the standard of play was good and the runners up in each age group put up good displays despite the 3-0 results.

Under 19: Gary Plumstead beat Bruce Carter 3-0
Under 16: Gary Plumstead beat Rick Andrews 3-0
Under 14: Barry Newton beat Emmanuel Hening 3-0

Results

1st vs Hilton won 3-2, lost 1-4, lost 2-3, won 4-1, (lost 1-4)
vs College won 3-2, lost 1-4, lost 2-3, won 3-2, (won 5-0)
vs Westville lost 0-5, won 4-1
vs Bishops lost 1-4
vs Glenwood won 4-1
vs Kearsney won 4-1, won 4-1
vs St John's won 3-2
vs Escorts lost 1-4
vs Jesters lost 1-4
2nd vs Hilton lost 2-3, lost 2-3, lost 2-3, (won 3-2)

U16 A vs Hilton lost 1-4, won 3-2, won 4-1,
(won 5-0)
vs College lost 2-3, lost 1-4, lost 2-3,
(won 4-1)
vs Westville lost 1-4, lost 2-3
vs Kearsney won 4-1
U16 B vs Hilton lost 0-5, lost 1-4, lost 1-4, (won 5-0)

U14A vs Hilton won 4-1, won 4-1, won 4-1
vs College won 5-0, won 3-2, won 5-0
vs Westville won 5-0, won 4-0
vs Kearsney won 4-1
U14B vs Hilton won 5-0, won 5-0, won 5-0

(Results in brackets indicate matches played in the
Christmas quarter using 1988 age groups.)

League Squash

There were two school sides (and three staff sides) playing in the Pietermaritzburg Men's League. The first side (3 boys + SNW) played in the 2nd League and came third, with Michaelhouse Staff 1 coming first. The second side (4 boys + BRN) came ninth in the 5th League, with Michaelhouse Staff 2 coming third in the same league. Michaelhouse Staff 3 came second - again - in the 7th League. In the 1988 season it is expected that we shall have three schoolboy league teams, with the first side playing in the 1st League with APV.

General

Interhouse squash was again, after a year's gap, won at both senior and junior levels by West. Because of injury the strongest sides did not meet in the finals and West beat Founders 4-1 in the senior competition and Pascoe by the same margin in the junior competition.

Although there was no tour this year the 1st team did spend a weekend in Durban, playing in the Natal Interschools Tournament. We came fourth this year, to Westville, Hilton and College - in that order. This is the lowest we have finished in this competition.

Towards the end of the year two of our top players - Gary Plumstead and Rick Andrews - took part in a course qualifying them as Elementary Squash Coaches. APV and SNW also attended the course. Their added experience in this field should help them, and the school, in this key area.

Clifton (Nottingham Road) make regular use of our courts on Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings throughout the year. In recent years they have donated a squash racquet annually as a token of appreciation and this has been used as a prize for the winner of the Under 14 Championships.

Non-Team Squash

A large number of boys continue to choose squash as their main sport, particularly in summer. This puts the courts under some pressure, but does mean that the untalented sportsman does have the opportunity to play regular sport at his level and receive assistance in developing his game. A few informal matches were played against local schools.
Finally, thanks are due to the Caterer and his staff who have always been flexible with mealtimes and who have provided meals for all league teams throughout the season.

Natal Schools Representatives

Under 19: Bruce Carter (No. 6 Aside)
Under 16: Gary Plumstead (No. 1 A side)
: Rick Andrews (No. 5 A side)
: Christy Yorke-Smith (No. 6 B side)
Under 14: Barry Newton (No. 6 Aside)
: Emmanuel Hening (No. 2 B side)

S.N.W.

SWIMMING

Master-in-Charge Mr J.W. Miller
Captain: A. Hardie

The early part of the season was, as usual, spent preparing for the Midmar Mile and the Inter-House Gala.

The Midmar Mile, as always is a popular event and, this year, we entered twenty-five boys. G. Larson was our first swimmer home. The Inter-House Gala was held on the 25th February, and proved to a most exciting competition. Support from the boys was excellent and, at the end of the afternoon, Baines had regained the swimming crown. Points scored were as follows: Baines 195, Farfield 103, West 89, Pascoe 64, Founders 57, East and Tatham 42.

Three records were broken. They were:

U15 Freestyle 100 yards - G. Larson - 55.4 seconds

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U15 Two Lengths Butterfly - G. Larson - 39.7 seconds

U15 Three Lengths Backstroke - G. Larson - 1 min 46.7 seconds

The Triangular was held at Hilton. The weather was dreadful; but the competition among the Schools was keen. Our only age group which really performed well was the U15 group. Michaelhouse finished 3rd.

In the Senior Boys’ Gala, Michaelhouse came 7th. G. Larson was chosen for P.M.B. Districts U16 Backstroke. He came 5th in the Natal Schools Gala in Durban.

Swimmers for Michaelhouse also entered the Estcourt Biathlon. Results were:

G. Larson - 11th
R. Bassett - 17th
C. Wright and J. Greig were in the top 50.

Congratulations go to Andrew Hardie of Bairnes for doing a fine job as Swimming Captain.

TENNIS

Coach 1st and 2nd Team: Mr M.E. Thompson, Mr P.J. Snyder
Coach U15 "A" and "B" Team: Mr P.J. Snyder
Captain: B. Carter 1st Team, N. Desilla 2nd Team

Tennis continues to be a popular sport with some seventy boys opting for it during the summer time and almost that number (approximately 68) during winter. During the summer terms 1st, 2nd and 3rd teams and on occasions 4th teams took part in matches while in the second quarter we entered two teams in the Denness Trophy. The top team came in the 1st half of this particular competition while the 2nd team finished well up in the B Section.

During the 3rd and 4th Quarters, we entered two teams in the Under 15 competition and the same number in the U13 Bonnefin Trophy. All teams fared reasonably well and it is interesting to note that of the four representative

1ST TENNIS

Back: B. Davidson; F. Reardon; N. Desilla; E. Henning; P. Hofmeyr
Front: B. Ridgway; B. Carter; Mr P.J. Snyder; G. Furmidge; D. Redfern
ing the top Under 15 side, three will be eligible to play in the same competition next year and so we look forward to a successful season in 1988.

Beacon Week took place in Durban during the first vacation but, unfortunately, was hampered by inclement weather, with half of the games being either cancelled or interrupted. At the end of the Competition G. Furmidge was chosen to represent the Natal B side. An indication of the strength of Natal School's tennis is that this particular team came fifth in the overall competition and beat Western Province.

Tennis is indebted to the Board for releasing the necessary funds to resurface three courts during 1987. These courts are now in first class condition and I have recommended that two courts be resurfaced each year.

I am sure that this will be the cheapest way of ensuring that our tennis facilities are in first class condition. These court improvements, together with the shelter built last year, means that we have probably the finest school tennis facilities of any Natal school, and possibly throughout the country.

Bev Mould has continued to coach the Teams and individuals on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. During the first and fourth quarters she has coached the 1st and 2nd tennis teams while during the Third quarter she has coached the U13 and U15 sides.

Results:

Played Won Lost Drawn
1st Team 14 7 7 -
2nd Team 7 5 2
U15 "A" Team 8 3 3 2

Regular Players:

1st Team
B. Carter, D. Redfern, S. Lurie, P. Hofmeyr, E. Hening,
B. Davidson, G. Furmidge, B. Ridgway

2nd Team
N. Desilla, F. Reardon, C. Grobler, J. Shales, A. Blore, M. Reynolds, G. Meyer

U15 "A" Team
P. Lewis, E. Hening, B. Davidson, J. Lewis.
Bonnefin Trophy
Captain: A. Macpherson

Our A and B teams had another successful season but were unable to complete their match schedule because of the floods which wiped out Kershaw Park as a venue; the B team’s season was curtailed and the A team had to be content with only one game, played against College, in the final Quarter.

Regular players included B. Briedenhann, E. Cottrell, M. Ferguson, L. Ferreira, I. Findlay, B. Munro, N. Pienaar, T. Stephens, D. Thompson, W. Thorsen and A. Warren. Many players were Choir members and, while their musical commitments made their Bonnefin Trophy regular participation difficult, they were nevertheless able to get in enough games to make full use of their talents. Cricketers also have double demands on their time and it is rewarding to record that everyone who played did well to use their time to the full. Next year’s Maritzburg Schools Tennis Association matches for Under Fifteens should see the best of this year’s players going through to play at a higher age group, and this is the feeding group for Open players of the future. Good luck to all of them.

WATER POLO

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.D. Pickstone
Captain: C.R. Larson


Without doubt the best games played this season by the 1st and U/15’s were those against stronger schools. The U15’s had more success, however, because they were prepared to put more into the game.

Although invariably outclassed, our willingness to tackle teams far superior in strength is the one very positive aspect this sport offers the school. The sportsmanship of the players and their constant optimism I believe were largely attributable to the Captain, Clint Larson. His direction of the game from the goal mouth was superb.

Not once did he become flustered or discouraged. His encouragement of other players was always positive. He displayed fine leadership.

Our matches were, in fact, our training sessions. During the season we gradually learnt to play wide, using the
whole pool. The larger facilities also taught us the importance of swimming fitness.

The Natal Schools water polo trials were held in Durban and attended by C. Larson, G. Larson and R. Bassett. The prospects for the 1988 season look much better.

Results:

1st

vs Westville
Kloof
Treverton
Estcourt
DHS

Hilton x 2
Kearsney x 2
New Forest
Pinetown
Beachwood
Grosvenor
College II
Alexandra II

U15

vs Parktown
Kloof
Westville
Hilton
Pinetown
Beachwood
Grosvenor
Kearsney
College
Alexandra

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WATER POLO

Back: M. Griffin; B. Faick; D. Thomas; N. Davies; J.B. Wright; T. Firth; G. Larson
Front: A. Schaefer; B. Norman; C. Larson; Mr D. Pickstone; D. Mitchell-Innes; A. Hardie

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It was 14th August 1980 when Andrew Zaloumis first raised the idea of a Society of the Year Award. Since that time, the ACA Committee - the Association for Cultural Activities - has handled the difficult problem of selecting the society to receive the Bill Lambert Shield.

In a very close ballot this year, the results were as follows:

1st place: Natural History Society.

2nd place: Theatre Society.

3rd place: African Affairs Society

Each year some societies are disappointed by the results while a few societies seem to be angered by the ACA decisions. As Chairman of ACA, I would like to make it clear to all on what basis the award is made.

For the past few years the societies proposed for the award were marked on the following criteria:

(a) Use of the Notice Board.

(b) Percentage of Active members.

(c) Speech Day Exhibition.

(d) Range of Activities.

(e) Any other impressive activity.

Each criterion was applied to each society and a mark out of ten awarded. The award went to whichever society scored the most points.

Some slight changes will be made to the judging for 1988.

(a) All members of ACA will vote privately.

(b) A sixth category, one of general impression, will be added.

(c) As Chairman, I will have the casting vote in the event of a close decision.

As a Committee, we feel the Award is worthwhile; we hope we are being as fair as possible.
The 1987 African Affairs Society year was centred primarily around the affairs of South Africa. During the year a number of papers were delivered by society members. These included: "The emerging struggle for class supremacy in South Africa" by A. Enthoven; "Campus Calamity" by J. Suzman; "The Group Areas Act" by A. Gamede; "The Dakar Commission" by C. Erasmus; "United no more" by A. Dixon-Smith.

In addition to the papers that were delivered, guest speakers came to speak to the school on various aspects of South African affairs. The object of these talks is to try to promote an awareness among the boys at Michaelhouse about the current socio-economic and political problems which exist in South Africa. Perhaps one of the more enlightening speakers was Mr R. Steyn, who spoke to the School on the "1987 House of Assembly Elections" the week before the elections were held. Others who spoke included Mr P. Mansfield and Mr S. Pennington, who spoke on "The KwaZulu-Natal Indaba" and "Industrial Relations in South Africa" respectively.

Undoubtedly the highlight of the year was the African Affairs Symposium, held at Michaelhouse between 26th and 29th June, which was attended by about 270 pupils of all races from throughout South Africa. The theme of the symposium, "South Africa, my role in its future", emphasised the fact that we all have a part to play in deciding the future of our country. The speakers, Dr Neville Alexander, Dr Nico Smith, Mr Clem Sunter and Professor James Moulder, provided much food for thought, and debated various issues with the delegates. This subsequently led to thought-provoking discussions and resolutions. It is hoped that further regional symposia will be organized in 1988. The unquestionable success of the symposium can be attributed to the superb organization on the part of Mr Cox, assisted by members of the society, as well as the catering and cleaning staff, not forgetting the incredible enthusiasm shown by all who attended.

Largely as a result of the symposium the society mem-
bers reviewed the aims and functions of the African Af-
fairs Society. The apathy of Michaelhouse boys towards
the problems confronting all people in South Africa was
seen as a major problem to be faced. In 1988, therefore,
the society membership will be open to all boys at Mich-
aelhouse and the society will embark on a new pro-

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gramme of encouraging debates, talks, videos and discussions on topical issues which will, hopefully, reach more boys in the Michaelhouse Community.

Adrian Enthoven has pioneered many of the new ideas that have emerged during the society year, and we thank him for his sincere commitment, his enthusiasm and his untiring efforts during his term as secretary.

Finally, our thanks are also extended to Mr Cox for his immense efforts in the society, and to Mr and Mrs Snyder for looking after the guest speakers and providing the society with a venue for post-speech discussions.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
REPORT 1987

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.B. Morgan
Chairman: R. le Sueur
Secretary: R. Strover
Treasurer: P. Inman

This past year has been a very busy and exciting one for most members of the society. We have carried on with the practicals on our own cattle which we de-horn, castrate, brand and dip. The society acquired a new Sussex - bull this year which we bought from Mr R. Green at Karkloof. A number of members were present and chose what they thought was the best beast of those offered to us. There have been a few outings this year: We went on a tour of Mr Green's Sussex Stud and Cedara Agricultural College held a seminar which some of our members attended along with other schools.

However, our most prominent achievement this year has been to formulate an intensive beef-weaner system for the society in future years. We were aided and advised by Mr Webster and Mr Williamson, Extension Officers of the Department of Agriculture, and Dr Gammon, Beef Extension Specialist of Cedara. The aim of this policy was to make enough money to set up a number of bursaries for farmers' sons, as well as providing an all-round educational practice in beef farming. A veld management program was started as part of this system, and we have done a number of grass counts which can be used later on for comparison.

Finally, this has been a most successful and productive year and our thanks goes to Mr Morgan for his involvement and time.
ART SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge Mr P.G. Lavender
Chairman: G.K. Duane
Secretary: C.G. Mostert
Treasurer: J.J. Heinamann

As usual, the programme followed this year was in accordance with the society’s three-fold aim - to promote an interest in the practical, historic and aesthetic aspects of visual art. Several meetings were devoted to practical sessions in the Art Department, and varied projects were tackled. Acrylic, poster paint and gouache were the favoured painting media, and several fine pencil drawings were produced. Some silk-screen printing was executed and some pottery. In the second quarter, members spent an afternoon on outdoor sketching, and valuable data was collected, some of which formed the basis for later painting. Throughout the year, a wide range of films was shown on the historic, aesthetic and applied aspects of art, from the sculptural ideas of British sculptor Henry Moore, to one on advertising.

Royal Show Results 1987

The following won art awards:

Special prizes

R. Dyson, B. Moller, R. Tatley, J. Thomas


THIRD PRIZES: C. Peet, D. Dollow, D. Everett, R. Lindop, C. Shields


Michaelhouse won the cup for the boys' school winning the most awards.

ASTRONOMY SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge Mr B.J. Stone
Chairman: D. McLuckie

This small society has continued to promote study and learning about the heavens around us. This is in accordance with the plan to work on a three-year cycle as regards topics for review.

Boys in the society are slowly becoming used to the idea of in-depth research into topics which interest them and which might interest the members. This year we have had seminars on The Launching of Space Vehicles, Man in Space, Theories of Mass extinction, The Supernova Effect. Activities have included a viewing of the Film The Right Stuff which traces the history of the American Space Programme; Comets (in general) by Sir Patrick Moore; The Astronomers of the late Middle Ages including Kepler and the three Planetary Laws. In
addition boys prepared articles for publishing on Galaxies, Moons, Early Astronauts, Planets, Black Holes, Comets and Star Maps.

Observations have been limited, as always, by inclement conditions. However, there are plans to organize short late-night impromptu meetings when conditions are good in order to study and learn some of the main features of the Southern Sky. Further plans include going ahead with some of the ideas from last year which were suspended until more interest was aroused.

We look forward to an interesting and productive 1988.

BOARDGAMES

Teacher-in-Charge: Mrs E. Lourens
Chairman: A. Strydom
Secretary: G. Pooke

We opened the doors of the club this year and, instead of having a closed membership of 10, we ended up by having 20 keen members.

Meetings were attended regularly and members seemed to enjoy each meeting.

We managed to acquire a number of new and exciting games, which were played enthusiastically by the boys.

It is a pleasure to report that most new members are from D and E Blocks, which is very promising for the future. Our Chairman, Anton Strydom, even came up with a new game, invented by himself. We do hope that more members will use their creative talents and dream up more games.

CA/ICL SCHOOLS
MANAGEMENT CONTEST

Master-in-Charge: Mr S.N. Winckworth
Chairman: A. Arnesen

Members: A Block: A. Dunstan, C. Wright, D. Oxley-oxland, C. Otter
B Block: D. Thomas, A. Price

Five A Blockers and two B Blockers again took part in the ICL-CA Management Game. The B Blockers, although not officially members of the team, were present at all the meetings in order to gain experience for the next year.
The game began early in the year, with the first round being played over a period of about three months. The first decision period saw Michaelhouse suffering a loss. However, in the subsequent decision periods, the team changed its approach and regained a lot of money. This enabled us to come second in that round, being narrowly beaten because of our bad start. Luckily, our performance allowed us to go through to the quarter-final round and start again with four more decision periods.

The quarter-final round was very interesting for the team because, initially, we were on a par with all the other teams and the game was wide open. However, the organisers suddenly changed the economic climate in which we were selling and so we were faced with some hard decision-making. The problem was that the government had declared a health warning on electric frying pans. (Which was the product we were manufacturing.) We knew that this would cause a huge cut in our sales figures and the problem was to minimize losses, especially as we had just increased the size of our plant. After much debating and thought we arrived at a sound policy. Unfortunately for us, our price cuts were not as dramatic as the other competing teams and, in the end, we had prices which were too far above the competition's. This meant that their products were bought preferentially, and we achieved nil sales. Thus, in the last period of the game, we suffered a huge loss which caused us to lose the game.

The result was disappointing but was, in fact, of minor importance as everybody realized. The actual thought that went into decision-making was the important part of the game. We are all confident in our abilities to assess and critically judge economic situations and understand intimately the makings of the company we ran. This knowledge is extremely useful as many of us may one day be faced with similar business situations.

Good luck to next year's team and, whether they win or not, we all know that they will enjoy the excitement of a game well fought.

CALLIGRAPHY SOCIETY

Teacher-in-Charge: Mrs A. Naidu
Chairman: M. Gormley
Secretary: A. Noyce
Treasurer: A. Akker

This past year has been a very productive year for this new society. As it is a small group, Mrs Naidu has closely supervised the progress of all members. As a result, some boys have made remarkable progress, to
the extent of taking on projects for members of staff. Some projects done thus far have been: name tags for confirmation candidates, invitations, letterheads, labels for Archives displays, and, the most ambitious at present, the framed notices for the squash courts.

Our thanks to Mrs Naidu for seeing the need to start such a society and for her continued interest and encouragement.

CHESS

Master-in-Charge: Mr A. Venter

If anything, 1987 has been an interesting year for chess at Michaelhouse - a time of development and new insights amidst highlights and crushing defeats.

Hoping to improve our chances in the Pietermaritzburg and Districts Inter-Schools League, we fielded our "A" team in the B League and our "B" team in the C League. Unfortunately, however, "Deutshe Schule Hermannsburg" were forced into our league, due to the fact that only five teams were able to participate for the A League trophy. Hermannsburg went on to win the B and C
recital which, this year, took the form of a short Hymn Festival. The choir also sang some of the Hymns at the Confirmation Service.

CHESS

Back: S. Gane; D. James; A. Strydom; S. Khan; B. Sitole; T. Staniforth; H. Kuper
Front: C. Otter; A. Arnesen; Mr A. Venter; L. Levine; J. Arbuckle

Leagues after beating us convincingly, but our "A" team sustained no other defeats.

Ten boys entered the Pietermaritzburg and Districts Trials, gaining useful experience, whilst Baines, the stalwarts of the school team, beat Tatham and Pascoe in the finals of the Senior and Junior Housematches respectively.

Furthermore, it was an innovative year, with practices being held weekly amidst much keenness and interest. Unfortunately, the pressures of major team sports and exams interfered with these plans too.

Finally, our sincere thanks to Mr Venter for his organisation and promotion of the game, and we look forward to 1988.

Regular Players
"A" Team
Lou Levine, Andrew Arnesen, Chris Otter, Trevor Staniforth

"B"Team
Bongani Sithole, David James, Garth Furmidge, Anton Strydom, Simon Gane, John Erasmus, Matthew Dunstan, Brian Gundry, Heinz Gunter-Kuper

CHOIR

Master-in-Charge: Mr Derek Tasker
Head Chorister: Bongani Phakathi

The excellent choir of last year ended on a high note (no pun intended) with the Annual Carol Service. Four items from Handel's Messiah were given a very creditable performance. It is such a pity that so many of the trebles are undergoing a voice change by the end of the year. Four members of that choir are now singing in University choirs. The new choir quickly mastered the Evening Service, Psalm/Canticle singing, the old Gloria as well
as the John Rutter Communion Service. Also, a number of Hymns were learnt for use during the year. Some of the Hymns were sung on Speech Day at the traditional

CLASSICS SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr T.G. Hart
Chairman: A. Thunstrom
Secretary: J. Arbuckle

Thought the society is relatively small and somewhat "elitist", meetings have been well-attended and the programme has ranged from the erudite to the frivolous!

We are particularly indebted to the various lecturers of the University of Natal (PMB) who have addressed us on a variety of themes: "The Relevance of Latin Today"; "Roman Games and Spectacles"; "Superstition amongst the Romans"; "The Narrative Skills of Vergil". Other meetings ranged from videos of Spartacus and Asterix to a quiz on matters classical and a "Mythology Evening" when each member delivered a speech outlining individual Greek Gods, their Roman equivalents and their specific attributes.

As in all societies, the greater the participation and contribution of the members, the more rewarding and enjoyable are the meetings. "De nihilo nihil!"

COMPUTER SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr M.T. Goulding
Chairman; J. Doull
Secretary: A. Arnesen
Treasurer: C. Chamberlain

The year has been both varied and interesting with the active members spending many fruitful hours on the computers and turning out some interesting and useful programs.

During the Society Year members were introduced to different processors used in computers and bench tests were run on several machines to compare some different processors. The memory of computers was also gone into and the ability of the BBC computer to download software into the sideways RAM fitted to each machine was explored.

The society has also acquired an EPROM blower and some members have been able to blow EPROMs of their own programs with surprising ease.

A series of chess playing programs was compared to Mr Venter's dedicated chess machine which, not surpris-
ingly, beat all the computer versions including Apple, Commodore and BBC chess programs.

The more advanced capabilities of the Econet network were also explored and programs were pushed between machines and even the synchronised running of the same program in several different machines at the same time was investigated.

The final meeting of the Society year was devoted to the use of Beltel, the post office's information system. We were able to access banking, stock exchange and gold
price information as well as getting the latest sports results both locally and overseas and we were even able to do some shopping at 9 o’clock at night.

JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr Paul Fleischack
Chairman: David Southwood
Secretary: Andrew James
Treasurer: Richard Dyson

Junior Debating continues to be an active and popular society. This year saw external debates against: Estcourt High, Hilton, Girls Collegiate, Howick High, and Drakensberg High as well as eight internal meetings. Active participation of all members was encouraged and most had the opportunity of addressing the floor. Topics debated ranged from the question of school uniforms to the "value" of AIDS.

While emphasis was placed on formal debating procedures and the finer points of public speaking, more light-hearted meetings including “Parachute" and "Greek Forum" debates were held. These generated much interest among junior boys and were characterised by lively contributions, particularly from the floor.

During the course of the year it became apparent that many members have derived the benefits of increased confidence, reduced self-consciousness and logical presentation from their participation in this society. We look forward to continued interest and activity next year.

SENIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.C.D’A. Willis
Chairman: N. Welz
Organising Secretary: M. Liddle
Minutes Secretary: A. Enthoven
Treasurer: K. Borland

Michaelhouse Senior Debating Society entered the new year with participation in the Midlands Debating League which enabled its members to speak at a number of inter-schools debates at various venues and this was a powerful motivator of sound speech preparation and delivery. Debates against teams from Drakensberg Indian High School on passive resistance instead of violence, Estcourt High School on modern attitudes to sport, and against Dundee High School on the relevance of the mathematics syllabus in education led to a keen competitive attitude to public speaking and was of great value to all who participated in the League. Our grateful thanks are particularly due to Estcourt High School for
hosting such entertaining and stimulating debates. We were also fortunate to have participated in the Shell Forum held at Howick High School in which a number of different topics were discussed.

Our internal programme was equally full and it is a tribute to our office bearers that such a wide range of topics was smoothly organised to enable all members to prepare and deliver speeches under keen competition. Our only sad note was the cancellation of a debate due to

have been held at Collegiate early in September when, on arrival at our host school, we were prevented from entering the building due to a case of meningitis which tragically led to the death of one of Collegiate's most loved and talented pupils, and our deepest sympathies go out to the Collegiate community and all the families involved.

The year ended with the election of Ryan Short as Chairman, Charles Macdonald as Secretary and Alan Newton as Treasurer, a new diary for the Midlands Debating League programme and the prospect of another challenging and successful debating season.

FILM SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.J. Rogers
Treasurer: B. Carter
Secretary: D. Redfern

The year started with a visit to Maritzburg to see: "The Mission". This excellently photographed film caused much discussion. Further discussion took place later in the year when we were able to see the video of "The Making of the Mission".

Other films to be shown were:

"The Night Porter" - a deep film, showing the depravity of Nazi Germany.

"Hennessey" - an authentic thriller dealing with the IRA in London.

"The Shooting Party" - the horrors of World War I fore-told in the guise of a "Shoot" on the estate of a wealthy English landowner.

A selection of British comedies was also shown.

THE FORUM SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr A. W. Cook
Chairman: M. Hall
The topics for discussion were wide ranging as usual this year but they tended to have an unfortunate feature in common: their generally ill-prepared presentation! It is hoped that with the Society’s new format for 1987/88 the level of debate will be raised.

Nevertheless, we enjoyed our discussions of "Ghosts, Spirits, Apparitions: do they exist?" which was held in conjunction with the Collegiate Forum, and Graham Rivers-Moore showed deep insight into "Teenage relationships: the Male point of view". Our thanks too, go to Mr Mike Ellis (MP, Durban North) for giving us an interesting overview of Education in South Africa.

Plans for the new society year include an exploration of "The psychology of Advertising" and a viewing of the video The Shock of the New. Ryan Short has been elected Chairman of the Society, with Jonathan Beggs and Christopher Field as Secretary and Treasurer respectively.
The Geography Society was started up again in the third term 1987 and has a membership of fifty boys. We meet formally twice a term. Activities at these meetings have ranged from watching The Living Planet video series to listening to various guest speakers.

Friday afternoons have also been used for various outdoor activities, ranging from mapwork exercises to ecology field studies.

It is hoped that several keen members will enter a research project in next year's Science Expo, whereby their enthusiasm and expertise can be exploited.

The highlight of the year was the Sani Pass/Underberg excursion during Free Activities Week at the end of the third quarter. Twenty-one boys participated and they cycled up to Mr G. Horner's farm outside Underberg in groups of seven, using seven bicycles and a Kombi. Congratulations to all these boys who did well to cycle the 165 km of undulating terrain. It is hoped to make this worthwhile and enjoyable geography excursion an annual one.

Another good year for the Gun Club. We had various shoots, all being successful and most enjoyable.

The first shoot of the season was to the Earles at Highflats. Here we shot geese and pigeons. The birds were plentiful and everyone had good shooting. There were 24 geese shot and 227 pigeons.

Next we moved on to the Reynold's and the Yorke-Smith's in the Vaal area. Guinea-fowl were the main quarry and there were also francolin. The shooting was excellent and the birds were in great numbers. About 200 guinea-fowl were shot and about 30 francolin. A most successful day.

In the third term we shot at the Moller's farm. Again gu-
nea-fowl were the quarry. The shooting again was good but the birds, being Natal guinea-fowl, were extremely clever. However, some managed to get some birds. About 30 birds were shot. It was a most enjoyable morning.

Thanks to Mr Morgan for his support. What would we do without him? We owe a lot to our hosts. We were honoured to have them at the Gun Club Dinner which was held on 24 September. We are very lucky to have such good shooting. I have often been told that the hunter is the biggest conservationist. If we want to shoot we must conserve game. I hope the shooting will be as good in the years to come.

Paul McCarter won the Hulett Cup for 1987 for the "Best Shot" on clay over the year.

HISTORY SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr D.M.R. Lewis
Chairman: P.C. Hall
Secretary: A.J.T. Durham
Treasurer: N. Braun

This year the Society enjoyed some new blood in the person of Mr Graham Wood, on exchange with Mr Lewis, from Oundle in England.

For the first meeting of the year the topic was "The History and Nature of the Irish problem", about which Mr Wood was well informed. He drew interesting parallels with South Africa, the main one being that the roots of the problem lay well back in history: the other being that opinions had become so entrenched and people so polarised that solutions were well-nigh impossible. Mr Wood maintained that the Irish demand that the British must leave Ireland was as impracticable as many an African demand that the Whites must leave South Africa.

For the next meeting the film of the Falklands War was shown, followed by much question and discussion. Again Mr Wood was able to offer some relevant comments, especially on reasons for the sinking of British ships - that the French missiles used by the Argentinians had not been programmed to the British computers, and that the Argentinian air force had been sadly underestimated. However, the war had demonstrated the efficiency of the highly trained British army.

Mr Wood addressed the third meeting on the City of Berlin, its history and its present division in two, including a comment on the Blockade. Mr Wood had made frequent visits to Berlin with boys from Oundle so was able to give a very personal account of it, using maps and slides,
and the film from the History department, given us some years ago by Oundle History Society.

The next meeting was held at Mr Lewis's home, where Mr Wood was staying. The discussion was on History Syllabuses and what role they should play; there was further discussion on stately homes in England and various trips made by the Oundle History Society.

Major Hall once again delivered his slide-talk, this time on the British airborne attack on Pegasus Bridge in World War II: as usual his talk was well researched and very detailed and brought us all right into the middle of the planning and execution of the attack, almost getting to know the personalities involved. Our thanks to Major Hall for yet another fascinating expedition to Michaelhouse.

Mr Wood returned to England in June: many thanks to him for an interesting interlude.

The final meetings of the Society year were organised by Mr Lewis. The first one saw a BBC film of the Night of the Long Knives, when Hitler eliminated all his opposition. A discussion of this kind of political tactic followed. The next meeting saw the film "Gone for a Soldier" on World War I with some very explicit scenes of
the horror of the trenches, the mud and the machine-guns. Mr Lewis added some comments on his trip with Oundle boys to the battlefields of the Somme in Northern France, in particular how totally predictable and futile had been all the slaughter, as men on both sides were just mown down as they walked into attacks.

Membership was considerably reduced by the departure of the Matrics, and an effort will have to be made to restore it next year.

HOERTAAL

Onderwyser: Mnr A.P. Venter
Voorsitter: A. Newton
Sekretaris: A. Dixton-Smith

Blootstelling aan Afrikaans is sekerlik een van die skaarsste gebeurtenisse op Michaelhouse. Leerlinge het nog'n goeie kans om die taal te beoefen in hierdie vereniging. Die doel van hierdie vereniging was weer eens vanjaar om sover moontlik lede met Afrikaans in aanrakingte bring.

Lede het toesprakies gelewer en hierdie toesprake was goed voorberei. Vanjaar was daar dan ook baie gebruik gemaak van Afrikaanse videos wat aan lede vertoon was en wat dan agterna bespreek was. Videos was gekies om hulle opvoedkundige waarde, maar ook vir vermaak. Besprekings en geselsies was dan agterna oor in koppie koffie en beskuit gehou. Op die manier het dit dan ook die kommunikasie tussen leerlinge en onderwysers verbeter want lede kon vry voel om te gesels waaroor hulle wou.

Gesien uit hierdie oogpunte was vanjaar'n groot sukses en ons sien uit na nuwe lede wat volgende kwartaal hulle opwagting maak.

HUMAN KINETICS SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr G.D. Paterson
Chairman: ?. Dingley
Secretary: J.B. Wright
Treasurer: T. Cradock

The society this year has fulfilled its requirements in terms of numbers of meetings. There have been a number of most interesting addresses and yet there has been a lack of initiative and drive on the part of the committee and society on a whole. There is a tendency to be apathetic and to place too great a reliance on videos.

The first meeting of the year involved G.D.P. and An-
drew Schaefer giving, respectively, a coach's and player's view on "The Wales Tour: More Than Just A Rugby Experience". The next meeting involved a look at Ian Botham's contribution to the 1980 "Ashes" series. After an interesting introduction to Ian Botham delivered by Garth Furmidge, we watched the video Botham's Ashes.

Mr Paul Fleischack gave a most interesting account of the requirements for running the Comrades Marathon. Well qualified to do so, after achieving a silver medal, P.C.F. spoke about training schedules and character qualities demanded by marathon athletes. During the second meeting of the second quarter the top three A Block Human Kinetics Projects were screened.

These slide-tape projects covered the topics of, bare-foot water-skiing, canoeing and clay pigeon shooting. P. inman and P. Stanistreet are congratulated on being awarded the H.K. Project Prize for an excellent presentation of Clay Pigeon Shooting.

After a short introduction to the Rugby World Cup by G.D.P., we watched some of the highlights, which included the massacre of Wales by the All-Blacks. These highlights had been taken from sports programmes on Australian Television.

On 17th September Mr Richard Turnbull, a Biokinetics specialist, spoke to over one hundred boys at an open meeting on "Considerations and Procedures for Weights Training". Many questions were asked by boys about programmes for a variety of sports, and many misconceptions about weights training were dispelled. This was a thoroughly enjoyable and most informative meeting.

It is time now for a new committee to take office. We encourage them to be innovative in drawing up their programme of meetings and trust that we will see an enlightened display on Speech Day next year.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.E. Duff

There were two meetings each term. Their format was largely the same throughout with input from a visiting speaker and prepared topics by the members of video material preceding discussion.

The first meeting saw members discussing such topics as the present role of students in Chinese politics,
British politics, Reagan's presidency, relations between Iran and the USA, Helmut Kohl's re-election.

Mr Walter Strachan was the guest speaker later in the term. His topic, "South Africa's Economy and International Trade", was most informative. He began his address by explaining the basic factors which were influencing international trade, e.g. the weakening of the US dollar, the appreciating Yen, the US Trade deficit. Then followed a clear exposition on how these factors and others influenced the SA economy. All members commented afterwards how much they had gained from this address.

At the start of the next term, Mr Graham Wood, who was on an exchange from Oundle School, spoke to the society. His address covered the then political and economic situation in the UK. There were many questions and all gained a good insight.

Per kind favour of Mr Lewis the society at a later meeting was able to view video material dealing with political broadcasts leading up to the mid-year British general election.

The next guest speaker was Mr King who addressed the meeting on the geographic, socio-political and econ-
omic circumstances of Brazil. He also showed slides of his recent visit to that country.

In the final term the meetings dealt with nuclear warfare. An excellent video programme dealing with a simulated nuclear attack on the UK provided the focal point for these discussions. The visual material was vivid without being macabre. It was a topic which provoked much thought and concern.

The ramifications of many international situations, require considerable basic knowledge and understanding for meaningful discussion. Unfortunately, time does not always permit the attainment of these objectives.

INVESTMENT GAME

Master-in-Charge: Mr P.J. Snyder
Chairman: B. Berry
Secretary: A. Wadley

As has been customary over the past few years Michaelhouse entered three teams in the Johannesburg Stock Exchange Investment Game Competition. Two of these comprised Matric Boys and the other a team of B Blockers.

Unfortunately, the game takes place over the period from the end of February to the end of September only. Thus the object tends to be to make as much money as possible through speculative shares rather than sound investment.

Messrs G. Edwards (Stockbroker), B. von Blommenstein (Financial Adviser), W. Yeowart (Stockbroker) each addressed the teams on various aspects of the Financial Market and we thank them for their valuable time and expertise. The Chairman and Secretary were very privileged to be invited to attend a Symposium on Investment in Pietermaritzburg and found this both stimulating and helpful.

At each meeting the teams gave an indication of their present and proposed investments, and the various guest speakers commented on them. The exercise proved very fruitful and the team members gained valuable experience in the working of the Stock Market. It is interesting to note that the Matric Team of 1986 came fourth overall in the competition.

LAER TAAL

Onderwyseress-in-beheer: Mev E. Lourens
Voorsitter: C. Peet
Sekretaris: R. Bassett

Die Laer Taal vereniging het 'n besondere aangename jaar agter die rug. Onder die bekwame leiding van die voorsitter, Chris Peet, maar veral deur die geesdrif en ontoesiasme van die sekretaris, Russell Bassett, het ons werklik hierdie jaar groot hoogtes bereik.

Die ledetal het uitgebrei en vergaderings is gereeld bygewoon. By elke vergadering het elke lid sy deel bygedra tot die sukses van die vereniging.

Elke lid het die geleentheid gekry om 'n toespraak te lewer oor enige onderwerp waarin hy belangstel. Dit het geleid tot baie interessante besprekings oor dinge wat gewissel het van vakansies in die Okavango tot rekenaarwetenskap.

'n Baie gewilde vorm van vermaak was die speel van stomstreke ('n Afrikaanse vorm van Charades). Hier het die lede werklik met oorspronklike idees voor die dag gekom en terselfdertyd hulle kennis van Afrikaanse letterkunde, TV en toneel uitgebrei.

Afrikaanse videos het ook groot aftrek gekry en ons het na programme soos Spioen-Spioen, Wolwedans in die skemer en Ballade vir 'n Enkeling gekyk.

Die verskillende aktiwiteite het daartoe bygedra dat die seuns se kennis van die Afrikaanse taal en kultuur baie uitgebrei het.

LITERARY SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr J.C.D'A. Willis
Chairman: N.Welz
Secretary: J. Beggs
Treasurer: J. Suzman

The Literary Society's full and exciting diary has made severe demands on every member and it is to the credit of all concerned that we were not only able to go to a wide range of theatrical and film productions but also to keep publishing a consistently high standard of literary articles in The Voice, whose production has stimulated writing at Michaelhouse and undoubtedly also contributed to the success of our pupils in the Natal Senior Certificate Examination and the Alan Paton Competition.

Our trilogy programme of war productions saw Somewhere On The Border, The Mission and Platoon, and we also watched a number of excellent video interviews and productions. The Diary of Anne Frank was responsible for arousing stimulating post-theatre discussion, and members were also able to participate in the writing
up of many articles from the African Affairs Society programme.

Altogether the Society has met nearly twenty times in the year under review, and we go into the new year with the prospect of an equally exciting calendar; our members are entirely responsible for such a challenging and demanding programme and we know their future will be fulfilling.

MUSIC SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr D. Tasker
Chairman: Bongani Phakathi

The society is small in number, having only 13 members, but enthusiasm among the members for "things musical" is very high indeed. We have met twice during each quarter and, more often than not, have travelled into Pietermaritzburg to attend either the Pietermaritzburg or Natal Philharmonic Orchestral concerts. The musical play Camelot, which was staged by Hilton Col-

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lege and St Annes, was attended by the society and an enjoyable meeting it turned out to be. During those times when public performances have not been available, we have still been able to have a successful meeting by watching one of the superb videos that are available to us.

MOTOR CLUB

Master-in-Charge: Fr Fred Pitout
Secretary: A. Niven

Mid 1987 saw the club move to the Maintenance Workshops from Ephratha. This rationalisation was overdue and now the club is able to draw on the expertise of the school mechanic, Mr Kees Grinwas.

We have continued to work on the Mazda bakkie and, more recently, on an old DKW Junior. We have also serviced a number of staff cars and motor bikes. Some of the members have also made a start with basic welding and use of metal working machinery.

Boys have also been able to follow the progress of various jobs being undertaken in the Maintenance Workshops. Next year will, we hope, see the completion of the bakkie’s immediate repairs and some driving practice!

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Masters-in-Charge: Mr K.J. King, Mr B.C. Reynolds, Mr D. Pickstone
Chairman: G. Duane
Secretary: K. Borland
Treasurers: G. Cowden
J. Earle
D. Simmons
K. Collins

The first outing of the year was to the Vermaaks’ game farm near Dundee. Much was learnt about game farming and a lot about preservation and how not to disrupt the course of nature. This was one of the most enjoyable outings and all of us enthusiastically chased Impala, under a spotlight at night, in an effort to catch them by hand. None was caught but many a thornbush was flattened, and the rest of the night was spent pulling acacia thorns out of our legs. On the Sunday, we saw white rhinos, black wildebeest and many other animals, chin spot batis, mocking chat and white browed Robin were among the many birds seen. The members who took
part in this outing were: G. Duane, J. Quin, J. Earle, C. Roll, H. Vermaak, J. Shales, K. Borland and S. Wimbush. Many thanks to Mr and Mrs F. Vermaak for hosting us and to Mr Reynolds for taking us. Other outings were to the Fort Nottingham hills to study wild flowers, which included verbenas, proteas and many species of legumes.

The outing to Chaka's Rock for diving was also very interesting and enjoyable. Most of Saturday was spent snorkelling or swimming, and at night we went down to the rock pools, at low tide, to look at the Aribeca Cowries. We saw over 15 large specimens, and Mr King and K. Borland went into throes of excitement. We also saw squirrelfish, seagoldies and many other fish and sea creatures.

1987 SCUBA GROUP
R. Hindle, J. Sabatta, K. Borland, J. Easingwood, A. Arneson,
T. Harkness, F. Bassett, P. Baker, Mr K. King, S. Mayfield

The next day a couple of crayfish were caught. Members who went were: G. Duane, R. Le Sueur, P. Stanstreet, G. Roberts, R. Tatley, C. Le Sueur, J. Easingwood and J. Sabatha. Thanks go to Mr King and also to Mr and Mrs Keith Duane for hosting us.

There was another diving outing to Patrick Baker's cottage at Clansthal, where we had beautiful weather and many crays were caught.

Other outings included bug-weed chops and walks to the nearby Gleneagles bush, as well as day birdwatching outings and snare-hunts.

A number of guest speakers came to address us at our meetings: Dr Nolly Zaloumis, Chairman of the Wildlife Society, spoke to us about waterfowl.

Many internal meetings also took place and credit is given to Hindle and Wynne, who managed to keep the whole society in fits of laughter for the entire length of their speeches.

The Natural History Society Library was moved to a more central position in the Biology Department.

Our traditional annual quiz was tackled with the usual enthusiasm, Keith Begg was first, with Sean Pattrick second and Rob Harvey third.

Tim Harkness, Rich Hindle and Patrick Baker inspect this 3 m Hammerhead shark caught at Sodwana.
The annual fund-raising bike ride took place once again. Twenty-five boys left in the mist and rain, and arrived numerous hours later in the mist and the rain again; but spirits were not dampened and the eager Natural Historians continued to enjoy themselves while they raised money for the Endangered Wildlife Trust.

Michaelhouse SCUBA Section

The newest activity in the Natural History Society is that of the SCUBA section. SCUBA stands for Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus.

In April, 9 boys and Mr King went on a scuba diving course at Trident Dive School. They spent 5 days in the school, where they learnt basic skills such as retrieving equipment and buddy breathing. During pool sessions they learnt about depth and dive tables.

The keen group left for Sodwana and spent 3 days there just diving on the 2-mile reef. One member of the group, John Easingwood, was violently seasick on every dive, while the other members were just moderately green. The scientist of the group, Andrew Arnesen, improvised and took a drip from the first-aid kit and filled it with water in case he got thirsty underwater. Many fish were seen, such as Blue-lined Snappers, Moray Eels, Crayfish, Shrimps, Clownfish, Dolphins and Rays. The large Potato Bass were very popular, as they were very friendly and allowed divers to touch them.

The group enjoyed warm water and extremely good visibility for most of the time. They dived in depths varying from 15 to 25 metres.

Members who took part were: A. Arnesen, R. Hindle, K. Borland, P. Baker, T. Harkess, R. Bassett, S. Mayfield, J. Easingwood and J. Sabatta. Mr King took the group and partook in all of the activities.

A follow-up outing to Aliwal Shoal was taken, again by Mr King, but the visibility and temperature were not as good as Sodwana Bay. The group did, however, see numerous fish, including a Short-tailed Ray.

- All our thanks go to Mr King, Mr Reynolds and Mr Pickstone who helped make our society year a very successful and enjoyable one. We are proud to have won the Lambert Shield for the Best Society of 1987.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.L. Carter
Outdoor Education is now firmly established on part of the curriculum at D Block level.

The programme exposes all four 13-14 year olds, during their first term of each year, to the following:

Basics: Backpacking
Campcraft
First Aid
Map and Compass work
Orienteering
Basic underwater diving skills
Climbing and Abseiling

I would like to thank each of the staff members who make such an invaluable contribution to the success of this programme, for their time spent on this project during the first quarter of each year.

Once all of our boys have been given the basics then they are equipped to handle an overnight camp out under bivvy sheets at Gleneagles bush.

Camp inspections are made and an orienteering exercise is mounted in the hills behind Michaelhouse. This exercise takes place during the second quarter.

The third quarter sees them hiking away from Michaelhouse for three days. Their route takes them from school to the base of Nhlozane, where they camp out on Jeff and Joyce Morphew's farm. The following day they make their way with map and compass up the valley past Umgeni Poort Convent to Mike and Coral Le Sueur's farm in the Kamberg direction. Another overnight stop and then a slog back to Michaelhouse on the third day.

The report back from the boys, in essay form, is most encouraging. Everything that we had hoped for our boys, in terms of awareness of themselves and others regarding their strengths and weaknesses shows through in their reports.

I believe it has been a growth experience for many of them. Comments from the boys who completed the hike in 1987 have already been published in the Michaelhouse News, however one bears repeating here, because it contains all that we would want for our boys through participation in this programme.

"The hike gave me a chance to get rid of my school
thoughts and think of other personal problems, about other people, about my family and about how lucky I am to be what I am and who I am. It is the first time that I can remember looking after myself for so long without the help of my brother, mother or father, but only with people of my age."

PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr K. Fairweather
Chairman: L. Levine
Secretary: N. Barnes
Treasurer: A. Arnesen

The highlight of the year for the Society was the Junior National Stamp Exhibition (JUNASS 1987), held in the City Hall, Pietermaritzburg in the July holidays. Nicholas Braun and Andrew Arnesen won a Gold Medal and Best in their age-group 16-18 years. Ryan Read received a Silver Award and Gareth Bryden a Bronze.

Members have attended Inter-Schools' Meetings at Hilton College once a term, and have swapped stamps with Cordwalles, Maritzburg College, Kearsney, Hilton and St Anne's collectors. On various occasions guest speakers addressed them on interesting stamp histories and exhibited their valuable collections. In addition, they gained good advice from Mr Eric Holmberg of the Maritzburg Philatelic Society.

The committee members did an efficient term of office, and led with responsibility the young and enthusiastic group of boys in this society.
PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.L. Carter
Chairman: Douglas Simmons
Secretary/Treasurer: Colin Wright

It would be fair to say that the society was steered through 1987 without any real high points. Our routine meetings were useful in introducing a large intake of new members to the art of photography. The society is, therefore, going through one of its rejuvenation phases! It is to be hoped that they can learn sufficient about dark-room technique so as to be able to produce prints for our quarterly competitions.

Perhaps a greater degree of forward planning would eliminate the last minute efforts which characterised a number of our members during 1987.

There is much work to be done during 1988 to maintain the interest and enthusiasm of our new members.

Are there any photographers out there amongst the ranks of Old Boys who would consider making an input to our society? If so, please contact us! We would be delighted to have the benefit of your experience.

MHS PRINTING PRESS

Teacher-in-Charge: Mrs A. Naidu
Head of Printing Crew: A. Crutchley

The school press was kept very busy as usual. Items printed were menus, invitations, letterheads, varied items of stationery for the Rector, theatre, sanatorium and tuckshop. This involves setting each type and printing each sheet individually. This is no mean task, as almost every step is done manually.

Nonetheless, it was enjoyed by all the members of the printing crew, although there have been times when we were put under a lot of pressure, due both to the volume of work and the need to complete certain tasks quickly.

We thank Mrs Naidu for her interest, enthusiasm and commitment to this duty. Our thanks too to Mr Sid White of the Natal Witness for all his assistance in servicing our machines and giving us much-needed ink, print, and paper.

SCIENCE SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr D.B. Cumming
Chairman: A. Schaefer
Secretary: A. Arnesen
Treasurer: I. North

Committee Members: W. Rebeck, G. Cryws-Williams

The following videos were shown during the year: Albert Einstein, Nuclear Fusion, Sharks and The Invisible World.

They all had value in terms of general interest, scientific enrichment and entertainment. Dr Mark Wilson gave an informative address on "Physics and Chemistry in Dentistry". Mr King gave a talk on the Scientific aspects of his visit to Brazil where he attended an International Science Conference.

Several members gave short talks on the following: J. Arbuckle on "Parallel Universes", A. Arnesen on the requirements for Expo and Pinssa entrants and G. Crwys-Williams on "Neurosurgery, with specific reference to the transplant of living brains".

During Activities Week, the committee organised a tour of several Durban factories.

On the Monday AECI (Umbogintwini) was visited. This is a giant complex which consists of many independent and semi-independent plants. We visited the Sulphuric Acid Plan, the Perspex factory and the Main Laboratory.

The Lion Match Factory was visited on Tuesday. This was interesting in that one was able to view the process, step by step from tree trunk to cartons of match boxes ready for dispatch.

On the final day, the Dunlop Tyre Factory was visited. Once again it was possible to follow the whole sequence from raw materials to giant tyres. The complexity of producing tyres and the vast size of the factory were an eye-opener to all.

SERVICE

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.J. Rogers
Projects Organiser: B. Ridgway

The Service Scheme at Michaelhouse is now run by the Sixth Form. They co-ordinate the various projects, organise transport and discuss possible project areas. Their own special project involves the Michaelhouse Farm School, details of this can be seen in the Sixth Form Notes.
Boys were fully involved in assisting staff in projects within the school, and in helping staff in a variety of areas.

Some of the outside projects were as follows:

The Farm School
Natal Railway Society
Sunfield Home

Organising Stalls for the Community Chest
Bug weed clearing
Sponsored Bike Ride
The Wild's Garden

Thanks to the Vlth Form for their assistance and to Blaise Ridgway in particular for devoting so much time to organising projects.

SUNESIS

Master-in-Charge: Mr B.J. Stone
Chairman: N.Welz
Secretary: A. Arnesen

1987 was Sunesis Society's first year, and it was highly successful. Sunesis is a predominantly philosophical society, although the Greek word Sunesis means insight and understanding, which allows much scope in
our range of activities. We had a very productive year, and our activities included seminars on the philosophy of science; a trip to the University to see the famous film on C.G. Jung the Austrian psychoanalyst; a video review and discussion on the famous progressive British Public School, Summerhill; and a critical analysis of the disturbing film Brazil.

The philosophy of science seminars involved a short history of the philosophy of science followed by in-depth discussion of the ideas of P.K. Feyerabend.

The highly acclaimed film Matter of the Heart about Carl Jung was both thought-provoking and controversial, thus stimulating much conversation.

The "Summerhill" video provided much food for thought and prompted enthusiastic discussion about education and the liberal viewpoint taken by Summerhill in comparison with the Michaelhouse education system.

Such has been the interest in the Society that we have planned a three-day session of presentations and seminars to be held during Activities Week this year.

In conclusion, Sunesis Society's inaugural year has been a great success, and has generated much interest within the school. We look forward to another stimulating year.

THEATRE SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: MR R. Aitchison

The Theatre Society has had an exceptionally active and enjoyable year, under the guidance of our new Master-in-Charge, Mr Aitchison. Perhaps the most pleasing aspects of the society's year have been the tremendous level of involvement among society members and the remarkable range of activities upon which the society has embarked. At the beginning of the society year, the committee decided that instead of the normal two meetings per term, the society would have four meetings, of which at least one would be an external meeting. It so happened that society members attended six external productions during the year. In nature these productions were as diverse as theatre itself. We saw the local farm school's A Midsummer Night's Dream; Alexandra High School's production of Barry England's Conduct Unbecoming; Chips with Everything; Romeo and Juliet and Camelot (all staged by Hilton College the latter two in conjunction with Girls' Collegiate and St Annes). Perhaps the highlight of our external activities, however, was our attendance at Napac's My Fair Lady at the
Natal Playhouse in Durban.

Our internal activities were as diverse. We had an evening of charades and improvised scenarios; society members were split up into groups to produce a series of television advertisements for made-up products of our own choosing, as well as presenting a selection of mimes and monologues. Significantly, all members of the society were involved in all these activities.

The advertisements generated a great deal of enthusiasm, and the final results were often most imaginative. The best advertisements were selected to be filmed by the Video Production Society. Boys had to choose a director, actors, costumes and props. The Master-in-charge offered a R50 prize for the best video. This was won by Tod Ridgway's group who did a most effective advertisement for an energy supplement called Maxilast.

The year's other major project was an evening of mime soliloquies. Everybody in the society was involved in a mime, a soliloquy or monologue, one member presenting both a soliloquy and a mime. The evening took the form of a competition adjudicated by external adjudicators. The monologue/soliloquy section of the competition was won James Dodd for his routine from Bill Cosby called Roland and the Rollercoaster. Nick Welz's monologue from Brian Clark's play Whose Life is it Anyway? was awarded second place, with Mike Liddle's The Riot Policeman coming third.

In the mime competition, C. MacDonald, B. Falck, R. Sykes, N. Davies and P. Ellis were awarded joint third place with The Gym together with Corporal Punishment by Jonathan Chaplin, Adam Stead, Mpatsie Filtane and Murray Pitt. Second place went to Jeremy Spencer and Themba Vundla for their African Night. Thembela Magadla, Lizo Ndaba and Segape Mmesi won the competition with a very evocative mime called Soweto Morning. A selection of the best material from this competition was also presented on two occasions on Speech Day for interested parents and guests.

In conclusion, the chairman thanks Mr Aitchison for his contribution to what was certainly a most eventful and successful society year and to wish next year's committee everything of the best.

TOASTMASTERS' 1986/87 REPORT

Master-in-Charge: Mr W.E. Ashmole
Secretary: A. Schaefer
Treasurer: K. Borland
Sergeant-at-Arms: R. Andrews

The 1986/87 Toastmasters' year has been a further rewarding and fulfilling year in which the society has admirably served its purpose of providing practical public speaking experience to its members. The considerable improvement in the public speaking of all the members during the year's membership was marked and indicates the value of such a society. The use of pauses was particularly enlightening, with the year beginning with long "thought-provoking" pauses in many members' speeches. However, these rapidly shortened as confidence and eloquence improved and, by the conclusion of the final dinner, self-conscious and inexperienced orators proved themselves to be loquacious and striking speakers.

With every member involved in a specific public speaking exercise, Toastmasters offers an ideal opportunity actively to improve one's public speaking ability. Speakers who initially found it difficult to think while speaking during the impromptu sections, expressed themselves impeccably on demanding subjects such as the "muflon" and "dregorin". If you are somewhat confused by
such topics, you will know in part of how the speakers felt when they had to address the society on such topics. In fact the Table Topics Master, who chooses the impromptu topics, deliberately chooses topics he himself has never heard of, and provided a clue for the speaker, who had to determine what the object was. Each member acquitted himself superbly on such a rigorous test of his speaking ability, and this bears testimony of the excellent function which the Society fulfils.

A feature of the 1987 dinner meetings was the superb dinners which Mr Van Der Muelen laid on. The three-course meals were always of a five-star calibre, and they invariably comforted perturbed members preparing for a speech. 1987 saw the Michaelhouse Toastmasters' Society hosting the Alexandra School, Howick Gavel Club and St Anne's Public Speaking to allow them an opportunity to experience how a Toastmasters' Society competed in an Inter-Schools Toastmastering event, and they performed excellently. Peter Armitage won the prepared speaking section, Christopher Field won the evaluation section and Andrew Clarke's impromptu was highly commended. Such achievements indicate the quality of public speaking which is tutored within the Toastmasters' Society.

The guest speakers provided the members with examples of accomplished public speaking; and, through demonstrating the techniques of oratory, enhanced the learning process of public speaking. They addressed the Society on a whole range of stimulating and riveting topics, and certainly served to bring each meeting alive.

Many thanks to Mr van der Walt, who bids the Toastmasters' Society farewell after being a founder member. He has made an enormous contribution to the Society and, for his dedication and energetic efforts, the Society is most indebted. We wish him every success in the future and thank him for his contribution.

The 1987 Society year was well rounded off at the final "Fathers' Dinner", which proved a fitting end to a successful year. As father and son battled at the lectern with witty jabs, the Society rocked with laughter, and audience enjoyment was considerable. The future appears bright for Toastmasters, as it continues with the vital task of educating public speakers of the future.

TROUT CLUB

Master-in-Charge: Mr M.T. Goulding
Club Captain: K. Strachan
Secretary: P. Inman
The 1986/87 season has been a most busy and enjoyable one for all who involved themselves. We have had ten outings to various venues this year and all have been very successful.

Once again, however, the highlight of the season was the five-day trip to East Griqualand where we were hosted by Stigs and Lynne Cathcart. Our thanks to them for their super hospitality. The camp took place at Highdown from the 27th to the 31st of March and was made all the more enjoyable because of the fantastic rivers we fished, namely the Krom, Ndwana and Ngwangwana, and the equally super dams, Me Dougall’s, Glenco and Gilson’s. Not forgetting of course Hulett’s dam at Himeville where Richard Butcher made such a pig of himself, and the donkey rides where Philip Stanistreet fell into fresh donkey dung.

The biggest river fish was an excellent three-and-a-quarter pound rainbow which was caught by Piet Viljoen on the Ndwana River in E.G. The last dam fish of the year was a six-pounder caught by Andy Yorke-Smith at Colonel Francis’ dam Loch Furth.

We had some very good fishing at Mr Moller’s farm “Riverside” on the Mooi and at Mr Le Sueur’s dam on two occasions, as well as at Mr W. Butcher’s dam. We also fished Mr R. Smith’s dam for the first time with reasonable success.

The last outing of the Society year was to Heatherdon where we fished in extremely bad weather conditions with reasonable success.

Our thanks go to all the various people who hosted us this year and also to Mr. Goulding for all his time and organisation. A season to be remembered for a long time by those involved.

VENTURE CLUB REPORT

Master-in-Charge: Mr A.L. Carter

There were only seven successful trips during 1987. Some of the highlights included our trip to Hodgson’s Peak and the winter trips to Giant’s Castle and Rhino.

Richard McDougall, who lives in the Polela Valley, introduced us to the route to Hodgson’s Peak via Gxaling-enwa Cave (the best cave I have ever been to in the 'berg). This proved to be an exhausting round trip of
46 km from the Forestry Department offices at Polela. Adding to the difficulty was the 1 600 m rise from the valley floor to the Peak.

This outing is really too long for the time available, in that we were unable to arrive back in time for Chapel on Sun-

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Hiking in the 'Berg

day evening. The effort made by our boys, however, was such that I could in no way discount this outing for consideration as being one of the five trips needed to obtain a Venture Club Tie.

Two arduous trips in the third and fourth quarters come to mind. Adverse weather conditions in both cases really tested the boys’ and my endurance to the limit.

The trip to Giant’s Castle was characterised by extremely high and cold winds on the escarpment. It was the first time ever that I have been blown uphill whilst hiking in the 'berg. These treacherous conditions made us stop short of our objective. This same weekend a hiker, not from Michaelhouse, was blown over the edge of the 'berg at Mont-aux-Sources.

Extreme cold snow and ice characterised our visit to the Southern 'berg. Rhino was the objective. Great fun was had by all while cavorting in the snow. However, the cold really affected one of our group quite badly and we had to return to our base cave.

It is these sorts of experiences where one observes strength of character and concern for others showing up in our boys. I value these times in the 'berg, and only wish more members of staff could experience the camaraderie that grows up through shared difficulties.

A trip to a different Giant's Castle was made by ALC and family during the July holidays. We made use of the Snell's cottage, called Giant’s Castle, in the Nyanga Mountains of the Eastern Highlands in Zimbabwe.

I am sure that anyone wishing to visit this very lovely part of Zimbabwe could perhaps arrange to do so via Peterhouse School at Marandera.

VIDEO PRODUCTION SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr B.R. Naidu
Chairman: R. Andrews
Secretary: R. Tatley

Apart from covering the Inter-House Plays, Speech Day, Hilton/Michaelhouse days and various other extra* mural activities, all members of the society were involved in projects which varied from making entertainment videos to producing documentaries. Various music videos were produced where previously recorded material was synchronised to music or material was filmed for songs. Documentaries were made of the
School's "Mini Election" and the African Affairs Symposium.

The Society's latest acquisition was an edit suite, which arrived during the course of the year. The new suite has increased the potential of the society to such an extent that we will soon be able to produce videos of a very high standard.

This year a video crew was also created. This specialised group of members spends time each week learning how to use the equipment available to us to its fullest potential. Members have also had the opportunity to view presentations on the scripting of films and how they are made. Perhaps the most interesting of these was The Making of the Living Planet. These proved to be of tremendous value as we discovered new filming ideas and tricks.

At the moment the Society is involved in rescripting a play for video filming.

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WINO-BAND

Master-in-Charge: Mr Derek Tasker

The Wind-band has not managed to grow numerically during the year; it still boasts only sixteen players. It has, however, increased its repertoire considerably and also the standard of playing has improved. During the year, the band has performed in public on eight occasions. Short concerts were given at three Johannesburg schools and the band also performed on Speech Day and the New Boys weekend; at the Inter-House Speech Competition and the Confirmation Service as well as the Annual Music School Concert. A number of instrumentalists are in training, all of whom are keen to play in the band, so the future of the band appears assured.

WIND BAND

Back: P. Schofield; D. Allester; P. Duffy; G. van der Post; S. Wimbush; M. Cotton; C. Barendsen

Middle: M. Salmon

Seated: P. Lees; A. Akker; Rector; Mr D. Tasker; C. Barendsen; L. Chaban; T. Staniforth

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Old Boys' Day 1987

Ascension Day, 28th May 1987

After a Corporate Eucharist at 7 a.m., there was a meeting of the Committee at 9.00 a.m. and the AGM followed at 10.30 a.m.

The ladies visited Caversham Mill.

At 12.15 the Commemoration Service in Chapel was conducted by the Revd Fred Pitout, and the preacher was Canon Hugh Harker.

Drinks were served in the Main Quadrangle before the Buffet Lunch in the Memorial Hall.

In the rugby matches the powerful OM sides were just too strong for the school.

The evening party took place in the marquee beside the Community Centre/Old Boys' Club.

AGM 1987

The President, I.G. Douglas, was in the Chair. The Opening Prayer was said by the Revd Fred Pitout, the School Chaplain.

A period of silence was observed in memory of those 22 members whose deaths had been reported during the year:

J.M. Aitken (21-23)
R.G. Armstrong (18-21)
J.M. Barry (33-36)
G.W. Boyes (25-26)
M. I. Campbell (33-35)
R.A. Carte (19-20)
T. Robey Carter (11-14)
G.D. Chorley (59-62)
N.A. Colquhoun (81-86)
E.S. Edminson (24-28)
S.R. Gifford (45-48)
J.B. Hall (40-43)
T.G.C. Henderson
(33-36)
H.J.C. Hooper (34-36)
G. Immelman (Staff)
(73-80)
M. I. Jeffery (81-86)
P.A.M. Mostert (40-43)
C.J.B. Palmer (21-26)
F.S. Porrill (26-30)
A.R. Potter (45-48)
H.A.C. Stanton (Staff)
(65-75)
Dr A.D. van Velden
(37-40)

The President congratulated David W. Turner (2&-30) on having attended fifty AGMs. He and the Khela, A.R. Moberly (13-16) were given seats on the platform and were applauded.

The President welcomed Martin Simpson (50-54), the New York representative, and Guise Beaumont (22-25), who had travelled from Grahamstown.

RECTOR’S ADDRESS

The Rector (Mr J.H. Pluke) welcomed members back to their old school. He spoke of the challenge he faced in undertaking all the responsibilities of Rector of Michaelhouse, and he said that it would be his endeavour to maintain the traditions of the School and if humanly possible to improve upon what had gone before. He paid a tribute to his predecessor, Neil Jardine.

He announced a generous bequest of R500 000, left to the School by the late Marshall Campbell, which would be used for the erection of the Campbell Music School. It was hoped that it would be completed early in 1988.
The Rector thanked the Old Boys for all their fund-raising efforts, and mentioned especially their contribution in the development of the Community Centre/Old Boys' Club.

Referring to the racial policies of Michaelhouse, he said that Michaelhouse was an open school, not concerned with percentages of other groups, but determined to maintain the standards which had been built up, and ready to admit boys who fitted the requirements.

He considered that 470 would constitute a full school. He referred to four boys placed in the 1986 first thirty matric results. He announced that Reiner Schneider-Waterberg had been awarded the prestigious Anglo American Scholarship, and three Michaelhouse boys were in the last five. Vivisvan Soni had won a Scholarship to Princeton.

He referred to successful rugby and hockey tours overseas, and to the internal "election" at the school prior to the Whites' General Election.

New sleeping out rules had been introduced enabling every boy to sleep out once per quarter.

The Vlth Form was going well.

The Rector spoke of plans to provide bed-sitters for all senior boys.

He said, "We are indeed very grateful for everything the Old Boys do for Michaelhouse. Without them the School could not survive as it is today. I would also like to express both the School's and my deep appreciation for all the help you have given to 100 Clubs, assistance with fees of Old Boys' sons, the BET fund, Vlth Form Tours, parents' parties, to name just a few of the functions that are sponsored and organised by Michaelhouse Old Boys."

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
(I.G. Douglas)

The President said that his twelve months in office had
passed all too quickly. The year had been quiet and successful, the highlights being the consolidation and finalisation of the Community Centre and the updating of the Constitution.

Teamwork in the Community Office Project had paid off. He thanked the School for making it possible and for contributing so much in labour, supervision, and financial assistance, John Craven for his substantial donation, and Bill and Eleanor Dixon-Smith for their time and thought in designing the interior. He also thanked the Southern Transvaal for a very generous donation of R5 000 for office equipment, and Rob Folker from Midlands for designing and manufacturing the bar.

He commended the amended Constitution prepared by John Wilson and Dick Ramsay, and thanked them for their help.

He said that the recent issue of the Michaelhouse Chronicle was impressive and he congratulated Ronald Brooks on the Old Boys’ Section. Speaking of the annual cost of the Chronicle, as the single largest expense, costing the Club just under R10 000, he said that it had been decided to invite companies or individuals to sponsor individual pages.

He stressed that the Permanent Secretary Fund, far from ceasing to exist, deserved support, as the interest contributed towards the Club’s expenses. The BET Fund also needed support, even if it was to become absorbed in a co-ordinated centenary appeal.

He reported that branches had given overwhelming agreement to wives and girl-friends being invited to take part in the Old Boys’ Day festivities.

Letters would in future be sent to school-leavers, who applied to join the Club, drawing attention to the need to respect school disciplines, when they returned.

He concluded by thanking the School for providing the facilities for the day, to Ronald Brooks and Gyll Rouillard and other staff for their work for the Club, and to all the Branches, and to all who served Michaelhouse with loyalty and dedication. He thanked the Committee for their friendship and support.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer reported a surplus of income over expenditure of R14 021, which did not include the donation of R10 000 from Mr John Craven, for alterations to the Community Office.
Life Subscriptions were increased from R140 to R150, and the 118 new subscriptions accounted for 45 per cent of the total income.

Sales of insignia had brought in a profit of R10195.

Interest received from the Permanent Secretary Fund was R8 312.

Economies in the production of the Chronicle had lowered the cost to the Club from R10 297 in 1986 to R9 596 in 1987.

Renovations to the Old Boys' Club/Community Centre and additional furniture and fittings had cost R31 584, of which the School had contributed R14 000 and Mr John Craven had contributed R10 000.

The Club assets stood at R233 933.

Election of Office Bearers

President: R.K.W. Ramsay

President Elect: D.M.R. Lewis

Committee Members: G.D.R. Armstrong

A.J. Clucas
R.E. Folker
Dr R.E. Turner
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J.D. Wilson

Board Representatives: P.C.A Francis and J.H. Henderson

Election of New Members

121 new members were elected, and T.G. Hart was elected as an Honorary Member.

North America

Martin Simpson addressed the meeting, bringing greetings from OMs in North America, who numbered over fifty. He announced his plan to arrange a gathering of OMs and their ladies in Toronto in June 1988. He hoped that, scattered as the North American population was, there would be a good attendance, the primary objective being a strengthening of community ties; but he said that OMs did recognise their obligation to their old
school and the gathering in Toronto might provide the opportunity for some constructive action on their part.

Branch Reports

Reports were presented by representatives of Transvaal (C.A.R. Dresser),

Durban and Coast (G.D.R. Armstrong),

Pietermaritzburg (A.J. Clucas),

Natal Midlands (K.I. Mackay),

Zululand (W.B. Kramer),

East Griqualand (R.W. Gilson), and the O.F.S. (P.C. Newton).

Congratulatory Letters

The following Congratulatory Letters were approved: A.F.G. Cotton (49-52) on being elected Chairman of the Headmasters and Headmistresses of Private Schools of South Africa.

Allan M. Graham (63-68) on his appointment as Headmaster of Woodmead School.

R.M. Greene (45-49) on having been selected as Judge at the Smithfield Show in England.

A.F.B. Kerr (31-35) for having been named as "Conservationist of the Year" and especially for his initiation of the concept of conservation in the Balgowan area.

Ian S. Lloyd (35-38) for his Knighthood in the Queen's Birthday Honours.

John H. Pluke (Honorary Member) on his appointment as Rector of Michaelhouse.
A.J.C.E. Rellie (48-52) Councillor in the British Foreign Service, on having been created a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George (CMG) in the Queen's New Year Honours List.

Professor Emeritus P.M. Smythe (26-29) for having been awarded two "citation classics" for papers on Scientific Research, as identified at the Computer Science Centre of Philadelphia.

The Amended Constitution

The President called on R.K.W. Ramsay to propose the adoption of the amended Constitution, a task which he performed in such a way as to cause considerable merriment, while making abundantly clear the nature of the amendments proposed. The motion was seconded by J.D. Wilson. The Amended Constitution was adopted unanimously.

Richard Ramsay thanked the President for his dynamic, enthusiastic, and dedicated term of office.

The President of the Michaelhouse Old Boys' Club: RICHARD RAMSAY (Farfield 1946-1949)

I am embarrassed to appear in print in the Old Boys' notes. Perpetually overawed by the deeds and achievements of my colleagues (leaders of Church and State; captains of industry ...), I realise I am not one of them. Quit you like those men? I wish. I don't even play golf.

Anyone seeking to investigate my school career can refer to the archives where they will find that I distinguished myself in dignified anonymity.

What on earth am I doing as President? Well, I suppose this is the year for scraping the barrel.

There seems to be a number of reasons for becoming involved in the Old Boys' Club. In my case, I found it pleasant to meet with cronies, enjoy a few drinks and talk about sex. Then some fool decided that there should be some non-hedonistic purpose in our apparently endless gatherings and we became involved in seeking to make some contribution to the School. Years later, we still meet, have a few drinks and talk nostalgically about sex, but I have discovered a great depth of enthusiasm among OMs in trying to improve Michaelhouse (well it was pretty grotty when we were there!)

The various branch committees are closely connected with the School and the board. The Old Boys' Club, through its branches, is providing substantial financial
assistance to a number of Michaelhouse boys. Without seeking to tell the board or the Rector how to run the school, we are making what I believe is an earnest, if often misguided, contribution. I think we are doing something worth while, and at the same time we are deriving a great deal of pleasure from it.

Perhaps the time has come to start looking after our own. We were recently able, through the network, to find employment for an OM who had lost his job. Perhaps we should create a provident fund for the benefit of OMs who have fallen on hard times? (I don't just mean retired accountants.) Unfortunately our resources don't stretch very far.

I am sure you are aware that in 1996 the School will celebrate its centenary. This seems impressive until you realise that most leading schools in Natal are quite a bit older than Michaelhouse. However, I can tell you that the board have decided to embark on a development programme so as to turn Michaelhouse into a state-of-the-art educational institution at the turn of the century. This is a fine ideal. There will no doubt be various celebrations of the occasion but I wonder whether there isn't something that the Old Boys' Club can do for the common good to commemorate the occasion. The present committee have no firm views on this. Perhaps you would like to make suggestions to the secretary.

(If you really can't attend next Old Boys' Day, send the secretary a cable with your map reference, and the meeting will judge who is the most far out.)

Editor's Footnote

On being pressed for personal information, Dick Ramsey unhelpfully describes himself as a dilettante.

A sometime military pilot, he served in the Natal Field Artillery (largely officered by OMs) until they gave him the John Chard Medal to get rid of him. Then he acquired a Hobie catamaran and became Sailbad the Sinner, sailing off-shore at Durban and on Midmar Dam. He has had a long involvement in hockey, administratively, as an umpire, and actively, playing against Michaelhouse 1st Team over a 30-year period; he still plays in the Veterans League and also plays regular squash and tennis.

He has an interest in art and theatre and is a Director of the Durban Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, and
involved in the Institutes of Race Relations and International Affairs. Politically active but less than astute (he says he was invited by the PFP to stand in the new Grey-town seat in 1981, but refused as it was unwinnable - it wasn't); he has acted on various occasions as election agent for PFP candidates (who always lost).

He has had one son, Grant, at Michaelhouse and his younger son, Guy, is at present in B Block. He also has three daughters who he says hopefully will go far. His wife Veronica is a well-known artist.

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Branch Reports

DURBAN AND COAST BRANCH

I have pleasure in reporting on the activities of the Durban and Coast Branch of the Michaelhouse Old Boys' Club as follows:

The D.A. Chapman Golf Tournament, which took place on the Dennis Barker Golf Course, was convincingly won by Michaelhouse. Our teams filled the first four places.

1st: Murray Mackenzie and Mike Kramer

2nd: Ian Lambie and Rob Strachan

3rd: Martin North and Bob Knuppe

4th: Mike Harker and Gordon Cheshire

A large contingent of Durban OMs attended the 30th anniversary of the Hudson-Bennett Golf Day at the Pietermaritzburg Country Club. A highly successful day was had by all and congratulations to the winners Bob Knuppe, Simon Chetwynd-Palmer, Trevor Jackson and Andrew Diamond. I must make special mention of Roy Gathorne who won the man of the day award by winning the best gross, the best net and the best kethla prize.

Our Branch also entered a team in the Norman Lewis Golf Tournament comprising Bill Dixon-Smith, John Francis, Gordon and John Cheshire. We were placed second overall.

The annual Triangular Sports Day between Michaelhouse, Hilton and Kearsney College was unfortunately cancelled due to excessive rain.

Our Branch again took part in the Wynand Claassen Seven-a-Side Rugby Tournament at Kearsney College. Unfortunately a late replacement by a non Old Boy in one of the latter games led to our disqualification by the Tournament Committee. However, a highly entertaining day was had by all and our congratulations go out to Wynand Claassen and the Kearsney College Old Boys' Club.

The 1987 new parents' party was held at the delightful home of Bill and Eleanor Dixon-Smith. The Branch was host to over 120 people to which the Rector, John Pluke, gave an excellent address.

The annual morning church service was held at St
James for Durban OMs, parents and boys. I regret to report that attendance at this service was extremely poor. The incoming committee are considering various ways of promoting this event.

The Branch's 100 Club now stands at 130 members and I am pleased to report that there will be three boys on Bursaries at Michaelhouse in 1988. The 100 Club is still looking for new members and I appeal to all OMs to give serious consideration to joining the 100 Club which supports a very worthy cause.

Our Annual Dinner was held at the Durban Club and the guest speaker was the Hon. Mr Justice Brian Law, a DHS Old Boy. The dinner was well attended and it was encouraging to see so many of the younger Old Boys present.

The AGM was held on the 4th December 1987 and the following office bearers were elected:

Chairman: Mick Butcher
Secretary: Charles Phillips
Treasurer: Ian McNally

G.D.R. Armstrong, Chairman
December 1987

SOUTHERN TRANSVAAL BRANCH

The community up here in the Transvaal has been active this past year, and our regular functions have been well attended and enjoyed.

Our annual dinner was held on the 23rd July and Mr Kurt von Shirnding shared some of his reminiscences of the diplomatic world with us.

The Corporate Communion on the nearest Sunday to St Michael's day is beginning to become a real highlight of our calendar, and the service on the 27th September was well attended by the Michaelhouse Community. Arnold Hurst, the Rector of St Michael's, is leaving shortly for pastures new and we wish him well, and thank him for inviting us into his flock on this day each year.

Supper parties for the parents to meet with the Rector and House Masters were hosted by Ian and Veronica Douglas and Chris and Hero Dresser this year. These are another regular feature and this time it was a pleasure to welcome and listen to our new Rector. We look forward to seeing him and his staff next year.
The new boys, and possibly more important, the new parents were welcomed at a lunch party on the last Sunday before the new term in 1988. Despite intermittent showers (specially laid on to acclimatize the new boys to the weather in the Midlands) the boys and parents were able to enjoy themselves and find the opportunity to ask questions about life at the School.

Last but not least I wish all the members of our great community a Prosperous and Happy 1988.

John L. Powell, Chairman

MIDLANDS BRANCH

A picnic arranged for Sunday 26 April on the Bushman's River was not well attended, but it was enjoyed by all who came and the attendance of the Rector and Mrs Pluke was much appreciated.

There have been some happy evenings in the Community Centre after rugby matches, and Bar Duties have been carried out by members.

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The AGM and Cocktail Party took place at Mount West Hotel on November 20th. It was an opportunity to bid farewell to Mike and Anne Thompson, and Benjamin Ramphal, and Louis Cele, and the President (Richard Ramsay) paid tributes to them. The evening was a great success.

PIETERMARITZBURG BRANCH

The Pietermaritzburg Branch has involved itself in three functions since the last Old Boys' Day.

The first of these was the ever popular combined Hilton/ Michaelhouse annual pre-rugby match dinner held on 19th June 1987. It was Hilton’s turn to arrange the function and this they did very well.

The dinner was held in the Imperial Hotel Ball Room. The after dinner speech which was ably given by the new Headmaster of Hilton, Mr Paul Marsh, was replied to by our President, Dick Ramsay, in his inimitable way.

The Master of Ceremonies cum Cabaret Artist was none other than Peter "Chatsby" Maxwell of "Penny-farthing" fame who found it necessary during the course of the evening to reprimand one of the doyens of the Pietermaritzburg Branch for raucous behaviour.

A most enjoyable time was had by all and Hilton must be congratulated on a well organised and entertaining evening.

The second event was the Hudson Bennett Golf Tournament of which more details are given elsewhere.

The third function was the Cocktail Party held at the Maritzburg Country Club on Thursday, 15th October 1987 with the object of introducing the parents of 1988 Michaelhouse new boys to the Rector, Senior Masters, Housemasters and other members of the Staff at Michaelhouse.

The Rector, Mr John Pluke, took the opportunity to address the gathering and welcome the "new" parents into the Michaelhouse community.

Our President, Dick Ramsay, and his wife, Ronnie, also took the trouble to travel from Durban to attend the function and this was appreciated by the Pietermaritzburg Branch Committee.

Hudson Bennett 50th Anniversary
The 50th anniversary Hudson Bennett Golf Tournament was held at the Maritzburg Country Club on Sunday, 2nd August 1987.

The day was marred by the death early that morning of Ernest Hudson Bennett, son of the founder of the tournament and himself a keen golfer and enthusiastic supporter of the tournament. Despite this sad event, Meyrick Hudson Bennett, Ernest's brother, assured the organisers that it was the wish of the family that the tournament proceed.

The event was very well supported with an entry of 84, a large contingent from Durban, six from Johannesburg, good support from the Midlands and Pietermaritzburg branches and of course Gerry Riemer from East Griqualand.

The results were as follows:

Hudson Bennett Trophy
Stableford scores

First

Second

Durban D
Score 125

Midlands A
Score 123

- Four combined Bogey

S. Chetwynd Palmer
A. Dymond
P. Haine
R. Knuppe
G. Hall
I. Mackenzie
P. Francis
J. Cooke

Rhys Evans Trophy- Individual medal

First - R. Gathorne - 76 Gross
Second - M. Lynn - 77 Gross

Ken Drysdale Trophy- Individual medal - Handicap

First - R. Gathorne - 68 Nett
Second - M. Lynn - 69 Nett
Khehla Trophy- Individual Bogey Stableford

First - R. Gathorne - 39
Second - M. Greene - 36

It will be seen from the results that Roy Gathorne has firmly established himself as a force to be reckoned with on the golf course and is to be congratulated on his fine play.

Our President, Dick Ramsay, who is not frequently seen on a golf course also entered the tournament and was unfortunate to see the prize for the Most Golf - 10 stable points - snatched from under his nose by R. Miller on a count out. Being a lawyer Dick is certain to be able to put forward very good reasons why it is better to lose a prize for the "Most Golf" than to win it.

CAPE TOWN BRANCH

A dinner was held on Friday, 8th May at the Western Province Sports Club. While the atmosphere was convivial and the conversation interesting, the disappointment was that there were only ten members present and three of these brought wives with them. On future occasions we shall endeavour to rustle up more support.

On Friday, 22nd May OMs got together with the Old Hiltonians for a golf competition at the Rondebosch Golf Club. Although there were only five OMs present, together with some 25 Old Hiltonians, the overall winner was Kelly Seymour, an OM of Springbok cricket fame.

As we do not have a member on our Committee from UCT at present, the August cocktail party at the University was not held.

Our programme for 1988 is likely to be much the same as for 1987 and approximate dates for the types of functions planned are as follows: -

APRIL: Dinner with partners
MAY: Golf day with Old Hiltonians
AUGUST: Cocktail party at UCT

A. Hart, Chairman

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I am pleased to tell you that the local Branch of the Old Boys' Club held a very successful Sundowner party at the Harare Club last Friday evening, the 6th instant.

There were 50 persons present at the Sundowner party because most of the Old Boys who attended brought their wives with them.

I was particularly delighted that Duncan and Alix Frudd were able to be at the party. Duncan left Michaelhouse in 1929 and he told us that when he arrived at the School there were no Houses. While he was there, however, Founders and Foundation East were created and he went into East. He was, in fact, a pall-bearer at the funeral of Mr Pascoe and says how heavy the cofin was as it was lead lined.

Another person who I was very pleased to see at the party was Mr R. Hotchin who is the son of the late Arthur Hotchin, who was Head Boy in 1928. When Arthur left Michaelhouse he went to Oxford where he obtained a degree and joined up as soon as war was declared. Arthur refused to take a Commission because he was married and a 2nd-lieutenant's pay was, strangely enough, less than that of a sergeant. Arthur's unit was the Southern Rhodesian Anti-Tank Battery and at Alamein he carried on fighting, manning his gun alone when his whole crew were knocked out. For this he received the DCM which must have been very close to a Victoria Cross.

Unfortunately Arthur died in his fifties after retiring early from the Southern Rhodesian Civil Service where he was Principal Revenue Officer.

In case you are interested, the names of the people who attended the Sundowner were as follows:

1. Mr R. Hotchin and partner
2. Mr and Mrs Richard Ternouth
3. Mr and Mrs Michael Arkwright
4. Mr and Mrs F. Dyson
5. Mr and Mrs Christopher Schofield
   * 6. Mr and Mrs I. Bickersteth
7. Mr and Mrs David Wright
8. Mr and Mrs "Chippie" Graham Owen
9. Mr and Mrs J. Kemple
10. Mr and Mrs Michael Aldridge
11. Mr and Mrs Giles Dorward
12. Mr and Mrs "Pat" English
13. Mr and Mrs David Wadman
14. Mr and Mrs B. Moultrie
15. Mr and Mrs D. Frudd
16. Mr and Mrs R. Dowling
17. Mr and Mrs David Carver
18. Mr and Mrs "Reg" Dawson
19. Mr and Mrs A.S. Haggie
20. Mr and Mrs Neil Ralston
21. Mr and Mrs M. Marr
22. Mr and Mrs Noel Crawford
23. Mr and Mrs A. Barson
24. Mr and Mrs Pat Rooney
25. Mr and Mrs R. Biegel

Incidentally, Michael Standish-White, who is a well-known orthopaedic consultant in Harare, apologised because he and his wife are taking Gerald and Lee Durrell around the countryside in their private plane, a good enough excuse!

A number of Old Boys attending volunteered to serve on a reconstituted Old Boys' Committee and all were agreed that we should endeavour to have a function once a year. It is therefore proposed that we should have another Sundowner party or a dinner in the latter part of 1988.

I have, for years, tried to get a joint function with Hilton Old Boys here but the Hilton Old Boys' Association seems to have totally folded up. There is no harm in trying, however.

In past years Bishops and St Andrew's have held very successful dinners but even they seem to have lapsed into obscurity in recent times. David Wa( )man

MICHAELHOUSE OLD BOYS' CLUB
1988 PRICE LIST

Please add sufficient for postage and insurance (e.g. Jerseys R2,50, Ties R1,50)

Clothing

Community Ties................................. R 19,00

Old Boys Ties.................................... 19,00

Cravats.......................................... 10,50

Badges

Wire............................................. 35,00
Lurex....................................... 20,00
Cotton...................................... 6,00

Buttons
Large....................................... 2,00
Small....................................... 2,00

Jerseys........................................ 40,00
'T' Shirts..................................... 10,00

Cuff Links.....................................16,00

Crockery -
Coat of Arms Beermug......................... 16,00
Red Crest Beermug............................ 14,00
Ashtray (Blue)................................. 6,00
Red Badge...................................... 4,00
Glass Beermugs (Large)......................... 6,00
Glass Beermugs (Small)......................... 3,50

Wine Glasses
White wine glasses with crest per box of 6..... 30,00
Red wine glasses with crest per box of 6....... 35,00

Cut glass (Crystal)
White wine glasses with crest per box of 6..... 55,00
Presentation pack of 2 whisky glasses.......... 25,00

Miscellaneous
Cold Bags...................................... 25,00
Plaques....................................... 55,00
Keyrings..................................... 7,50
Postcards (8 in a packet)...................... 1,50
Notelets (Black-and-white, and sepia)
(packet of 5)................................. 1,00
Portfolio of 5 prints.......................... 5,00
Rowena Bush painting of Michaelhouse (unsigned prints).............................. 25,00
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Dr Cedric Akerman (36-39) has retired as a medical practitioner and is enjoying retirement in Pietermaritzburg.

G.H.M. Bodley (64-67) has been farming the family farm in EG since 1971. He married Michele Ducasse and they have three children.

Trevor Browse (85-86) attends Kearsney College. He has been made a prefect, plays rugby, waterpolo and swimming, and has received academic colours.

Reg H. Carr (31-33) lives in New Germany. He has finally retired from all work. He is secretary of the Bowling Club and Chairman of Complex.

Bruce Carte (46-50) has his own company in Durban, Vandan Engineering (Pty) Ltd. They manufacture cutting dies.

W. Clucas (76-79) is a SAAF Helicopter pilot based in Durban. He is studying at Unisa for a BComm.

Mark Colvin (72-75) is a Medical Doctor, living in Durban. He trained at UCT from 1976 to 1983. His work is involved with health and safety research and education. All his projects are commissioned by trade unions, mainly COSATU affiliates.

R.S. (Bob) Crass (36-39), having retired from the Natal Parks Board, lives in the house which he has built in Underberg. He is manager of the local Trout Fishing Club, and he enjoys the varied amenities of country life. Last year he published a book, Trout in South Africa. John Campbell (30-32) is treasurer of the fishing club. Another resident at Underberg is Alan Hankinson (36-38).

C.S. Curry-Hyde (82-85) is with the Architectural Faculty in Durban, in his second year.

Dr A.H. Dottridge (76-80) was on the staff of Grey's Hospital, Pietermaritzburg until last December, and thereafter he has two years in the Medical Corps.

R.E.F. Dunning (58-61) is a Consultant Anaesthetist in private practice in Durban.

Dr Paul Foaden (68-72) decided to specialise in Radi-
ology. He passed his final examination and is now at King Edward VIII Hospital.

Charles Forsdick (63-66) is Chairman of the Forsdick Group of Companies and recently launched a trading subsidiary in London, England. His third child, a daughter Chloe Elizabeth, was born on 11th September 1986.

A.D. Gilson (55-58) has retired as a Chief Executive of Alex Carriers after 25 years in the company. However, he is far from idle and he has other business interests in South Africa which are keeping him busy. With his wife and three children he lives in the home at Hilton which they built 20 years ago. They love the Hilton village community.

Alan D. Hankinson (36-38) writes from Underberg to enquire about the whereabouts of Leslie Dawson Squibb (36-40). His last news of him was that he was a dentist living in or around London. Can any reader help?

William Hardie (81-85) has been captaining the Maritzburg University U20 A team playing at No. 8. Also playing for U20 teams are James Arnott (83-86) and James Stewart (82-86).

B.C. Herbert (82-86) wrote in December from the Airforce Base in Durban. He has played Rugby for Natal U20 and for SAAF U20.

A.T. Hoernle (1932) is living in retirement in Ramsgate, Natal.

Michael L. Jackson (75-78) completed LLM (Master Laws) at Cambridge in 1985. He did his National Service during 1986 and 1987 at 5 SAI, Ladysmith, where he was Law Officer. He started articles in Durban in 1988. He was married in 1985.

Austin Vivian Johnson (34-38) retired three and a half years ago as Chief Engineer of BTR SARMCOL in Howick, and he is now proprietor of Rota-Sled Mowers.

Mark Kruger (83-86) is in his second year at the University in Pietermaritzburg.

Brett Lambert (79-82) was selected at scrumhalf for the Natal Duikers Team.

David Landmark (75-80) completed a BEng in civil engineering at Natal University. After a spell on con-
struction sites around Durban with Murray and Roberts, he is now working on the Natal South Coast.

K.G. L'Estrange (30-33) has retired as a farmer and he retired in 1970 from Natal Provincial Council. His eldest daughter, Eileen, runs the farm 'Fawn Leas'. His health is good. Recently he met John Campbell (30-32) of Himeville. Their OM ties re-introduced them to each other. John and Ken were also at King's School together. He mentions that Colin Campbell (27-31) emigrated to New Zealand and sadly died there.

Craig Lowe's (75-76) son and heir, and John Lowe's (Staff 49-) 6th grandchild was delivered by Dr David Swan (65-69).

David Macleod (79-82) of Umzinto, having completed his basic training in the army at Voortrekkerhoogte, is a member of the SADF canoeing team.

Gerald Meiklereid (37-40), Purchasing Controller, Tek Manufacturing, was due to retire in November 1987. He wrote on his return from a month's holiday in England, where he and his wife travelled some 2 500 miles exploring the Midlands, the Cotswolds and South and South East England.

"We had one quite unusual experience in that, in one day and within a time-span of some 1 Â£ hours, we ran into two Michaelhouse Old Boys in the Kentish countryside.

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"The one was Weaver (Paul Weaver 83-86) hailing from Ixopo, who was serving in a pub in Bletchingley prior to returning to South Africa and entering University."

"The other OM (I think by the name of Paver and living in retirement down the Natal South Coast) (The name is not on our records Sec.) had left Michaelhouse in 1924 and was visiting his married daughter who had recently settled in England.

"We were visiting the stately home of "Knole" when, as I was turning round from taking a series of photographs, I heard a voice behind me say "Quis Ut Deus?" I was wearing my Old Boys' Blazer, which goes to show that wherever you may be, you should always wear your OM tie or blazer!"

T.E. Moon (67-71) is assistant Accountant, Internal Audit and Security Division, First National Bank.

Jeffery Morphew (31-36), retired farmer, hopes that his son, Derek, will have printed his book early in 1988. The title is, Five Frontiers to Freedom and it is about two escapes Jeff made during World War II.

Peter Moxley (34-39), architect, is President of Durban Musgrave Rotary Club. He has a stepson at Michaelhouse (Keith Lomas).

Andrew Moxley (67-71) is in the Industrial Division of First National Bank.

J.J. Price (61-64) has lived in Hilton for the past two years. He is Account Controller ICL. He would welcome any Old Boys visiting the area to give him a call and pop in to quench their thirst. (Tel (0331)33767).

Nicholas J.C. Robinson (81-84) has just completed his third year at Durban University, where he is studying for an honours degree in Civil Engineering.

S.F.C. Robinson (34-37) rode in the "Argus" Rotary Cycle tour in March last year, 104 km round the Cape Peninsula. It was the 10th anniversary race and the worst conditions in the history of the race, rain, wind, cold. He had expected to come last, if he finished, but in the event he finished in 5$ hours, some 2 hours ahead of the last competitor. We applaud this fine achievement. He suggests that Michaelhouse should enter a team in this "Comrades of Cycling".

D.C.O. Schoeman (79-81) has bought a farm just outside Greytown. He is loving the area as well as the
G.D. Selley (36-37) is farming sugar cane and citrus at Ntumeni, Zululand.

P.R. Short (51-52), Audio Visual Salesman at the Hypermarket Durban North, is justifiably proud of his two daughters: Kim, married and teaching at Warner Beach Primary School, was awarded Springbok Colours for Synchronised Swimming in 1986.

Hayley, also married with a baby daughter, was awarded Natal Colours for Elite Gymnastics.

Nic Strachan (77-78) has qualified as a Dental Technician, specialising in orthodontics and he is working for orthodontists in Durban. He spent December hiking and camping in Malawi.

Peter Strachan (41-45) retired three years ago from the hurly-burly of Law and Property, when he was 57. He says that a whole new world opened up and he has been having a ball. He has completed two years as Chairman of TAFTA, the largest old age care organisation in SA. He is now President of Silverton Bowling Club, one of the oldest and biggest in Durban.

J.A. Stubbings (39-43) is a Forestry Consultant (Private), a member of the Boards of Directors of Usutu Pulp Company (Pty) Ltd (Shell SA Forestry Division).

In August 1987 he was elected Emeritus Professor of Silviculture at the University of Natal "in recognition of outstanding service to the Institute for Commercial Forestry Research" (previously the Wattle Research Institute) from where he retired as Director on 31st March 1987. He lives in Winterskloof.

His brother B.J.J. (29-32) has retired and is resident in Oxford. O.Q. (37-40) retired from SAPPI and is resident in Hilton.

Mickey Tingle (76-79) plays for the highly successful Berea Rovers Team at flyhalf.

Anthony van Velden (67-71) has been appointed Senior Master of Cordwalles Preparatory School.

Kelvin Walker (78-81) has completed his law degree and began his military service in February.

W.J.S. Whiteley (67-71) is Financial Manager of City Metal Products (Pty) Ltd, Durban.
M.G. Williams (56-59) lives at Pennington. He is a protection and law enforcement officer.

A.H.V. Winter (34-38) is farming at Eston.

David Winter (78-82) did his military training and gained Parabat Wings and became Company Medic. He is a Boarder Master at Merchiston, while studying for his BAg (Management) Degree at the University of Natal (Pmb).

Mark Winter (79-83) graduated from the university in Maritzburg in 1986, with BAg (Management). He was at Kimberley Intelligence School and was then sent to Zeerust to assist in the administration of the Government's R400 million aid to drought-stricken farmers. Ian (Boosty) Riddell (79-82) is with Mark in Zeerust.

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G.W.P. Arnison (79-80) lives in Brakpan. He is a technikon student, having completed two years in the army.

N.C. Axelson (62-66) is Group Treasurer of AECI Ltd, Johannesburg.

Shaun Barendsen (82-86), now doing his national service, has been selected for the Northern Transvaal Hockey Team.


J.W.D. Brand (63-67) is Director of Bowman, Gilfillan Hayman, Godfrey Inc. He lives in Sandton.

Mike Bromwich (56-59) is resident game guide at Kwa Maritane, Place of the Rock, a luxury hotel and time sharing resort at Pilanesberg National Park.

Sam Campbell (74-77) is in 6th-year Medicine at Wits, and was recently awarded his Karate Black Belt.

Jeremy Clark (73-77) is associate at Bell, Dewar and Hall (attorneys). He is completing his LLM at Wits.
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C.L. Clucas (74-78) BComm(Wits) is now working for Securities Discount House in Johannesburg. He married in 1986.

C.B. (Kit) Cottrell (48-51) has retired from being Professor Biological Sciences at the University of Zimbabwe and is doing entomological research at the Transvaal Museum, Pretoria.

R.G. (Rich) Cottrell (49-51) is Managing and Senior Partner of Coopers and Lybrand in South Africa and is resident in Johannesburg. He was installed as President of the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants in 1987. His elder son Edward went up to Michaelhouse from the Ridge School last year.

A.R. Currie (67-72) is Registrar, Dept of Otorhinolaryngology (quite a mouthful!) at Wits University.

R.W. Devonport (70-74) was married in 1984, and lives in Johannesburg with his wife and two sons. He is a Chartered Accountant in the Insurance industry.

David Dyer (62-64), Director of Mast Holdings, will be leaving city life during 1988 to live in the country. He is establishing Oaklands Country Manor and Guest House in the Van Reenen area.

H.A. Fieldgate (35-38) has retired from business and farming, and lives at Benmore.

P.A.D. Fordyce (58-62) is a self-employed farmer in the Eastern Transvaal growing Cymbidiums for export and local markets. He has three daughters, the eldest of whom started at St Anne's this year. He says that a bed or a meal are always available to anyone passing their way (White River).

C.H. Fraser (47-50) has been self-employed as an architect for 25 years. His address is in Rivonia.

P.J. George (55-59), after nearly four action-packed years as Executive Chairman of Wit Nigel, was removed in a shareholders' coup in September 1987. He is enjoying a well-earned rest planning to write a book and considering his next venture. He remains happily married to Alison and has 3 children, two girls and a boy aged 12, 17 and 15.

Leonard Hall (53-56) is Financial Director of Transport Technical Industries (Pty) Ltd (formerly D & H Services (Pty) Ltd).

An advertisement in Business Day of 26th September
1986 announces that a consortium of senior management of D & H Services (Pty) Ltd, together with SMB and Barname, will acquire all the shares, loan accounts and operating assets in D & H Services Group for a total purchase consideration of R65 million. Leonard Hall is a member of the consortium.

The Secretary does not understand all this, but he hopes he has got it right, and is glad that it seems to indicate that Leonard prospers.

Patrick Hamilton (54-58) has been Headmaster of Waterkloof House Prep. School since 1981. By all reports he is an active head, and is making a big success of it. At the Headmasters' Conference he gave an interesting talk on his Outreach Programme with the sub-title "Adult Literacy in a Boys' Prep. School".

Basil E. Hersov (40-42) is Chairman of Anglovaal and of First National Bank. He has been appointed President of the Institute of Directors (SA), and Hon. Colonel, 21 Squadron SAAF.

James R. Hersov (78-81) completed his BS(Hons) at Christ's College, Cambridge in 1986 and is now doing his National Service with SAAF.

I. Bruce Hudson-Bennett (64-68) is Regional Assistant Advances Inspector with Nedbank. He lives in Benoni.

Georges Karagornas (66-70) qualified as a Podiatrist last November and he is now a private practitioner.

C.J. Keene (74-78) BComm (UCT) is doing his articles at Deloittes. He writes his CA exams in March 1988. He is engaged to be married in April 1988.

C.R.W. Kilian (71-75) is a veterinary surgeon in private practice in Johannesburg. His brother (D.L.) has gone over to the USA.

Philip M. Mostert (80-83) has just completed his Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photographic arts with distinction at Rhodes University and has started his Masters in Fine Arts course this year. He has also recently won the highest calendar award for professional photographers in South Africa, even though as a student he was competing against professionals, who had been in the business for many years.

D.B. Mudd (62-66) has built up his own computer programming company of which he is managing director. He lives in Randburg.
R.L.W. Packham (74-78) is Project Finance Consultant at Investel Merchant Bank, Johannesburg. He became a CA in 1986. Articled at Deloittes he rose to the position of Audit Manager before deciding to pursue a career in merchant banking. He married in 1987.

I.C. Patchitt (74-78) BComm (Pmb) is a sales executive at Metal Box (liquid packaging). He married in 1987.

W.R. Paterson (45-48) is Managing Director of a Public Relations Company in Johannesburg. The Managing Director of another Public Relations company and he decided to share premises on the 7th floor of Noswal Hall, Braamfontein and they only discovered later that they were at school together (Milner Erlank 46-49). Paterson has a daughter, Siobhan (22) who has graduated BA from Wits and a son, Kirkwood (21) in the Transvaal Light Horse.

Allan J. Pollard (72-76) is general manager of Medical Specialities. He is married and he has a year-old son, Ross James. (Has he been entered for Michaelhouse?)

Mike Thompson (76) is Industrial Relations Officer at Randfontein Estates Gold Mine. He is having an enormously interesting time in his work, as the unions are playing such a prominent role in the mining industry these days.

R.H. Turpin (61-64) called at the School in March 1987 with his wife and three small children. It was his first visit since leaving Michaelhouse. He lives in Sandton.

N.A. van Beeck (81-85) is a student of Mechanical Engineering at the Pretoria Tech.

Adrian van Velden (71-75), an architect with Anglo American, was in February 1987, seconded to their Vaalreafs Mine in the W. Transvaal.

B.W. Wallace (71-76) is Section Manager Blasting Science, Explosives Division, AECI. He is married to Jill and has two little daughters.
G. Walsh (82-85) is a Corporal in the SADF Equestrian Task Force.

Robin Young-Pugh (74-79) recently qualified as an architect at UCT and is now living in Johannesburg. Alan Young-Pugh (73-78) is senior Consultant with Pirl Goldby management consultancy in Johannesburg.

Paul Zaloumis (74-78) is joining Bell, Dewar and Hall in 1988 to start articles.

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Dr A. Williams -
A dedicated engineer

Dr A.A.B. Williams (39-43) or Tony as we affectionately know him, is head of the Structural and Geotechnical Engineering Division of the National Building Research Institute of the CSIR in Pretoria. He is a dedicated geotechnical engineer and researcher. Many of us have worked with him, either as colleague or serving on the same committees, and have found him to be a friend who never lets the side down.

study soil mechanics and obtained a DIC in 1953. In the same year he married Veronica Phillips of Kokstad. They have four children.

In 1954 Prof. J.E. Jennings persuaded Tony to join the CSIR, where his long and fruitful career began with his research in the field of non-saturated soils. In 1957 he was appointed head of the Soil Mechanics Division of the newly formed National Institute for Road Research and took a particular interest in soil engineering mapping and terrain evaluation. In 1956/66 he spent a sabbatical leave at the University of Cambridge studying the application of theories of plasticity to soil behaviour. He returned to the National Building Research Institute in 1970 and undertook a research project in the Geotechnical Division, concerned with the engineering behaviour of fissured clays. This research provided material for use during post-graduate study at the University of the Witwatersrand and led to conferment of a PhD degree in 1976.

He has been involved in several other research fields, including problems of heaving clays, collapsing sands, subsidence on dolomites and the stability of slopes, or landslides. Further activities have included
various major research contracts for the building in-
dustry or civil engineering profession, such as the sta-
ility of canals in expansive clays and in situ instru-
mentation for various field experiments. Tony has
written 20 papers in technical journals or proceedings
and has been co-author of a further 23 publications,
including a book on soil survey for engineering pub-
lished by Oxford University Press.

Tony Williams was born in 1926 in Kokstad and was ed-
educated at Highbury and Michaelhouse in Natal.
During World War II he was seconded to the Royal
Navy and saw service on the Burma Coast, also visit-
ing India and Ceylon. He studied civil engineering and
obtained the degree BSc (Eng) at the University of the
Witwatersrand in 1948 and thereafter was involved in
road and bridge construction with the Transvaal Pro-
vincial Administration. In 1952 he went to the Imperial
College of Science and Technology in London to

His interest in geotechnical engineering was sparked
off on one of his first jobs, a road-over-rail bridge with
an abutment that started tilting when the fill was
placed. Nobody knew the answer and thanks to
Tony's inquisitive mind geotechnical engineering
gained one of its early sons. Prof. Jennings had a lot
to do in guiding Tony in those early years of geotech-
nics in this country and he went from strength to
strength during the building of a strong geotechnical
division at the NBRI.

Tony has recently been appointed Chairman of the
Organizing Committee for the Fifth International Con-
ference on Expansive Clay to be held in South Africa
in the near future. He is excited by the prospect that
our country is to host this conference and I am sure
that we can look forward to a meticulously organized
gathering.

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CAPE PROVINCE

J.B. Ball (64-68) is a private Radiologist in Cape Town. He has three daughters. Inspired by KMP he still takes an intense interest in lepidoptery and he has discovered a number of new species/sub-species from the Angola/Namibia border region and the Western and Southern Cape. His brother Conrad Ball (59-62) is on a sabbatical year in Stuttgart (Max Planck Institute of Metal Research). He will be returning to Port Elizabeth where he is Professor in Applied Mathematics.

P.H.M. Bellew (34-37) is retired and living in Gonubie.

J.A. ("Jock") Cottrell (18-22) lives in the Red Cross Home, Walmer, Port Elizabeth. He was Director of African Education in Northern Rhodesia, now Zambia. News of his distinguished sons appears under Transvaal.

H.J. Currie (70-74) has opened his own private veterinary practice in Constantia village. He has one daughter and another child was expected early in 1988.

J. Everingham (62-65) is Manager of an engineering company in Cape Town.

A.H. Fuller (71-74) is now Rooms Division Manager at the President Hotel in SeaPoint. He says that he would be happy to look after OMs visiting Cape Town and he is keen on getting local OMs a little more motivated.

P.D. Hart (45-48) is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Steer and Co., Cape Town Estate Agents established since 1879. Recently he swam in a team with two of his sons and a friend in the Spur Steak Ranch Robben Island Challenge Relay, from Three Anchor Bay to Robben Island and back, a distance of 22 km. They got caught in a current and ended up swimming about 25 km. The Hart family team came 15th out of 20 starters. P.D. Hart at 56 was the oldest competitor.

G.R. Herbert (78-82) is in the fourth year of MB Ch B at UCT together with Philip Roberts (80-84) and Steve Carter (80-83). He was the Rag Chairman and head student of University House.

Basil J.F. Kohler (32-35) has retired from Kohler Bros and enjoys living a very quiet, healthy life in Cape Town.
Charles Larsen (64-68) is in the same firm of Private Radiologists as J.B. Ball. They were in the Vlth Form together and were two out of three students in Vlth Form Biology.

Andrew Macleod (80-83) is at UCT doing his fourth year of Medicine (November 1987).

K.C. McIntosh (77-81), in his final year BJuris at UCT, is presently attached to the Commercial Branch.

Ian N. McKenzie (41-43) has been Branch Manager International Trade Finance Group GDM Ltd since 1962. His first grandson was born in November 1987 to his only daughter. He plays friendly cricket for the Wednesday XI WPCC. He meets with Len and Bernard Pickles (33-36) both retired in Cape Town. Bernard has an interest in Somerset West Travel.

Paul Moxley (76-79) was capped BScEng at UCT on 11th December 1987. He has been working on an underwater pipeline for Cape Town for Murray and Roberts.

M.B. Price Moor (40-44) has retired. He is market gardening on a smallholding at Beacon Bay.

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The Very Revd. Aidan H. Cross (31-35) resigned as Dean of Bloemfontein in January 1987 after 28 years as such. The title of Dean Emeritus has been conferred on him and he is Administrative Officer to the Bishop of Bloemfontein.

UNITED KINGDOM

A.W.B. Buchholz (48-51) remains the overseas Representative of SA Sugar Association in London. He lives in Cobham, Surrey.

Graeme A. Buchholz (74-77) has been in London since 1978 and is now working as a Rubber Commodity broker with S. Figgis and Co. London.

Hugh M. Bull (39-43) has now retired from Blue Circle Industries PLC where he was Finance Director for his last eleven years. With his wife he has a house at Plettenberg Bay, and they intend to spend some four months a year there during the English winter.

Charles Byron (49-52) visited the Symons family while on his recent UK tour.
Peter Cartwright (66-70) is a self-employed actor seeming to survive in an ever-increasing overcrowded profession. He travels a lot and makes TV commercials in the UK, the USA and Europe. He also appears in films and many British TV Film/Series.

N.A. Dalton-Brown (76-79) lives in Stretchworth, near Newmarket. He is assistant Area Manager at Philips Radio Communications systems, Cambridge. After completing an electrical engineering degree at Wits in 1985 he joined Philips as a Radio Systems Designer but he has recently moved into Sales and is now Assistant Area Manager for North, East, and South Africa. He has bumped into Dave Bester (75-79) and Derek Pennington (75-79) in Cambridge.

Peter A.E. Dix (64-68) teaches Classics at the King's School, Canterbury (the oldest school in Britain, founded AD 597 by St Augustine). He is housemaster designate (1988), historical consultant to a TV series on Roman Britain, and he does other consultancy work on books on classical mythology. He is married with two daughters. His brother Robert Dix (65-69) is in the Essex CID.

D.J. Evans (73-78) is a helicopter pilot and flight instructor based on North Sea oil rigs.

H. Duncan Gough (53-56) lives in Warminster. He is Managing Director of Guerba Expeditions Ltd and has sent us a fascinating brochure which describes their expeditions. Duncan has farmed for many years, but over the last ten years he has built up Gerba Expeditions who now carry 2 400 holiday-makers into many of Africa’s remote areas. ("Sadly we have to keep out of South Africa")

Tom Inman (58-61) Vicar of Bosham, is married with three daughters. He writes enthusiastically about his church, a beautiful Saxon Church in arguably the
prettiest coastal village in Sussex. It is the only English church portrayed in the Bayeux Tapestry, and the church of King Canute, whose daughter is buried there. He says that OMs will always be welcome.

Nick James (57-61) is a lecturer in Mathematics Education at the Open University, living in Towcester. He is married with two sons and a daughter. He has lived in the UK for 20 years since one year teaching at Michaelhouse. During that time he has taught in a Scottish Prep. School, been a lecturer at a Teachers’ Training College, an Advisory Teacher in Mathematics and is now at a University. He became a committed Christian in 1981.

If all has gone according to plan Andrew Kramer (78-81) is in London working for Consolidated Goldfields PLC on an AI ESEC traineeship for one year.

G.C. Mason 44-47 is Managing Director/Proprietor of three engineering companies serving industry in the Birmingham area. His two sons are also in the family companies.

A.V.H. Matterson (75-79) is Account Manager with John Charcol mortgage brokers in London. He married Maria Antonietta in Mexico in 1975.

C.P. Nupen (49-52) has been out of touch for some years. Recently he telephoned from London, wanting news of Michaelhouse and members of the staff of his time. He asked about Padre John Tyrrell and Fani Gouws. Does anyone know of their whereabouts?

Christopher Nupen is now back on the roll, and it has been interesting to learn about his unusual and distinguished career in London. He began his broadcasting career in the Features Department of BBC Radio, when he wrote HIGH FESTIVAL IN SIENA in 1962 for the BBC Third Programme. Later Christopher joined the Music and Arts Department of BBC Television.

His first TV film, DOUBLE CONCERTO, made in 1962, won both the Prague and Monte Carlo prizes and had a profound influence on European TV music programming.

In 1968 he left the BBC to form Allegro Films, one of the first independent production companies in the UK and one that has remained in the worldwide forefront of TV music programming ever since.

Christopher produced and directed a series of intimately observed portraits of some of the finest per-
forming musicians of our time. One of his films, THE TROUT, made in 1969, is probably the most frequently televised classical music programme ever made. Since then he has made films which have won numerous international awards.

British Television will run a Retrospective series of twelve of his films in the autumn of 1988.

In talking about his work Christopher says, "Television can inform people in a way that no other medium can do. You can show how people work, you can give intimations of why they work, what it is that makes them tick. All of which can be very helpful to the non-initiated and even the initiated in coming to terms with new artists, new music, new ideas. There are millions of people who are musically sensitive and don't perhaps even know it. TV can introduce them to a pleasure which, once encountered, will draw them back for the rest of their lives. Now if that isn't worth doing then what the hell is?"

Rick Peacock-Edwards (58-61) writes that he has now been in the RAF for 22 years and his rank is currently Wing Commander. He has just completed three of the most rewarding years of his career to date as the Commanding Officer of the first Tornado fighter Squadron in the RAF. Indeed he was the first RAF pilot to fly the aircraft in-service and he has had a most interesting and challenging time introducing this 20 million pound aircraft into RAF service. He continues ...

"I handed over command of my squadron at the beginning of June and have just commenced my next tour of duty working in the Ministry of Defence in London. To my great delight I have just been deeply honoured by the award of the AI R FORCE CROSS (AFC) in the 1987 Queen's Birthday Honours List. In due course I will be going to Buckingham Palace to receive the award. I have also heard in the last two weeks that I have been awarded a major RAF prize known as "The Arthur Barratt Memorial Prize" which is awarded annually to that member or members of the Royal Air Force selected as having shown to the greatest degree, outstanding skill and proficiency in performing the duties of a crew of an aircraft during the previous year.

In addition to leading my squadron and introducing the Tornado into RAF service my other milestone/achievements have been as follows:

1.1 displayed the Tornado at all the major UK National and International Air Displays in 1985 in synchron-
ised Tornado and Spitfire Display which was unique and widely acclaimed.

2.1 led the Queen's 60th Birthday Flypast over Buckingham Palace on 14th June 1986.

3.1 led the Commonwealth Games Flypast in July 1986 - you could say the only South African to take part! Of interest the name of my navigator in the back seat of my aircraft was "Black".

4.1 led my squadron on a major UK exercise held in OMAN in November 1986 and have been on a number of other prestigious visits to a number of countries.

5.1 gave a formal presentation on the Tornado to His Majesty King Hussein at the Farnborough Air Display in September 1986.

I visited South Africa briefly with my family in April 1986 but regrettably I was unable to visit Michaelhouse. I had hoped to but I had to cut short a one week holiday at Ramsgate in order to return to Johannesburg to attend the 1986 Annual Dinner of the Royal Air Force Officers Club, Johannesburg. I was one of the guests of honour and replied to the toast to the Royal Air Force which was made by the Chief of the South African Air Force. I met a number of Michaelhouse Old Boys at this dinner.

Wing Commander Peacock-Edward's wife's name is Tina, and they have three children, Lisa (10), Jenny (7) and Ian (5).

There was a report in the Johannesburg Star about him on the 25th June 1987, from which we learn that Rick's late father was a Battle of Britain pilot. His mother, Mrs Jill Peacock-Edwards of Sandton, said she was tremendously proud of Rick.

"But I'm very sad that his father is not here to know about it. He would have been incredibly proud of his son," she said.

"It was a great honour for him," Mrs Peacock-Edwards said, adding that she hoped to attend the ceremony at Buckingham Palace.

Rick's brother John (60-63) lives in Cape Town. He is married with three daughters. Mike (62-65) lives in Johannesburg, married with a son and a daughter. He is Director of the SA Forestry Association.
Tobin G. Robinson (83-86) is at Ardingly College in Sussex where he is studying for his "A" Levels in Physics Chemistry and Biology. He writes his exams in June'88, and hopes to get a place in one of the London Medical Schools. During the Easter holiday he joined a school party to Nepal and trekked through the foothills to the Himalayan massif.

Michael Shakerley (82-85) wrote in December, when he was finishing National Service and was about to go to the UK to start in the Stock Exchange. He says that he was accepted as a Pilot in the SAAF, but was "kicked off last year for failing the Etiquette Exam! (Hard to believe I know!)"

G.A.C. Shakerley (78-82) is now assistant manager of Goring Hotel, London.

David Symons (50-53) is now "RAF (Retd)" after 33 years of service. He says that he couldn’t believe it either! He has bought an old Post Office in the tiny village of Little Thatch, near Kettering, Northants. After an almost complete rebuild/renovation he will re-open the PO facility part-time. He wonders how many OMs are sub-postmasters.

J.M. Thorp (34-36 East) writes from Macclesfield "Since I am now engaged (as a consultant to ICI) in attempting to assess the effects of some of our drugs (for treatment of heart disease) on the probability of an event occurring I was pleasantly surprised to find that the Maths I was taught by K.M. Pennington is still in use. The chemistry taught by T.A. Strickland resulted in a variety of drugs and diagnostic agents, and the physics in methods and instruments for measuring cardiac output and the light scattering (hence size and concentration) of the particles that carry cholesterol in blood, and of fibrinogen, which affects the viscosity of blood."

K.S. Whitfield (41-44) writes from Somerset offering thanks for over 40 years of Chronicles and suggesting that the time has come to call a halt.

NORTH AMERICA

Dr Donald Barford MD (58-63) has been living in the Pacific NW for two years and (busy practice permitting) has been able to enjoy the beautiful scenery, mountains, lakes and skiing. He is in the practice of perinatology dealing with high risk pregnancies. The nearest OM of whom he is aware is Derek McIintosh (54-58) who occasionally passes overhead at 35 000
en route from Australia to North America.

Dermot Bennett (61-64) writes: I am now attached to the South African Embassy in Ottawa as Press Liaison Officer - a position I am finding extremely interesting. As you are no doubt aware Canadians have a rather odd perception of South Africa; a perception that has been fostered by a biased media and a hostile pack of politicians. Putting a more reasonable perspective on matters South Africa is challenging and on occasion, trying. Nevertheless, we have had our odd media coups.

The OM I have recently come across is Robin Benger (65-67, I think). He is Producer of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's nightly TV news magazine "The Journal". Despite this we do speak!

On the family side I now have two children, Sean (6) and Alison (4), both of whom are becoming pretty cosmopolitan. They are both enrolled in a French immersion school programme, are learning Danish from their nanny, Afrikaans from their father and the other embassy kids and a bit of Japanese from their mother. Somehow, despite all this, they do still manage to communicate in English!

Any OMs who happen to find themselves in Ottawa are welcome to give me a call at the Embassy. I will be delighted to show them as much of the city as possible. It is very beautiful in the summer but I have strong reservations about the winter.

Richard F. Bonnets (72-75) is a steel trader with Maurice Pincoffs Company Inc, an international marketing
and distribution company, with headquarters in Houston, Texas. Richard graduated from the University of Houston with BBA in 1981. He travels extensively for work. One of the Companies his firm represents is Iskor. He enjoys snow skiing and racquet ball. He is still single but is getting closer to marriage. He thoroughly enjoyed his visit to RSA in April/May 1987 and was pleased to see the progressive strides the school is making - "still one of the finest schools in the world and there is nothing to match it in the USA". He wishes Mr Pluke success as Rector.

Jeremy Briggs (74-76) is in Hollywood and is doing well. He is the camera man for the Music Group, U-Z.

Louis Brink (79-82) is studying Architecture at Kent State University.

Douglas M. Brown (68-71) is Research Consultant, Logistics Management Institute, Bethesda, Maryland. He moved to Washington DC area in 1987, doing management consulting for government agencies (usually US Defence Department).

Richard R.W. Buchholz (71-75) was married last April to Kate Brossy, in Cape Town. He is now working for Peat Marwick and Mitchell in Houston Texas.

Alan H. Burns (60-62) lives in Toronto. He is a partner in the Robinson Burns Group, executive search consultants, Toronto. He would welcome contact from any Old Boys in Canada.

Hugh Coppen (57-61) writes: Since returning to Toronto from Western Canada in 1983, I have been in my own Management Consulting practice, for the most part providing marketing expertise to a wide range of Canadian companies. Much of my work over the past three years has been with Molson, Canada's second largest brewery, although we do have several other important clients with whom we deal.

My wife Jann (nee Shaw), has her own fashion marketing business which is growing very rapidly. Our son Shawn is in his final year at Trinity College School in Ontario, where he has enjoyed five years of what we think is the closest Canadian equivalent to that great Michaelhouse education. We only found out recently that the father of his roommate for the past three years is also a Michaelhouse Old Boy - Tim Knight (52-53) a cousin (I believe) of Lance Knight - small, small world! Our daughter Leanne (15) is enrolled at a Toronto school at which she specializes
in drama in addition to her normal curriculum.

We spend as much time as we can during the summer living on board our boat and sailing on Lake Ontario. Following the Canadian tradition of going somewhere hot during the long Northern winter we were captivated by the South Pacific on a trip to Fiji this March.

There seems to be a growing community of South African expatriates in Toronto - certainly we hear a lot more South African accents in public than ever before in the 17 years we've been here, and it is no longer quite as safely private for us to say something in Afrikaans to each other in public as it once was! I recently met up with Alan Burns who has been in Toronto for two years and was able to bring me up to date on many of my friends from MHS and with whom I had completely lost touch.

Although my parents still spend about six months a year on their farm in Zimbabwe (and the rest of the year in Victoria, British Columbia), I haven't been back to South Africa since 1974 when Jann and I visited the school for about a day. We're planning a family reunion in Harare next August, and hopefully time will permit us to include another visit to the school in what is sure to be a hectic schedule.

I look forward once again to being "back in touch" and to bridging the years since I last heard of so many good friends.

Nicholas Dijkman (82-86) is in Montreal studying Business Management at College.

Mike Downes (54-57) and his family live in Winnipeg and periodically Hargraves and Downes do justice to a few bottles of Canadian ale and reminisce about the Morgan years at Balgowan. Hargraves was interested to hear about Scott-Smith. He remembers the time when Downes and Scott-Smith ringed all the swifts they could get hold of under the railway bridges between Balgowan and Nottingham Road. Mike Downes manages a feed mill in Winnipeg and he is pulling it out of the doldrums.

Spencer C. Fleischer (67-70) has been principal of Morgan Stanley Crunning, The Los Angeles Investment banking office, since July 1987. He married Calla (Lorentz) in 1987 in Portugal. They are expecting their first child in June 1988.

D.J. Hargraves (55-58) is accountant at a highway tractor outfit in Winkler, Manitoba. He came to Ca-
nada in 1982, found employment with a large "Agri-
business" where he worked as a slave for three years
before going on "Pogey" (unemployment) for 18
months, during which time he joined a construction
company as a carpenter. When that was complete, he
worked on a project providing interest-free housing
for the low-income family, during which time his family
was provided for providentially. He is now happily em-
ployed in the office of this truck repair business.

Dick and June Hennessy were recently in the Yosem-
ite Game Park. A car stopped beside theirs to ask the
way, and a voice from within it shouted "He taught me
geography." It was Mike Corbett (78-81).

Robert B. Hersov (74-78) is in the MBA program at the
Harvard Business School, Class of'89. He will be
touring Japan with the Harvard 1st XV Rugby in April.

Mohamed Hanif Jamaloodeen (82-85) is in his sec-
ond year Medicine at Barry University, Florida. He is
trying to get used to junk food and standing and eating
- no sitting at table. He misses old friends and beau-
tiful Natal. His brother, Ahmed (84-86) was due to
follow him to the USA also for "pre-med" in January.

P.R. Lee (74-78) is Publications Editor, University of
Mississippi's Center for the Study of Southern Cul-
ture. He completed an MA in Journalism in May'87.
He produced a radio show for Public Radio for about a
year, while a student, and another for the US Armed
Forces Radio Network. He is now editor of "Living
Blues" and Publications Editor of three other mag-
azines.
Edward Fawcus Leftwich (69-74) married Jill Ann Cronk on the 17th December 1983 in Georgia USA where they are now living in Atlanta. Edward is an Architect. He worked with John Portman Associates for three years and now runs his own business in Atlanta in partnership with Richard Hamilton, a fellow student at Natal University Architectural school in Durban.

David G. Markgraaf (83-86) is studying Business at San Diego State University. He enjoys living in Oceanside, California.

James W. McBride (78-81) is executive assistant manager of the Horton Plaza Hotel, San Diego, California. He travelled around the world after completing his training at the Royal Hotel, Durban last March. The Horton Plaza is a unique 1913 office landmark which has been converted into a "75-all-suite-corporate hotel". It was due to open on New Year's Eve. James will also be attending summer school'88 at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

James McDonald (82-86) scored two As and a B in his A levels at Harrow in June 1987, where he was in the first squash team from his first term. He is now at Brown University (Ivy League) in the United States.

John S. Phillips (70-74) has been transferred from Virginia to California, where he is living in San Diego. He has recently been promoted to Senior Vice-President in charge of marketing for API, a firm specialising in the management of corporate pension plans. He is engaged to be married and hopes to honeymoon in South Africa. We look forward to meeting him, with his new wife, at Michaelhouse on Old Boys' Day. He recently spoke to Kit Vaughan (67-71) in South Carolina and they hope to get together for some golf and trout fishing and maybe a beer or two.

A.J. Pittaway (81-82) expects to be studying for an MBA at the University of Dallas (Texas). In 1987 he was working for an honours degree in Business Administration in Durban. He says that J.M. Pittaway (74-77) has returned from the USA after completing an MBA.

John Pool (82-86) will be at Denver University, Colorado, for the next four years. He is swimming for the university.

Philip Ramsay (50-53) wrote from California. He missed seeing Martin Simpson when he was on a brief stopover on his way to Australia. However, he
hopes to see OMs in Toronto in June assuming that Martin’s idea of an OM Convocation takes flight.

Rodger Savory (84-86) is in Albuquerque, New Mexico, studying horticulture and he plans to become a landscape architect. He says he is doing plenty of hunting and is having lots of fun, but he must miss the Indian Mynahs! What does he hunt there?

Vivisvan Soni (82-86) is presently studying at Princeton, New Jersey.

ZIMBABWE

M.F. Chance (44-48) is still farming in Zimbabwe, tobacco, beef, coffee, maize, and sheep. For the past seven years he has been Chairman of the Rural Council of Mvurwi. He recently returned from Australia and the Philippines, where his son-in-law and daughter live. His next-door neighbour is still A.E. Howland (43-46). They both look forward to attending the Centenary celebrations in 1996, having been at Michaelhouse in 1946 for the 50th.

Gyles Dorward (51-55) is growing tobacco very successfully in Harare South.

Bruce R. Fieldsend (42-45) is Beit Trustees Representative in Africa.

P.G. Kaulback (81-82), of Trelawney, Zimbabwe is farm manager on a tobacco farm, with cattle and maize included. He obtained 1st Class Diploma in Tobacco Culture. He represented Natal U20 and Duikers Rugby as well as playing in the World Cup Rugby Tournament in New Zealand.

His father, W.J. Kaulback (52-58) is still ranching in Kwekwe, as well as doing a lot of flying.

G.E. Lay (38-41) is a Veterinary Surgeon in private practice in Harare. He was widowed but he recently remarried. He plays Polo in between “Vetting”.

Neil Ralston (53-56) BA LLB (UCT) is a Senior Partner with a firm of attorneys in Harare. He is currently President of the Law Society of Zimbabwe. He has five children, two sons who attended Peterhouse, the older graduated with a BBusSc degree from UCT in 1985, the younger is studying for a BComm at UCT. His eldest daughter graduated with a BA from UCT in 1987. What a successful family they are!

SWAZILAND
W.H. Meyer (80-84) writes from Nhlangano, Swaziland that he is an unemployed graduate with a BA in English and African languages from Rhodes University. He is considering a vocation to the religious life (monastic). With this in mind he will be spending a year with the Taize community in France, an ecumenical community concerned with reconciliation between denominations, religions, and peoples.

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

Dr Andrew Kevin Browne (80) wrote in December. He was expecting to be doing his internship at the Auckland Medical School, NZ, during 1988. He graduated MB ChB at UCT in December and also completed a MSc (Med) degree by thesis.

R.B. Dalrymple (60-64) is a partner in a Radiology practice in Perth.

R.W.F. Droogleever (‘Droogy’) (55-58) writes from Victoria to say that he is Careers Adviser, Hoppers Crossing Post-Primary School. (He was V.P. DHS 78-79). His son, David, completes his first year BSc at James Cook University, Queensland. Daughter Vanessa is writing Matric this year (‘86).

Hamish Fraser (55-59) is Finance Editor of "The Australian".

Chris Goodyer (65-69) wrote to the secretary in April 1987. He had been living in Christchurch NZ for two years, working for a company called Skellerup Industries, which manufactures rubber and plastic goods. He works in the computer section, his chief role being as a system consultant specialising in the application

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of computer tools in the production and inventory management area.

Recently he had spent two nights with Tim Jackson (65-68) who had been personnel manager for James Hardie in NZ but had now been transferred back to Sydney.

Chris's wife, Justine, is a trained nurse, and they have two children, Matthew (8) and Hannah (7).

Chris writes, "We do feel for the 'beloved country' in these difficult times. I have been gone from it now some twelve years and have no idea when we may get the chance to return. How envious I am of those who will be attending the Gaudy later this year."

He still keeps in touch with Richard Turner (65-69) who has emigrated to W. Australia, where his brother Mark (67-70) and sister Bridget had already repaired. He hosted their parents Douglas (34-36) and Anne last year, on their holiday through NZ.

Dr Geoffrey Green (74-77) went with his wife, Cathy, also a doctor, to New Zealand in June 1987. They practise in the small town Patea in a farming area on North Island.

J.R.C. Hill (48-51) is Area Sales Manager De Kalb-Shand Seed Company, Toowoomba, Queensland. He has two sons, both in Australia, Alistair, qualified BSc Agric. and based in St George, Western Queensland, and Bremmer, recently qualified top student B. Business Management and Accountancy at Darling Downs Institute.

Christopher G. Lenz (64-68) having been chief engineer on the building of the power station at Kingaroy has now switched to studying law. He lives in Brisbane and has two daughters and a son.

R.A. Macfadyen (57-60) wrote while in transit to Australia. He is an analyst with stockbrokers, A.C. Goode and Co, in Melbourne. He has a wife, Eve, and three children. They look forward to meeting local and visiting OMs.

REST OF THE WORLD
FRANCE

A.M. Doull (57-61) has acquired an eighteenth century French Chateau in Picardy to run as a conference centre.
M.J. Herring (55-57) is Research Station Manager for the American Seed Company, Pioneer Overseas Corporation in France. He lives with his wife and four daughters in an old converted farm house in a small village in the South of France, near Toulouse. He has adapted and is very happy in his new life.

M.P.D. Herring (64-67) is a partner of his own Commodity Broking Company in Paris.

GREECE

Nick Garas (63-67) came with his wife on his first visit to Michaelhouse since 1968 in December from his home in Athens. He would welcome a visit from any contemporary of his passing through Athens. (Tel. - 01-8940625)

ITALY

D.N.G. (Nick) Carter (56-59) is an English Lecturer at University degli Studi di Trieste, Italy. He married Ann Wright from Co. Monaghan in December 1984. He took his PhD last year, at Trinity College, Dublin. His book on the poetry of Robert Graves was due out at the end of 1987, through Macmillan.

SRI LANKA

Hilary R.M. Currey (47-50) is General Manager of the Pelwatte Sugar Company, Sri Lanka.

SWITZERLAND

Edward (Curry) Hyde (79) completed a BSc Chemical Engineering degree at Durban University in 1983. This year, 1987, he completed his PhD Chemical Engineering at University NSW, Sydney, Australia. He married Barbara Messerle - a fellow PhD student - in Sydney in January '87. He spent three months in South Africa recently and brought his wife to see his old school. They are now in Switzerland where they have both taken up post doctoral research positions at University in Zurich. He hopes to do a lot of skiing. (He seems to have given up canoeing and met his wife on the slopes.)

FROM THE PRESS

Daily News, 13th October 1987
Durban used to be home to Baa-Baas "white sheep" Robert Hindson and the touring South Pacific rugby player's childhood memories are of running wild on a Stanger sugar farm. Hindson's father, Mr Erlend Hindson was a former head boy of Michaelhouse (E.E.W.M.
"We left South Africa when I was six, and moved to Canada, Australia and New Zealand, before settling on an apple farm at Naramata in Canada," he said.

Cosmopolitan, August
Cosmo tells us...

HUNK OF THE MONTH

If you want to catch Stuart Brand, (80-83) you'll have to move fast. He's only 21 but the travel bug has already bitten and he's got all sorts of exciting plans in mind. After matriculating at Michaelhouse in Natal, Stuart spent a year as an American Field Scholar in South America. He was based in Argentina but travelled extensively throughout the country. When he returned, it was to two years' naval service in Durban. A country boy at heart, he's now running his parents' asparagus farm for a few months before his adventurous spirit leads him to Europe and a year's working holiday. He'll be sowing some wild oats there before returning to enrol at Natal University for a social science degree.

To relax, Stuart takes a beautiful woman - his ideal is blonde, tanned, and down to earth - to a French restaurant for dinner. He loves music: "I sing loudly after a couple of drinks," he confesses with a naughty smile.

This outdoors-loving man swims, surfs, windsurfs, - he came fifth in last year's SA Windsurfing Championships.
- plays rugby and ran this year's Comrades Marathon. Stuart also loves sailing and feels he might just take off one day into the blue yonder - no doubt leaving a string of broken hearts in his wake.

The Star, 14th September 1987
Former PFP Member of Parliament Mr Graham McIntosh (57-60) failed to report for a military camp at Ladysmith early today because of the recent "snubbing" of the PFP's defence spokesman by the Minister of Defence. Mr McIntosh has demanded that the Minister, General Magnus Malan apologise...

Farmers' Forum, September 1987
Farm sales are on the move! It is interesting to learn that Agri-Plan Estates of Pietermaritzburg have already equalled their 1986 turnover in the first 6 months of this year. Sales consultants Barry James (56-59) and John Oberholtzer equalled last year's figures when they sold 8 Natal Midlands farms and smallholdings in Mooiriver, Ashburton, Howick, Rosetta, and Nottingham Road during the last week of June and first weeks of July - a usually quiet period - a total of R3.8 million.

Business Day, 15th September 1987
Barlow Rand Chairman A.M. "Mike" Rosholt (35-37) was awarded the 1987 Wits Business School Award for Management Excellence in Johannesburg last night.

"A leader all his life and an outstanding all-rounder Dr Rosholt epitomises the qualities of professional and academic excellence, which we look for when presenting this award. He's one of this country's top business executives with some incredible achievements to his name, yet he has always been a kind and modest person," said Wits Business School dean, Andy Andrews.

Sunday Times, 22nd November 1987 (By Jeremy Brooks (68-72))

An Australian tycoon who went to Michaelhouse in Natal is now reputed to be owner of the world's most expensive painting. Sources in London and New York said that "Irises" by Vincent van Gogh, sold last week for around R102 million will shortly be winging its way to Perth.

The city is Australian home of reclusive multi-millionaire Robert Holmes a Court (51-55) one of the world's 10 wealthiest men.

Officially Sotheby's are not commenting on the speculation but Mr Holmes a Court is known to count art among his list of expensive hobbies.
"Iris" will join an illustrious collection of Matisses, Picassos, Chagalls several Old Masters and Impressionist paintings.

His other interests include vintage cars. He has in his collection the 1925 Rolls-Royce driven by Robert Redford in "The Great Gatsby" - and racehorses.

Mr Holmes a Court's fortune may have been savaged in the stock market crash - financial experts say his companies lost at least R3 400 million - but the former lawyer, 49, is showing no signs of being worried.

Restoration work on his new London home which he bought last year for R27.2 million on a 90-year Crown Lease, is still going ahead.

The 10-Century Nuffield House stands in a 1.8 ha Regents Park garden and has seven bedrooms, all with bathrooms. By the time the Holmes a Court family of six move in, at least R3.4 million will have been spent on restoring the house.

Sunday Times, 22nd November 1987
Top Five Businessmen, 1987

Brian McCarthy (38-42) built his father's three-garage business into possibly the world's biggest motor dealer in 25 years. Today his firm sells 70 000 new and used cars and turns over R1.3 billion a year. It commands 8 per cent of new-car sales and 10 per cent of new-commercial sales.

Mr McCarthy has numerous responsibilities outside the group. He is chairman of the Munich Reinsurance Company of South Africa, deputy chairman of the Natal Building Society and non-executive director of C.G. Smith Romatex, Anglo American Industrial Corporation, Midas and the Stannic.

He is deputy president of the South Africa Foundation, a committee member of the South African Institute of International Affairs a member of the board of governors of Rhodes University and a trustee of the Fort Hare Foundation.

Fiat Lux", 1987
Scholarship Recipient

Durban's Hemanth Baboolal (83-86) was recently awarded the Coca-Cola Bottlers' Association Scholarship, which is awarded to a first time entering student who has obtained the highest aggregate mark in the
school-leaving examinations amongst Blacks, Coloureds and Indians. The scholarship, which is valued at R1 500, is one of three that he has been granted. The others are the Standard Bank Entrance Scholarship valued at R3 000 and the Entrance Merit Scholarship from the University of Cape Town which is worth R750.

An all-rounder, Hemanth represented Michaelhouse in cricket and his house in athletics and music, as well as being awarded academic honours in Standard 9.

In the Natal Education Departments 1986 Senior Certificate Examination he achieved 7 "A"s and 1 "B" and was placed amongst the top 30. At present, Hemanth is studying medicine at the University of Cape Town.

The Argus, 14th January 1988
Brian O'Shaughnessy (45-48), whose portrayal of mine manager Buller Wilmot in "The Villagers" television series made him a household name in the late 1970s, has been offered the job of resident English radio drama producer in Cape Town by the SABC.

It is understood that he has accepted the post and that he is to start here on 1st March.

Another big TV role for O'Shaughnessy was Oom Jan in the Afrikaans series, "Verspeelde Lente" and he also appeared in "Settlers" I and II, "Westgate II" and Nadine Gordimer's "Country Lovers".

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But his real strengths have been in writing (for 13 years he wrote the "Jet Jungle" radio series), in directing radio plays and as a stage actor.

In 1982 he won the Natal theatre critics best actor award for his role as the ill-fated Captain Robert Scott in the Napac production of Terra Nova.

After that he played the lead in "Buried Inside Extra" the play chosen to open the Siegfried Mynhardt Theatre in Johannesburg.

Sunday Times, 29th March 1987

Charles Bennett (64-68) is branch manager for the Transvaal of Barlow's Appliance Company.

The Natal Witness, 21st April 1987

Professor Jonathan Burchell (63-67) has been appointed lecturer of Law at the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg.

He is the third member of his family to hold this position. His father, the late Professor Exton Burchell (31-34), was Professor of Law on the campus from 1954 until his death in 1982, and his grandfather, the late Professor Frank Burchell, held the same post from 1923-1954.

Professor Burchell is an expert on the law of delict, especially the law of defamation, on which he recently published a book. He also contributed to the second edition of a book on criminal law which was co-authored by his late father.

A graduate of the University of Natal, Professor Burchell read for his MA in law at Cambridge.

In 1982 he was appointed Professor of Law at Wits University, where he was awarded his PhD in 1985.

Professor Burchell is married with two children.

Sunday Times, 10th May 1987

Derek Bostock (57-60) has joined the Board of Rand Mines (Mining and Services).

Sunday Times, 17th May 1987

A former Natal schoolboy is making a splash in London's world of high finance - at the age of 22.

A few years ago, Sean Flanagan was writing his matric at Michaelhouse.

Today he's one of three directors in a British company soon to open German, Swiss and American branch offices.

The blond rugby player dashes around London with a R7 000 radio-telephone in the pocket of his suit, clinching deals and keeping his fingers on the pulse of stock markets in Hong Kong, New York and London - by working 16 hours a day.

"Life in London can be bloody hard," he says. "But it's fast and exciting."

Sean is one of a new breed - The City Slicker Yuppies.

There are only two requirements for membership - a body that can take the pace and a brain that can make split-second decisions.

Sean was born in Kitwe, Zambia, but grew up in Durban.

After matriculating he went to the University of the Witwatersrand to do a degree in computer science but halfway through, he "got bored".

After a spell of moonlighting in Europe - working as a waiter in France and England - Sean and a friend Patrick Morris, came up with a "few moneymaking ideas".

And their scheme worked.

Last year with a third man, Paul Wilkinson, they launched Strategic Communications Management - in time for the "Big Bang" the revolution in London's financial district, the City.

Everyone with a quick brain, from Cockney barrow boys to astute mathematicians got a slice of the action - making millions for themselves and their clients.

Caught in the centre were hundreds of smaller companies battling to understand what it was all about and get a listing on the market.

That's where people like Sean Flanagan stepped in.

"We watched out for the smaller companies that didn't have their own corporate public relations or market analysis," he says.
The three friends with a staff of 10 to back them, lent a helping hand - taking over strategy and planning media and investor relations, research and advertising.

And their list of clients grew to 23.

They have just bought up another company with an American subsidiary and an office in New York.

Sunday Times, 9th August 1987
THE BROTHERS MATTHEWS TAKE KLIPTON TO THE LISTS - Nigel Matthews (59-64), former managing director of Holiday Inn, and his brother Robin (54-58) are to list their private industrial company, Klipton, on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange. The group comprises three subsidiaries ... The companies sell mainly to the mines, parastatals and industry. They contribute more or less equally to group sales of R26 million and pre-tax profit of more than R1 million.

Nigel Matthews says, "After I left Holiday Inn and Robin left Standard Merchant Bank, we thought it might be fun to do something for ourselves rather than get into other corporate institutions."

The brothers, educated at Michaelhouse and Oxford, are patricians with white collars and clean hands. They admit they knew little about the grubby business of mining and industrial equipment, when they started.

The brothers wish to raise R4 million or R5 million in the listing, but will retain control directly and indirectly.

Natal Mercury, 22nd August 1987
Yesterday's retirement of Mr John Robinson (23-28) as chairman of Robinson Group Holdings marked a change in his 58-year association with the Natal Mercury. Taking over as executive chairman is Mr Athol Campbell (60-64), whose family has been associated with the Robinson Group since Sir Marshall Campbell signed, with John Robinson, the original articles of association of Robinson & Co. in 1902.

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THIS PAGE SPONSORED BY FORBES & SONS - HOWICK - BUILDING SUPPLIERS TO THE MIDLANDS
Mr Campbell joined the Robinson board in 1984 and was involved in restructuring the group, which led to the establishment of Natal Newspapers, where Robinsons have an interest with the Argus Group in Durban's local newspapers.

Mr Campbell was born in San Francisco in 1946. He was educated at Cordwelles, Michaelhouse, and the International College of Business at Indiana University in the United States.

The annual meeting appointed Mr David Robinson (57-61) as deputy chairman, and confirmed the appointment of the managing director of Robprint, Mr G.L. Cheshire (48-51) as director of Robinson Group Holdings.

Mr John Robinson was appointed chairman and managing director of the Robinson group in January 1970. He has served as a director since 1949 and as the Vice-chairman since the 1960s.

He was also a director of South African Associated Newspapers.

A great-grandson of Mr George Robinson, the first editor of the Mercury, he entered journalism straight from Michaelhouse in 1928.

After active and distinguished war service he returned to the Mercury as the day editor. He became editor in 1960 and editor-in-chief in January, 1970. He retired as the editor-in-chief in 1979.

The Natal Witness, 8th August 1987
Professor David Woods (54-58) has been appointed deputy vice-chancellor in charge of research at the University of Cape Town.

Professor Woods (47) is a microbiologist of international repute and was elected a fellow of UCT in 1985 in recognition of his research achievements. He is currently head of the department of microbiology at UCT. He is also the director of the CSIR/UCT genetics research unit, joint director of the molecular biology institute and deputy dean of the Science faculty.

The Lowvelder, 31st July 1987
Kelly's Shoes in Nelspruit was taken over by Mr Hedley Knight (61-64) eight months ago. This dynamic businessman owns other businesses in Hazy-View and White River... He is also a keen farmer and owns two farms.
Sunday Tribune, 10th May 1987
In the Frank Norris under 20 games Victor Anderson (81-85) once again proved that he is a star of the future when he scored all but four points in Defence's 25-9 victory over Durban Harlequin.

Benoni City Times, 15th May 1987
Young and vibrant - he's all set to get St Dunstan's going. Mr Gregory McLeod (67-72) is St Dunstan's Diocesan Memorial School's youngest principal and possibly the youngest man in the country to be promoted to this responsible position ... In what seems appropriate to the spirit of the Saint, Mr McLeod's philosophy of education is to turn out well rounded children; improving each one to the best of his unique ability.

Agricultural News, 27th March 1986
Dr Brian Barnes (58-61), Senior Agricultural Researcher at the Fruit Technology Research Institute, was recently awarded a PHD (Agric.) by the University of Stellenbosch. His thesis was entitled "Bionomics, behaviour and monitoring of the vine snout-beetle, (Phlyctinus callosus) in deciduous fruit orchards, with proposals for an improved control strategy/"

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1987 High on Tech - Martin Simpson Likes Computer Stocks -

Martin Simpson (50-54) is nothing if not peripatetic. Today Toronto, tomorrow Taipei. Which is as it should be, he avers, if his New York Stock Exchange member firm, the modestly titled Martin Simpson and Co., is to fulfill its mission: providing research on high-tech electronics and health-care stocks the world round. Ironically, though, these days, Martin says he's finding the best values in high-tech right in his own back yard, or at least among the fallen angels of Silicon Valley. Most Japanese and European companies he follows, by contrast, are too pricey to be tempting here.

That, in a nutshell, was Martin's message when we caught up with him for a Q and A early last week.

Lyon Figaro, Mercredi 11 Fevrier 1987
Jacques Asscher, president de l'association d'etudiants lyonnais pour promouvoir l'idee d'une Europe unie...

(Jacques Asscher (77-80) is chairman of the recently formed Lyon-based "Student Association for the pro-
motion of the European Idea: whose aim is to promote the idea of a united Europe. Immediate action includes the formation of common policies on transport and against terrorism.)

Jacques obtained his "Licence" (BA) in June 1985, his "Maitrise" (MA) in June 1986, and he is now doing his Post-graduate year specialising in European Community Law.

Ruth Pennington

Affectionately regarded as the "Queen Mum" of Michaelhouse, Ruth Pennington celebrated her ninetieth birthday at Geoff and Dawn Beighin's farm, Maidstone, Hilton on 1st February 1988.

The Secretary requests information about any noteworthy achievements of old boys worldwide. Newspaper cuttings about such achievements will be much appreciated.

Wear your OM Tie on Wednesdays

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THE ROYAL VISIT TO ESTCOURT

Nearly everyone in the Union has seen the Royal Family during their recent visit. Our day was Monday, March 17, 1947. A special train loading up with Michaelhouse at Balgowan, filled itself with school after school at Nottingham Road and Mooi River and then safely decanted them at Estcourt in the late afternoon.

There, assembled in a vast hollow oblong on the road outside the station, were thousands of school children and adults. We marched to our allotted position and awaited developments. There was some singing practice, to pass the time away, and the bugle bands of Estcourt High School and Michaelhouse delighted the multitude by marching and counter marching before them in capital style.

The first great excitement was the arrival of the Pilot Train. Out of its windows leaned, what we imagine were shirt-sleeved and cigar-bearing members of the Press, who remained, as befitted such observers of the human scene, Olympian and unperturbed at the tremendous ovation they received.

From then on the gentleman on the microphone whipped up ever increasing excitement by announcing at short intervals, the progress of the Royal Train. The significance of the Pilot Train's departure was missed by none, soon the White Train would take its place - and soon it did. A frenzied storm of treble cheering hit the ears as that thing of mechanical beauty came to a stop.

Everything happened that should have happened. The Royal Family and General Smuts were glimpsed through the windows and the end of the red carpet, it is declared, exactly coincided with the correct exit of the train. Soon they alighted and appeared on the platform, erected for the presentation of distinguished citizens, in front of the station: the cheering reached its height.

Immediately after, the Royal Party accompanied by his worship the Mayor started their leisurely progress on foot round the great hollow square of schools. They paid very special attention to the ex-servicemen who were on parade, seeming to stop and speak to almost all of them; they appreciatively listened to the singing of the Bantu, and then the
Indian schools, and at last, arrived at Michaelhouse.

It was all so different from what most of us had imagined it would be. Instead of a pleasant "passing by", the King, Queen and Princesses made a most unhurried visitation. They spoke personally and individually to some twenty of the boys, inquiring about their interests, their careers and commented kindly on their attempts to take photographs in the fading light. The Princesses, who conversed with the Rector as the Royal Party walked along the School's ranks, were, it was commonly agreed, possessed of even greater beauty and charm than the best of the splendid Press photographs had revealed.

The Royal Visit, Estcourt

When the Royal Party came to the staff they stopped before the three ladies present with us and had conversations with each one. Miss Colley was singled out for the most particular honour, for the King and Queen, upon inquiring her length of service at the school, shook hands with her, as did Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret.

The King and Queen then spoke to several members of the teaching staff individually and his Majesty, drawing the Queen's attention to the staff as a whole, remarked with a kindly smile and light in his
eye that they were indeed "a fine looking lot of men."

Boys and staff carried away with them a clear cut and unforgettable picture of their King and Queen as two exceedingly kind, understanding and gracious people whose human interest in them heightened the existing respect and loyalty in which they were held.

The success of such an occasion, and it was in every way a really great success, must depend in part upon those who organised it. The Estcourt authorities are to be very warmly congratulated, and in particular the Headmaster of Estcourt High School, Mr R.O. Pierce. The internal arrangements of the expedition, as far as Michaelhouse was concerned, were in the hands of Mr van Heijst. His preparation and organisation were faultless and he richly deserves our thanks for enabling us to enjoy such ease, good food and good order on so wonderful a day.

SAXON.

"More Pressure in the Rear!"

Letters received:

Robert Guy McKenzie (23-27)

"Guise Beaumont is quite correct. Old Stricky always used to call out to the scrums during a match. 'More Pressure in the rear Michaelhouse.' It caught on with us. I can remember leading the 2nd XV pack against St Charles (I think) in Pietermaritzburg and shouting out in the scrum 'More pressure in the rear Michaelhouse', which brought out hoots of laughter from the spectators!

"I can still hear Old Stricky's plaintive voice shouting at the forwards if the opposition had the ball 'Across forwards, don't run round in circles like rabbits'.

"In that team against St Charles, as a matter of interest, were George Boyes and Alan Melville. Old Stricky always used to quote his old School in England - 'St Bees' as an example for anything!"

Lance Knight (28-33)

"I was playing in the match when, on Aitkens field Bill Wilson used the expression 'More Pressure in
the Rear', for the first time. This was in the St Johns match 17th June 1933 and I should know as I was the sole 'Rear' playing at No. 8."

Doug Sulin (32-35)

"I enjoy receiving the 'News' and always find the various articles most interesting. In this edition I was interested in the 'More pressure in the Rear' article as I believe it came about as a result of a rugby match played at DHS - it was a tough match and records will show MHS was undefeated in 1934.

"After the match a complaint was made by a 'Dear old lady' to Bill Payne who was in Charge of Rugby at DHS that she was most upset by the language she heard from the scrum and what was he going to do about it.

"Both teams in due course were called before their respective Head Masters and advised of the complaint and instructed to behave and any further complaints would be dealt with in a more serious manner. I believe, as a result of this complaint, the 'More pressure in the rear' utterance became the order of the day especially in away matches. 'TAS' Strickland or even Bill may have been the original composers, but I believe it only came into full use after the team was pulled up as a result of the complaint from the old lady at the DHS match. Maybe one or two of the other players in the '34 Team' may recollect this match.

"Perhaps in a later edition of the M H News you may be able to publish some other views. ..."

Please let us know if you have changed your address.

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Obituaries

Robert William Barrington (Barry) Acutt (26-28)

Barry Acutt was born in Durban on the 21st July 1912. He was the eldest of three sons of Frank H. Acutt MP, MPC and Mrs Hilda Acutt (nee Poynton). Educated in Preparatory School at Highbury, Hillcrest, he graduated to Michaelhouse.

Having Matriculated in 1928, he was the first of his (the 4th) generation of Acutts to join the Firm of R. Acutt & Sons. In 1936 he became a Partner in the Firm. In 1939, together with 49 other young Durban men, he was accepted for one of the "Daily News" Flying Scholarships donated by various Durban Firms, where he achieved the distinction of coming in the first four.

Very shortly after War was declared he attested for service in the South African Air Force, where he was posted to No. 1 EFTS at Baragwanath. On completion of his flying training he was promoted to Officer Rank, having obtained his wings at 22 Air School SAAF, Vereeniging. Shortly thereafter he and his brother Denis, also of Michaelhouse, had the distinction of being selected for the Air Force Commando, which in the early stages of the war toured throughout South Africa on a Recruiting Campaign, flying Hawker Harts and Hawker Furys. Barry saw service in the western desert during the North African Campaign, when he was posted to 40 Squadron, doing Tactical Reconnaissance in Tomahawks and Hurricanes. He survived the full period of this Tour, after which he returned to the Union for local Flying Duties, stationed at Caroline and Barberton.

During this time he married Molly Bredell, the daughter of a well known Johannesurg Solicitor, Mr Percy Bredell, and Mrs Bredell.

On his second Operational Tour he was posted to 44 Squadron, having converted to Twin-engined Aircraft while in South Africa. Based in Italy, 44 Squadron was mainly responsible for the pinpoint landings behind the lines in Yugoslavia, flying Partisans in and out of their Country, and also the dropping of supplies by parachute.

After demobilisation in 1945 he rejoined the Firm of R. Acutt & Sons, where his forte was in the development of Multi Unit Flat Schemes, many of which are still to this day owned by the same Syndicates or Companies. In 1972, having spent a five year period as a Director of National Board, which had bought out R. Acutt & Sons, the former Company was taken over by UAL and
merged with Syfrets. He retained his Directorship throughout. The Property Division of Syfrets was then taken over by Russell Marshall & Stride, where Barry continued as a Director right up to the time of his death. He will always be remembered in the Business World for his total integrity and for his ability to give his many friends and clients the sort of confidence and loyalty which was the hallmark of his entire business life.

During the last 15 years of his life his real joy was to drive up, almost every week-end, to his delightful farm in the Curry's Post District. He leaves his wife, Molly, and four children, all of whom are married, and his five grandchildren, to all of whom we extend our condolences.

Peter Maxwell Arkwright (67-70)

Peter was born in Salisbury, Rhodesia in 1953 and was a second generation Michaelhouse pupil. His father, John Arkwright was in Farfield House from 1941-1945 and Peter's Uncle, Michael Arkwright, brother to John, was also a Michaelhouse Old Boy.

Peter was tragically killed in a motor accident in the Nyanga Mountains of Zimbabwe on 30th August 1987 at the young age of 34.

He started his academic career at Ruzawi School where he was a boarder from 1960-1966 under the headmastership of Mr Brian Curtis. He soon established himself as a very prominent member of the school and excelled at sport in cricket, rugby and hockey and won the Victor Ludorum in athletics. He was at Ruzawi at the same time as Henry Fotheringham and the two of them were the school's outstanding cricketers.

When Peter left Ruzawi he went to Farfield House in 1967 where once again he proved himself to be an outstanding sportsman. In his four years at the School he excelled in cricket, rugby and hockey and was awarded his rugby Colours.

He left Michaelhouse in 1970 to complete his education at Churchill School in Salisbury where he studied for two years and wrote his "A" Level examinations. At Churchill he continued to excel in sporting activities and represented the school at all major sporting events. In his final year he had the honour of captaining the Rhodesian School Boys rugby side which participated in the South African Craven Week tournament and also under his captaincy the team had the distinction of beating the touring English Schoolboys rugby side.

His working career commenced with BAT Sales and Marketing Department and during this time he served
his country in the Territorial Army in the 1st Battalion Royal Rhodesian Regiment, where he acquitted himself with distinction.

During his early working career he had a strong desire to go farming and consequently left Harare in 1981 to join the Middle Sabi Authority to grow cotton and wheat in the Lowveld district of Zimbabwe. He moved to Chiredzi in 1984 where he was Section Manager of the estate growing mainly wheat and cotton.

Peter married his wife Tessa while he was still with the BAT and they became very involved in Chiredzi Community life and were largely responsible for the tremendous spirit of that area. Naturally, Peter continued his sporting career in Chiredzi and was elected Captain of
the Zimbabwe Country Districts Hockey side. In memory of Peter the Midlands Inter Club Cricket Competition now compete for the Peter Arkwright Trophy.

Throughout his career Peter was closely supported by his wife Tessa, who is the daughter of the Hamilton Ritchies of Harare. Peter is survived by his wife and two sons, Andrew aged 3½ years and Bruce 18 months. His funeral service was held in Harare and his ashes have been laid to rest in the church at Montclair, Nyanga.

John Symonds Aubrey (22-26)

John Aubrey was born in Durban and started his school career at DPHS.

On leaving school he joined Reckitt and Colman and was with this firm in Cape Town when war broke out.

John joined up and went "up north". He was sent back from the Desert in 1942 on an OTC and during his stay in the "Union" he met his wife to be, Kay.

He went back to the Desert as a Lieutenant and returned with the first Div. in January 1943.

In 1943 he married Kay and served in Ladysmith, Saldanha Bay, Windhoek and Cape Town where he was demobbed after the war.

John returned to Reckitt and Colman and was with this firm for 40 years, ten in Durban, ten in Cape Town, ten in Johannesburg and ten in Salisbury where he retired in 1970.

John and Kay settled in Hilton in 1978 and John chose to continue in the Howick Rotary Club.

John was a dedicated Rotarian, he and Kay could be relied upon to attend all the club functions and to help wherever they could. Because of his innate courtesy and charm John became the one man welcoming committee of the club and in his years here he must have greeted and welcomed hundreds of visitors.

After his retirement John regularly attended Old Boys' Day and functions of the Midlands Branch where he always met a few "Old" Old Boys who seemed very pleased to greet him.

John was truly a gentleman, he was loved and respected by all who knew him and it was always a pleasure to be in his company. We miss him very much.
He is survived by his wife Kay, a son, a daughter, and seven grandchildren.

Patrick Robert Asbury (31-33)

Pat was born in England, went to South Africa as a child, and was brought up in Natal where his father was a country doctor.

In the early 1930s, when he was writing his Matric, his parents divorced with no warning to him and this was a shock.

He was sent to England to live with his uncle and there he joined the Artists Rifles, a territorial regiment, but he was then transferred to India with his firm.

When War broke out in 1939 he joined the Indian Army and served with the 2nd Punjab Regiment where he was a Lt. Col. at the age of 28. He found the Army suited him, as he was a very orderly person.

He returned to South Africa after the War and married Phyllis in 1948 in Pretoria and, after a spell in Northern Rhodesia, he came to Southern Rhodesia in 1952 and settled down with his family, a daughter Susan (born in Pretoria) and son Steven (born in Southern Rhodesia).

He worked for Colas, changed to Bitumat, he hoped to carry on working to seventy. Phyllis died in 1981 of cancer. Pat had an accident about two years ago and was left quite incapacitated. He was going to move into Blue Kerry (home for the elderly) and could not face it.

Ernest Hudson Bennett

Michaelhouse was founded as a private school in Pietermaritzburg in 1896 and in 1901 the school migrated to Balgowan. One of its first pupils to enter the new school there in 1902 was Walter Hudson Bennett who was born on 14th March 1890 and at the tender age of 12 made the long journey by train from the family home in Durban to Balgowan and so began the long association between the Hudson Bennett family and Michaelhouse.

Walter spent the next four years at Michaelhouse and in its long history of 93 years there have been few names which have earned greater esteem and respect from its large community of Old Boys than that of Hudson Bennett. It is a name that is synonymous with Michaelhouse, and covers a span of 85 years.

Walter was married to Anne and they had two sons,
Meyrick born in 1918 who was to become a well known physician in Durban, and his younger brother Ernest who was born in 1919 and became a distinguished member of the architects' profession in South Africa. They also had a daughter Enid who was married to Tony Folker.

Their father, Walter, was one of the great benefactors of Michaelhouse and was responsible for initiating the Hudson Bennett Golf Day. He served on the Grounds Committee of the Board of Governors and was President of the Old Boys' Club in 1935-36.

This brief background to one of the best known families in the Michaelhouse community is a preamble to a tribute to the memory of Ernest Hudson Bennett who died on 2nd August 1987 at the age of 68.

Ernest entered the school at the age of 13 in 1932 and for the next six years was to earn great distinction in the life of the school in those pre-War years of 1932 to 1937. Ernest was captain of Farfield House, captain of cricket and athletics and a member of the tennis and squash teams. When the new Meadows field athletic track was opened in 1937, Ernest distinguished himself by winning five events, coming second in another, and third in yet another. His career at Michaelhouse culminated in his appointment as head prefect in 1937.

After leaving school Ernest continued to win acclaim in the sporting field during his career at Cambridge from 1937 to 1940 where he gained the degree of MA (Cantab), and won his Athletics Blue and was President of the Cambridge University Athletic Club.
But then duty called and Ernest joined the armed forces in 1940 and became a captain in the Royal Engineers and saw service in India and Burma before returning to South Africa where he qualified as an architect.

Since the War there have been a number of Old Boys who have become leaders at the National level and again Ernest Hudson Bennett reached the peak of his Profession when he was elected President of the South African Institute of Architects.

Ernest was married to Joan and they had three sons who all entered the family school of Michaelhouse, Roland (1955 to 1959), Charles (1964 to 1968) and John (1966 to 1970). This achievement enabled grandfather Walter to become the first Old Boy to have a son and a grandson through the school.

But illustrious as was his career at school; at University; in the second World War; and in his profession through the ensuing forty years, the greatest contribution Ernest made to his old school was his service as a member of the Board of Governors from 1963 to 1978. Of those fifteen years of dedicated service, he was chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee for thirteen years. Ernest was responsible for some of the major building development of Michaelhouse in which the crowning achievement was the Schlesinger theatre and the Pennington quadrangle.

Just as there is that famous tribute to Sir Christopher Wren inscribed above the door of St Paul's Cathedral in London, so might it be said of Ernest Hudson Bennett, "If you would see his great works, look around you".

As a colleague on the Board of Governors for the whole of this three terms of office, and as chairman during his final four years as a Governor, it was my privilege to know Ernest as a close and dear friend as we drove together from Durban to Balgowan and home after numerous meetings of the Board. I consider it a great honour therefore, to have been invited to write this tribute to one of the great sons of Michaelhouse who served the 'school with zeal, determination and deep affection.

Ernest was a true and gallant gentleman whose tall and upright bearing was an inspiration to all who knew and loved him. His quiet and unobtrusive manner and infectious but dry sense of humour were a joy to his friends. Absolutely fearless in his opinions and forthright in his keen perception of what was right and what was wrong, Ernest was a man among men who lived by a strict code of conduct in all he did.
In every sense he lived up to the motto of "Quit you like men."

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Thomas Robey Carter (11-14)

"Very ginger hair, a mass of freckles, and inclined to be cheeky." That is how he described himself as he was in 1911. He was a little fellow too, and he had quite a rough time in those early Michaelhouse-days. "I wasn't very good at sport. I didn't have the stature to be a sportsman. I used to play cricket of course, I never got into the First."

However he loved Michaelhouse, and said so. "I think what impressed me most was the friendly atmosphere. We were about ninety boys at the time. We all knew each other by our Christian names, the whole lot. And, you know, it was so friendly."

Robey Carter was an enthusiastic member of the Old Boys’ Club. He was President in 1951.

For many years he was employed by O.K. Bazaars, and he became company secretary of the Durban branch. Let him tell some more about himself:

"The fact of having been at Michaelhouse has opened a few doors for me that would not otherwise have been opened - the Chamber of Commerce particularly - I was more or less a nonentity, but as soon as they found out that I'd been to Michaelhouse, then I was invited to join the Management Committee. I was put on the Board of Directors and all sorts of things. From then onwards I was all right. I worked in those days for the O.K. Bazaars and the O.K. was rather frowned upon by the old pukka merchants like Greenacres. But one day I did something I shouldn't have done; I went to the Chamber Meeting wearing a Michaelhouse tie. The atmosphere changed immediately."

Robey was a Chamber stalwart for well over 40 years. He served for many years as Chairman of the Chamber's Retail Section. Related to this was a close involvement in the work of the Durban Distributive Employers' Association. He served as a member of their executive committee and as Vice-Chairman.

His service to the Chamber of Commerce was very significant. He was a member of the Unemployment Benefit Committee for 39 consecutive years and over this period missed only two of the 468 meetings convened.
The two abiding interests of Robey's life were the Chamber of Commerce and Michaelhouse.

Robey was a "character", and a lovable one. He died on 11th May 1986. We offer our sympathy to his widow, his three children and his seven grandchildren.

David Chorley (59-62)

David died of leukaemia at the end of January last year. His hospitalisation of some three months in the Johannesburg General was extremely bravely borne. He was determined that a remission would take place and had this positive attitude right to his end. Many of his friends visiting him were amazed at his cheerfulness and courage. Quit you like men!

He came to East from Cordwalles in 1959. He was a useful and determined long-distance and Ramparts runner but his great love was rugby. A hard playing fast flank forward, many will remember his combination with George Zaloumis during House matches. He played for the 1962 First XV and received his colours.

After a few years at Natal University doing Agriculture he went into sugar farming near Port Shepstone as a farm manager. He obtained his Cedara Diploma with Distinction in 1969 and shortly afterwards married Ann Lindsay. Together they returned to the family farm near Rustenburg and worked on Dairy and Pigs.

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They had three children; Duncan, Mary and Shane, who I believe will be going to Potchefstroom High.

For the last ten years he was a surveyor in the Bokoberg North Platinum Mine in Bophuthatswana.

Dave was a great family man and a lover of the outdoors. Fishing was close to his heart.

He will be remembered by all those that knew him well for his cheerfulness and optimism against a difficult background. He had stubborn determination and great courage to the last.

Guy Louis Henderson Diering (37-39)

Born: Johannesburg 1922
Died: 13.10.1987

Was educated at Parktown School and Michaelhouse, where he matriculated in 1939.

His formative years were spent at Pilgrims Rest, where his father was General Manager of the Transvaal Gold Mining estates.

It was here that Guy developed his love for the outdoors. He was always content and happy when either in the lowveld bush, the mountains, or within the sound of the surf. It was also here that he decided to follow in his father's footsteps and make mining his career.

In 1940 he joined the University of the Witwatersrand and completed his first year of study. The call for duty became Guy's first priority, so he then joined South African Engineers and saw service in North Africa. He was captured at Tobruk in 1942 and spent the remaining years of the war as a POW. After the war he completed his studies and graduated as a Mining Engineer in 1948.

He joined Rand Mines and progressed through the ranks, ultimately being appointed as the General Manager of the Blyvooruitzicht, Harmony & Durban Deep Gold Mines.

He retired in 1982 to the quiet and peace of Trafalgar, on the lower South Coast.

He leaves his wife, Jean and three sons, Andrew, David and Tony, all graduates of the University of the Witwatersrand. All three sons have already made their mark in industry in the "Diering traditon" - a proud legacy to Guy.
Robert Archibald Dyke (26-30)

Robert was in Founders and he became a School Prefect. When he left Michaelhouse, he worked on a couple of farms in this country, before proceeding to Harper Adams Agricultural College, in Shropshire, England, where he studied and was awarded the National Diploma in Agriculture (NDA). His next move was to Ayr, Scotland, where he was awarded the National Diploma in Dairying (NDD).

After marriage in 1936 he and his wife, Mollie, came straight out to South Africa and started farming in Westminister, OFS.

During the war Robert joined the British Pioneer Corps in Basutoland as Welfare and Liaison officer, as he knew the language.

In 1951 he sold the Westminster farm and bought a farm in the East London district. In 1975 ill-health compelled him to retire from farming, and he and Mollie settled in Queenstown, where they lived until his death on 24th May 1987. Our sympathy goes to Mollie, their three daughters and eight grandchildren.

William Lance Drummond Elliot (18-23)

Bill was born on the 6th April 1905 and died in June 1987. At Michaelhouse he was Vice-Captain of the 1st XV and a member of the cricket eleven. He was a prefect. He matriculated and qualified as Attorney in 1927, after attending UCT.

While at University he represented Western Province 1st XV in 1925, and he played for Natal Rugby in 1928, and 1929, and 1930.

He served with the 2nd NMR from 1940 to 1941 and the General Service Corps from 1942 to 1945. He saw service in the Middle East.

In 1933 he married Nina van der Riet and they celebrated their Golden Wedding in 1983. She died in 1985. They are survived by three daughters and a son, Barry (Michaelhouse 51-54), and several grandchildren, two of whom are at Michaelhouse at present.

Bill was an active member of the Old Boys' Club, chairman of the EG Branch for many years, and President of the Club in 1965.

He practised as an attorney in Kokstad until he had passed his eightieth birthday, when he was probably the
oldest attorney in Natal still actively practising. He was a prominent citizen of Kokstad, at one time Mayor of the Town, a member of the Divisional Council and an active supporter of most charitable and cultural organisations. He was held in high esteem in East Griqualand.

Oursympathiesgooutto all his family.

Walter Crick Hart-Davis (13-18)

Walter was born on 4th January 1900 and died on the 16th May 1987. He was a prefect in his last year at Michaelhouse. On leaving, he taught at his father's school, Aslkeith, at Lidgetton. Later he joined the Borough Police.

In September 1933 he married Winnefred May Shuttleworth. He then joined Illovo Sugar Estate as an overseer, later moving to the offices, from where he retired in 1969.

Still too active to retire completely, he continued to work at the butchery and general store on the Estate, until he finally retired in 1983.

After losing his wife, Winnefred, in December 1986 he spent his last six months in Pietersburg, where he passed away peacefully. He is survived by his brother, Phillip, his three daughters and seven grandchildren.

Anthony Francis Heberden (49-52)

Tony died of a sudden and massive stroke on the 27th June 1987. We offer our sympathy to Roz, his widow and to their two sons.

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Tony came to Michaelhouse from Pridwin, where he was Headboy. He became a School Prefect and Head of Farfield. A fine sportsman, athlete and scholar. He was awarded a first-class matric in 1951.

After matriculating Tony attended University in Pietermaritzburg, where he gained his Bachelor of Science Degree (Agriculture) and furthered his studies in agriculture and horticulture. He then proceeded to Trinity College Cambridge where he did a further course in agriculture. A year later at the College of Tropical Agriculture in Trinidad he completed a course in tropical agriculture.

In 1959 he was posted to Nyasaland as an Agricultural Officer and was in charge of agricultural development and activity in Blantyre district.

He moved to Zimbabwe in 1962, to Mazowe Citrus Estate, where he began as technical adviser.

In 1979, when he was appointed General Manager of the Estate, a diversification process, for which he had been largely responsible, had taken place.

Tony's greatest joy was to be involved in farming and he had skills for planning and administration. His greater responsibilities were a challenge to him, and he had a host of human and administrative problems to deal with. Many people considered that no-one was better equipped than was Tony to deal with it all.

Tony was dedicated to his home, his family and his work. He was a man of total integrity.

During his life, sport meant much to him. He represented Nyasaland at hockey, cricket, and rugby. In Zimbabwe he won many trophies for tennis. In the seventies he took up bowls, where he won many trophies.

He also became President of the Mazowe Valley Bowling Association. He loved fishing and once caught a record 72 lb bass, in one lucky weekend.

As a peace-loving person Tony found the Rhodesian War extremely stressful. He played his part positively,

- but he loathed confrontation of any sort.

In December 1986 Tony was transferred to the head office of the Multi-national Company in Harare. It was a sudden move and a deep blow to him after 24 years service. He died two months before completing his 25 years of service to the Company.
Many people miss Tony's warm welcoming smile, the quietness of his voice and the tranquillity that he gave out. Over 300 people attended his funeral service, and the totally multi-racial/multi-cultural nature of the congregation was testament to the man.

Alfred Parnaby Holden (29-32)

Alfred Holden lived in Muizenberg. He was born on the 11th June 1915 and died on the 15th September 1987.

Further information about him would be appreciated, so that a proper obituary may appear in the next issue of the Chronicle.

Russell Dersley Jacob (22-26)

Russell was born on his grandfather’s farm on the Bluff in Durban, in an area that later was named after his family- hence the name Jacob’s.

When he was 11 years old his family moved to the Berea where they built a home opposite Berea Park. It was from here that Russell attended Michaelhouse, 1922 to 1926.

In 1933 he moved to Zululand where he farmed until his retirement, when he moved to Mtunzini. At 70 years of age Russell lost his left leg due to ill health, a disability which he overcame in a very short space of time, with great courage and fortitude. Russell was the epitomy of an English Gentleman.

He is survived by his wife Muriel, sons Arthur and John and stepdaughter Wendy.

David Robert Lee (39-43)

David was born on the 26th October 1924. Cancer started in January 1986 and he tragically passed away on 20th December 1986.

He was a house prefect and he obtained his matric at Michaelhouse. Living in Durban he was for many years in partnership in his own business, tent and marquee manufacturing. He sold out to a large company and then joined Old Mutual, where he acted as consultant and representative for two years.

David was a keen sportsman. He played and coached rugby, and he played "A" league golf, representing the Country Club in Durban for many years. Later he played
bowls for pleasure.

He leaves his widow, June Davina, two daughters, Brenda Dewhirst and Tessa Lee, and two grand-daughters. Our sympathy goes to them.

Russell Hylton Lee (33-36)

Russell's sudden and unexpected death came as a great shock to family and friends. He lived a very full life, and his death came at a time when he was as well and as happy as he had ever been.

Russell was affectionately known by all his friends as the perfect gentleman. He was incredibly humble and totally unselfish. He would always help others before he attended to his own needs, and he was a man of integrity and honour. His word could be relied on at all times. His life style was one worthy to be emulated.

He started his schooling career with a governess on the farm in Bergville, then attended Kings, and then on to Michaelhouse (33-36). At the outbreak of the war Russell was one of the first men to join the Natal Carbineers and saw active service in the East African Campaign. He consequently became a founder member of the Sentinel Shellhole in Bergville, and served as Old Bill from 1958-1962, and Paybill from 1966-1985. During his membership of the shellhole he was largely instrumental in the constructing of numerous facilities for the Bergville community, including the Bergville swimming bath, the children's play ground and recently the old age retirement cottages.

Russell's involvement in the community life of Bergville was spread across all aspects. Over and above his loy-
alty to the MOTH organisation, he was deeply involved in organised agriculture, the various sporting bodies and the church.

He followed in his father's footsteps as a long serving member of the Bergville Farmers' Association. Even as a school boy he helped his father present various reports when, as secretary, his father was ailing and unable to attend all meetings, (having been secretary for 20 years). In 1935 Russell was awarded life membership of the association in recognition of all his father's work. He was elected onto the committee in 1938, and served continuously as a committee member from that time until his death. He held the post of Secretary from 1948-1958, and also had a spell as Chairman and Vice-Chairman. During his time as secretary, the new farmers' hall was built, and the Bergville Show was built up from a small country show until it was second only to the Royal Show in Natal.

Russell was a keen sportsman and derived much pleasure for himself and others on the sportsfield. He was a staunch member of the Bergville cricket team for many years, as he was of the Bergville tennis club. He was involved in the building of the first concrete tennis courts in Bergville. Recently the bowls bug bit him, and he became a keen and accomplished bowler.

Russell was known to all as a keen family man, the leader of a loving, devoted and united family. The care and devotion of his family has been an excellent example to all who knew him. He leaves his wife, Doreen, his two daughters, Jennifer and Valerie, and his son, Hylton, (Michaelhouse 1967-1971) and nine grandchildren.

Lastly Russell loved the Lord, was involved with St Patricks in Bergville for many, many years and was active much of that time in the church leadership. We have no doubt that he is now at peace in the Lord's heavenly kingdom, and we praise God for the full life he lived here amongst us, and shared with us.

Gwynne Henry Bethell Long (25-30)

The son of a Durban solicitor, Gwynne Long was educated at Michaelhouse, St Paul's Theological College and Rhodes University. He first taught at Pridwin in 1931 when it was then situated at Winklespruit on the Natal south coast. After a spell at Ruzawi School in Marandellas, where he married Eileen Thurgood, he returned in 1938 to Pridwin, it now having moved to Johannesburg, and, with the exception of the war years, he taught at the school for the next 36 years of his life.
In April 1940 he joined the Royal Natal Carbineers and saw service in North Africa. He was seriously wounded in 1942 and lost a leg. A year later he returned to Pridwin and, once his artificial leg had been fitted, he resumed full duties including the coaching of cricket, tennis and soccer.

Gwynne served under the school's second headmaster, Mr Colin Melville, for twenty years and succeeded him in August 1963. Under his guidance and that of Mrs Long, who sadly died in 1966, the School continued to expand, the principal additions being the Science Laboratory, the Grades' classrooms, the new Staff Room (now housing the Art Department) and the Venus Street sportsfield - more especially the turf wicket which is so admired today.

In August 1973 Gwynne was taken ill with a severe kidney complaint and, with only three years to go to retirement, he decided to retire early. He and his second wife, Flora, whom he had married the previous year, moved to Ramsgate where they spent much of their retirement, finally moving inland to Tweedie where Gwynne spent the last few years of his life.

Over a period of 38 years Gwynne Long exerted a strong influence on Pridwin, especially during its formative period. He was dedicated to the school and his years at the helm were notable for his friendliness and firm administration, his vigour despite his physical handicap and his enthusiastic contribution to the private school movement.

Alan Roberts Moberley (13-15)

Bobs Moberley was on stage as the Kehla at a number of recent AGMs of the Old Boys' Association. There are not many of his era (1914-1917) around and still fewer who attend Old Boys' days but nevertheless he always looked forward to every Ascension Day with that feeling of anticipation that perhaps this time there would be a familiar face that would bring back the memories of those reportedly rugged early years at Michaelhouse.

Bobs has played his role and left this stage for the last time. From the tales that were told the School, during his time, could hardly be described as a place of comfort for gentle folk - it was probably short of most home comforts during the years of the First World War and it sounds to have been a spartan existence by comparison with today's situation. But despite that, or perhaps because of it, his ties with and affection for Michaelhouse seemed to grow stronger as the years passed.
Michaelhouse helped to mould a man capable of withstanding a great deal without flinching or losing his infectious sense of fun - and this includes service in World Wars 1 and 2, living through the great depression and paying Michaelhouse fees for a son and grandson! His bond with the School was unshakable and his being able, in later years, to contribute a little financially to the School gave him great joy.

There is no doubt that Bobs Moberley epitomised those sons of Michaelhouse who heeded so well those engraved words under which we all walked a thousand times - Quit you like men.

Ean Edward Morphew (27-29)

Ean died on the 11th June 1987. During the war he served with the Natal Mounted Rifles in East Africa and the desert, from where he was invalided out.

He spent the rest of his life as a successful sugar and poultry farmer at Canelands on the North Coast.

Ean was a very generous man and well liked by all.

His wife Olive, two daughters and a son survive him. To them we send our deepest sympathy.

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Ian Fraser Rennie (40-44)

Ian Rennie died in June 1987 a few weeks after his 60th birthday. He had been for his usual extremely long walk around the high pastures of his farm in the Polela Valley when he died of a heart attack. These walks over rugged terrain on his farms both in Natal and on the Mull of Kintyre in Scotland had made him particularly fit so that his sudden death after just such a day came as a great shock to us who had thought him indestructible.

Ian was in England at the outbreak of the war: his father managed to get a passage for Mrs Rennie and Ian and his sister to travel out to Natal in a convoy - it was thus that Ian came to start school in West nearly 2 months late in March 1940.

His poor eye-sight made his career at Michaelhouse more difficult than it should have been but, when he left, he managed to hoodwink his way into the Merchant Navy, where he hoped to gain his Masters Ticket before joining the family firm. However when he reached the second mates examination he was failed for poor vision.

For the last 30 years of his life he became an entrepreneur running Coasters and factories. His greatest pleasure, however, was in his farms which came to involve him more and more. He seemed to be always in the air between his farms thousands of miles apart: to this end he flew his own plane in Natal and his helicopter in Scotland and got tremendous pleasure from both.

His eyesight didn’t stop him from being a most acute observer of nature and he took an interest in all around him. His libraries testify to his astoundingly wide knowledge particularly of shipping, history, literature and natural history. He also had a large collection of classical music.

His family of 4 daughters and a son (Alick MHS 1973-77) are particularly fortunate to have grown up with so much of interest and two such varied estates. To them and to his wife Anne we extend our sympathy.

Roy Reginald Richards (40-43)

After matriculating in 1943, Roy had one year at Wits University before enrolling in the Armed Forces as a member of the artillery regiment of the 6th SA Armoured Division. After the war he resumed his interrupted medical studies, and graduated in 1950, then was appointed to Boksburg-Benoni Hospital for his internship. His marriage to Dulcie Peacocke (also of Boksburg) was solemnized at St Michaels Anglican Church in
1952, and they were blessed with two daughters from this happy and fulfilling marriage, Susan and Jane.

After a few years at the EPRM Mine Hospital, Roy and his family settled in the Natal village of Himeville where he was a very busy general practitioner all the years that he lived there. Sadly, in his middle years he developed cancer of the prostate gland and his health deteriorated so badly that he had to give up his practice and retire to Durban in 1985. He died there, just short of his 60th birthday, with resignation, courage and fortitude as he lived his life, and is deeply mourned by his family and a wide circle of friends.

Jack Brian Robertson (31-34)

Jack entered D Block after 6 years at DPHS. He was a keen sportsman who kept wicket for the 1st XI in his final year at school, and played 1st Division Cricket for the Greyville Cricket Club for many years.

Jack was articled to the firm Didcott Byrd and Leafe and qualified as a Chartered Accountant before serving in the Western Desert with many of his friends in the 2nd Anti-Tank Regiment. He was captured at Tobruk and spent three years as a POW in Italy and Germany. After his release in 1945 Jack returned to the reconstituted firm of Byrd and Whittle and was admitted as a partner shortly after. He eventually became senior partner and finally retired from the profession in 1979.

He was a Director of many large companies including the Tongaat Hulett Group and its Corobrik Subsidiaries.

Jack is survived by his wife Joan and their three children; a daughter Anne, and two sons, Richard and Bruce, both of whom were educated at Michaelhouse.

Jack was above all a family man who derived much pleasure from the achievements of his children. He was a keen tennis player and golfer and in recent years a bowler. He had a lifelong interest in wildlife particularly birds and loved fishing.

Jack had a very wide circle of friends and the large gathering at his memorial service bore testimony to his popularity.

John Lewin Robinson (Staff 36-74)

Robbie was born in 1914 in Bristol. He was the son of a clergyman, and he went for his senior school education to Ardingly College in Sussex, where he was head of his
house, second prefect and vice-captain of cricket.

When he was eighteen the family emigrated to South Africa, and Robbie attended Natal University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree.

In 1936, twenty two years of age, he joined the Michaelhouse staff, and he taught science. Miss Anne Hills was appointed to the Mathematics Department of Michaelhouse in 1942 and in July 1943 Robbie and Anne were married.

Their home was Michaelhouse until 1974. Robbie was on the Michaelhouse staff for 39 years, the longest period of continuous service of any master in the School's history.

At Michaelhouse, Robbie filled many roles. At various stages he was master-in-charge of athletics, master-in-charge of cricket, as well as running the Photographic, Science and Junior Debating societies.

He was housemaster of Founders from 1953 to 1962, and he was also Senior Master from 1960 to 1964.

Robbie was head of the Science Department for many years and the greatest achievement of his professional career was the designing and equipping of the Science Centre, which two years ago in his honour, was named the Robbie Robinson Science Centre.

After retirement Robbie and Anne lived in Howick. For several years Robbie assisted in the laboratories at the
University in Maritzburg.

That is a brief outline of Robbie's career. What of the man himself?

Robbie was a faithful Christian. He was an upright man of strong convictions, having a very clear sense of right, and wrong, and he was meticulous in carrying out his duty.

He was a perfectionist in everything he did whether it was in designing the Science Centre, enlarging a photograph (he was a keen photographer and took very beautiful pictures of his family), or tending the vegetables in the garden, or organising the School's cricket programme.

There were no frills about Robbie. He was direct, and he called a spade a spade. He was much respected by his colleagues and by the boys, as a man who knew his mind, who goaded the idle into activity, who expected the highest standards and he got them.

As a housemaster he guided the fortunes of Founders successfully and he won the affection and gratitude of those who were in his house.

Like many schoolmasters Robbie was probably a rather shy man, and his blunt words were a cover for his reserve. His heart was warm.

A colleague writes, "Though there were times when he could be quite difficult, one was always aware that his aim was to achieve what he thought to be right. He was a very honest and determined person, whom I valued greatly for his experience and wise views."

Undoubtedly the wisest decision of his life was to marry Anne, a wonderful person and a loving and understanding partner. Robbie was a proud and happy father of Sue and Dinny, William and Richard and latterly he took delight in his grandchildren. Especially he was proud, and with good reason, of his grandson, Gavin, as he watched his progress through Michaelhouse.

The colleagues and friends of Robbie have loved and admired him as a man, as a schoolmaster, as a husband, and father, and grandfather, and they hold his widow, Anne, and all the family in the highest esteem.

Henry Arthur Charles Stanton (Staff 65-75)

Harry as he was affectionately known to all, was born in Cape Town on 17th June 1911. He received his
schooling at St George's Grammar School. At an early age he started to study the pianoforte and also enrolled as a chorister at St George's Cathedral rising eventually to head chorister under Dr Barrow-Dowling, then organist and choirmaster from whom he also received his earliest tuition in the organ. He continued his studies in organ playing with Dr Barrow-Dowling's successor, Dr Alban Hamer and was eventually appointed assistant organist of the cathedral. By this time he had also obtained performers diplomas in singing, pianoforte, organ and accompaniment from the Music School of the University of Cape Town.

In 1934 he moved to Grahamstown as organist and choirmaster of the Cathedral of the St Michael and St George. He also at this time joined the South African Broadcasting Corporation as a programme compiler and record librarian. In 1940 he married Nell Chenoweth daughter of the Chief Magistrate. They had two sons: Michael now in the Physics Department of the University of the Witwatersrand and Richard currently serving in the Queen's Flight of the Royal Air Force.

In 1942 he was transferred by the SABC to Johannesburg, where he was to spend the next twenty-three years. Here he occupied two organist/choirmaster posts: the Central Congregational Church (1942-51) and St Columba's Presbyterian Church (1951-65). In 1948 he became a Fellow of Trinity College London (in the theory and practice of organ); he was also an Honorary Fellow of the Incorporated Guild of Church Musicians (London). He left the SABC in the early sixties and for about two years served as music teacher at St Stithian's College, Randburg.

In 1965 he came to Michaelhouse as Director of Music and served the School for ten and a half years up to his retirement at the end of 1975. He did however also assist in a part-time capacity for a portion of 1976.

At Michaelhouse Harry and Nell were loved members of the community. Harry played his part as Director in trying to instil into the younger boys through their classes some knowledge, understanding and appreciation of music. To those who took a deeper interest he was a keen, effective and demanding tutor as many Old Boys of the School will testify. Many boys and staff became involved in the musicals (Gilbert and Sullivan, Oklahoma, White Horse Inn) which he produced and which remain a permanently happy memory for those who took part.

But his real love on the musical side was in the Chapel where he gave himself fully to the task of training the
choir, which played such a vital part in the services and sang with precision and gusto in the yearly carol services. He was also an organist of real note. Many were the organ recitals he gave in the chapel, each item carefully introduced in its rightful place. His playing, varied and versatile, was a joy to hear.

Those who knew him at Michaelhouse will remember him with affection for his loyalty, his abundant writing of letters and notes, and his enthusiastic applause at school rugby matches. He was also a great lover of cricket, often chatting about cricket "greats" he had seen.

Dedicated supporters of the School, Harry and Nell after his retirement always kept in touch with the School and were anxious to know how things were going on at Michaelhouse.

After his retirement, Harry and Nell settled in Pietermaritzburg. Harry served St Alphege's, Scottsville, for a few years before finally moving to the Cathedral of the Holy Nativity, where he sang in the choir and occasionally assisted at the organ.

His last organ recital was in July 1983 when he was invited to assist with the inauguration of the enlarged organ at St Columba's. Shortly thereafter he suffered a stroke which was to leave him partially paralysed. He passed away in Pietermaritzburg on 8th March 1987.
His ashes are interred in the cemetery at Michaelhouse.

Anthony Reynolds Thorpe (35-39)

Tony was educated at Michaelhouse, served during World War II in the South African Air Force as a navigator, and after the war joined Thorpe & Hands, the legal firm founded by his late Uncle Bert Thorpe. He became Senior Partner of the firm in the early 60s, a position he held until his retirement a few years ago. He was highly respected by his peers in the legal profession and for a number of years served as a Council Member of the Natal Law Society.

His most outstanding achievements were, however, in the sphere of his great passion and interest in life-angling and the marine environment. As a light tackle surf angler he had no equal and as a competitive angler he fished for both his province and country, receiving the honour of captaining the first Springbok Rock and Surf angling team to compete overseas.

As an amateur ichthyologist he was also in a class of his own - a world authority on the kingfish species and an expert in the classification of fish. As testimony to this three new species of fish now bear his latinised name “Thorpei”. On many an occasion he had the temerity of pointing out to his marine biologist friends at ORI and further afield the error of their ways in fish classification - invariably he was right - something in which I think he took a perverse delight.

It was only natural therefore that at an early age he took on the position of Records and Fish Classification Officer for the Natal Coast Anglers Union and the South African Anglers Union, and made this into his life's work, resulting in a written and photographic record which will be very difficult to surpass. Tony also contributed his administrative skills to angling and the conservation of the marine environment. At the time of his death, he was, to name a few, the President of the Natal Coast Anglers Union and a member of the Executive Committee of the South African Association for Marine Biological Research. In the past he served as a member of the Natal Parks Board and as a Chairman of the Natal Fisheries Licensing Board.

Angling is in many ways a selfish sport and he would not have reached the heights that he did without the love, support and unselfishness of his wife Viv.

In essence he was a simple man - very astute, highly intelligent, but a man who loved the simple things in life.
The social scene, dinner parties and the like were not for Tony. He much preferred a casual evening at home with his family and friends (in most cases talking fishing) or joining Boy Geerdt, Jimmy, Cyril and the boys from Kings for a pint or two at the Royal after work. Above all he loved to be on the beach fishing.

Tony was not a religious man, in the generally accepted sense of the word, but he had strong moral convictions and was not afraid to express them. For example he could not abide dishonesty in any form whatsoever and I recall one incident at the office when a certain gentle-
man had the misfortune to admit to Tony that the evi-
dence that he had given in a Court case, in which Tony
was involved, had been a total pack of lies. There was a
sudden uproar from Tony’s office followed by the gentle-
man concerned scurrying out of the office and down the
passage with the Senior Partner in hot pursuit, ending in
the unfortunate man being assisted down the stairs with
a well aimed boot.

Because of his convictions and his outspokenness,
Tony often found himself involved in head on clashes
with people with differing viewpoints. Some of us might
have experienced the asperity of his tongue and those
piercing, fiery blue eyes as he gave vent to his feelings,
but notwithstanding I am sure none of us walked away
with anything but a feeling of respect for the man.

In many ways he was a shy person, never one to blow
his own trumpet, and this resulted in the kind and com-
passionate side of his nature being to a certain extent
hidden. For example few knew of his service for many
years on the adoptions committee of the Durban and
District Child Welfare Society. In his professional life he
was always quick to champion the underdog without
thought of remuneration. He was of the old school who
treated his profession as a vocation rather than a busi-
ness.

On the angling scene he was always willing to take
young anglers under his wing, taking them fishing,
teaching them his angling skills and helping them with
bait and tackle.

The tragic death of his son, Jack (Michaelhouse 68-72),
and his own debilitating illness were more than any man
deserved, but he bore them with a courage and fortitude
which is hard to describe.

To his wife, Viv, and his family we extend our sympathy.

William Robert Percy (Bill) Wall (25-29)
Our records show that Bill came from Cordwalles. He was a School Prefect, he played for the 2nd XI, and he passed Matric. He died aged 76 on New Year's Eve in the United States while visiting his daughters.

During World War 2 he served in East and North Africa in the South African Armed Regiment and later trained as an air force pilot, and he served with the RAF in Oxford.

After the war he held a senior position in the Dunlop Company before taking over his father's farm, Oakleigh, in the Greytown district. He was one of the pioneers in the development of hybrid maize in South Africa and founded the Pioneer Seed Company. After selling his farm and his interests in Pioneer, he became a partner in Celtiskloof Nursery. His partner in this enterprise was another Michaelhouse Old Boy, Frank Stacey (61-64). Bill was also the driving force behind the funding of Education Alive, a literacy programme for blacks in South Africa.

He is survived by his wife, Margot, and their two daughters.

Michael St John Whittington-Wriford (76-79)

Michael was killed in a car crash in Durban on 16th July 1987.
A member of Tatham House, coming from Clifton School, Nottingham Road, he became a House Prefect, matriculated, and he enrolled at the University of Natal for a BSc, Electrical Engineering. He graduated in 1986 and after joining Iscor as an electrical engineer, he was called upon to complete his military service. At the time of his death, he was a lieutenant in the army, and was soon to be married. Michael's parents both passed away during his first year at University.

His former housemaster, Frikkie Human, writes: "I remember how much Dick (as we called him - the nickname must be obvious) - was liked by us all in Tatham. He had a very keen sense of humour and I also remember him to have been a good prefect."

Christopher Courtney (Fish) Wiley (24-28)

Fish was born in Pretoria in 1910, but his family moved to Johannesburg shortly after this and he attended Parktown Preparatory School. From there he went on to Michaelhouse, and into East, where his fellow pupils thought his Christian name, Courtney, was ridiculous, and they came up with the crack "caught any fish today?" and so he got the nickname that was to remain with him for the rest of his life. His days at Michaelhouse were happy ones, and he excelled on the sportsfield.

On leaving school he joined the Stock Exchange and he soon had his own firm - Davis and Wiley. It retained this name until his retirement in 1968 when it became Davis Borkum Hare and Partners.

With the outbreak of war he joined the Second Transvaal Scottish and he held the rank of Lieutenant when he was captured at Tobruk. As a POW he served on the Escape Committees in various camps in Italy and Germany for the rest of the war.

On his release he returned to the Stock Exchange and soon joined the Committee, and became President in 1958.

He served on the Boards of many companies including the Natal Building Society, the First National City Bank of New York, the Metropolitan Board of Executors and others. He was for many years on the committee of the Rand Club and its Chairman from 1964 to 1966. He took a keen interest in the horse riding and was Chairman of the Transvaal Horse Showing Association. He served as President of the Michaelhouse Old Boys Club in 1966 and 1967 and played a prominent part in the creation of the post of Permanent Secretary for the Club.
On his retirement in 1968 he settled in Hilton where he took a keen interest in his garden, and the establishment of a Garden of Remembrance. He died in July 1987.

He leaves his second wife Ayliff, his son Anthony (Michaelhouse 1961-1965) his daughter Angela and two grand-daughters.

We have also received advice of the deaths of the following OMs but obituaries were not available at the time of going to press:

Frederick Scott Porrill (26-30)
Cornelius Jacobus Martens (12-14)
Wilfred Henry MacRobert (32-35)
Neville D. Lang (43-46)
George Charles Luis (46-49)
Jack Cyril Matthews (20-21)
George Henry (Harry) Mitchell-Innes (24-27)

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No scrumming today!

AndrewHardie's cup "runneth over"

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'Staking a claim" before the big game

MHS vs Hilton
Mike Liddle and Alfie Messenger
"They shall not pass"

Tatham - "Dreaming of former glories"

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Shrove Tuesday pancake race

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J. Thompson; A. Cook; A. Rogers; K. Fairweather; J. Forbes;
M. Goulding; Doc. Caldwell; J. Pluke; B. Rampahal; F. Pitout;
R. Elliot; R. Naidoo; R. Aitchison

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