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MILTON HIGH SCHOOL



Here is no ancient pile all stained and scarred
By centuries of rain and blasting storm,
Yet in the few short years since thou wast born,
No backward look thy spreading fame has marred,
Forth went thy sons when jealous races warred,
Died at Latema, and 'mid Flanders corn,
White Achi Baba grim and battle worn
O'er Milton graves eternally keeps guard,
Proud was the man whose noble name, you bear
Could he behold the inmates of your walls,
O'er half a continent thy summons calls
Fathers to place their sons in Milton's care,
Throughout this land thy cry rings loud and long,
"Oh quit yourselves like men. Be strong, be strong!"

N.D.H. SPICER

FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

I am pleased to be able to write this editorial for the Miltonian for it is axiomatic that just as one is challenged to undertake a task such as the leadership of a school, so, from that very day one must also face the fact that some day one must stand down from that position. I am about to face that new challenge and do so, grateful that I have had the opportunity of working at Milton, grateful that I have been associated with so much of what Milton means and grateful also that I can look forward to many years of active life to do some of those things which I would still like to do.

In recent years we have been prepared for change and indeed have seen the many changes which have occurred in Zimbabwe. Likewise, we have seen very many changes at Milton and therefore have continued to be effective and vital in the community. I have seen the change in the school uniform, the change in the physical appearance of the buildings and grounds, the considerable change in the amenities, I have seen a sustained achievement in academic success. Recently I've seen the biggest change of all - the introduction of new faces into the school, with new ideas, new cultures and new hopes. Yet this did not present a problem - but only a demanding challenge which has already been well met.

In the last ten years, I have seen boys and parents and staff come and go. But most heartrending of all is the sad loss of many whom we knew so well, and many others maimed or injured. All these we knew and respected and our memories of them can never be dulled.

The life of a school is varied indeed and I shall remember individual achievements such as Mr Reynolds' canoeing expedition down the length of Lake Kariba, Brian Barbour scoring 97 runs in his debut for Rhodesia, the success in Young Scientists and Lions Public Speaking competitions, the hosting of Rotary Exchange students from the USA, the entertainment of touring teams from other countries, unexpectedly talking to a schoolboy through an upstairs window when he was climbing a drainpipe But above all the most rewarding factor has been the contact and involvement of the people associated with Milton. I have enjoyed being able to work with the staff who have shown loyalty and dedication. I have appreciated the help of those parents who have assisted in so many ways. I have been fortunate enough to help many boys along a sound foundation and landing pad for life.

But what of the future? I would dearly love to return to the classroom to teach Mathematics and thereby also have the time to devote more attention to family life. Milton, I know, will continue to thrive because it has your support. Milton has played a leading role in the past and will continue to do so. Its activities will remain as varied and interesting as ever. To the pupils of Milton I would say that you face a most interesting time in the history of our country. You will see conditions that we never dreamed of. Yet your achievement and success will be directly proportional to the effort you put into it.

I wish you all God's richest blessings.

R.K.GRACIE

Headmaster

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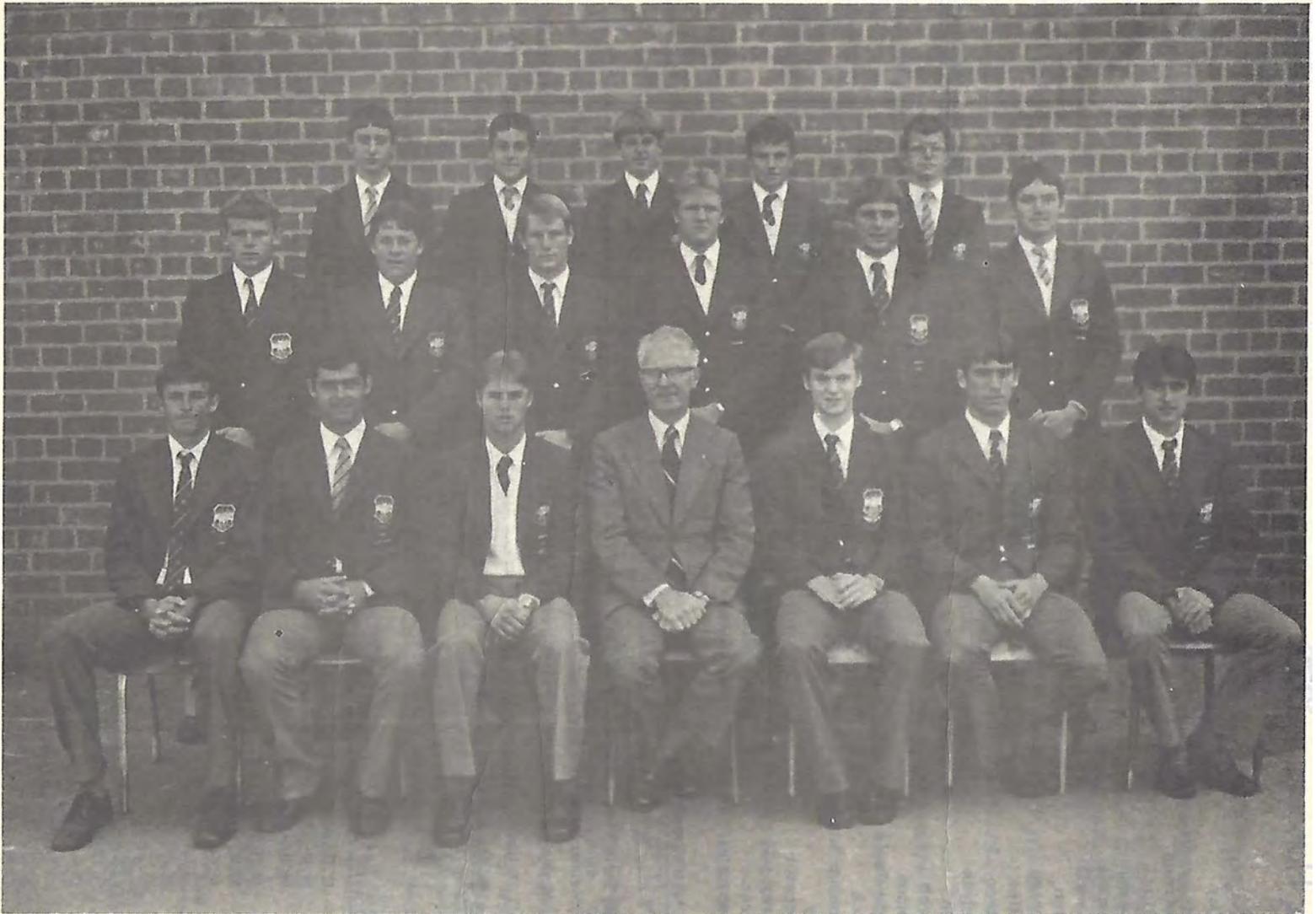
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Academic Honours 1979

Form Prizes:

1A1 N.Gubbay
 1A2 Z.Levin
 1B1 Q.Armstrong
 1B2 L.Phillips
 1C D.Pretorius
 1E R.Catterall
 2A1 R.Catterall
 2A2 J.Tapson
 2B J.Correira
 2C B.Phillips
 2E D.Coetzee
 3A1 D.Lonstein
 3A2 D.Smith
 3B1 K.Donges
 3B2 G.Salomon
 3C C.Wright-Ingle
 4A1 G.Blatch
 4A2 M.Rachman
 4B1 M.Grey
 4B2 S.Sevenster
 4C K.Murray
 5B1 A.Andrea
 5B2 K.Thomson

English

U6 P.Edmands
 L6 P.Taylor

Biology

U6 Lyn Savage
 L6 J.Gait

Mathematics

U6 Lyn Savage
 L6 R.Rapisarda

History

U6 P.Edmands
 L6 P.Economou

Physics

U6 P.Karlsen
 L6 Tessa Laubscher

Chemistry

Lyn Savage
 K.Jensen

Geography

P.Caprez
 P.Taylor

Government Scholarships

P.G.Edmands
 Lyn Savage

Academic Ties

P.Basson
 G.Blatch
 D.Herbst
 D.Gubbay
 M.Rachman
 C.Walsh

Honours List 'O' Level 1979

Barnet Smith Prize for best performance at 'O' Level _____ P.Taylor
 School Council Prize for Geography at 'O' Level _____ P.Taylor
 A.D.Campbell Memorial Prize for English _____ A.Place
 Timothy English Prize for Biology 'O' Level _____ R.Rapisarda
 School Council Prize for History 'O' Level _____ R.Rapisarda
 Trevor Harris Prize for Mathematics 'O' Level _____ J.Gait
 Avery Art Prize 'A' Level _____ M.Souter
 Technical Prize _____ G.Oberholster

Eisteddfod Society Awards (Literary)

Honours: R.Dando
 N.Rix
 W.Bailey
 1st Class: W.Bailey
 M.Williams
 R.Spits
 Z.Levine
 M.Taylor (2 awards)
 R.Taylor
 2nd Class: J.Armstrong
 G.Cohen
 F.von Kalkstein
 J.Tapson
 D.Place
 C.Naude

3rd Class: B.Utete
 Q.Armstrong
 K.Cane
 D.Bloch

Eisteddfod Society Awards (Public Speaking)

Honours: M.Taylor
 1st Class: C.Naude
 R.Feigenbaum
 D.Brenner
 R.Edmands
 J.Tapson
 P.Pilossof
 M.Lutz
 A.Haynes

Use of English - Examination Results

The following achieved passes:-

Y.M.Albertyn, J.A.Catterall, P.G.Edmunds, P.H.Hearne, D.P.Husband, P.O.Karlsen, A.Khalpey, D.J.Lasker, A.J.Buchan, S.M.Loxton, G.D.Ludick, A.R.Marx, G.D.Mills, T.A.Pathejohns, B.H.Slement, D.H.Stone, A.R.Teasdale, D.A.Wallace, P.M.Walsh, N.Watson, M.Worsley, M.C.Axelsson, K.Prior, C.L.Chappell, R.J.Cochrane, J.B.Glassbrook.

A.E.B. 'S' Level Results

M.C.Axelsson - English
P.G.Edmands - History
K.T.M.Jensen Physics

A.E.B. 'A' Level Results - November 1979

4 Passes P.G.Edmunds
3 Passes M.C.Axelsson (English); P.C.Caprez (Mathematics); J.A.Catterall; M.K.Hill;
A.R.Teasdale; N.Watson; M.Worsley
2 Passes Y.M. Albertyn, I.S.Anderson, J.A.Cumming, A.Goerling, P.H.Hearne, J.W.Herbst,
G.G.Hore, K.T.M.Jensen (Physics), P.O.Karlsen, J.A.Louw, G.D.W.Mills,
T.A.Pathejohns, K.Prior, D.H.Stone, D.A.Wallace, E.M.E.Mullah
1 Pass A.J.Buchan, R.J.Cochrane, J.Glassbrook, A.Khalpey, S.M.Loxton, G.D.Ludick,
D.P.McIntyre, B.H.Slement, G.T.Taute, P.M.Walsh, T.C.Wholes
(Subjects in brackets show Distinctions)

A.E.B. 'M' Level Examination Results

4 Passes A.D.Place, R.H.Rapisarda (1), D.H.Seligman
3 Passes M.Beffa, L.Brenner, C.L.Daniels, J.E.Gait (1), G.K.Keyer (1), J.A.Knight (1),
J.Masango (1), P.J.Taylor, G.P.White.
2 Passes M.E.Barker, I.R.Cutler, A.Economou (1), P.T.Howard, A.R.Marx, G.J.McKenna,
J.B.Pretorius (1), N.V.Sutcliffe
1 Pass Y.M.Albertyn, M.A.Benning, T.J.Bezuidenhout (1), P.J.Brownlee, C.L.Chappell,
P.D.Cutler, G.R.Edwards, M.Forfar, C.Gordon, G.H.Hilton, K.T.Jensen, A.Khalpey,
E.Laddas, J.M.Lopes, J.A.Louw, S.M.Loxton, S.D.McKelvin, S.M.McKenna, P.Neal,
M.Nothingel, T.A.Pathejohns, M.G.Pettican, K.Prior, M.G.Souter, D.B.Stone,
P.T.zircalle, W.J.van der Merwe, A.Viljoen, A.Vorster, B.Watts, A.van Vuuren
(Figures in brackets indicate number of Distinctions)

A.E.B. 'O' Level Examination Results

9 Passes C.T.Myles (4), M.J.Rachman (5), S.P.Rachman (2)
8 Passes P.A.Basson (7), L.Conway (4), D.M.Herbst (6), D.O.A.Gubbay (6), A.D.McDonald (4),
C.Walsh (6)
7 Passes R.P.Flashman (3), I.C.Hodge (1), D.Jack (2), J.Jacobsen (2), S.B.Roderick (1), M.Sack,
M.J.Payne (3), K.D.Thomson
6 Passes N.Herbst (1), P.J.Stockman, F.P.Verster (3), M.Jogee (2), D.Oswald (2)
5 Passes J.M.Danvers (3), H.J.du Toit, C.Kerr (1), C.Keyer (1), J.Teasdale (1), A.Andrea
4 Passes I.D.Benning (2), C.Kelly, G.R.Kadey, K.J.Williamson (1), G.Oberholster
(Figures in brackets indicate number of Distinctions)

RCE Higher Examination Results - November 1979

G.A.J.Bryer (4), P.Chisholm (5), P.F.de Bruyn (4), N.J.Dewhurst (6), S.W.Douglas (6), A.C.Edwards (5),
P.D.Fitzhenry (4), R.G.Foulkes (6), R.Frame (5), S.Hewitt (3), D.N.Livesey (4), K.D.Murray (7),
G.H.Pepper (4), M.Rachbind (3), R.W.Retief (2), C.Robinson (3), P.E.Rodde (5), G.W.Smith (2), J.Stols (1),
G.D.Tasmer (6), F.van Hese (5), T.van Tonder (5), K.E.van Zyl (3)

RCE Lower Examination Results - November 1979

S.B.Abbott (2), D.R.Commerford (3), M.W.Cranston (3), I.G.Ellis (3), F.H.Fox (3), R.N.Hunter (3),
I.K.Meredith (3), E.C.Phillips (3), C.Poole (3), D.W.Rossiter (3), S.Ryder (3), R.B.Sissons (3),
O.G.Slater (3), I.Thompson (2), C.van Hese (3), M.Watson (3), G.S.Wentzel (2), R.E.Wood (2),
C.J.Wright-Ingle (3).
(Numbers in brackets indicate number of passes)

The Milton Award

PAUL DAVID CUTLER

PAUL CUTLER has been a pupil of Milton School for the last six years and during that time has shown himself to be thoroughly dedicated to the school. He has excelled on the sportsfield where he has played in Matabeleland trials, in both rugby and basketball. He captains the school team in both these sports. He is also a member of the school gymnastic team.

He is a member of the Toastmasters Club.

Paul is the Head Prefect and has led the school admirably by his example of loyalty and dedication. His quietly spoken manner and cheerful smile have made him a natural leader where his word and his example are respected by one and all.

He has made a great contribution to Milton School, and is hereby given the Milton Award.

WILLIAM FORREST MacDONALD

WILLIAM MacDONALD has achieved the unique distinction of earning national junior Colours in two sports. He was awarded Athletic Colours for his achievement in the jumps and throws and recently represented Zimbabwe in the Craven Week Rugby Team. He is captain of the school athletic team. He has been a member of the school swimming team. He has taken part in the school Variety Concert and is currently a member of the Toastmasters Club.

William is a school prefect. His examples on the sports field, in the classroom and in the school are most gratifying to his teachers and encouraging to his peers. He has exhibited an unquestionable loyalty to the school.

No one can meet William MacDonald without breaking into a smile for he wears a perpetual, heart warming smile.

He is hereby presented with the Milton Award.

DAVID MALCOLM RACHMAN

DAVID RACHMAN, after completing the M-Level Certificate with notable success, spent a year in the United States of America as a Rotary Exchange student. He was certainly a good ambassador for this country and this school. He has now returned to Milton and will certainly achieve outstanding academic results at the end of this year.

He served on the Junior City Council, of which he was the Town Clerk. He is also involved in charity work in various societies.

He has been a member of the school swimming team and was awarded junior Rhodesian Colours. He helped back-stage with light and sound in many school dramatic productions.

David is the deputy Head Prefect. By his gentlemanly stature and behaviour, and his devotion to duty, he has set a standard in the school which is an ideal example for younger members of the school to emulate.

The Milton Award is hereby given to David Rachman.

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SPORTING AWARDS

Tennis

Colours re-award - Dean de Villiers
Team Tabs - David Gubbay, R.Palcich, Boris Palcich, S.Kerr, B.Husband,
Ryan Broomberg, Joe Pretorius.

Squash

Team Tabs - Gary Duberly, David Oswald, Kevin Thomson

Football

Colours re-award - Myles Pettican
Team Tabs - Ross Leech, Frederick Ndhlovu, Zwelibanzi Ndlovu,
Grant Salomon, Zven Jacobsen, Mark Dunning, Andreas Andrea
(re-award)

Hockey

New Colours Award - David Oswald, Nigel Ekblad
Team Tabs - Ian Benning (re-award), Gary Edwards, Peter van Niekerk,
Mark Nothnagel (re-award), Craig Hardman, Brian Sellars.

Cross-Country

Team Tabs - Richard Amyot, Darell Coetzer, Mario Beffa (re-award)

Gymnastics

Team Tabs - Roy Kotze (re-award), Mark Grey, Paul Cutler

Rugby

New Colours - Paul Cutler, Dieter Appelhans (re-award)
Team Tabs - Darren Maughan (re-award), Stuart Robertson, Albert Viljoen,
Leon Kettle, Michael Grobler, Rodney Pearson, R.Du Toit,
David Perratt, John Grobler (re-award), Calvin Maughan,
Gregory McKenna (re-award), Thomas Bezuidenhout.

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A TRIBUTE TO MR R.K.GRACIE

In May 1970, Mr Gracie was appointed Headmaster of Milton School and has subsequently become the second longest serving of Milton's ten Headmasters. During that time the school has witnessed all-round development in the academic, sporting, cultural and administrative fields; from a variety of Scholarships over the years to the sporting tours of the school and its visitors, to Mr Gracie's changing of the then drab uniform, and to his personal overseeing of the construction of the Jubilee Pavilion, the Thompson fields' reticulation system and Hambly field tiered seating, among other numerous developments.

Mr Gracie has gained the respect of all, for his unswerving loyalty to the School as whatever he did was for what he considered to be best for the School, its pupils and Staff. Furthermore, he has always set the highest standards of behaviour and appearance for the boys to follow and has always ensured that these standards are met.

During the last few years, Mr Gracie has had the unenviable task of guiding the School through the difficult times and changes, and the fact that the School has come through so well is certainly due in part to his leadership.

As has been mentioned in the Milton News already, one would indeed wish to conclude by saying, as he himself has so often said: "I have great pleasure in presenting the Milton Award to Mr R.K.Gracie", but as he has pointed out, he cannot claim the privilege of being an Old Miltonian. Thus we can only say "au revoir" and thank him most sincerely for his dedication and wish him a long and happy retirement.

THE NINTH MILTON ADDRESS GIVEN BY MR HOWIE GARDINER

Unfortunately Mr Gardiner was ill, but his speech was admirably read by Mr Gordon, a member of the School Advisory Council.

In his address, Mr Gardiner dealt with the necessity of man to project his thoughts for the future, and not get bogged down with the problems of their everyday existence. As Mr Gardiner said, "think of the future because that is where you are going to spend the rest of your lives." He put two pertinent questions to the audience which he said they must ask themselves:

- (1) "Where do I want to go? "
- (2) "Am I aware of Society's problems and can I help my fellow man in his own endeavours; so that his future and mine are secure? "

Mr Gardiner then related his own problems in choosing a suitable career after leaving school, and stressed the need for parents to advise their children on choosing future careers.

He then turned to modern social problems where human relationships do not keep pace with technological development. He said that team co-operation is necessary for man to achieve his goal in life. As examples, the army and a cricket team - which Mr Gardiner played at National level - were cited, to prove that the individual's success must be linked with that of others.

In closing, Mr Gardiner told school leavers that they were taking up an apprenticeship preparatory to taking up the mantle of leadership of mankind.

In conclusion, he wished the Headmaster, Mr Gracie, a long and happy retirement, and thanked him for his effort in the scholastic field.

J.F.

MILTON SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL 1979-1980

Since the Council and PTA reports appeared in last year's magazine, the School Council has taken over the functions of the PTA as well as continuing with those for which it was already responsible. The PTA relinquished its duties at the AGM in February after many years as a most valuable body of people whose good work is gratefully acknowledged.

The Council now consists of twelve elected members, all parents, with the Headmaster attending meetings ex officio and with the Deputy Headmaster having been appointed to act as minute secretary.

During the year, full meetings of the Council have been held more frequently than in the past, with additional meetings of various sub-committees also being held. These were the Diamond Jubilee and Bursary Committee, which assisted the Headmaster in awarding bursaries, the Fund-raising, projects, catering and finance sub-committees.

Numerous fund-raising activities have been organised with help from people not on School Council. These included the 100 Club, a raffle, jumble sales, cake sales, film shows, Saturday tennis, the Tuck Shop, and the Thrift Shop. Further fund-raising will continue in the third term of 1980.

Items and projects on which money was spent during the year included the provision of 104 security lockers for use by the boys, especially while at sport, completion of the rugby embankment stands, purchase of water-polo goals and screens for use beside hockey goals, assistance towards the rugby tour to the Cape, subsidy of the Milton Address expenses and provision of a hut for the night-watchman. Work is well under way on renovating the squash court, a screen wall is under construction separating the servants' quarters from the main school and a bronze plaque has been ordered for the most recent Roll of Honour.

A PTA dance was held and was greatly enjoyed by all who attended it, though it was not well supported. A member of the Council has been responsible for organising sports catering and she also made the new curtains which grace the Pavilion Hall.

Another matter which involved Council was the organisation of a presentation to Mr Gracie on his retirement after ten years as Headmaster.

Last, but by no means least of the Council's concerns was the subject of Community School Status. Having at first rejected the concept, parents voted later to accept it, provided costs were reasonable, and a Board of Governors was elected to take office at the advent of Community Status, and to go into the question of costs in the meantime. At a meeting in April, between the School Council and the Board of Governors, costs were presented which the Council considered to be reasonable and which the Board stated covered all existing costs at the time. The Council therefore accepted in principle that Milton should become a Community School. Subsequently, all outstanding applications for Community Status were frozen by the Government and the issue remains unresolved at the time of writing.

B.J. PARSONS - Chairlady

THE HOSTELS

The Boarders are active, and well and winning. Our numbers through 1979 dropped drastically from 125 to 77. Under that limitation we drew together for mutual protection. This year has seen a welcome increase in the number of boys in both Charter and Pioneer and a resurgence of house spirit.

The distribution of boys by age is most uneven with 43 (i) and 19 (ii), 23 (iii), 11 (iv), 7 (v), 20 (Lvi) and 2 (Uvi). The increased number of examination candidates, particularly in the Lvi has brought great pressure on study space and the almost full hostel has meant competition for amenities and placed a premium on privacy.

The hostels are a microcosm of our new country. Throughout Zimbabwe people of all races now work together or play together or eat together. We, the Boarders, do everything together as we do most things very well. Our disagreements are no more than they have ever been. Our achievements are as great as they have ever been.

The Boarders, because of their availability, are required to do many things for the school. They carry chairs, serve tea or coffee, supervise parking and provide well-dressed support for school activities.

Thank you, Boarders.

A. THOMAS

STAFF NEWS

At the end of 1979 we bade farewell to many friends. Mr R. Bing left us on promotion to Plumtree as Deputy Headmaster. Rob came to Milton from University and stayed for 9 years during which time he gave a great deal to Milton. Rob sends us the Plumtree Newsletter each week. Thank you for everything Rob and good luck down in the bush!

Mr R. Moresby-White decided to retire from teaching after 17 years of valuable service in our Metalwork Department. We thank him warmly for the many years of dedication and wish him well as a philatelist with the Southern Office Services.

Another member who must be remembered for her long service to the school is Mrs M. Fish. She spent 14 years doing most valuable work in the Special Classes. Thank you Mary.

Miss Koster also left us after five years in the French Department and we thank her for contribution.

Mr L.Schurmann decided to teach Afrikaans in East London while Mr G.Carr returned to student life at the University of Cape Town. Mr B.Craxton transferred to Northlea and Mrs L.Bullivant to Townsend. Mrs J.Oxden-Willows left us after one term in the History Department.

The hostels bade farewell to two resident College Students, Mr Boothroyd from Charter and Mr Hall from Pioneer, who left to continue their studies in Salisbury. Mrs Hogg also retired after many years of valuable service in the hostels. To all of the above we thank you for all the hard work and good times and wish you well for the future.

The first two terms of 1980 have seen many changes. The English Department seems to have been overworking its members for a change! Mrs L.Hagelthorn took leave for the first half of the 1st term and Mr J.Felgate for the second half. We welcomed Miss J.Edington who replaced them for the first term. Mr W.Annandale joined the Department on transfer from the History Department during the third term of 1979. We wish him a long and happy stay.

In the second term Miss Edington transferred to the History Department where she filled in for Mrs J. Evans who was on half a term's leave, and then left us to join Gifford. We thank her for her help and enthusiasm and wish her well.

Mrs L.Elsworth (nee Sutcliffe) who has three Old Miltonian brothers, joined the History Department from St Cyprians, Cape Town. Mr F.Day and Miss P.Sperring swelled the ranks of the Geography Department. Miss Sperring left us after only one term to take up a more energetic post at Chaplin. Mrs L.Lithgow joined the Geographers to take her place. Mrs J.Rochester joined us as Head of the Mathematics Department. At the end of the first term we bade farewell to Mr Bob Clift who transferred to Montrose. We thank him for many years of excellent Maths and Soccer coaching and wish him happy days with the girls! Miss R.Eden joined us in the second term to replace Mr Clift.

Mrs P.Musgrave joined the Afrikaans Department for one term and then moved on to Townsend. Mr R. MacLean joined us and is most adequately keeping the boys in trim. We also congratulate Mr and Mrs MacLean on the birth of their sturdy son and heir, Graham. We understand that he has to do 100 pull-ups every morning in his cot!

Mr M.Herring took over from Miss Koster in the French Department and is assisted by Miss J.Davies who is also supervising the Middle School Library thereby giving Mrs D.Gilman more time to supervise the Upper School Library from the the sixth formers during their study periods! Mrs M.McEwan replaced Mrs M Fish in the Special Class for the first term but then moved on to Montrose leaving Mrs J.Hoal coping admirably. Mr A.Hardy joined us to teach Metalwork where his father once taught. Mrs W.Iversen relieved Mr I.Howie in the Art Department during the second term while Mr Howie enjoyed long leave. We welcome Mr Moyo to teach Ndebele to the form ones.

At the end of the first term we said cheerio to Mr Ken Holt who retired to Port Alfred. Ken always had a cheerful word and helpful advice for everyone. We thank him for 14 years of loyal service and wish him and Gloria every happiness and good fishing in the Kowie. Mr Tom Craven replaced Ken in the Woodwork rooms.

Congratulations and best wishes go to Mr Anderson, Mr Hannay and Mr Murray on finally taking the plunge and we wish them happy swimming and welcome to their good ladies.

Charter and Pioneer House welcomed Mr R.Vickery and Mr Finlayson to help keep them in order. We welcome Mrs Jacobsen to the hostels as well as Mrs Holmes and Mrs Dobson who seem to move between the hostel and the kitchen doing relief duty. At the end of the second term we paid farewell to our caretaker, Mr Scott.

The school office has also had its changes. Mrs Lal Taylor left us at the end of the second term. We'll miss you, Lal. Thank you for everything and best of luck.

At the end of the second term our Headmaster, Mr R.K.Gracie retired after 10 years of faithful service to Milton School. We thank him most sincerely for everything he has done and we wish him and Mrs Gracie every happiness.

Welcome to all who have joined us.

Cheerio to those who have left us.

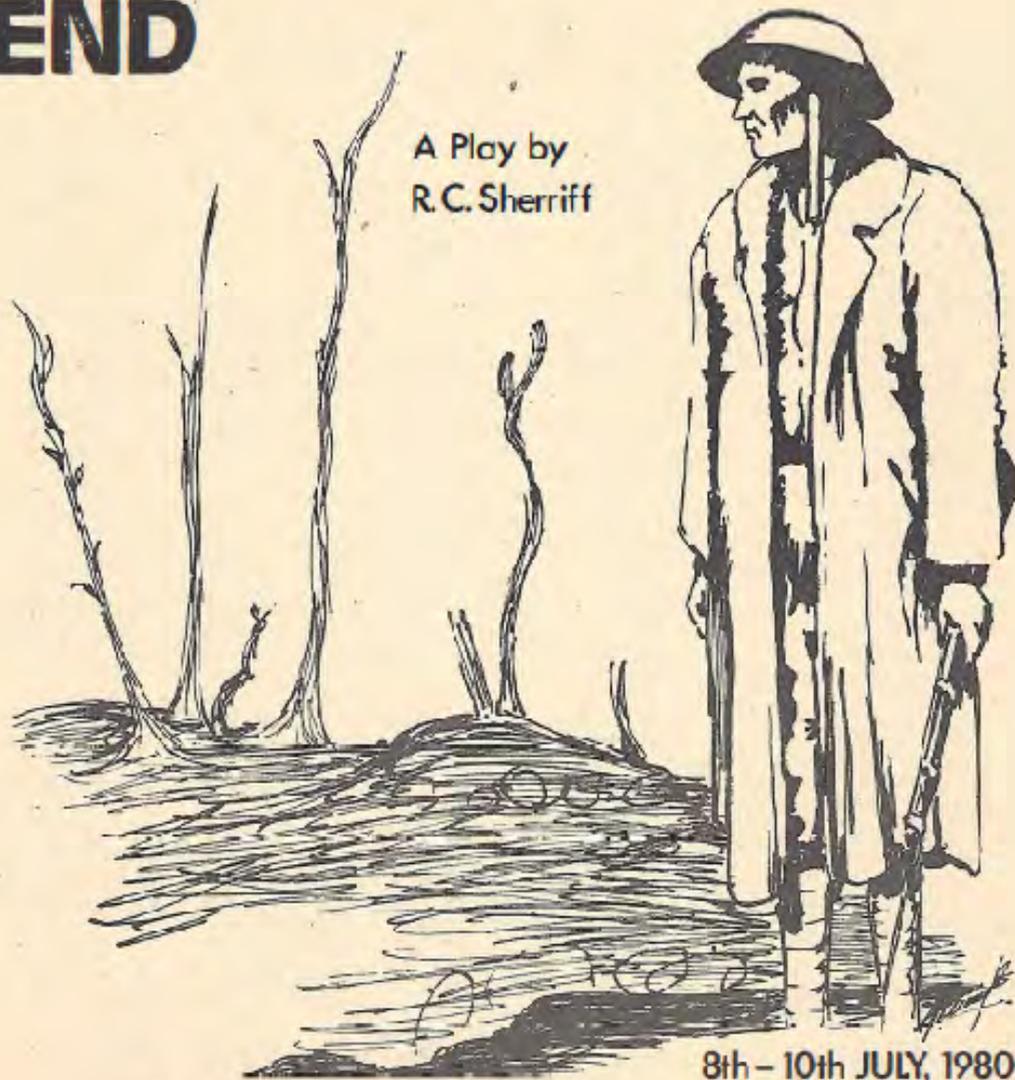
To all present staff, thank you for the fellowship and happy teaching.

H.N.

MILTON presents

JOURNEY'S END

A Play by
R.C. Sherriff



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JOURNEY'S END

'Journey's End' was first performed as long ago as 9 December 1928 with an obscure young actor named Laurence Olivier in the main role of Stanhope. It was immediately hailed as a masterpiece and the most feared of all the London critics of the day, Hannen Swaffer of the Daily Express, enthused rapturously:

"A new dramatist, R.C.Sherriff, achieved the distinction of compelling to real emotion an audience who were watching a play almost without a plot, with no women in the cast! ... It was a remarkable achievement ... 'Journey's End' is perhaps the greatest of all war plays, it carries a great lesson - one that is nobly told."

And James Agate, the most vigorous and influential critic of the period, devoted an entire broadcast to the play: "I shall talk of nothing else tonight but of this fine piece of work. I have never been so deeply moved, so enthralled, so exalted..." (Sherriff's own account of listening to this talk on a wildly erratic crystal radio with its 'cat's whisker' forms a most amusing episode in his delightful autobiography "No Leading Lady".)

Subsequently the play's reputation declined somewhat and in the cynical Sixties its appeal to the finer emotions meant that it was regarded with something akin to scorn in certain quarters. However, it has now achieved its half century and has been accorded the status of a 'classic' and any reassessment serves to make one aware of the very real achievement of a beautifully constructed and deeply moving piece of theatre. Set in the trenches of Flanders Fields it may be, but its message is in no way impaired by the passing of the years and nor are its relevance and interest, especially perhaps to a country that has just emerged from a long and bitter civil war, for it conveys all the futility and horror of war and its tragic waste: "The Germans are really quite decent, aren't they? I mean, outside the newspapers", says Raleigh, and the final overwhelming impression of the play is this sense of needless waste, whether in the deaths of Osborne and Raleigh, Stanhope's dependence on whisky or Hibbert's abandonment of all decent standards in his desire to escape.

That the message of the play and its feeling emerged so strongly is a tribute to Mr Herring and his largely inexperienced cast: the production was marked by great feeling and sensitivity (unhappily marred on occasion by boorish and immature behaviour from certain younger sections of the audiences who displayed a quite breathtaking lack of understanding) and even when performances faltered slightly, the all-involving atmosphere carried the audience along. Part of the credit for this must go to the play itself, but the acutely observed production deserves high praise.

The play's principal difficulty in performance is perhaps that its main climax and its ending both occur when the stage is empty of people! - and here the generally excellent technical side fell down somewhat. The raid should surely be cataclysmic and all-embracing in its impact, an awesome aural assault that directly involves the audience, but in fact the same standard sound effects which had (convincingly!) rumbled their way through the first two acts merely continued. Similarly, the final German assault demanded a little more than the genteel chatter of machine guns and the collapse of a couple of sandbags (bouncing ones at that!); practical difficulties may have prevented the actual collapse of the dug-out, as Sherriff requests, but the fury of the last great German offensive of the war could have been more convincingly suggested - and would have provided a rather more definite end to the play. Apart from that, the settings and effects were first-rate - indeed the dug-out was superb in its realism (even if the pin-ups seemed closer to the Second than the First World War!) and there must be a special word of praise for the meticulously observed costumes, although it seemed curious that no rifle was ever brought into the trench. The almost constant sounds and sights of war were discreetly realised - the monotonous appearance of the Verey lights, the obscene rumble of guns and the chilling whine of shells all contributed powerfully to the play's atmosphere.

So far as the actors were concerned, most were very good and the real weakness was the actual pace of the play: there were simply too many pauses and hesitations - Stanhope was a particular offender here - but few of the cast had any experience of a major role on the stage before and their inexperience showed in this respect. However, there can be only admiration for the way the players got under the skins of their parts, especially when the range of emotion demanded is so far beyond their experience. Ultimately, the play stands or falls by Stanhope and in this crucial role Brian Watts was generally outstanding - the violent alternation of mood from cold anger through savage hilarity to a moving stillness was convincingly portrayed and the underlying weariness and hopelessness were affectingly suggested.

Simon Rachman as Lieutenant Osborne was equally strong - he didn't look old enough for the "uncle" figure but his calm authority and quiet confidence had great dignity and his memories of his home and family possessed true pathos. In striking contrast was Craig Daniels' impetuous and enthusiastic

Raleigh who so swiftly has so cruel an awakening; his death, potentially the most sentimental part of the entire play, was handled by both Daniels and Watts with great sincerity and maturity so that it achieved its full emotional stature.

Most of the other characters one might be tempted to call "stock" though they are all so clearly delineated that all perjorative associations of the word fall away: Sean Gilhooley's garrulous and amusing Trotter, Francois de Chalais's cheerfully insouciant Hardy and Charles Kerr's bluffly insensitive Colonel were all admirably drawn but there must be a special word for Richard Erasmus' glorious portrayal of Mason, the cook-bailman, whose every appearance was genuinely and deeply amusing and yet never once strayed into the realms of farce or was in danger of distracting the attention from the real issues.

Stuart Jones lacked the necessary authority for a Company Sergeant Major (a much respected - and feared! - figure) and suffered from the further disadvantage of being well-nigh inaudible, but Michael Williams contributed a moving little cameo of the captured German soldier boy.

In sum, then, a splendid play performed with real insight and a loving care for detail that always held the interest and was at times deeply moving. It was in the tradition of Milton's considerable reputation in the dramatic field - and it is to Milton's lasting disgrace that it was so poorly supported.

M.F.B.

Intrigue while the Cook looks on!

Cook: R.Erasmus

Around the table (left to right):

S.Gilhooley, B.Watts, P.Taylor



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You Rat

Kneeling (as the German prisoner) - A. Williams
 Held by S. Jones (the Sergeant-major)
 Seated: C. Kerr (as the Colonel)



"It's Only Me!"

C. Daniels (left) meets B. Watts (as the Colonel)
 F. de Ch Alain looks on.

How Dare You!

B. Watts reprimanding S. Rachman

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

CAREERS REPORT

The careers room was open two afternoons each week this year for boys to visit before they played their sport. A member of staff was on duty during that time to discuss careers with the boys. In addition talks were given by people from the Apprenticeship Office and the Computer Bureau, and visits made to the PTC, Technical College and Railways. New information is continually being added to the Careers Library and present information updated.

Although response to this facility was a little poor at the beginning of the year, more and more pupils took the opportunity to visit the Careers Library as the end of the year approached. It must be remembered that choosing a career should not be a "crisis decision" made in the final term of the last year at school. Pupils from the whole school are invited to visit the Careers Room at any time and make themselves familiar with the different careers available to them, so that adequate investigation into and discussion about career choices can be made.

I should like to take this opportunity to wish all our school leavers every success in their chosen vocations.

MRS J.HATCH

THE MILTON TOASTMASTERS' CLUB

Since its formation in 1979, the Toastmasters' Club has become an important feature of the school's cultural life. The club was founded by Mr Felgate and Mr Bing with the intention of providing an opportunity for Sixth Formers to practise speaking in public. Following his transfer to Plumtree, Mr Bing's place has been very ably filled by Mr Annandale. The meetings are held at Milton approximately once a month, and thanks for the delicious dinners must go to the cook matron, Mrs Mann and the kitchen staff.

Two or three weeks before a meeting, Mr Felgate selects several speakers, who are each asked to prepare a speech from a list of topics provided by a sergeant-at-arms. A critic is appointed for each speaker, and he is expected to comment on the speech, with particular regard to delivery and subject matter.

Each meeting begins with a gathering in the Charter House Staff Room, where Toastmasters are able to meet the invited guests. The group then moves on to the Dining Hall, where dinner is served. At this time an unsuspecting Toastmaster is presented with a title for an impromptu speech, to be delivered later in the evening. As the meal progresses, Mr Felgate introduces the speakers and in addition the sergeant-at-arms levying fines on those who have erred socially by forgetting their table manners.

The club provides an excellent opportunity for members to speak in a formal, but sympathetic atmosphere. The critique following each speech has also been invaluable in revealing the weaknesses of speakers, and the standard of speaking has improved noticeably since the beginning of the year.

It is hoped in the months to come to establish contact with Toastmasters' Clubs in other schools, since a recent visit by several Hamilton Toastmasters proved to be very successful.

BRIDGE CLUB

The Bridge Club continued this year with an enthusiastic group of Form 1's presenting themselves in the first term. This enthusiasm did not wane but increased enormously and although they were all beginners they are keen to take on a staff team in the very near future.

The atmosphere at the Friday afternoon sessions is informal and congenial and provides the children with a relaxed extra-curricular activity which we hope will stand them in good stead in later years.

L.T.

CHESS REPORT

Chess at Milton this year has had a reasonably successful season, although hampered by a shortage of players. The Chronicle League team has been severely depleted due to examinations and other engagements.

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The Chess Team is composed of:- A.Barker, R.Doolabh, C.Evans, S.Gilhooley (Captain), K.Naik, V.Naik, D.Rachman, M.Rachman; and during the year defeated Founders $6\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ and CBC $7\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ and these were our greatest achievements. However we did lose to Gifford. Milton won two Chess sets at the Matabeleland Scholars' Chess Championships and the overall positioning included a third place gained by Barker.

We would like to thank Mrs Evans for her devotion towards the Chess team and her organisation of our games.

A.BARKER

LIBRARY REPORT - 1979-1980

Spiralling costs of books, plus the loss of a Library allowance from General Purpose fees has made the past three terms difficult for the libraries. At no time has it ever been possible for a school library to acquire all the books that it would like to, but it is now becoming difficult to provide even those books that are needed.

Hard-back fiction, when available, is now selling for an average of \$11,00, frequently as high as \$15,00 a book, and at least three or four copies of a popular novel must be purchased in order to satisfy the needs of the boys. Even paper-backs are no longer as cheap as they were a few years ago and, owing to poor binding and rough handling by boys, they do not have a very long shelf life. There is little hope that these inflated prices will decrease as printing and publishing costs in the United Kingdom are extremely high, and indications are that costs will continue to rise. Books published in the United States are marginally cheaper than those from the United Kingdom, but these books are seldom available in Zimbabwe.

As school librarians we must not sit back and accept the fact that our library allocations no longer buy the books that we would like to, and indeed should, put on our library shelves. We must insist that the younger generation have a right to have available to them all the books that they need - not only for educational purposes or recreational reading, but books to help and encourage them in the pursuit of their interests and hobbies as well. School librarians all hope for an increase in library allocations and it is hoped that the Educational Authorities will heed a plea for an improved school library system.

274 books, mainly fiction, have been added to the Middle School Library, and 213, mainly non-fiction, to the Sixth Form Library over the past three terms, a total of 487 books. Whilst this may sound a lot of books it should be noted that this includes a number of books that have been donated to the libraries, and books that have been purchased to replace those stolen from the libraries, and is actually 230 books less than were added during the period 1978-1979..

It was with regret that the librarians in the Middle School Library said good bye to Mrs Bullivant at the end of 1979, but they were pleased to welcome Miss Davies under whose capable auspices the library has functioned this year. Miss Davies has been aided by the following librarians:- R.Bernstein, T.Bentley, D.Bloch, D.Smith, N.Dempsey, C.Murie and P.Danvers, and thanks are due to them for their hard work and dedication. In the Sixth Form Library I have been assisted by D.Jack who, being involved with the Public Library during his free time, has been of real assistance to me.

D.M.GILLMAN

MILTON NEWS

Editor: Mrs S.Hale
Committee Members: P.Basson, G.Blatch, D.Bloch, D.Gubbay, D.Jack, M.Rachman, D.Smith, J.Tapson, C.Walsh.

Filling the pages of our weekly newspaper can be an onerous and thankless task, but the diligence, enthusiasm and not infrequent flashes of inspiration of the members of the Milton News Committee have greatly lightened the load of the editor in 1980; in fact, her job has become a pleasant and rewarding one!

Every reporter has given willingly of his time in order to pursue newsworthy items and to cover interesting events in the school's year. Sports reports have covered the full spectrum of sport played throughout the school; school clubs have been featured, and the appearance of regular book reviews has advertised the availability of new or particularly recommended books in the school libraries; previews and reviews of events on the school's dramatic calendar have also been included. In addition each reporter has written at least one feature article on a subject of general interest. It is hoped that the recently-introduced literary section will offer recognition to those whose achievements lie in academic spheres.

The Committee will always welcome constructive criticism of its efforts, and particularly any ideas for future features or offers to write articles.

The 1980 Committee will retire at the commencement of the public examinations in November; consequently they extend good wishes to the incoming committee for an inspired and successful 1981.

SCIENCE WORKSHOP

The Science Workshop continues to flourish despite lack of funds to expand our stock of equipment. The workshop is used by laboratory assistants, staff and pupils alike and is proving a boon in that we don't have to persistently worry the workshop teachers. I am hoping that pupils will start their Young Scientists projects soon - an area in which the workshop normally proves very useful.

If any parents have any equipment they no longer have any use for, we would be very pleased to accommodate it in the workshop. We are particularly looking for a circular saw, bandsaw, planer and metal guillotine.

M. HARLEN

SCRIPTURE UNION

A small but dedicated group of Christian boys in Milton have met regularly throughout the year for Bible Study, Prayer and Fellowship. The group has enjoyed guest speakers on occasions and has been invited to other schools in the Bulawayo area for meetings.

We would like to thank all concerned for their support during 1980 and look forward to another year of blessings from the Lord in 1981.

1980 VARIETY CONCERT

This year's Variety Concert was probably one of the most successful produced in recent years. This was largely due to the high degree of participation by boys throughout the school, which in turn ensured two full houses when the show finally went on stage on April 14th and 15th. In all, nearly \$400 was taken at the door and this sum boosted the money available for various educational projects within the school.

In the past, participation was voluntary, but this year it became compulsory for every class to produce an act which was then auditioned and either accepted or rejected. In all, twenty five items thus appeared on the programme which ensured variety. As an added incentive a cash prize was awarded to those who produced the best act. It was felt that this would help raise the quality of the acts, which indeed it did. Choosing the best act was a difficult task, but in the end, 2A1's "How Not to Direct a Movie" stood out above the rest.

The school prefects and the Sixth Form produced two especially entertaining pieces: an interpretation of the classic fairy tale 'Cinderella' (renamed 'Thunderella') and the love scene from Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake". The audience were thrilled by the lunacy which prevailed whilst these acts were on stage and Miss J. Edington deserves special praise for her part in seeing to their success.

Perhaps the focal points of the whole concert were three disco dance routines performed by six most attractive members of the Bulawayo Ballet Company. The music, costumes and dancing were all breath-taking and thoroughly appreciated by all.

Another attraction was a live band, specially formed for the show and although the people involved did not have much time to practise together, they were well applauded.

Although this year's Variety Concert was entirely organised and produced by two members of staff it is hoped to switch the emphasis of these two tasks on to the shoulders of the Sixth Form in 1981, since the money raised is for the benefit of those in the Sixth Form. In recent years the members of this group have actually contributed very little to the show as a whole, which is an unsatisfactory situation.

Next year's show should be even better, now that an adequate standard has been set, and the boys have realised how much fun being part of it can be.

B. ANNANDALE

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INTER-HOUSE PUBLIC SPEAKING

The Inter-House Public Speaking Contest was held earlier in the year than has been the custom, as it took place in February rather than October. Each house entered one speaker in each of the U/14, U/16 and Open sections, and some interesting and entertaining speeches were presented.

The finalists in the U/14 section were:

Z. Levin of Borrow, whose prepared speech was entitled "The Sausage Machine"
J. Tapson of Boarders, who spoke on "Sport, an essential ingredient of Education"
R. Ashby of Birchenough, whose topic was "The Power of the Press".

The U/16 Finalists were:

C. Walsh of Birchenough, whose subject was "The Golden Age is Now"
D. Smith of Fairbridge, who spoke on "A Young Man Died"
D. Bloch of Heany, whose topic was "Freedom, What is it?".

In the Open Group, the finalists were:

C. Kerr of Borrow, speaking on "The Trouble Started with Eve"
D. Fox of Birchenough, whose topic was "The Hazards of Eating Out"
D. Jack of Heany, whose subject was "Vandalism".

These finalists were asked to present one minute impromptu speeches on a variety of amusing topics.

The winners of their sections were:

U/14 Z. Levin
U/16 C. Walsh
Open D. Fox

The House positions were:

1st	Birchenough
2nd	Borrow
3rd	Heany
4th	Boarders
5th	Fairbridge
6th	Rhodes.

LIONS PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Milton entered two competitors in the 1980 Lions Public Speaking Contest: Charles Kerr and last year's winner, Connor Walsh. In the preliminary round, Walsh had the unnerving task of being the first speaker, but his confidence and charm won the hearts of his audience - even the lady members upon whose honour his speech cast aspersions - his title was "The Trouble started with Eve" ! With his past experience in the Contest and his excellent voice control, Walsh had the audience hanging on to every word of his thought-provoking and well-written speech on the subject "The Golden Age is Now".

Connor Walsh was selected to compete in the Final Round of the Competition; other competitors were from Convent, CBC, Fletcher, Founders, Hamilton, Montrose and Mpopoma High Schools. Once again, Walsh presented a very sound and stimulating speech on the topic "My Country, Right or Wrong"; in the section of the Contest devoted to one minute impromptu speeches, when given the unfortunate topic of "Spiderwebs", he was inspired to tell the story of Robert the Bruce's hatred of spiders!

The standard of speaking in this Final Round was generally high and particular mention should go to Lynette Sigola of Convent School, whose speech was beautifully prepared and presented. The winner of the Contest was, however, Kevin Shadwell of CBC.

ST JOHNS

In the second term of 1980, Milton High once again started St John's Ambulance training in First Aid. A group of fifteen or so boys have met each Friday afternoon for instruction and practice in First Aid techniques and under the watchful and experienced eye of Mr John Danvers have progressed well. An examination in First Aid will be taken towards the end of the year and certificates awarded to the boys who pass and they in turn will then be admitted as cadets to the Order of St John.

During the course of the term St Johns have been on duty at home rugby fixtures and have gained some experience of dealing with real situations requiring First Aid. This has been useful to the boys and has also assured players of prompt attention should they be injured.

H.F.DAY

THE 1980 INTER-HOUSE PLAYS

Positions:	1st	Birchenough		
	2nd	Boarders	Best Actor:	Z. Levin
	3rd	Heany	Adjudicator:	Mr R. Fuller
	4th	Borrow and Fairbridge (shared)		
	6th	Rhodes		

The plays took place over two nights of the last week of the second term. On Monday night, Fairbridge, Heany and Boarders staged their plays and on the following night it was the turn of Borrow, Birchenough and Rhodes. On Monday night, the adjudicator, Mr Fuller, explained the value of drama at high school level. It teaches discipline, responsibility, teamwork as well as creativity and perception.

The first play of the night was "Blue Murder" a farce, staged by Fairbridge. As a farce it required exaggerated actions and speech, qualities which were provided to some extent by the Fairbridge actors. At times however it was vague in content and this lessened the comical impact of the dialogue. E. van Ryneveld as "Witless" was the most notable actor of the play as the Witless colleague of the brilliant detective "Somewhat Vague" (S. Williams). The set of the play was another aspect worthy of praise as it was realistic without being exaggerated.

"The Monkey's Paw", Heany's play, came next. This was a serious play concerning a monkey's paw with evil supernatural powers. At times the story tended to lag but the climax at the end was worthy of praise as it was realistic and certain aspects such as the blackened kettle and the full whisky bottle further promoted the feeling of realism. The actors deserving special mention were S. Miller-Cranko as the grieving Mrs White and S. McTiernan as the aged Sergeant Major Morris.

The final play on Monday night was the highly original play "Dirge without Dole" - the Boarders' play. The setting for the play and the positioning of the characters added to a surrealistic quality of the play. Again as with the preceding plays the setting was detailed and precise. It was a play with a message and de Villiers, the fiery Communist, was especially good.

The following night was the turn of Birchenough, Borrow and Rhodes. Birchenough won this year's competition with their rendition of "Temptation sordid or Virtue Rewarded" - a melodrama. The acting and the scene changes were slick and well organised. The contrast between the characters are well drawn but could have been more accentuated than they were. D. Fox and P. Taylor were the noteworthy actors of this the winning play of the year.

"A Good Shot" was Borrow's play which earned them fourth position with Fairbridge. It was a moral play with "the most unlikely person being the villain". At times it tended to lose momentum (as well as the attention of the audience) and had an unsteady start. Z. Levin, the best actor of the inter-house plays this year, deserved this for his excellent portrayal of Roberts the Clerk. C. Daniels showed himself to be a talented young actor as well and succeeded in showing the strength of character required of his part.

Rhodes' play "Object all Sublime" required a greater deal of realism and lacked the kind of tension necessary for a melodrama. As a result the attention of the audience waned. K. Thomson and "Mr Travis" played his role well.

All in all, despite shortage of time, the plays were very successful and enjoyed by all. Thanks go to Mr Fuller for the adjudication.

ART CLUB

The Art Club caters not only for interested and talented pupils, but for those who are unable to take the subject as part of their normal school curriculum. It is most gratifying to see the number of pupils who regularly attend this purely voluntary afternoon activity. The first term was spent on fabric design and working on entries for the Trade Fair Show which was held during the April holidays. Mr Howie has a particular interest in textiles and pupils were fortunate to be able to work with fabrics and dyes and produce their own batiks.

Mr Howie took leave for the second term and the new term saw an increase in junior members to the Club. A variety of media have been used, including linoleum and clay. Some of the resultant work was submitted to the National School Exhibition and, along with entries from the rest of the school, were accepted en bloc. These were on display in the National Gallery at the end of July where all entries will be judged before a selection to go to the Commonwealth Art Exhibition in London will be made.

MRS W.A. IVERSEN

SPORTING ACTIVITIES

1st XI CRICKET

Coach	C.Hawkins
Captain	A.Viljoen
Team Members (3rd term 1979)	A.Viljoen, M.Benning, I.Benning, P.Brownlee, D.de Villiers, M.Einhorn, G.Hardman, L.Kettle, W.Smith, D.Gibbs, M.Pettican
Colours	M.Einhorn, W.Smith, A.Viljoen
Matabeleland	M.Benning, M.Einhorn, W.Smith, A.Viljoen
Team Members (1st term 1980)	A.Viljoen, I.Benning, P.Brownlee, P.Bennett, D.de Villiers, M.Einhorn, P.Grobler, G.Hardman, L.Kettle, W.Smith, M.Vickery, R.Pearson

Results:

(3rd term 1979)	Vs. CBC	Milton 189 for 6 (Hardman 36, Smith 41, de Villiers 39) CBC 131 for 4 Match drawn
	Vs. Gifford	Gifford 186 for 9 (M.Benning 3 for 17) Milton 157 (de Villiers 40) Lost by 27 runs
	Vs. Hamilton	Hamilton 173 (M.Benning 3 for 41, de Villiers 5 for 63) Milton 174 for 5 (Einhorn 82 not out)
	Vs. Falcon	Falcon 148 (Smith 4 for 31, M.Benning 4 for 56) Milton 37 for 3 Match drawn

COMMENT (3rd Term 1979) :

A rather disappointing season for a team with so much potential. M.Benning showed good form with the ball and captured many wickets. He was well backed up by W.Smith and D.de Villiers who both bowled very well. The batting on the whole was rather weak and no one batsman showed any consistency. Some good scores were however recorded by Einhorn, de Villiers, Smith and Hardman.

Results:

(1st term 1980)	Vs. Gifford	Gifford 103 (Kettle 3 for 17, Smith 3 for 54, Viljoen 3 for 12) Milton 104 for no wickets (Hardman 77 not out, Brownlee 48) (Milton won by 10 wickets
	Vs. CBC	Milton 247 (Viljoen 54, Brownlee 32, de Villiers 32, Bennett 31, Pearson 35) CBC 52 for 2 Match drawn
	Vs. OM's	Milton 258 for 5 (Smith 66, Viljoen 109) OM's 241 (Smith 5 for 59) Milton won by 17 runs
	Vs. Falcon	Milton 177 (Brownlee 60, Pearson 47) Falcon 170 for 5 Match drawn
	Vs. Hamilton	Milton 116 (Hardman 40) Hamilton 108 (Kettle 4 for 31, de Villiers 5 for 28)

COMMENT (1st Term 1980):

The most successful season Milton has had for many years. The batting, which had been Milton's weakness in past years, moved from strength to strength. It was a change to note that in every match played at least one batsman was successful and it was due to this mainly that Milton had an undefeated season. Brownlee and Hardman both found their true form with the bat and recorded some fine scores, with good back-up coming from Viljoen, Smith, Bennett and Pearson.

The bowling was as good as it has been in previous years with Smith, Kettle and de Villiers showing consistency with the ball. Kettle has developed into a fine fast bowler, though he tends to "sling" the

ball rather than bowl it and thus tends to bowl short on occasions. Smith proved to be invaluable at times with his unorthodox leg-breaks and de Villiers bowled well at all times.

Hardman played well behind the stumps, but on the whole the fielding was not up to standard. Catches were spilled and the ground fielding was not good. Overall the team showed fine spirit and enjoyed the season tremendously.

Averages - Batting

<u>Name</u>	<u>Innings</u>	<u>Not Out</u>	<u>Top Score</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Average</u>
Viljoen	4	0	109	205	51,25
Hardman	5	1	77 n.o.	149	37,25
Pearson	4	1	47	102	34,00
Brownlee	5	0	60	157	31,40

Bowling (excluding Falcon match)

	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wickets</u>	<u>Average</u>
Viljoen	30	72	6	12,0
de Villiers	34	87	6	14,5
Smith	54,4	151	10	15,1
Kettle	49,4	126	7	18,0

CRITIQUE

- A.Viljoen (Captain) A right hand opening bat who had several successful innings including a fine century against OMs. His form with the ball returned and he gained several key wickets. A keen and competent captain.
- I.Benning A keen player who has not yet realised his potential. Rather slow in the field.
- P.Brownlee Right hand bat. A consistent bat and determined fielder.
- D.Bennett A fine right hand bat who had little success. Turned into an agile and safe fielder.
- D.de Villiers Medium pace bowler and right hand bat. Was very successful with the ball but scored fewer runs than expected.
- P.Grobler Medium pace bowler and right hand bat. A new member of the side who was given little opportunity. Rather slow in the field. Should develop next year.
- G.Hardman Right hand opening bat and wicket keeper. Found his form with the bat with several good scores. Reliable keeper who had some fine stumpings off Smith.
- L.Kettle Opening bowler. Had a successful season. Inclined to drop his shoulder and sling the ball. Could do better with the bat.
- R.Pearson A hard-hitting right hand bat who did very well in his first season. Must show more enthusiasm in the field.
- W.Smith Left hand bat and spin bowler. A talented player and main wicket taker. Was not so successful with the bat owing to his habit of flicking at the ball rather than hitting it.
- M.Vickery A young right hand bat who as yet has not found his feet. Rather slow in the field.

2nd XI CRICKET

Coach	A.Hardy
Captain	M.Nothnagel
Vice-Captain	P.Van Niekerk
Team Members	M.Nothnagel, P.Van Niekerk, G.Faulds, D.Fox, I.Van Niekerk, M.Pettican, B.Sellars, G.Edwards, B.Salamon, N.Peel, T.Finch, M.Vickery, P.Grobler.

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COMMENT:

The start to the season was generally a most satisfying one and although we did not have many games, those played were very enjoyable. I was particularly impressed with the good attitude of the boys in this side and the manner in which they conducted themselves both on and off the field. I look forward to the remainder of the season.

3rd XI CRICKET

Coach M. Harlen
Captain E. M. van Ryneveld
Vice-Captain J. Ward
Team Members S. Savva, E. M. van Ryneveld, J. Ward, S. Gilhooley, D. Haynes, C. Keyer, A. Vaughan, T. Lake, I. Parsons, E. Fagnoli, B. Pettican
Results Vs. Falcon - lost

COMMENT:

Despite the loss that the team suffered against Falcon, Milton 3rd XI could make a good team with more practice, and they are waiting for the third term to avenge themselves against Falcon.

UNDER 15A CRICKET

Coach W. M. Herring
Captain D. Hulley
Vice-Captain W. Wentzel
Team Members M. McCormick, S. Venn, D. Gammon, R. Feigenbaum, G. Hagemann, G. Wallace, R. Nash, E. Green, R. Scott, C. Parsons, B. Blatch
Results Vs. Gifford Won
Vs. CBC Won
Vs. Falcon Won
Vs. Hamilton Lost

COMMENT:

Although the number of matches played was limited by poor weather, the side blended into a useful combination; however, inconsistency was a feature of the batting. Venn and Wentzel showed a sound technique, and several other batsmen revealed considerable promise; but a lack of sustained concentration, and the resultant injudicious shot, resulted in an early dismissal on too many occasions.

Hulley, McCormick and Wentzel shouldered most of the bowling. McCormick bowled with intelligence, combined with a steady line and length, while Hulley produced a hostile spell against Falcon. Green showed increasing promise as the term progressed.

The ground fielding was generally safe, although not always sharp and aggressive enough.

Hulley led his team by example, and the side developed a lively spirit which augurs well for the final term.

UNDER 14A CRICKET

Coach K. W. Swales
Captain N. Rix
Team Members D. Finch, M. Holleran, N. Gubbay, R. Hancock, S. Haddon, R. Pattison, B. O'Callaghan, D. Waddy, G. Whyte, H. Ziemkendorf
Results Vs. Gifford Lost
Vs. CBC Drew
Vs. Northlea Won
Vs. Falcon Lost

COMMENT:

Unfortunately we were not able to play Plumtree and Hamilton due to the weather. Our first game against Gifford proved to be a fiasco and we were well beaten by 8 wickets. After some serious practice we were able to improve as the term progressed and with more concentration the side should do well in the third term. The side has a good attack with Whyte an exciting prospect as an opening bowler and Holleran a good left arm spinner. Waddy, Ziemkendorf, Finch and Gubbay all have the potential to take wickets once

they can control their length. The batting is sound and in this department Rix, Pattison, Finch and O'Callaghan can all score plenty of runs, therefore setting the stage for people like Holleran to get on with it. This is a well balanced side and has the potential to do well. The boys must remember that concentration and application are the cornerstones of success with the bat. The following are some of the highlights of the first term's games: Rix 42 Vs. CBC and 38 not out versus Northlea. Finch 28 versus CBC and 28 versus Falcon. Whyte 4 for 28 versus CBC and 7 for 13 versus Northlea.

UNDER 13A CRICKET

Coach	W.J. Annandale	
Captain	G. Clarke	
Team Members	D. Thomson, M. Ross, C. Smee, D. Lloyd-Evans, P. Berry, B. Dawson, G. van Driel, E. Chibi, M. Box, A. Robertson, R. Corker, K. Sprague, B. Hendricks, G. McCallum.	
Results	Vs. CBC	Lost
	Vs. Northlea	Won
	Vs. Falcon	Lost

COMMENT:

The side shows a nucleus of ability which, as yet, is still in its infancy. With time and practice at the game, basic batting and bowling skills will improve. Perhaps the most notable batting flaw is the tendency to swing at every ball, without thinking about pitch or foot positioning. Until these basics are inculcated, batting will remain a problem. The bowling attack shows promise and E. Chibi has potential as an opener. He must develop a more consistent line, though. M. Ross has potential as an opener as well, but is too inexperienced and erratic at this stage of his career. Dawson has shown flashes of ability as a medium pace bowler and both Clarke and van Driel can produce devastating spin bowling on good days.

Fielding was generally below standard and on many occasions runs were given away and wickets lost through this. However, this is all part of the discipline of cricket and with more experience these problems should diminish.

1st XV RUGBY TOUR

The 1980 Rugby Season started off with the tour to the Western Cape. In general terms this was a successful tour in that it sorted out many of our problems and taught us a great deal about rugby. We lost all four of the matches, yet I am confident that had we been able to play the first two games at the end of the tour, we could have won both, as our game improved greatly. Our greatest disadvantage on tour was size; we were out weighed in every game and as a result we won very little good ball all the way through.

We left Bulawayo on Thursday 8th and were met at Jan Smuts Airport by Mr Maughan who presented each of the twenty boys and two staff with two white shirts (with the Milton elephant on the pocket), two T shirts, a water-proof tracksuit top, a togbag and a pair of rugby shorts. Our sincere thanks must go to Mr Maughan and Macol Agencies.

Our first game was against Settlers in Belville, a co-ed school with a proud rugby record. Milton started off in great style at the kick off but within minutes we were at sixes and sevens. The first points of the game came in the second half, when the home team scored and converted after 2 minutes. Shortly afterwards they went further ahead with a penalty and finally in the 17th minute they scored again to lead by 13 points to nil. We were afforded two penalties and elected to run the ball with disastrous effects. Finally in the dying moments Cutler was on target with a penalty giving us our first three points of the tour.

Two days later we met a very confident SACS side and played a little better with more cohesion. We were first to score when Cutler was on target with a long range penalty in the first minute. Five minutes later SACS charged down a clearance kick and from the ensuing maul scored half-way out and converted making the score 6-3 to them. SACS were next to score in the 7th minute of the second half when they were awarded a mysterious penalty on our line. This was converted while the Milton team

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was still stunned by the decision. Cutler replied with another long range penalty. Finally in the 15th minute SACS went further ahead when they scored from broken play on our line after C.Maughan had already touched down; this was converted, making the final score 18-6 to the Cape Team. Once again a poor game with our lads playing disjointed rugby.

Following our Monday game against SACS we went over to Bishops on the Wednesday and watched their Old Boys (almost a Province U/20 side) beat the school team by 26 points to 12. On the Saturday Bishops, having learnt from their Wednesday encounter, set about our lads in no uncertain manner. A bewildered Milton XV simply stood around and watched the home team notch up 27 points in the first half (four goals and a penalty). In the second half we played a lot better and were rewarded when D. Maughan went over the try line neatly following a good forward drive. Cutler converted. However the very big and competent Bishops' team scored another two goals and a try to end up with 43 points to our 6. This is where we learnt a great deal, especially from the video of our match which we studied afterwards.

Two days later we were playing Fish Hoek. Our forwards were great and played purposeful rugby. Du Toit, who had a great tour, was first to score and Cutler converted. The home side scored two tries to make the half-time score 8-6 to them. Unfortunately our threes could not cope with the brilliance of their counterparts and were left mesmerised as Fish Hoek ran in 3 more tries of which two were converted making the final score 24-6 to them. Despite the score we were happy with our performance as our forwards withstood the vicious and often illegal man to man punishment stomped on us. Their three-quarters were certainly the best we met on tour.

Unfortunately we lost T.Lake in the first few minutes of the SACS game with a twisted ankle. T.Howard pulled a muscle in his back against Bishops, but apart from this we suffered no injuries. Our lads were well looked after and were truly great ambassadors. Many many people complimented them on their dress, behaviour and punctuality and Mr Loxton and I were proud to have been with them. K.S.

1st XV CRITIQUE

- P.Cutler Captain. Colours 1980. Fly-half. A very talented player with an educated boot. His game has improved with every outing as he used his speed, flair and boot to full advantage. A very reliable place-kicker, and good captain who led his side well.
- D.Maughan * Vice Captain. Front row forward. An incredibly strong front ranker who gave of his best at all times. Unfortunately the unbalanced front row was a real handicap to him as the other two forwards were much smaller. As vice captain he led the pack well.
- W.MacDonald Colours 1980. Craven Week 1980 full back. He really had a great season and full back is obviously his position. His defence was outstanding and he used his power and flair for attack to the dismay of many a side. Congratulations on being top points scorer for the Zimbabwe team at Craven Week.
- S.Robertson * Right wing. Relatively new to the game. A fast and elusive runner who could have scored more tries had he got more ball. Tackled and covered well.
- A.Viljoen * Left wing. Like Robertson, fairly new to the game. A deceptive runner who scored a number of good tries. His defence was sound, but he could have looked for more ball at times.
- L.Kettle * Centre. A vastly improved player with a good side step and tackled well. He could have exerted more pressure on the opposition by coming up much faster. A reliable place kicker.
- D.de Villiers Centre. It was wonderful to see him back on the rugby field again after an absence of two years. His defence was sound and his ability to cut the opposition's line came back to him as the season progressed.
- M.Grobler * Centre. He started so well this season then his game went off badly. A good attacking player, but his defence must be tightened up a great deal.

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- R.Pearson * Scrum-half. An exciting young player whose game matured towards the end of the season, when he started using his break. He has a good long service and should do well next season.
- R.Hunter Prop. Very young, but a good strong loose head, who gained a great deal of experience this season. His loose play improved as the season progressed.
- D.Perratt * Hooker. Another very young player. Rather short and battled with an uneven front-row. A sound striker of the ball and exceptional player in the loose.
- R.du Toit * Lock. A good second row forward who had to bear the brunt of all lineout jumping. Light, but made up with tremendous fire and anticipation in the loose.
- J.Grobler * Lock. A strong and aggressive tight forward who got through some good work. Lineout work not as good as it could be.
- G.McKenna * Flank. A strong forward who played lock and even wing on occasions. He could have used his size and speed to greater advantage, especially in attack.
- T.Bezuidenhout * Flank. A good back row forward with a great deal of drive. A little hesitant in defence at times but a good ball carrier.
- D.Appelhans Colours 1979/1980. Flank. A very strong and aggressive loose forward who possessed a good turn of speed. Unlucky not to make the national side, but he must look for more work. Very difficult to bring down on attack.
- C.Maughan * Number 8. Another very young player who inevitably had to mark a bigger and more experienced player. His defence was excellent and his attack superb. He should do very well next season. An exciting player.

* Team Awards

Versus Northlea at Home (Won 70-7)

As we anticipated, this was a rather one sided game and it was our intention to throw the ball about as much as possible. This the boys did and as a result some good tries were scored. Paul Cutler also reached his 100th point in the game when he converted the eighth try scored. He went on to convert one more try before he was forced to leave the field, feeling ill after having suffered from flu all week. In the first half, tries were scored by D.Maughan, Appelhans (2), Viljoen (2), Hunter and Kettle. Cutler converted six of these tries, making our half-time score 40 to Northlea's 4 scored in the 24th minute.

In the second half, tries were scored by MacDonald (3), D.Maughan, Viljoen and Perratt, Cutler converting two and Kettle one. Northlea landed an easy penalty to give them their seven points while Milton had amassed 70.

Thus ended the 1980 season which proved a little disappointing to us. We played in some exciting games and lost narrowly on occasions, but having made the effort, we always squandered our chances by making silly mistakes. It was super to see our second team doing well again and this, together with a very good record from our junior sides, augurs well for the future. A sincere thanks to all who helped make the 1980 season an enjoyable one and this must include our coaches, who spent so much time with the boys, the referees, our kitchen staff, Mr Pellegrini and his staff and all the parents and boys who supported us throughout, and a big thank you goes to you, the players. Well done all of you and we look forward to a very successful 1981 season.

Versus Plumtree at Hartsfield (Lost 13-10)

Playing as the main curtain raiser to the Zimbabwe vs. Public School Wanderers game this proved to be the match of the day. To say Plumtree were lucky to win would be unfair to them, yet we did not deserve to lose. Our lads played extremely well and opened the scoring when Cutler put a well judged kick into the box for Robertson to gather and score far out in the third minute. Cutler's conversion failed, Plumtree replied with a good try when Robertson was caught in a ruck and the Plumtree scrumhalf saw this and switched play to the blind side for their wing to go through untouched and score under the posts. The extra points were easily added five minutes later. Milton won the ball from a set scrum and Cutler moved to the right, stopped and passed to the left where MacDonald made a lot of ground, passed to C.Maughan who in turn fed Bezuidenhout who scored far out for Cutler to convert. This made the half-time score 10-6 to Milton. The second half saw the same pattern continue with Milton enjoying a territorial

advantage. Kettle was unable to hold a difficult pass going down the left which was a certain try and the forwards got the ball to within millimetres of scoring on two occasions. Cutler's drop attempt and penalty were both very close indeed. Plumtree levelled the score in the 24th minute when a tackling lapse under the Plumtree posts saw their captain off on a long run, passing out to his right wing who scored far out. In injury time we gained possession from a 5 metre scrum and Cutler cleared with a good kick, but the referee ruled that our flanks had broken up before the ball emerged from the scrum and therefore penalised us. The kick at goal was adjudged as goaled by the referee although one of the touch judges had waved it away. Nevertheless it was a great game enjoyed by all.

Versus Hamilton at Hartsfield (Won 25-0)

On this occasion the side played well using the ball constructively and kept Hamilton on the defensive for most of the game. Our first try came in the 16th minute when Cutler broke inside from a five metre scrum to score half-way out; his conversion narrowly missed. Shortly before half-time MacDonald went over in almost the same place following a good loose ruck on the Hamilton 22 and this time Kettle converted to make to half-time score 10-0. In the third minute of the second half, Pearson scored far out following a good passing movement involving the loose forwards. This time Cutler converted with a good kick. C.Maughan came close to scoring shortly after this, but the try was disallowed and Cutler was again on target with a long range penalty in the 23rd minute. In the dying moments of the game MacDonald who had a good game, tore through the defence to score half-way out for Kettle to convert. Unfortunately we still lost far too much ball in the set scrums and line outs, an area that needs a great deal of attention. After this game the Matabeleland side was announced and we congratulate MacDonald and Appelhans on their selection. D.Maughan and Cutler were unlucky not to make the side, but this often happens and we were disappointed for them.

Versus Gifford at Home (Won 16-14)

What an exciting match this proved to be, especially during the last five minutes. It was Milton who scored first when Cutler put over an easy penalty in the 4th minute and 6 minutes later Viljoen ran well to score far out following good second phase possession. Cutler's conversion was wide and Milton enjoyed this seven point lead up to almost half-time. At this stage Gifford scored next to the posts, following a good blind side break. The extra points were easily added and the half-time score stood at 7-6 in our favour. The second half saw Gifford cross for two good tries within four minutes and they failed to convert either, giving them a total of 14 points to our 7. The deficit was reduced when Cutler scored under the posts from a short penalty which he also converted. Five minutes from full-time, Kettle was successful with a difficult penalty to give us the lead again. Milton's defence managed to hold out during those final five minutes as the massive Gifford pack threw everything into the attack. This was our first home game of the season and everybody enjoyed both the excitement and tension. It is worth noting that for the first time in many years Milton won every single game against Gifford on this occasion.

Versus Falcon at Home (Lost 30-25)

This was a very good game with plenty of excitement right through to the final whistle. Falcon deserved to win in that they scored six tries to our three, but one cannot help feeling that they were a trifle lucky with two of their tries. Once again we lost because of mistakes we made and the visitors were able to capitalise on them. Cutler opened the scoring with a penalty in the 4th minute and Falcon replied with an unconverted try in the 14th minute following a short penalty. One minute later Cutler put over a long range drop kick. Falcon scored again in the 19th and 21st minutes, the latter being one of their lucky tries. Cutler replied with a penalty in the 24th minute and Viljoen went over for a try three minutes later. This made the half time score 16-13 to Falcon.

In the second half, Falcon went further ahead with a converted try after a defensive error on our part. Du Toit replied in the 15th minute with a good try half way out which Cutler goaled. In the 23rd minute Falcon went further ahead following an unnecessary late tackle on their full back when they ran the ball from a short penalty. Shortly before full time, Falcon scored a good try to make their score a full thirty points. In injury time Milton were rewarded with a try by C.Maughan from a five metre scrum, which Kettle converted making the final score 30-25 to Falcon.

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Versus Chaplin (Away - Lost 18-0)

Playing Chaplin in Gwelo is always a very difficult proposition as with the side still suffering from colds and flu we expected to have a hard game. At the kick off, D.Maughan was helped off the field with an injured hip and before we knew what was happening, Chaplin scored next to the posts, and they converted it. Their next try was very unfortunate as the forwards who "scored" in fact never grounded the ball in goal, as he ended up with the ball on his chest while lying on his back. The half-time score was 10-0 to Chaplin. In the second half, Chaplin scored twice in the 10th and 14th minutes due to a defence lapse in the centre. Neither of these two good tries was converted, making the final score 18-0. Cutler was close with two drop attempts and again our forwards gave a spirited performance. Now that we seemed to be getting over our colds and flu our supporters could expect better things from the side, who are always hopelessly outweighed up front.

Versus Falcon 24th May (Lost 21-13)

Our first fixture back in Zimbabwe was against Falcon at Falcon and what a pleasure it was to be playing at 4.00 pm again. Milton was aware of Falcon's fast running three-quarters and it was therefore our plan to keep the ball tight. This we did from the first half with our forwards playing superb rugby and taking no fewer than eight tight heads. We made one mistake and that was to try and run the ball in the 22nd minute and MacDonald's grubber kick rebounded off an opponent and was gathered and accounted for Falcon's first try which they converted. This followed C.Maughan's try five minutes earlier when he barged over, following a good drive by our forwards. The half-time score was therefore 6-4 to Falcon, but shortly after the interval Cutler landed a long penalty only to have our one point turned into two points deficit when Falcon landed an easy penalty. At this stage all the colds and flu we brought back from the Cape started to tell and our forwards lost the initiative. In the 18th minute Falcon scored a good try, but failed to convert and five minutes later C.Maughan, who played well, barged over for his second try. Cutler converted and we were locked at 13 all. Unfortunately we made a mistake in the 28th minute when Pearson failed to find touch and Falcon took off for a gift try. In injury time they won a scrum and went blind to score again. Once again we realised we must learn not to make these mistakes as this time it cost us ten points and the game. We lost Bezuidenhout after ten minutes and Grobler who had just played for the second team, had to play again.

Versus Gifford (Lost 16-10)

This proved to be an exciting game with the huge Gifford pack giving our lighter lads a torrid time. Nevertheless we won a useful amount of good ball and with Cutler playing well at flyhalf we were able to keep on the attack for long periods. Milton were first to score when the forwards were able to push their bigger opponents over for a try which was credited to McKenna in the 11th minute. Cutler converted and the score remained 6-0 until the 30th minute when a defensive lapse at centre let Gifford through for an unconverted try. Shortly after half-time a similar mistake saw Gifford go further ahead with a goal. In the 20th minute a very good forward drive by the Gifford pack put the home side a winning 16-6 ahead. Then Milton came back with purpose and after some good forward play Cutler was able to score far out to make the final score 16-10. We came close to scoring on two occasions, but the defensive errors which cost us the two earlier tries made all the difference.

Versus Prince Edward in Salisbury (Lost 32-15)

After a 14 hour train journey we were in Salisbury for our annual fixture against a strong Prince Edward side. We battled in the tight scrums and gained very little clean lineout possession, and it was obvious that Prince Edward were soon going to pile on the points. They scored three times in the first half, converting one to our Cutler penalty, making the half-time score 14-3. In the second half they crossed our line three more times, converting all three tries while Cutler managed two more penalties and converted Appelhan's try which came from a good break by Pearson from a set scrum. Appelhan's and D.Maughan each came to within millimetres of scoring but the experienced P.E.pack denied them these extra points. In fact this was a good game with our lads playing well at times. At least no tries were scored through defensive lapses in the centre as their tries came from good recovery on their part and were scored by the extra man in the line. Once again Cutler excelled and turned in an outstanding performance.

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Versus Athlone at Home (Lost 28-13)

Playing a mid-week game is never a success, but Milton certainly stormed into this one, throwing all caution to the wind and by half-time looked as though they would win comfortably. Athlone were first to score when in the 4th minute they scored half-way out; the conversion was wide. Two minutes later, D.Maughan went over from a short penalty close to their line which Cutler converted. In the 10th minute Milton heeled against the head close to our line and Pearson broke blind and fed Viljoen, who made a lot of ground on the left wing. He in turn passed inside to Appelhans who passed to MacDonald, the latter brushing off several tackles before passing to Kettle who scored half-way out – certainly the try of the match. The conversion failed but ten minutes later Cutler, who had a great game, put over a long drop goal following a free kick. Two more penalties were missed by Milton who also had a number of good scoring opportunities. The second half saw Milton back on the attack and we again had a couple of chances, but poor finishing cost us dearly. At this stage, after leading 13-4, Athlone got their side into gear and ran in five tries, two of which were converted making the final score 28-13.

Versus Churchill at Home (Lost 54-4)

Churchill certainly gave us a lesson of sustained pressure, magnificent running and backing up in a game that left us spreadeagled all over the field. They were without doubt the best side we have met this season, not only because of the huge score they achieved, but by the mere fact of their competence. They led 30-0 at half-time with six tries, three of which were converted. In the second half they scored five more tries, converting two to give them the mammoth total of 54. Our 4 points came in the 5th minute of the second half when Robertson went over far out following a good piece of work firstly by Fouche and secondly by MacDonald. Despite the drubbing, our forwards did well in the set scrums and line outs but we were completely out-played in the loose.

Versus Hamilton Away (Won 25-13)

This was not a very good game of rugby but was exciting. Milton opened the scoring when Cutler put over a drop from a tapped penalty in the 5th minute. In the 17th minute de Villiers went over for a try half-way out which Cutler converted. Shortly afterwards Hamilton replied with an easy penalty but from the kick-off, Milton went straight on to the attack and were rewarded with a good try when Cutler switched play from the right to the left and gave MacDonald the running; he passed out to Viljoen for the dot down. Cutler converted from the touch line to make the score 15-3 to Hamilton. Shortly before half-time, Hamilton scored a try far out from one of our short lineouts, to make the half-time score 15-7. In the second half Milton continued to pressure the Hamilton line and MacDonald, playing at centre, initiated a movement which saw du Toit barge over far out. As Cutler was temporarily off the field, MacDonald attempted the conversion and failed. In the 24th minute, Cutler attempted a long range drop which was charged down but he caught the rebound and outstripped the defence to score far out which he himself converted. Hamilton replied with another try near the posts which they converted to make the final score 25-13.

2nd RUGBY TEAM

Coach	C.Loxton
Captain	T.Howard
Team Members	M.Barker, J.Danvers, S.Murray, T.Howard, P.Stephenson, P.Stockman, D.Herbst, C.Myles, P.Brownlee, R.Herbst, G.Faulds, T.Lake, G.Keyer, A.Fouche, M.Grobler, M.Wright, A.Bezuidenhout, D.de Villiers, R.Hunter, G.McKenna, G.Faasen.
Results	Vs. Falcon Lost (2) drew (1)
	Vs. Chaplin Lost
	Vs. Gifford Drew (1) Won (1)
	Vs. Prince Edward Lost
	Vs. CBC Won (2)
	Vs. Plumtree Won
	Vs. Hamilton Won (2)
	Vs. Churchill Lost

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COMMENT

The season started with many gaps to be filled for example a flyhalf and centres had to be found from seven wings and there were many flanks but they lacked experience as front row forwards. After much experimenting and trying different people in different positions the team settled down into a basic unit. The forwards began to operate as a unit and the back line to run and handle more competently. The main problem was finding a hooker and we got very little ball from scrums. Eventually a hooker was found and the team began to win matches.

With more ball becoming available from the forwards, the backline gained confidence and ran in some excellent tries. Probably the finest try of the season was against Hamilton when good ball was run out to the wing who, after crossing the advantage line, was tackled but fed the ball back and after no less than nine of the team handled the ball, a try was scored near the posts. What more could a coach ask for? The team started to win matches!

The new found hooker was promoted and we were back with the old problem but all credit to the team for beating Gifford in spite of winning but a single set scrum in the entire match.

It has been the most successful 2nd team Milton has had for many years and this is largely due to the enthusiasm and positive attitude of the members of the team.

Captain Trevor Howard can be proud of his men under whose quiet leadership they have gone from strength to strength.

3rd XV RUGBY

Coach	R.L.MacLean	
Captain	R.Flashman	
Team Members	M.Payne, B.Hopwood, D.Foley, D.Fox, T.O'Callaghan, R.Herbst, C.MacKenzie, G.Tasmer, G.Blatch, D.Danver, A.Barker, D.Vermaak, P.Grobler, C.Bagnall, M.Vickery, I.Ray, T.Hubbard, S.Malloy, D.Herbst.	
Results	Vs. Falcon	Lost (2)
	Vs. Chaplin	Lost
	Vs. Gifford	Lost (1); Won (2)
	Vs. Prince Edward	Lost
	Vs. Plumtree	Lost
	Vs. Hamilton	Won (2)
	Vs. Churchill	Lost

COMMENT

The team took a while to settle down, but once this was achieved, good rugby was played by the 3rd XV. The team was well led by Flashman for 7 of the 11 games and by Danvers for 4 games.

The 3rd XV tended to play good open rugby, and although a little slow, the three-quarters did very well to penetrate many back lines. The forwards, especially Vickery, Malloy, D.Herbst, Ray and Hubbard, did well at all times and earned the team a lot of good second phase ball. The team's most improved player was Fox although slow for a centre he settled in well to this position and he developed a good eye for the gap. He broke through three-quarter lines nearly every game and was always well backed up by his loose forwards.

4th TEAM RUGBY

Coach	G.Murray	
Results	Vs. Falcon	Lost (3)
	Vs. Plumtree	Lost
	Vs. Hamilton	Lost
	Vs. Gifford	Lost (3)

COMMENT

The team certainly improved as the season went on, narrowly losing to Falcon in the third game after being soundly beaten earlier in the season. Injury and illness saw a depleted team lose to Hamilton on two occasions. The team played well to beat Gifford on three occasions and to beat the CBC 2nd team. We are most grateful to Mr Frank Herbst for all his help throughout the season.

U/15A RUGBY

Coaches	D.Bowyer/A.Hardy	
Captain	I.Ferguson	
Vice-Captain	G.Hagemann	
Team Members	S.Jones, D.Trotter, S.Borlace, H.de Vries, G.Hagemann, R.Nash, J.McMillan, J.Dunn, S.Venn, D.Hulley, W.Wentzel, I.Ferguson, M.Taylor, A.Minaar, D.Ruetsche, R.Katzenberg, R.Catterall, R.Erasmus.	
Results	Vs. Falcon	Lost (2)
	Vs. Chaplin	Won
	Vs. Gifford	Won (2)
	Vs. Plumtree	Lost
	Vs. CBC	Won
	Vs. Hamilton	Won (2)
	Vs. Churchill	Won

COMMENT

The team got off to a very slow and placid start, missing two key three-quarter players from the previous season. However the forwards coached by Mr Hardy and Mr Venn, who came out to help, soon developed into a good working unit. After our first match against Hamilton which we won 6-0 there was a tremendous change in the team's attitude towards the game. They continued to improve and a very strong team spirit developed. Against Churchill the team took a long time to settle down after being 6-8 down for most of the game; then scored two fine running tries in the last 5 minutes to win the game 16-8.

The last game of the season was by far the best. After our first encounter with Hamilton we expected to have another close hard game. This time however, the forwards produced a lot of good clean ball which the back line used exceptionally well and ran in five tries.

Special mention should go to Ruetsche for his safe tackling and hard running. Hulley, who started as eight man in the 'B' team, developed into a useful flyhalf and judged some very neat kicks ahead. Ferguson tackled well and timed his passes beautifully to set up many fine tries. Wentzel did well with his boot and in one match against Gifford he converted all six tries. The loose forwards, McMillan, Dunn and Nash always played hard and helped us to win a lot of loose ball. In the tight, Hagemann, Trotter and de Vries worked hard in the 'engine room'.

We thank Mr Bowyer and Mr Hardy for their help and for keeping us fit.

U/15B RUGBY

Coaches	D.Bowyer/A.Hardy	
Captain	R.Brustalon	
Vice-Captain	R.Roelofse	
Team Members	P.Akeroyd, G.Cunard, D.Pullen, C.Naude, R.Spitz, R.Katzenberg, R.Brustalon, L.Henry, T.Bartles, G.Johnson, M.Green, C.Roelofse, R.Feigenbaum, R.Erasmus, D.Wallace, T.Irvine, C.Parsons, J.Correia, D.Haynes, D.Fouche, F.Maponga, S.Bisset, A.Gregory.	
Results	Vs. Falcon	Won (2)
	Vs. Chaplin	Won
	Vs. Gifford	Won (2)
	Vs. Plumtree	Lost
	Vs. Hamilton	Lost (2)
	Vs. CBC	Lost

COMMENT

The normal problems of a 'B' side affected this team. When injury or illness struck the 'A' Team the B suffered. This caused the B side to be virtually a different team for each match. Thus they played both good and bad rugby and never really managed to get the game together. One must say that they tried hard and had some very good wins. Their biggest disappointment was losing to Hamilton in the last game of the season. Brustalon, as captain, led by example. He drove hard and never gave up and was most unlucky not to have had a few more games for the 'A' side. Henry was by far the most improved player; he was always where the loose ball was and if he were to put on some weight he would become a very useful player in the future. Roelofse ran hard and scored tries from sheer determination. Parsons at fullback was always safe and stopped many tries with his first time tackling. Spitz at lock broke away from the tight on many occasions and produced some very exciting runs.

The side in general consisted of players who enjoyed the game. They played hard and if they continue to play there is no reason why they should not play 1st team in the near future.

U/14A RUGBY

Coach	W.J. Annandale	
Captain	G. Whyte	
Vice-Captain	R. Watson	
Team Members	A. Trivella, N. Anastasiou, S. Haddon, M. Jenkinson, R. Pattison, S. Aliphon, N. Rix, B. Ross, C. Thompson, D. Fouche, A. Probert, M. Rundle, M. Fagnoli, W. Dakers, B. Phillips, J. Goodman	
Results	Vs. Falcon	Won (2)
	Vs. Chaplin	Won
	Vs. Gifford	Won (2)
	Vs. Plumtree	Won
	Vs. Hamilton	Won (2)
	Vs. Churchill	Won

Only 13 points (in 2 matches) were scored against the team.

COMMENT

This must rank as one of the top U/14A sides in Zimbabwe, as the above results indicate. The basis of this success lies in the unbounding enthusiasm shown for the game by each member of the side, as well as their undoubted ability.

G. Whyte and W. Dakers are two of the most promising front row forwards in the school and get through a great deal of hard work in the set pieces. Notably, they are also among the side's top try scorers, indicating effort in loose play as well. A. Probert is a formidable lock forward in all aspects of the game and in combination with M. Rundle, helps complete a very competent line-out duo.

D. Fouche switched to the flank this season and shows real talent in this position. His dedication and aggressive attitude has often been an inspiration, and he can always be found where the action is. C. Thompson on the other flank is also developing into a natural and able loose forward. N. Rix at eight man has a keen eye for the possibilities of spearheading an attack from the set scrums and has scored or set up many tries from this position. He could be one of the most exciting players yet seen at Milton in this position. M. Fagnoli, at hooker, has proven to be very competent in this position and in the loose play. In fact, despite his slight stature he holds back for nobody.

J. Goodman has played a solid game at scrum half, though he must ensure a speedy and accurate pass to the flyhalf at all times. Too often good ball has been wasted through slow deliveries. R. Watson had held the back together well and his kicking and passing have often been impeccable. M. Jenkinson is a good ball player and took over at centre with ease. He is developing an eye for the gap and feeds the ball out well. Aliphon is still finding his feet at centre, but his powerful running should help him become a formidable opponent. A. Trivella is still new to the game and once he picks up the positional difficulties of being a wing, his size and speed will become telling factors. N. Anastasiou on the right wing also enjoys the advantage of size and speed but only began to use them efficiently in the latter half of the season. He should go on from strength to strength. S. Haddon has shown great ability at full back and is always in position. His hands are extremely reliable and he is quite fearless in both attack and defence, despite his slighter stature.

This side has been a pleasure to coach and I wish each member good luck for their future rugby careers.

B. A.

U/14B RUGBY

Coach	P. Hannay	
Captain	B. Ross	
Vice-Captains	P. Friend, J. Lowther, B. Phillips	
Team Members	N. Oosthuizen, V. Van Blerk, S. McTiernan, G. Lee, H. Ziemkendorf, A. Broughton, K. Mee, J. Danielsen, B. Trevenen, S. Mushiko, B. Kendall, H. Prescott, D. Gouws, D. Pretorius, R. Pattison, D. Veremu, R. Ashby, B. Solomon, J. Mudzi, A. Probert.	
Results	Vs Falcon	Won (2)
	Vs Chaplin	Won
	Vs Gifford	Won (2)
	Vs CBC	Won (2) (U/14A)
	Vs Plumtree	Won
	Vs Hamilton	Won (2)

COMMENT

This team had a very successful season, very convincingly beating every team which they played against, demonstrating the great strength and depth of rugby which is to be found in the junior rugby section at Milton School. The team was well-captained by B.Ross who played a solid game at full-back, both in defence and attack. The team was also fortunate in having a hard running line in R.Pattison, K.Mee, D.Veremu, M.Prescott and others. D.Veremu proved to be one of the finds of the season and had many fine runs. B.Kendall at scrum-half, served the line with some good ball and K.Mee played an excellent game at fly-half, often spearheading many attacking moves. B.Trevenen, J.Mudzi and B.Salomon proved to be hard, elusive wingers, never daunted by any odds. I believe that all the three-quarters who played for this team have a fine future ahead of them in this game if they continue in the spirit in which they played this year.

The team benefitted by having a large, hard-driving pack of forwards. N.Oosthuizen and S.McTiernan had solid games at prop and were also always to be seen exploiting a break-down of play, closely supporting H.Ziemkendorf, P.Friend, R.Ashby and J.Lowther who had excellent games as loose-forwards. G.Lee, J.Danielsen, S.Mushiko and B.Phillips also played very well in the scrums and in loose play. The pack soon learnt the value of close support and the importance of winning good ball.

Mention must also be made of other players like D.Gouws and D.Pretorius who had occasional games for the side and who played very well. Finally I would like to thank all these boys for the amount of effort they put into their game and which, I am sure, will take them a long way in the future.

P.H.

U/14C RUGBY

Coach	P.Hannay
Captain	R.Cloete
Vice-Captains	B.van Blerk and W.Horsfield
Team Members	P.Iliakis, D.Gouws, M.Holleran, B.Smith, A.Coetzee, D.Wilmans, L.Woods, C.Charedzera, B.Wilson, C.Wilson, R.Evans, B.Herselman, D.Pretorius, J.Magaramombe, B.Lerman, F.von Kalckstein, M.Moyo, C.Floyd, P.Prinsloo.
Results	Vs. Hamilton Won (3) Vs. Falcon Won

COMMENT

This team was composed of a large number of enthusiastic players who really put a lot of effort into their game. Unfortunately, few other schools have the same depth of rugby as can be found in this school, so the U/14C team did not have many games. The games that were played were all won by Milton through a lot of hard work, enthusiasm and talent.

R.Cloete captained the team well at fly-half, setting up many time attacking moves. B.Wilson and B.Herselman proved to be hard-running and hard-tackling centres, while D.Pretorius had many elusive jinking runs on the wing. B.Lerman had an outstanding game at scrum-half, always feeding the line well. D.Gouws was an extremely competent full-back and played an intelligent game. P.Iliakis, P.Prinsloo and L.Woods played very well in the forwards, both in the set pieces and in putting pressure on the opposition in loose play. B.Smith hooked extremely well and B.van Blerk and W.Horsfield proved to be powerhouses when it came to mauling and rucking. A.Coetzee and D.Wilmans also had good games. C.Wilson and R.Evans proved to be extremely versatile, playing in the forwards and in the three-quarters on occasion.

If these players (and many others in the U/14 group whose names have not been mentioned and who never had the chance of a game against another school) keep up the spirit and excellent attitude to the game which they have, they will benefit themselves and the school in the future.

U/13A RUGBY

Coach	K.Bain
Captain	B.O'Callaghan
Vice-Captain	H.de Vries
Team Members	G.Clarke, D.Roelofse, J.Beattie, C.Zangel, S.Fiquart, L.O'Sheen, M.Beachy-Head, A.Ferguson, R.Penton, M.Ross, A.Goosen, R.van Blerk, M.Box, H.Redman, H.Hughes, E.Hunt, B.Dawson.
Results	Vs. Falcon Won (2) Vs. Hamilton Won (2) Vs. Chaplin Won Vs. Churchill Lost Vs. Gifford Won (2) Vs. Plumtree Won

COMMENT

The side lost one game against Churchill but otherwise acquitted themselves well. The heavy pack and strong loose forwards dominated most games. In particular, de Vries the vice-captain and Dawson took some very fine breaks. Towards the end of the season the forwards began controlling the ball and gained good ball for the backs who were neglected for the first half of the season. Fiquart and Roelofse had some fine runs at centre and right wing. Clarke despite his size played strong attacking rugby at fullback.

U/13B RUGBY

Coach M.Harlen
Captain F.Joubert
Vice-Captain G.van der Merwe
Team Members D.Lloyd-Evans, G.Allen, J.van Driel, S.Craigie, E.Chibi, I.Allan, F.Joubert, P.Castens, G.van der Merwe, T.Goosen, M.Schultz, H.Hughes, B.Hill, R.Williams, G.Skinner, E.Hunt,
Results Won all games except two against Hamilton when they lost narrowly 6-4 and 4-3

COMMENT

An enthusiastic group who have really enjoyed their rugby and grasped many of the techniques which will help them in the more senior groups.

U/13C RUGBY

Coaches M.Harlen/K.Bain
Captain K.Sprague
Vice-Captain C.Cockroft
Team Members D.Orange, D.Ruetsche, W.Christie, I.Allan, H.Evans, C.Wiley, C.Cockroft, M.Slater, M.Goodman, B.Hill, G.McCallum, I.Maginnis, H.Hughes, R.Rukawina-Corker, R.Vorster.
Results Vs Falcon Won (3)
Vs Hamilton Won (3)
Vs CBC Won (2)

COMMENT

A very enthusiastic team with many players who show tremendous potential. Orange developed as a fine kicker; Ruetsche and Allan proved to be very good little players whilst Cockroft showed himself as an intelligent fly-half.

U/13D RUGBY

Coaches M.Harlen/K.Bain
Captain C.Keyer
Vice-Captains C.Smee and R.Pistorius
Team Members C.Keyer, J.Ley, D.Mewse, J.Underwood, B.Anderson, R.Dempsey, D.Doolabh, C.Smee, H.Parbhoo, N.Pocklington, T.Brading, S.Spong, R.Pistorius, K.Ziemkendorf, M.Ross, A.Robertson, M.Williams, K.Collen, P.Berry.
Results Vs. Hamilton Won (4)

COMMENT

This team certainly enjoyed their games and it is hoped that many of the boys will continue to play the game next year as many players show great potential.

ATHLETICS 1980

Coaches K.W.Swales, A.Walker, K.Bain
Captain W.MacDonald
Results - Inter house athletics

1st	Boarders
2nd	Fairbridge
3rd	Borrow
4th	Rhodes
5th	Birchenough
6th	Heany

The following records were broken:-

U/13	Nil		
U/14	High Jump	M.Rundle	1,59m
	70m Hurdles	D.Fouche	11,2 secs
	200m Novice	E.Moreira	29,5 secs
	400m	A.Chitereka	55,3 secs
	800m	A.Chitereka	2:14,5 secs
	100m Novice	M.Mušeke	14,1 secs
	4x100m Relay	Boarders	50,7 secs
	4x100m Relay novice	Boarders	56,1 secs
U/15	1500m	L.Mutsura	4:36,6 secs
	800m	L.Mutsura	2: 7,9 secs
	100m Novice	J.Mudzi	13,1 secs
	200m Novice	S.Jones	27,2 secs
U/16	800m	M.Grobler	2: 6,4 secs
	100m Novice	D.Feigenbaum	12,6 secs
	200m Novice	D.Feigenbaum	25,8 secs
	4x100m Relay	Fairbridge	47,6 secs
O/16	Nil		

Milton was first in the 1980 Triangular Athletics Meeting, second in the Pentagonal and the Inter-Schools Meetings.

The following boys broke or equalled Inter-Schools records:-

A.Fouche	U/16 100m hurdles	14,2 equalled (R)
A.Chitereka	U/14 800m	2:13,7 (old record 2:15,2 held by D.Ruetsche of Milton)
M.Jenkinson	U/14 800m	2:14,1 (old record 2:15,2 held by D.Ruetsche of Milton)

COMMENT

This year Milton fielded a strong team although, compared to last year, we were slightly weaker in the U/13 and O/16 age groups. Early in the season a team travelled to Messina to compete against some of the Northern Transvaal schools. We did extremely well and brought back the following results:-

18 First Places
19 Second Places
8 Third Places

Andrea Trivella did very well in the U/14 age group and was first in the U/14 100m, 200m and long jump. Milton won the Triangular quite convincingly but had to settle for second place behind Plumtree in the Pentagonal and Inter-Schools meeting.

William MacDonald did very well indeed in the Inter-Schools meeting. His results were:-

First U/19 Javelin
U/19 Discus
U/19 Triple Jump
U/19 Long Jump

Aaron Chitereka did well in the U/14 age group. He was first in the 100m and 800m.

1st XI HOCKEY

Coach D.W.Anderson
Captain W.Smith
Vice-Captain G.Hardman
Team Members I.Benning, F.de Chalain, G.Edwards, N.Ekblad, G.Hardman, M.Nothenagel, D.Oswald, B.Sellors, P.van Niekerk, E.van Ryneveld, S.Williams.

Results Vs. Churchill Won 2-0
Vs. Peterhouse Lost 1-2
Vs. St.Georges Won 2-1
Vs. Fort Victoria Won 3-0
Vs. Chaplin Won 4-1; Won 4-0
Vs. Gifford Lost 0-1; Drew 2-2; Lost 2-4
Vs. Hamilton Lost 0-1
Vs. Bishops Won 3-0
Vs. Falcon Lost 1-6; Lost 3-5
Vs. CBC Lost 1-2; Won 4-3

COMMENT

The team started off the season very well with two wins over Salisbury schools at the Whitsun Tournament held in Salisbury. Players began to work well together though G.Hardman seemed to receive too much ball, and as a result had far too much work to do. N.Dempsey unfortunately suffered a back injury in the first game and was sidelined for the rest of the season!

In playing Falcon we came up against some stiff opposition. It was unfortunate that we lost so badly in the first game as we had beaten them the previous week 2-1 in a 15 minute a side tournament. Our players performed well but credit must go to Falcon for their fine team performance.

Clearly our closest rivals were Gifford and in playing them we seemed to be dogged by misfortune. Possibly our best game was that played at Queens as a Curtain Raiser to the Zimbabwe-Holland International. With the score level (0-0) at half time it seemed to be anybody's game. Benning had the awesome task of facing 3 penalty flicks of which he saved one, the highlight of a creditable goal-keeping performance. Then with the score level at 2-2 it seemed unbelievable that Gifford could score another 2 goals. There was no major criticism of the team's performance, and one could only feel for them as they came, perspiring and disappointed, off the field.

Overall the players combined together well and in the majority of matches produced good 11 man hockey. Mention must be made of the forwards who played so well, especially G.Hardman and Edwards. Smith distributed the ball well at centre half though he tended to go too far forward. Oswald and Ekblad were tireless in defence and attack and P.van Niekerk had a number of good games as back.

1st XI CRITIQUE

- W.Smith Captain, Centre Half. He has played for both Matabeleland 'B' and Zimbabwe 'B' schoolboys sides and gained school colours. He has been a good player for the side but perhaps his biggest fault is that of going too far forward too often. He has maintained a high standard of tackling.
- G.Hardman Vice-Captain, Centre Forward. Has played for both Matabeleland 'A' and Zimbabwe 'A' schoolboys sides and has gained school colours. He has proved himself to be a player of high calibre and is always on the hunt for the ball.
- I.Benning Goal-keeper. He unfortunately started off the season badly, yet came back tremendously in some of the later games namely against Falcon and Gifford, to show his true form.
- F.de Chalain New to the side this year. He is a hard running forward but will have to improve his basic skills if he wishes to do well in senior hockey.
- G.Edwards Left wing. He has shown himself to be a fine player, who has worked hard on the skills needed for this demanding position.
- N.Ekblad Right half. A good hard-working player unlucky not to have made the Matabeleland Schools side. He must though stop trying to mark both wing and inner, and leave the inner for the halves to pick up.
- C.Hardman Right Inner. Selected for Matabeleland 'B' Schools team. He is a good player who uses his natural skill to good advantage.
- M.Nothingel Left Back. He has been at a disadvantage this season due to his lack of fitness, which has resulted in his being too slow on to the ball at times.
- D.Oswald Left Half. Selected for the Matabeleland 'B' Schools team. A hard-working player who is very good in defence; he neglects to feed his wings at times, though.
- B.Sellars Left Inner. Also a new member to the team and has proved himself to be valuable in the forward line. He has good skills and must continue to develop them. Laziness is at times his biggest fault.
- P.van Niekerk Right Back. A player who has steadily improved throughout the season. He is sometimes slow in clearing the ball. When beating the attacking player to the ball he must learn to bring the ball back and gain possession before clearing it.
- E.van Ryneveld Half. He has played a number of games this season and needs to develop his aggression for attack. He should do well next season.
- S.Williams Inner. A player who has potential. He needs to develop the ability to anticipate the pass and must move faster. He too should do well next season.

Also played:- N.Dempsey, V.Nothingel, J.Knight.

2nd XI HOCKEY

Coach	D.W.Anderson	
Captain	M.Beffa	
Vice-Captain	J.Knight	
Team Members	J.Gait, D.Lindeque, S.Rachman, M.Rachman, I.Parsons, A.van der Merwe, I.van Niekerk, E.van Ryneveld, S.Williams.	
Results	Vs. Northlea	Drew 1-1
	Vs. Hamilton	Won 5-4
	Vs. Falcon	Lost 1-6; Lost 1-4
	Vs. Gifford	Drew 1-1; Lost 1-2
	Vs. CBC	Lost

COMMENT

As with last year, the side was changed constantly with players being moved in and out of the 1st team. The team had a fairly successful season but unfortunately had no return matches against Hamilton or Northlea.

Knight, S.Rachman and Williams proved to be able forwards. Knight was always on the attack and was rewarded with a goal in his first team 'debut'. Gait produced some good moves at left wing.

Van Ryneveld distributed the ball efficiently at Centre-half and always worked hard. Both Beffa and Lindeque need to learn how to get the ball away without having to swipe or hack at it.

Also played: J.Ward, A.Giga, G.Stephens, K.Jaynes, J.Brownlee.

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D.ANDERSON

3rd XI HOCKEY

Coach	C.Hawkins	
Captain	D.Wells	
Vice-Captain	R.Laxmidas	
Team Members	P.Taylor, R.Naik, C.Naik, J.Ward, K.Peters, A.Vaughan, A.Wilks, K.Haynes, J.Bhaga, P.Benning, A.Giga, M.Bokma, R.Stols, P.Benning.	
Results	Vs. Northlea	Won (2nd XI)
	Vs. Falcon	Lost
	Vs. Plumtree	Lost

COMMENT

A keen group which suffered from having to fill in gaps in several teams often at the last minute and therefore never really settled down.

UNDER 15 HOCKEY

Coaches	Mrs W.Iversen and Mrs L.Taylor	
Captains	(A)	D.Hulley, V.Nothingel
	(B)	P.Akeroyd
Team Members	P.Dauth, S.Venn, V.Nothingel, R.Scott, W.Wentzel, D.Hulley, D.Caygill, S.Patel,	
	(A)	D.Gammon, G.Stephens, A.Irvine, V.Bhagat, A.Gregory.
	(B)	V.Bhagat, P.Akeroyd, C.Miller, U.Parshotam, R.Sevenster, G.Morris, S.Mackie, M.Simon, S.Barlow, P.Grey, K.Naidoo.
Results	(A)	Vs.Plumtree Won
		Vs.Gifford Drew
		Vs.Northlea Won
		Vs.Hamilton Won
		Vs.Falcon Lost
		Vs.Founders Won
	(B)	Vs.Falcon Lost

COMMENT

The wealth of talent amongst the Under 15 Hockey players augurs well for years to come. However, many of the boys still tend to feature as individuals and it has been on notably few occasions this season that we have really played as a team, despite our successful record. The highlight of the season was the U/15 "A" game against Falcon which we lost 5-2. Nevertheless we played our best constructive hockey with every member of the team contributing a hundred per cent effort, and spectators were treated to some fine hockey worthy of any two first team sides.

Practices have been well attended, with quite a few newcomers to the game turning out. Unfortunately Milton is one of the few schools able to field a second side in the U/15 hockey and the players who constitute this side frequently suffer from lack of opposition and the opportunity to practise and combine as a side.

UNDER 14A HOCKEY

Coach^s Mrs Elsworth
Captain D.Finch
Team Members I.Catheral, G.Morgan, S.Miller-Cranko, C.Marshall, M.Kritzinger, J.Tapson, D.Finch, F.Jensen, S.Tiernay, Z.Levin, M.Bhaga (also played: G.Kyle, C.Reid).
Results Vs. Plumtree Lost
Vs. Hamilton Won
Vs. Gifford Lost (2)
Vs. Falcon Drew
Vs. Founders Won

UNDER 14B HOCKEY

Coach Mrs Elsworth
Captain R.McDermid
Team Members R.Hancock, J.de Azevedo, P.Mellors, N.Gubbay, M.Sakalis, S.Patel, K.White, R.McDermid, G.Moore, D.Coetzee, L.Marcus (also played: L.Henry, K.Widdows, G.Akeroyd)
Results Vs. Hamilton Won
Vs. Gifford Lost and Won
Vs. Falcon Drew

COMMENT

The Under 14 Hockey teams have enjoyed a fairly successful season and there are still more matches to be played! At the beginning of the term, the players were rather nervous and they were not used to playing as a team. However, the players soon settled down together and began playing good hockey, with good passing movements. All the members of the teams are enthusiastic and loyal. We hope to beat Falcon in our return matches!

UNDER 13 HOCKEY

Coach Mrs A.Catherall
Captain T.Sanderson
Team Members R.Penton, J.Armstrong, A.Robertson, W.Bailey, K.Cane, G.Clark, G.Mendonidis, C.Cockcroft, C.Wiley, R.Taylor, R.Richardson, T.Sanderson, B.Anderson.
Results Vs. Hamilton Drew
Vs. Gifford Lost
Vs. Plumtree Drew
Vs. Falcon Lost

COMMENT

This is a keen team, well led by Sanderson; and their standard is improving all the time.

1st and 2nd TENNIS TEAMS

Coach Mr J.Felgate
Captain J.Pretorius
Vice-Captain D.de Villiers

Team Members (1st team) D.de Villiers, R.Broomberg, D.Gubbay, B.Palchich, J.Pretorius, R.Palchich, S.Kerr, N.Gubbay, B.Husband.

Team Members (2nd team) M.Devine, C.Hardman, A.McDonald, G.Knight, C.Kerr, S.Rachman, M.Rachman.

Results (1st team)

Vs. CBC	Lost	Mim du Toit	Vs. Founders	Won
Vs. Hamilton	Won		Vs. CBC	Won
Vs. Gifford	Won	(2nd team)	Vs. Northlea	Won (mixed)
Vs. Falcon	Won		Vs. Hamilton	Won
Vs. Hamilton	Won		Vs. CBC	Lost
Vs. CBC	Lost			

COMMENT

Both teams have once again enjoyed a successful year and the hope is that both will continue to give their best for the remainder of the year. Thanks must go to B.Husband who captained the second team this year, and played several matches for the 1st team, for his support and enthusiasm.

The second team have not had many matches this year due to the fact that there was no second team as such in the second term, as several members chose to play an alternative winter sport. However, the team is to be commended for its enthusiasm and determination in the first term of this year.

The first team has done extremely well this year. They have proved to be one of the strongest teams in Matabeleland, losing only to CBC. There have been few crushing 16-0 victories this year as we have been used to in the past, but this is unimportant. What is important is that the team has proved itself to be spirited, determined and enthusiastic. All members have acquitted themselves well and several members are members of the Matabeleland Team. D.Gubbay and R.Broomberg represented Matabeleland in the Brooks Trophy, while D.de Villiers has earned junior National Colours. N.Gubbay, a recent addition to the 1st team has also represented Matabeleland in the Brooks Trophy.

The remainder of the team is not to be neglected. The side is a fairly young one, but a good and steadfast one. The team should fare well in the future, as there is some good and very potential talent and should therefore maintain the standards set this year.

Milton have won through to the semi-final of the Mim du Toit competition, after beating Founders and Gifford in earlier rounds. We now meet CBC and our hopes are ever increasing of reclaiming the cup we lost in 1978.

Thanks must go to Mr Felgate for managing both teams, and to Miss Edington for filling in for a brief period this term for Mr Felgate, and we hope he is successful in his efforts to mould yet another victorious Mim du Toit team.

Coach's comment:- Thanks must go to Joe Pretorius for his able and competent captainship of the 1st team. He has proven to be a reliable young man.

Results of School Tennis Championships:

Peter Cosens Cup	U/15 Singles Champion	N.Gubbay
	U/15 Doubles Champions	N.Gubbay and G.Cohen
Russell Wright Memorial Trophy - Open Singles		D.de Villiers
Walshe Cup - Open Doubles		B.Palchich and D.Gubbay
Furber Trophy - Inter house Tennis		Fairbridge

U/15 TENNIS

Coach Mrs S.Hale

Team Members D.Gammon, P.Pilosof, G.Stephens, M.Lutz, R.Nash, G.Galanti, C.Miller, R.Erasmus, R.Simpson

Results

Vs. CBC	Won (2)
Vs. Gifford	Won
Vs. Hamilton	Lost
Vs. Founders	Won



BADMINTON

Back row (left/right) A. van der Merwe, K. Williamson, B. Gurney

Front row (left/right) T. Finch, Mrs C. Catheral (coach), R. Flashman, Mr R. K. Gracie, P. Stockman

U/14B RUGBY SIDE





1st SOCCER

Back row (left/right) K.Mafungise, Z.Ndlovu

Middle row (left/right) L.Mutsura, E.Jacobsen, A.Chitereka

Front row (left/right) G.Salomon, M.Pettican, Mr M.F. Bullivant, D.Orange, F.Ndlovu

Absent: A.Andrea, (Vice-Captain), M.Dunning, R.Leech

1st RUGBY in action



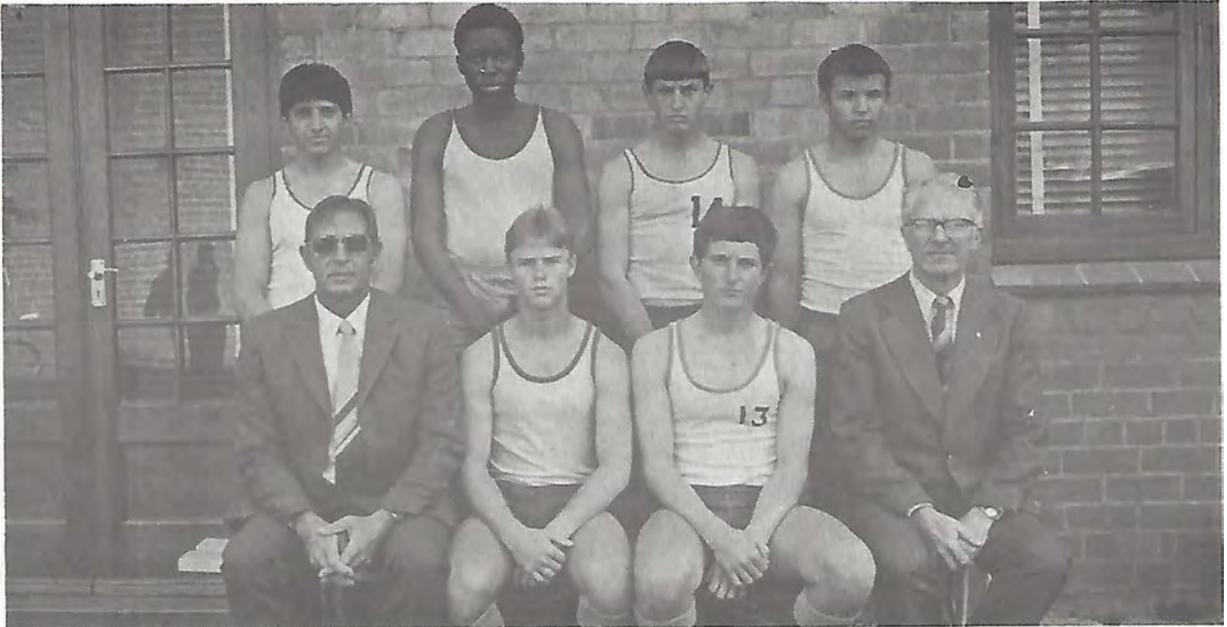


GYMNASTICS TEAM

Back row (left/right) D.Place, R.Watson, S.Flynn, A.Gregory, M.Taylor, N.Pollard
 Centre row (left/right) B.Hofmeyr, R.Kotze, Mr R.McLean (coach), Mr R.K.Gracie (Headmaster),
 Mr K.Bain (coach), M.Gray, P.Cutler
 Front row (left/right) S.McDermid, R.Vorster, H.Evans
 Inset : R.Taylor
 Absent : R,Penton

1st BASKETBALL

Standing (left/right) A.Andrea, D.Mombeshora, R.Herbst, P.Jacobson
 Front row (left/right) Mr G.Loxton (coach), P.Cutler, R.Flashman, Mr R.K.Gracie





JUNIOR RUGBY in action

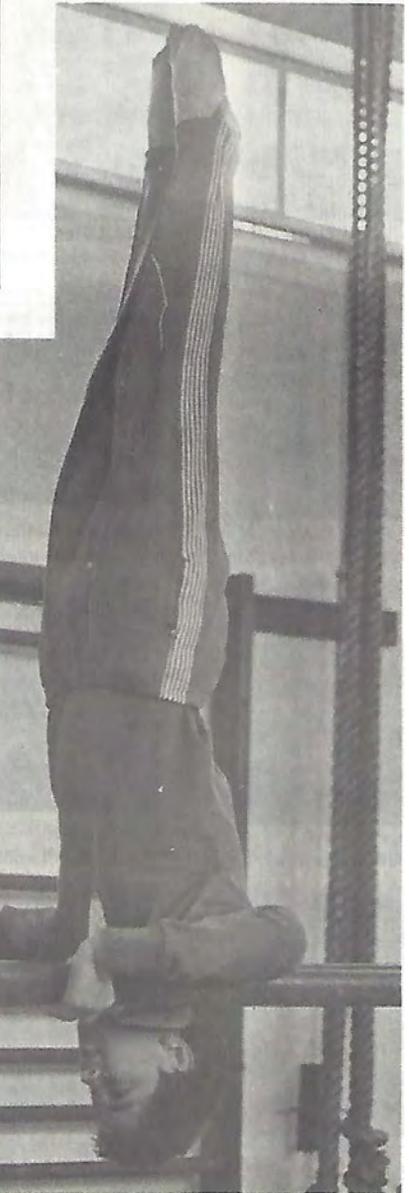
1st HOCKEY TEAM





M. Taylor balancing

Looking at the World Upside Down!
R. Watson



R. Kotze in action





M. TAYLOR
Eisteddfod
Honours Award



N. RIX
Eisteddfod
Honours Award



C. HARDMAN
Mat. Schools
Hockey B Side



G. HARDMAN
Zimbabwe Schools
Hockey A Side



W. SMITH
Zimbabwe Schools
Hockey B Side/
Schools Cricket



R. BROOKS
Brooks T
B Team



B. HOPWOOD
Mat. Junior Golf



T. MARSHALL
Matabeleland Golf



G. COHEN
Mat. Junior Tennis

MILTON IS



P. CUTLER
Milton Award



T. O'CALLAGHAN
Mat. U/17 Waterpolo



C. MYLES
Mat. Athletics



W. MACDONALD
Milton Award



D. FOUCHÉ
Mat. Athletics



N. GUBBAY
Mat. Junior Tennis



D. de VILLIERS
Zimbabwe



C. MAUGHAN
Zimbabwe
Swimming Team



G. LUTZ
Mat. & Zimbabwe
Swimming Teams



M. RACHMAN
Zimbabwe Life
Saving Team



D. GUBBAY
Mat. Brooks Trophy
(Tennis)



A. VILJOEN
Mat. Schools
Cricket



D. PERRY
Zimbabwe
Ski-ing



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R. EVANS
Zimbabwe Midget
Weight Boxing
Champion



D. MAUGHAN
U/19 Mat'd
Waterpolo



R. LEECH
Zimbabwe
Swimming Team



D. OSWALD
Mat, Hockey
B Side



R. DANDO
Eisteddfod
Honours Award



PROUD OF...



R. du TOIT
Mat, Athletics



J. GROBLER
Mat, Athletics



G. HAGEMANN
Mat, Athletics



D. RACHMAN
Milton Award



T. SMITH
Mat, Baseball



P. BASSON
Mat'd, Squash



ERS
Tennis



G. CLARKE
Mat, Baseball



D. APPELHANS
Mat, Schools Rugby



T
Water-



M. VICKERY
Zimbabwe
Fawns Cricket



R. WATSON
Zimbabwe U/14
Diving Champion



R. HANCOCK
Zimbabwe U/13
Squash



W. BAILEY
Eisteddfod
Honours Award



R. FLASHMAN
Mat, Golf and
Basketball



W.MacDonald in Action

Caught out



Just made it





1st RUGBY

Back row (left/right) C.Maughan, S.Robertson, J.Grobler, D.deVilliers, R.Hunter
 Standing (left/right) D.Appelhans, R.du Toit, A. Viljoen, J.Grobler, T.Bezuidenhout, G.McKenna
 Seated (left/right) W.MacDonald, Mr K.Swales (coach), P.Cutler (Captain),
 Mr R.K.Gracie, D.Maughan
 Front (left/right) D.Perratt, R.Pearson
 Inset L.Kettle

1st HOCKEY TEAM





1st HOCKEY

Back row (left/right) C.Hardman, P.van Niekerk, F.de Chalain, I.Benning, D.Oswald,
E.van Ryneveld, N.Ekblad

Middle row (left/right) G.Hardman, Mr R.K.Gracie, W.Smith, Mr D.W.Anderson, M.Nothnagel

Front row (left/right) B.Sellars, S.Williams

1st CRICKET

Back row (right/left) R.Pearson, M.Vickery, J.Brownlee, P.Grobler, G.Hardman, I.Benning,
L.Kettle

Front row (right/left) W.Smith, Mr C.Hawkins (coach), A.Viljoen (Captain), Mr R.K.Gracie,
D.de Villiers





1st TENNIS TEAM

Back row (left/right) R.Palcich, B.Palcich, R.Broomberg, B.Husband, S.Kerr
 Middle row (left/right) D.Gubbay, Mr J.Felgate (coach), J.Pretorius (Captain),
 Mr R.K.Gracie (Headmaster), D.de Villiers (Vice-Captain)
 In front: N.Gubbay

1st RUGBY in action



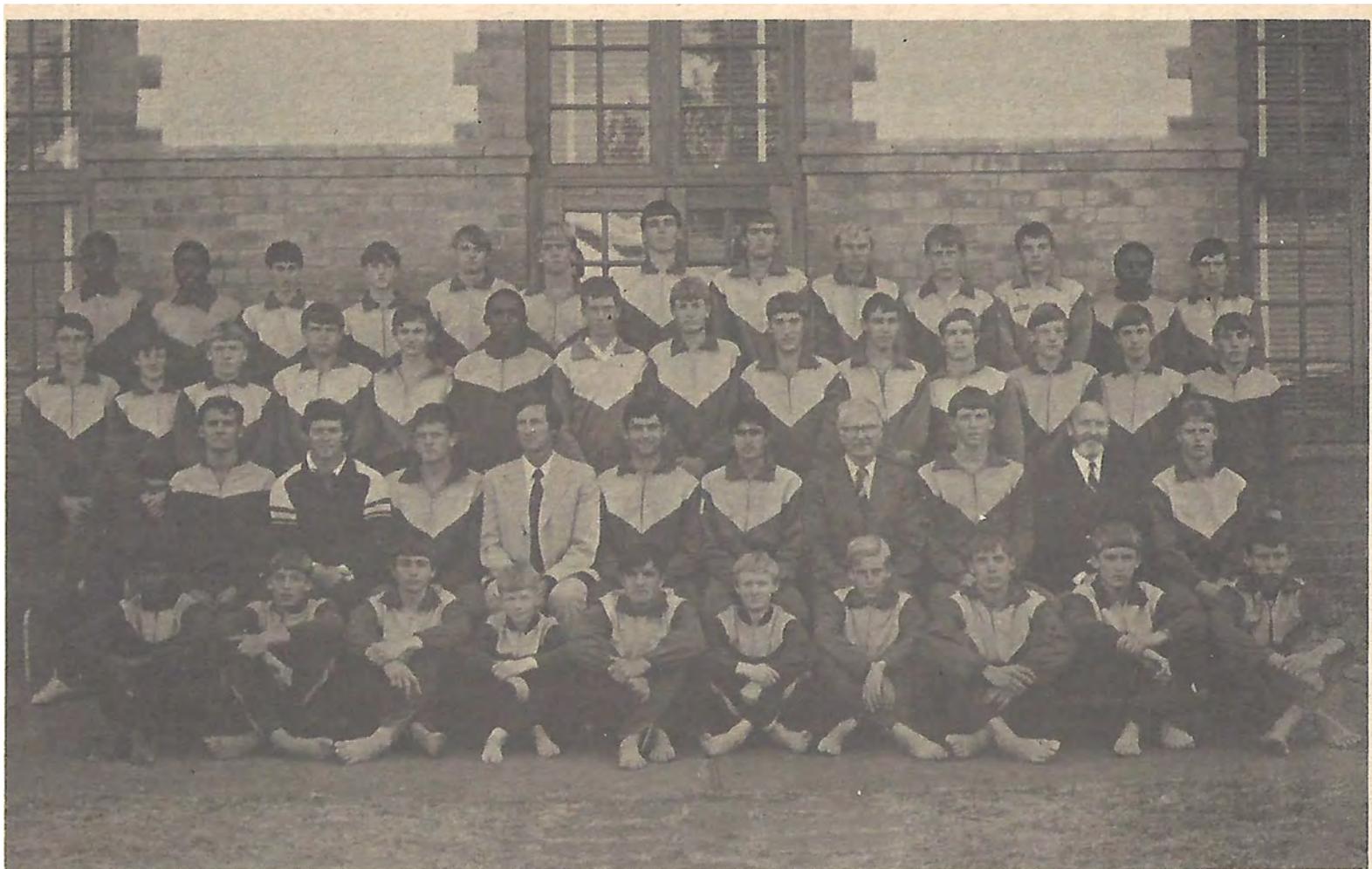


U/14A RUGBY - Unbeaten

1st WATERPOLO

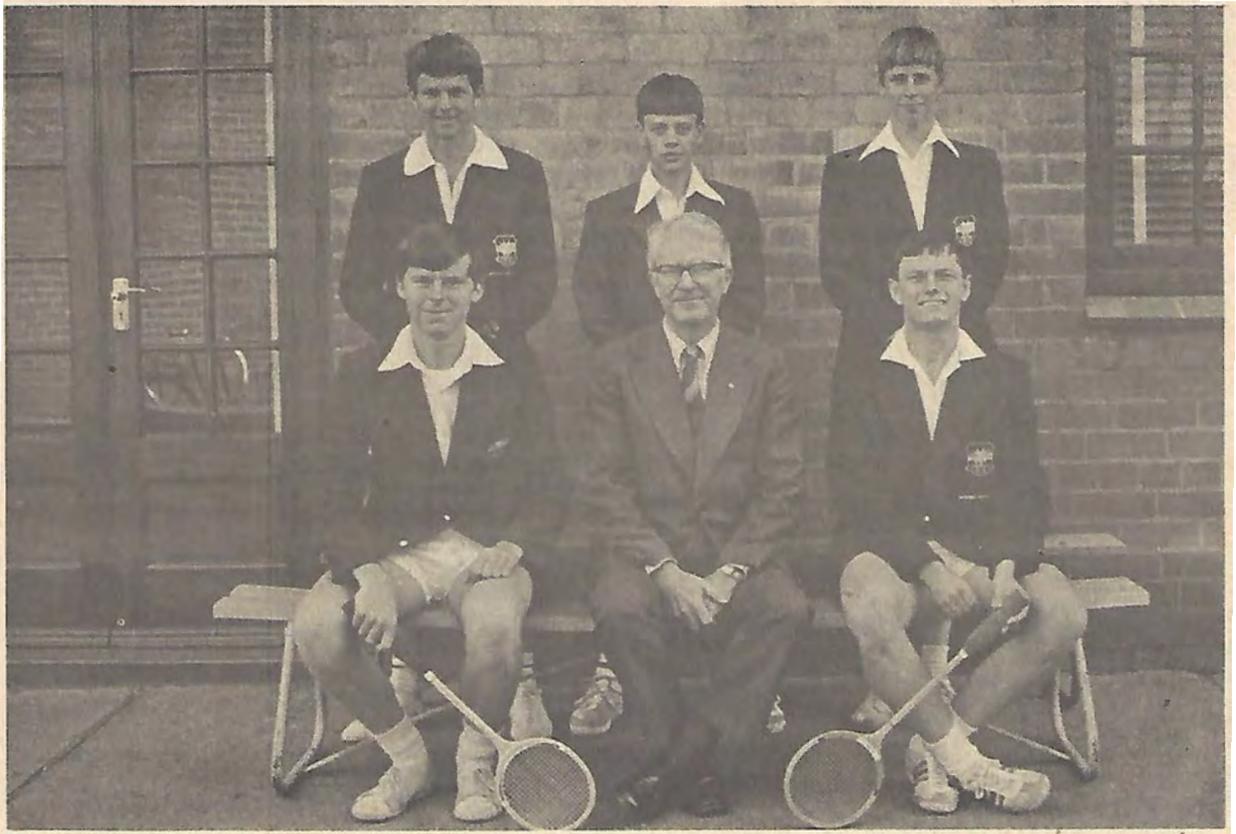
Back row (left/right) R.Hunter, K.Peters, C.Evans, D.Caygill
 Middle row (left/right) J.Correira, T.O'Callaghan, S.Malloy, C.Myles, C.Maughan
 Front row (left/right) T.Howard, Mr R.MacLean (coach), D.Maughan (Captain),
 Mr R.K.Gracie (Headmaster), M.Barker





ATHLETICS TEAM

Back D.Veremu, A.Chitereka, C.Hardman, C.Butler, G.Flinders, M.Grobler, P.Grobler,
 T.Bezuidenhout, T.Bentley, D.Foley, D.Lindeque, L.Mutaura, W.Dakers
 Second C.Anastasiou, M.Taylor, D.Ruetsche, G.Hageman, R.Nash, Z.Ndhlovu, W.Smith,
 R.Amyot, F.de Chalain, A.Bezuidenhout, A.Fouche, R.Spits, I.Ferguson, T.Luke
 Third C.Myles, Mr K.Bain (Coach), H.du Toit, Mr K.Swales (Deputy Headmaster/Coach),
 W.MacDonald (Captain), M.Beffa, Mr R.K.Gracie (Headmaster), J.Grobler,
 Mr A. Walker (Coach), P.Cutler
 Front D.Orange, M.Box, A.Trevella, C.Zangel, D.Fouche, B.Wilson, G.Stephens, J.Dunn,
 D.Hulley, M.Rundle



1st SQUASH

Back row (left/right) D.Oswald, G.Duberly, T.Cross

Front row (left/right) P.Basson (Captain), Mr R.K.Gracie, K.Thompson



On the Move

COMMENT

The U/15 tennis team has practised regularly throughout the year, but has been disappointed in the number of matches that have been played, especially during the winter term when most schools failed to offer tennis as a sports option.

The players are to be commended for their team spirit and sportsmanship, and we wish them success in their matches in the third term, and in their future tennis careers.

U/14 TENNIS

Coach Mrs G. Evans
Team Members G. Broomborg, N. Gubbay, M. Bloch, C. Marshall, D. Gouws, T. Smith, D. Waddy,
J. Kamanga, M. Lieberman.
Results Vs. Hamilton Lost
Vs. CBC Lost and won
(combined U/14, U/15)

COMMENT

The U/14 tennis team had a poor start to 1980 when in the first term they were beaten by both Hamilton and CBC. These two matches were lost because of weak doubles play undoing the success generally achieved in the singles competition. However to balance this, Milton did beat Gifford. The team was combined with an under 13 and under 15 team in the 2nd term and had their revenge on CBC, beating them convincingly. However, the team's greatest success came when the combined Milton team of U/13 and U/14 beat the Founders 1st team by 7 matches to 5.

OPEN SOCCER

Coach Heinz Smeckler
Master-in-Charge Mr M.F. Bullivant

First XI

Captain M. Pettican
Vice-Captain A. Andrea
Team Members R. Leech, Z. Ndhlovu, E. Jacobsen, I. Ndebele, K. Mafungise, L. Mutsura, F. Ndhlovu,
A. Chitereka, G. Salomon, M. Dunning
Results Vs. Founders (H) Drew 3-3
Vs. Gifford (A) Won 5-2
Vs. Hamilton (H) Won 3-1
Vs. Mzilikazi (H) Won 6-4
Vs. Gifford (H) Won 6-1
Vs. Prince Edward (H) Drew 2-2
Vs. Morgan (H) Lost 1-3
Vs. Gifford (A) Drew 3-3

2nd XI

Captain D. Mombeshora
Team Members Z. Ndhlovu, F. Kalibo, C. Pettican, C. Keyer, A. McDonald, D. Orange, V. Naik,
G. Robertson, R. Neal, M. Jooee

Colours: M. Pettican (re-award)

COMMENT

The 1980 season proved to be highly successful for Milton. The standard of play was generally very good and performance was consistent; much of this was undoubtedly due to the team's determination but the aid of a professional as coach should not be overlooked.

From the beginning of the season Milton played attacking football in a 3-2-5 formation which resulted in many goals being scored. The team's basic tactic was to keep the ball wide on the wings, both of whom were exceptionally fast, thus stretching the opposition's defence and providing more room in the middle for the attack. In defence, the offside trap was often used very successfully as it gave opponents less room in which to move. Milton's attacking football was entertaining to watch and in particular the two

wings, Mark Dunning and Leo Mutsera, were very successful in making and taking their chances and Dunning scored a large number of goals. Aaron Chitereka, the centre forward, had a good season and, bearing in mind that he is still an under 15 (as is Mutsera), he demonstrated much skill and shows great potential. Grant Salomon and Frederick Ndhlovu also did a lot of good work in the attack. The defence was very solid and Andreas Andrea was especially reliable whilst the captain, Miles Pettican, did an outstanding job both as a stalwart full-back and in providing excellent leadership.

The 2nd XI did not have such a good season although it always played well and never lost heart.

UNDER 15 SOCCER

Coach	A.Walker	
Captain	B.Utete	
Results	Vs. Gifford	Won
	Vs. Mzilikazi	Lost
	Vs. Hamilton	Won
	Vs. Founders	Lost
	Vs. P.E.	Lost

COMMENT

Whilst there have been regular fixtures for the "A" team, it has been difficult to arrange "B" team fixtures and this has resulted in keen competition for "A" team places. The standard of play is improving and augurs well for our return fixtures against those schools which defeated us earlier in the season.

BASKETBALL 1st TEAM

Coach	G.Loxton	
Captain	P.Cutler	
Team Members	P.Cutler, R.Flashman, J.Jacobsen, P.Stephenson, D.Momboshora, A.Andrea, D.Herbst.	
Results	Vs. Gifford	Lost (2)
	Vs. Plumtree	Lost (2)
	Vs. Northlea	Won (2)
	Vs. Hamilton	Won
	Vs. Founders	Lost

COMMENT

The season started with quite a few players from the previous year but compared with other teams we again lacked height in defence so the training was geared to producing a team that worked fast and handled the ball well. To some extent this was achieved but the team was outjumped and outplayed by the stronger sides although to the team's credit none of these defeats were overwhelming. Most of the points were scored by captain Paul Cutler and Robert Flashman but the credit must reflect on the team as a whole as very few baskets are scored on an individual basis.

During the trials, Cutler, Flashman and Jacobsen were invited to attend and after much changing and playing, only Flashman was selected as part of the Matabeleland team playing in the inter Provincial Tournament at Chaplin. None made the Zimbabwe side.

Able led and encouraged by P.Cutler, the team should hold its own in the future matches.

U/15A TEAM BASKETBALL

Coach	K.Holt	
Captain	B.Phillips	
Vice-Captain	J.Dunn	
Team Members	B.Phillips, J.Dunn, D.Trotter, B.Utete, H.du Preez, C.Roelofse, M.Green.	
Results	Vs. Gifford	Won (2)
	Vs. Hamilton	Won (2)
	Vs. Northlea	Won
	Vs. Founders	Lost

COMMENT

The U/15A team had a very good season in the first term, having lost only one match to Founders and winning 5 out of 6 matches. Dunn and Trotter had a very good season and so did Utete and du Preez, seeing that the game was new to them. Roelofse and Green had good games too. We look forward to the third term, when we hope to win all our matches. The team spirit is very high.

U/13 BASKETBALL

Coach	D.Anderson
Captain "A"	H.de Vries
Vice Cap."A"	R.Penton
Team "A"	H.de Vries, R.Penton, W.Orange, A.Gray, S.Sweetman, I.Beatie, A.Quinn.
Results "A"	Vs. Hamilton Won Vs. Gifford Lost Vs. Founders Lost
Captain "B"	J.Roode
Vice Cap. "B"	K.Collen
Team "B"	W.Bailey, B.Anderson, T.Brading, M.Clutty, M.Schultz, A.Murphy, K.Collen, I.Sharpe P.Swanepoel, A.Goosen, J.Roode.
Results "B"	Vs. Hamilton Won Vs. Gifford Lost Vs. Founders Lost

COMMENT

Although both teams only won one game each, all players tried their best. Skill and co-ordination are a problem at this level and it is difficult for these players to compete after not having had much time to grasp the basics. Penton and Beatie are two members who have potential and should do well in the future. De Vries needs a little more dedication and he will make a good player. Roode has always tried hard.

SQUASH REPORT

Coach	Mrs R.van Zyl (1st term); Mr C.Finlayson (2nd term)
Captain	P.Basson
Team Members	P.Basson, T.Cross, K.Thomson, G.Duberly, R.Kotze, D.Oswald.
Results	Vs. Hamilton Won (2) Vs. Northlea Won (2) Vs. Gifford Won (2)

COMMENT

The Milton squash scene has gone from strength to strength this year under the able management of Mrs R.van Zyl. This year we have had up to four teams playing against other schools, although this was only occasionally, and few schools have as much depth as Milton. This year our antique and little-used squash court was renovated and is likely to be a boost to squash at Milton especially for the Boarders.

This year Pierre Basson was the only Milton schoolboy to make the Matabeleland "A" side and to play in the Inter Provincial. However, our top five players were all rated in the top eleven schoolboy players in Matabeleland. Also in the Matabeleland Schoolboys Championships, P.Basson won the Plate Section and K.Thomson was runner up. Hancock made the Zimbabwe U/14 Squash side.

Our first team set a remarkable record by being unbeaten this year despite the loss of some very good players in the middle school.

2nd SQUASH TEAM+

Coach	Mrs R.van Zyl
Team Members	R.Kotze, B.Watts, C.Wilkins, R.Sissons, M.Sissons, G.Biles, A.Strathearn.
Results	Vs. Hamilton Won Vs. Gifford Won Vs. Northlea Won and Lost

COMMENT

Only once was our third team called on against Gifford in the second term and it won 3-2. Similarly at the end of the 2nd term we fielded an U/15 team against Northlea and managed to win 3-2. Not only were the results exceedingly pleasing but the spirit of the players was also high and the court conduct of the players was a credit to Milton.

Our thanks go to Miss Edington who took the U/15 group in the first term and to Mrs Elsworth who took the B group and also to Mrs Hagelthorn and Miss Eden who took the U/15 and C group in the second term.

LEAGUE TEAM+

This year our league team has done extremely well in the Men's fourth League and seems likely to win this after winning every one of the seventeen games they have played so far this season. Since P.Basson played for Second League, he did not play in the school side. T.Cross, G.Duberly, D.Oswald, K.Thomson, R. Kotze and B.Watts have all represented the school.

INTER-HOUSE SQUASH

This was played in the 2nd term and held at Queens. We were able to have sides of four players from each house, which gave the less talented players a chance to compete for their houses and increases our depth so that the best results did not necessarily go to the house with the best player.

Results:	1st	Heany
	2nd	Fairbridge
	3rd	Borrow
	4th	Boarders
	5th	Rhodes
	6th	Birchenough

FIRST and SECOND TEAM BADMINTON

Coach	Mrs A.Catherall	
Captain	R.Flashman	
Vice-Captain	P.Stockman	
Team Members (1st team)	R.Flashman (Captain), P.Stockman, T.Finch, B.Gurney, B.Laxmidas, N.Desai, K.Williamson, R.Naik.	
Team Members (2nd team)	W.van der Merwe (Captain), C.Naik, K.Naik, J.Madhoo, K.Panditji, T.Bartels, C.Potts.	
Team Awards	R.Flashman and P.Stockman (team tabs)	
Results (1st and 2nd comp.)	Vs. Hamilton	Drew
	1st	Vs. Hamilton Lost (2)
	2nd	Vs. Hamilton Won (2)
	1st	Vs. Gifford Won

COMMENT

There are several players who are keen and have potential. It is a great pity that there were so few matches but we hope for greater opportunity in the 3rd term.

1st TEAM WATER POLO

Coach	R.L.MacLean
Captain	D.Maughan
Team Members	T.O'Callaghan, M.Barker, T.Howard, G.Mitchelson, C.Maughan, R.Hunter, C.Evans, S.Molloy, J.Correia, D.Caygill, K.Peters.

COMMENT

After the prospect of a good 1980 year we were sorry to see R.Labuschagne leave Milton. This was a big loss to our team. The 1st team however got together and did extremely well, coming close to beating Plumtree once and Falcon twice. For the first time in many years, tournaments were held at both Milton and Falcon, whilst the normal trips to Plumtree and Gifford went off very well. Going into the 1980-1981 season, we have lost G.Mitchelson which will be another severe blow to the side.

UNDER 15 WATER POLO

Although this U/15 side are extremely young, they have proved to be a side with much talent. Ferguson captained the team well as goalie, and is himself a fine player with a lot of potential. The side played well together, although at times they tended to be a little too loose about their game.

We look forward to a successful 1980-1981 season.

CROSS-COUNTRY

November 4, 1979 was the date on which the first Bata sponsored Hope Fountain 30 km road race was held. Eight Milton boys participated in the race and all finished within the stipulated time. A.Gerling was placed 38th in a field of 217 runners and was recorded as being the second schoolboy to finish.

D.Coetzer, aged 15, and running this distance for the first time, turned in a very creditable performance taking 2 hours and 21 minutes to cover the course. He was closely followed by G.Hore and R.Amyot and so gained second place for the Milton Team in the schools' section.

During the first term of this year the Inter-House Cross-Country race held at Hillside Dams saw the Boarders overwhelm the day scholars in all age groups. E.Mashonganyika and L.Mutsura of Pioneer House took 1st place in the U/14 and U/16 age groups respectively, the latter setting a new record for his section. The current "Run for Fun" cross-countries are being well supported by Milton runners and already R.Amyot, D.Coetzer and L.Mutsura have impressed the organisers, Raylton Road Runners with their performances. Later this year it is hoped to have teams competing in the Dulux 10 mile road race and also the second Bata 30 km run.

GYMNASTICS

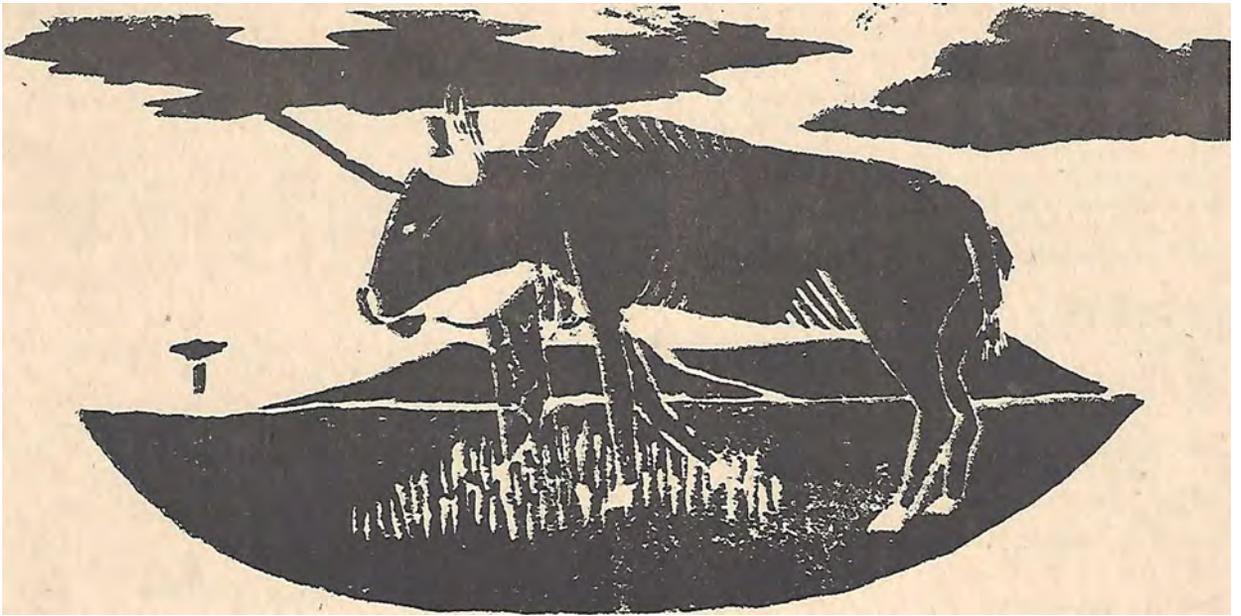
Coaches K.Bain and R.MacLean
Captain R.Kotze
Team Members
 U/13 R.Taylor, H.Evans, R.Vorster, R.Penton, S.McDermid.
 U/15 D.Place, A.Gregory, M.Taylor, R.Watson, N.Pollard.
 Open R.Kotze, M.Grey, P.Cutler, B.Hofmeyer.
Non-competitive: T.Bentley, S.Flynn.

Results - National Championships 1979: M.Taylor overall 3rd U/15
 R.Kotze overall 7th Open
 Milton 5th overall from 13 boys' schools competing.
 School Championships 1980: U/13 Champion - H.Evans
 U/15 Champion - M.Taylor
 Open Champion - R.Kotze
 Most improved gymnast - B.Hofmeyer.

COMMENT

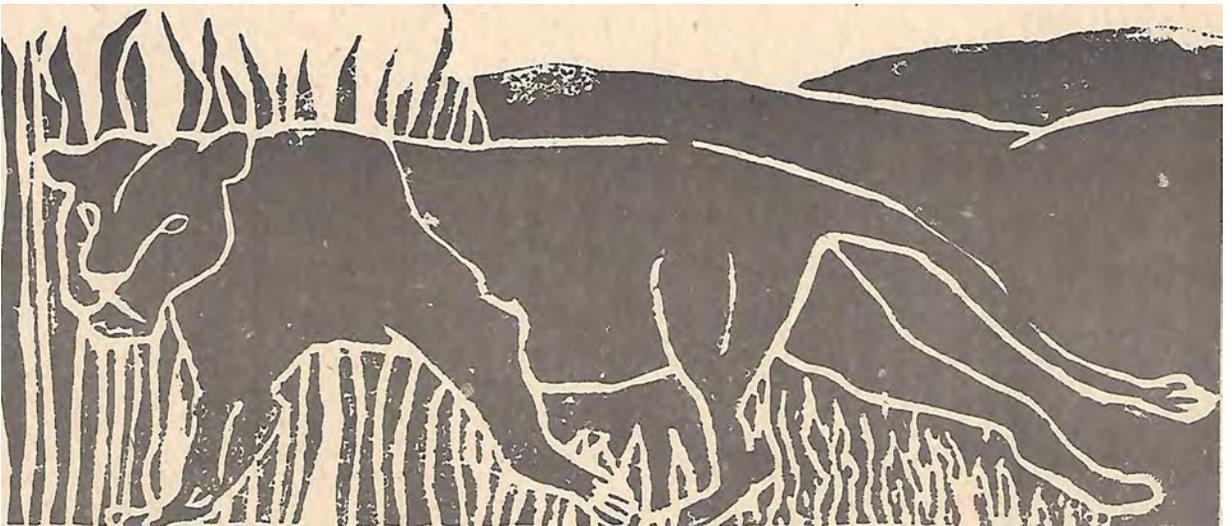
This year we are entering a stronger team and should do well. Facilities are going to be greatly improved as Rotary have donated a huge floor area with special lighting and tiered seating in the Tony Ellman Brown Hall in the Trade Fair grounds.

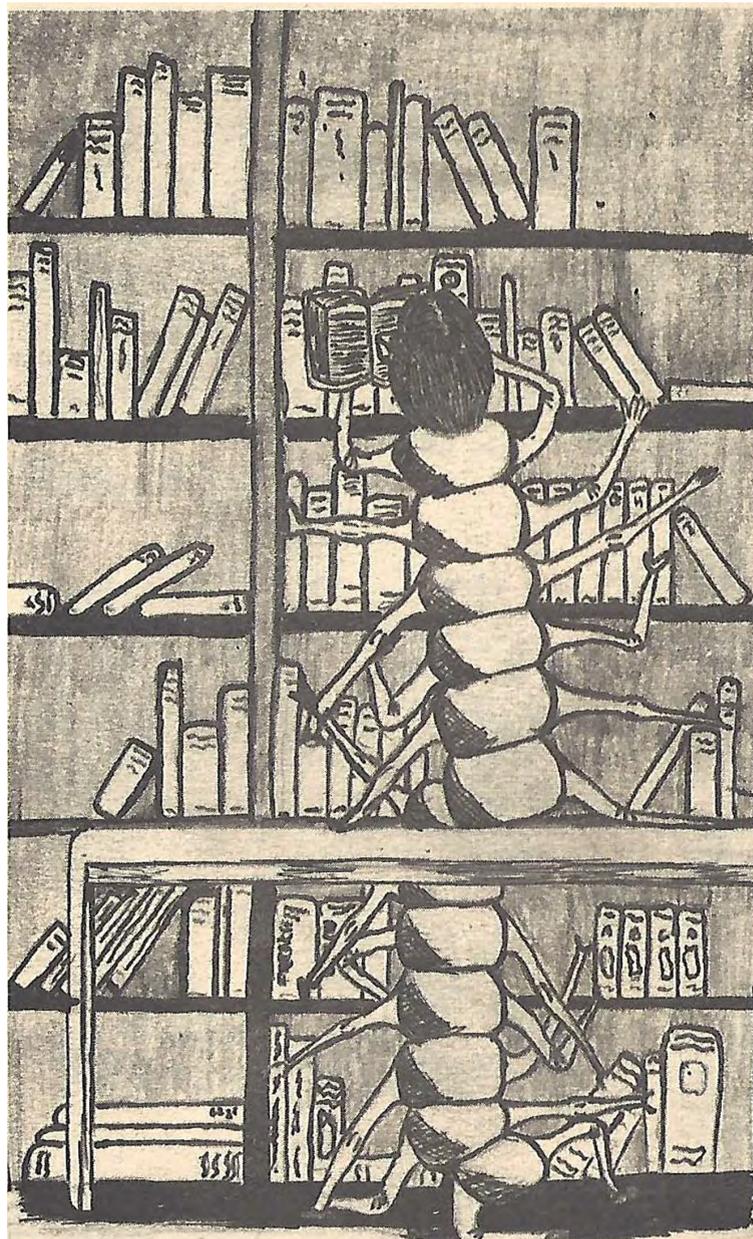
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Prinsloo (1A1)

Sprague (1B1)





Barlow (2A1)



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Amyot (5B2) After Blake



LITERARY SECTION

MISERIES OF POETRY

In English these days, all we read
Are poems of blood and gore;
Poems of death and murder,
Of rape and hate and war.

I found myself staring
At the pages before my eyes.
The people in there were screaming,
But I couldn't answer their desperate cries.

The miseries of modern life
Were forced into my mind,
I just couldn't get rid of them;
My thoughts were struggling blind.

I fought to lift the clouds of depression
That were settling over me.
I wanted the world to know the truth
.... Then suddenly I was free.

I stood up and shouted loudly
"Don't listen - it's not that bad",
But they looked at me with scornful eyes
As if they thought I was mad.

I wanted to tell them of happiness and love
About the birds, the flowers, the trees.
But the black cloud descended again;
My lips began to freeze.

I slumped into my chair frustrated,
Once more immersed in gloom.
I found myself and everyone else
Again awaiting doom.

C.Daniels (U.6)

FLASH FLOOD

The sun hung overhead suspended just above the treetops. Its rays were reflected cruelly off the naked bleached sand of the river bed. Ghostlike wisps of evaporating moisture distorted the vision, making the grey lumps of granite at the bend of the river seem like a superb collection of Rodin's sculptures. I would have branded anyone a fool had he suggested that in under two minutes, those very same rocks would cause rapids in the turbulent waters of a flash flood.

Suddenly and simultaneously the shrilling of the elusive cicadas in the brilliant green leaves and creviced black limbs of the acacias ceased. For a moment I was bewildered, fearful, for all nature seemed to be waiting for something to happen. Then I heard it - a distant roar like the approach of an old steam locomotive.

The sound grew louder and louder until the earth shuddered beneath my feet. Then a barricade of water tore around the bend in the river and forcibly struck the corroded lumps of granite that squatted invincibly there. The resultant spray shot high into the air, seemed to be suspended there for a long moment, then crashed back to the water that tumbled over the hard backs of the old boulders. A large acacia tree clung momentarily to the doubtful support of the rocks but the weight of the waters were too great for it and the trunk splintered, exposing the great fangs of lighter wood that lay beneath the dark exterior. The tree was then jostled on by the impatient water that tumbled around it. The second piece, the trunk, no longer struggled for buoyancy under the dragging influence of the canopy.

The crushing water of the crest cascaded on down the unsuspecting riverbed. The surging buckling waters of the first wave splattered the bank vegetation with froth. A thick layer of semi-decomposed vegetal litter patchingly covered the surface of the flood waters. The tempestuous waters of the bend swirled into eddies and whirlpools that swallowed the litter, then allowed it to emerge abruptly ten metres downstream.

As I watched the murky waters swirling beneath my feet I wondered how many thunderstorms had contributed to this torrent and what places these waters might visit before they were again evaporated by the sun.

I noticed the rushing waters had subsided slightly and the water had left twin rows of unhealthy, light-brown foam along the banks and floating islets of the substance drifted passively in the swift current of the main stream. I noticed, also, that the waters had changed from a weak milky coffee colour to the yellow colour of autumn leaves and I realised that the flood was a result of the opening of the sluice gates of the dam to eradicate excess silt.

As I sloshed home through the sludgy black mud of the resultant marsh that lay over the land I thought how fortunate I had been to witness this truly marvellous scene.

R.Dando (4A1) (Honours Award - Eisteddfod)

THE OLD BAOBAB TREE

With the coming of dawn the native village awoke. Silhouetted against the sun, a blazing ball of early morning colour, a cock crowed, a long drawn out homage. The searching, probing fingers of light haloed rocks thrown at the still crowing cock and set alight the village god. The sacred, unmortal god stood unmoved by the birth of the day, immense and weathered in its position of honour.

As if in unity the sun and natives rose, and each grew in size until the sun was whole, and the people one. Behind the full blaze of the light, the revered Baobab cast shadows of blessing on the village below. From afar, the mighty, with its spreadeagled arms, shadowed clefts and outlined bulges, portrayed a face of pain and suffering, the reason it was a god

Natives breaking away from breakfast fires, creating dust which filtered through the sun's rays, started to do daily chores. Then a difference could be noted from the routine work

A few old weather-beaten men stood, heads bowed in the direction of the sun, which kissed the Baobab tree. Slowly the noise level died and movement ceased. All heads were now solemnly bent in the direction of the tree. A group consisting of a few of the older, respected men, faces down and hands in the conventional prayer posture, started walking forward. A monotonous wail accompanied the footsteps. It steadily increased in tempo as they approached their idol; then suddenly stopped as if an imaginary sign had been given

Deadly silence reigned as a single man stepped forward and bowed. The others followed suit. Silence, broken only by the yapping cackle of the Hamerkop again closed in on the native encampment. The man then rose and placed a very precious sacrificial young goat at the foot of the tree and retreated, head bobbing to the sacred idol.

Silence again

The remaining elders then slowly rose and shuffled backwards to their huts. Only when they entered did the younger members rise.

Gradually the noise level increased and work began again, until nobody could tell that they had been through a very religious service and sacrifice. Only the vultures could,

N.Rix (2A1) Honours Award

THE MARKET PLACE

The morning sky is crystal blue without a trace of cloud. You cannot see the sky very well as the market square is surrounded by buildings and the colourful signs in the stalls. Gradually the different tradesmen set up their stalls. The flower-sellers set their flowers up in tins of water, the vegetable-sellers set their vegetables in wooden pockets, the fruit-sellers put their fruit out on long wooden tables, the meat-sellers hang their meat up on hooks while it still drips. Now you hear the clattering of horses' hooves on the narrow cobbled street. It is the farmer bringing his farm produce, such as eggs, milk, vegetables, fruit and a few chickens.

The people begin to filter in and the tradesmen begin to shout their wares. The crowd grows denser and the people are pushing and shoving each other to try to get to the stall they favour. Near the flower stall the smell is divine. You smell all the fresh sweet flowers and the fresh air there. The flower stall has tins in front of it blooming with radiant blazes of colour. The old lady sits on her chair knitting herself a warm blanket among the flowers, waiting for customers.

In the fruit stall you can see juicy red apples, plump fresh oranges, fat yellow bananas and huge mottled green water-melons. There are trays full of luscious plums and peaches, lemons and guavas. You can smell the sweet smell of sun-ripened fruit. The vegetable stall is the busiest and the people are pushing and shoving to get the best vegetables. The wooden trays are piled high with long orange carrots, dark brown potatoes, green juicy gem-squash, purple and white radishes, green beans, round fat onions, shiny red tomatoes, plump lettuce and cabbages and long crisp spinach leaves.

The smells in the square are mixed, with the hot sweaty smell of hot, annoyed people; the fresh clean smell of flowers and fruit; the smell of meat that has been out too long; and the sharp stench of rubbish that has been thrown down the alley-ways.

The people are mainly women with huge baskets and tattered worn clothes. They are either farmers' wives or servants of rich and prosperous people. If anything falls off the stalls or out of the baskets, it is immediately snatched up by greedy fingers, or is lost under that multitude of stamping feet and is crushed to a fine stinking pulp.

These tradesmen carry on right through the heat of the day until it eventually gets dark. They close their stalls up, collect the produce and jingle what money they made during that day.

W.Bailey (1A1) Honours Award

AHEAD LAY THE RAGGED CHAIN OF MOUNTAINS

Ahead lay the ragged chain of mountains, thrusting their way up through the undulating monotony of the Columbia River flood plain. The external vista of mountain, forest and lake spread out below the plane was exactly as Steve remembered it but it seemed to exude a new aura of infernal foreboding. Somewhere, concealed within the intricate, three dimensional map below him was Mt. St Helens, a volcanic, frost-sharpened, sharktooth-like ragged peak. "Believed to be extinct", the newspapers said. He bit back the impulse to laugh at the irony of the statement. During the last week Mount St Helens had erupted twice, with devastating consequences. As the papers put it, "Thirty-two people are known to have been killed, with seventy-one missing". As he nosed the plane into the pass through the mountains he saw what he was looking for, but even so he was unprepared for its grotesque enormity. Again the papers had underestimated in calling it "a giant black cloud of gritty ash several kilometres wide". In reality it was a dense, black pall; a nuclear holocaust spewed from the volcano in its initial stages. Everything about it was pervaded by a sense of doom and evilness. The whole countryside was coated with a grimy film of ash which added a sepulchral touch to the magnificent, once verdant green forests. In the midst of this devastation at one edge of the ash cloud, the black, forbidding peak of Mount St Helens rose above its neighbours, violently coughing out volcanic ash and steam which rose in a column 12000m high to meet the cloud, like some frozen, black tornado. The plane was now well below the level of the cloud and the intense heat waves buffeted the little plane mercilessly. Steve fought frantically to keep it under control and rivulets of muddy sweat poured down the contours of his face. Through his concentration he could not help marvelling at the stark contrast from when he had last visited the area six months previously. Then the whole scene had been clothed in a soft, blinding-white blanket of snow. The sharp outline and contours of Mount St Helens had been softened by the smooth, rounded outline of the snow, giving it a gentle, motherly attitude. Now it represented the death throes of some prehistoric monster, gradually coughing out its life blood, but its real lifeblood was still concealed within the rocky recesses below the mountain. "Geologists believe that lava is stirring deep below the mountain". Steve had made that statement for the papers and he also knew that when next large explosions occurred the vast reservoir of lava under intense heat and pressure would surge upwards through the vent and down the mountainside destroying hundreds of hectares of land, plastering it with a coat of searing hot, all-consuming lava.

Everyone had long since been evacuated, everyone except, Steve knew, the old man, whose mysterious force of attraction was much stronger now and the flimsy plane battled purposefully and determinedly through the heat, steam and ash, towards the threatening mountain. As he approached the foothills he noticed the plane's windscreen was splattered with mud. It was raining mud. The steam emitted from the volcano had condensed around the dust and ash particles forming a deluge of mud droplets. Steve searched desperately for the grassy glade where he had stopped for lunch six months previously. Through pure chance he saw it - a miniature, marsh of mud hardly distinguishable from the mud drenched surrounding forests. With a sickening feeling, Steve realised that even if he managed to land the plane he would never be able to take off again, but now his emotions were secondary. Expertly he eased the bucking aircraft down over the field of mud. He could scarcely see through the mud-plastered windscreen. The first impact jolted the aircraft to its frame, it skidded wildly through inches of mud and hit a bump, bounding metres up into the air again remarkably unharmed. As it landed for a second time one of the wheels gave way with a sickening crash and the plane slewed violently through the mud, veering off to the right, on its erratic and haphazard course. A few seconds later the nose of the wounded aircraft plummeted into the tall, blackened trees at the edge of the clearing and the thin, aluminium crumpled instantaneously. Miraculously the cockpit was undamaged but Steve was shaking uncontrollably in the aftermath of shock. There was no going back now. He fumbled with the radio controls and urgently relayed an S.O.S. to the base at Portland, giving his location at the other end but he doubted that they had heard him with all the surrounding mountains and the humid mud-drenched atmosphere.

Even rescue was of secondary importance now. He had to see the old man. A clear image of the flowing white beard and those mysterious black piercing eyes dominated his mind. He had recognised something of himself in the old man, something he could not and yet yearned to grasp; and he longed to ask many unformed questions. He was a man on the brink of discovering some great power, and death itself was of no consequence; but he jolted himself back to reality - the old man had to be saved, somehow, if he was not already dead.

Steve dragged himself out of the plane into the steamy, muddy, alien atmosphere. He could see the overhanging cliff less than one hundred metres away. He climbed into the clutching sea of mud, and surged forward laboriously in the direction of the cliff. Ten minutes later, exhausted and soaked with sweat and mud, he rounded the last tree and came into full sight of the hut. It was unchanged. Luxuriant, green festoons of ivy embellished the log walls, and a wisp of smoke curled from the chimney. The little lawn and flowers bloomed and the forest with its million hues of green closed in protectively round the hut. The overhanging cliffs had shielded the area from the mud and ash storm which had devastated the surrounding area. It was a lurid and comforting contrast from the surrounding scene of destruction. Steve staggered up the path and burst through the door. The old man sat serenely by the fire, sipping steaming strong tea, and the old cat lay stretched out languidly beside him. Neither showed any outward signs of reaction to the furnace-hot, humid atmosphere. They seemed to take comfort from the fire, as if the air was, as normal, bitterly cold.

"Come on, we've got to get out of here quickly", yelled Steve, confused and alarmed at the old man's fatalistic attitude. "I knew you would come". The old man smiled as he turned to comfort Steve and he radiated an aura of peacefulness and content.

"She's going to blow any minute", pleaded Steve. "We've got to get off the mountain. If we follow the river we might make it before the lava spills over". The old man sighed sympathetically.

"I was born on this mountain", he began, in that strange, cracked voice unused to talking. "I have lived all my life on her, she has provided me with everything I need. If she dies, I too will die". Steve felt his fears and panic dissolving and subsiding away from him. He felt calm and almost happy, and it no longer mattered whether he lived or died. He was enveloped in an obsession with these assuring and peaceful aura that pervaded the room. He shared something in common with the tenacious old man. He too had been born in the mountains and spent all his free time roaming them, searching for some hidden essence, which had been removed by the tedium of a city job. He had found it, and much more, in the remarkable old man. Ever since National Park authorities had tried to chase him off his land, when the area was declared a National Park thirty years ago the old man had greeted all visitors with a shotgun, but he had accepted Steve the moment he saw him and a strange, mutual bond had sprung up. In Steve's mind the old man concealed some fantastic secret which, if revealed, could solve the problems of mankind, a recipe for peace and harmony embedded deep in the old man's consciousness.

Steve found his mind becoming divorced from such artificial, human concepts as fear and pain. They were all part of reality which no longer seemed to matter to him. The old man had poured out another cup of tea and he handed it to Steve. As he did so a violent, unearthly explosion flung the tin cup across the room and part of the roof crumbled in. The towering monster shuddered in its final death throes, and the cabin seemed to shake with it. Steve knew it was going to erupt. With a deafening serpentine hissing sound the lava, which had formed the mountain milleniums ago, exploded out through the vent and formed cascading torrents of liquid fire down the mountainside, engulfing everything in their paths. Steve studied the old man intensely, absorbing some of his calm assurance, and searching the hidden depths of his mind. As the cliff overhanging crumbled under the weight of the lava the two men smiled at one another. Steve wondered vaguely how his wife and child would react. If only he could explain to them what he felt, but they wouldn't understand. No-one ever did.

The awesome explosion deadened the roar of the helicopter as it hovered overhead. The pilot glanced sympathetically at the woman and the young boy sitting next to him. "We had better get out of here quickly", he said softly. "There's nothing we can do now".

The woman stared vacantly in front of her. She had never really understood Steve. He was different to everyone else she knew. At the end of every working week he would become restless and irritable, and on Friday afternoon he would go off camping by himself in the mountains, to return refreshed on Sunday afternoon. He had become unbearable after he had met that mad old hermit. She remembered him telling her about the old recluse. In the early mining days his father had claimed to have experienced an encounter with a strange being. Everyone in the community had scorned this and the enraged father had fled to the foothills of Mt St Helens with his young son, and neither had been heard of again until after the Second World War when the area was declared a National Park, and wardens came across the aged son. Since then tourists were a constant problem but the old man had recognised something greater in Steve; someone who listened and believed his mysterious tales inherited from his wild father.

Steve's wife put her arm around her hysterical son. "Don't worry," she whispered. "Daddy's happy now". She turned to the pilot. "You can go now", she said. "You're right, there's nothing we can do now."

P.Taylor (U.6)

THE TORN JACKET

The wind howled and blew as the shadow of a man passed over the prison wall. The shadow belonged to the mass murderer, Johan Strater. As he crept silently along the length of the high, formidable wall, a tingle shot down his spine for in his path stood a large vicious dobermann. The guard dog would sense Johan's presence if he even took one step forward.

The dog slowly walked away from his post and Johan took the opportunity. He gave the hoot of an owl and almost immediately a rope hurtled to the ground. He rushed and started to climb the cord. As he neared the top his foot slipped. The dog turned and realised what was happening. He leapt at the rope but the convict had escaped over the gate. The alarm was raised and the surrounding area of the prison was lit up like a Christmas tree. A piercing siren shrilled over the darkness of the prison courtyard, the gates were opened and a stream of guards and dogs poured out of the entrance.

As the dogs surged ahead, Strater heard the excited yelps and increased his speed. Slowly the dogs set off in different directions fanning the woods for the prisoner. Strater stooped behind a large grey boulder, anxiously looking for the ferocious pursuers. Without warning a large Alsatian rushed into the clearing. He had picked up Strater's scent. Strater knew he was cornered and so hopelessly he made a run for the woods. The dog, seeing his prey, increased speed and leapt at the helpless criminal.

The dog's sharp teeth dug into the man's flesh and gripped with such force that the man's shoulder was pulled from its socket. The dog loosened its grip on its captive to regain his lost breath. The prisoner tugged and off came his numbered jacket. The animal, still clutching the jacket, looked bewildered as his captive ran for cover in the woods. As the convict disappeared into the thick undergrowth, the dog's handler arrived in the clearing. Giving his dog the instructions to take a sniff of the jacket and yet again pursue the convict, he caught a glimpse of the fugitive crashing through the undergrowth.

The dogs charged off into the thick and densely populated trees. The sun had started to show its face over the ridge of trees. Suddenly out of the silent sunrise came the agonising yell of a man. The convict had been caught again. As the dogs trooped back to the prison, the fugitive in handcuffs, was seen sneering at the dog which had found him in the clearing. The dog did not respond, as in his mouth hung the torn jacket.

J. Armstrong.

THE OLD BAOBAB TREE

A tide of purple darkness descended, cloaking the last golden rays of the dying sun and the flaming silhouette of an old baobab tree, solitarily standing in an expanse of scorching sand and shrubs, devoid of all other life. With the coming of the blanketing night came also the evening star shining with an indomitable sheen over the desolate shrubland to herald the arrival of a lone traveller wearily trudging over the waterless wastes.

Long he had traversed them with little hope and about as much water. He was gaunt in face and lean in body; the many intolerable miles had taken their heavy toll. He staggered on a few laborious steps, each one a separate manoeuvre. He came to a gradual halt, lifted his sun-ravaged face and stared listlessly around until his eyes lit upon the old baobab tree. It looked incongruous amid its surrounding vegetation, yet to those who knew its secret an ineffable pleasure in the infernal wastes. A look of comprehension spread over his face and he managed a jerky lope in its direction. It took a full half hour for him to stagger to the base of the tree, and by this time his rasping breath was coming in lung-ripping gasps through his severely parched lips. His face was scarlet with exertion. He frantically clambered to the top of the baobab's gigantic hollow trunk and plunged into the sparkling rain-water secretly gathered inside, casting his body into its cool sanctuary.

The baobab had seen many such sights in the heartless wilds; and many people had sunk to their last sigh of submission within yards of the would-be saviour, unknowing, to let their spirits flee from lifeless corpses. Yes, the baobab had seen the rising of the Matabele nation and the coming of the white man, bringing death and destruction in their wake;

At last the man quenched his almost insatiable thirst and then collapsed exhaustedly at the base of the tree. After a few nervous glances along his tracks he wrenched a small leather pouch from his side and pulled out a single stone, sparkling with a brilliant white radiance. After tentatively fondling it he hurriedly returned it to its place of honour in the pouch which he promptly placed under his body, and after a few furtive glances into the darkness from whence he came, he lapsed thankfully into glorious repose. It was senseless to hoard such stones of beauty, perceived the baobab, for they should be scattered around the bushveld to increase its earthly magnificence; but then again, men are senseless.

The baobab heartily greeted the first gleaming strips of light set by the rising sun on the bushveld's awakening. He looked down to see if the man had gone. Slumped lifelessly over a protruding root was the inert form of the man; a little red hole was in the middle of his back. The baobab noticed that the precious leather pouch had disappeared and upon looking up he saw an old man dropping over the horizon. Yes, he agreed to himself, men are senseless.

R.Taylor (2A1)

SPACE TRAVEL

Ever since early in history, man has been possessed with the idea to explore and discover. First of all he explored his cave, then the land, next the sea and eventually the air. Today we are at a new frontier, space travel.

At first progress to travel in space was slow, because nobody was really sure what lay beyond his atmosphere. Everything had to be tested before they could be used. Today space travel is advancing terribly fast, because of man's thirst to know if there is any other planet which holds life. Millions of dollars are spent on space travel, while back on earth millions of people starve and struggle to live and find work.

Many problems were faced when man finally thought seriously of space travel. Men had to be put into orbit around the earth, first on their own, then in pairs. They had to learn how to "walk" in space and finally, when all possible tests had been done, men could land on the moon.

A large problem that men faced with space travel was that they needed a special vehicle capable of very high speeds of twenty-five thousand miles per hour or more, so that the vehicle could break away from the earth's hold. Eventually men used the rocket, which had been invented by the Chinese and had been used for entertainment and war for many hundreds of years.

The engines that aeroplanes use were ideal, except that they used oxygen and there was no oxygen in outer space. Therefore, a supply of oxygen had to be taken up with the rocket, so that an "explosion" could take place. The two most common liquids used for rockets are alcohol and liquid oxygen. Liquid oxygen was more suitable than the gas because it occupied much less space. Nowadays scientists are experimenting with nuclear power to replace the liquid fuels, but this is still under development and a considerable amount of work has to be done before this motor can be used.

Another problem was the effect that outer space had on man. Man had to overcome the uncomfortable feeling of being weightless. Being weightless also changed man slightly. Because there is no gravity to pull a person's body to his feet, the person's spine stretches and he grows about five centimetres. Also the person's face becomes fatter and his legs, chest and stomach become thinner. Space suits had to be worn so that the right pressure could be obtained. If a person was taken into outer space without a space suit he would literally explode, because there is no pressure in space.

Once man had overcome all the problems, space travel zoomed ahead. Pioneer IV became the first craft to escape from the earth's pull. A Russian, Yuri Gagarin became the first human being to enter space and make one orbit of the earth. Nearly everybody knows that Neil Armstrong became the first man to stand on another body in space. Today space ships have been sent to Mars, but as yet, no human being has landed on Mars.

Scientists have calculated that there are about ten other planets in the universe that may contain life. If we stumbled upon another life what would it be like? Would it be more advanced than us? What would happen if we met another life? These questions and man's thirst for knowledge takes him into space in search of other worlds and so, space travel will continue to grow tremendously until we find our answers.

Mark Lutz (3A1)

C A S T L E S

"What are Castles? "

"Who made Castles? "

"Who lived in Castles? "

These are the questions many people ask about castles. Since the early nineteenth century, a country's strength depended largely on the number of occupied castles it had. A castle in those early days was the home of a knight or baron. Each castle had its own army whose size depended on the owner's wealth. The castles were made of huge blocks of rock cemented together. A moat was built around the castle and thus made the invader's task very much more arduous and strenuous. A huge oak drawbridge which crossed the moat was used as a crossing stone and as an enormous gate.

When a castle was under attack, the drawbridge was closed and archers ran to the castle's top to take up battle positions. The castle's height was a great advantage as boiling oil and other dangerous objects were hurled over the side on to the invaders. The castle's thick solid walls could only be penetrated by the use of a giant rock catapult.

Many of these castles still exist up to this day, thus proving their strength and invulnerability. These mysterious castles are riddled with rumours about ghosts and other despicable objects living in them. In the old castle of King George V of England people are scared stiff of the King's ghost who carried around his head under his arm. Even nowadays when people are becoming less and less superstitious they still shiver with fear while watching a "Count Dracula" movie.

Now, from the hard indestructible and magnificent old castles, to the more cheerful, weak and easily crushed castles - sand castles.

The construction of sand castles is becoming a more and more serious job. Instead of in the old days when people used to get a handful of soft, squelchy sand and make it into an untidy mess and call it a sandcastle, people are buying specially shaped buckets and spades and are spending hours trying to build an exact replica of a famous castle. In America, a boy called Robert Hashman declared that he had made an exact replica of Queen Elizabeth's castle; but unfortunately, the evidence was brought down to earth by some careless person's ugly foot.

All types of people use castles; from the old, bold knights to the happy little sandcastle constructor, to the intelligent middle aged man.

The game chess was first introduced in 1840. The castle is the third most important piece of the board and is worth five pawns who are soldiers. Chess is a game which requires a lot of thinking and planning about how to make the next attack. It is very similar in reality to the situation in the ancient days when two neighbours have a private war.

When most people hear the word 'castle' they automatically think it refers to the wartime castles; but the above essay has shown that it has many meanings of which the one I like best is the constructing of castles in the air. What is better than sitting in a boring lesson and building castles in the air about the beautiful girls on the beach.

D. Brenner (3A1)

THE WORLD AS IT WILL BE IN A HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW

As I flew the "strobe" over London I looked down upon the scene below me. This massive city was spread out like a gigantic, glinting, pebbly beach. All of the buildings were semi-spherical and a million windows peeped and winked at me. The only difference appeared in the enormous industrial centres; these looked like rooks scattered over the beach because they were big, ugly and black. From their smoke stacks, white, black and grey smoke was spewed forth.

The sky above the city was infested with tiny flying machines similar to my own. These brilliantly contrived planes of "strokes" look just like flying fleas because they are little bubbles with half a metre of wing on either side. Not only that, but they use no fuel because they are radio controlled.

I glided into the parking bay at Heathrow and sailed through the customs after I left the airport. I took a taxi to the tube railway station. In the railway station there are two types of rail travel available. For the poorer class there is the old, slow electric train. For the richer class there is the ultra-new fast monorail craft. As usual, I took the monorail craft which is beautifully sleek and looks similar to a steel greyhound. The station is a kilometre wide and it is a fairly long walk to the train. The monorail craft have only two carriages which make them light and fast. Thus I arrived at the building where I work in about ten minutes.

The building where I work looks similar to every other on the outside, for it is 100 stories high, is semi-spherical and has a multitude of windows. Before going into the building I walked over to a nearby construction site. This area is cordoned off to the public because of the danger. At the moment it is just a hole and even though I can never see the bottom (I can never get close enough because of the cordon), it fascinates me to watch the shovel with its arms about fifty metres long, shovelling ton after ton of soil out of the hole. I do not know for certain where this soil goes but it is believed that it is sent north where it can be used for agriculture. In the north, they have had to use multi-storey buildings for plants because there is no room on the ground on which to grow a hectare of crops. Indeed, London now occupies the whole of Southern England.

With this in mind I looked up at the cloud of toxic gases which was filling the sky and I realised that this was the reason why the buildings are built down into the ground instead of up into the foul air.

Then I entered the building and took the elevator to the fifth floor where my office is. I walked in the door and thanked my secretary for the safe landing. As I settled down to work I wondered, "If I had lived a hundred years ago, would I do this to get to work every day?"

R.Nash (3A1)

EXCITEMENT AT THE AIRPORT

All was quiet in the Airport, except for the low buzzing of computers and the high beeping of an array of machines lined up against the wall in the infra-red light. On the wall in a blank space was a large screen which suddenly flicked into life: "All personnel to units, Repeat, All personnel to units, Unidentified flying object approaching at 74⁰ from North East". The Airport came to life as people manned their stations and the main control room echoed with excited whispering and the frenzied buzz and bleep of scanner screens and other equipment. Suddenly everything went quiet. Every eye was turned to the main screen. On it was a large dot which was slowly getting bigger. As it grew on the screen, they saw that the thing was shaped like a shallow bowl with a silver circle on the top. It had hundreds of patches of coloured lights which flickered like the neon signs of New York City, on the bottom and sides. Slowly it filled the screen.

Outside, groundsmen put lights on the landing field while reporters weaved in and out, saying things to cameras such as: "Will this be the first contact with extra-terrestrial beings?" and, "As far as I can see, it's been sent by the Russians to blow us all up!" Then, as everyone watched with open mouths, the UFO slowly descended on to the landing field. It touched down with a whoosh of air and then it stood quiet. A beam of light came from a door in the centre as it slowly opened. "Lord have mercy!" shouted someone. "Something's coming outside!"

A silhouetted figure slowly came down a ramp and as he came closer, everyone gave a gasp - he had pointed ears, arched eyebrows, a piercing look, and black hair. "Good evening, gentlemen," he said, "I'm Leonard Nimroy, currently starring in the motion picture "Star Trek". I just dropped in to see what the experts think of a flying saucer. Realistic, is it not?"

A.Williams (1A1)

ONLY THEN DID HE WISH THAT HE HAD WORKED HARDER AT SCHOOL

Peter Lee was a boy who must have had the best time of his life at high school. He enjoyed every minute of it, mainly because he did not work at all. This, unfortunately, did not pay off.

Ever since Peter had started at high school, work had been the last thing on his mind. He had always put his sport before his work, and was always more worried about whether he had made the first rugby team than whether he had passed his exams. When his 'O' Levels arrived, despite suggestions by his parents to attempt to do a bit of work, he made no preparations for them, and subsequently failed them outright. Although being warned again, about how he would have to do his national service should he fail these exams again, he proceeded to fail for a second time. Peter received his call-up papers a week after his results.

Peter was not very worried, however, as all the army meant to him was a career where one could keep fit and healthy. He did not consider the dangerous aspect at all, and consequently was not in the least bit worried when intake day arrived.

Peter considered the six-week training period as tremendous, and he shone in every aspect, except when sitting written exams. Peter became captain of his regiment's rugby team, and vice-captain of the volley ball team. Even when it was time to go and fight, Peter never considered the fact that he could have been in the Sixth Form in that particular year.

When eventually he had to go on his first patrol, Peter began having second thoughts about the army. He became uncontrollably nervous as he crept through the bushes tracking down his enemy. He would leap about ten feet into the air at the slightest rustling of the bushes. The inevitable occurred on that first patrol - an ambush.

There was a loud explosion, followed by spasmodic bursts of automatic fire. The patrol dropped quickly to the ground and began to return the fire. The enemy clearly had the advantage, however, as the patrol were in a lower position, and consequently could not get off their stomachs for fear of being shot. The enemy pelted their feeble victims with round after round of bullets, which smacked into the ground and into the trees. Peter watched in horror as bullets hit the ground only centimetres from his head. Only

then did he wish that he had worked harder at school. He realised that if he had applied himself to some serious study, he would be sitting in a safe classroom, listening to a teacher's voice, and not lying in the deadly bundu, listening to the blasts of the machine guns. Already two patrol members had been killed with no loss to the enemy. Peter realised that, in their present position, they were sitting targets. Hence, in spite of his overwhelming nervousness, he stood up and blindly opened fire. The first bullet hit Peter in the chest. Before he could even fall, however, ten more bullets had found their victim. They literally tore his flesh off and turned Peter into a mutilated mess within three seconds. Peter found himself lying in a pool of his own blood, experiencing an excruciating pain in his chest region. The medical assistant was by him in a second and he soon had a drip up. The fighting had obviously stopped, for Peter could see many figures standing over him. He soon began to feel drowsy, and things became blurred. His thoughts were confused, and he realised that he was looking without seeing, and listening without hearing. His last thoughts were about school.

The medical assistant turned to the guard and pronounced Private Peter Lee dead. Peter was added to the pile of four men who had died in that bloody ambush.

S.Gordon (4A1)

I TURNED BACK THE TIME MACHINE

I turned back the time machine and sat expectantly, facing the vast array of dials and switches in front of me.

It was the year 2207, the year of many scientific and technical breakthroughs. Man had built space ships which could flash by in hyper-space at almost the speed of light, and new discoveries were continually being made. Strangely, in spite of, or perhaps because of, the fact that the earth was in ceaseless turmoil, there was a world wide spiritual revival. A quarter of the population on earth had been wiped out in a major nuclear war, but it was still twice that it was in the year 2000. Now it seemed the whole world in common wanted to learn one thing - when and if God or Satan would return to earth, or even if these immortals existed. The situation pointed to the fact that if either of these 'kings' were to come, now was the ideal time, because of the terrible state the world was in.

The three leading powers on earth had combined to produce a type of time machine which, by shattering certain time and space barriers, could be transported into different time zones. The scientists decided to kill two birds with one stone, and sent the machine on its maiden test flight to 4 B.C. (When Christ was actually born) and see if at that time there were any signs of the Anti-Christ or Savage Messiah. Scholars believed that when Christ was born, the False Prophet was also born, and he has, like Christ, been waiting for the chance to descend again to earth. In fact it was widely believed that the one who came to earth first would rule the world. Now in this age of astounding spiritualism, people thought it would be wise to send the time machine back to the birth of Christ, and see if there was in fact a devil. I was to operate this machine (an ungainly, massive space craft) as I was reckoned to be the most experienced astronaut on earth, having visited every planet in the solar system, and also the nearest star, Alpha Centauri.

I was now in position over the earth, and I set the instruments to check with the scientists' calculations. One could say I was turning back the time machine. The machine was powered by pure energy, artificially produced. The ship hurtled around the earth faster and faster, until it was a streaking mass of synthetic material, and at the fixed speed and position it spun off into hyper-space, and all radio links were disrupted. The craft shuddered and rocked and then the emptiness around me glowed a fiery yellow colour and burst into white light. The barrier had been broken. I noticed the familiar sight of earth below me, but it was the earth of 4 B.C. The scientists had succeeded in creating a time machine!

Even from that height, I could pin-point the birth place of Christ, if the Bible could be trusted. A brilliant comet hung over the side of earth showing the exact position of Bethlehem. Using the transporter beam, I shot myself down to the little town and saw to my amazement that the Bible's tale of Christ's birth was flawless in every little detail. This was fascinating, but according to scholars, the greatest surprise would be on the opposite side of the world.

I transported myself across the earth, and what I saw on the other side shocked me. There was a smaller, somehow brighter star above a rocky, isolated plain. In the centre, lay a jackal in labour. I watched horrified as the tiny form appeared from within the beast. It was human! The child had three sixes tattooed on its head. I recalled the Book of Revelations in the New Testament of the Bible, which stated that the anti-Christ would be born by a four legged animal that had been raped, and that the devil's number was "six hundred, three-score and six." This form, and its descendants would rise against God

and mankind, but if it were not too late, exorcists could halt it in its stride. I had always been sceptical about the validity of the Bible, until this moment. In the short time I had been on the earth of 4 B.C. I had understood all.

The sound of thousands of voices singing O.H.M. rose up from the nearby hills and caves, deafening me. I hurriedly transported myself back to the craft, and as I relaxed, I reflected on what I had seen. The Bible had told it all. There was an anti-Christ, a Savage Messiah, a False Prophet, and he probably still lived as Christ did, waiting for his chance to strike. I manipulated the controls to send the craft shooting into the space barrier that when broken, would fire me into the twenty-third century. As I did so, I thought of a poem recited in Revelations:

"When the Jews return to Zion,
And a comet fills the sky,
And the Holy Roman Empire rises,
Then you and I must die."

I thought over each line. The Jews and the other religious sects had in fact returned to their lands, free from persecution and threat. No comet, however, had been seen for years, which confused me. The Holy Roman Empire, according to scholars, was the Common Market, and that had certainly risen to its peak. The last line I knew well; Satan would appear and destroy mankind. So, it had all come true, except for the appearance of the comet, which would be the final sign announcing the coming of Satan.

I noticed with a start the radio was blaring at me, and I was back in the twenty-third century. We had resumed radio contact, and now the machine would be brought to earth by Ground Control. I was greeted enthusiastically by masses of people crowding the complex, and I told my story of how I had gone back in time, and seen the birth of the anti-Christ. The world stopped its tumult when this news was transmitted by satellites in all the major war areas - there was now too much to think about. The next morning I went to the Rocket Complex to meet the leaders of the World Powers, for it seemed that for the first time, there was no threat of major war or strife. It seemed my mission had succeeded in bringing peace to all the nations, for now everyone knew that they had to unite to fight Satan, and there could be no more war between fellow men. Man's only hope was to work together, and forget all thoughts of violence against other humans, for this immortal threat was much more important. The earth, for the first time ever, was in a state of tranquility and calm, and man no longer turned against his brother. The sounds and scenes of advanced nuclear warfare echoed for the last time - and were experienced no more. The Wars that had scarred the earth's features were over.

As I passed the vast battery of energy telescopes, the commander of the Complex hailed me excitedly and shouted to me, "Will you come and look at this. We should have been able to foresee this, but it seems to have appeared from nowhere. It will be visible to the eye by midday. Don't you see? It's an enormous comet.

C.Faasen (4A1)

THE ADVANTAGES and DISADVANTAGES OF BEING POPULAR

Popularity is a state many people strive to attain. A minority reach their goal and are successful in achieving fame. Their lives are lived in seeming luxury and comfort. Many people fail miserably in an unsuccessful attempt to reach their life's ambition. Spending the rest of their hopeless years in solitude, despondent and depressed at the complete failure they have been. From henceforth everything they try to do will be clouded with this unforgotten memory. Popular people always have an air of casual frivolity, one wonders what lies beneath the surface, a hidden state of mind that they try and hide.

Being popular can be advantageous not only to the people or person involved but to many others as well. A popular person motivated in some particular way can, through his followers, do a tremendous amount of good. Knowing that this is so, people have tried to use this principle in getting a certain point of view over to others. Walt Disney cartoons are so famous and their popularity so great that they are now being used as instructional. Being popular gives a feeling of self-reliance. The "Beatles" started off as a singing group, knowing that they would need each others' talent to be recognised and to pull away from the "starting line". They soon became very popular indeed and individually realised they could separate and stand on their own popularity.

Someone who is popular has no trouble in receiving things his own way. Indeed an actor will be rich and be able to afford many sometimes unobtainable items, but he will be respected above all others. A popular actor when visiting another city or country will be given special liberties. At his home he will be able to relax waiting for his next film or theatrical performance, thinking of how wealthy and admired he is. His financial and food budget will be carried out for him. Popularity seems certainly to have many virtues

Being popular can be likened to a verdict sentencing one to the dungeon of popularity to which there is virtually no way of escaping. After a singing performance a singer like Elvis Presley has to dash madly out of the building to avoid the hysterical crowds. Climbing into his car he would be hastily driven to his hotel where he would swiftly retire to his room. He would not be able to lead a normal life, newspapers will speak of his wonderful new songs, and when and where he will next be performing. As usual crowds of fans will be there to catch their divine hero as he emerges at the end of the show. He will not be able to walk the streets for fear of fans mobbing him.

Popular personalities have to do what is expected of them. Once they reach the top there is no going down. The strain is often too great and as all things under pressure they eventually break. Judy Garland became popular at a very young age. Later on in her life when she was fed up it was impossible for her to turn back as she had reached the top. She had to live up to an image that millions of people expected of her. She started taking drugs and, tragically, she finally committed suicide.

Being popular one only lives for the future and not for the present. Time is spent worrying about the next concert. How bad will the fans be? Will the car be there directly the show finishes? Where will the next show be? Popular people have to be somewhat two-faced. On the outside they try to be firm and collected but deep inside there is a feeling of anxiety and tension. Self assurance and confidence is lost in the wells of popularity. They are indecisive and many of their lives are led for them.

There is hardly any escape from being popular. No one will forget a person once he settles down, even in retirement. Fans still rush forward to greet the star they remember so well. I feel that popularity is a cloud hanging over one's head and following a person everywhere, keeping him shrouded in mist and not letting him see the normality of life. It is a state that each and every one of us should seriously take into account.

A. Haynes (3A1)

THE BRIDGE

In the fresh sunlight of every day it stood there, lithe and gleaming silver, protecting one world from another. They crouched on either side of the dividing line; that murky unclean river Rhine that wound its way peacefully down to the sea. Every day each power sent out its own minions - bombers, fighter aircraft and last of all, men. Some loved it for its curving beauty and stateliness, while others bitterly hated it, knowing that every day longer it stood erect was a day lengthening the war. So they bombed it and fired their guns in sheer frustration at it, but every time their infantry and tanks moved forward the Germans reinforced their front lines via the bridge. It was stalemate for the time being.

In the British and American army camps it was rumoured that commandos were going to be brought in. That afternoon a truck rolled in, as it slowly screeched to a halt a stream of men leapt out of its back and lined up smartly. They were young; they had to be to become a commando. It was their sureness and the feeling that you could rely on them that made them stick out like sore thumbs. The soldiers looked at them; full of curiosity, but they were soon told to go about their business. The commandos filed into the briefing room and there for the first time they saw it. A model of the bridge, surrounding countryside and town was placed before them. They examined it from every angle, memorising cover and danger points. They spent a day discussing it, going over their transport and their ways of approach, looking, checking and double checking for any weaknesses. Time was of the essence and they could not afford to delay long. They trained like devils, going through weapon drill and the explosives procedure.

Tonight was the night. The men lounged about with cigarettes hanging limply in their mouths. They talked spasmodically wishing that the time would fly. The major walked in and they snapped to attention; he told them to get ready. At 6.00 pm, each man stepped on to the worn asphalt of the parade-ground square. Their faces were blackened with shoe polish, the machine guns swung at their hips. Each man checked his companion: parachute, explosives, food supply and gun. The waiting jeeps transported them to the airfield, where a squadron of Lancasters waited for them. The commandos stepped into two of them; the others were to go as a diversion. With a bump they lifted off and winged their way towards the objective. As they reached the town, a multitude of "ack-ack" cannons flickered into life and newly awakened searchlights cut swathes in the sky. Two graceful shadows slipped down away from the formation and headed towards the vicinity of the bridge. As they neared it they began to jump out of the gaping hatch, committing their lives to their parachutes and luck.

Some of the men landed on the small pasture field near the bridge, while others landed in streets, trees or even gardens. Nevertheless, as soon as their feet touched the ground they hid their parachutes and without ado, set off. The sentry started. He was sure that he had heard a slight noise. He stared into the shadows and found nothing, so he sighed and wrote it off as a cat. A shadow flitted here and there,

the unconcerned sentry their focus point. It was all over in a few seconds. With a grunt and a short gurgle the sentry was out of the way. Quickly they moved forward and attached their charges with strong magnetic clamps. The wire was unreeled and a fuse box was set up behind a strong wall. Suddenly there was a shout, then a challenge. When nothing but silence answered it, a searchlight burst into a beam of light. It rested briefly on the charges and then swept on. A shot cracked out smashing the light into a thousand fragments. The commandos ran for cover, one of them, by accident, barging into the man holding the fuse box. With a curse he stumbled and it flew out of his hands. When he found it again the plunger was missing. The German soldiers had opened up with a steady covering fire while their companions crept forward in a brave attempt to get at the explosives. The commando looked round wildly, then he saw some moonlight glinting on a metal object. He bent down and picked up an antiquated knife. With a sudden inspiration he laid the knife across the fuse boxes' terminals. With a ball of fire the heart of the bridge exploded, the proud span buckled and squeaked and held for a moment but it was too much. With a groan the metal sagged, then it collapsed leaving a wide break between the two edges of the bridge. The commando sighed with relief; for a few moments it had been touch and go, but they had succeeded.

R.Spits (3A1)

POACHER

He bent down and picked up an antiquated knife. The handle was slippery with blood - blood so fresh that it had not yet coagulated, and a thrill ran through him as he realised the trail had not yet run cold.

It was hot and humid, and he sweated as he crashed through the metre high grass of the Lowveld bush. He had got on to the trail of a poaching gang just before dawn and he had followed it without much hope. Poachers in the Lowveld bush were usually well aware of the penalties facing them if they were caught, and a game ranger on his own had to be fast and smart to even see a retreating poacher's dust on the horizon.

Towards midday the trail had begun to seem cold, and the tracking ranger lost confidence in his ability to follow it. For several yards there had been none of the usual signs of a poacher moving fast - no broken grass, no dislodged stones or even faint foot-pad marks in the areas of bare ground. He had been about to turn back in disgust and give up all attempts to catch the gang when, at his feet, he had seen a faint glint of rusty steel, and had bent down to pick up the carelessly-dropped knife.

A quick check around showed the true continuation of the trail. He followed it and was rewarded several minutes later as he topped a rise and saw below him a string of figures, each balancing on his head a neat pile of hides of various sorts. There were four men in the string, moving fast despite their loads.

He was about to run wildly after them when the memories of long talks with older, more experienced rangers sprang to mind. "Never let a poacher even imagine that you might be on his trail - he'll dump his load and run, and a poacher on the run can outrun a bullet....." "Never give the poacher half a chance of running - nothing can outrun a poacher who knows what the penalties for poaching are ..."

Twenty minutes later the poachers came to a halt inside a clearing, walled and clearly camouflaged thorn bush. Around them were stacked hides of all shapes and sizes, and in a corner were rolls of three-strand telephone cable ready to be made into snares. The four were tired and in the heat they soon fell asleep, settled comfortably on the hides.

A short while later, they woke abruptly. In a profession where one step could mean a ten-year prison sentence, they had all developed the ability to sleep lightly and awaken to any slight noise. Awake instantly, all four were suddenly aware of a strange crackling at the rear of their hide-out. Flames were leaping and dancing among the hides, and the brushwood wall was crackling. Without stopping to take anything, the four made a bolt for the open bush, to be met at the clearing entrance by a grinning game ranger with an old but serviceable .303 rifle, and several pairs of handcuffs.

Seen in the "Herald", April 30th 1980: " ... the four were accused of the illegal killing of a great deal of game and all varieties in the Gona-re-Zhou area between 2nd March 1980 and 31st March 1980. They are also charged with being in possession of stolen property, namely over 300 metres of stolen PTC cable. All four were given 9 year prison sentences. Counsel for the Prosecution was "

Jonathan Tapson (3A1)

RIVER CROSSING

It was late one evening when I was returning home from the village that I stopped beside the swollen river to gaze at the tranquil scene.

The dark arms of the bare trees stretched upwards as if pulling a blanket of darkness over the world. The last burning embers of the sun were just disappearing over the horizon and the birds had long since gone to sleep. The shrill sound of the crickets filled the cool night air. In a nearby tree a marble eyed owl hooted softly and was accompanied by an orchestra of bloated, satisfied frogs.

The bright rays of the silvery moon danced playfully upon the water which wound its way through the reeds and under the crude wooden bridge. The water splashed less than a foot under the bridge and if any more heavy rain came in the next day or two, the bridge would be doomed. It was easy to tell that the bridge was often used, as a well beaten path emerged from the thick bush across the bridge and disappeared into the bush on the other side. The scent of the cattle which had used the path still lingered on in the air.

A twig snapped opposite me and jolted me out of my reverie. The form of an old African man could be seen approaching the bridge. He had been out cutting thatching hay and was carrying a large bundle on his shoulder. The lifeless bundle jolted upwards as its transporter mounted the bridge. The old man stopped half way across the bridge to adjust his grip, sprinkling fragments of grass on to the water surface. He then continued at the same steady pace and disappeared into the bush.

Every few minutes at irregular intervals a silver trout would leap out of the water, flick its tail and plunge back into the water. Its silver scales gleamed in the moonlight like polished silver. On the far banks a lazy crocodile surveyed the surroundings before slithering into the water. With a flick of its powerful tail it disappeared into the murky depths. It was not long before its long muzzle appeared above the surface of the water with a writhing fish between its teeth. It flicked its head upwards, swallowing the fish before submerging once more.

At this time of night the mosquitoes seemed to attack you as a shark attacks meat. I found myself continually slapping myself. It was for this reason that I decided it was best that I started for home. I leapt off the rock on which I was perched and hurried across the bridge.

Martin Taylor (3A1)

THE RIVER CROSSING

Like a blue sash bunched across the dun countryside the broad river foamed and sparkled its way to the sea. At the spot below the hills it spread out, full of its own importance, into an excellent ford used by anyone who journeyed through the area. The animals used it as their annual meeting place during the seasons. The river lay quiet now watching and waiting for the next crossers.

A little steinbok lapped water from its waters. With a quiet snort its head darted up and its dainty ears scanned for the noise that had disturbed it. A faint wispy smear of dust rose up in the air by the end of the mountain pass. The steinbok waited, trying to interpret the invading noises, then in a flash it realised - man; with its inborn instinct taking over, it fled and dived into the anonymous reeds. With a shrill whistling and flicking of explosive whips the first boer wagon approached... Its oxen strained at their yokes, their tongues lolling with thirst. At the sight of the fresh inviting water the children screamed with long pent-up relief. The parents smiled and tried to urge the straining oxen to go faster. With a final quick rush the wagon spurted across the smooth riversand lining the bank. Like ignited rockets the children sprang off the front seat into the water. The wagon like a parched sponge drew in water as if it were alive. The disselboom creaked musically as it relaxed and the tattered, thorn-beaten canvas cover seemed to take on a new life. A red pennant of dust swirled away over the waves from the cracked yellow wheel-spokes. With cries of pure joy the youngsters gambolled in the shallow dimpling water. Urged on by writhing whips the oxen strained, and laboriously, like an overweight man, climbed over a rocky outcrop and the wagon hauled itself over the river's uneven bottom. The number of wagons arriving increased. The river was churned up, and frothed angrily at the obstacles of the legs and wheels. The dust spread like a red tide sweeping downstream to remind all the animals of man's powerfulness. At last, as everything must end, the last wagon emerged from the water and with contented lowings its oxen pulled it forward, already looking forward to the next dip. The river's surface calmed down and the last vestiges of man's invasion were washed away.

All that remained of man's passing were the deep rut marks on the river's bank and the crumpled water plants and reeds in the water. With a sly stare the slimy crocodile hauled itself on to its grassy slide. With complete abandonment, a pair of greyish purple ring-doves fluttered down and began to bill and coo. The small steinbok crept out and mused over the succulent grass. Nothing is permanent in this world. In a few weeks the tracks would have disappeared and nothing would have remembered the crossing.

R.Spits (3A1)

B E E T L E S

Beetles, beetles, backs so shiny;
Beetles, beetles, six legs spiny.
Beetles come in many colours,
Red and black and many others.

In the air and on the ground,
In trees and bushes they abound.
Beetles, they just eat all day -
Never find time to work or play.

Beetles that have shiny backs
Become for small birds, crunchy snacks.
On its back put a beetle down;
It kicks its legs like a clown.

Beetles live for a very short time.
They're about the bigness of a dime.
Beetles come and beetles go;
How dull the veld without their glow!

Ian Bailey

THE DAM BREAKS

An unearthly stillness becalms the day,
The surrounding hills paralysed wait,
Sky devoid of life.

The almighty dam below, holding back the water,
Like a cage imprisoning a leopard;
An almighty roar rents the air,
Water spurts from the breached wall.
Crack follows crack, the devil's voice itself;
Cement and mangled iron supports burst and
Explode as the water lunges forth.
The water and stone fall into the gulley below,
Swirling water smashes anything in its path;
Sun glints and glistens in the spray,
Sent high up into the empty sky.
Turbulent water splashing, surging,
Turning, twisting
The leopard is free.

A.Haynes (3A1)

HOME-COMING

The weary soldiers had had enough
Of bitter war and dying.
Approaching fields familiar to sight
They found their wives a-crying.

The land was scorched, the fields bare
The huts were piles of ash,
Their fields of corn, of wheat, of oats
Were golden flickering flashes.

The soldiers dropped their heavy guns
Their wives and sons unite
With happy hearts and powerful smiles
They walked in the fading light.

That night, the fires were aglow
The wives were not alone.
They danced from evening till the dawn;
Their heroes had come home.

Z. Levin

THE DAM BREAKS

There is no sign of it at first,
Then slowly, a few solitary drops
Running down the concrete wall like tears.
They increase in number,
A small crack appears, gaps wider,
Then a trickling stream runs downwards.
A few more cracks, radiating like shattered glass;
Glistening, spurting jets of water shoot out.
The wall shudders, shivers, trembles.
Then, like a suddenly blooming flower
A jet sprays out with tremendous force.
Like an enormous fence the wall sags
Suddenly, it is gone.
A thundering, translucent wall of water
Stands seemingly motionless, then falls
Tons of water hurtle outwards
Atomising in spray high in the air.
A rushing torrent sweeps away
The dam has broken.

J.Tapson (3A1)

BEETLES

Plodding, steadily, ever going,
Black as death, never slowing.
Marching with the solemn throng;
Mournfully buzzing their sorry song.
Black as death, never slowing,
No-one knows where the beetle's going.

Buzzing, fussing, never tire;
Alert as a deer, red as fire;
Rushing with the busy crowd,
Singing all their joys out loud.
Alert as a deer, red as fire,
Nothing cools their burning desire.

The sky opens, rain crashes,
The beetle knocks, bumps and bashes.
Madly rushing from the rain.
Beetles black, and one's aflame,
The beetles knock, bump and cram
On what remains of dry land.

M.Williams (1A1)

THE TRAP

The trap lies open, waiting to catch its prey,
Waiting for an animal which has run astray.
Its large green gate, powerful and long
Is triggered off by a small prong
Which is tied to some rope before the trap.

The animals know that man comes at this time of year
And all of them drink and eat in fear.
The lion is not scared, as he thinks he is too strong and great.
But the men want him, as in the cage meat is the bait.
Dusk has come, and the lion has made a kill;
The bush and animals, all are still.

The trap in the bush is the last one remaining
And already the rope holding the cage is weak and straining.
But here comes the lion, sleepy and full
And here lies the trap, open and still.
The lion just walks, straight on
And by mistake on to the prong.
The rope flies up, and throws him into the cage;
The door flies down, leaves the lion in a rage.

But the men are already here
And at the sight of the captured lion they begin
to cheer.
They pick up the trap, not checking the side
And soon the loose trap door lies open wide.
The lion runs free into the wild
And the men all groan like a child,
For they know it is their fault for not checking
the sides!

F. Von Kalkstein

THE DAM BREAKS

The wild, wasteland of bush is expectantly silent,
The storm, surely the curse of the Gods, has abated.
The birds are hushed, the animals fear to tread, and not even a leaf stirs.
Then suddenly a guilty groan, and sand runs merrily from the wall,
Like so many scared people from a lion.

But they run not from a lion, but from a small, slight trickle of 'innocent' water.
Then, as if a giant has struck the wall, it breaks like paper.
The water roars, as if announcing its freedom, and makes its escape.
It roars like thunder; animals jump and begin a mad dash to safety.

The cascade of destruction springs away, like a huge tear from a grieving eye.
It advances, like an invading army; the defenders, blades of grass and twigs,
Are crushed and defeated; there is no retreat and they disappear into the raging torrent.

Those who are too slow are pulled down and hungrily swallowed.
Gradually, it kills itself by pushing its life-blood over the hungry, hot, dusty earth
Which claims it forever.

C.Naude (3A1)

THE DAM BREAKS

Water pounds against the wall,
Its swirling mass striving for freedom.
No one observes the hairline cracks
That rapidly spread like a giant cobweb.

The skiers flash across the dam,
The fishermen nestle in quiet corners,
The sun shines bright overhead,
Unaware of impending disaster.

The concrete wall crumbles like sand
And the water monster surges forth,
Its tongue, hungry for victims
As it traverses the countryside.

Four full days without any change,
But on the fifth the waters subside;
Its extended belly rolls to a halt,
Now satisfied, its destruction complete.

M. Taylor (3A1)

I REMEMBER

I remember the war and each fearful day.
Told of death, and injury, the dreadful communique,
When families were split, my father in the bush.
Much sickness and famine, the horrible truth.

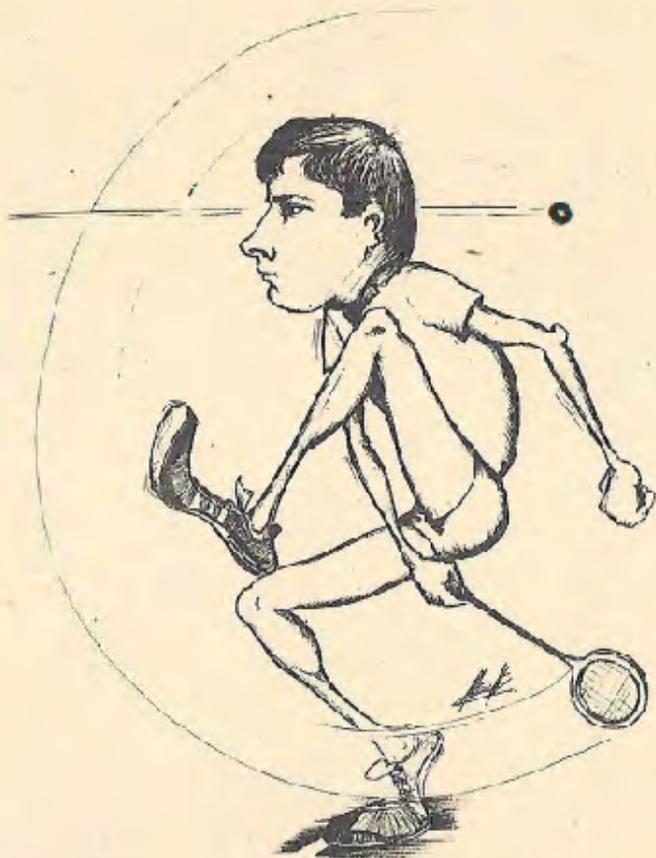
No more did we travel the country by car;
Our land remained empty, no tourist from afar.
Yet we all went to school and still played our games
While tragedy continued with two shot down planes.

At last a settlement by political foes
Brought hope and joy, and the war to a close,
But I remember the years that now have gone past
And hope that the peace is strong and will last.

G. Cohen

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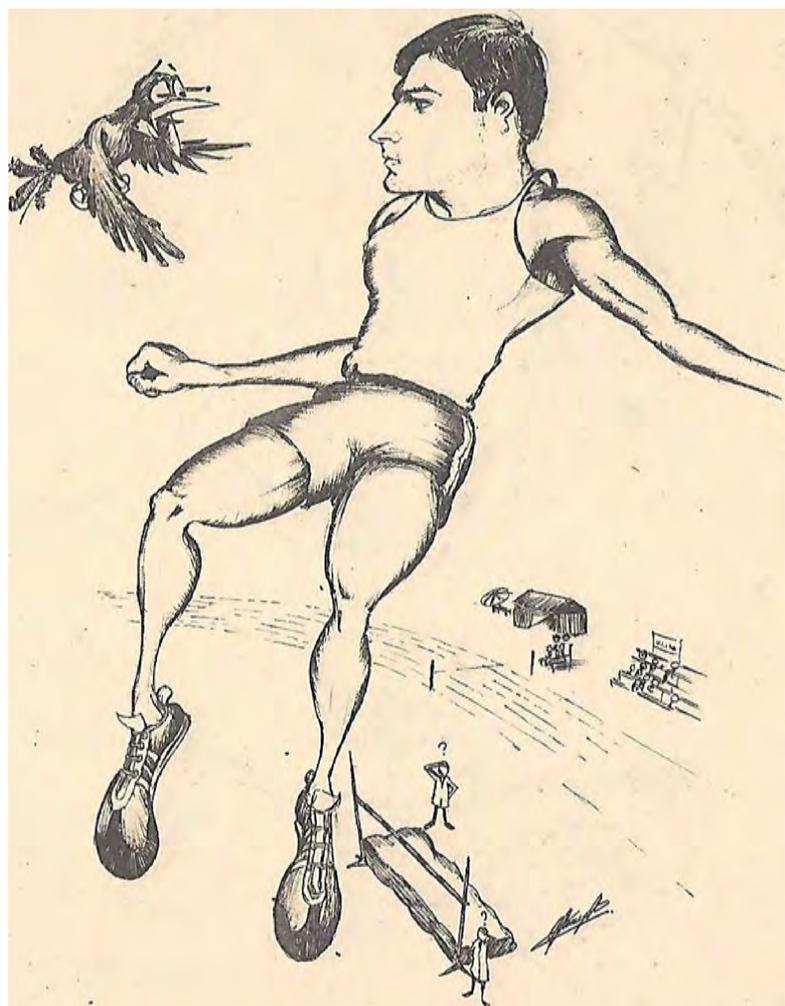
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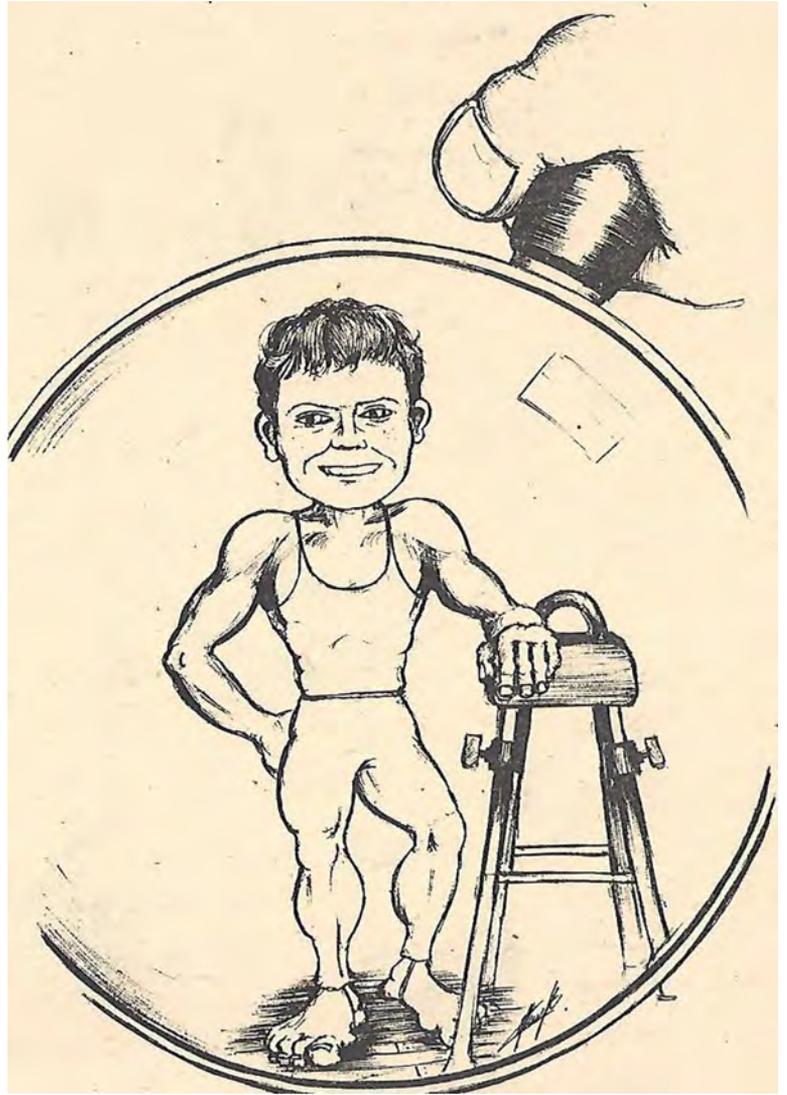


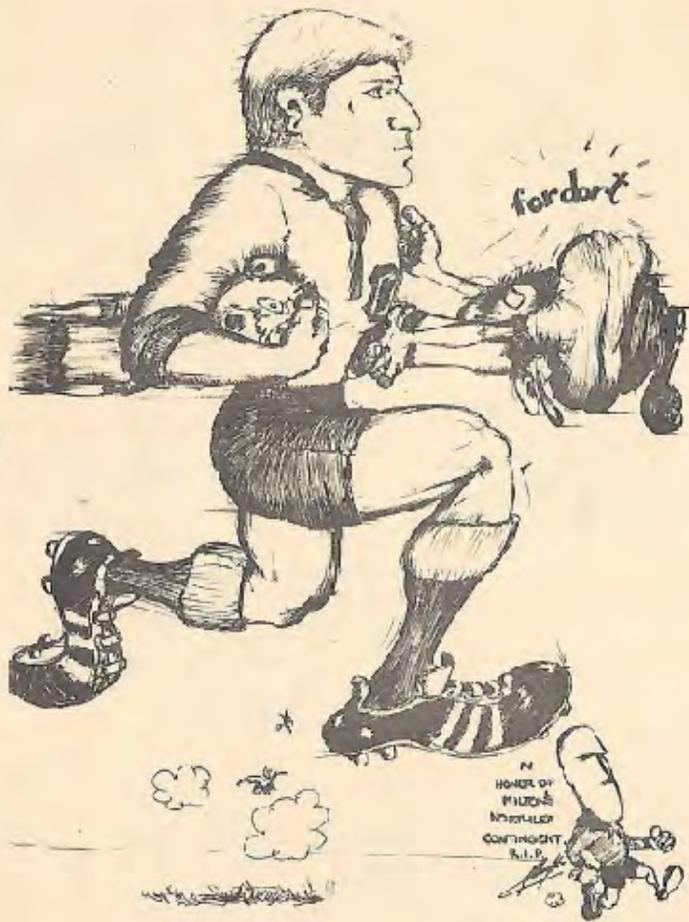
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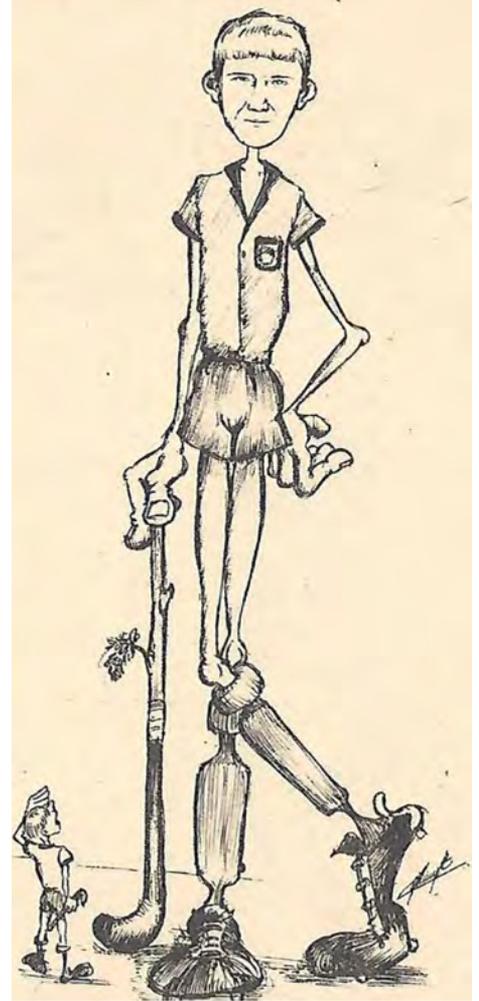
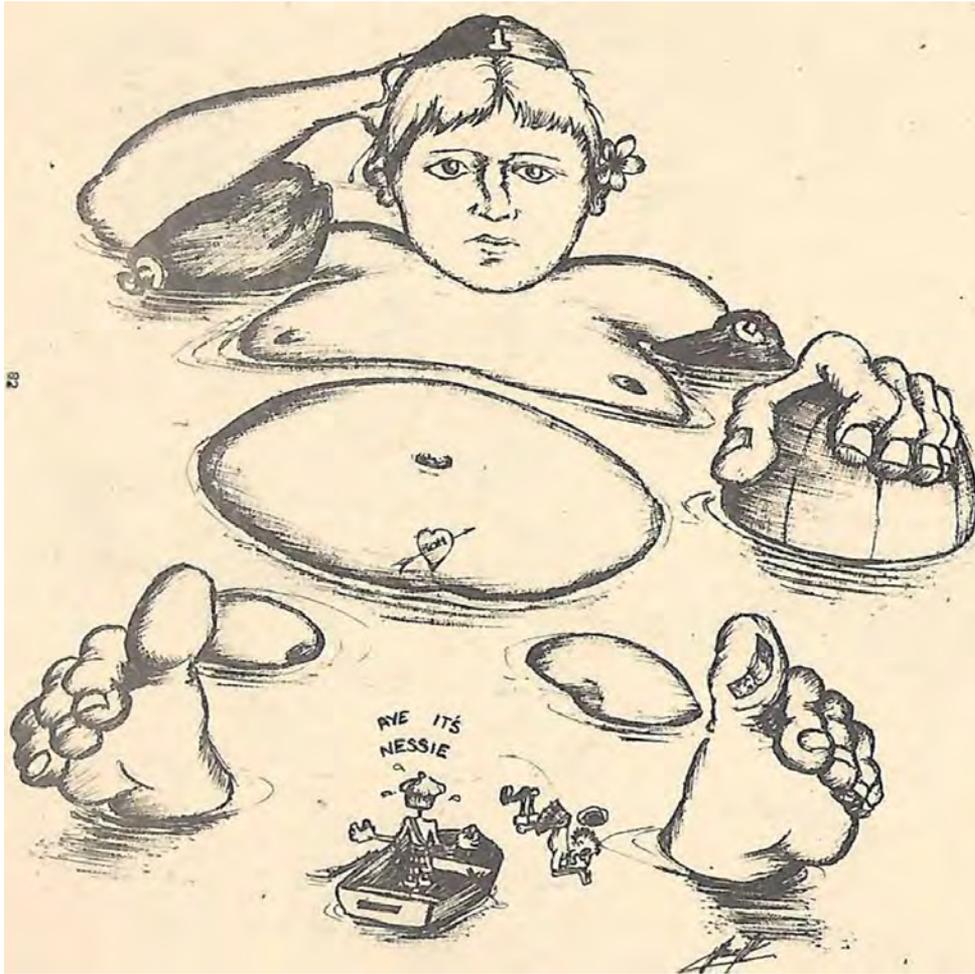


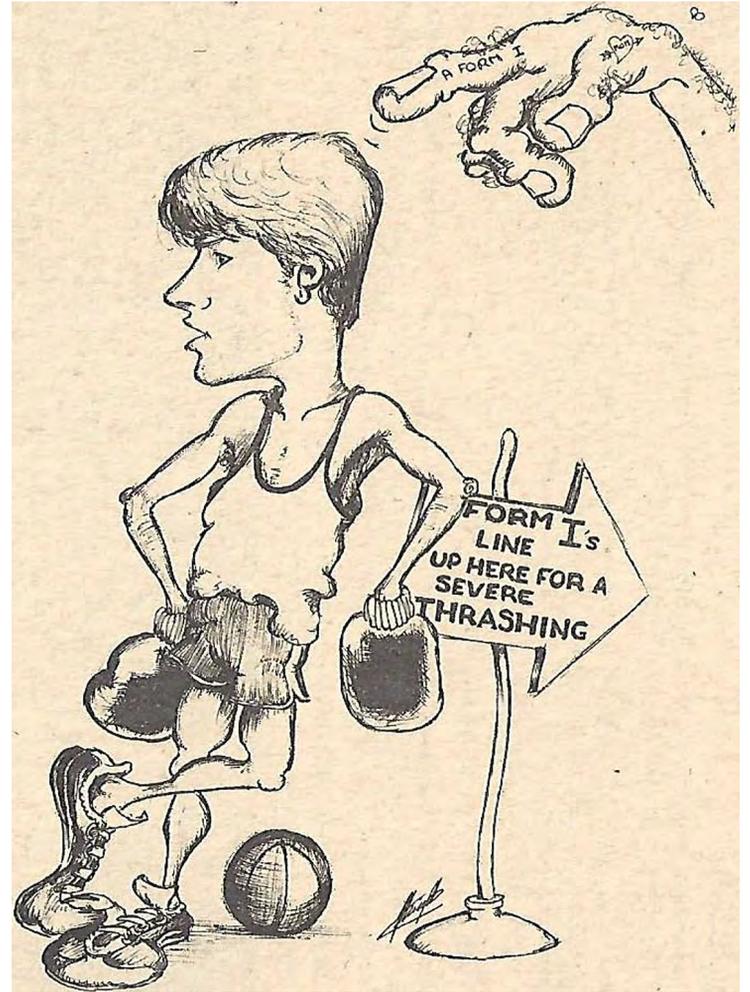
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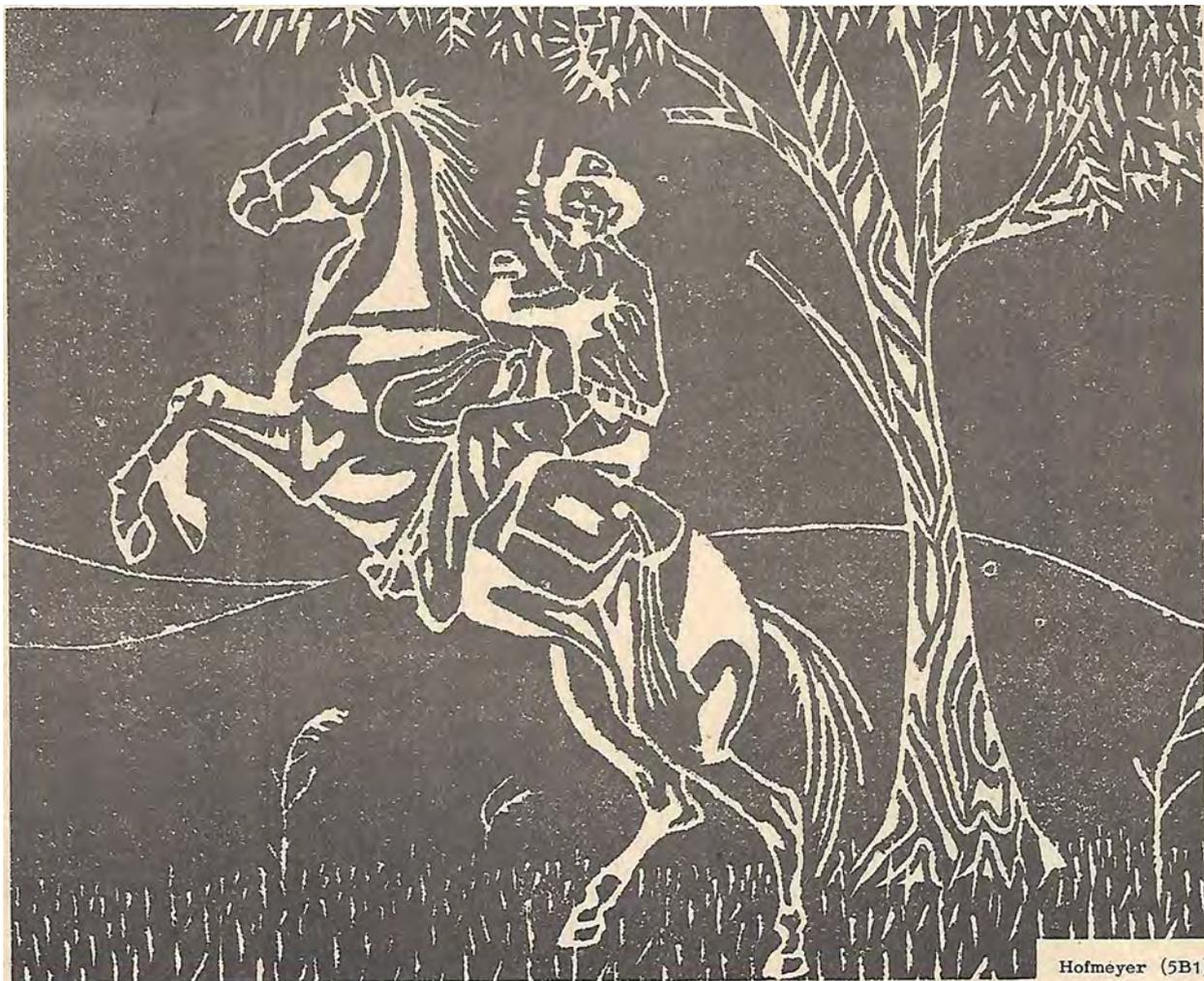
David Pattison, who left in 1973, is now teaching at Umtali Boys' High School, having joined the staff at the beginning of the second term. He teaches art and history.

Stuart Loxton and Michael Hill, both of whom left last year, are now Second Lieutenants in the Third Battalion, R.A.R. based at Addams Barracks, Umtali. Michael is in fact acting Officer Commanding the battalion's Support Company, and is continuing his major sport - squash - during his stay there. Both recently played rugby for the Zimbabwe Under 19's.

Stan Higgins is still a journalist on the Umtali Post.

News of former Milton teachers may also be of interest. Former art teacher, Mrs Sheila Davies, who lives at Inyanga, but moved into Umtali during the war, is doing part-time art teaching at Umtali Boys' High School, and is herself very much involved in art circles in Manicaland.

Former Maths teacher Mr Wolstenholme was also at Umtali Boys' High School as master in charge of the subject, and is now in Regional Office, Salisbury.



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HOUSE NOTES

FAIRBRIDGE HOUSE

HOUSEMASTER HOUSE CAPTAIN

Mr M. Bullivant G.McKenna

Staff: House Prefects:

Mr R.MacLean MacDonald

Mrs J.Hoal Smith

Mrs R.Van Zyl Gait

Miss P.Sperring Brownlee

Myles

Beffa

Inter-House

Competition

Placings:

Tennis 1st

Soccer (tied) 5th

Hockey (tied) 1st

Athletics 2nd

COMMENT

The House has had another very successful year and confidently anticipates winning the Inter-House log for the third successive year. The open groups have been notably more enthusiastic this year and its greater efforts have met with consistent success in a wide range of activities. The junior part of the house has also excelled and the only real weakness has been in the middle area. However a first-rate house play was entirely the work of a group of talented and hard working members of 4A (with the addition of a splendid "gift" from M.Williams of 1A1). Special congratulations to MacDonald and Smith who were chosen to represent their country in Rugby and Hockey respectively. Particular thanks are due to the house prefects who have run things so efficiently and especially to McKenna who has followed in his brother's footsteps by providing excellent leadership throughout the year.

ACHIEVEMENTS

McKenna: School prefect; 1st Rugby; 1st Athletics; 1st Swimming; Matabeleland and School Athletics

MacDonald: School Prefect; Milton Award; 1st Rugby (Craven Week Rugby); Matabeleland Rugby; 1st Athletics; Matabeleland and Rhodesia Athletics; 1st Swimming; Captain Athletics

Smith: 1st Hockey (Captain); Matabeleland Schools B and Rhodesia School B Hockey; 1st Cricket; Matabeleland Cricket

Brownlee: School Prefect; 1st Cricket; 1st Rugby

Beffa: School prefect; 1st Athletics; 1st Cross-country

Myles: 1st Athletics; Matabeleland Athletics; 1st Swimming and Athletics

Gait: Academic

J.Knight: Academic

R.Rapisarda: Academic

G.Edwards: 1st Hockey

L.Kettle: 1st Cricket; 1st Athletics; 1st Rugby

S.Roderick: 1st Cross-country

N.Dempsey: 1st Athletics

I.Parsons: 1st Swimming; Producer House Play

A.Fouche: 1st Athletics; 1st Rugby

R.Hunter: 1st Rugby

Individuals who have done very well:

UNDER 13 Beachy-Head
Chibi
Ferguson

UNDER 14 Fouche
Thompson
Wilson
Whyte

UNDER 15 Parsons
Wentzel

UNDER 16 Fouche
Gubbay
Hunter

HEANY HOUSEHOUSEMASTER HOUSE CAPTAIN

Mr Hawkins	M.Pettican	
Staff:	<u>House Prefects:</u>	
Mr Harlen	J.Pretorius	
Mr Day	G.Hardman	
	D.Rachman	
	M.Wright	
	A.Andrea	
	S.Rachman	
	Inter-House	
	Competition	
	<u>Placings:</u>	
	Athletics	6th
	Cross-country	6th
	Basketball	1st
	Waterpolo	5th
	Cricket	5th
	Tennis	4th
	Hockey (tied)	1st
	Soccer	4th
	Squash	1st
	Rugby	3rd
	Public Speaking	3rd
	House Plays	3rd
	Place-kicking	3rd

ACHIEVEMENTS

D.Rachman: Deputy Head Boy; 1st Team Swimming; Matabeleland Senior Colours; Milton Award; Rotary Exchange Student (1974)

M.Pettican: School Prefect; 1st Soccer (Captain); 1st Cricket; Soccer; Athletics; Cross-country; Rugby

G.Hardman: 1st Cricket Matabeleland; Cross-country; 1st Hockey (Zimbabwe Schools); Athletics

J.Pretorius: 1st Tennis (Captain); Toastmasters; House Tennis; Hockey; Waterpolo; Cricket; Rugby

M.Wright: Athletics; Cross-country; Rugby

A.Andrea: 1st Soccer; 1st Basketball; House Cricket; Soccer; Athletics

S.Rachman: School Prefect; Toastmasters; House Play; Matabeleland Junior Swimming; House Hockey

R.Flashman: 1st Basketball; 1st Badminton; House Rugby; Soccer; Cross-country

A.Economou: House Basketball; Cross-country; Athletics

J.Jacobsen: 1st Basketball; House Soccer; Rugby

M.Rachman: Academic Tie; House Play; Hockey; Matabeleland/Rhodesia Junior Life Saving Team

S.Murray: Waterpolo; Athletics; Rugby

R.Broomberg: 1st Tennis (Matabeleland); House Rugby; Athletics; Tennis

C.Faasen: 1st Rugby; Athletics; House Cross-country

R.Pearson: 1st Rugby; Athletics; Cricket

C.Hardman: 1st Hockey (Matabeleland B); Athletics; House Cross-country; Hockey; Cricket; Athletics

C.Pettican: House Cricket; Soccer

M.Vickery: Cricket, Rugby; House Cross-country; Athletics; Hockey

D.Bloch: House Play; Tennis; Public Speaking

J.Dunn: Athletics; House Cross-country

N.Anastasiou: Athletics; House Cross-country; Rugby; Basketball

M.Rundle: Athletics; House Cross-country; Basketball; Rugby

S.Miller-Cranko: House Cross-country

M.Holleran: House Cross-country; Cricket

B.Lerman: House Cross-country

M.Sissons: House Cross-country; Squash

S.McTiernan: House Athletics, Play

G.Knight: House Tennis; Rugby; Hockey

Bloch: House Tennis

Duberley: Squash

Wiley: House Hockey

Hendricks: House Rugby

Cockroft: House Hockey

E.Hunt: House Rugby; Place kicking

G.Broomberg: House Tennis

Mangena: Athletics; House Soccer

Bartels: House Place-kicking

McKenzie: Rugby

Orange: House Athletics; Soccer

Orange: House Athletics; Soccer

Orange: Soccer

Trevella: Athletics

Rawston: Athletics; House Rugby

BOARDERS

HOUSEMASTER	HEAD-BOY
Mr A.Thomas (Charter)	A.Viljoen (Charter)
Mr A.Walker (Pioneer)	M.Nothnagel (Pioneer)
Staff (<u>Charter</u>)	House Prefects (<u>Charter</u>)
Mr Annandale	P.Cutler (Head of School)
Mr Bowyer	I.Benning
Mr Vickery	L.Gomes P.van Niekerk
Staff (<u>Pioneer</u>)	House Prefects (<u>Pioneer</u>)
Mr Anderson	P.Basson
Mr Finlayson	D.de Villiers
Mr Murray	C.Yates
	Inter-House Competition Placings:
	Athletics 1st
	Cricket 2nd
	Basket-ball 2nd
	Hockey (tied) 1st
	Waterpolo 4th
	Soccer 1st
	Tennis 3rd
	Public speaking 3rd
	Inter-house plays 2nd

ACHIEVEMENTS

P.Basson: Matabeleland Squash (1st); House Tennis; House cross-country; House play.
I.Benning: 1st Cricket; 1st Hockey; House play; House athletics; House squash.
P.Cutler: 1st Basketball (Captain); 1st Rugby (Captain); 1st Gymnastics; 1st Athletics; House Cricket; House Hockey; House Soccer; House Squash; House Tennis; House Cross-country.
P.Benning: House Cross-country.
G.Butler: House Rugby; Athletics (1st); Basketball (1st); House Waterpolo.
D.Coetzer: 1st Athletics; House Cross-country.
J.Correia: House Waterpolo.
R.Dando: House play; Rugby.
F.de Chalain: 1st Hockey; House Rugby; Cricket; 1st Athletics.
G.Faulds: House Cricket; Rugby; Cross-country; Squash; Athletics, Waterpolo; Hockey; Soccer.
D.Haynes: House Squash; Cross-country.
Kalibo : House Soccer.
Mguni: House Soccer.
Molloy: 1st Waterpolo; House Rugby; Soccer; Play; Athletics; Public Speaking
Mombeshora: 1st Basketball; House Athletics; Soccer; Cross-country
Msumba: House Cross-country; Athletics
F.Ndlovu: House Cross-country; 1st Soccer; House Athletics
Z.Ndlovu: 1st Athletics; House Soccer; Cross-country
P.van Niekerk: 1st Hockey; House Tennis; Waterpolo; Rugby; Cricket; Athletics
L.Gomes: House Soccer; Waterpolo; Athletics; Rugby; Basketball
A.Viljoen: 1st Cricket (Matabeleland); 1st Rugby; Squash; House Hockey; Basketball; Play; 1st Athletics
D.de Villiers: Zimbabwe U/18 Tennis; 1st Cricket; 1st Rugby; House Tennis; Squash; Hockey; Play
M.Nothnagel: 1st Hockey; House Rugby; Cricket; Play; 1st Cricket
C.Yates: House Play; Rugby; Athletics; Cross-country
T.van Niekerk: 1st Athletics; House Cricket; Rugby; Hockey
F.Verster: House Play

UNDER 15:

P.Akeroyd: U/15A Waterpolo; House Rugby
Dauth: House Cross-country; Athletics
H.de Vries: U/15A Rugby; U/15A Basketball
Erasmus: U/15A Rugby; U/15A Tennis; School Play; House Squash; Cross-country; Athletics
L.Ferguson: U/15A Waterpolo; U/15A Rugby; 1st Athletics
D.Hulley: U/15A Cricket (Capt.); U/15A Rugby; U/15A Hockey (Capt.); House Waterpolo; Place-kicking
Jones: U/15A Rugby; School Play
Mafungisi: 1st Soccer; House Athletics; Cross-country
V.Nothnagel: U/15A Waterpolo; House Tennis; Cricket; 1st Hockey

D.Ruetsche: U/15A Waterpolo; U/15A Rugby; Cricket;
1st Athletics; House Cross-country
J.Tapson: U/14A Hockey; House Public Speaking; Play;
House Cricket
Trotter: U/15A Basketball; House Rugby; Athletics;
U/15A Rugby
Mutsura: 1st XI Soccer; 1st Athletics; School Cross-
country
Charedzera: House Cross-country

UNDER 14:

Chinamatira: House Athletics
Ahumada: Athletics; Cross-country (house)
Mashonganyika: House and School Cross-country
Pretorius: House Rugby
Ziemkendorf: House Play; Cricket; Rugby; Athletics;
Cross-country
Pistorius: House Athletics
Caygill: 1st Waterpolo; U/15A Hockey; Tennis; Hockey;
Cricket
Vudzi: House Athletics
M.Moyo: 1st XI Soccer
Utete: House Cricket; Soccer; U/14A Basket-ball;
Athletics; / Cross-country
Veremu: House Rugby; Cross-country · School Athletics
Chitereka: 1st XI Soccer; 1st Athletics; House Rugby;
Cross-country
de Azevedo: House Athletics
Mushiko: House Rugby; Athletics
Edwards: House Athletics

UNDER 13

Abel: House Athletics; Rugby; Athletics; Cross-country
Kamanga: House Tennis
Penton: House Athletics; Rugby; 1st Gymnastics
Ndhlukula: House Cross-country
Morgan: U/14A Hockey; School Athletics; Cricket;
Cross-country
Lloyd-Evans: House Rugby; Athletics
Beattie: House Rugby
Robertson: House Cross-country
de Vries: U/13A Basketball; U/13A Rugby; House Athletics
Vorster: 1st Gymnastics; House Athletics

BORROW HOUSE

HOUSEMASTER HOUSE CAPTAIN

1st Term: R.Kotze
 Mr Howie
2nd Term:
 Mr Felgate

Staff: House Prefects:
Mrs Catherall T.Bezuidenhout
Miss Eden C.Daniels
Mrs Hatch C.Kerr
Mrs Iverson W.van der Merwe
Mr Clift
 (1st term)
Mr Hardy

ACHIEVEMENTS

Bentley: School and Zimbabwe Athletics
Daniëls: School and House Play; House Waterpolo;
Cross-country; Athletics; House Prefect
Danvers: House Waterpolo; Basketball; Rugby; Hockey;
Cricket
Du Toit: 1st Team Rugby; House Basketball; Tennis;
Cross-country; Waterpolo; Cricket; Soccer; Athletics;
Basketball
Flinders: Cross-country; House & School Athletics
Foley: House Rugby; Cross-country; School Athletics;
Basketball; Soccer
Kerr: House and School Play; Cross-country; Athletics;
Tennis; Public Speaking; House Prefect
Kotze: Gymnastics (School); 1st & 2nd Squash; Tennis;
House Play; Cross-country; Squash; Waterpolo;
Athletics; Cricket; School Prefect

Inter-House Competition	
Placings:	
Basketball	6th
Athletics	3rd
Cross-country	4th
Hockey	4th
Tennis	2nd
Soccer	6th
Squash	3rd
Place-kicking	6th
Waterpolo	6th
Cricket	3rd
House Plays	4th

Lake: Athletics (School and House); Soccer; Rugby
Bezuidenhout: Athletics; Soccer; Rugby
Bezuidenhout, T: 1st Rugby; Athletics, Hockey
Sack: Cross-country
Teasdale: Cross-country; Athletics; Rugby
Van der Merwe: House Prefect; Rugby; Waterpolo; Cricket; Cross-country

UNDER 16

Kerr: Tennis (House and School)
Hendry: Athletics
Gilhooley: School and House Play; House Rugby; Soccer
Livesey: House Soccer; Cross-country
Soloman: 1st Soccer; 1st Cricket; House Rugby, Hockey
Vaughan: Hockey; Athletics

UNDER 15

Brenner: Cross-country
Brustalon: House Rugby; Athletics; Place-kicking; Cross-country
Fikuart: House and School Athletics; Cross-country
Muponga: School Athletics; House Cross-country
Minnaar: House Athletics; Cross-country
Parsons: Athletics; Rugby; House Cross-country
Phillips: House Rugby; Basketball; Athletics
Van Nickerk: House Cross-country; Athletics
Venn: Cross-country; Athletics
Stephens: House Athletics; Cross-country; Tennis; Hockey

UNDER 14

Andrews: National Yachting; 1st Gymnastics Team
Bhakta: Cross-country
Bloomhill: Cross-country
Finch: Rugby; Hockey
Friend: Athletics; Cross-country
Hancock: Squash (National and House); House Tennis
Herselman: Cross-country; Athletics
Levin: Inter-House Speaking; Play; Best Actor Award School Play
Lieberman: Cross-country
Pattison: Rugby; Cross-country; Athletics
Reeder: Athletics; Cross-country
Rix: House Cricket; Rugby; Cross-country
Sack: Cross-country
Sotalis: Cross-country; Athletics; Soccer
Van Blerk: Rugby; Athletics; Cross-country
Watson: 1st Gymnastics; House Rugby; Athletics

UNDER 13

Armstrong: House Athletics; Cross-country
Gillman: House Play
Prinsloo: House and School Athletics; Cross-country
Smee: House Athletics; Cross-country
Box: House Athletics; Cross-country
Roelofse: House Athletics; Cross-country
Van Blerk: House Athletics; Cross-country
Zangle: House and School Athletics; Cross-country
Fikuart: House and School Athletics; Cross-country
Shaer: House and School Athletics; Cross-country
Evans: House Athletics; Cross-country; School Gymnastics

COMMENT

The House has had a good two terms with some good and pleasing results, and congratulations must go to all concerned. Remember, it's not who wins that counts in the long term, but how the game is played, and so long as it is played with spirit, then success has been achieved. Thanks must go to a competent and reliable Prefect body, without whom the House-master's tasks would be well nigh impossible.

RHODES HOUSE

HOUSEMASTER HOUSE CAPTAIN

Mr K.Bain D.Maughan
 Staff: House Prefects:
 Mrs S.Hale J.Grobler
 Mrs E.Evans M.Barker
 Mr J.de Wet T.Howard
 Mr W.Herring G.Blatch
 K.Thompson

Inter-House
 Competition
 Placings:
 Athletics 4th
 Cross-country 2nd
 Cricket 4th
 Hockey 6th
 Soccer 2nd
 Swimming 1st
 Waterpolo 1st
 Tennis 5th
 Plays 6th

COMMENT:

A strong prefect body under the leadership of Darren Maughan has developed a better house spirit this year as can be seen by the improved competition results. It is encouraging to note that a higher percentage of boys is making an effort and taking part in the various activities. This is something which must be encouraged, together with a strong house spirit.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Provincial and National Sports Representation:

C.Maughan	Zimbabwe Swimming
R.Leech	Zimbabwe Swimming
P.Grobler	Zimbabwe Fawns Cricket
D.Maughan	Matabeleland U/19 Waterpolo
J.Grobler	Matabeleland Athletics
M.Grobler	Matabeleland Athletics
R.Evans	Matabeleland Boxing
T.Smith	Matabeleland Baseball
K.Thomson	Matabeleland B Squash
D.Maughan	1st Rugby
C.Maughan	1st Rugby
J.Grobler	1st Rugby
M.Grobler	1st Rugby
D.Perratt	1st Rugby
M.Barker	1st Rugby
T.Howard	1st Rugby
R.Amyot	Athletics
J.Grobler	Athletics
P.Grobler	Athletics
M.Grobler	Athletics
C.Bagnall	Athletics
D.Lindeque	Athletics
W.Dakers	Athletics
T.Howard	Athletics
R.Catterall	Athletics
D.Maughan	1st Waterpolo
C.Maughan	1st Waterpolo
R.Leech	1st Waterpolo
M.Barker	1st Waterpolo
T.Howard	1st Waterpolo
C.Evans	1st Waterpolo
K.Thomson	1st Squash
R.Amyot	Cross-country
C.Bagnal	Cross-country
P.Grobler	1st Cricket
M.Grey	Gymnastics
R.Leech	1st Soccer
B.Palchich	1st Tennis
R.Palchich	1st Tennis

UNDER 15A

Feigenbaum	Cricket
G.Wallace	Cricket
Green	Cricket
Blatch	Cricket
Blatch	Tennis
Godin	Soccer
Miller	Hockey
Simon	Squash
Catterall	Rugby

UNDER 14A

Catherall	Hockey
S.Tiernay	Hockey
Bhaga	Hockey

W.Dakers Rugby; Basketball
 B.Smith Tennis
 D.Waddy Tennis; Cricket

UNDER 13A

B.Dawson Rugby; Cricket; Hockey
 H.Hughes Rugby

BIRCHENOUGH HOUSE

HOUSEMASTER HOUSE CAPTAIN

Mr G.Loxton Gerald Keyer

Staff: House Prefects:

Mr Hannay S.Robertson
 Mrs Hagelthorn D.Appelhans
 Mrs Newmarch D.Fox
 Miss Edington P.Taylor
 (1st term and D.Oswald
 half 2nd term) C.Walsh

Inter-House
 Competition
Placings:

Athletics	5th
Basketball	3rd
Cricket	4th
Cross-country	4th
Hockey	5th
Soccer	3rd
Tennis	6th
Public speaking	1st
Squash	6th
Waterpolo	2nd
Place kicking	1st
Inter house play	1st

ACHIEVEMENTS

G.Keyer: School Athletics; House Athletics; Basketball; Soccer; Rugby; Cricket.
S.Robertson: 1st Rugby; School Athletics; House Athletics; Basketball; Cross-country; Soccer; Rugby; Cricket.
D.Appelhans: 1st Team Rugby(Matabeleland); Waterpolo 1st team; House Athletics; Basketball; Cross-country; Soccer; Rugby; Waterpolo.
D.Fox: Won the open section of the Inter-House public speaking; House Cricket; Soccer; Rugby.
P.Taylor: House Athletics; Cross country; Hockey; School play; Producer of House play.
D.Oswald: Hockey 1st team; House hockey; Tennis; Squash.
C.Walsh: School Prefect; Won the U/16 section of the Inter-house public speaking; House Cross-country; Represented the school at the Lions Public Speaking Contest.
D.Herbst: Basket-ball 1st team; House athletics; Cross-country; Cricket; Soccer; Rugby; Basketball.
G.Robertson: Soccer 1st team; House Cross-country; Soccer.
T.O'Callaghan: Waterpolo 1st team; House athletics; Soccer; Rugby; Cricket.
C.Keyer: House athletics; Cross-country; Cricket; Soccer.
N.Ekblad: Hockey 1st team; House athletics; Cross-country; Hockey.
R.Nash: Rugby U/15A; School athletics.
A.Gregory: Rugby U/15A; School Gymnastics Team.
J.MacMillan: Rugby U/15A
R.Spits: U/15A Rugby; School athletics.
M.Taylor: Rugby U/15A; School Athletics; Gymnastics.
M.Jenkinson: Rugby U/14A; Athletics; Cross-country.
M.Fargnoli: Rugby U/14A
J.Lowther: Rugby U/14A; School Athletics.
R.Ashby: Won U/14 section of the Public Speaking.
M.Prescott: U/14A Rugby
S.Haddon: U/14A Rugby
B.Ross: U/14A Rugby
R.Taylor: Gymnastics Team
K.White: U/14A Hockey
B.O'Callaghan: U/13A Rugby Captain.
M.Ross: U/13A Rugby and Cricket.
G.Clarke: U/13A Rugby; Hockey; Cricket.
S.McDermid: School Gymnastic Team.

COMMENT :

House spirit and general enthusiasm has been rather poor this year as compared to that of previous years. For the first time in several years the house did not do very well in the inter-house competitions. However, it was a tremendous achievement to win the open and U/16 sections of the Inter-House Public Speaking and come second in the U/14 section. Despite the handicap of having an unusually small house we have done exceptionally well in the academic and sports field. Many thanks to Mr Loxton and the other staff members who have managed to maintain discipline and spirit within the House. Finally a word of thanks to my fellow house prefects and those members of the house who did their best to try and bring the House any form of achievement and success.

AUTOGRAPHS

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