

MILTON SCHOOL



1910 — 1985

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.
While 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

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HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

I have been at Milton now for just over a year and regard it as a privilege to have been Head of this fine school in the year when it celebrated its 75th birthday. It has been for me a busy and happy year during which I have grown more and more to appreciate the history and tradition of Milton. It was an exercise in humility to be Head of a school which is older than I. When I was Head of Gifford I was always a little cocky about the fact that I was a year older than the school.

I wish to dwell for a moment on the living, human aspect of Milton. When one lives in a welter of paper, buildings, machines, sports equipment, fields, gardens and all the other material things which are needed in a school, it is easy to lose perspective. The school certainly does have its material aspects, but fundamentally it is about people - children and the people who look after and educate them.

One of our responsibilities as educationists is to create a climate of success. Children must be given a growing confidence in their own abilities, so we should tailor their education to their abilities. We do this in the field of special education for educationally sub-normal children. We have special educational facilities and objectives for physically handicapped children or children with learning disabilities. We select our Sixth Form by using a stringent academic filter. This we do, yet for the broad mass of children there are only two common objectives - ZJC at the end of Form 2 and 'O' Level at the end of Form 4.

We are faced with the need for a curriculum, the objective of which is not 'O' Level, in order to cater for those children who are academically incapable of coping with 'O' Level, but who can still achieve much in other fields. The country needs to have those skills developed. More importantly those children need to experience the sweetness of success, rather than the bitterness and frustration of failure which awaits them at the end of the 'O' Level channel.

A great deal has been done in curriculum development in Zimbabwe. Zim Sci, the Science curriculum created for our needs, has been a triumph of its kind. The Ministry's Curriculum Development Unit is doing valuable work, particularly in the ZJC area. We are witnessing an extraordinary effort in mass education in Zimbabwe. Let us now make that effort even more beneficial to our country by attuning curriculum to capabilities more specifically.

H FINCHAM

HEADMASTER



STAFF 1985

Back row: Mr H Mazwi, Mr P Thomas, Mr J Ndlovu.

2nd row: Mr S Long, Mr I Kemp, Mr M Maynard, Mr S Poku Awuah, Mr G Morrison, Mr K Quiney, Mr P Mkandla, Mr I Dlodlo, Mr E Masuku.

3rd row: Mr W Manda, Mr K Nare, Mr E Mavugara, Mr K Khupe, Mr D Creasey, Mr D Ramdany, Mr D Mitchell, Mr J Nyathi, Mr M Sithole, Miss M Chigumbura, Mr T Bihma.

4th row: Mrs D Gillman, Mr S Masuku, Miss S Carver, Mr L Mabena, Miss A Best, Mrs S Cimpaye, Mrs G Evans, Mrs J Sawhney, Mrs C Dube, Mrs F Mangwanda, Mrs V Ngwenya, Mr W Pagden, Mrs R Shillingford.

Front row: Mr F Day, Mr A Walker, Miss E Bortolan, Mr M Harlen, Mr A Thomas (Senior Master), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), Mr J Mandikate (Deputy Headmaster), Mr M Bullivant, Mrs J Rochester, Mr C Hawkins, Mrs M Fish.

STAFF NOTES 1985

1985 brought many new faces into the teaching ranks of Milton. We welcomed into our midst both teachers and student teachers. Mr. T. Bimha, Mr. B. Bhebe, Mr. R. Jogee, Mr. K. Khupe, Mr. D. Mitchell, Mr. H. Moyo, Mr. N. Moyo, Mr. K. Nare, Mr. L. Mabena, Mr. J. Ndlovu, Mr. J. Nyathi, Mr. K. Quiney, Mr. M. Sithole, Mr. P. Thomas, Mrs. D. Jones, Mrs. T. Khumalo, Mrs. T. V. Ndebele, Mrs. V. Ngwenya and Miss F. Waterhouse.

At the end of the first term the school bid farewell to the following members of staff: Mr. C. S. Mahango and Mr. P. Ward who left for greener pastures in the commercial world, Mrs. D. Jones and Mrs. S. Soni who retired and Miss P. Kinsella who followed her "Aussi" into the new world. We said a brief farewell to Mr. W. Pagden who took a dip into the commercial pool and then swam back to us in the third term.

In the second term we were privileged to have the following new staff join us: Mrs. C. Dube, Mr. W. Manda, Mr. S. Masuku, Mr. M. Maynard and Mr. C. Ndlovu.

A sorry goodbye was said to the following members of staff on their departure at the conclusion of the second term. Mr. M. Barry who went back to his farm in Nyamandhlovu, Mr. N. Moyo who joined the staff of the Chronicle, Miss F. Waterhouse who left us to get married and Mr. B. Bhebe, Mr. R. Jogee, Mr. C. Ndlovu and Mrs. T. Ndebele who joined other schools.

At the commencement of the third term we were very happy to welcome Mr. J. Mandikate, appointed to the post of Deputy Headmaster, replacing Mr. A. Thomas who had served in an acting capacity for the first two terms. We extend all good wishes to our "second boss", and also many thanks to our Welshman, Mr. Thomas for carrying the burden for two terms. We had more new blood in the form of Mr. E. Masaka, Mr. I. Morgan-Davies, Mr. G. Morrison, Mr. M. Perigoe and Miss F. Mangwande.

The following changes in Hostel Staff took place during 1985. Mrs. Grist, the Head Matron of Charter Hostel at the end of 1984 was replaced by Mrs. de Jong from Pioneer Hostel. Mrs. Gombakomba was appointed to Pioneer House as sickbay Matron.

We would like to extend our best wishes and congratulations to the following members of staff: Mr. M. Maynard who married Miss Janet Willows, and Miss Chibudu who became Mrs. Dube and had her wedding reception in the school dining hall.

We are happy that Milton School is still flying high and wide with many pupils past and present achieving much that is of benefit to our country. Staff and students were busy and enjoyably involved in celebrating Milton's 75th Anniversary in the 2nd term. We are thankful that we are one of the few schools in our area which is fully staffed. To past staff we say *Hamba Ghahle* — Go well; and to our present staff — stay well. Thank you for your fellowship and hard work during this past year.

Parents Association Report

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

As our 75th anniversary year draws to a close I think all of us associated with Milton may look back with satisfaction on the success achieved in presenting the school to the citizens of Bulawayo and reminding all concerned of the role Milton has played and will continue to play in the affairs of the city.

I think it appropriate for me to conclude this short message by repeating the words used in The Chronicle supplement of 22nd July 1985.

Every single schoolboy who has passed through Milton's portals at some time or another during the past 75 years will feel proud that the school has attained this distinguished landmark in its history.

The Parents' Association, together with the teaching staff and many boys, have joined forces to ensure that the anniversary does not pass without recognition.

The name of Milton and that of our city are inseparably linked together whenever Zimbabwean schools are discussed and for their part Miltonians have always been loyal to the city which has nurtured them.

The Parents' Association is determined to maintain the high standards set by Milton over the years and the school's recent academic and sporting results bear ample testimony to the successes being achieved.

Bulawayo's oldest boy's school deserves the support of all its citizens and on behalf of them, may I say: "Well done Milton".

R G STEPHENS.

OBITUARY

MURALI PRASAD REDDY
(died 18 June 1985)

Born 10th May 1973. Died 18th June 1985 as a result of a cycling accident which occurred on the 10th June 1985, whilst he was on his way to school.

Murali who was in Birchenough House and a pupil of Form 1C was a quiet, well respected, hard-working pupil — as clearly evidenced by the fact that after spending term 1 of his first year at Milton School, he was promoted from 1D to 1C and was well in the upper quartile of 1C.

The tragedy of his death, which occurred one month after his twelfth birthday and during the occasion of our celebration of the School's 75th Birthday, filled the whole school with grief. Grief for his demise and grief for his suffering family.

Of one thing we must be certain; that this young scholar, who never had the opportunity to have his name painted in gold letters on the School's Honours Boards, will have, nevertheless, been welcomed into that very special fraternity of revered Old Miltonians.

Rest in Peace.

K. QUINEY



Milton Award 1985

RUSSELL JOHN EDWARDS

RUSSELL JOHN EDWARDS has fulfilled eminently well the requirements for the Milton Award. These include a good all-round contribution to the life of the School over a period of time, qualities of leadership, academic achievement, physical vigour and character, and an outstanding contribution in academic and cultural fields.

In sport Russell has excelled in Hockey. He represents the School in the First Hockey XI and was selected for the Matabeleland Schools "A" Hockey Team. He plays Squash for the School First Squash Team, which has been very successful in the Bulawayo league. He also plays Cricket for the Second XI.

On the cultural side Russell is very active in the Sixth Form Society and the Toastmasters Club and is a member of the Milton team which won the national Schools Business Management Game.

Academically Russell has an excellent record, both at "O" and "M" Level. Indeed, he has already passed one "A" Level as well. Because of his achievements, he was awarded an Academic Tie.

After serving with distinction as a Prefect in 1984, Russell was appointed Head Boy of Milton in 1985. The qualities of leadership and integrity which he displayed before his selection have been amply demonstrated again in the way he has handled his responsibilities as Head Boy.

His impeccable manners are a further reflection of his mature, considerate nature.

It is with great pleasure that I now formally give the Milton Award to Russell Edwards.

H. FINCHAM
HEADMASTER

Alexander Mphabanga Walker

PROCLAMATION

Be it known that you are charged with having Served the Milton School most loyally and with great diligence for Twenty-five years;

That you did accept and wield mighty responsibility for, the working of wood, the arcane study of subjects technical, the care of Charter House and the travail of Pioneer House;

That you did set to build most wondrously;

That you did order a monstrous consumption of Palmitaceous Sodium;

That for the afore-mentioned Charter House and Pioneer House you did shew concern and manifest understanding towards the inmates therein;

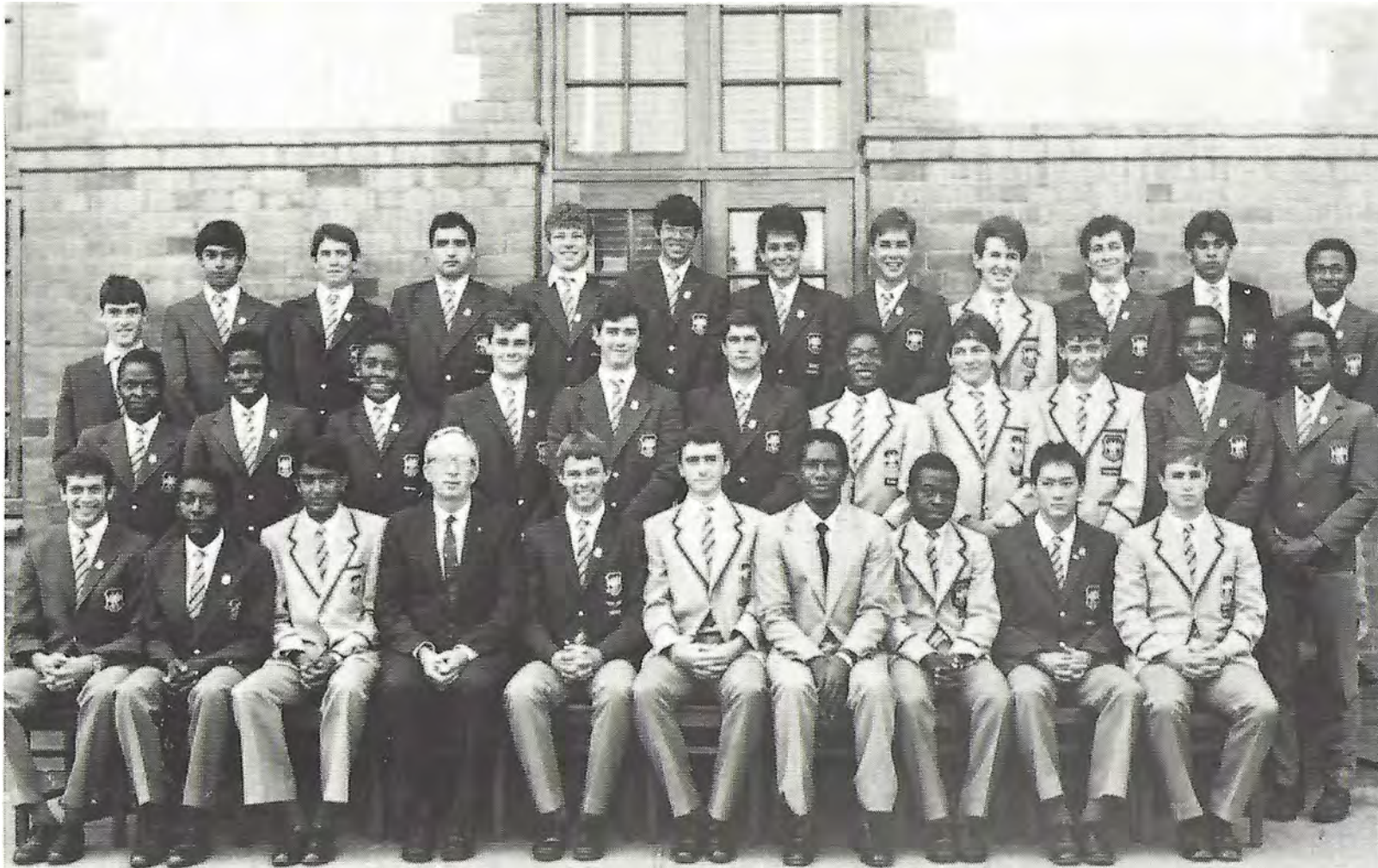
That Chariots raced at your command;

That you did inspire minors to excel in manners athletic;

That you did, with knowledge afore-thought, expose such minors to the rigours of places wild or sebaritic viz. Chimsaninani, R.S.A. and U.K;

That you did order brother and sister staff to Lalapanzi and other such places beyond the pale.

Now therefore all pendant and apprenticed Pedagogues, thinking not of stature, hue or visage, take note and do likewise for Twenty-five years.



SCHOOL PREFECTS 1985

Back row: S Miller-Cranko, Z Hawa, L O'Shea, J Correia, G Skinner, D Doolabh, K Kyriacou, C Essery, C Braccioli, B Bloch, S Naik, Q Khumalo.

Middle row: R Chinamatira, G Nyatsambo, O Rankin, C Jones, J Armstrong, W Snyman, A Chitereka, M Ross, S Williams, K Moyo, W Mpofu.

Front row: F Batty, E Chibi, P Jeyarajah, Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), R Edwards (Headboy), N Anastasiou (Deputy Headboy), Mr J Mandikate (Deputy Headmaster), V Chinamatira, L Henry, R Watson.

The Head Boy's Valedictory Address

Tradition — What does this mean to you? The Oxford Dictionary defines the word as "An opinion, belief or custom handed down from one generation to another." However, I personally believe that it means more than this. It should include high standards of behaviour, discipline and pride in one's self, fair play and sportsmanship. Tradition, in 1985 at Milton, has been actively involved in both the academic and sporting worlds, especially during our 75th Anniversary celebrations.

I honestly feel extremely proud and honoured to have been the Head Boy for 1985, especially during this very successful and active year at Milton. The highlights of the year, being our celebrations, succeeded in portraying the high traditions of our school. Personally, I am proud to have been a part of the Jubilee Week, especially during the procession through town which was so well supported by large numbers of well-disciplined pupils.

Milton has excelled once again in the external examinations, although the overall pass rates have dropped in comparison to last year's results. The trait of having excellent pass rates has shown what tradition is all about.

At O'Level, D Ross achieved 8'A's, while D Doolabh obtained 6'A's and 2'B's and Q Khumalo attained 6'A's, 2'B's and 1'C.

At M'Level, S Lewin achieved 4'1's, R Markham and C Kleinhaus both obtained 3'1's and 1'2' each.

In Public Speaking, again continuing the tradition established by past Milton pupils, B. Bloch reached the finals of the annual Lions Public Speaking Competition, in which he acquitted himself well, coming second.

Once again, as in previous years, Milton Business Management Game Team proved unbeatable, winning the Matabeleland finals for the 3rd consecutive year and the National finals for the 4th consecutive year.

Culturally, Milton has taken part in two very successful plays this year and a Variety Concert was organized which proved extremely popular.

In the sporting sphere, Milton has again shown itself to be a force to be reckoned with. Milton had no fewer than 11 representatives in various national teams this year, which is an outstanding representation from any one school. The wide variety of sports involved demonstrates the versatility of Milton sportsmen.

In Rugby, R Watson, A Chitereka and B Dawson were selected for the Zimbabwe Schools XV. G Cohen represented Zimbabwe at tennis in Junior Wimbledon this year and P Mlauzi and N Moyo were chosen for the Zimbabwe B Tennis

team. Our swimming star, M Chavunduka, was a member of the national swimming team which toured Europe. D Orange was selected for Zimbabwe Schools Basketball. P Gurney was chosen for both the Zimbabwe Schools and the Zimbabwe Mens U23 squash teams. Milton also had a national representative in shooting — D Heath. G Vudzi has boxed for Zimbabwe.

Mention must also be made of the numerous Milton sportsmen selected to represent the province. This was particularly evident in the 1st Hockey XI where 9 members of the team were selected to represent either the Matabeleland A or Matabeleland B team. 6 Milton waterpolo players were also selected for various Matabeleland teams. My personal congratulations to you all, who can feel very proud to have represented Milton. There have been numerous national and provincial representatives originating from Milton in the past year. Is this then not a tradition handed down from year to year? Our excellent grounds and sports facilities are all part of our proud heritage. The school in itself is unique, being 75 years old with a long line of high traditions to be maintained.

After 5 years at Milton School, I have seen those traditions at work and my last year as Head Boy has been no exception. At this point, I would like to extend my profound gratitude to Mr Fincham, without whose wise counselling would have made my task that much more difficult. I would also like to thank Mr Mandikate, Mr Thomas and Mr Bullivant for their infinite assistance, understanding and guidance over the year, which has proved to be most valuable. Members of staff, I wish I could mention you all by name, but unfortunately time does not permit, but I can safely say that each individual member of staff, past and present, has in some way assisted me. Thank you one and all.

To the Prefect Body, thanks. I will definitely not forget the Common Room and the antics of its occupants for quite a while.

I have enjoyed working with you all and I could usually rely on your support. The tasks were not always easy or pleasant, but I feel that you carried them out to the best of your ability and I am sure that this year as a prefect will linger on in your memory for years to come as it will in mine.

For those returning my message is simple: make the most of what lies ahead of you. Be proud of what you represent and continue the longstanding Milton tradition that others have maintained over the past 75 years.

ANDRIZESTHE — Quit ye like men!

RUSSELL EDWARDS

Academic Honours

SCHOOL PRIZES 1985

FORM PRIZES

Form	Form Prizes	Effort Prizes
1A	S. Somalingam	P. Rajaratnam
1B	D. Sibanda	R. Woodend
1C	I. Muchenje	S. Tshililiwa
1D	V. Kongo	Z. Nleya
1E	C. Nyatsanza	
1F	M. Mguni	A. Balakrishnan
1G	N. Ncube	M. Abu-Basutu
1H	S. Khoza	F. Moyo
1J	G. Mugusa	
1K	M. Kamasamba	I. Kondowe
1R	J. Woodend	
2A	M. Rajaratnam	N. Naik
2B	N. Moyo	
2C	K. Masiane	T. Murape
2D	B. Kwashie	M. Hulbert
2E	L. Surasinghe	T. Brown
2F	I. Furusa	
2R	I. Mtinkhulu	D. Barker
3A	T. Mapako	M. Naik
3B	T. Ngwenya	B. Mphalele
3C	O. Chitrin/B. Manganzani	
3D	P. Suchak	S. Mushipe
3E	D. Netsha	J. Sibanda
3F	B. Ndebele	
4A	J. Paradza	C. Campbell/S. Mazonde
4B	A. Umar	V. Nimmelaipelli
4C	K. Tsodzo	L. Woodend
4D	L. Mudimu	
4E	A. Mawuto	
5B1	P. Haynes	E. Sithole
5B2	M. Hwehwe	T. Armstrong/C. Sibanda
5B3	D. Woodend	T. Maponga/N. Naik

A.E.B. 'A' LEVEL RESULTS

1984

3 passes — M B Bloch; A D Gondo; J L Gutuza; P N Hensman
S T Langford; J Masuku; T A Mukoma; N Musiyazwiriyo;
S Nair; D Ndlovu; C Shumba; K Tailor; F A Teta; B G Watson;

2 passes — A D Abel (English); S M Dassat; B Dube; M Dziruni
S Gama; O Gangeni; A B Jani; C E Judd; M Kamwaza; M O P
Kgaka; M Mazalu; B L Nkomo; N W Rix; M Sakalis; A N
Sibanda; M Sibanda; H A C Ziemkendorf.

1 pass — S H Bloomhill; C D Damerell; A Doolabh; R J Edwards
B Gwata; B S Hughes; P R Jeyarajah; C E Kleinhans; G R
Lutz; L B Mabena; S M McTiernan; A Mkandla; K M R Naidoo
J M Ogden; R T A Pattison; C Rufu; M J E Simon; G Simoya
B P Watson.

SUBJECT PRIZES

Subject	O Level	Lower 6	Upper 6
Afrikaans	S. Dhlwayo/ W. Mills		
Art	W. Chiwenga/ C. Woodend		
Biology	M. Sibanda	Z. Moyo	D. Heath
Commerce/ Economics		G. Steinbach	B. Knight
Chemistry		Z. Moyo/ M. Nyaku	B. Knight/ D. Ndebele
English	J. Paradza		C. Jones
French	J. Paradza		R. Edwards
General Science	C. Chidikwindi/ I. Mdala		
	M. Hwehwe		
Geography	J. Paradza	S. Drewitz	E. Madanire
History	J. Paradza	F. Mashobe	A. Muneri
Mathematics	J. Paradza/ K. Tsodzo	E. Moyo/ M. Nyaku	M. Moyo/ J. Mudzi
Physics		P. Manditereza/D. M. Nyaku	Ndebele
Physics-with -Chemistry	M. Sibanda		
Technical	S. Boncey		

Best O Level Performance, 1984: D. P. Doolabh

A.E.B. 'M' LEVEL RESULTS

1984

4 passes — B T Anderson (Mathematics, Physics, Biology);
E T Chibi; R J Edwards (Mathematics); C E Kleinhans
(Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry); T Lalloo (Mathematics);
S A Lewin (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology);
R J Markham (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry); D Mewse
(Mathematics); D Ndebele; L M O'Shea (History); R
Ushendibaba; J S Vaughan.

3 passes — B G Bloch; T D Chibvongodze; C G Cohen; J M E
Correia; R H Gillman; P R Jeyarajah; L Mafu (History); S M
McTiernan (History); A Mitchell; M D Moyo; J Mudzi
(Mathematics); A Muneri; G M Parkes; S A Patel; P Runesu; T
F Runowanda; G J Williams.

2 passes — G N Armstrong; J P Armstrong; Q G Armstrong;
F Batty; H Chhanabhai; V Chinamatira; C D Essery; D L Fisher
B Hill; K S Jones; E W Madanire; T A Maliwa; M Moyo; A M
Mutemerwa; A Muzanenhama; F Patel; R R Young; H A C
Ziemkendorf.

1 pass — N R Anastasiou; V R Bhakta; S H Bloomhill; C
Braccioli; A Broughton; M Chikuvire; S Dube; B S Hughes;
D D Kerr; A Mkandla; S Moyo; S B Naik; R T Pattison;
W J Snyman; R M Taylor.

A.E.B. O'LEVELS RESULTS

1984

- 9 passes — M Chikwanda; R Chinamatira (General Science, Mathematics); A Chitereka (General Science, Mathematics); V M Dube (Physics with Chemistry, Mathematics); Q Khumalo (Biology, French, General Science, Physics with Chemistry, Mathematics); K Kyriacou (English Literature, General Science); N N Moyo (English Language); M N Naik (Biology, General Science, Mathematics); G F Pessina (Biology, Geography, Mathematics); R Pessina (Biology, English Literature, French, General Science, Geography, Mathematics); S P Williams (English Literature, Mathematics).
- 8 passes — T Anand (English Literature, Mathematics); K Bardman (Mathematics); M C Betto (English Literature); D P Doolabh (Biology, English Literature, French, History, Physics with Chemistry, Mathematics); S B Drewitz (Art, Biology, General Science, History, Geography, Mathematics); Z H Hawa; D Mpofu (General Science); S Naik (General Science, History, Physics with Chemistry, Mathematics); D Ncube (History); D L Ross (Biology, English Language, English Literature, History, Physics with Chemistry, Mathematics); G R J Steinbach (Biology, French, Mathematics); A Tambanewako.
- 7 passes — S Feigenbaum; J Kamanga; C Makwavarara; F Mashobe; K C Moyo; P Moyo (Mathematics); B Ndlovu (Mathematics); B Phiri; P R Sinclair (Biology, History, Mathematics); B G C Grant (Mathematics).
- 6 passes — M Chamunorwa (Mathematics); S M Gundu; G Madondo; T Masiane; T Maswodza; W B McDowall (Art); C B Moyo; L Mushunje; N Nkomo (Mathematics); M Sibanda; H Wagner (Biology, English Language, Mathematics).
- 5 passes — G J Beets (General Science); L A Fisher; P Mutigi (Mathematics); B Possiwe.
- 4 passes — M Chireshe; A T Dube; R J Elston; T Pesanai; B Sibanda; D Stephens; A K Umar.
- 3 passes — D M Doolabh; W G Duberly; B E Ray; R D Williams; B L P Wilson; D Zevgolis.
- 2 passes — G N Armstrong (General Science); W D Carnegie; S A Craigie; E Hiripis; F P Jensen; T W Mpofu; N Mtkethwa; Y Mullah; V M Nimelapelli; G Nyatsambo; G W Skinner (General Science).
- 1 pass — G J Allen; C Chitereka; S M Dassat; N S Maphiwa; S G Miller-Cranko; P Pragji; H G Parbhoo; O K Rankin; D Sibindi; M Takawira; C R Zangel.

CAMBRIDGE O'LEVEL RESULTS

1984

- 8 passes — S G Miller-Cranko (English Language; General Science, Geography).
- 7 passes — D Doolabh (General Science, Geography); W Duberly (English Language, General Science, Commerce); P Ncube (History); G Skinner (Metalwork, General Science); J Strachan.
- 6 passes — S Craigie (English Language); E Hiripis (Art); F Jensen; S Kutesera; W Mpofu (General Science); H Parbhoo (English Language); P Pragji (English Language); C Swanepoel (Woodwork); R Williams (English Language); B Wilson; L Woods (English Language).
- 5 passes — C Chitereka; C Ferreira; N Maphiwa; S Moyo; Y Mullah; O Ncube; R Ngwenya; G Nyatsambo; P Page; M Sutherland-McLeod (Metal work); M Takawira; C Zangel (Metal work, English Language).
- 4 passes — G J Allen (Metalwork); M Moyo; M Mushiko; P Muzhanye; S Ntaka; S Patel; P Swanepoel.
- 3 passes — C Charedzera, B Dawson, S Haddon, N Holleran, K Mafungise, D Magura, F Memeniat, T Mukaada, D Orange, M O Pilbeam, C Snyman, M Zazzetta
- 2 passes — G E Akeroyd; I Beattie; M C Betto; (English Language); B Gasela; A Grey; P Gurney; Z Hawa; S Jakapo; K Kyriacou (English Language); M Malikwe; E Mashonganyika; N Mavu; C M'Hango; M Murashiki; L Mutsura; E Ndhlikula; W Ndhlovu; N Orange; B Rose; M Schultz; B Sibanda; D Sibindi; S Sweetman.
- 1 pass — T Anand; G Beets; L Brown; M Chamunorwa; M Chikwanda; R Chinamatira; N Chireshe; S Drewitz; A Dube; V Dube; R Elston; C Gudu (English Language); S Hajivassili; R Hassamal; P Hulbert; C Johnson; J Kamanga; I Kee'Tui; C Keyser; E Khalpey; Q Khumalo (English Language); A Makina; C Makwavarara (English Language); F Mashope (English Language); P Maugi; D Mewse; B Moyo; C Moyo; K Moyo; (English Language); N Moyo (English Language); P Moyo (English Language); S Moyo; P Mpofu; L Mushunje; S Naik; D Ncube; T Ndlovu; B Ndlovu (English Language); V Nimmelpelli; N Nkomo (English Language); G Pessina (English Language); R Pessina (English Language); N P Pillay; B Ray; R Richardson; C Rufu; R Salomon; I Sibanda; K Sibanda; M Sibanda; R Staddon; D Stephens (English Language); K Stevens; A Umar; C Van der Westhuizen; W Varkevisser; D Veremu; Zevgolis; K H Ziemkendort; (English Language);

Milton School 75th Anniversary

A Diamond Jubilee for 60 years is impressive, but the same celebration for 75 years is even more so. Milton has had both and the 1985 celebrations will long be remembered by Miltonians.

Our celebrations in the second term were a result of lengthy deliberations and much hard work by the committee consisting of Messrs Bullivant, Fincham, Gracie, Stephens, Thomas and Miss Bortolan.

A wide and varied programme of events was arranged, advertisements appeared in the local press inviting interested parties to contact the school and join the celebrations. Persons driving into the school would have noticed a new and exciting board displaying the 75th Anniversary logo designed by Mrs Lorraine Coates. Mail leaving the school bore stickers of the same design. The pupils soon found out about the stickers and in no time at all the logo was found adhering to all manner of surfaces — hymn books, exercise books, suitcases, car windows and even the wearing apparell of the boys themselves.

A flurry of activity in and around Milton was to culminate in a week of special events.

Saturday 20th July saw an historic procession winding its way through Bulawayo from St. Gabriels (where Milton's ancestor St. John's School, was housed) via the city centre to Milton Junior and then up Selborne Ave to the School. The procession was led by the standard bearers with the School Colour and the float, "Class of 85 - The New Generation". It is symbolic that Form 1 boys should have been chosen to lead the school into the future. The schoolmaster on this float in gown hood and mortar board was perhaps a little Dickensian in his appearance but symbolized the high academic standard of the school.

Following behind were the Milton's boys mostly in uniform, but some in sports kit, since "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy".

The Marimba band on a float in the middle of the procession provided music and right at the tail end another float - Anti Litter, Anti Vandalism - a fine example of the co-operation the school and City Council have enjoyed for ¾ of a century.

Only one school master has been mentioned in the procession, so one may well ask where were the rest? Scatter some 50 teachers amongst over 1000 pupils and they may be a little difficult to see, but their influence will be felt and the boys know that they are there guiding them.



The Edwardians?



Dancers at the Edwardian Ball.

Early that same Saturday morning, a group of Milton boys set out with Mr "Baldie" Walker on a marathon relay from Plumtree School. They arrived at the school just after the procession having taken a little over 7 hours to run the 110 kilometres from Plumtree. It is significant what Mr Walker had arranged a similar long distance marathon 15 years earlier at the first diamond jubilee.

The school was opened in 1910 when Edward VII was King and to celebrate the era of our birth the Milton/Townsend 6th Form Society held an Edwardian Ball on the evening of the 20th July. One was transported back 75 years as one entered the Dining Hall with its Parlour Palms, heart shaped pool with a fountain and elegantly dressed ladies (and gentlemen). White tie and tails, pin stripe longs and bowlers, kilts, long dresses, feather boas and even a genuine specimen of *Pinguinus Bullivantis*, all combined (with Mrs Thomas' delicious food) to make a memorable evening.

Monday 22nd July was a normal school day. In The Chronicle, however, there appeared a fine supplement with pictures and an interesting article about the school.

The celebration reached a climax on Thursday 25th July, the school's birthday. 75 years earlier on this day Sir William Milton had opened the doors of a school which was to bear his name. In 1927 the seniors of the school left Borrow Street and came to the present site. Sir William obviously had faith in the future and as an act of affirmation of our faith a tree was planted in the school grounds by the Head Boy, Russell Edwards and our smallest Form 1, Ebraim Abdul. This tree, whose growth is being carefully monitored by the Mathematics department, is a living memorial of our 75th Anniversary.

At 12 noon the entire school gathered in the Morgan Quad for a service. The National Anthem was sung and the Flag raised. The lesson was read by the Head Boy and after a hymn and prayer (by the Rev. Father de Sylva), the Hon. R S Garfield Todd addressed the School and unveiled a mosaic of the School Crest. The School hymn and a blessing from the Anglican Bishop of Matabeleland concluded the short and thought provoking service.

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Rugby in the afternoon was very entertaining. Falcon played Plumtree and then Milton and Sevenoakes (from Kent, UK) played a hard game.

Sherry was served in the Beit Hall at 6.00 p.m. and the Milton Museum (our major Anniversary project) was opened. In his opening address, the Hon. A E Abrahamson paid tribute to Miltonians and emphasised the importance of preserving History.

Dinner at 7.00 p.m., another of Mrs Thomas' epicurean delights - was followed by the Milton address from Mr Garfield Todd and reminiscences from Old Miltonians, Ben Baron, Trevor Wright and A E Abrahamson.

The proceedings concluded about 11.00 p.m. and the guests retired home.

Friday afternoon saw a soccer match against Cyrene and in the evening a splendid Old Boys re-union sundowner party. Many Old Miltonians from all ages were present with wives, girlfriends and supporters. Michael Bullivant's history of Milton "No Ancient Pile" found a ready market, as did the commemorative beer mugs.

Sports of all types were played on Saturday, culminating in an exciting rugby game against our ancient rivals St. Georges.

The Milton Ball (at the modest cost of \$20.00 double including dinner and wine) commenced at 8.00 p.m. The Army Dance Band and a small orchestra provided a wide variety of music and happy couples danced into the early hours of Sunday morning.

Later great numbers of people managed to rise from their slumbers and conclude the weeks celebrations by giving thanks to God in a memorable service at St. John's Cathedral. The Lord Bishop resplendent in Cope and Mitre conducted the service and Rev. Fr. Chris Ross — The sub dean, and a former schoolmaster at Milton - delivered the address. A very large choir sang the Te Deum to Stanfords setting in B Flat, during which the altar was censed by the Bishop.

After the service, guests retired to the Headmaster's residence for Sherry with a gratifying feeling that the celebrations had been a success.

The final victory of the 75th Anniversary was Jimmy Millar's production of the Classic Farce "Chase Me Comrade".

H F DAY

The Hon. R S Garfield Todd's address to the school at the Unveiling of the Mosaic — 25th July 1985.

If I were to say, "Tell me about your most memorable experience - not necessarily the most exciting moment, or even the most frightening event of your life", I am sure that your replies would fill more than one interesting book. When Milton School honoured me by asking for a five-minute speech, I chose to tell you of a memorable five minutes from my own experience.

So! You stand now in Westminster, at the entrance to the House of Commons in London. The jet you travelled on was going backwards in time for the year is 1954. We pass a helmeted "bobby", go up the steps and along a passage till you enter a great and high hall with stained glass windows. Scores of people are sitting round on padded benches, waiting to see their own Member of Parliament, or hoping to be allowed into a gallery to see a session in action. Come with me as I go to a desk and tell another policeman who I am and that I am to see the Commonwealth Secretary, Lord Snowdon. The policeman summons a messenger and we walk along more long passages. When the messenger knocks and opens a door we still have to pass through another great door before I meet Lord Snowdon in his office.

"Ah! Prime Minister", greets Lord Snowdon . . . for thirty years ago it was in order to welcome me by that title. He adds "The Prime Minister is about to hold a Cabinet meeting, but he is expecting you."

Together we walk along more passages until we enter a very large room with thirty or more men sitting casually around. Of course I am nervous, but not trembling. Anyway I am not an Englishman. I am a much-diluted Scotsman of New Zealand extraction who was adopted fifty-one years ago by Zimbabwe. The first man I recognised was Harold MacMillan, later to become Foreign Secretary, Chancellor of the Exchequer and finally Prime Minister. Then I saw a little man with a round face stand and walk quietly towards me: Winston Churchill, who was 80 years old that year. He put out his hand and I will not forget that the hand I grasped was the softest I had ever held.

"How nice to see you, Prime Minister," he said, "and what a great responsibility has been laid upon you." I quietly remonstrated and said, "It is a great honour to meet you, but I don't know how you can lead a nation which defeated Nazism and still governs a great Empire, can equate my station with great responsibility".

Churchill was silent for a moment and I followed his eyes as they looked from one Minister to another. There they were: Butler, Swinton, Lennox-Boyd, Lyttelton, Duncan Sandys, Anthony Eden, all men who were to be famous in their time. "The secret, you see," said the Prime Minister, "is that we share responsibility. We are friends. We have known one another for a long time. We trust each other.". I was 46 then, with much still to learn.

Would it not be a sound idea for a Miltonian, whether at home or at school, or in his business or profession, to aim for accolade, "You can trust him."



Art and the Artist.

Mrs Lorraine Coates stands beside the Mosaic she executed for the 75th Anniversary.

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Food Glorious Food — The Headmaster and Guests enjoying Dinner at the Milton Address.

THE FOURTEENTH MILTON ADDRESS

delivered on July 25th, 1985

by *The Hon R S Garfield Todd*

In the latest issue of the Miltonian, Mr. Headmaster you spoke of Milton School as "a launching platform for greatness". That 'up to the minute' phrase has kept repeating itself to me as I have prepared this address.

I have never been able to give advice and yet remain anonymous. Some people are more fortunate. I think of your local seer, Njini the Mullah' who is probably no more a Mullah than Ecclesiastes was King Solomon, whom he pretended to be. Anyway amongst many good 'throw away lines' in Ecclesiastes is one that impressed me "there is a time for speech and there is a time for silence." At first glance you might think that Ecclesiastes has said it all. I agree in principle but in practice I have rarely been able to determine which is the time for which. That is a sad fact of my life and I should probably have taken more seriously an omen which came my way in the time of my glory, when I was Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia. All the Prime Ministers have their portraits done in oils as part of our history. All of us who are now dubbed "Colonial Prime Ministers" used to have our portraits hung (or is it hanged?) in various places of honour around Parliament, but they now hang together in a corridor in the Senate just opposite the entrance to the men's room! That may be an omen but it is not the omen I wish to tell you about. When the artist completes the portrait it is then submitted to a committee for approval. My portrait was at first rejected. The artist had made me stand with my notes before me, just as I am doing tonight, looking into the future, just as I am doing tonight. As I was speaking it had seemed appropriate that my mouth should be slightly open. "Take it back," said the Committee, "and shut his mouth!" Tonight I am honoured by being asked to open my mouth.

I am entirely a twentieth-century man. I was born early in the century and I will die before it ends. The less-distinguished but more important section of my audience this evening (dare I say that?) are men who will come to their prime in the twenty-first century. You will be twenty-first century men.

I look back over a long lifetime and it is my experience that by the time you have completed your schooling, done your stint at university or whatever alternative training or experience you undertake to fit you for life and perhaps are even fortunate enough to have made your choice of a wife or (let us not forget) possibly be chosen by a life-partner, you will probably be nearly 25 years of age. I hold that for many people they just come alive at 25! Then come 20 years or more of tough striving, of making your contribution. If you are really fortunate you will come alive by 25 and arrive at 45 : men of the twenty-first century!

Not all twentieth century people have a compelling desire to live in the twenty-first century and that is understandable when you consider today's scene of drug-traffic, highjackings, the threat of nuclear war and the plain selfishness of men. It is my belief nevertheless that you not only have a future but that it is the most exciting challenge that has ever faced a new generation. Our ancestors learned to use the lever, invented the wheel, the steam engine, the internal combustion engine, nuclear power and now the computer age has dawned. Throughout the years men have harnessed technology both to their use and to their advancement. I spoke to the "dawn" of the computer age but when I read a recent issue of 'Time' it seemed to me that the computer-age had already reached high noon and that computers can now store more information than mankind ought to know. I see that the "Cray 2" Computer works 50 000 times faster than a personal computer and can, admittedly at top speed, carry out 1,200 million arithmetical operations per second! What computers took a year to accomplish in 1952 can be done by 'Cray 2' in one second. It is mind-boggling and, being just a twentieth-century man, I don't really believe it but I suspect that Mr. Seymour Cray knows his number range and that 'Cray 2' will be followed by 3 and 4! In the picture of Cray 2 the operator, amongst other items, was wearing a pair of spectacles and a rather supercilious smile. I was slightly surprised that a man so advanced in computers should be so dated in optics that he had to wear spectacles. The supercilious smile I quite understood for a man remains the master of the machine, even of the super-computer : man can always pull the plug!

Meikles congratulate Milton School on their 75th Anniversary.

I am told that more and more students today wish to advance in the Sciences and this is understandable but in an age of space-ships and computers the truly momentous decisions should be made by men and women who are well versed in such subjects as history, language, literature and religion. No-one is able to advise people of the next century on what they should do. We take experience from the past and scrutinise it under the light of the wisdom and morality of the present. I have been part of the last five decades of Zimbabwean life and there were many lessons to be learned.

In the thirties I looked at sun-lit villages, watched children at play and wrongly concluded that life in the villages was good. I had yet to hear mothers say "I have seven children but three are alive" and had yet to learn that life, where there were few schools and no clinics and where there was great poverty, was far from easy or desirable.

In the forties came Hitler's war which threatened the liberty which many people had never experienced but of which they were to learn from the news of the war and from statesmen of the democracies, some of which were still Colonial Powers. Eventually Russia and the Western Powers combined their forces and at a frightful cost in suffering and death proclaimed victory for freedom for all men, but in fact that was only part of the story. As the political ferment intensified in the "Overseas Territories" India achieved Independence but another decade had to pass before Britain's first African Colony, the "Gold Coast" won its Independence under the name of Ghana. Dr. Kwame Nkrumah invited my wife and me to come to Accra and share in the Independence Celebrations. Two years earlier I had visited the Gold Coast to see for myself how the people were working their way towards freedom from Colonial rule. I was looking for ideas that might help my own Government as I considered that the time had come to make vast changes in our electoral laws in Southern Rhodesia. I say that the time had come for change in Southern Rhodesia but I fear that even at that point we were many years too late. Rab Butler who played an important role in the freeing of India from British rule held that when a colonial power or a racist minority government accepts that it is time to introduce reforms it is already too late. Power must be ceded before negotiations will have relevance. We had a joyful time in Ghana in that Independence year of 1957. Hundreds of Chiefs with ceremonial umbrellas, Heads of State, Vice-President Nixon : all had gathered to share the joy of the people of Ghana. There had been no war of liberation but leaders had been imprisoned and at midnight we joined happy crowds who applauded Nkrumah, Botsio and Gbedema as they danced in prison clothes! But standing out from all my memories I see a little girl of 10 or 11 who met me on a footpath. She gave me a great smile and raised her arm, "Freedom, white man," she shouted. Yes it was freedom for Ghana and 23 years later it was to be freedom for Zimbabwe. In our case the transposing of power from white to black was traumatic but it was limited in time : the period beginning in 1980 stretches into an unknown and unbounded future and its concern is with the transformation of power. The foundations of the Zimbabwe of the twenty-first century are being laid in the here and now.

The future safety and progress, not only of Zimbabwe but of the whole world depends upon a developing unity. If you want a picture of misery and gloom then draw up a list of bits and pieces from the news-columns : Shi'ites, Christians, Assyrians, Lebanese, Israelis, High-jackings, Mrs. Thatcher's rhetoric, Mr. Reagan's operation, Bulawayo's nude statues. You could stretch that list right around the world, but where do we look for hope? *Seek for unity* and a discerning eye will see it everywhere. The latest example is the great rock-concert

which was staged in Philadelphia and London. Caring people around the world responded with more than \$50 million for the starving people of our continent. That was an offering for brotherhood but we should also note the potential in communications when more than 1,500 million people can share a TV programme. Then consider the Red Cross Society with its wonderful record of service to all mankind. Also, for more than 40 years the United Nations Organisation has endeavoured to keep the peace and to establish justice. The Organisation has not succeeded in many of its efforts but its subsidiaries, assisting in such matters as agriculture, health, labour, education have fostered mutual understanding and worked for unity. Just on 20 years ago Pope Paul made his historic visit to the U.N. and said, "The people (of the world) turn to the United Nations as the last hope of concord and peace . . . your vocation is to make brothers of not only some but of all peoples." Great statements from great leaders reveal a deeper truth when the broad concern is shown not to the world audience but also to the individual. The same Pope Paul gave a medal and a message to a visiting Bishop to carry to Rhodesia. In due time a transfer was made to Bishop Haiene of Gweru who then applied to the Protecting Authority for the Midlands for permission to visit me in the "protected area" of Hokonui Ranch. It was a memorable day when I received from the Pope a gift and a message of encouragement to continue to work for unity and peace.

When I was younger I used to enjoy hearing Odetta sing "He's got the whole world in His hand." but I never took this sentiment as either reason or excuse for evading the duty that made its demand. Whether we are Buddhists or Christians or Jewish or Mohammedans or whatever, we are all the children of God : we have each a responsibility, of which our daily profession or other work is only a part. Dr. Michael Gelfand died this week. His medical training was important but the greatness of his life was expressed in his devoted service to the people, to all the people. Zimbabwe will miss him.

At my age a man doesn't cling to many ambitions but I have a brand new one. I wish yet to own and enjoy a C.D. machine and discs. Phillips of Holland and Sony of Japan have worked together on the production of the Compact Disc machine which uses a laser beam to scan the disc and then feeds its instructions through a microcomputer which converts them into perfect sound. That marvel is the result of the working-together of people from different ends of the earth . . . not just within a community where, as in Bulawayo this month, Mr. Derek Hudson produced the marvel of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. What co-operation, at the highest level of excellence is called for on such an occasion. So many of the finest things in life's endeavour can be accomplished only if people learn to work together. Philips decided to make a 60-minute disc but the Chairman of Sony, Mr. Akio Morita, demanded a disc big enough to record the whole of the Ninth Symphony so D.C.'s give 75 minutes of playing time with, I am informed, Mr. Bullivant, not even one "ragged edge". Said Mr. Morita, "The Ninth has a special significance in Japan because we 'traditionally' play it over and over at year end."

When you come nearer to the ends of your lives and you find that you have fulfilled most of your ambitions then you probably failed to set them high enough in the first place. You don't have to wander amongst the stars or even invent a monstrosity like Cray 10 to have lived a full life within a progressive community in this wonderful country.

I have said that you can expect to come alive at 25 : to arrive at 45 and one of you, at 65, might be given the great honour which I have enjoyed tonight : you may be the speaker but it would be at the 125th anniversary of Milton High School.



Dinner at the Milton Address.

RECOLLECTIONS OF ONWARDS OF 75 YEARS AGO

from an address to the school on 25th July, 1985

by Ben Baron

Prior to 1910 we had only the three Church Schools serving Bulawayo — St. John's, St. George's, and the Dominican Convent, so when the time came for me to start my education my parents sent me to the Convent School in Lobengula Street. We sat on the verandah of the old school which is still there and we wrote on Slates. One morning I dropped my Slate and it shattered on the cement floor. I was so shocked that I ran all the way home and refused to return to School! The Milton and Eveline Schools were the first Government Schools and the first non-denominational schools to be established by the B.S.A. Company which governed this Country under Charter from Queen Victoria. My parents were delighted to be able to send me to School again, so on Monday, 25th July, 1910, my brother, Ezekiel (Zeck) nearly 5 and I nearly 6 enrolled at the Eveline.

I was fortunate to be able to refresh my memory (very necessary!) by having access to the Chronicle Report of the ceremony. As Eveline was the larger school the opening ceremony took place in its quadrangle and was attended by the Administrator, Sir William Milton and Lady Milton. It was addressed by the Mayor, Mr. Emanuel Basch, and was well attended by the public, pupils and parents. Invited guests included the Town Councillors, representatives of the Clergy including the Rev. C. E. Greenfield, father of the brilliant sons who later attended Milton, and the Rev. M. I. Cohen, the Hebrew Minister who was an active member of the Committee formed to promote the Schools. Also present was Mr. D S Forbes representing the B.S.A. company, and the Beit Trustees, Mr. Alan Welsh — later Sir Alan and Speaker of the House of Assembly for many years, Mr. C. P. J. Coghlan, later Sir Charles Coghlan who as Prime Minister negotiated our new status of a

Crown Colony in 1923, Mr. G. Duthie, Minister of Education, and Mr. J. B. Brady, a School Inspector.

There were no School residences but these were later provided by the Beit Trustees. After the Speeches Lady Milton unlocked the main door and the flag (the Union Jack of course) was hoisted. The same ceremony was then repeated at Milton. It was a grand stirring ceremony.

Our Headmistress at Eveline was Miss Milne Langdon, who was quite a tartar. The School grounds were bare veldt and completely undeveloped, and during the break it was our habit to roam the grounds searching for snakes. It was a fascinating sport so we often missed hearing the bell summoning us back to class. When we eventually arrived Miss Langdon was waiting for us at the door of our Classroom and as she caught each of us in turn she put us on her knee and gave us a good spanking.

Transport was a big problem in those days, particularly as we lived near the Railway Station. Just imagine — no Buses and no Motor Cars. My father solved the problem for us by acquiring a double decker pram with our own piccannin who used to push us to school, wait until school was over and push us home again. Later this service failed because our driver went on strike and refused to continue pushing us 4 miles each way every day. We then had to walk to School and back. I remember it took us hours to get back - we used to dawdle at all the shop windows and pick up empty match boxes and picture cards. Later my father acquired a Rickshaw — which were a favourable form of transport in those days — and when it rained all the neighbours' children piled in as well. Finally we reached the bicycle age, but there were always more Barons than bicycles so we were generally two to a cycle. The roads

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were dirt roads and we often got stuck in the mud when it rained. Bulawayo was a small town in those days and we rarely used the streets — we used to take short cuts through the residential blocks.

In 1912 when I had reached Standard 1, I was eligible for Milton. I have vivid memories of our Headmaster, E. B. de Beer, and his strawboater which he always wore. He was distinguished looking — tall, well built with a very fair complexion. He was a strict disciplinarian — he believed in the old adage “Spare the rod and spoil the child” and every Friday after school the week’s defaulters used to parade outside his Study and receive their desserts. I had the experience of being sjambokked by him for sloppy homework. I can still clearly recall the occasion even after all these years. We were lined up on the stoep outside the Headmaster’s Office and awaiting our turn with considerable apprehension. When I was called in we had a short discussion. I tried to explain how difficult working conditions were at home with so many brothers, sisters and visitors playing around, but to no avail, I was told to bend down and the sjambok descended on me several times. I had blue and purple weals on my back for several weeks, but the effect was salutary. Nevertheless, we all loved DAB, as he was affectionately known. Even in those early days Mr. de Beer was concerned about the future of the white man in Africa and often talked to us about this. He envisaged the future to be a mingling of all the races, eventually producing a coffee-coloured people from the Cape of Cairo.

In 1935 the Old Miltonian Society, of which I was then the Chairman, collected sufficient funds to bring him out of his retirement at the Cape to celebrate our Silver Jubilee. We had a wonderful Reunion Dinner with 100 Old Boys attending at the Old Dining Hall in the Junior School in Borrow Street. He was also one of the guests of honour at the memorable Jubilee Milton-Eveline Old Boys and Girls Dance at the Grand Hotel the next night. I’m sure it was one of the highlights of his life. Mr. Michael Bullivant, who must be congratulated for his share of work on tonight’s party and all the other celebrations, kindly extracted the MILTONIAN reporting these events which I have with me tonight for anyone interested to see.

Talking of the Miltonian, I remember during the period I was the Editor Mr. de Beer telling me that at the time there were — 6 Barons — 4 Knights — 2 Kings, and 1 Lord at the School, so you can see we were quite an aristocratic school. This information duly appeared in the next issue of the Miltonian.

Another memory I have was when DAB met me one day on the Stoep and saying to me “By the way, Baron, where are those 300 lines I awarded you for whistling on the Stoep. I protested and said I was sure it was another Baron but he insisted it was I, so after questioning every other Baron who all denied responsibility I spent a miserable week-end writing out 300 lines ‘I must not whistle on the Stoep’ which certainly didn’t improve my handwriting, and the joke of the matter was that at that time to my chagrin I couldn’t whistle! Many months later my brother, Eze, confessed, but I soon forgave him — he was a wonderful fellow and we were great friends.

Talking of handwriting, in those days it was forbidden to write left handed, which I was, and in one of my early classes my School Mistress used to stand over me with a ruler and rap

my knuckles every time I put my pencil in my left hand. Needless to say, this also didn’t improve my handwriting!

Milton has been extremely lucky in its choice of Headmasters — I can’t remember an indifferent one, and the present Headmaster, Mr. Harry Fincham, is doing a magnificent job in changing circumstances.

A word about sport — Jock Thompson’s book about Rhodesian Sportsmen — including numerous Miltonians and Old Miltonians, should be read. Jock later became Lieut. Col. J. de L. Thompson DSO and he commanded the Rhodesian contingent in the Second War. Our main sport was Rugby. We played on the old grounds in Borrow Street which were hard and rocky and if you were tackled you invariably cut your knees which developed septic sores as a result, which took a long time to heal. We played against Plumtree School several times a year and there was tremendous rivalry, as no doubt there still is today. A few of the top players I remember were the Peiser brothers — Sonny and Georgie who still lives in Bulawayo, and Charlie Wienard who was also a good trainer, my brother Hymie, who at University later did a record 4 tours in 1 year — two Rugby, 1 Boxing and 1 Athletic tour, and Syd Longden who was probably one of the finest players Rhodesia has produced. He boasted that he was never injured in a football game — he was tall and powerful, but ironically one morning whilst shaving in his bathroom he slipped and broke a leg!

As you can imagine, I went through many School Masters — one who made a great impression on me was Mr. J. A. Robinson, known to us all as ‘Stinks Robbie’ who taught us Chemistry by rhyme, such as “Oxygen puts out my light-made by heating Ammonium nitrite” or “If some H (hydrogen) you wish to make, zinc and acid you must take.” He was a great moralist and lectured us continually on our duties and standards of morality in adult life. He was a notable character and we were all very sad when he retired.

During the first World War practically every one of our Masters enrolled, as did many of our old boys and senior boys, who cheated on their age, so we had mainly lady teachers who found it hard work trying to discipline unruly boys. After the war we got a lot of new male teachers. I remember one, who shall be nameless and who used to visit the old Imperial Hotel, later the Fairway Hotel, near the School during the break and who always returned in a much more cheerful mood. Some boys also came back after demobilisation to take their Matric, including the late Ben Fletcher and W. G. (affectionately known as ‘Daddy’) Swanson, and Syd Longden. Our Form Master in my Matric class was Mr. William Gebbie, a very fine learned and gentle man, but no disciplinarian, and when his back was turned we used to throw books and paper aeroplanes about. I was smaller than many of the others and generally well behaved. However one day Mr. Gebbie caught me playing the fool with the others, and he reproached me sadly saying ‘Et tu Brute!’

We were very fortunate — we had a wonderful School and fine teachers and my own school days were happy and memorable. You boys are lucky to be at Milton. I am sure you will carry on the great traditions and make the most of your school days — the happiest days of your life.



Headmasters Ancient and Modern
Messers Fincham, Bullivant, Todd, and Abrahamsom admiring the photographic
display of Headmasters in the school museum.

J B BRADY

"A few words about the famous Headmaster who controlled our destinies at that time (1925 — 1932)" freely adapted from an address by Trevor Wright.

John Banks Brady, otherwise known as Binks, and occasionally as Bimbo, was the great man who was Milton when he was its Head. A man in every sense of the word — big, understanding and every inch the soldier that he was. It has been said that a lot of what he was can be summed up in one small sentence "He was Irish". But for all his stern discipline, he had a kind heart. It was a well known fact that Milton possessed an unbeatable 1st XV and an equally fine 1st XI because Brady himself helped by paying the school fees of boys who excelled in the games concerned who might otherwise have left school to make their respective ways in the world. It often meant that a Fifth former would celebrate his 21st Birthday while still at school, but what did that matter?

In those days, we had three houses, Pioneer and Charter for boarders and Oppidans for Day-scholars. For boarders to get away from school and into town, an exit pass was required. The story is told about 3 boarders, who, on one Saturday afternoon, bunked out of school and went to the local cinema. On their way back to the school they were walking up Selborne Avenue, when a car suddenly pulled up alongside them and offered them a lift. With horror they recognised the driver, as non other than Brady himself and realising that they would be asked to show their exit permits (which, of course, they didn't have) they politely refused the lift, adding, by way of weak explanation that they were in a hurry. I am sure that Binks was not taken in by all that, but he nevertheless turned a blind eye to it.

He understood to the full the meaning of the school Motto "QUIT YE LIKE MEN" and he made it his task that we all

understood it as well. I am sure that had he been alive today, he would have been very proud of his old school and the way in which the old traditions have been fostered and carried on.

I so well remember that traumatic moment when the time came for Brady to relinquish his post of Headmaster, and at the farewell concert, as he walked into the Beit Hall, the entire school rose to its feet, and to a parody of the song "Goodbye Dolly Grey" they sung:

"Goodbye Bimbo, you must leave us"

"Goodbye Bimbo, you must go"

This gesture, as much as anything symbolized the affection and deep respect in which Bimbo was held. A respect which I might add kept us very much alive by his weekly "Defaulters Parades" at which he dealt with any school boy who had broken rules, etc., and had been unlucky enough to have been caught.

We remember a man who stood for everything good in the school and in doing so, we also honour the extremely able heads who have succeeded him:

H G Livingston	1930
L R Morgan	1941
W Gebbie	1943
A Ball	1946
J H Downing	1950
C R Messiter Tooze	1955
P M Brett	1964
R K Gracie	1970
E Andersen	1981
H Fincham	1984

It was a great school
It is a great school
Let us keep it that way.

Matabele Steam Laundry congratulate Milton School on their 75th Anniversary.

THE SERMON

preached by *Rev. Fr. C W Ross*

THANKSGIVING SERVICE HELD IN CATHEDRAL CHURCH
OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST ON
Sunday 28th July, 1985

When I was given the honour of preaching this sermon, my mind went back 25 years, to the Golden Anniversary of Milton School, and I remember the beloved Canon Rupert Cranswick, old Miltonian and Rhodes Scholar, taking the service on what is now the Morgan Quad. This brought back a flood of memories, and I had to recall the real purpose of this service.

As the Title of the Service tells us, our purpose in coming together this morning is Thanksgiving. We give thanks to Almighty God for *all* who pioneered the efforts to provide schools for the boys and girls who lived here towards the close of the 19th century. In particular we remember this morning Bishop Gaul, Revd. Nelson Fogarty and Mr. Teychenne, all of whom contributed to the beginning of St. John's School in January 1898. 13½ years later, in July 1910, St. John's School closed its doors, and the pupils were transferred to the new Government Schools, Eveline and Milton, and so began the 75 years we celebrate at this time.

Our thanksgiving now is for those years of service in educating thousands of boys; for the continuing development and for the high standards maintained by successive Headmasters and their staffs, and by generations of pupils.

A school is a living organism, whose life lies in the succession of its members. As pupils, staff and all who work in it, we become integral parts of it for a period. And when we leave it, whatever our connection has been, we take with us a part of that school — not only in training and knowledge, but in memories of the Characters who shared our brief span with us, of the events and of the traditions we knew.

A great part of these celebrations and thanksgiving is typified by two things; the recalling of our history, as has been done so admirably by Michael Bullivant's history of the school, and the setting up of a Milton Museum. This looking back has two purposes. The first is that it is essential to know the tradition in which we stand. Only so can we make sense of the present, and begin to understand ourselves. It goes further than that. We find in our search, the heroes of our tradition and our faith, who serve as examples, and as signposts by which to direct our lives.

But the second purpose of the backward look is to show us where change and development and adaptation are necessary. The good tradition leaves us pointers as to how we should adapt ourselves to new situations, and prepares us to make such changes. Milton has always been ready to adapt to new situations, and has been in the forefront of educational progress in this country.

What really matters in the end though, is the quality of the "products", to use that term, who emerge from Milton School. A verse from Wordsworth gives, I think, an ideal towards which we can all usefully strive:

The title of the poem is —

The verse concerned goes thus:
"Who is the happy warrior? Who is he
That every man in arms should wish to be?
It is the generous spirit, who when brought
Among the tasks of real life hath wrought
Upon the plan that pleased his Childish thought".

Youth brings with it high ideals, and it is these that can so easily be eroded away — almost without our noticing it, when the pressures of what Wordsworth calls "the tasks of real life" come upon us. Milton has always provided an environment where those ideals can be entrenched and fortified, so that we can enter the mainstream of life as "Happy Warriors" in this sense. How desperately the world needs men who, as Mr. Garfield Todd said in his speech at Milton on Thursday, can be trusted.



**THE PERRY WINDOW IN
ST. JOHNS CATHEDRAL**

This memorial to an old Miltonian features the School Crest.

In our second reading we heard the school motto in its context of 1 Corinthians 16 vs 13. It is one thing to say "Quit ye like men" — i.e. act with courage in the highest traditions of which mankind is capable. That is the ideal. But the context gives us the *means* by which this ideal is to be achieved:

"Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit ye like men".

"Stand fast in the faith" — this is the essential element, that which makes our ideals achievable, because it is the recognition that our own strength and wisdom are inadequate. We need the power of God to do His work. "When I am weak, then I am strong" says Paul paradoxically, meaning that when we recognize our need of God's help, we open the way for Him to come into the situation — we no longer get in His way.

This need for faith is emphasized in the reading from Ephesians about the whole armour of God. Having listed the girding of the loins with truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the shoes of the preparation of the gospel of peace, Paul goes on to say —

"Above all, take the shield of FAITH . . .".

And how do we achieve faith? By prayer — regular, frequent and continued prayer.

This is not to say that the prayer of faith releases us from further effort. True prayer leads to action. We need to pray as if everything depends on God — and then work as if it all depends on us.

So, having looked at the past — "the plan that pleased our childish thought" and having rejoiced in so goodly a heritage, may you go forward in faith to even greater things, so that those who celebrate the centenary of Milton School can look to the past with no less pride than we have during these 75th Anniversary celebrations.

May God Bless you and prosper you all.

AMEN

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Mr Garfield Todd and Mr Gavin Stephens chat about the School Museum whilst other guests enjoy a sherry and view the exhibits.

THE MILTON MUSEUM

Of the two permanent reminders of Milton's 75th birthday, the larger is the School Museum. The original idea for this goes back some years and attempts to begin a museum as a class project were actually made with exhibits collected in the room that has now *become* the museum. However, the real motivation came some three years ago and in particular Gavin Stephens, then in the Sixth Form, now at Rhodes and son of a former head boy, spent many hours planning displays and assembling memorabilia. Whenever home on vacation, he still takes a very active role in the Museum and, spent his entire July vacation helping to prepare it for its official opening — indeed, it is no exaggeration to say that without Gavin's efforts it could not have been ready for the opening. In addition several members of the Upper 6th have taken a leading part in preparing exhibits - Clinton Jones has displayed a real flair in arranging displays and Barry Knight has made an admirable archivist.

The Museum is housed in what is undoubtedly one of the finest rooms in the school, the original library over the main entrance of the building: with the shelves removed, its graceful proportions can be the more easily appreciated with the two fireplaces and splendored, curved steel ceiling. Extensive redecoration and restoration has taken place and the original wood - mainly teak - has shed layers of murky varnish to be revealed in its very real beauty; the windows have been curtained in a fine Regency stripe (close to Milton blue, of course!) with heavy golden cords to hold them back; and original furniture has been restored and takes its place too.

It is intended that the Museum should be a living and growing archive of the school's history; by its very nature a school does not assemble many of the treasures found in a conventional museum, although there *are* some objects of real value: the silver key, presented to Sir William Milton on 25th July 1910 and returned to the school shortly after his death by

his son on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee has a proud place over one of the fireplaces, matched at the other end by the silver trowel with which the Earl of Athlone laid the foundation stone of the present school. More mysteriously, there is a magnificent Japanese ceremonial sword - the war trophy of some O.M. perhaps? — of whose donation the school has no record. (Any information would be most welcome!) There are also discontinued trophies and cups, relics of the school's cadet corps and band, old and new uniforms, a multiplicity of caps and ties, sporting mementoes (including a cricket bat autographed by every member of the English touring side of 1939-40 — such great names as Len Hutton and Wally Hammond inter alia) and much else including a virtually complete run of Miltonians from the first issue back in 1912.

But particularly there are photographs: all twelve headmasters have their place as do such luminaries as Milton himself, Sir Henry Birchenough and Sir John Chancellor (Cecil Rhodes is represented by two portraits, one a magnificent three-quarter length in oils that dominates the room); there are views of the school from both air and ground level at every stage in its history including a full record of the original school in 1929 as well as the present one; and great moments in the school's history are there too, whether it be the laying of the foundation stone, Golden Jubilee Speech Day or the Prince of Wales duck-shooting with Miltonians in 1925.

A considerable sum of money has been spent on the Museum, but as long as the school remains, it too will remain as a source of material on the school's history which should be of more than passing interest to all Miltonians, past, present and future. It also doubles as a reception room — its open spaces comfortably accommodate eighty or more - and possesses a handsome boardroom table and chairs so serves frequently as a committee room; perhaps the elegant and civilised surroundings will have a welcome influence on whatever debate there takes place . . .

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NO ANCIENT PILE
A History of Milton School
M F Bullivant

Michael Bullivant, who contributed a distinguished monograph on Milton to "Renowned Rhodesian Schools" has now published a full scale history to mark the School's 75th Anniversary. It is a work which should be on the shelves of every Miltonian!

The "prehistory" of Milton is dealt with at greater length. I learnt a lot about the political pressures which led to the closing of St. John's School. But a close connection continued between St. John's Church and Milton so long as the latter remained in Borrow Street. Archdeacon Harker, whose rectory was opposite the school, worked closely with the first Head, de Beer, who sent him as many choristers as he required and rewarded boarders who went to Sunday church with a bacon and egg breakfast.

School historians have difficulty in maintaining interest once the rough and tumble of the pioneering days has been left behind. (Milton boarders used to need a punt to cross the quad in the rainy season). One distinguished head succeeds another, a hostel goes up here, a playing field is laid out there — and the reader dozes gently off. Michael has avoided bathos by including a mass of colourful detail, much of it in the appendix to each chapter entitled "Odds & Ends"; and his obvious enthusiasm for and pride in the school holds the reader's attention. Eulogies are restrained, and the occasional squeeze of lemon (usually at the expense of the Ministry of Education) saves the mixture from becoming over - rich.

It is humiliating for a reviewer to have to admit that he cannot put his finger on any faults, but that is now my predicament. Speaking personally, as one who shares the first head's indifference to organized sport, I could have spared some of the long tale of sporting successes to learn what was going on in the classrooms, the slow slide for example, from the humanities to the natural sciences. (Not but what, as late as 1968, the school could still produce a magnificent Latin howler). And why, from Michael of all men, do we hear so little of Milton music.

My other grouse concerns modern education in general. The author gleefully records the so-called "sparetime" activities which are always being added to the curriculum. Fair enough; except that religion is not one of them. Anyone who tries to organise a confirmation class soon discovers the modern child has no spare time. "Leisure activities" have destroyed leisure.

There remains however, one resort for the frustrated reviewer. Ignoring the banquet provided, he may loudly demand further courses (These may require months of further research — but who cares about that?)

Very well then; in these sociological days, we are told very little about the impact of Milton School on the nation at large or the city. For example: Plumtree School has often been called the nursery of the Rhodesian Front (I hope that is not an indelicate remark). Did Milton contribute MP's to the Front or some other party? How many OM's have been chosen as alderman or mayors, or served on the Bulawayo City Council? What professions or careers has, say, the class of 1960 taken up? How many have emigrated and where to? Do Miltonians tend to marry Evelyns or is Townsend or the Convent preferred? Do their sons follow them to Milton or has zoning put a stop to all that?

That should keep the author happily occupied until he has produced a second edition. But, if not, I promise to think up some further conundrums, any time he asks.

The book contains many photographs and ends with six appendices; that on "Milton at War" describes some enthralling adventures of OM's in World War II.

Michael has certainly done his part in making "Milton, a name of resound of ages".

R A B EW BANK
DEAN OF BULAWAYO

'NO ANCIENT PILE' — ERRATA

As no second edition of 'No Ancient Pile' seems likely much before the centenary in 2010, it is perhaps appropriate to list some corrections prior to that date! The following have been brought to my attention by various people and are all, I think, of interest - any further amendments for future publication will be welcomed.

Robin Ewbank, Dean of Bulawayo, contributed the following note:

'On page 4 of "No Ancient Pile" we read that Rhodes distributed the end-of-year prizes at St. John's in 1900. Further research shows this is not quite accurate.

'There was no prize-giving at the end of 1900 for the sufficient reason that there were no prizes. The war had prevented their arrival from Cape Town. 'It was decided to hold the ceremony on 21st June 1901 which was the last day of the second term and shortly before the Nativity of St. John Baptist. Rhodes happened to be in Bulawayo that week and at the last moment agreed to distribute the prizes.

'The pupils, 123 in number, were drawn up on a stage erected over the choir-stalls in the church and were revealed when the curtain which separated chancel from nave was drawn back. They gave an entertainment — songs, recitations, comic dialogues, musical drill — which the reporter from the Chronicle found more interesting than he expected.

'Wimbush, the Rector, was in the Chair and introduced the guest of honour. Over sixty pupils, half the school, received prizes, and Rhodes, who had only nine months to live, gave rather a rambling speech.

'He praised the Right-of-Entry system which he said was unique in this country. For example, at St. John's there were twenty Jewish children whom the Rabbi instructed. He then enlarged upon the benefits of state-provided education, if combined with the Right of Entry. This part of his speech can hardly have been agreeable to those who were struggling to build up St. John's as a denominational school.

'However, the children gave three cheers for the speaker who next day left Bulawayo, never to return.'

Facing P.40 is a photograph of H.R.H. Prince George inspecting cadets and in the text on P.46 this occasion is referred to with the bracketed note that the Prince later became King George VI. This is quite wrong: H.R.H. Prince George was, of course, the Duke of Kent who was killed in an air crash in 1942; the future George VI was Prince Albert — he took the name George on succeeding to the throne in honour of his father, but remained 'Bertie' to family and friends until his dying day.

The illustration of the interior of the Dining Hall in 1929 printed between pages 38 and 39 has been reversed, as reference to the 1985 view between pages 96 and 97 will show.

The photograph of the West Wing of the School and Charter house in the early 1940's, between pages 48 and 49, is probably misdated; the car in the picture is almost certainly Colonel Brady's which means that the photograph in all likelihood was taken by 1930. This in turn casts suspicion on the dates of the other photographs in this group as it would seem that all of them were taken at the same time.

The list of Selous prizewinners on P.169 ends in 1936; there were in fact two further winners, both in 1951: M G H Yates and R G Stephens — who is now Chairman of the School Council. The two names were omitted from both Honours Boards and books and the earlier omission will be rectified very shortly. The Selous Prize was a prestigious essay competition whose subjects were to be related to the open air, wild life etc., matters close to the benefactor's heart. Although the winning essayist only received a book, his school was more generously treated, gaining £100, no inconsiderable sum even in 1951.

MICHAEL BULLIVANT

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CHASE ME, COMRADE

Ray Cooney's farce, 'Chase Me, Comrade', had come of age shortly before its production at Milton for it was first staged twenty-one years ago in March 1964. It was subsequently filmed (a touch vulgarised) as 'Not Now, Comrade' and it might have been thought at this stage a slightly curious choice for a school play: memory seemed to suggest that the play had gained some of its success from topicality for its defecting Russian ballet dancer was obviously inspired by Rudolf Nureyev's flight to the west; moreover, it was so utterly English with the usual gallery of middle class twits and working class nits that its setting and whole milieu would surely seem remote from Zimbabwe in 1985.

In the event, the very experienced director, Jimmy Millar, remained totally faithful to his script (save for the tiny and apt if anachronistic substitution of the name of a local department store for Harrods) and triumphantly swept aside all doubts and worries within minutes of the curtains' opening. He had realised that the play in fact remains fresh and very funny and, taken on its own terms, more than capable of providing an entertaining evening. Its own terms, though, are those of farce and in some respects farce is a very difficult genre, especially for schoolchildren. There is little problem in amusing your audience intermittently (providing, of course, that your play has the appropriate quota of jokes) but to promote that "willing suspension of disbelief" is very much more difficult: farce usually involves characters of varying improbability in absurd and incredible situations that are brought about largely because no one for a moment contemplates telling the truth — and the audience must not be given that moment either, otherwise it will realise the basic implausibility of the plot. However, although it is one thing to be aware of the difficulties of playing farce, it is quite another to overcome them successfully and it is to Mr. Millar's very considerable credit that he persuaded his cast to act as a team and to achieve the necessary pace and comic timing.

Much of the chaos revolves around Gerry Buss ('He's Mr. Buss', 'Well, he should have taken a taxi') and James Vaughan was quite outstanding in this crucial and demanding role: his performance never flagged in energy and, from his first appearance in disguise with peaked cap over one eye and binoculars flailing frantically as he was propelled down the steps by his fiancée, the laughter was always there. The precision of his timing and the naturalness of his movement were a joy to watch although it was a pity that a throat infection caused him to bark his lines rather too often. Nevertheless, there was no doubt that a very real comic talent was in action.

Karl Kyriacou as the defecting dancer had another very demanding part — he had scarcely a line in English (his Russian appeared immaculate!) so that all attention was on his appearance and manner. He carried it off with great aplomb — his movements were always graceful and balletically convincing, his poise suitably arrogant and conceited, his gestures flamboyant and his presence effortlessly dominating, whilst his often physically demanding dancing seemed totally professional; and, be it noted, neither he nor James Vaughan once dropped the other!

The convoluted plot is regularly helped on its way by the distaff side — the machinations of Alicia, the ballerina, gradually enveloping first her friend Nancy and then Nancy's fiancée, Gerry. Nancy must be a slightly frustrating role to play for, though a major protagonist, she garners comparatively few of the laughs and is thus more exposed: in fact Debbie Watkyns brought it off delightfully, catching Nancy's impulsiveness and

spirit in a most winsome manner. In the part of Alicia, Lara Hore was excellent — her vivacity perhaps came easily but the rather affectedly theatrical manner and extravagant language, and accent were convincingly sustained whilst her movements had the lithe and lissom grace one would expect of a première ballerina and her personality made Janet Rimmington's jealousy easily understood!

In the smaller parts, Barry Bloch was noteworthy, presenting a Commander Rimmington of real authority and an effective 'straight' man to point much of the nonsense (his look of baffled disbelief at the spectacle of the much-elongated Buss, for example, was masterly) whilst Jonathan Armstrong's Laver, the rather severe government official on whom alcohol has a distinctly pleasant effect, was initially splendidly dignified (the bowler hat helped) and displayed, as he relapsed into a drunken, rose-strewing stupor, a genuine comic talent. Helmut Wagner's Hoskins was nicely observed too, the brusque and truculent handyman-gardener garnering many deserved laughs as he retired to water his beds (upstairs) or feared for his burial money.

The other characters might seem a little unrewarding, but Graham Parkes transformed Bobby Hargreaves, the 'friend' next door, into a quite delicious cameo with real subtlety. William Carnegie's long-suffering Constable Pulford remained perhaps a little too dourly unresponsive (and simply wasn't big enough: in farce *all* policemen are dense, overweight, red-faced and possessed of size 13 boots) but served well enough to propel the chaos into further anfractuositities, as did Megan George's tweedy Mrs. Rimmington — here was a real stalwart of the vicarage garden party. (A passing thought: in a play so peopled with stock characters, why *didn't* the local vicar make a short-sighted and bumbling intrusion? . . .)

It has become so customary with Milton plays to expect the highest standards from backstage workers that one is in danger of taking their contribution for granted. Nevertheless, it should be said that the set was of a professional standard (though bedevilled, as so often in farce, with doors that refused to remain closed even when double-locked!) and that lighting, sound and stage management were all of unobtrusive excellence whilst it was an imaginative stroke to use 'Swan Lake' not just to set the scene but as incidental music throughout. One final point: the programme cover really was outstanding — an excellent joke in its own right — and carrying it through by printing in red on yellow showed real style!

And finally one comes back to the choice of play: a creaking farce it may have seemed on paper but, even before the event, one felt that, particularly these days, it would be agreeable to have something to laugh about — and Milton was certainly long overdue for a play that carried no message, neither plumbed the depths nor aspired to the heights but simply set out to entertain after a long procession of sombre dramas that stretched from the World War I trenches of 'Journey's End' through the beastliness of 'Lord of the Flies' and the fatalism of the I.R.A. members in 'Volunteers' to the nightmarish madness of 'The Crucible'. In the event it was much more than just 'something to laugh about' Mr. Millar and his cast achieved a great measure of success in a particularly demanding form of theatre and communicated a genuine enthusiasm, a real sense of joyousness; it was above all a *happy* play — it may have solved no problems and made none of its audience better men, but certainly, as Somerset Maugham put it, it 'appealed to their collective belly' with a couple of hours of blissfully pleasurable nonsense.

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VARIETY CONCERT

One of the many events of the second term, which proved to be very popular, was the combined Townsend and Milton Variety Concert. After several false starts, venue and date changes, audiences were treated to an evening of riotous fun, some real talent and very obvious enjoyment to which they responded in an equally riotous and approving fashion.

The show was compered by the inimitable duo, Messrs Bullivant and Thomas who coped with every eventuality, including news flashes "baringly displayed" and brought by cleft stick, with verve, some degree of equanimity and complete good humour.

Townsend provided highly appreciated performances which varied from a series of skits and commercials to gymnastics and local dancing, a bewitching Indian dance and a most polished dance by the prefects.

Not to be out done, Milton offered a group singing, led by Mr. D. Mitchell; a view into the future of science when Rob Gillman graduates in the form of the Great Enlarging Machine; a staff team comprising Miss S. Carver, Miss F. Waterhouse, Mr. F. Day and Mr. K. Quiney doing their best to overcome tremendous technical difficulties whilst "On the Air"; a rubber-

boned group of break dancers, Sean Arnold, his brother Melvyn and De Villiers Rusheche who won the hearts of four girls; and of course the well-known, very polished and very popular Marimba Band. Surely one of the delights and highlights was the display of "modelling" by the team of Line Out 99, which close to brought the house down, Thank goodness most models have better legs!

It was an evening not to be missed and greatly appreciated by all who attended. In fact the audiences were much larger than expected and many people had to be turned away. Here Miss E. Bortolan and Mr. A. Walker must be mentioned for their calm and efficient handling of a chaotic front of house situation. Of course there would be no show without a stage manager to ensure the smooth running of everything and all who saw the show would agree that Mr. S. Long controlled about a hundred performers, stage crew, lighting and sound superbly. The lighting crew, R. Gillman, B. Hill, J. Vaughan, H. Wagner and W. Carnegie worked hard and in a very short time had the requirements for the show well under control. Likewise the sound man, D. Kerr supervised by Mr. M. Harlen, did a really good job. It would be very remiss to ignore the often unnoticed but extremely valuable services of these "back stage boys" and look forward to their continued support at future shows.



BUSINESS MANAGEMENT TEAM

Back row: J Vaughan, R Gillman, K Kyriacou, S Naik.

Front row: Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), L Henry, B Bloch, C Essery, R Edwards, Mr C Hawkins.

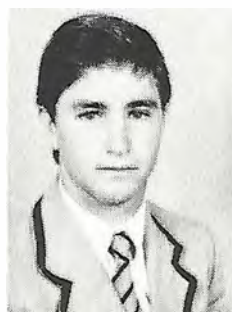
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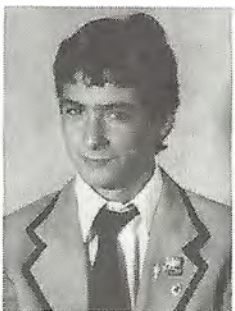
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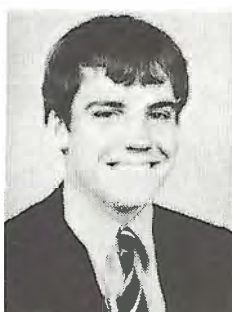
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C van Rensburg
Matabeleland Archery



T Msika
Matabeleland Schools B Hockey



E Lipscombe
Matabeleland & Zimbabwe
Junior Golf



S Tiller
Matabeleland Diving



W Querl
National Competitions B.M.X. Cycling



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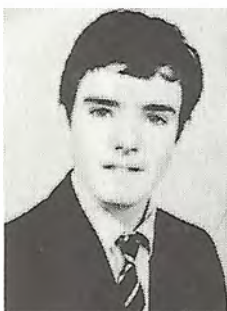
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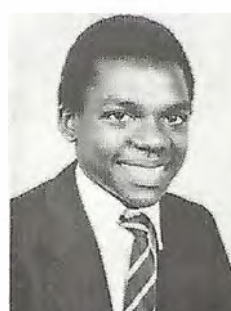
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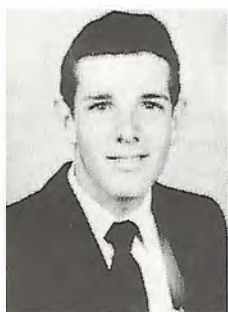
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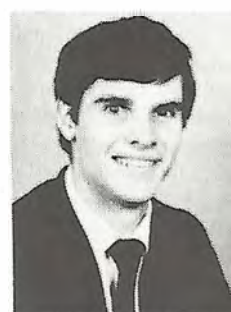
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S Craigie
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G Parkes
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B Khumalo
Matabeleland
Tennis



Y Mullah
Best St. John Cadet Matabeleland



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Matabeleland Junior Karate



G Vudzi
Zimbabwe Junior Boxing



The Business Management Team of L Henry, R Edwards, B Bloch and C Essery receiving their trophies from Mr T Tipler.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT GAME

This year Milton entered 2 teams into this competition and having such an impressive record, we were confident of yet another success. In fact, we were more successful than any other year with both our teams reaching the National Finals. The team of B Bloch (Captain), R Edwards, L Henry and C Essery won both the Matabeleland and National competitions, with the second team of R Gillman (Captain), J Vaughan, K Kyriacou and S Naik attaining 3rd position in the Provincial competition and 2nd place in the National Finals. Prizes were awarded at a special function and our winning team featured on a radio interview as well as in the newspaper.

The game is one in which each team is given a simulated company which must produce a product. Basically each team must make decisions with the aim of gaining a high accumulative share average. Thus the team with the most profit should theoretically win, yet this year there were a number of hidden factors which forced each team to use basic common sense as well as experience from past years.

All in all, this year was a success for Milton teams and the fact that Lower Sixth also participated augers well for next year.

B BLOCH

1985 LIONS CLUB PUBLIC SPEAKING

This year saw Milton maintaining the high standards of Public Speaking of the past when entering Barry Bloch and Graham Parkes for the Inter-Schools competition.

The evening of the semi-finals saw Graham Parkes deliver a more refined version of his speech 'It's later than you think'. Some good competition from Gifford, Convent, Townsend, Falcon and C.B.C. clearly affected his nerves, but he was certainly no disgrace to the School. Barry Bloch also confessed to being nervous, but acquitted himself with aplomb, was audible, witty and entertaining, with some rather salient points beneath the laughter.

Unfortunately, Graham did not make it to the finals, but Barry continued, in both the school's and his family's tradition, through to the finals. His well-balanced speech, combined humour, sensitivity and some very pertinent points. It dealt with "Diet" in the broader sense of spiritual and moral as well as physical diet, and won him 2nd place.

Some of the other schools were represented by speakers who entertained and made attendance worthwhile, notably Townsend, Gifford and Founders. It is a pleasure to see that each year finds a repeat, not of speeches, but of the high standard associated with the competition.

P THOMAS

The **Computer Processing Group of Companies** congratulate Milton on winning the Business Management Game.

Literary Section

A BALANCED DIET

To all you cautious calorie counters:

Methuselah ate what he found on his plate.
And never, as people do now
Did he note the amount of the calorie count:
He ate because it was chow.

He wasn't disturbed as at dinner he sat.
Devouring a roast or a pie.
To think it was lacking in granular fat.
Or a couple of vitamins shy.

He cheerfully chewed each species of food.
Unmindful of troubles or fears.
Lest his health might be hurt
By some fancy dessert.
And he lived over 900 years.

Are you so large that you need to buy all your clothes from
Rent-A-Tent? Are you less of a sight and more of a panorama?
If so don't fret and panic. There is a light at the end of the tunnel.
Yes there is a balanced diet. But no, its not only for those who
suffer from obesity and overbite, but for all of us. A properly
balanced diet will help us make the most of life before most of
life is gone.

I would like to identify some of the different weights
necessary for the dietary scale to be in perfect balance. The
first is to keep smiling all day long — It'll make the whole world
wonder what you've been up to! Truly a happy person is on the
road to being a healthy one. Why worry and panic? Happiness
is not being smart enough to know what to worry about.

Honesty is also an essential ingredient in the balanced diet.
One can never be overweight in the category of integrity.
Remember nothing more baffles one who is full of tricks and
duplicity than straightforward and simple integrity in another.
The more honest a man is, the less he affects the air of a Saint.
You see in this world one should strive to make an honest
living. It should be easy . . . There is so little competition.

Carlyle philosophically said:—

"Make yourself an honest man and then you may be sure
there is one less rascal in the world."

Yet honesty and happiness alone will leave your scale a little
unbalanced. One must not be a total square in such a round
world. A sense of humour is also needed to even out a person's
character. Honest good humour is the oil and wine of a merry
meeting, and there is no jovial companionship equal to that
where jokes are rather small, and the laughter abundant.

So far our balanced diet seems to be going well, but can you
honestly say that it's complete. No, not until you include love
and understanding. Take a look at the people around you. Who
knows, you may fall in love with them. Don't scorn love at first
sight . . . Its a great timesaver! Whether your diet is for health or
happiness, or both, it cannot succeed unless it includes love —
an interest, awareness, sense of concern and feeling for others.
Similarly, do you understand yourself, or others for the matter.
For example we youth will never understand adults. When they
are cold, we have to put on a jersey, when they want to bore
someone with their idle chatter, we have to keep quiet, and
when they are completely outshone by natural brilliance of
their offspring, we have to leave the room.

But seriously — understanding of others must go hand in
hand with love, and together they are essentials of any
successful diet.

The balanced diet slowly reaches a conclusion. But as it is a
diet, one must not totally omit food and exercise. Keeping to
the correct weight can be a very difficult task. If you are
struggling to remain at a certain weight, and you are presented
with a delicious cream bun, ask yourself "tubby or not tubby -
that is the question". If you are an overweight cannibal eat only
pygmies, and let me tell you, never go on a vegetarian diet —
have you ever seen the shape of an elephant?

Exercise is also important. Don't be a symbol of excess.
Don't let everyone have fun at your expense. A Doctor once told
me that an especially good reducing exercise consists of
placing both hands against the table and pushing back.

With a balanced diet of happiness and humour, Love and
understanding, Honesty and integrity and exercise and weight
watching both mental and physical wellbeing is assured, and
to help you on your way, remember the dietwatcher's motto —
IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T RECEDE. DIET. DIET. DIET AGAIN!

B BLOCH (U6)

THE RIVER

Lying tranquil, defenceless as a baby
Flowing with the grace of a lady
Down the slope; slower than a tortoise.

Suddenly, crash, bang, clang, she is angered
By man's severe pollution. Leaves are broken as
She rolls with anger, sweeping everything before her
She rolls destructively, everything after her is
Under Water.

Silence again, calm is the word
The flood is over. She is now harmless
Or looking harmless.

R MIDZI (3A)

GENIE THE SCORPION

Genie was a scorpion,
A deadly black scorpion.
In her shining tough body,
She was an ugly sight to see.

Genie she looked small
But deadly she sure was.

Cause on the end,
Of that upturned tail,
Was a poison-filled sting.

Like a trigger-happy bandit,
Was Genie quick,
To use her sting.
But then you see,
That was only if,
You got in the way.

R M MPHABLELE

"SAFETY FIRST or "LIVE DANGEROUSLY"

Without some element of risk and danger, the world would be very different from what it is now. For, although a certain amount of caution has to be exercised in our daily activities, there has to be room for the wildness within us to diffuse. The motto "Live dangerously" echoes the spirit of humanity over the ages.

Danger serves to feed and satisfy our need for adventure. Our minds and bodies need the thrill of danger, so that we become more intelligent, more efficient and altogether hardy enough to live through tougher experiences. Indeed, life in the twentieth century is fraught with danger, although we may not be conscious of it all the time. A car tyre could burst at any time, seriously endangering human lives; in our haste to get to work or school we could choke to death and a mistake could blow the fruits of a billion years of development into smithereens in one moment. We cannot tell what the future holds for us, and if we consider it seriously, even the simple action of waking up in the morning and stepping out into an unpredictable world is dangerous.

Our technological development owes a lot to adventurous and brave men. Where would we be in our programme of the conquest of space, of Neil Armstrong and his companions had reasoned since the conditions on the moon could not be determined to be completely safe, they therefore could not go there - The old saying "Nothing ventured, nothing gained" is true and if we were not audacious and adventurous, then our lives would be humdrum and unbearable.

The middle of this century saw an evil tyrant attempt to conquer the world. His failure in this attempt was mainly because of men who lived dangerously to defend what they believed in; men who ran fearlessly and without any concern for their safety through hail of bullets; men who flew over enemy territory, within full range of anti-aircraft guns. They knew they were risking their lives, but something more than obedience to their Queen spurred them on.

However, in small quantities, consideration for one's safety is essential. If we were to ignore the hurdles and dangers in life, we would soon perish and daily we witness incidents to illustrate this. The aggressive boxer who makes no effort to protect himself is sure to be floored by his opponent. On the roads, the sober, careful driver who meticulously checks every intersection and obeys every rule survives while the venturesome and careless — almost invariably comes to harm.

Many businesses have failed because of living dangerously in an attempt to expand or become better. As industry depends on the well-being of the workers, their safety is of paramount importance. If measures to promote their safety were to be discarded, then the economy of every country would be seriously and adversely affected. In a world where the unexpected can occur at any time, the only way to augment our chances of survival is to take precautions wherever necessary.

Yet we cannot live in this unexciting way every day. Out fate is to tempt and face danger and hopefully emerge from the experience a lot wiser, tougher and ready to meet the next challenge.

J PARADZA (4A)

TAXI

It was a busy day in the ghetto
And now everyone was going back home.
They were all in a hurry to get back
So I took a ride in a taxi
My destination
Kingsdale, Skies,
The King's dale.
It was a baah, baah, pee pee
Red light, green light, yellow traffic lights
It was a traffic jam.

K MAHOPOLO (3D)

WATER

Water is life, so keep it clean
We need all the water, running in that stream,
Without any water, I really don't see
How we would live and where we could be.

Down in the country, by the waterfall,
We play in the water until the night-fall,
But down by the city, the water gets murky
From all the factories and the things so dirty.

We all love water, that colourless thing
To all the places, what joy it brings,
But there is no water in many other places
And if you go there, you find gloomy faces.

But we must thank God for the lovely water
That we use at home to start our motor,
Preserve all the water on the earth
And remember all the water that's underneath.

E NYATHI (3B)

JACARANDA TREES

I am a Jacaranda tree
My master loves me.
He waters me everyday
I like him and he likes me.

I give him very beautiful flowers,
But my branches he has to cut.
I hate not to be watered.
I like to have many friends,
Like children to climb up me.

To be a Jacaranda tree,
How nice it is to blossom in spring,
And flourish like flowers.
How nice to be a Jacaranda tree.

PHILLIP CHEZO

THE ACCIDENT

There was a road. It was not an ordinary road; it was rather narrow and sharp, and somehow I thought that this road may have been endless, for some unknown reason or another.

It had been quite windy and rainy, but not as bad as I had expected it to be so I thought I would take a stroll.

Suddenly, in the distance, there was a screech and then a bang, the sound of a car crashing into something.

My mind was in turmoil. Where was it? What was it? What could I do to help?

There it was! A couple of metres away were two cars which had collided. What a sight! The cars may have slipped on the wet and muddy road.

I ran very swiftly in the area trying to find a telephone. A few minutes later I found a phone and got hold of the police, who were there in a flash.

"Thanks boy", said the burly policeman, "what's your name?" "Ed." I replied.

"You deserve a reward." said the officer beaming, "How good of you to report an accident at your age." (I was about ten years of age at the time). "Follow me," said the officer, "I've got something for you." I followed the officer to the police car and he gave me a nice shiny badge.

"Thanks, sir," I replied, grateful to receive the badge.

Fortunately, no one was hurt in the accident, but the cars were both write-offs. The cars were then taken away to a garage, and as for me, I ran home and told my parents about my "stroll."

G EDWARDS (1G)

THE SCORPION

At sunset when all is calm and serene
When the sky is red, purple and orange along the horizon.
A black armoured plated insect emerges from a gloomy hole.

His beady eyes survey the area
Then he rattles along as his black
Armoured body shines in the sunset.

He seeks his supper,
What ever it may be
He will sink his lethal dart of doom into his prey.

Finally he finds his victim, a locust
He then rattles stealthily up to her

Then like a flash his tail goes over his head,
Then makes contact with the victim.

The lethal dart takes but a minute to claim its victim
He then proudly devours his kill.

D DOWIE (3D)

THE RIVER

It comes in a trickle
Down from the swamps
And joins its brothers
In it's annual romp.

Weaving in and out
It comes to a fall
And thunders down
Making its mighty call.

As it flows down its valley
It comes to a plain
And meanders about
Living up to its name.

And then back to a trickle
Into the swamps
And out to sea
After its annual romp.

I SAMPSON (3A)

EMBARRASSMENT

From the corner of my eye I saw a large motorbike approaching the corner. The attractive young girl walking across the road stood no chance as the mindless metal monster struck her down in cold blood! In a few seconds the helpless young girl lay bleeding upon the road and a crowd of ghouls had gathered. Behind the crowd the offender was slowly creeping away, he was a coward who was too spineless to face punishment! I would make him pay! My blood pressure rose and a red haze floated in front of my eyes — and I rushed at the man!

With a bellowing roar I knocked him down! In a few minutes we were rolling around and I was shouting for help and for the police! A pair of strong hands gripped my neck and the seat of my pants and lifted me clear of my victim. Upon looking up I saw an even angrier man wearing a beard looking down at me. In a few minutes he had soundly told me about the film he was directing and how I had put back the schedule by approximately two days.

I walked away from the group with the laughter of the film crew and extras ringing in my bright red ears.

M SINCLAIR (4A)

Club Notes

THE CHOIR

The Choir, which was formed at the beginning of this year, got off to a few false starts, but is beginning to run a straight race. After practising a jazz cantata based on Browning's "Pied Piper of Hamelin", for some time, this had to be postponed because of breaking voices and pressure of exams. This will be resumed next year with the help of Townsend's choir and choirmistress, a five-piece jazz ensemble and a selection of new form one boys.

Until Christmas a small dedicated group of only twenty-two singers will be working on music for the Bulawayo School's Carol Concert, to be performed in the City Hall in December. This Choir meets once a week, on Monday afternoon.

D MITCHELL

THE MARIMBA BAND

The Marimba Band consists of eleven marimbas (four trebles, four tenors, two baritones and one bass), drums and shakers. Their repertoire consists of many African (and some non-African) folk and pop songs, many of them arranged by the members of the band themselves. They are well known for providing a musical background to many school and private functions (eg. The Variety Concert, The School 75th Anniversary Procession and Dinner, weddings, etc.) where their hearers express admiration for the boys' skill.

The leader of the Band this year was Tirivanhu Pesanai. Rehearsals were held twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and were often lengthy affairs: the hunger for excellence is a hard master.

A Mbira Band, of four Zimbabwe Karimba Mbira has also started recently. This is not part of the Marimba Band as the two different kinds of instruments are incompatible, however at this stage the mbira players all belong to the Marimba Band as well.

D MITCHELL

CAMERA CLUB

Teacher-in-charge: Mr D Ramdany

Although the camera club can boast of the high standard of photographs that it is capable of producing with its less sophisticated equipment, we have been limited by the acute shortage of photographic film, paper and chemicals. However this did not stop the many enthusiastic new members from joining the club.

With much pride, the club thanks Mike Harlen who has taken good quality photographs of individual rugby players which appeared in the pamphlet when the school played against Sevenoaks. The club has continued to take passport size photographs for the pupils at reduced rate.

We hope that the situation will improve and the club will soon be back into its full swing.

D RAMDANY

CHESS CLUB

The chess club has had a low — key year with many senior players leaving a sad gap in our midst. Membership remains very select - chess is after all a game for the intellectual element at Milton. We have only one School with whom we have matches - Gifford - our old rivals! Regrettably they have been too good for us this year and have beaten us 5 times, by a convincing score too! We are hoping that our membership will increase when we include Townsend in the calendar to play against.

Some notable duals have occurred between our No. 1 M Moyo and Gifford's No. 1 C Mutumba. There have been some quality games between these two, and the other members of the team have benefitted from watching the two masters especially when their games have ended all too quickly.

G EVANS



CHESS TEAM

Back row: N Khumalo, S Dube, B Moyo, I Sampson, S van Leeuwen, R Murphy.

Front row: D Douglas, N Moyo, Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), Mrs G Evans, M Moyo, D Rajaratnam.

SCRIPTURE UNION

Scripture Union, as the name suggests is a group of people who think that the Christian Scriptures (The Bible) are worth talking about. The group meets three times a week. at breaktime on Tuesdays to sing and to discuss what God has done in the lives of members, on Wednesday afternoon to do something "excitable and unpredictable" (which does not always work), and on Friday breaktime for Bible study and discussions.

Samual Drewitz has led this group this year, but many others have helped in the various aspects of organisation. Membership has been fairly static, but it is hoped that it will improve in the future, and that more people will come to investigate the claim that the Bible is "better ... than thousands of gold and silver". (Psalm 119: 72).

D MITCHELL

The **Computer Processing Group of Companies** congratulate Milton School on their 75th Anniversary.

THE MILTON-TOWNSEND SIXTH FORM SOCIETY

Being a boys only school, Milton has tried over the years to introduce its pupils to the joys of socialising with members of the opposite sex. After a somewhat quiet year in 1984, it was decided to renew our links with Townsend with a much needed rejuvenation of the Sixth Form Society. Through the energy provided by Mr Bullivant and Mr Thomas, most of the sixth form at Milton began to see the light and the result, apart from benefitting both parties involved, has provided a bridge between the two schools, a bridge, I might add, with very sturdy foundations.

The first function of the year was a Pancake Party with the added attraction of a battle of wits between the schools in a general knowledge quiz. The evening went down very well, as did the delicious pancakes. Perhaps the only disappointment of the evening was the fact that Milton was narrowly beaten by Townsend's quiz team.

The second meeting of the term was held at Townsend and took the form of a Valentine's dance, with a theme of fancy dress; this theme was carried out with a great deal of effort and enthusiasm. Some of the costumes were extremely clever and imagination ran wild: costumes varied from a colourful punk-rocker to Boy George and even a flasher whilst, from more ancient times, there were an ample Julius Caesar and a most beautiful Helen of Troy. Even the staff joined in with several coming in costume — most notably perhaps Malvolio Day and Henry VIII Bullivant. Before the actual dance got under way, everyone was entertained by a few rounds of 'Call My Bluff', a game in which both sixth formers and staff attempted to explain the origins and meaning of some of the more recondite words in the English language. Again the meeting was a huge success with everyone thoroughly enjoying themselves.

The third meeting of the first term was designed to welcome the much-delayed Lower 6th and coincided with the Townsend Prefects' twenty-four hour trampoline marathon. The day had already been earmarked for sporting fun and the opportunities for entertainment were endless with the sports available including swimming, water-polo, volleyball, tennis, hockey, basketball and touch-rugby. With everyone exhausted after all the running about, a much-needed rest was had when everyone sat down to a very sociable braai, organised by Mrs Thomas. It wasn't much later that the music started up and a disco was held late into the night. No one was exempt from the excitement of the day and I am sure all left both mentally and physically exhausted.

The next meeting was held on a far more serious note: Mrs Slavin, Headmistress of the King George VI School, gave the group a talk on the work of the School and explained some of the problems it was having, asking for any help we could give. It was decided to show a far greater involvement with visits by pupils from Milton and Townsend to KG VI. The talk left a great impression on us all and it was this that led to \$300 of the profits from the Variety Concert being donated to the School, as well as half of the collection taken at the 75th anniversary service.

The first term's programme was rounded off with an expedition to the Matopos: Gordon Park was made available as a base and invigorating walks and an exploration of the White Rhino Cave was followed by a braai and more walking - or a gentle laze in the sun. Incredibly, this trip provided the first opportunity for a visit to the Matopos for several pupils of both schools. Our thanks are due to Donald Heath who made it possible for us to use Gordon Park and then provided such interesting walks: his knowledge of the area was very useful.

Bingo was the main attraction of the second term's first meeting at Townsend; this provided a wonderful atmosphere of competitiveness with everyone vying for the prizes; some were luckier than others, however, going home better off financially speaking, but everyone had a thoroughly good time — and Mrs Edington and Mr Bullivant displayed unexpected prowess as bingo callers.

Being the school's 75th anniversary, it was suggested that the Sixth Form Society should contribute in style and thus the idea of the Edwardian Ball was initiated. This was perhaps the most successful gathering of the year and the effort was amazing with virtually everyone in authentic costume - many looking extremely smart in white ties and tails, others dapper in boaters and striped blazers, etc., whilst the girls looked ravishing in their long Edwardian dresses. The decor of the hall was fantastic with special mention going to the miniature fountain. The evening was spent dancing to the music of the Infantry Band as well as a disco and was a fine example of the benefits of the two schools mixing. Thus I hope that the society continues to flourish in future years, and that everyone enjoys its benefits as much as we did.

JONATHAN ARMSTRONG

(The Variety Concert, described elsewhere, was also a joint Milton-Townsend production under the auspices of the Sixth Form Society. Ed.)

ST. JOHN CADETS

The White cross of St. John is symbolic, the four arms represent the virtues of Prudence, Justice, Temperance and Fortitude.

The eight points speak of observation, tact, resourcefulness, dexterity, explicitness, discrimination, perseverance and sympathy - qualities which all St. John members should try to develop.

The Milton St. John Cadets endeavour to do so and have worked hard in the service of the school and community during 1985. Three boys, Y Mullah, P Suchak and C Zulu qualified for the Special Service Shield, and award for over 200 hours public duty. In addition to this Cadet Y Mullah won the trophy for the best St. John Cadet in Matabeleland - no mean achievement when one considers that there are over 115 registered cadets!!

The annual examinations were conducted in the second term and all the boys who entered passed. There are now eighteen trained members in the division. Certificates were presented to the cadets by Bishop Robert Mercer, Chaplain to the Order of St. John, who also inspected the division and commended the boys on their efforts.

The division was also present at the Annual Inspection.

H F DAY

Officer in charge Milton Cadets

SHOOTING CLUB

Staff in charge: J Barry Esq. (1st & 2nd Terms)
Miss A Best (3rd Term.)

Captain: D Heath.

Vice Captain: W Snyman.

Comment

Milton Shooting Club was revived after a brief recess, but was not particularly active due to the difficulties in obtaining ammunition. Those meetings that were held were enthusiastically attended.

Matches were organised against Plumtree (to whom we lost by 18 points) and Falcon whom we beat by 136 points.

Both matches were a tremendous boost of our morale and we look forward to 1986 and a chance to beat Plumtree!

D HEATH



MILTON ST JOHN AMBULANCE CADET DIVISION

Back row: S Shaw, M Ndlovu, V Gwebu, A Murgatroyd, N Wessel, A Robinson.

Middle row: A Wahab, L Mendes, J Limiera, R Jogee, E Murashiki, S Parekh, D Naik.

Front row: C Zulu, Y Mullah, Mr H F Day (Divisional Officer), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), P Suchak, A Islam.



SHOOTING TEAM

Back row: B Hill, R Gillman, S Drewitz, N Sibanda.

Front row: D Heath (Capt.), Miss A Best (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), W Snyman.

TOASTMASTERS

This year has been yet another successful one for the Toastmasters Club under the urbane guidance of Messrs Bullivant and Thomas; it also saw an innovation. With a much increased sixth form, there were so many boys wishing to participate that it was decided to divide the club into two groups — basically Upper 6th and Lower 6th — of about twenty each since any larger numbers become rather unmanageable. The Lower 6th were so late starting school that there were only Upper 6th meetings in the first term, three in all including one with the Townsend Toastmasters that was enjoyed by all.

The first Lower 6th meeting was approached with scepticism but many hidden reservoirs of talent and ability were unleashed during the evening which was also attended by eight sixth formers from Girls' College. The second term saw only two meetings of each club as latterly all attention was directed towards the anniversary celebrations, but all the meetings were most successful, and there was in addition a return invitation from Townsend. Another innovation this year was the inclusion of three or four Townsend girls at every meeting, much to the delight of the members - and Mr Bullivant.

The third term provided a fitting finale to a magnificent year for toastmasters: each group had a separate meeting, there was a combined meeting with Townsend and finally each group ended the year at the New Orleans Restaurant in the

company of parents, staff and guests.

During the year the club was honoured by the presence of the Anglican Bishop of Matabeleland as a most amusing and polished guest speaker and also a number of old boys, particularly Gavin Stephens who spoke feelingly on Milton's anniversary and Conor Walsh who was most revealing and very witty on teaching techniques.

A report of this nature would be incomplete without thanks to the kitchen staff without whose undaunting support the club could not exist; Mrs Phiri and Mr McLeod continue to produce superb four-course dinners (plus cheese!) for \$3 per head by some miracle. Thus the combination of good food, good wine and excellent company has resulted in a most enjoyable year of Toastmasters' meeting.

BARRY BLOCH

There must be some mention of the sterling work of Jonathan Armstrong, Barry Bloch and Craig Essery in running Toastmasters during the year; they have acted as a link between the two groups, organising and running the meetings and generally making the year a great success. In addition Barry Bloch has displayed something akin to genius in extracting money from every member for every meeting! Their hard work and enthusiasm have made the busiest year Toastmasters has had (13 meetings in all) also one of its most successful.

MFB.

Sports Reports



CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Back row: S Maphosa, F Matukutire, A Mapiye, B Siwawa, N Moyo.

Front row: A Muzanenhamo, G Steinbach, Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), Mr A Walker (Coach), R Musoro, A Mutemererwa.

ATHLETICS

This year, the format for Inter-House Athletics was changed with the introduction of separate team and individual competitions. During the course of these meetings several long-standing records were broken notably by S Jones with K Taruvunga and N Moyo breaking one each. In the new U/17 age group, all times/distances were recorded as inaugural records.

The Inter-Schools competitions saw several new schools participating but unfortunately some athletes competed out of age-group thus making the results void.

In the annual Cross-Country, run over the Hillside Dams Course, a new record was set in all U/16 age groups, the new holder being F Matukutire.

Despite keen competition, Boarders once again recorded their overall supremacy.

The 1984 Hope Fountain 30 km Race attracted more Milton participants and all were successful in completing the distance within the specified time.

In celebration of the School's 75th Anniversary a relay run was held from Plumtree to Milton. The 10 boys in the team completed the 100 km plus in a little over 7 hrs. In conjunction with this event a lottery was held and the proceeds helped to swell the School's Bursary Fund.



ATHLETICS TEAM

Back row: L Kujinga, T Maponga, A Dube, N Moyo, N Makuchete, N Moyo.

2nd row: S Maphosa, R Midzi, F Makututire, B Makuchete, S Dabengwa, G Mzithulela, S Mayuni, M Tshuma, R Musoro, M Mkali, S Tshililiwa.

3rd row: B Choto, O Best, B Beattie, G Steinbach, S Madsvoova, A Kachidza, C Keyser, H Nguruve, S Manyiyo, B Sibanda, K Khosa, T Maliwa, S Bulle.

Front row: B Dawson, W Snyman, Z Hawa, T Mazuru, A Chitereka, Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), N Anastasiou (Capt.), Mr A Walker (Coach), S Miller-Cranko, D Doolabh, E Chibi, D Pistorius.

1st TEAM BASKETBALL

Coach: Mr M Maynard

Captains: (1st Term) N Anastasiou
(2nd & 3rd Terms) D Orange

Team Members: N Anastasiou, D Orange, L Henry, C Braccioli, D Wallet, R Chanson, E Ncube, A Murape, W West, L Woods, B Grant, W Botha, M Hutton, G Armstrong.

1st Term: Hamilton lost
Gifford lost
Falcon lost

Matches Played

(3rd Term): Hamilton	16—13	lost
Matopo	42— 4	won
Gifford	17—10	lost
Cobras (Zambia)	28—18	won
Falcon	24—14	lost
Founders	26—14	won
Plumtree	21—15	won
Luveve	18—14	won
Mzilikazi	36— 6	won
Northlea	28— 4	won



1st TEAM BASKETBALL

Back row: D Wallett, V Botha, W West, L Henry.

Middle row: M Hutton, I Murape, G Armstrong, L Woods, W Mpofu, R Chanson.

Front row: N Anastasiou, D Orange (Capt.), Mr M Maynard (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), C Braccioli, L Henry.

The services of a proper coach have been invaluable in developing the skills and fitness which were lacking in the first term.

I wish the team success in the future and think that Milton could produce many provincial players. Congratulations to Dean Orange on being selected to represent Matabeleland and Zimbabwe Schools in the Basketball Team.

N ANASTASIOU

Comment: In the first term the team played only 3 games as the season was short. The team was also missing a number of members due to the delay in the allocation of 6th form places.

The third term saw a good season and team only lost 3 matches. A number of new members from the Under 15 group joined the team and improved consistently.

1st XI CRICKET

Coach: Mr C Hawkins

Captain: M Ross

Team Members: B Dawson, D Wood, C Rix, R Edwards, D Pistorius, S Naik, E Chibi, S Mazonde, R Elston, Z Hawa, R Hassamal, D Rajaratnam

Also Played (in holiday festival): L O'Shea, H Parshotam, D Vaghmaria

Results

1st Term

vs. Falcon	MILTON lost
vs. C.B.C.	Match drawn
vs. Plumtree	Match rained off
vs. P.E.	MILTON lost
vs. St. George's	MILTON lost

Holiday festival

vs. Jameson	Milton 172 (Wood 58, Ross 35) Jameson 130 (Ross 7 - 51) Milton won by 42 runs.
vs. Cranborne	Milton 137 (O'Shea 34) Cranborne 138 for 6 (Wood 3 - 41, Ross 3 - 46) Milton lost by 4 wickets.
vs. Marondera	Marondera 128 (Wood 4 - 30, Rajaratnam 3 - 1) Milton 104 (Wood 33) Milton lost by 24 runs.

3rd term

vs. Falcon	Milton 132 (Ross 65) Falcon 138 for 3, Milton lost by 7 wickets.
vs. C.B.C.	Milton 199 (Elston 80) C.B.C. 189 for 9 (Dawson 4 - 40, Chibi 3 - 37) Match drawn.



1st TEAM CRICKET

Back row: D Rajaratnam, Z Hawa, R Hassamal, R Elston, S Mazonde, E Chibi, D Pistorius.

Front row: S Naik, D Wood, M Ross (Capt.) Mr C Hawkins (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), B Dawson, R Edwards, C Rix.

- vs. Plumtree Plumtree 318 for 7 declared, Milton 159 (Dawson 34, Pistorius 54) and 75, Plumtree won by an innings and 84 runs.
- vs. C.B.C. Milton 304 - 8, (Pistorius 127, Wood 88, Ross 37) (Wood and Pistorius put on 190 for 1st wicket), C.B.C. 108 -2 Match drawn.

This year a very inexperienced side was put to the test. Unfortunately, as the results show, 1985 was not a good year for 1st XI cricket at Milton. Many catches were dropped and the fielding was generally poor, which did not help the side at all! The batting lacked depth and the bowlers on many occasions did not produce the potential they were capable of. On the other hand, 5 good half-centuries were made and also a good century by Pistorius. There were also some spirited bowling performances, Wood bowling well in nearly every match and Chibi, Dawson, Mazonde and Ross producing the odd good spell. By the end of the year the fielding had improved dramatically and the batting seemed to be improving. This augurs well for next year when hopefully a more experienced side will reverse the 1985 defeats.

2nd XI CRICKET REPORT

Owing to poor participation in extra mural activities, especially amongst sixth formers, Milton has had some difficulty in maintaining a 2nd XI this year. Thanks to people such as Chinamatira, Bloch and O'Shea, who turn out for matches, when their first choice sport allows them too, we have been able to put up sides against Falcon and Plumtree.

Under the captaincy of Rorke, the 2nd XI has fielded and bowled successfully - leaving Plumtree all out for just 93 runs, and shaming Falcon by bowling out their top order batsman to be in the surprising position of 37 runs for 8 wickets.

However, our batting has been inevitably poor. Most of the team has had little experience, and a good batsman is not created overnight. For this reason, we have lost all our matches, although narrowly at times.

There is good spirit among the twelve or so boys who played and 2nd XI cricket and I think, everyone has had an enjoyable season.

G J MORRISON

UNDER 15 CRICKET

Coach: Mr S Long

Captain: H Parshotham

The Under 15 Cricket team for this year was the most enthusiastic (though not the most successful) for some years. In the first term it was our bowlers who shared the greatest strength with S Naik's accurate left arm giving batsmen, problems and H Chirwerera and R Somalingam showing some promise. Our batsmen, however, seldom fared well, mainly through lack of aggression and the idea that they would get runs, if only they could stay at the wicket for long enough. The fallacy of this idea was shown by the whole team being out for less than ten runs despite being at the crease for over 90 minutes in one match.

In the third term, it was the bowling that proved to be a disappointment and the batting that improved. M Lambat, H Chiwerera, V Daya, R Sengwayo and H Parshotham all began to look more like cricketers and less like baseball players though R Naran still refused to keep bat and pad together unless they were tied to each other! One pleasing aspect of the bowling was that "Wild Man" Surasinghe started to get a few on target rather than threatening to the square leg umpire with every ball. The most pleasing aspect of the whole year, however was that all the players remained enthusiastic and enjoyed their cricket despite rarely winning.

UNDER 14 A CRICKET

Coach: M Harlen

Captain: D Vaghmaria

Players: G Tucker, R Sahu, M Tshabalala, P Patel, D Mills, C Green, M Margerison, M Mguni, S Mbobo, W Querl.

This side has developed over the year into a force to be contended with by Falcon and Plumtree.

D Vaghmaria has captained the side and led by example as a highly competent left arm left spinner, a top order batsman, and an alert fielder. His enthusiasm for the game has spread to the rest of his side who often practice as much as four times a week.

G Tucker as an opening seam bowler has bowled very consistently and batted with style although he had proved a little weak on the leg. His fielding on Saturday games would be much improved if he refrained from watching "Allo Allo" on the late Friday night T V show.

W Querl has kept wicket and improved to the stage where we don't require a fine leg even when S Mbobo is bowling. He also has a fine batting record.

R Sahu as an opening bat and left arm pace bowler has been invaluable to the side and his exceptional fielding ability is rarely seen at this level.

The remainder of the players have all likewise made key contributions to the side's success, eg. Falcon 188 all out at Falcon and Plumtree 163, and I'm sure as an Under 15 side they will take a lot of beating by other Matabeleland sides.

M HARLEN

UNDER 13 A CRICKET

Coach: Mr I S Kemp

Captain: D Webber

Vice captain: J Evans

Team Members: J Ashley, D Chowles, B Manning, I Cader, C Evans, L McNab, C Caprez, Y Madhoo, A Verma

Comment: A year of mixed fortunes. The team generally lacked talent, but more than made up for this deficiency with their cheerful and enthusiastic approach.

Lack of concentration and poor footwork led initially to some poor batting displays, but improvement was evident towards the end of the season with good scores from Webber and J Evans.

The bowling was not always consistent. Madhoo and Chowles handled the pace attack, with Webber supplying the spin. They were never disgraced, but often were made to look much better by keen fielding, and good catching. With this aspect, everybody has improved during the year.

As the season progressed the captain and his deputy developed a good working relationship between themselves and the players, and it is to be hoped that all will continue playing cricket next year.

I S KEMP

1st TEAM HOCKEY

Coach: Mrs P McKillop, Mr C Hawkins

Captain: P Jeyarajah

Colours: P Jeyarajah, R Edwards, D Stephens, W McDowall

Team Members: T Msika, E Ncube, R Elston, D Stephens, F Batty, L O'Shea, C Rix, R Edwards, W McDowall, D Doolabh, J Correia, S Miller-Cranko

Also Played: J Armstrong, K Umar, L Henry, S Doolabh, S Patel

Results

vs. Peterhouse	lost 1 - 2
vs. St. Georges	drew 2 - 2
vs. Bothashof	drew 2 - 2
vs. C.B.C.	won 5 - 2 (won 3 - 1, lost 0 - 3, won 3 - 1)
vs. Hamilton	won 1 - 0
vs. Falcon	lost 1 - 0 (lost 2 - 1)
vs. Plumtree	lost 2 - 3 (lost 1 - 3)
vs. Kwekwe	won 4 - 2

Comments: For a fairly experienced team, the 1st team only achieved a limited amount of success. However, the side was unlucky to lose to Falcon and Peterhouse. C.B.C. home field proved to be too much for the team, resulting in a 3 - 0 defeat. However, it must be noted that Milton had the greatest number of players in the Matabeleland schoolboy's Team. 9 players from Milton were selected for either the Matabeleland A or B Teams. Thanks to Mrs P McKillop and Mr C Hawkins for their help during the season.

CRITIQUE:

P Jeyarajah — left back Captain Milton 1st XI, represented Matabeleland A for the second year. An excellent back and keen captain, though somewhat temperamental.

R Edwards — Right Wing, Vice Captain Milton 1st XI, represented Matabeleland A. A fast wing, who proved to be invaluable to the team. He has shown considerable improvement this season.

L O'Shea — Right Inner. Represented Matabeleland B. A aggressive player who scored some magnificent goals this season. He combined well with his Right Wing.

F Batty — Right half. He represented Matabeleland B. Proved to be a useful player, both in attack and defence. He combined well with his right wing and right inner.

W McDowall — Centre Forward. Represented Matabeleland A for the second year. A player who was relied upon heavily in attack, but did not show his true potential this season. His stick work was the best in the team. He must learn to be more aggressive.

D Stephens — Centre half. Represented Matabeleland A. A player who has greatly improved his game. He played this difficult position well, both in attack and defence, and has scored some useful goals this season.

C Rix — Left inner. Represented Matabeleland B. One of the youngest players in the team, who has shown a lot of potential. A little more aggressiveness will help his game go a long way. An invaluable player in future years.

D Doolabh — Left Wing. Represented Matabeleland B. A new comer to the team who played well throughout the season. A fast wing who always gives of his best.

T. Msika — Goalkeeper. Represented Matabeleland B. A confident and promising goalkeeper, who will do well in the future years. However, he must be more determined throughout the whole season.

E Ncube — Left half. A very stable half who proved to be able to attack as well as defend. His only weakness was not marking his wing tightly enough. He will however, be an asset to hockey in future years.

R Elston — Right Back. A competent player who has improved his game considerably. He always appeared calm during defence and was unlucky not to be selected for Matabeleland.

J Correia — Left Half. A player who was in and out of the side. He has the ability to do well, but did not live up to expectations this season.

S Miller-Cranko — Left Wing. Came into the team for the last 8 games. A very determined player who will do well in future years.

2nd TEAM HOCKEY

Captain: S Miller-Cranko

Vice Captain: A Umar

Team Members: L Henry, S Naik, S Doolabh, J Armstrong, K Kyriacou, J Correia, R Dayal, J Vaughan, S Hawa, S Patel, R Hassamal, N Vlahakis, D Doolabh

Comment: The 2nd team this year had a low start due to the lack of experience, however, with serious training and hard work, the team managed fairly well. The team spirit was raised due to the competition for positions.

Abdul Umar, James Vaughan, Lionel Henry and Simon Miller-Cranko were all valuable members of the forward line attacking with determination although their shooting needed attention.



1st TEAM HOCKEY

Back row: L O'Shea, T Msika, F Batty, R Elston, S Miller-Cranko, D Doolabh, J Correia, E Ncube, C Rix.

Front row: D Stephens, P Jeyarajah (Capt.), Mr C Hawkins (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), R Edwards, W McDowall.

The half line was admirably supported by Zakir Hawa while 'Jono' Armstrong proved to be a very capable back and helped to instruct the inexperienced. The team was fortunate to have Karl Kyriacou and Dharmesh Doolabh who were two equally good goal keepers.

Many players improved throughout the season, but most notably improved were Sanjay Doolabh and Jose Correia.

Results

vs. C.B.C.	won 6 - 1	lost 2 - 4
vs. Falcon	drew 1 - 1	drew 0 - 0
vs. Hamilton	won 5 - 5	won 3 - 0
vs. Northlea	won 1 - 0	
vs. Plumtree	lost 0 - 5	

match against Northlea was also lost, but the team were denied revenge as Northlea cancelled the match.

All members of the team played well, and those boys not selected loyally supported the side. Deserving of special mention however, were C Sitanimezi, a fast wing who outclassed his opponents in all matches and scored several times, R Jain, who played well as goal keeper having decided that the wing position required too much movement, G Mabeza, who talked continually through all matches and practices, but whose ability makes up for the noise, and O Akhtar, an excellent, if tyrannical Captain.

Hopefully, their score sheet well improve next year.

A BEST

UNDER 15 HOCKEY

Coach: Miss S Carver

Captain: M Naik

Team Members: Z Cassim, K Vasanjee, D Cooke Yarborough, M Patel, V Daya, H Parshotam, M Naik, G Mooney, L Mishi S Naik, R Sengwayo, N Mullah, A Doolabh

Comment: Although the team was not very successful everyone tried their best. Out of the five matches played we won one (Northlea) drew one (C.B.C.) and lost three (Falcon Plumtree and C.B.C.). We lost convincingly against Falcon and Plumtree but there was a chance of victory against C.B.C. until the last minute. On behalf of the team I would like to thank Miss Carver and the Firsts for all the help that they gave us during the season.

M NAIK

UNDER 14 HOCKEY

Hockey practices were keenly attended although there were insufficient numbers to make both A and B sides.

There were many talented players participating and the A side played well in all their matches. They beat Plumtree, a major rival, and narrowly lost to Falcon and C.B.C. The first

UNDER 13 HOCKEY

Coach: D Doolabh

Assistants: K Kyriacou, D Stephens, A K Umar

Captains: L Pearson, D Webber

Team Members: C Caprez, D Chowles, T Davel, C Doel, J Evans, Jimiera, Y Madhoo, L McNab, A Verma

Also played: B Ball, K C Taruvinga, R Pinto

Results

vs. Falcon	Lost 11 - 1	lost 4 - 2
vs. Plumtree	lost 2 - 1	lost 3 - 1
vs. C.B.C.	lost 4 - 0	lost 5 - 0

Comments: At the beginning of the season, the team was unco-ordinated, unfit and without a Coach. As a result they suffered a sound defeat at the skilled hands of the Falcon team. However, as the season progressed, the team received their much needed coaching, and posed more of a challenge to successive teams.

The results of the team's matches are not a true reflection of their play. They are an extremely talented in-field team, but lack the ability, once in the circle to keep calm and score goals. Their positioned play will improve with experience and with added confidence and determination, they will do well in the future.



1st TEAM RUGBY

Back row: B Beattie, B Ray, I Beattie, L Henry, K Zondo, C Braccioli.

Middle row: M Ross, B Choto, M Schultz, H Nguruve, N Anastasiou, A Stewart, O Rankin, T Mazuru.

Front row: A Chitereka, R Watson (Capt.), Mr S Dawson (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), Mr M Maynard (Coach), B Dawson, D Pistorius.

ABSENT: S Williams.

1st XV RUGBY

Coach: S Dawson

Captain: R Watson

Vice Captain: B Dawson

Colours: Re-awards: R Watson, B Dawson, A Chitereka
New awards: D Pistorius, M Ross, T Mazuru

Most improved player: B Ray

The following players represented the 1st XV:

A Chitereka, B Choto, N Anastasiou, D Pistorius, B Ray, A Stewart, H Nguruve, B Beattie, S Williams, S Drewitz, P Sinclair, T Mazuru, I Beattie, R Watson (Captain), M Ross, M Schultz, L Henry, B Dawson (Vice Captain), C Braccidi, O Rankin, K Zondo, V Chinamatira

Results

vs. Marondera	(Harare Festival)	won 23 - 0
vs. Churchill	(Harare Festival)	won 16 - 6
vs. Lomagundi	(Harare Festival)	drew 9 - 9
vs. C.B.C.		lost 6 - 12
vs. Plumtree		lost 6 - 14
vs. Falcon		drew 16 - 16
vs. Churchill		lost 7 - 21
vs. Thornhill		won 18 - 3
vs. Chaplin		won 46 - 0
vs. C.B.C.		won 6 - 3
vs. Plumtree		drew 10 - 10
vs. Sevenoakes		won 11 - 6
vs. St. Georges		lost 7 - 17
vs. Lord Malvern		won 12 - 9

Comments: Notwithstanding the fact that only 4 of last year's 1st XV returned to school, our side met with a great measure of success. As the results show we played a total of 14 games, Won 7, Drew 3, Lost 4. The second game

against Plumtree and the game against Falcon were unfortunate for us, as throughout we were leading and it was only well into injury time that both teams managed to draw with us.

Our greatest disadvantage was size and weight. We were out-weighted by every side, with the exception, possibly, of C.B.C. As a result, we lacked quality possession from the scrums and lineouts, which inhibited over potentially dangerous fast three-Quarters. We therefore adopted the running game which proved our strong point coupled with sheer "guts" and determination, we ran in 28 tries and conceded only 13.

This was a very young side, which augers well for the 1986 season as the vast majority of the players should be back next year. Most of the players in the 1st XV squad showed a keenness at training sessions which can only be described as exceptional. This moulded the team into a Fit, 15 man attacking machine with very good team spirit.

I would like to thank Adrian Thomas for all his organisation and Morris Maynard for his assistance in coaching the three-Quarters. Thanks must also go to Joe Deyssel and the Referees Association for their invaluable assistance. Final thanks go to Rob Watson and Brendan Dawson for their co-operation and exceptional leadership especially when the "Chips" were down and to the players themselves who lived up to the Milton Motto "Quit Ye Like Men" — they proved themselves men.

Congratulations go to Rob Watson, Brendan Dawson and Aaron Chikereka for being chosen for the Zimbabwean School Side as well as the Matabeleland School Sides. Martin Ross for playing for Matabeleland Schools, Axel Mazuru for being selected for the Selectors side in the National School Trials, and Dion Pistorius being selected as a reserve for the National School trials.

S DAWSON

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2nd XV RUGBY

This year's Second Rugby team consisted mainly of players from last year's Third team and consequently had a difficult task in keeping up the good reputation of their 2nd XV predecessors.

The main problem with the team was that the members were not totally dedicated. Tackling also left a lot to be desired. The inevitable result was that we lost both our games against Falcon and Plumtree and were only able to defeat C.B.C.

O Rankin and K Zondo performed well for the team and were rewarded with the opportunity of playing with the 1st XV on a couple of occasions.

UNDER 15 RUGBY

Coach: Mr A M Maynard

Captain: Alex Dube

Players: M Lombat, M Ndiweni, K Smith, A Dube, A Owen, C Matthews, R Chanson, B King, S Markham, T Orr, S Spalding, R Manning, D Liebenberg, F Dabengwa, F Mukomo, M Abrams, R Maburutse, M McNab, J Kujinga, A Cooks, Q Vas

Comment: Although this was a disappointing season as far as results were concerned, the squad showed a vast improvement by the end of the term.

The opening games of the season showed a disorganised side with little appreciation of the finer points of the game. However, the players worked hard in training, going over the basics skills needed.

Eventually, although a much lighter pack than most schools, we began to win some good possessions. This enables the backs, particularly the midfield combination of Chanson and McNab to show their true potential.

In the forwards, Ndiweni and Dabengwa always produced some good tight forward play, whilst Dube, Mukomo and Cooks showed potential as a loose trio. Two or three of the squad might be pushing for first team places with a little more effort next year.

A M MAYNARD

UNDER 14 RUGBY

Coach: Mr P Thomas

Captain: W Querl

Team Members: D Mills, A Marques, T Mott, S Naran, G Tucker, C Green, R Dare, D Dube, N Moyo, S Mubobo, A Jani, P Silamba, D Masuku, R Zaloumis, G Weale, J Herbst

After a very weak start to the season the enthusiasm of the players became more evident and we saw some really pleasing drive later on. The team were unfit and this showed in their inability to carry that fire from the start to the end, until the last few matches of the term. Then we saw what fitness, team work and love of the game can do. The only thing that held them back finally was a lack of belief in themselves and their ability. W Querl and G Weale, captain and vice captain respectively, did a fine job trying to hold the team together, encouraging them to give all they had and themselves setting a fine example, fighting to the last whistle. This team should do well next year with a little more confidence.

Definitely not to be forgotten are the parents who were always there giving the most ardent support, for which the team are very grateful. See you again next year!

The U/14 B. team had a more erratic and less successful season. There were a great many completely inexperienced players and illness, suspension and injury meant that the players were continually changing, so that it was difficult to develop cohesion and team-work. This was a pity as there were many enthusiastic and potentially reasonable players. Hopefully next season will be an improvement.

UNDER 13A RUGBY

Coaches: M Harlen, R Tonks

Captain: J Evans

Vice Captain: D Cowles

Players: Q Khakhatha, S Jones, N Botha, L Hirschman, C Oosthuizen, K Gobvu, E McNab, B Manning, A Payne, Q Botha, D Webber, C Caprez, F Cloete, D Naisbet, S Rorke, B Francis

1985 must surely be the strongest Under 13A rugby side Milton has produced for many years. They not only thrashed Plumtree at Plumtree, but beat the two Harare sides they played (Prince Edward and Churchill), but were the only side to secure any points at all against the Under 13 side of Falcon.

The outstanding player of the side was Jones who at second centre ran in tries in all matches and played and kicked over points from extremely difficult positions. His speed and strong running were of entertainment value for the spectators and his defence an example to all rugby players.

Evans captained the side very responsibly and proved to be an exciting scrum half who through his initiative and quick thinking managed to carve big holes in the opposition's defence.

The two Botha boys at wing and first centre were strong running attacking players. Khakhatha at full back proved to be virtually unpassable as he relentlessly crash-tackled victim after victim. He should develop his boot, however, as his kicking was seldom in evidence and he would often run the ball from his own 25.

Payne, as Milton's second fastest sprinter, provided a perfect wing to run out-side Jones and secured an excellent try at Prince Edward after being fed the ball at speed.

Webber's hands at fly half proved to be the making of a fast and efficient $\frac{3}{4}$ line which developed into a fluid try making machine as the season progressed.

The forwards worked hard led by Chowles, a very strong attacking 8th man, and produced some good rugby, but in general lacked height and strength. All aspects of forward play improved as the season progressed and with Gobvu as hooker, we started to get some good first phase ball.

My thanks must go to Roger Tonks who coached the side with me and spent many hours watching and travelling to watch and support the side. I hope he will continue to support Milton rugby.

I'll end by wishing the side all the best next year as Under 14 players and hope that they have an equally successful season as this one has been.

M HARLEN

SQUASH

Coach: Mr D Ramdany

Captain: P Gurney

League Captain: R Edwards

Vice League Captain: W Duberly

Team Players: H Chhanabhai, R Chinamatira, S Feigenbaum and V Rankin

Milton High School entered a team in the Matabeleland Squash Racquets Association 5th League this year.

The players although inexperienced and not having played 1st team squash in the past acquitted themselves with enthusiasm and determination. They played remarkably well, and the team placed second in the league out of 12 teams that participated. The players gained lots of experience, confidence and refined their techniques during the course of the league.

A special thanks goes to P Gurney who helped with the coaching of the junior as well as the senior teams as there was a large influx of enthusiastic members. P Gurney also played for Holiday Inn in the first league and hence was unable to represent the school for the league. However he is to be

congratulated for representing the School in the Zimbabwe Schools Squash Championship and his outstanding performance by being No. 3 in the Zimbabwe Schools.

D RAMDANY



1st TEAM SQUASH

Back row: S Feigenbaum, W Duberly, H Chhanabhai, R Chinamatira.

Front row: P Gurney (Capt.), Mr D Ramdany (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), R Edwards.

1st XI SOCCER

Coach: S Poku-Awuah

Captain: V Chinamatira

Vice Captain: Enock Ncube

Team Members: G Dhlwayo, E Mzenda, C Moyo, Einstein Ncube, S Maposa, B Khumalo, Z Hawa, P Muzhanye, H Ngwenya, F Muringai, N Lax

Also played: A Murashiki, P Mlauzi, S Lungu

Results

vs. Founders	won 3 - 1	won 3 - 1
vs. Hamilton	won 4 - 1	won 3 - 1
vs. Gifford	lost 3 - 1	
vs. Ihlathi	lost 1 - 2	drew 1 - 1
vs. Cyrene	won 4 - 2	drew 3 - 3
vs. Gifford Round 1		
Dunlop at Founders	lost 4 - 5	

Comments: As we lost the cream of the players of last year's formidable team, hopes were not so high that this year's squad would fare well in the school's tournament. But the team proved many people wrong, worked hard and won many of its games. It lost to Gifford and Ihlathi only.

In the captain, V Chinamatira and his deputy, E Ncube, the team had hardworking and dedicated leaders. Their power, skill and enthusiasm, also set a fine example. The absence

of Enock Ncube as central defender in two crucial games against Ihlathi and Gifford caused crisis of confidence in the team at the time. It was not surprising that we lost narrowly the two games to those schools.

The defence line was often impenetrable especially in the middle where the captain and his deputy were outstanding. Their skill and vast experience from playing in the National First Division games were helpful to the team. The Captain plays for Hwange and the deputy for Merlin Husky — both are National First Division teams.

The forward line showed considerable potential, but not as much aggression, power and fire as we were used to last year.

In appreciation of the team's good performance and discipline, the Captain and his deputy were awarded colours. P Muzhanye and N Ngwenya were also awarded colours whilst the rest of the players had team tabs; a few of them missed colours narrowly.

On the whole, the enthusiasm and discipline of the squad were highly pleasing. The confidence of the players was often boosted by the presence of the Headmaster, Messrs. A Thomas and Kemp at their games. We sincerely thank them and all those who helped give inspiration and encouragement to the players. Next season will see more enviable success of the squad.



1st TEAM SOCCER

Back row: E Muzenda, C Moyo, G Dhlwayo, S Lungu, S Maphosa, N Lax, E Ncube, Z Hawa, B Khumalo.
Front row: D Ngwenya, V Chinamatira (Capt.), Mr S Poku Awuah (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), E Ncube, P Muzhanye.

2nd XI SOCCER

Coach: S Poku-Awuah

Captain: N Nkomo

Vice Captain: G Nyatsambo

Team Members: S Nkomo, B Mpofu, B Possiwe, E Sithole, S Zwenyika, N Hanyana, C Chitwereka, J Dhlwayo, F Jabar, H Lesabe, C Sibanda, F Nhare, P Mlauzi, J Ndlovu

Comment: Led by N Nkomo, the group had a successful season. When the season started there was no reliable goalkeeper. Later on, after several trials, F Jabar and F Nhare emerged and became regulars in the team.

The group often played confidently. It was not surprising that it trounced Hamilton by 11 goals to 2 in our return encounter by Hamilton.

The outstanding players included the Captain, N Nkomo, S Nkomo, E Sithole, B Possiwe, G Nyatsambo and S Zwenyika. They often played their various roles creditably.

With the skills and confidence acquired this year a number of the players may be in good form to play for the first team next year.

The team will no doubt miss the good services of its "goal machine" S Nkomo next year.

CRITIQUE

- F Muringai — Played with determination in goals, but just didn't realise the full value of punctuality.
- G Dhlwayo — A calm, collected right back who could easily have improved his skill immensely by the addition of a little more speed.
- E Mzenda — An aggressive left back who seemed to have adopted the unpleasant Brazilian principle — If you miss the ball, get the man!
- V Chinamatira — A powerful, fearless player who could give an opponent no room for showmanship.
- E Ncube — A reliable centre back who could easily have made soccer star of the year, if he had realised that playing at centre back position doesn't necessarily mean playing centre forward.

S Maposa — A talented mid fielder who could have learnt how to use his left foot as well as his powerful right foot.

Z Hawa — His speed at right wing was an asset to the team. A disciplined player.

C Moyo — Despite his height, seemed to be obsessed with the idea that he would win all aerial balls.

P Muzhanye — He should have gone on diet before the soccer season because his weight impaired his performance in the first few games. He played aggressively at centre forward.

E Ncube — He is the school's 100 metres sprint champion, but anyone who saw him on the field wouldn't have believed this. He often controlled the ball with his chest, no matter how low the ball was.

H Ngwenya — The "Hot Shot Hamish" of the school. He could score from any angle of the field and played determinedly taking full advantage of his speed and power.

B Khumalo — He did well in many of the games, but he had to be shouted at to pass the ball quickly without first dribbling. He is a good bet for next year's squad. He has a lot of potential.

SWIMMING REPORT

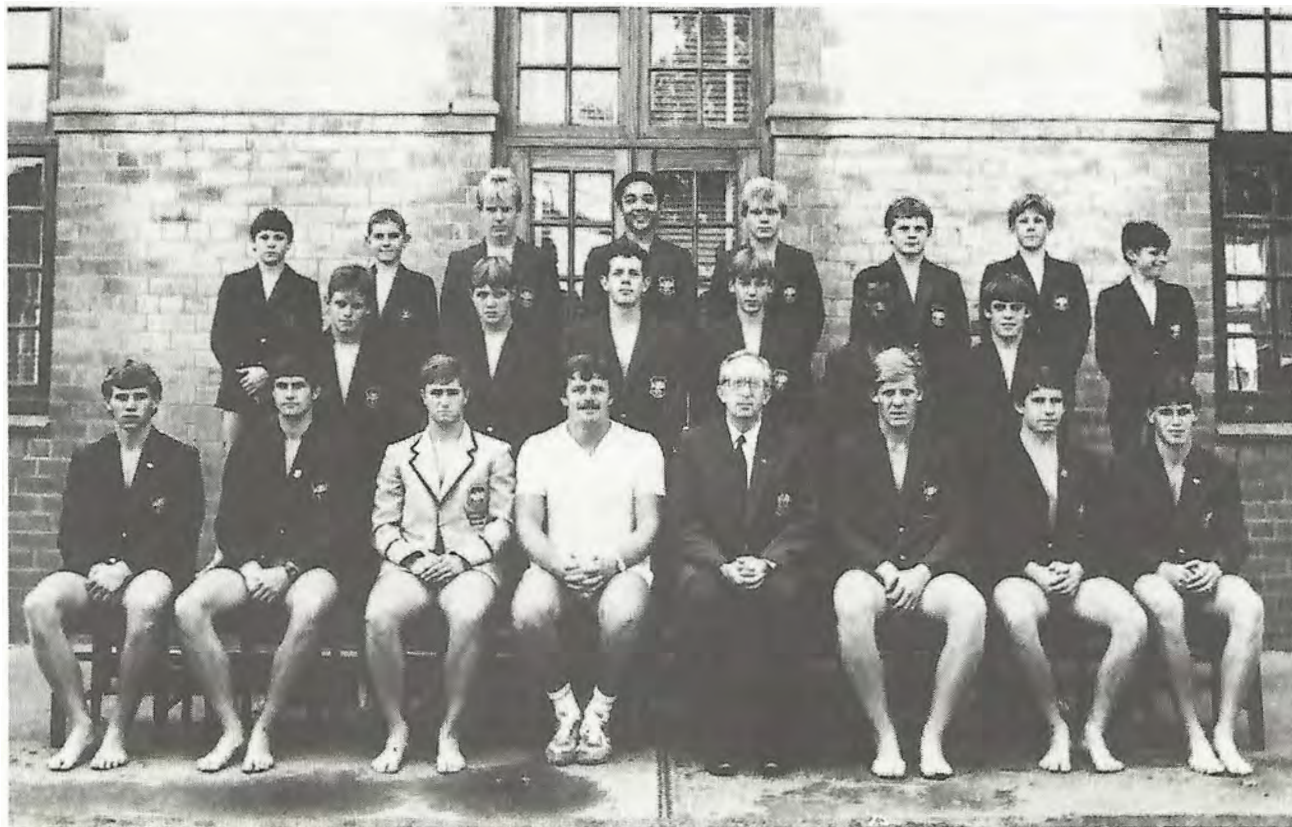
Coaches: Mr M Perigoe, Mr D Creasey

Comment: The main aims of swimming in the school this year have been governed by the large numbers of non swimmers and weak swimmers. To this end our activities were geared to

- a) Improving the water confidence of the non swimmers and turning them into swimmers.
- b) Teaching basic survivor swimming and increasing the water proficiency of the weaker swimmers.

A series of 4 swimming certificates is being offered by the school to encourage the boys. these are:

- i) The Beginners Swimming Certificate
- ii) The Swimmers Certificate
- iii) The Preliminary Safety Award and
- iv) The Advanced Safety Award



SWIMMING TEAM

Back row: L Hirschman, J Ashley, S Spalding, N Vlahakis, C Spalding, W Querl, D Chowles, C Manton.

Middle row: M McNab, A Cookes, D Morgan, G Steinbach, K Mutete, C van Rensburg.

Front row: B Beattie, W Snyman, R Watson (Capt.), Mr M Perigoe (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), B Dawson, L O'Shea, I Beattie.

A large number of boys, particularly Forms One and Two, are working their way through these certificates. It is hoped that next year we will also re-introduce a Life Saving course into the programme. The turn out at afternoon swimming sessions has been very encouraging and we are indebted to the assistance given to the school by Mr Ken Taylor and students from Hillside Teachers College.

and U16 age groups was low. The school has mixed fortunes in the competitions obtaining two first places and three fourth places. Results were as follows:—

U13 — G Beaumont 4th
 U14 — S Jones (who is U13) 1st
 U15 — E Lipscombe 4th
 U16 — J Owen 4th
 OPEN — S Tiller 1st

INTER SCHOOLS GALA

The school competed in the Inter Schools Gala held at C.B.C. on November 1st. There were a number of encouraging performances, most notably from our Zimbabwean swimmers M Chavunduka (U14) and S Jones (U13). Due to illness a few of our key swimmers were not present and overall the school finished, rather disappointingly last out of the four competing schools.

Overall positions were 1st C.B.S
 2nd FALCON
 3rd PLUMTREE
 4th MILTON

INTER SCHOOLS DIVING

The school only had one diving board operational so there was no Inter House Diving. However, a squad was hastily assembled to compete in the Inter Schools Diving competition. A few practices were taken at Hillside Teachers College, Borrow Street, and C.B.C. The boys made remarkable progress in the short training period but it was disappointing that apart from the junior and one senior, interest amongst the U14, U15

WATERPOLO REPORT

Coach: Mr J R Williams

Captain: R Watson

Players: I Beattie, S Williams, B Beattie, L O'Shea, K Kyriacou, A Simon, B Ray, D Morgan, B Wright, R Pessina, F Pessina, S Drewitz, J Correia

Although the team lost a lot of experienced players from 1984, Milton has produced numerous excellent results. This could not have been achieved without the help of Mr J R Williams to whom we convey our grateful thanks.

A number of Miltonians were selected for Matabeleland sides:

Matabeleland Under 19
 Matabeleland Under 17

R Watson, I Beattie
 B Beattie, A Simon, K Kyriacou

R WATSON



WATERPOLO TEAM

Back row: R Pessina, B Wright, A Simon, B Ray, D Morgan, S Drewitz, F Pessina.

Front row: L O'Shea, B Beattie, R Watson (Capt.), H Fincham (Headmaster), I Beattie, S Williams, K Kyriacou.



1st TEAM TENNIS

Back row: R Chinamatira, N Siso, N Moyo, A Chitereka, J Kamanga, B Khumalo.

Front row: W Carnegie, B Bloch (Capt.), Miss S Carver (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), P Mlauzi, W McDowall.

TENNIS

This year the first team has been a very strong side, partly through the excellence of Graham Cohen. When he left at the end of the second term to take up a Scholarship in the United States of America, his skills were greatly missed. Up until then the team had been unbeaten and besides winning all their other matches, they convincingly won their first match in the Mim du Toit Inter School Competition against C.B.C. 14 - 2, as well as the second match against Plumtree 11 - 5. Unfortunately they were unable to secure the same victory against Falcon in the semi final of this competition. With the absence of Graham Cohen as well as second seed Patrick Mlauzi, Milton was unable to stand up to the strength of the opposing team and were defeated by 9 sets to 1. Other members who have played in the first team matches are B Bloch, N Moyo, W McDowall, B Khumalo, A Chitereka, W Carnegie, R Chinamatira and J Kamanga

The second team have not had a very busy year, but have succeeded in winning every match they have played. Members of the second team are D Stephens, J Kamanga, G Beets, H Wagner, K Masiane, C Chikereka, G Skinner, M Nyaku and M Treger.

The junior teams have not the strength of the senior teams, and although their matches have been enjoyable, no results have been outstanding. There are some promising players who have played well in all matches, but they have not yet learned to exploit their potential.

Special mention should be made of K Masiane however, whose game shows great potential and who works extremely hard at it.

S CARVER



1st TEAM VOLLEYBALL

Back row: W Mpofu, B Mpofu, D Chowles, V Utete, J Makombe.

Front row: V Chinamatira, E Chibi (Capt.), Mrs T Khumalo (Coach), Mr H Fincham (Headmaster), N Nkomo, Q Khumalo.

VOLLEYBALL

Coach: Mrs T Khumalo

Captain: E T Chibi

Team: N Nkomo, V Chinamatira, J Makombe, B Mpofu, V Utete, W Mpofu

Comment: As a team that is starting a sport there have been a lot of improvements. The Volleyball first team, under their determined, hardworking captain, E Chibi, was able to reach the semifinals of the "Blue Ribbon Trophy" by beating Hamilton. But they were sadly knocked out by Gifford in the semi finals.

The team will be playing in an Inter-School tournament and has confidence that it will do well. Besides the regular Coach, the team gets help from coaches from the Teacher's Training College.

Results:

Milton vs. Hamilton

Milton won 3 - 1

Milton vs. Gifford

Milton lost 2 - 3

Critique

E Chibi — (Captain). A very devoted player with the spirit of a good sportsmanship. He has worked hard for the team. Keep it up.

Q Khumalo — Qedindaba always gave of his best. A master in serving.

N Nkomo — Njabulo played well throughout the season, but could have used his height to the best of his advantage.

J Makombe — The Setter, played diligently, he manoeuvred the ball tactfully.

V Utete — Valentine has always worked hard.

V Chinamatira — Vimbai proved that volley players do not necessarily have to be tall. He can jump higher than his height.

B Mpofu — With more practice, he will do well.

Inter-house Competition

INTER-HOUSE PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

The Inter-house public speaking competition took place on Tuesday 19 February at 7.30 p.m. The judges were Mrs A Edington and Mr M Mountain of Townsend School. There was a slight change in the arrangements this year, as there was only a senior group and a junior group instead of the former 3 groups. This made for a shorter and more enjoyable evening.

The winner in the senior group was Barry Bloch of Heany who spoke very entertainingly on "It's a Women's World". The runners up who tied for 2nd place were James Vaughan of Birchenough on "The Ideal Women" and M Arnold, Boarders, a new-comer to this school, who spoke very ably on "Pop Music Makes Me Ache".

The other speakers in the senior section, G Parkes, B Knight and R Gillman all gave very interesting and thought-provoking speeches. Mr Mountain announced the senior places and gave a short criticism of each speaker pointing out where and why they had gained or lost their marks.

In the Under 15 section, the winner was G Gwebu of Boarders who spoke with his usual plumb of "Pop Music Makes Me Ache". In 2nd place was L Hirschman of Rhodes who gave a very competent talk on "At the Cross Roads", but came sadly unstuck on his "One Minute Talk", Bad Luck Leigh. Third was Robert Murphy of Birchenough who spoke well on "If only . . ." If only we could have heard you at the back of the hall Robert! N Khumalo, Fairbridge, C van Rensburg of Heany and S de Lange of Borrow were the other contestants in the Under 15 class. It was obvious that all the contestants had put in a lot of thought and time into preparing their speeches which were of a high standard.

The final house placings were Fairbridge 6, Borrow 5, Rhodes 4, Birchenough 3, Heany 2 and . . . yes, you guessed it — Boarders.

J NIXON

INTER-HOUSE DRAMA

The Annual House Play Competition was held on Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th July in the Beit Hall. The two evenings presentations made an enjoyable and entertaining experience and the 6 productions reflected sufficient preparation and commitment which made the competition worthwhile in terms of the time and effort that had been expended.

The plays were adjudicated on the basis of Acting, Production Technique and overall impact in terms of what the respective authors intended and demanded. Marks were awarded accordingly.

The winning production was Heany's "ANY BODY?" The Production of this simple comedy — thriller went a long way in achieving what was intended, there was considerable attention to detail and the comedy aspect succeeded although more attention could have been paid to building up tension. C Moyo's performance was impressive.

A close second was Borrow's "IT SHOULDN'T HAPPEN TO A DOG". This imaginative production of this difficult, but interesting play and the technical ability of the main actor, C Rix, contributed much to the overall success of the play. However, lengthy and sometimes cumbersome and unnecessary scene changes combined with a rather even face of the dialogue spoilt the chances of the production succeeding fully and detracted from the overall impact despite impressive technical achievements.

The melodrama "THE CHINESE PENDANT" presented by Boarders provided a good deal of fun and would have been better with tighter production and more concentrated rehearsal especially during the first half of the play. M Arnold was particularly impressive.

Rhodes' "FIFTEEN MINUTE HAMLET" was technically very good with attention paid to costuming, properties and grouping. However, little emphasis was placed on the ridiculous situation of compressing a mammoth Shakespearean tragedy into a short space of time. The production needed comic business, cause acting and some original imagination to add to a very clever script.

Fairbridge's carefully prepared production "I'LL RING FOR MORE TOAST" was spoilt by inaudibility and slow cueing. S Tiller brought the play to life and the latter part of the play had greater impact.

"SMUGGLER'S HONOUR" produced by Birchenough had all the necessary ingredients, but there was a deficiency of team work resulting in too many distractions and a loss of focus on story and dialogue, thus impact was lost.

Finally, why are Milton's producers obsessed with the use of recorded sound effects, and why don't they make use of the flying facilities for cut outs and bits of scenery which would add considerably to most productions.

J MILLER (adjudicator)

INTER-HOUSE GALA

The annual Inter House Gala was held on the 26th October and proved a great success. The results of the champion house was in doubt up until the final relay race with Birchenough beating Borrow by one point.

The gala programme was rewritten with most of the longer races being eliminated and replaced by shorter distances. A number of 'B' team events were introduced to increase the number of boys participating and encourage others to 'have a go'.

INTERHOUSE ACADEMIC COMPETITION

1st Heany 17 points
2nd Boarders 16 points
3rd= Birchenough 9 points
3rd= Rhodes 9 points
5th Fairbridge 8 points
6th Borrow 4 points

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION 1985

	Birch- nough	Board- ers	Borrow	Fair- bridge	Heany	Rhodes
Athletics - Team	5	1	2	3	6	4
Athletics - Championships	6	1	2	3	5	4
Basketball	5	2	3	3	1	6
Cricket	2	3	4	5	5	1
Cross Country	3	1	5	2	6	4
Drama	6	3	2	5	1	4
Hockey	1	4	2	6	5	3
Public Speaking	3	1	5	6	2	4
Rugby	5	2	3	1	6	4
Soccer	5	1	2	3	4	6
Squash	1	5	6	4	2	3
Swimming	1	6	2	4	5	3
Tennis	1	2	6	3	4	5
Waterpolo	1	6	2	5	3	4
OVERALL POSITION	3	1	2	4	6	5

Beverly Building Society congratulate Milton School on their 75th Anniversary.

House Reports

BIRCHENOUGH HOUSE REPORT

Housemaster: Mr A Walker

House Captain: R Edwards

Staff Members: Miss Best, Mr Bimha, Miss Bortolan, Mrs Dube, Mr Khupe, Mr Mavugara, Mr Nare

House Prefects: I Beattie, H Chhanabhai, J Correia, C Jones; M Moyo, M Ross, J Vaughan, S Williams

Comment: This year, has seen both successes and failures, but it is hoped that all members of the house who were involved in activities, enjoyed them and gained experience. House spirits varied considerably with some events receiving little or no support at all, and this reflected in our results.

It is however, anticipated that the House position will improve when more members become involved in Interhouse competitions.

Finally, sincere thanks to all the members of staff and house prefects for their consistent support and untiring efforts.

R EDWARDS

BOARDERS HOUSE REPORT

Housemasters:

Charter House: Mr A Thomas

Pioneer House: Mr C Hawkins

Head of House: V Chinamatira

House Staff:

Charter House: Mr Kemp, Mr Ramdany, Mr Mabena

Pioneer House: Mr Poku-Awuah, Mr Nyathi, Mr Ndlovu, Mr Mitchell

House Prefects:

Charter House: E Chibi, A Chitereka, A Muzanenhamo, W Mpofu, R Ushendibaba

Pioneer House: W Snyman, L O'Shea, A Mutemererwa, T Malliwa, T Mazuru

Matrons:

Kitchen: Mrs Phiri, Mr McLeod

Charter House: Mrs de Jongh, Miss Finlay

Pioneer House: Mrs Taylor, Mrs Gombakomba

Comment: In the last two years, Boarders depended mainly on the seniors to pull them through, but we have however found considerable talent in the juniors. As per tradition, there has been keen competition against the Boarders from the Day Houses, but still the house has proved its formidable superiority.

This year saw a change in the Athletics Meeting, whereas before, we had one meeting, this year we had two, a team competition and an individual championship. The house won both competitions with wide margins and our determination is clearly portrayed by the fact that Edwin Muzenda was the senior champion and won the Victor Ludrum Trophy. In addition to this Boarders came first in Public Speaking, Soccer and Cross Country.

There have been a considerable number of changes within the Hostels, and we adapted to these smoothly. Mr C Hawkins, tired of being Housemaster for a Day Scholar house, decided to join the cream of the school and became Housemaster of Pioneer House. We also welcomed new members of staff into the hostels; Mrs Gombakomba as a Sick Bay Matron in Pioneer, Mr Nyathi and Mr Ndlovu as Duty Masters. Mr Kemp, Mrs de Jongh and Mr Ramdany transferred to Charter.

Particularly pleasing to note, is the Boarders house spirit, exemplified by the very good support for their teams in all spheres. I would like to thank the house for their support at school functions, particularly in the second term where their support made the school's 75th Anniversary a success. The house typified Milton in the public eye, by their very smart dressing.

Finally, my hearty thanks go to Mr Thomas, the hostel Godfather, for the support he has given me and the prefect body; Mr Kemp, his advisor and last, but not least, my prefect body whose hard discipline and determination resulted in the Boarders Triumph.

V CHINAMATIRA

BORROW HOUSE REPORT

Housemaster: Mr S Long

House Captain: P Jeyarajah

House Staff: Miss Chigumbura, Mr Creasey, Miss Mangwanda, Mr Mazwi, Mr Quiney

House Prefects: J Armstrong, R Gillman, E Ncube, B Possiwe, O Rankin, G Skinner, D Stephens, R Watson

Comment: The House started 1985 with a new housemaster, (Mr Herring having left at the end of the 1984), but continued the improvement in the Inter-house competitions in which Borrow came a very pleasing second — winning more cups than any other house along the way. After the athletics second place seemed to be reserved for Borrow in other competitions, with first always eluding us. However, the house spirit was the best it has been for a number of years, especially amongst the athletics team and the fairly small number of boys who got involved in almost everything.

This year's Borrow house prefects have shown great enthusiasm and a wide range of formerly unknown talents. It was a pity that the house play which was originally chosen didn't get off the ground as it would have involved a large number of "actors" and surely would have produced some memorable performances. The replacement play was, however, very successful, thanks to the efforts of a small group of enthusiasts. It is to be hoped that the hard work of this year will continue into next (in the case of academic work, we must hope for hard work to begin, we are fed up with coming last in the academic competitions.)

Our thanks especially to Mr Creasey, Mr Quiney and House Captain, P Jeyarajah.

FAIRBRIDGE HOUSE REPORT

Housemaster: Mr M F Bullivant

House Captain: L A Henry

House Staff: Mr J Ndlovu, Mr G Morrison, Mrs S Cimpaye, Mrs M Fish, Mrs J Nixon

School Prefects: C Braccioli, C Essery, Z Hawa

House Prefects: R Elston, L M Henry, K Jones, M Mazula, M Schultz, G Steinbach, B Wilson, K Zondo

Comment: It is sad that we have to rely on the same group of dedicated and spirited members of the house to do the bulk of everything. A special mention must go to S Maphosa (U15) who truly exemplified his loyalty and dedication to his house by running a 42 km. marathon for his school and then running the cross-country for his house the following day! It is to these people that my congratulations go. The future of the house augers well and I foresee that the house has great potential in the cross country competition and may well break the Boarders' dominance in the years to come. Another particularly strong area is rugby and the win in this competition was a very satisfying team effort.

However, house sport remains unbalanced and we are very weak in such fields as hockey, cricket and water polo. Despite this drawback, Fairbridge has maintained its proud tradition and remains the best day house. Finally, I would like to thank my prefect body and the staff who have done a tremendous amount of work to ensure the success of the house.

L A HENRY

HEANY HOUSE REPORT

Housemaster: Mr H F Day

Head Prefect: N Anastasiou *

Staff: Miss S Carver, Mrs T Khumalo, Mr Masuku, Mr M Maynard, Mr P Mkandla, Mr W Pagden, Mrs J Sawhney

House Prefects: F Batty*, B Bloch*, G Cohen*, Q Khumalo*, K Kyrincou*, T Laloo, S Miller-Cranko*, G Nyatsambo*

* denotes school prefectship.

Comment: In the past year, Heany House has proved to have a certain amount of hidden talent. The house, however, has not achieved a high overall position, but several First and Second placings show excellence in certain spheres.

Under the leadership of Mr Day and his staff, and with help from our prefects, the house has been encouraged to keep enthusiastic and give of their best in all that they do. Our Housemaster has repeatedly reminded us that everyone has a role to play in the house. I hope that in the future, we will *all* pull together and make the "Red Vests" a force to be reckoned with.

My thanks go to Mr Day, the staff and fellow prefects for all their help and hard work in 1985. Best wishes for the future.

N ANASTASIOU

RHODES HOUSE REPORT

Housemaster: Mr M Harlen

House Captain: B Dawson

House Staff: Mrs G Evans; Mrs J Rochester; Mr P Thomas

House Prefects: D Pistorius, B Ray, S Naik, B Hill, B Charakupa, S Doolabh, B Grant

Comment: During the year, Rhodes did not do especially well in the Inter-house competitions. However, the house did well in Cricket, where we gained 1st position. I would like to congratulate and thank those members who showed enthusiasm towards the sporting and academic activities for the house.

Our congratulations also go to S Naik and S Doolabh who were appointed as School prefects. I am sure that they will live up to expectations in the house in the year to come.

Our grateful thanks go to Mr M Harlen for his dedication to the house during the past year; and to the staff members who are always there to help. Many thanks also go to the house prefects who played a great part in supervising of the different age groups. The spirit within the house was great, may it continue to prosper, in 1986.

B DAWSON

