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# THE BISHOPS TRUST 175 CAMPAIGN



On Monday 21 November the Bishops Trust 175 Campaign was launched at the Woodlands Pavilion. After a welcome from the Chairman of Council, Mr Mike Bosman, the Bishops Trust Chairman, Mr Andrew Selby, outlined the background of the Bishops Trust and the reasons for the new campaign. The objectives of the Trust are threefold:

- To provide funding to construct or rebuild facilities of the highest international standard.
- To provide bursaries and scholarships for talented boys, who otherwise would not be able to afford the opportunity.
- To build the Bishops General Endowment Fund, to ensure the future sustainability of Bishops.

The current campaign's aim is to raise R175

million in the next few years to undertake some major upgrades to key infrastructure. Mr Selby emphasized the need to create an ongoing "culture of giving" at Bishops so that major fundraising initiatives in the future would not be necessary.

The Principal, Mr Guy Pearson, then presented an overview of the school's most urgent needs, which have been developed in consultation with DHK Architects over the past eight months. The six major projects were identified as follows:

- The conversion of the Prep School Library into a modern media and resource hub.
- The building of a Multifunctional Sports Centre at the College which would include basketball, squash, fencing,

indoor hockey and a gymnasium.

- The upgrade of the Frank Reid Pavilion and the Aquatics Centre.
- The building of a new Life Sciences (Biology) Block and the upgrade of the current Science Block.
- An upgrade of the Memorial Theatre to increase seating capacity.
- The building of a new Music Conservatoire.

Mr Pearson presented conceptual drawings and the proposed site plan for these developments. (The full Bishops Trust 175 Campaign Brochure can be viewed on the School and OD websites).

Mr Mike Bosman then announced that the President of the OD Union, Mr Raymond Ackerman, had pledged R20 million to launch the campaign. In paying tribute to Mr Ackerman, the Chairman had this to say:

"Our OD Union President, Raymond Ackerman, has been involved with the Bishops 175 campaign from the first time we at the school started discussing it amongst ourselves, more than a year ago. He has met frequently with Guy Pearson and me to pass on ideas and share his experiences with us and we have really appreciated that.

When any of us think about Raymond, we can think of many things.

One thinks about an enormously successful OD and businessman who basically introduced South Africans to the way we buy groceries in South Africa today. The concept of massive supermarkets and hypermarkets were previously unknown in South Africa.

One thinks of the incredible amount of good Raymond, Wendy and their family have done for so many people and for so many



causes over the past 65 years. Some of that may have had its faint origins at Bishops and also at a convent in Kimberley.

In the late 1940s about eight or nine Bishops boys, including Raymond, with the support of a Bishops master, the famous Wilke, used to run a Night School each week to teach local waiters and gardeners and other adults, who had been deprived of a proper high school education. In Standard 9, Raymond was elected as the Principal of the Night School. Later when he left Bishops, he was involved with a similar Night School program at UCT and after he left varsity, when he was again the Principal. He had to work with the new young men and women students who wanted to be teachers on the program. One of teachers he met was a beautiful young woman called Wendy Marcus. They fell in love and were later married.

It is more than 62 years later and as was said in John Wades' 1839 book, 'The rest is history'.

It would be impossible to think about Raymond without thinking about Wendy. They are an enormously powerful team and Wendy, in her own right, has made such a



Mr Raymond Ackerman, Mr Mike Bosman and Mr Michael Watermeyer

huge impact on Raymond's life, with the family, at Pick n Pay and with her huge number of philanthropic activities.

One thinks of Raymond regularly appearing on TV for years, as he did in the 1970s, 80s and 90s, always taking on the Apartheid government, or some Control Board or another, and always fighting for the rights of the ordinary South African consumer. Always making a compelling point using his same pen - which I believe he still has.

One thinks about someone who has been awarded seven honorary doctorates from top universities around the world.

Who can forget that Raymond, in an amazing act of reconciliation, put aside an intense historical anti-Semitic prejudice to attend an OD Union dinner, a few years ago, at which we had the first black OD guest speaker.

When thinking about Raymond, we can think about an excellent sportsman; someone who gave up snow skiing at the age of 80, someone who still plays golf at the golf club his family founded, and who can score less than his age!

One just sees success and more success!

But it wasn't always like that for Raymond. It is all too easy, if not convenient, for us to forget that when Raymond was in Matric at Bishops, he was dropped from the First XV rugby team when they toured then Rhodesia in 1948, because some masters at the school felt that it would be inappropriate for a Jewish boy to go on a Bishops tour of church schools, especially in the year that DF Malan's National Party won the national election.

Raymond was also blocked at school from being involved in certain parts of school life, including being nominated as Head of House, because it was felt by some at Bishops that Jewish boys could not, or should not, for example, read or speak in chapel.

It is also all too easy to forget that after studying at UCT, Raymond later joined the Checkers group and grew the group to 85 stores, before being called in to a meeting on 6 October 1966 and unceremoniously fired at the age of 35. He then found himself unemployed with very little cash, an ill wife

and 3.9 children. (I say that because Jonathan was soon to be born).

He somehow managed to round up some support from some friends - '90% guts, 10% capital', he called it. He bought four small grocery stores from Jack Goldin, who went on to start Clicks, and Raymond started growing Pick n Pay, as we know it. Today there are more than 1 400 stores in the Pick n Pay group. Approximately 9 million South Africans shop at Pick n Pay. The group has revenue of about R72 billion and about 70 000 people are employed across owned and franchised Pick n Pay stores.

Raymond's story is a great Bishops story and one that resonates with many of us personally.

It is a story of how a boy became a man, how he developed a deep resilience and a high level of mental and physical toughness; it is a story of overcoming obstacles and one of overcoming prejudices and discrimination; a story of reconciliation. It is the story of someone who, time and time again, has taken the lead in so many areas of his life.

So it is my great pleasure to be able to announce this evening that Raymond has once again decided to take the lead, and that he is officially launching the Bishops 175 Campaign tonight by making a donation of R20 million to Bishops.

A portion of this donation will go towards projects in Founders House and School House and a portion will go towards staff housing projects. The majority of the gift will be used to fund, or partially fund, one of our new building projects.

Raymond, it is very difficult for me to adequately express our appreciation to you, Wendy and your family for this wonderful and incredibly generous contribution to start our fundraising efforts for this campaign.



Mrs Wendy Ackerman and Mr Mike Bosman

So perhaps a simple and very sincere thank you from me on behalf of all of us would be a good start. Thank you very much indeed. It is quite simply the biggest gift we have ever received at Bishops and something that we are extremely grateful for. We are so very proud of you and everything that you have achieved.

I know that you know that your donation will be used wisely towards the costs of our new buildings and that thousands of Bishops boys in the future will be able to enjoy using excellent facilities here at Bishops thanks to your generosity."

In his response Mr Ackerman thanked the audience for the acknowledgement they had given him. Despite the fact that he had faced many challenges during his time at Bishops, he reflected that it had taught him many good lessons, particularly the ability to be tenacious and determined in the face of difficulties and setbacks in his life. In addition, it had given him the strong conviction to stand up against any form of prejudice and discrimination throughout his life. Mr Ackerman said that he was proud to be associated with Bishops and the way it had changed over the past few years. He pledged his full support for the Bishops Trust 175 Campaign.

# COLLEGE NEWS

## **STAFF NEWS**

At the end of the term we bade farewell to: **Marcus Bizony** and **Wendy Van Heerden** who retired; **Jannie de Villiers** who left to take over the reins at Oakhill School, Knysna; and **Wessel Theron** who was appointed to the position of HOD Afrikaans at Hilton College. We wish them all the very best for their new life journeys.

**Barry Emms** was appointed to the position of Assistant House Director in Founders House.

**Bradley Smith** will be joining Bishops as the new Head of Rowing from 1 January 2017. For the last four years, Brad has been the Head Rowing Coach at St Benedict's College for Boys in Johannesburg where he also taught Life Orientation, Maths Literacy and Biology.

# **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Thomas Warner (Grade 9) came first in the province for Round 2 of the South African Mathematics Olympiad. Bishops had the most pupils in the country qualify for Round 3. Positions in the top fifty juniors: Tomas Slaven (19), Robert Dugmore (25), Warner Thomas (27) and Andrew Williams (33). Positions in the top fifty seniors: Nivar Rajoo (33), Alexander Peile (36). Liam Foxcroft came 6th overall in the junior section and was awarded his medal at the National Prize Giving.

**Nicholas Janisch** was awarded a Distinction Tie in Music. He achieved two grade 8 ABRSM London examinations on two different instruments (Clarinet and Voice); received 95% for his Clarinet examination, and 91% for his Voice examination.

**Jody Williams** passed clarinet (grade 3) with distinction, and **Peter Worthington-Smith** passed violin (grade 4) with distinction, in their Royal Schools of music exams.

Seven of the eight Bishops projects received awards at the Cape Town Expo for Young Scientists. Gold Medals were awarded to: Derek Reissenzahn, Junho Ko and Joshua Mol, Hugo Janssens and Michael Wilson-Trollip, and Tom Barty and Theodore Psillos. Bronze Medals were awarded to: Max Froelicher and Luke Ranoszek, Thomas Newbury, and Max Godfrey and Michael van den Heever. Derek **Reissenzahn** received a Special Award for his project. Hugo Janssens and Michael Wilson-Trollip were awarded the Eskom award for best energy efficiency project. At the International Science Fair (ISF) the results were as follows: Derek Reissenzahn, Michael Wilson-Trollip and Hugo Janssens were awarded gold medals; Junho Ko received a silver medal; and **Thomas Barty** and **Theodore Psillos** received bronze medals. In addition Michael and Hugo won the HJ van der Bijl award. Michael, Hugo and Junho were also nominated for further interviews with a possibility of representing South Africa at International Science Fairs in 2017. One hundred of the top achieving learners in the National Science Olympiad were invited to

write the National Physics Olympiad (SAPhO). **Ahmed Dhansay** was placed second with a score of 73%. **Nicholas Featherstone** and **Nicholas Janisch** were placed 24th and 42nd respectively.

# **CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

Christopher Aubin, Nicholas Bowden, Felix Burt, Mac Cheminais, Jamie Diggle, Andrew Hodgson, Kwangbem Ko, Brendan Naude, Nikolaos Tapanlis and Angus Thring were selected to the 10 Club for 2017.

**Luca Powell, David Laubscher** and **Tom Mudge** were appointed, in a troika leadership model, to share responsibility for running the Accelerated Art Programme.

Nicholas Featherstone was appointed as Head of AV for 2017, and **Hamish** McKenzie as Deputy.

The new Debating Society Chairperson is **Nikolaos Tapanlis**. His Deputies are **Giuseppe Guerandi** and **Mac Cheminais**.

**Nicholas da Costa** was awarded his Half Colours for Drama.

Jamie Diggle (Chair), Logan Tait (Deputy), Finbarr Lebona, Jonathan Pletts and Derek Reissenzahn were voted onto the Global Issues Network Committee for 2017.

The Interact Committee for 2017 is: **Richard Wellington** (President), **Laurence Mort** 

(Vice-President), **Brandon Burke**, **Luca Powell**, **Tim Sharples**, **Ross Tucker** and **Lloyd Wood**.

**Nicholas Peile** was appointed Head Library Monitor, and **Angus Longmore** as Deputy.

Jack Belcher was placed second, in the wind section, in the finals for the Johan Vos Music Competition. Leo Gevisser, in Grade 8, was invited to participate in his first violin concerto performance with the Hugo Lambrechts Symphony Orchestra and played Kabalevsky's Concerto in G major.

The following boys did exceptionally well at the KAE (Afrikaans) Eisteddfod, in the music section, and received "Hoogste Lof" (Diploma), which is a mark above 90%: Liam Foxcroft, Matt Pettit, John Steyn, Theo Psillos, Jack Belcher, Nicholas Janisch, Neil du Toit (2), Nicholas Gleeson (2), François Breytenbach (2) and **KB Ko** (2). In addition, the following boys were awarded silver medals and were invited to a Prestige Evening: **Theo Psillos**, Jack Belcher, KB Ko and Nicholas Janisch. Nicholas Janisch was selected to perform on the night. Leo Gevisser participated in the SAMRO National Music Competition and was awarded joint First Prize and Gold Medal. He was also the recipient of the following prizes: Piano Category Prize, Best Performance Classical Work, Best Performance Romantic Work, Best Performance of a work by a South African Composer, and the Leon Hartshorne Prize for the highest achieving learner of



The Principal, Guy Pearson, congratulates the victorious Public Speaking Team: Nikolaos Tapanlis, Rohan Naidoo, Lloyd Wood, Mac Cheminais and Gabriel Makin

an SASMT member. Andrew Hodgson and Dylan Rowell were awarded Full Colours for Music, and Finn Geldenhuys, Junho Ko, Michael Wilson-Trollip, Jonathan Rossouw and Matthew van Westenbrugge were awarded Half Colours.

**Rayhaan Ahmed** was awarded his Gold for the President's Award Scheme.

Nikolaos Tapanlis, Mac Cheminais,
Gabriel Makin, Nicholas Peile and Rohan
Naidoo participated in the National Individual
Debating and Public Speaking Competition.
Nikolaos Tapanlis was placed second
overall; Nicholas Peile, seventh, and Mac
Cheminais, ninth. In addition, Nicholas
Peile won the Interpretive Reading category,
with Mac Cheminais coming second.
Nikolaos Tapanlis and Nicholas Peile
were ranked second and third in Persuasive

the Impromptu Speech and came third in Debating. Nikolaos Tapanlis and Gabriel **Makin** placed fourth and fifth respectively in Interpretive Reading. As a result of their rankings, Nikolaos Tapanlis, Nicholas Peile and Mac Cheminais were selected to the South African team to compete at the World Championships in Sydney, Australia. Nikolaos Tapanlis, Gabriel Makin, Mac Cheminais, Lloyd Wood, Rohan Naidoo and Nicholas Peile attended the International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition held at Collingwood School in Vancouver. This prestigious annual competition includes just about every independent school in the USA and Canada, and also includes school teams from a number of other countries which are affiliated to the International Independent Schools Debating and Public Speaking Association, of which Bishops is one.

Speech; and Nikolaos Tapanlis won

Nikolaos Tapanlis, Gabriel Makin, Mac Cheminais, Lloyd Wood, Nicholas Peile and Rohan Naidoo represented Bishops at the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition held at Collingwood School in Vancouver. There were more than 45 independent schools from 11 countries, with over 200 students participating in what was a very tough competition. Our boys represented Bishops extremely well, with our school winning the award for the Top Overseas School, and **Nikolaos Tapanlis** winning the award for the Top Overseas Speaker. In addition, Bishops was ranked 11th overall for the entire competition, which is a remarkable achievement and is the result of a determined effort by all the boys who participated.

The following boys were selected to Simply Blue for 2017: Andrew Hodgson (leader), Tim Dendy Young, Giuseppe Guerandi, James Aron, Jack Belcher, Dean Jacobs, Terry Kim, Junho Ko, Simmele Mashwama, Okuhle Minyi, Joshua Mol, Kamal Sacranie, Adam Stonestreet, Matt van Westenbrugge, Jody Williams and Charlie Yates.

**Ivan Stassen** was elected as the SRF Chairman for 2017. **Tio Bakre** was elected as Secretary.

# **SPORTING AFFAIRS**

Richard Wellington and Ross Goodwin have been appointed Captains of Athletics. Matt van Westbrugge was awarded Half Colours for Athletics. Oliver Stewart won the Best Performance trophy for running an excellent 3000m at the Rondebosch Spring Meet.

**Nathan Maimba** and **Andrew Hodgson** were appointed Captain and Vice-Captain of Basketball.

**David Naude** was selected to compete at the National Climbing Championships after winning a Gold Medal in the U15 Boys' Regional Climbing Championships. He was also selected to represent the South African Climbing team in Guangzhou, China, and was awarded his Protea Colours.

**Jono Bird** was selected for the Western Province Cricket Elite training squad. Sasha Mngomezulu (6-0-22-5 U14A vs Durban High School); Jayden Rossouw (3.3-0-14-5, Stayers vs GSHS); and **Stuart Stevens** (7.4-1-10-5 U14B vs SACS) received a mounted ball for achieving 5 wickets or more. Travis Norris (101 U14A vs Durban High School) and **Brandon Thomas** (102 U17A vs Paul Roos) received a signature bat for scoring centuries. Michael Burton was appointed Captain of Cricket, and Richard Baikoff Vice-Captain. Tyla Scarles (re-award), Max Newbury and Richard Baikoff were awarded Full Colours for Cricket. George Meadows, Aydan Labuschagne and Jono Bird were awarded Half Colours.

Oliver Stewart, Shaun O'Brien and Karl Weinert took part in the WP Cross Country Championships. Oliver and Shaun finished in the top six, and were chosen for the WP Metro team to compete at the Inter Provincial competition. Oliver was named the WP Cross Country Champion. He was selected for the ASA WP Team and competed at the South African Championships.

**Karl Prins** was awarded Half Colours for Cycling.

At the Fencing WC Ranking Competition,
Finbarr Lebona won Gold for U20 Foil and
Bronze for Junior Foil, and Christian Garry
won Bronze in U20 Epee. Jamie Diggle (Junior
Men's Foil) and Alaric McGregor (Cadet
Men's Foil) achieved 1st places in their categories.
Jamie Diggle, Alaric McGregor, Finbarr
Lebona and Terry Kim were awarded
Western Cape Federation Half Colours.

Robert Jack, Ziyaad Bawa, Taahir Bhorat, Cade Cannon, Alex Peile, Calum Wehmeyer and Andrew Hodgson were awarded Half Colours for First Aid.

Anton Volkel finished as the top South African contestant, in a creditable 16th position overall, at the Junior World Fly Fishing Championships held in Spain and was awarded his Distinction Tie for Fly Fishing. He was also awarded the Johnny Marr Fishing Trophy for 2016 for excellence in Fly Fishing. Luke Baker won the South African Junior Fly Fishing Championships for the third time. Mitch Labberte, Murray Gordon, Andre Volkel, Nikolai Piotrowski and Luke Baker were selected to represent Western Province in the National Fly Fishing Tournament. Western Province won the tournament.

Finley Knight, Freddie Spencer and Peter Thacker were awarded Half Colours for Golf. Results from the College Golf Championships and Inter House Challenge were as follows: Richard Schwulst (1st), Josh Smith (2nd) and Peter Thacker (3rd). Richard Schwulst was the recipient of the Pagliari Plate as the Champion Golfer for 2016. The 'Rookie of the Year' trophy was awarded to Imraan Coovadia. Ogilvie won the Inter House Competition, with White as the runners up.

**Christopher Rhode** was awarded Full Colours for Hockey. **Jock Buchanan** was selected to the WP U14A Hockey team.

James Faure, Sven Wellmann and **Stephane Pienaar** were awarded Distinction Ties on their return from the Junior Worlds Rowing Championships. Seventy-three countries competed in this year's regatta. The boys raced in the Coxless Four, along with Frank Nagel from SACS, and finished 5th, 3 seconds behind 2nd, in the B Final. The third Inter House Ergo Regatta pitted Rowers and non-Rowers against one another in both individual and team events. Ogilvie won the competition followed by Gray and White. The following individuals won Gold in their events at the Knysna Regatta: **Nic McAdam** (by 11 seconds) and **Oliver** Werner. Although other crews won Gold, special mention has to be made of the U15A crew. They won the coxed 8 event by more than a boat length, and then went on to win the Heads Rave (4km race). In this race they were over 1 minute faster than the second placed boat. The U16A Coxed 4 and the U15A Oct won silver, and the U19 Seconn VIII and the U16 Quad won bronze at the Sprint Regatta in Gauteng. Nic McAdams came second within striking distance of the SA record.

Lubelo Scott (re-award), JP Smith (re-award), Byron Cranswick, Cullum Diem, James Macdonald, Harry Makin, Jean Pienaar, Seb Prentice and Luke Viljoen were awarded Full Colours for Rugby, and Jason Hofmeyr, Alasdair Jewson, Rob Macdonald, Zico Oaker, Christian Stehlik and Brandon van der Westhuizen were awarded Half Colours. Ghaalieb Kenny was selected to play for Western Province at the SARU U17 Inter Provincial Sevens Rugby Tournament. Winners of the Inter House Sevens Tournament a few were: as follows: U14: School beat Mallett; U15: Kidd beat Gray; U16: Founders beat Gray; U19: Founders beat School.

**Boyd Kane** was awarded the Ross Dyer Trophy for Sailing Excellence.

The Jackson Cup for Squash was won by **Glenn Yates**, and the House Cups were won by **Kidd** (Senior) and **Ogilvie** (Junior). **Gray** won the Inter House Surfing Competition.

**Michael Houlie** claimed two silver medals at the CANA XII Senior African Swimming Championships, for the 100m breaststroke and the 50m breaststroke (coming 2nd to Cameron van der Burgh in the 50m breast). He also set a new South African age group record for Boys U16 in 50m breaststroke.

**Lloyd Wood** was appointed as the Captain of Tennis. **Gray** beat **Mallett** to win the Inter House Tennis. The Inter House Junior Tennis Singles, and the Charles King Trophy,



The Principal, Guy Pearson, congratulates Michael Houlie

were won by **White**. They beat **Mallett** in an exciting final. **Oliver Diggle** and **Robert Ferreira** represented **White**.

Brandon Burke and Brett Sneddon were selected for the SACS tournament 'team'. Brett **Sneddon** was selected to represent the South African U18 team at the Tri-Nations tournament in Auckland, New Zealand, and was awarded his Distinction tie. The following boys were selected to WP Water Polo teams: 14A: Mikey Ford, Joe Kirsten, Caleb Oliphant, Niall Maloney and Jack van Essen; 14B: Jock Buchanan, Nic Koch, Jake Stewart, Zack Ahmed and Oliver Jones; 15A: Kieraan Meyer, Sam Elliott and Ryan Sneddon; 15B: Matt Smith, Mikey Coles, Brad Bullough and Aiden Murphy; 16A: Tom Lee, Rob Young, David Nivison and Bingo Ivanisevic; 16B: Matt Klingenberg, Theodore Psillos and Alex Jankovich; 19A: Brandon Burke and Brett Sneddon; 19B: James Morritt-Smith, Aidan Neill and Cayden Marquis.

There will be a Christmas Day Eucharist Service in the Memorial Chapel at 08:30 to which visitors, family and friends are invited.



# **Leadership Distinction**

Redwald Aspinall, Keagan Baard, Thomas Baldwin, Ziyaad Bawa, Dylan Burke, Mitchell Christy, Matthew Clayton, Byron Cranswick, Nathan Fleming, Jonathan Frost, Jason Hofmeyr, Troy Horrell, Christopher Hyslop, Nicholas Janisch, Boyd Kane, Marcus Knight, Robert Lancefield, Timothy Langerman, Joe Linley, James MacDonald, Christopher Mailer, Philip Morkel-Brink, Max Newbury, Musa Nyangiwe, Alex Peile, Matthew Perrott, Jean Pienaar, Sebastian Prentice, Sean Price, Jordan Ross, Jonathan Rossouw, Dylan Rowell, Tyla Scarles, Julien Schlebusch, Richard Schwulst, Josh Smith, Brett Sneddon, Francois Stassen, Christian Stehlik, Cal Tait, Daniel Tate, Drew Turpin, Brandon van der Westhuizen, Calven Wilson and James Wilson.

## LEADERSHIP 2017

Head Boy: Christian Rohrer (Kidd)
Deputy Head: Day Boys: Michael Burton
Deputy Head: Boarders: Bulelani Ngqukuvana

HOUSE	HEAD	DEPUTY
Founders	Ivan Stassen	Sam Kuhn
School	Bulelani Ngqukuvana	Luca Guerrini
White	Arthur Fisher	Jody Williams
Gray	Felix Burt	Lloyd Wood
Ogilvie	Jamie Diggle	Stephane Pienaar
Kidd	Michael Burton	Ross Tucker
Birt	Brandon Burke	Joshua Passmore
Mallett	Sanele Myosi	Nikolaos Tapanlis



The Old Guard and the New Guard: Michael Burton, Bulelani Ngqukuvana, Christian Rohrer, François Stassen, Brandon van der Westhuizen and Joseph Linley

# **AWARDS**

# **JERSEYS**

Academic

Christopher Hyslop, Boyd Kane, Theuns Kuhn, Christopher Mailer, Jean Pienaar and Matthew Rissik

#### TIES

Distinction

Anton Volkel (Fly Fishing), James Faure (Rowing), Sven Wellmann (Rowing), Stephane Pienaar (Rowing), Nicholas Janisch (Music), Brett Sneddon (Water Polo)

#### Academic

Nabeel Goolam Mahomed, Timothy Langerman, Christopher Mewett, Sebastian Prentice and Cal Tait

## All Rounders

 $\textbf{Logan Tait}, \textbf{Jaime Garlick}, \textbf{Hugo Janssens}, \textbf{Angus Kennedy-Smith} \ \text{and} \ \textbf{Christopher} \\ \textbf{Kotze}$ 

## Ensemble

Kit Bell

## Service

Daniel Tate (Hockey), Drew Turpin (Hockey), Malachy Barbour (Hockey), Boyd Kane (Democritus Society), Daniel Tate (Impact), Ryan McNamara (Rugby)

# FAREWELL TO STAFF

# MARCUS BIZONY



Marcus Bizony

Marcus Bizony has touched the lives of pupils, colleagues and parents alike during the 33 years he has spent at Bishops.

Anyone who has been taught by Marcus Bizony at Bishops will definitely remember him. Seldom has a *skinner* session amongst boys, where they reflect on their teachers, their personalities, turns of phrase or habits, exclude mention of "Bizony". Marcus is blessed with an incredible mind and a day seldom passed when he did not make a profound statement that other mere mortals would only make once or twice in a lifetime. As these statements

permeated his lessons, so they profoundly impacted on his classes and caused him to be quoted extensively in any discussion about teachers. Of course, his idiosyncrasies were equally enjoyed by the boys and no *skinner* session would be complete without reference to them, accompanied by much loving laughter. Marcus was a favourite teacher for many who passed through his classroom.

Although Marcus was a member of the College Executive for the past 13 years, he always regarded himself primarily as a teacher. Consequently, he seldom taught a lesson where he hadn't thought about what he hoped to achieve in the lesson. His deeply analytical brain would quickly assess the variables relevant to the lesson and he would determine the best way to deliver a particular lesson to a particular group of boys on a topic that he had probably taught hundreds of times before. There was therefore always a freshness to Marcus's lessons that was appreciated by all whom he taught.

With such a brilliant mind, it was inevitable that Marcus's greatest joy was to teach the top set in any grade. He loved the cut and thrust of the interactions in the lessons and it was seldom, if ever, that a pupil posed a question to which he did not know the answer or to which he did not have an answer. Boys could never relax in Marcus's lessons because he was always challenging, engaging and sometimes caustic: he didn't like a perfectly good brain that was inactive! But Marcus never expected others to do what he was not prepared to do himself and so he took his fair share of bottom

set Maths' classes where the challenges were different, but equally attractive to Marcus.

It would be understandable if, after 29 years of teaching Maths, that Marcus had taken a bit of a back seat, using the excuse he was allowing the younger generation to gain experience. Not Marcus. Right up until the day he retired he remained the coeditor of Learning and Teaching Mathematics, a quarterly publication of the Association for Mathematics Education of South Africa, for which he wrote several articles since 2004. As well as that involvement, Marcus was also on the panel for setting the junior papers in the South African Mathematics Olympiad, a panel he has chaired since 2010. It is therefore fair to conclude that Marcus has been at the leading edge of Mathematics education in this country for many years and so the broader Mathematics teaching community will miss him as much as we will at Bishops.

Marcus started life at Bishops as an IT teacher before moving on to the Maths department after four years, ultimately heading up the department for seven years before directing Post Matric for six years, and ultimately becoming the Head of Academics and Deputy Headmaster for the past 13 years. Without fail his colleagues were in awe of his enormous intellect and deep understanding of the education milieu. When Marcus got up to address the staff they knew he would have all his facts in a row, he would speak concisely and clearly and not waste a second of their time. They knew he respected them as professionals and that he would leave them alone to get on with their work without unnecessary interference. They also knew that a deadline for Marcus was exactly that

and if it had been possible for the deadline to be later, then he would have set it for later in the first place. Therefore it was ill-advised to insult his intelligence by asking him for an extension. Colleagues also knew that requests for data elicited a prompt electronic response accompanied by masses of analysis, graphs, variables and, most importantly, a clear and precise summary of the situation.

Marcus led the academic division of the school with both an iron fist and a velvet glove. Colleagues knew and understood that Marcus expected only the highest standards from them and yet when they needed help, he had all the time in the world for them. Marcus has always had deep respect for others and hated wasting anybody else's time. Consequently, the meetings he chaired were always carefully planned to the point that he sometimes determined the outcome of a discussion before it even happened. To his credit, when it was pointed out to him that, as much as he was trying to save time, a good discussion was helpful, he immediately took the advice on board and always sought to hear from anyone who wished to say anything. His real strength lay in taking sometimes convoluted debates and summarising them into a line or two that so accurately reflected the debate that it left those in the meeting gasping.

Parents who interacted with Marcus, either in his role as their son's Maths teacher or as the Head of Academics, will agree that he was always quick to get back to them with a response that showed an enormous depth of experience and understanding. Marcus was never willing to tell parents what they wanted to hear, but he was always willing to engage with parents, even if the conversation

was enormously difficult, until there was an educationally-sound resolution. I suspect there were times when Marcus allowed a measure of annoyance to creep into his engagements with some parents, but he never claimed to be perfect and he can be forgiven in some cases considering some of the more outrageous issues he had to deal with over time.

Colleagues will know that Marcus was not one to speak easily about his private life. This matter was resolved when his son Aidan joined the school in Grade R and became the font of any and all information about Marcus and the family. Aidan was also always very keen to give an opinion on any chosen topic and so one never had to dig deeply for details on Marcus. Marcus is a great listener and so it was not uncommon to finish a conversation realising that the entire conversation had been about yourself and he had hardly mentioned himself. Marcus liked it that way and was patently aware that he managed conversations in that way. What Marcus could never manage, however, was what Aidan told you and so a perfect balance was achieved. After Aiden matriculated, if you needed to know details, then a quick phone call to him solved the problem.

Both Marcus's children have grown up while he taught at Bishops and what has always impressed his colleagues is how seriously he has always taken his parenting. Angela, his wife, studied overseas when Jessica was young. This was no problem to Marcus who could plait Jessica's hair in a jiffy while managing the household and a busy career. Marcus has continued to be a wonderful father to his family and husband to his wife, despite some challenging personal circumstances, and I

know they are very proud of everything he has achieved in his career.

Marcus smoked his own rolled cigarettes for many years and would commonly escape outside between lessons to have a quick puff. Sometimes, especially if he had a few free periods, he would take the liberty of having a quick puff in his classroom. I cannot recall anyone ever complaining about Marcus's teaching, a unique feature for any Maths teacher, but any complaints about the pervading odour in his classroom simply lead to a wry smile from him and he continued regardless. This was probably his only antiestablishment activity during his entire 33 years at Bishops. After many years of visiting his GP and reporting to Angela that the doctor hadn't said a word about his smoking, Angela one day insisted upon accompanying Marcus to the appointment. The doctor said exactly what he had been saying to Marcus for years and, when questioned by Angela, his comment was that it was amazing how different listeners could interpret a conversation differently. Of course, the game was now up and so Marcus, in his own inimitable style, simply stopped smoking that day and has never smoked again.

Every school executive needs the likes of a Marcus Bizony on it. There were two overriding characteristics of Marcus that permeated his participation in the College Executive: he always acted in the best interests of the boys in the school and he always thought deeply about any issue under discussion before pronouncing his views on the matter or asking a question so profound that it stopped the discussions in its track. Marcus willingly participated in discussions raised at Executive meetings, even if they had

no connection with his own portfolio, but he never pronounced his opinion on the matter boldly, instead he listened intently with his head drooped as he contemplated the issue from all angles. When he lifted his head to speak, those on the Executive knew it was best to listen because everything he said was carefully considered. Sometimes, particularly if he was inwardly outraged by an issue on the table, he would take longer to respond because of his deep respect for the organisation and an unwillingness to say anything harmful or ill-considered. If his opinion could lead to his offending anyone around the table, Marcus was a past master at turning his opinion into an incisive question that deeply affected the discussion and the ultimate outcome. If a decision was ever made with which he was not entirely in agreement, he would always support the majority decision. Marcus's influence on Bishops through his participation in the

Executive of the College has been profound and many will never fully contemplate the influence he has indirectly had on their lives through his membership of the Executive.

Marcus Bizony is a man of huge integrity who has always put the interests of the school above his own. As a consequence, he has made a remarkable impact on the life of Bishops and all who have passed through its doors in the past 33 years. He has given his heart and soul to the profession, the boys who passed through his lessons, his role as a leader and his adopted country. We will miss him enormously as he goes into retirement, but we wish him good health for many years to come and a relaxing and enjoyable retirement. *Vernon Wood* 

# WENDY VAN HEERDEN

Wendy van Heerden joined the College in June 1996 as PA to the Principal, who at that



time was Clive Watson. She has also served as Secretary to the Bishops Council with distinction over this period.

She has just received her award for 20 years' service to the school, during which time she has served under four subsequent heads, developing strong, trusting relationships with each one.

As they say, the most important woman in a Principal's life, other than his wife, is his personal assistant!

Wendy has been unfailingly professional, discreet and loyal and has a deep understanding of and love for the ethos and workings of this complex organisation. She brings a serenity to the office, and with her strong Christian background, has handled an endless variety of situations with firmness, diplomacy, compassion and a good dose of humour. We have shared so many laughs in the front office!

Her ability to engage so easily with parents,

staff and boys will be a hard act to follow. She has also had the courage to bare her teeth (ever so graciously) as sentry at the Principal's door many times over the years, never losing her composure.

It is with great sadness that we will say goodbye to Wendy when she retires at the end of this year. I'm sure she does so with some regret, but also with a distinct bounce in her step. She is tackling the new chapter in her life with typical enthusiasm, and she is particularly excited to be able to spend more precious time with her growing brood of grandchildren.

Wishing you everything of the best, Wendy. We know you intend to keep in touch with the College, so this is not goodbye, but rather a thank you for everything you have done for the school.

# JANNIE DE VILLIERS

Jannie de Villiers joined Bishops in 1998. In his almost 19 years at Bishops, 15 of them were in School House, where he served first as



The De Villiers Family: Jannie, Suzanne, Alida and Jean

Assistant House Director for five years and this vear ends his tenure as House Director. During his time at the College, he has taught Afrikaans and Geography with distinction. He served as a rugby coach and took the sport of Climbing to new heights. His fantastic contributions outside the classroom are too numerous to mention. For many years he single-handedly organized the outdoor programme. It would be an understatement to say that the impact he has made here at the College has been significant, coupled with his energy, passion and love for what is right. Management is about doing things right; leadership on the other hand is about doing the right thing. Jannie has proven himself to be one of those unique individuals, who does the right thing. We say good-bye to an intelligent man, who has managed to combine his skill for education with great motivation and, in doing so, has touched the lives of many boys in his time at the College. We wish Jannie and his family well as he embarks on a new chapter, following his appointment as Principal of Oakhill School in Knysna.

Mervin Walsh

## WESSEL THERON

Wessel Theron leaves Bishops at the end of the year to take up the post of HOD Afrikaans at Hilton College. From the outset it was clear that Wessel was a dedicated and committed educator, who did not shy away from hard work. He has spent his time in the classroom motivating and encouraging boys to understand, enjoy and appreciate Afrikaans. He has made use of innovative and exciting methods of teaching and the boys have enjoyed his company and enthusiastic approach to the subject. Wessel truly led by example and



Aileen and Wessel Theron

his energy, coupled with his knowledge of the subject, allowed boys to feel safe and confident in his care. He has been a true team player and a reliable and dedicated member of the Afrikaans department. Wessel also played roles in several other areas of the school and is an example of someone who works hard and takes on whatever challenge come his way. Among other roles, Wessel has been an outstanding Kidd House tutor, has led several overseas tours, won international educational competitions and has, more recently, been the teacher-incharge of Tennis. Wessel has made the most of his time at Bishops and has made his mark. The boys who have had the privilege of having dealings with him, have had the advantage of being led by someone with integrity and sound moral standards. It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Wessel, as the perspective that he brings will be missed. We wish him and his family happiness in this new exciting adventure in their lives, and know that Wessel will make a resounding success of this opportunity and no doubt impact many lives positively in the process.

Trudy Hoefnagels

# CHAPLAIN'S REPORT



Confirmation Class 2016

Easter came and went, and was soon replaced by the blustery, rainy weather of the winter rugby/hockey season. The second term began with the prayer for the Winter Sports programme and the hope for successful learning both on and off the sports field. The Chaplain accompained Simply Blue on their weekend away to Arniston where they were able to practise their repertoire of songs and dance for the coming season. The exams and tests soon gave way to the Eisteddfod, with singing, art, movement, drama and House singing practices echoing across the fields. Soon after the term started, the Chaplain suffered a stroke and was hospitalised. An operation to remove a brain tumour and radiation treatment for cancer followed. Most of the winter term was spent recuperating and starting afresh with the third term Eucharist service. The Revs Martin Coomer, Nicky Ing, Natalie Simons-Arendse, Jo Tyres and Peter Holgate are to be thanked for their kind assistance and support during this time. Thanks too must go those both in and beyond the Bishops community for their cards, messages, prayers, and for the many meals and small treats for Fr. Terry and his family during this challenging time. The outpouring of love and support for Fr. Terry and his family is truly appreciated. The treating oncologists are not able to detect any cancer and are confident of a healing. The power of prayer and love in action!

On 17 August, College Evensong played host to the Rev. Dr Vincentia Kgabe, Rector of the College of the Transfiguration. She



Repair work - Brooke Capel

is the senior Anglican cleric in charge of the Anglican seminary based in Grahamstown where many Southern African Anglican clergy are trained. Her message was a strong and inspiring one that left the boys and staff with much to think about.

Robert Gray Day on 1 September was celebrated at Bishops with the presence of Bp. Garth Counsell, Bishop of Table Bay, visiting. He preached at the Morning Service, commemorating the day and reminding the boys of the significance of both Robert Gray Day in the Anglican calendar and of Robert Gray's contribution to the wider Anglican Church, to Bishops and to South African education in general.



Anglicans Ablaze Conference in session



Rohan Bloom Inter-Faith Football Cup

Confirmation classes recommenced after the winter holidays and soon the Confirmation Class of 2016 was concluding their training sessions. The Archbishop enjoys the fact that the four Anglican schools of Cape Town meet together and are confirmed together at the same service. He really enjoys being with the young adults of the four schools and enjoys inviting them to Bishopscourt on the day before their Confirmation service. They were able to spend time with the Archbishop and his staff and to explore the question what is it to be a Christian in a modern society? Confirmation in the Cathedral of St George the Martyr and hosted by St George's Grammar School happened on 4 September.



Matrics 2016 - Pacman visits Hymn Practice!

In a beautiful ceremony presided over by Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, the confirmation class of 2016 from Bishops, St Cyprians, Herschel and St George's was confirmed with great pomp and ceremony.

The College also had a visit from the Hillsong Church Ministry team who came to address the boys. They brought along a professional Harlem Globetrotters Basketball team member, Seth Franco, who had a Christian message for the boys. He combined his unique style of delivery and his story of illness and recovery with loud and viby music. The Chaplain was challenged to jive and Mr Jannie de Villiers obliged by dancing down the aisle. This different visit to the College caught the attention and interest of the boys who enjoyed the change of pace and rhythm in the morning's chapel address. Some staff are still not too sure about what was happening and

chose to retire to their classrooms instead.

During the winter rains, it was noted that the Brooke Chapel smelt of damp. On investigation, it was discovered that water was not draining away from the foundations of the building and that the chapel was effectively standing in a large puddle of water. To facilitate drainage, the garden's retaining wall on the Founders' side was removed and a portion of the garden was flattened so that the foundations walls could be re-morticed. Bishops Grounds and Maintenance staff, under the watchful eye of Dr Paul Murray, are presently exploring the option of re-designing the lawn and garden area with correct drainage, new garden spaces and new paving around the entrance to Founders House.

In memory of Rohan Bloom, his father, Rodney, teamed up with staff and soccer players from Bishops, Herzlia and Islamia schools for a



Adv. Thuli Madonsela visits Bishops for Anglicans Ablaze conference



Inter Faith Soccer tournament – in memory of Rohan Bloom. Islamia, Herzlia and Bishops. Inaugurated by Rod Bloom



House Flags – new banners for Chapel

day of Inter-Faith sharing and soccer. Hosted by Herzlia, the three schools fielded a number of teams, culminating in the awarding of the schools Inter-Faith soccer trophy, created from one of Rohan's bronzed soccer boots. Thanks must go to staff members, Justin Woolls (Youth Pastor) and Jarred Bradley (Tic Soccer) who accompanied the Bishops teams. We hope that this will become an annual event in the Cape Town calendar and foster an interest in Inter-Faith dialogue.

The beginning of the Fourth term saw Bishops begin preparations for the International Anglicans Ablaze conference: *Vulindlela: Open the Way*, to be held at Bishops from 5 to 8 October. This conference, under the banner of the Grow the Church organisation, took place in October using the College campus, the Mallett Centre, the Memorial Theatre and both Chapels. A number of visiting delegates were housed in

the Boarding Houses while others secured accommodation in Cape Town and bussed in daily. Among those living on campus was Bp. Phillip le Fevre who relished the thought of being back in School House where he had lived as boy, staff member and Chaplain. Delegates came from as far afield as Lesotho, Ghana, Namibia, the UK and Sweden. A number of local and visiting bishops were spotted in the crowd, including Bp. Adam Taaso of Lesotho who accompanied a large delegation from the Cathedral congregation of the Maseru. The Rev. Roger Cameron of the Anglican Board of Education (previously Head of St John's College) was also a presenter at the conference as was Mike Pilavachi, a powerful speaker and Youth Pastor who heads the Soul Seakers organisation in the UK. The school caterers fed the 1500 delegates daily, while food, book and coffee vendors set up stalls on the Founders



Lunch time - Anglicans Ablaze conference

Terrace and Frank Reid Pavillion where they could cater for the more refined tastes of those who needed extra sustenance. To their credit, a number of support staff elected not to take leave during this week and to service the school's facilities in support of the conference. They did themselves and the school proud. We could be justly proud to share our facilities and beautiful grounds with the international Anglican Communion and to play host to this gathering. On 5 October the True Voices Vocal ensemble group (which specialises in sacred music) shared their unique singing talents at a formal Sung Evensong service using the Anglican Book of Common Prayer. We were joined by visitors from Anglicans Ablaze, Angela McCloughlan (woman Bishop of the liberal Catholic Church from Portland, Oregon), and by members of the Military and Hospitillier Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem. Based at the St Michael's and All Angels Church in Observatory, Cape Town, they are a charitable Order within the Anglican Church. Their members are volunteers who strive to make a difference in the lives of others via their works of charity and goodwill. Naturally, they are always keen

to invite like-minded people to join and to make a difference in the lives of others. A highlight of the conference was the visit of Adv. Thuli Madonsela, the outgoing Public Protector, who addressed the gathering on her second to last day in office. After an address to the adults, she then spent over two hours talking with the Young Adult section of the Conference, sharing her wisdom, listening and responding to

their questions. A gracious, calm and intelligent woman. The Conference ended on a high note with great music and a rousing sermon from the organiser, Rev. Trevor Pierce who challenge the delegated to "set the church on fire with the Holy Spirit". Many delegates left the campus promising to come back to visit Bishops soon, taking away fond memories of their time here and looking forward to the next Conference in Durban in 2018.

The formal events of the fourth term soon came into play with the Service of Eucharist starting the term. In quick succession, the Matric Dance with its parade of vintage and sporty cars, beautiful young women in magnificent dresses and handsome young men arriving and walking down the spot-lighted Theatre Avenue to the Mallett Centre, was followed by the Prize Giving and Valedictory gatherings in the Mallett Centre and the Memorial Chapel.

The Bishops Praise Service occurred on the following Monday. This very gentle and short service is the one time in the year when the whole school can gather in one place and where the various parts of the Bishops

community can gather to celebrate and acknowledge the whole school's existence. It has also become the first official duty of the newly elected Head of College to say the prayer for the School at this service. It is always wonderful to see the progression of years with the pre-prep boys joining their older brothers, cousins and friends and to experience the camaraderie that this event creates.

In recent times, the Chaplain has managed to visit a number of Anglican churches and cathedrals. We do not realise the inheritance we, as Anglicans, have on our door step. There is little need to travel further than our own city centre to experience the beauty of the churches and cathedrals of the Western Cape. Besides the grand magnificence of the interior of St George's Cathedral, the inner beauty of churches such as St Saviours, Claremont (where Robert and Sophie Gray are buried), the Church of the Good Shepherd, Kirstenbosch, the Christ the King Church of Claremont, the Christ Church, Constantia, St Francis in Simonstown, St Peters, Camps Bay, St Mary's, Woodstock, All Saints, Bredasdorp and the ancient, rural beauty of St Raphael's church in Faure near Somerset West. These are places of real and tranquil beauty seeped in the prayer life of a community. In some cases, the churches are well cared for and cherished. In other places, they are being threatened with closure and being sold. Sadly, support for the Church and churches is dwindling. In many places these church buildings will fade into oblivion and the practices and traditions of our past will be lost.

During the winter and spring term, we have celebrated the baptism of Justin Moore and the wedding of Timothy Tanzer to Jessica Robin Bizony. We remember with sadness the passing and farewell services of Heins Gerstner, Elizabeth McDonald, Martin Leifeldt, Brandon Matley, Marco Bersella and Dr Chris Molyneux, organist and originator of the Cape Town Male Voice Choir, and pray for the repose of their souls. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

As mentioned above, the Chapels have had many visitors. Recently, during the last Hymn practice of 2016, we had Pacman and his friends (School House Matrics) visit the boys. They did a little dance, chased each other through the Memorial Chapel and then, in true Pacman style, disappeared. Staying power can be seen rather in the arrival of two new owlets. They hatched recently in the stone pine tree between the Brooke Chapel and Founders House. A single chick was successfully raised here last year and the recent additions are now losing their baby feathers and learning to fly.

We will end this portion of the year with the celebration of the 90th Anniversary of the Opening of the War Memorial Chapel. The College Magazines of 1926 tell of the closing of the Old Chapel and it being opened as the "Brooke Library" in honour of Rev. Richard Brooke, previously Principal of Bishops. The War Memorial Chapel was built and dedicated to the memory of all Bishops boys and staff who lost their lives during the First World War. The Archbishop of Cape Town, William Carter, on 31 October 1926, conducted this Service of Dedication. We remember this moment on the same day, 90 years later, in an address given by Dr Paul Murray, College Historian.

Rev. Terry Wilke

# COLLEGE PRIZE GIVING 2016



Chairman of Council, Mike Bosman, congratulates Christian Rohrer

# COLLEGE PRIZE GIVING 2016 CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL'S ADDRESS – MR MIKE BOSMAN

Welcome

Please be seated.

Principal, Mr Guy Pearson and Mrs Pearson, parents and friends, present and past members of Council and staff, the Chairman and trustees of the Bishops Trust, the Chairman and members of the PA Committee, ODs, young men of Bishops good morning to you all.

Welcome to our 2016 College Prize Giving ceremony.

It's great to have with us here this morning

the new Deputy Principal, Mr. Peter Westwood (congratulations Peter), the Prep Headmaster, Mr Greg Brown, the Head of the Pre Prep, Mrs Sharlene Groom, past Chairman of Council, Professor Geoff Everingham, The Bishop of Table Bay, Bishop Garth Counsell, the Chaplain of the School and Prep School, and current and past heads of other schools. Welcome to each of you.

It is also a great pleasure to welcome the inspirational leaders of our old boys' association here. Representing the OD Union we welcome the Patron, Mr Michael Watermeyer and Mrs Watermeyer, and the President, Mr Raymond Ackerman and

Mrs Ackerman. Welcome too, to the newly appointed Manager of the OD Union, Dr WP van Zyl.

Gentlemen, thank you so much for your ongoing and passionate interest in the school and for all of your support for us. Thanks too for all of your work with our old boys.

Throughout the year, as in the past, His Grace, Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, the Archbishop of Cape Town, has continued to be enormously supportive of the school and we really value the time that we spend with him, his wisdom and his experience. We thank him for all of that.

#### RETIREMENTS

At the end of last term we said farewell to our Deputy Principal, Mr Vernon Wood, and at the end of this term our Deputy Head for Academics, Mr Marcus Bizony, will be retiring. Mr Pearson will be paying tribute to them shortly but I would like to record Council's sincere thanks and appreciation to them for all of their work at Bishops over many years. We wish them both every success in the next exciting chapters of their lives.

Also, at the end of the year, Council will be saying farewell to Mrs Wendy van Heerden as she too retires. Wendy has been at Bishops for just over 20 years and has served as the Principal's Secretary and the Secretary to the College Council. She has worked with five Principals and Acting Principals at Bishops and she can probably write a very interesting book about what she has seen at the school over all of those years. That is a scary thought!

Wendy, thank you very much for everything you have done for Council, for previous Chairmen and Principals and for me personally over so many years.

Please can I ask you to you come forward to accept some flowers from me on behalf of us all.

## MEMBERS OF STAFF

In the past I have mentioned that, amongst other things, Council will do its best to ensure that Bishops is able to attract and retain the best Principal and the best teachers, coaches and support staff in South Africa and that our goal is that our teachers remain amongst the best rewarded in the country.

I am very happy to report that we have been able to continue to be true to that promise.

Independent surveys conducted this year showed again that, across the board, teachers at Bishops are amongst the very best paid at any private school in South Africa. More than 70% of our annual school fee and boarding income is spent on staff remuneration, which as you can see doesn't leave a great deal for the other expenses that the school has.

Thanks to our teachers and coaches, we have continued to record outstanding results and exceptional successes in the classroom, as well as in the 22 sports that we offer, and in all other areas of school life, including music, art and drama.

We are fortunate to have really passionate and committed staff members at Bishops, excellently led by Mr Pearson, and we greatly appreciate all of their efforts for us.

I would also like to take a moment to thank our School Business Manager, Mr Sean King, and each member of the school's administration and support teams for all of their hard work over the past year. These days, being the head of finance and administration

at a school for 1 360 boys and about 229 members of staff is not for the faint-hearted. It is a massive and complex task and one that Mr King, quietly and modestly, does incredibly well. Thanks Sean. We are lucky to have someone like you, with your vast experience, on our team.

Let's give Mr Pearson and all of our staff members a big round of applause.

I would also like to thank my ten colleagues on the College Council and each of the members of our sub-committees for their guidance, wisdom and the effort they put into Bishops over the past year, all at no cost to the school. Your work is mostly invisible to the school community at large, but it is greatly appreciated.

#### **PARENTS**

One of the cornerstones of a great school is a strong parent body and at Bishops, we are incredibly fortunate to have very supportive parents. On behalf of Council, I would like to say a big thank you to our parents for sending your sons to Bishops and for everything you do for your (and our) boys. We appreciate your confidence in us.

I would also like to thank the Chairman of the College Parent's Association, Mr Malcolm Gray and the members of his committee for their time, energy and expertise on matters Bishops.

#### LEADERS IN SOUTH AFRICA

We are living in an exceptionally complex and fast-moving world. We are also living in a country with so much rich potential and yet with so many difficult issues and problems. We have almost all of the resources available to us in South Africa that are necessary for us to be a proper powerhouse in the world.

We are capable of being an excellent, standout country in almost any terms imaginable. Yet, amongst many other problems, our national school education system continues to let the young people of South Africa down, in a devastating fashion.

So I ask myself from time to time, where are the strong, diligent and caring leaders of the future South Africa going to come from? Where are the men and women going to come from who will lead South Africa with dignity, competence and integrity in the future? Where are those that will stand up for what is right?

If Bishops is going to continue to play a relevant role in South Africa, the answer has to be that we must strive to ensure that some of these future leaders come from schools like Bishops.

Pro fide et patria. For faith and for our country. That is what we stand for.

It is our duty and responsibility here to produce men not only for leadership in government, but in civil society and in whatever path in life our boys choose to take in the future.

Above all else, they need to be decent human beings, men with character, with strong ethics and strong value systems. As we've said before, these men also need to be proper friends, fathers and husbands. They need to be able to get on with other people and they need to be capable of dealing with complex issues.

The boys leaving Bishops need to have a multidisciplinary view of issues and subjects. Men and women who have a single skill in life in the future might find their jobs being done by robots and computers. To be successful in new professional fields like bioinformatics, one is required to be

proficient in mathematical statistics, in biology, in software development and in the management of big data, all at the same time.

We need to work out how to make good used of open source curricula online, where appropriate, and we need to work out how we can weave the threads that can link together the many subjects that we teach separately at school.

Already universities like Harvard and MIT offer a wide range of free courses online including in art and design, world literature, genetics, social change, bioethics, music, international relations and many, many more.

And importantly, as in the recent past, diversity in all of its forms will continue to be a priority at Bishops.

# PROJECTS AND PRIORITIES AT BISHOPS

On other fronts here at Bishops we are continuing with our exciting plans to further significantly improve our buildings and school infrastructure. These must include developing modern new learning spaces and new whole-school facilities here at the College, sometimes replacing existing buildings. Buildings like this one, the Mallett Centre and the entire Frank Reid precinct alongside us, the theatre and our science and music facilities are planned for additions or complete renovations or rebuilds.

A tremendous amount of work has been done on these initiatives this year by the the College Council, the school's executive leadership, Council's Building and Grounds Committee and by the Bishops Trust. Funding for all of these projects is a serious challenge and we hope that we will be able to encourage ODs, parents and friends of the school to partner us on this journey.

# 2016 - congratulations

I would like to thank each and every young man at Bishops for their efforts for the school over this past year. Please continue to make the most of your time here, continue to make us all proud and continue to express your appreciation to your parents and everyone else who has helped you to be part of this incredible Bishops experience.

Well done and congratulations too to the prize winners here this morning!

#### **Matrics**

To the Matrics of 2016, thanks for your huge contribution to the school over the past five years, for your leadership this year and please enjoy every moment of today, your last day of school ever.

We wish you every success in your upcoming final Matric exams.

In a moment, we will hear a musical item called African Medley and for now it remains for me to wish you a wonderful holiday at the end of the term and a great Christmas. Thank you very much.

Mike Bosman Rondebosch 14 October 2016

## CONCLUDING REMARKS

Ladies and Gentlemen

That bring us to the conclusion of our formal proceedings at this Prize Giving.

In keeping with our annual tradition I would now like to invite the 2016 Head Boy, Francois Stassen, to come forward to accept my own old boys tie as we welcome all of the 2016 Matrics into the OD Union.

As we leave here this morning, can I please

ask all of the Matric prize winners to remain behind for a few moments so that some photographs can be taken.

Thank you all for coming along this morning and I would now like to invite you to join us for tea on the lawns outside the chapel.

# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS – MR GUY PEARSON

Chairman of Council, Mr Mike Bosman and Mrs Bosman, President of the ODU Mr Raymond Ackerman and Mrs Ackerman, our special guest Mrs Angela Tait, Honoured Guests, parents and friends, members of staff and young men of Bishops.

Prize Giving marks an important milestone on the annual calendar. The word milestone is derived from the Latin "milliarium" referring to "one of a series of numbered markers along a road at intervals of one mile". They are constructed to provide reference points along the road. This can be used to indicate distance travelled or the remaining distance to an intended destination or even to reassure travelers that the correct route is being followed. I like this concept to describe Prize-Giving; it gives us an opportunity to measure ourselves, reflect and ask important questions about where we are going as a school.

As the Chairman has said, this Prize-Giving is being held in troubled times for our country. The student unrest is symptomatic of the deep fault lines which prevail in our society with its tremendous social and leadership problems. The educational sector is in a particularly parlous state. While so much of the attention has been focused on the "Fees Must Fall" campaign, the fact is that for the majority of South African school children the education

system remains dysfunctional. The recent events have also challenged schools to take a critical at their policies and practices in the light of challenges to the status quo.

At the recent Independent Schools
Conference held here in the Western Cape,
Heads of Independent Schools were challenged
on a number of fronts. Too often schools such
as ours tend to expect those of different cultures
to the dominant culture to be assimilated into
the culture, rather than to respect the different
minority cultures. I addressed this matter with
the school at the very first assembly of this year
and want to quote extracts from that statement
because I believe it is very relevant to us today:

"We need to be reminded that in our Bishops Mission Statement we are called to: 'respect, nurture and value each person' and to 'embrace and celebrate diversity in the communities of our school and South Africa'.

As a member of the majority culture as a white male at Bishops, I am personally committed to making sure that I am sensitive to minority groups at our school. These minority groups include race, religion, gender, sexual persuasion and disability. I acknowledge that the issues are complex and complicated but I want to make a plea to all of us to be sensitive to our differences and to try to better accept and understand each other. Indeed we need to learn to celebrate difference because our lives are enriched by diversity. Bishops is a better place because of our diversity and we will be better people the more we learn to embrace it.

In the words of Nelson Mandela, 'No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin, or his background or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for



The Principal, Mr Guy Pearson

love comes more naturally to the human heart than the opposite'. In a similar vein Mother Theresa said "Spread love wherever you go. Let no one ever leave you without being happier."

At Bishops we promote a culture of mutual and appropriate respect between all boys and staff. It is important that we understand that this includes respecting people who are different to us for whatever reason. In the end, when in doubt, we must always apply the Golden Rule, 'Treat others in the same way as you would like to be treated.'

The College Executive has committed itself to engage with all minority groups in the school to ensure that there are no policies or practices at Bishops that are alienating and offensive to individuals or groups.

In other ways, this year has been a difficult year for the school as we have had to deal with the tragic death of a Grade 9 boy, **Rohan Bloom** and four of our Dads, Rob Wilson, Karl Labberte, Martin Leifeldt and Marco Bersella. We remember them and their families at this time. In addition, members of our staff and some of our parents have overcome life-threatening illnesses; we thank God for their recovery and pray for continued healing for them. It is in difficult times that the true spirit of compassion and support comes from all sections of the Bishops community and I

thank you all for that.

Of course in the midst of all the problems and difficulties it is important that we give boys a message of hope and optimism; one of the joys of working in an environment with young boys is that they are inherently positive and energetic and we must not ever dampen that enthusiasm.

So, as we measure Bishops against the milestone of 2016, we can confidently say that it has been a very successful year. The class of 2015 produced exceptional academic results in their final examinations and we expect the same from the class of 2016. In light of the educational crisis in South Africa, the question often asked of us as a school is why we continue to write the NSC through the State rather than through the IEB. It is not fully understood that it is exactly the same curriculum; all that differs is the exit exam. Both examinations are accredited by the same accreditation authority, Umalusi. The examination continues to serve us well and the evidence we have is that our boys are well prepared for any course at university, both locally and abroad. It is worth noting that numbers of Bishops boys each year are successful with their applications to top universities throughout the world. A case in point is the fantastic news we received at the end of last term that Nicholas Janisch, Grade 12 this year, has been nominated as the Mary Gray Scholar to study as an undergraduate at Cambridge University next year. This is the first time that the Mary Gray Scholarship has been awarded for undergraduate studies to a Bishops boy, a tremendous achievement and another indication of the academic excellence at Bishops.

It has been a wonderful year on the cultural

front for Bishops boys. The musical "All Shook Up" was thoroughly entertaining and professional; the acapello group Simply Blue continued to wow audiences wherever they performed, and the iconic Eisteddfod continues to reach new heights each year. The debating, public speaking and clubs and societies are vibrant and provide great enrichment for all boys.

Sport at Bishops remains very competitive despite the increasing "professionalisation" of sport at schoolboy level. Our view has always been that sport is part of the educational process and that we continue to believe strongly that teachers should be in control. We are committed to providing supplementary expertise in coaching where this is needed. We are also committed to providing conditioning training for all our boys so that they are physically equipped to compete against many of the bigger and stronger opponents we are up against. We are currently engaged with the Sports Science Institute to design a programme specifically aimed at meeting the needs of Bishops boys in terms of conditioning. Most importantly, we should focus on our strengths of playing sport with skill, passion and intelligence, something that surely our national rugby team should emulate!

How much simpler things were when OD Clive van Ryneveld, then a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford, was invited to represent England against Scotland at Twickenham on the 19th March 1949. The itinerary sent to players by the Secretary of the England RFU had the following instructions:

**Friday 18th March:** Players and travelling reserves are to be present for a runabout at the Old Deer Park ground, Richmond at 3.45 pm.

# Saturday 19th March:

2.45 pm Photograph 3.00 pm Kick-off

**Accommodation:** Park Lane Hotel (bring soap and towel)

England won 19 nil and van Ryneveld scored a try!

I would like to thank all the constituents who support us in our endeavours to provide the best that we can for our boys. We are fortunate to have a Council under the leadership of Mike Bosman who are so committed to providing the leadership and guidance they do in the best interests of the school. There is no stipend for the time and expertise they give to Bishops and we are extremely grateful to them for their efforts. I have once again enjoyed working with our enthusiastic and hard working Parents Association lead by Malcolm Gray; they play a very important liaison role between the school and the parents, particularly at House level. Thank you to all parents who support their sons and the school in the very busy life we have here at Bishops.

We have enjoyed a very positive relationship with the OD Union this year. The President Raymond Ackerman remains an inspiration and a pillar of strength for me personally and to the school in general. The new Chairman Bruce Jack has brought his own quiet diplomacy and vision to the OD Union and I know that newly appointed Executive Manager WP Van Zyl will bring great passion and energy to the position.

I would like to pay tribute to all staff at Bishops for their commitment and support for the boys; this includes all support and academic staff. Bishops is a busy place and behind every event is a teacher or a member of the support staff. My special gratitude goes to the College Executive and the whole School Executive for their support and guidance this year.

At the end of last term Deputy Principal, Vernon Wood, left Bishops to pursue personal interests. Mr Wood has made his mark at Bishops over the past eight years in so many ways. His wisdom and experience has been invaluable in guiding Bishops through substantial changes which have made Bishops a better place for all boys. One of the highlights of his tenure was his leadership of the IBSC International Conference held at Bishops last year. This was a fantastic conference that hosted 600 delegates from around the world. We wish Vernon and Betty-Anne all the very best in their new ventures.

The end of this year marks the end of an era at Bishops as Marcus Bizony retires after 33 years of exceptional service to Bishops, and a teaching career spanning 40 years.

Mr Bizony arrived in the country and at Bishops in January 1984. He initially taught Computer Science for four years and Maths for the following 29 years. He headed the Maths department for seven years, directed post matric for six years and for the past 13 years held the positions of Head of Academics and Deputy Head, Academics. He has given his heart and soul to the profession, to the boys who he taught, and to his role as a leader.

Mr Bizony is a man of huge integrity who has always put the interests of the school above his own. As a consequence he has made a remarkable impact on the life of Bishops and all who have passed through its doors in the past 33 years. There are many ODs today who are grateful they had the benefit of his

excellent teaching.

We will miss his brilliant intellect and his amazing attention to detail. Mr Bizony, we thank you and salute you.

At the end of the year two members of our staff leave to take up promotion posts at other Independent schools. While we will be sad to be losing them it is also very important that Bishops produces leaders for the wider school sector.

Jannie de Villiers takes up the reins as Head of Oakhill in Knysna. He joined Bishops in 1998 and in his 19 years at Bishops 15 of them have been in School House, where he served first as Assistant House-Director for five years and this year ends his ten-year tenure as House-Director. During his time at the College, he has taught Afrikaans and Geography with distinction. He served as a rugby coach and took the sport of Climbing to new heights. His fantastic contributions outside the classroom are too numerous to mention. For many years he single-handedly organized the outdoor programme. It would be an understatement to say that the impact he has made here at the College has been significant, coupled with his energy, passion and love for what is right.

There is no doubt that Mr de Villiers has a touched and influenced the lives of many boys in his time at the College. We wish Mr de Villiers and his family well as he embarks on a new chapter in their lives. Mr De Villiers is living proof that dynamite comes in small packages!

Wessel Theron leaves Bishops at the end of the year to take up the post of HOD Afrikaans at Hilton College. From the onset it was clear that Mr Theron was a dedicated and committed educator, who did not shy away

from hard work. He has spent his time in the classroom motivating and encouraging boys to understand; enjoy and appreciate Afrikaans with innovative and exciting teaching methods.

Among other roles, Mr Theron has been an outstanding Kidd House tutor, has led several overseas tours, won international educational competitions and has more recently been the teacher in charge of Tennis. We wish him and his family happiness in this new exciting adventure in their lives.

It is probably true to say that the most important woman in a Principal's life, other than his wife of course, is his personal assistant! Wendy has been a PA at Bishops for 20 years and served under five different Heads and Principals. She will be remembered for her amazing grace and serene presence, always calm and professional no matter the circumstances. Her fantastic institutional knowledge will be missed, as will her ability to engage so easily with boys, staff and parents. Wendy retires at the end of the year and looks forward to spending more time with her ever growing brood of grandchildren. Thank you Wendy, you have been an absolute star and will be missed.

I am very satisfied with the quality of staff that we have appointed to replace those leaving; the very important position of Head of Academics will be taken over by Dr Stephen Sproule who is a highly respected and experienced educator. He has been the Head of Academics at Penryn College and previously served as the Head of Mathematics at St John's College in Johannesburg. He was also a Professor of Mathematics at the University of Tennesee in the US. He holds an MSc and a PhD in Mathematics Education and we look

forward to welcoming him and his family to Bishops next year. We also congratulate Peter Westwood on his promotion to the position of Deputy Principal with immediate effect and Mark Mitchell to the position of Deputy Head of Culture starting in January next year.

And last but not least, this prize giving is primarily about the boys. Today we acknowledge every one of you who has contributed to the success of the year; not all will be winning prizes but this does not mean that you have not been significant to the success of the year. I particularly want to thank the matrics for their leadership; this is the last group that experienced the "old order" of the junior/senior relationships as Grade 8s in 2012. They could so easily have reverted to type but have not done so and we thank them for that.

While each of you has been responsible for the leadership this year, I want to mention the terrific work of the Heads of Houses and the senior leadership group of Francois Stassen, Brandon van der Westhuizen, Joe Linley and Matt Perrott. I have enjoyed all my interactions with these fine young men, you boys can be proud of them and the way in which they have represented you. Francois **Stassen** does need a special mention. Despite the terrible disappointment of suffering a season ending knee injury, he never wavered in his commitment to the team and the new captain Jean Pienaar. In addition I have known Francois to be a young man of utmost integrity, always being prepared to do the "hard right" rather than the "easy wrong". Well done François.

It remains for me to wish you matrics well as you face your final hurdle, I am confident that you are well prepared to tackle the next phase of your lives; never more have we needed young men to make a difference and to be true to our motto; "Fide et Patria"; for Faith and Fatherland.

# HEAD OF SCHOOL'S ADDRESS – FRANCOIS STASSEN

Good morning Mr Bosman, Mr Pearson, honorable guests, staff, parents and Bishops gentleman.

In my first address of the school last year I boldly quoted, "The best way to predict the future is to create it." Now, twelve months later we find ourselves reflecting on the short-term future I was referring to. Before you get me wrong, I never intentionally created circumstances that saw me sit next to the rugby field all year long, things out of our control do also happen. Today we as the matric group and consequently leaders of the various pockets of life at Bishops hand over the responsibility to the bright eyed, bushy tailed grade 11s who eagerly move into their new roles. But today also represents the end for the matrics and thus a chance to look back at the last five years at high school and more specifically the last 12 months as matrics.

In 2016 Bishops has once again accumulated achievements in almost every facet of life. Traditional sports have continued to thrive despite the school's emphasis on producing all-rounded individuals.

The water polo side recorded Bishops' first ever national tournament win in Grahamstown at the beginning of the year, and later went on to win the Mazinta in front of a passionate crowd that filled the stands at the Newlands

Pool. The cricket and hockey first teams both progressed to the finals of their respective provincial knockout tournaments, with the hockey managing to convert into victory. After a hard fought season, the year's rugby will be remembered for a devastating counting error and miraculous on-field medical recovery against archrivals from across the road.

All of this has been passionately supported by the school body, with the antics of the cheerleaders causing some to skip a heartbeat but has left endless laughter and elation amongst the Bishops supporters.

There has been no shortage in international participation either, from the performance of the rowers to the South African fly fisherman, from the international public speakers to the South African hockey players.

Bishops never ceases to impress, and this is merely a fraction of what has been achieved.

Apart from individual achievements, a memorable performance of the play, *All Shook Up*, and the year's highly competitive and slightly contentious Eisteddfod, spring to mind.

I mention all of this not so you can strain your arm patting yourself on the back, but because it is remarkable what goes on in this school in a year. The functioning of life at Bishops can be compared to an ant mound in many respects, as each individual in the larger system has a specific role to fulfill.

Regardless of how seemingly insignificant a talent or passion may be, it is this diversity and individuality that when added together enhances the functioning of the school community.

An ant mound needs those that go out to collect food and do work that can be seen and admired, but as important to the survival

of the colony, it needs those that prepare the storage area underground, those that fulfill the support and less recognized roles. Bishops likewise needs those who are going to be admired out on the sports field, those who stand in the front line in Simply Blue or those who take the main roles in the school play, but as importantly the school needs those who give it their all early every Saturday morning, those who without recognition learn an instrument to participate in Eisteddfod, those whose voices turn hoarse when supporting their school.

In this cohesive system it is necessary that, like ants in passing, we greet fellow students, staff and parents, as this politeness is the first step in maintaining the gentleman-like manners associated with Bishops.

As we know, an ant on its own cannot survive the rains or the dangers that may face it, but when a colony works together in supporting all those around it, by valuing each role contributing to the bigger system, then the colony may flourish. It must be understood that every aspect of the school is critically dependent on others, however at the same time everyone must contribute. There is no space for passengers if this prestigious school is to continue to flourish. As I have said earlier this year, if you leave through the school gates at 3.15 every afternoon it will be both to your own detriment and to the detriment of Bishops.

To the matric class of 2017, look to grow and improve the school in areas you see necessary and do this with the ambition to see Bishops as the best it has ever been but the worst in comparison to years to come. Although as a matric group you are vitally important to the year 2017, in Bishops' history



Head Boy 2016: Francois Stassen

we are all merely custodians of its culture. Change and alter the school for current circumstances as well as those leading into the future. Good luck to all and enjoy your final year at school.

When taking over the reins as Matrics this time last year, there was nervousness amongst the grade about the thought of life outside of Bishops. Despite the possibility of an extended Plett rage due to universities not taking in new students at the beginning of next year, the reality of life outside Bishops remains daunting. However, over the last 12 months I believe Bishops has equipped us with the capabilities to turn any dream into a reality. As saddening as it is that the grade will soon fragment into different directions, in the end we will remain the Matric Class of 2016, an identity that will hopefully reunite us in the future.

Judging by the host of senior staff retirements, managing our grade from a staff point of view was probably not as easy as I thought, however I do think the words of Henry Ford describe the development in the grade over the past five years, he said "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." Thank you to all, and in particular the leadership group, for working together this year.

Bishops, it has been an honor fulfilling this role in 2016. I would like to leave the school with one final thought; a wise man once said, "People who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones that do."

Gentlemen of Bishops, our beloved South Africa is in desperate need of fresh input, go out there and make a difference.

Profide et Patria

### **ACADEMIC PRIZES 2016**

**GRADE 8** 

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Robert Dugmore Grade Prize 1st, An OD's Mathematics Prize (shared), History Prize, Economic

and Management Sciences Prize (shared), Practical Music Course Prize (shared),

General Good Effort

Jonathan Mopp Grade Prize 2nd, Science Prize (shared), Biology Prize (shared), Non-practical

Music Course Prize, General Good Effort

**Christopher Dicey** Grade Prize 3rd, Biology Prize (shared), General Good Effort

**Andrew Low** Economic and Management Sciences Prize (shared), Practical Music Course Prize

(shared), Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort

**Daniel van Nimwegen** English Prize, Science Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Niccolo Guerrini Afrikaans Prize (shared), French Prize
Gerard Murray-Cooke Geography Prize, General Good Effort

Art Prize, General Good Effort

**Ben Cheminais** An OD's Mathematics Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Alexander van der Leek Drama Prize
Jordan Welsh Xhosa Prize

Milan Dixon Afrikaans Prize (shared) **Tim Kotze** Technology Prize Alexander Saurma-Jeltsch General Good Effort **Anton Coutts-Trotter** General Good Effort **Dylan Barow** General Good Effort Jonathan Bateman General Good Effort Joseph Pepler General Good Effort **Lloyd Phillips** General Good Effort **Michael Ford** General Good Effort Rohan Naidoo General Good Effort **Stuart Stevens** General Good Effort

#### **SPECIAL MENTIONS**

English Neil Du Toit; Robert Dugmore

French Alex Saurma-Jeltsch; James Kirkman
Afrikaans Christopher Dicey; Jonathan Mopp
Mathematics Christopher Dicey; Jonathan Mopp

Science Christopher Dicey; Robert Dugmore; Andrew Low

Biology Robert Dugmore; Gerard Murray-Cooke

Geography Jonathan Mopp; Lloyd Phillips

History Christopher Dicey; Jono Bateman; Jonathan Mopp

Art Andrew Geerdts; Joseph Pepler

Practical Music Leo Gevisser

Non-practical Music Lloyd Phillips; Ben Cheminais

Drama Luke Rissik; Jay Sinha

Technology Andrew Geerdts; Cameron Clark

EMS Jonathan Mopp; Gerard Murray-Cooke; Jono Bateman

Life Orientation Jono Bateman; Lloyd Phillips

**GRADE 9** 

**Joshua Elliott** Grade Prize 1st, English Prize (shared), The Strakosch Science Award,

History Prize (shared), Xhosa Prize, General Good Effort

**Liam Foxcroft** Grade Prize 2nd, Mathematics Prize (shared), History Prize (shared),

General Good Effort, The Solomon Prize for Excellence in Competition

Mathematics

**Euan Musselwhite** Grade Prize 3rd, English Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize (shared), The

Gladys Manning Memorial Prize, General Good Effort

 Jack Clayton
 Economic and Management Sciences Prize (shared), General Good Effort

 Jakob Holm
 Afrikaans Prize, The Strakosch Biology Award, Practical Music Course

Prize, General Good Effort

**Thomas Warner** The Strakosch Mathematics Award, Mathematics Prize (shared), General

Good Effort

**David Straughan** The Mary Clarkson Junior Writing Prize, Economic and Management

Sciences Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Rushay Shiba Drama Prize, General Good Effort

**Tomas Slaven** Non-practical Music Course Prize, General Good Effort

Tristan Turner Art Prize, General Good Effort

Brett Tucker Life Orientation Prize (shared)

**Matthew Leong** Technology Prize **Matthew Shaw** French Prize Reece Oellermann Geography Prize Adam Stonestreet General Good Effort **Jack Rowand** General Good Effort Kenau Vith General Good Effort Luke Richardson General Good Effort **Mikhail Lovric** General Good Effort **Murray Gordon** General Good Effort Thomas Liefeldt General Good Effort

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English Reece Oellermann; David Straughan French Charlie Yates; Euan Musselwhite

Afrikaans Sabri Numanoglu; Caleb Anderson-De Waal;

Xhosa **David Straughan** 

Mathematics Kenau Vith; Joshua Elliott, Andrew Williams
Science David Straughan; Liam Foxcroft; Tomas Slaven

Biology Jakob Holm; Jack Clayton
Geography David Straughan; Liam Foxcroft

History Jack Clayton; Max Martin

Art Mikhail Lovric; Marek Kanigowski

Practical Music Liam Foxcroft; Will Linley

Non-practical Music Reece Oellermann; Matthew Leong

Drama Matt Marr; James Blow

Technology Matt Tate; Kenau Vith, Liam Foxcroft

EMS Thomas Warner; Jack Rowand
Life Orientation Tomas Slaven; Thomas Warner

#### **GRADE 10**

**Derek Reissenzahn** Grade Prize 1st (Archbishop West-Jones), The Andrew Henderson Memorial

Biology Prize, The Strakosch Biology Award, English Prize, The Guy Currie

Science Prize (shared), Economics Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize,

General Good Effort

**Ryan Labberte** Grade Prize 2nd, Economics Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Brandon Snider Grade Prize 3rd, The Stanley Clarke Junior History Prize, General Good Effort

Nivar Rajoo Additional Mathematics Prize, Information Technology Prize, The Lascelles

Birt Memorial Mathematics Prize (shared), The Strakosch Mathematics

Award, General Good Effort

**Karl Stapelberg** The Guy Currie Science Prize (shared), The Strakosch Science Award,

General Good Effort

Christopher Kotze The Lascelles Birt Memorial Mathematics Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Kamal Sacranie Accounting Prize, General Good Effort

**Tim Sharples** The Pauling French Prize, General Good Effort

Gregor Bell Geography Prize

Sihle Kahla The O.D. Prize for Afrikaans

Peter ThackerArt PrizeOkuhle MinyiXhosa Prizw

Michael Wilson-Trollip Music Prize

Alizwa Ngcwangu Maths Literacy Prize

John van Niekerk Dramatic Arts Prize (shared)
Joshua Mol Dramatic Arts Prize (shared)

Dean JacobsGeneral Good EffortFinn GeldenhuysGeneral Good EffortFrancesco GuerriniGeneral Good EffortLiam Gordon-TurnerGeneral Good EffortMark BerghGeneral Good EffortThomas JanischGeneral Good Effort

#### **GRADE 11**

Christopher Aubin Grade Prize 1st, Life Orientation Prize, Art Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Kwangbern Ko Grade Prize 2nd, The Strakosch Mathematics Award, Geography Prize,

Music Prize, General Good Effort

Nikolaos Tapanlis Grade Prize 3rd (shared), History Prize, The Louis Esselen Afrikaanse

Toespraak Prys vir Addisionele Taal, The English Verse Prize, The Hands Memorial Essay Prize, The H.J.Kidd Speech Prize, General Good Effort

Jamie DiggleGrade Prize 3rd (shared), The Strakosch Biology Award, General Good EffortAndrew HodgsonThe Strakosch Science Award, Science Prize (shared), General Good EffortNicholas BowdenScience Prize (shared), Information Technology Prize, General Good EffortStephane PienaarAfrikaans Prize, The Louis Esselen Afrikaanse Toespraak Prys vir Huistaal,

General Good Effort

Angus Thring The Edna Hodgson Prize for English. Additional Mathematics Prize,

General Good Effort

Brendan Naude Economics Prize, General Good Effort

Felix Burt The Pauling French Prize, General Good Effort
Nicholas Featherstone Accounting Prize (shared), General Good Effort
Calum Wehmeyer Die Afrikaanse Voordragprys, General Good Effort

Sanele Mayosi Xhosa Prize

Nicholas Da Costa Dramatic Arts Prize Ivan Stassen Accounting Prize (shared) **Blair Phelan** Maths Literacy Prize Luca Powell Art Prize (shared) **Christian Rohrer** General Good Effort James Hamilton-Russell General Good Effort **Mac Cheminais** General Good Effort **Murray Bruce** General Good Effort

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**GRADE 12** 

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Nicholas Janisch Grade Prize 1st, Music Prize, General Good Effort

**Daniel Tate** Grade Prize 2nd, First Pauling French Prize, Bertha Solomon Prize for South

African History, General Good Effort

Ahmed Dhansay Grade Prize 3rd, The Thresher Prize for Physics, An Old Boy's Prize for

Science, Harry Robinson Prize for Mathematics and Science, General Good Effort

Alexander Peile Michael Cameron Computer Prize (shared), Edward Ridge Syfret English

Prize, The Writer's Prize, General Good Effort

Akha Manjezi Gorham Mathematics Prize, Gray House Old Boys' Prize for Additional

Maths, General Good Effort

**Christopher Mailer** Helen Liddell Geography Prize, Economics Prize, General Good Effort

**Luke Baker** Accounting Prize, PriceWaterhouseCoopers Prize for Maths and, General

Good Effort

**Stuart Mesham** Information Technology Prize, Michael Cameron Computer Prize (shared),

General Good Effort

**Timothy Langerman** Sybil McGregor Prize for Historical Research, Maths Literacy Prize, General

Good Effort

Boyd Kane Visual Arts Prize, Rembrandt van Rijn Medal, General Good Effort

Martin Silberbauer Prize for Excellence in Geography, The Warham Searle

Prize for Southern African History, Stanley Clarke History Prize

**Dylan Burke** Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort

Ziyaad Bawa Victor Lewis Prize for Biology, General Good Effort

**Francois Stassen** Die J.S.M. Viljoen Afrikaanse Skrywersprys, General Good Effort

Jean Pienaar Mark Newton-Thompson Afrikaans Prize

Musa Nyangiwe Xhosa Prize

Christopher MitchellGeneral Good EffortJonathan RossouwGeneral Good EffortLloyd JonesGeneral Good EffortNabeel Goolam MahomedGeneral Good EffortSebastian PrenticeGeneral Good Effort

SPECIAL PRIZES

**Alexander Peile** The Writer's Prize

**Christopher Hyslop** The Ashburnham Prize for English Reading

Nicholas Peile The Junior Reading Prize

**LoganTait** The Headmaster's Junior English Speech Prize

Jun Hyeok HerLeonardo da Vinci MedalLuca PowellThe Sam Butler Drawing PrizePhilip Morkel-BrinkThe Pierneef Cup for Art

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Nicholas Janisch Instrumentalist's Prize

Nicholas Janisch The Brian Guillemard Prize for Contribution to Music in the School

Joe Linley The Prize for the Best Contribution to the Choir (shared)
Christopher Hyslop The Prize for the Best Contribution to the Choir (shared)

**Christopher Hyslop** The Prize for the Most Improved Musician

**Lee Cooper** The Graham Coote Prize for the Best Contribution to an Ensemble

Cade Cannon The John Joubert Cup for Composition

Cal TaitThe Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)Matthew PerrottThe Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)

Ziyaad Bawa Rotary Club of Claremont 'Service Above Self' Award (shared)

Nabeel Goolam Mahomed Rotary Club of Claremont 'Service Above Self' Award (shared)

Christian Stehlik Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (F) Mukisa Mujulizi Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (S) Philip Morkel-Brink Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (W) **James Wilson** Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (G) Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (O) **Christopher Hyslop Joe Linley** Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (K) Yazini Dube Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (B) **Josh Smith** Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (M) Joe Linley The Bob Snape Prize for Enthusiasm **Stuart Vine** Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (F)

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Sean PriceThe George Hodgson PrizeDaniel TateThe Philip Stent Trophy

Matthew Perrott The Roston Franks Memorial Floating Trophy

James FaureThe Tuppy Owen-Smith Trophy for Excellence in Sport (shared)Sven WellmannThe Tuppy Owen-Smith Trophy for Excellence in Sport (shared)

Tyla Scarles
The Jamison Prize for Athletics
Jean Pienaar
The Doug Todd Trophy for Sport
The O.D. All-Rounder's Prize

Francois Stassen The O.D. Merit Prize

## MATRIC 2016



Marcus Bizony - Deputy Headmaster (Academics)

#### VALEDICTORY SPEECH

Well, in 33 years this is the first time I have been asked to talk in Chapel. Actually, that's not quite true: there was one time I had an invitation, but there was a bit of a fuss and that was withdrawn.

But today I am here by invitation of the matrics, which is different – although it does raise a question: after all this time, mine and yours, have you only now decided that I might have something interesting to say?

Or perhaps you expect me not to be

interesting and have invited me out of duty, just because I am going. In other words, the most interesting thing I have done has been to go?

I enjoy telling people that when I arrived at this school in 1984, there was just one computer on campus - and nobody knew how to use it. But the fact that the modern world has changed out of all recognition in the last 30 years is not news, and it is not in fact quite what I want to focus on today. I want to think about changes in attitudes and expectations.

Back then Bishops boys felt a sense of entitlement and security: they knew that as long as they did all the right things, or at least enough of them, they would be able to proceed from here to university, jobs, future ... all pretty straightforward. There was a bit of a glitch for national service, perhaps, but everybody knew that the proportion of privately-educated white men among the boardrooms of the country was high, and that among those movers and shakers were many Bishops alumni.

The role of women was clearly understood, in a way that horrifies us today as we look back, and the sexism evident among the boys and the staff was by today's standards totally unacceptable – but, to be fair, not unusual or particularly frowned on then. Prefects were big shots, and juniors had to show them respect, or else!

All that has changed, not just here but also in the wider society outside school. There is nothing automatic any more about your progress through the next stages: it's harder to get into a university, more chaotic and competitive when you are there, any degree that you get is less of a guarantee than it used to be... on the home front, sexism is out O-U-T, the role of men in the family and in the home is understood quite differently... wherever you look, so much has changed about what we value and aspire to.

And what you need in order to navigate these choppy waters is not what it was: you need so much more than knowledge and training, you need flexibility, sensitivity and a whole raft of skills and attitudes. You need things that even your own parents may not have been able to show you, explain to you or model for you.

And the future is certainly very uncertain ... when viewed traditionally. The opportunities are still there, I am convinced they really are, but only to people who are going to approach the future as just that, not as a continuation of the present. Remember that half the jobs that people do now were not there when those people were at school. Increasingly one hears companies say that a degree is not as important to them as it was: they can do their own training of people once they are on the job: the trick is to pick the right people, not the right qualifications. Selection is as likely to be based on interview as on CV and certificates, and the interview is likely to be more wide-ranging than a chat, quite possibly involving group-work and interaction, much as in your leadership camp a year ago.

Let me read to you the academic vision which is the statement from the HoDs committee declaring what it is they believe they are really trying to achieve:

We aim to empower our pupils to take their place in the global world they go into, and be positive participants in the shaping of that world.

They will be self-motivated individuals who pursue excellence and engage with people and communities in a sophisticated way, and who approach situations knowledgeably, imaginatively and sensitively.

There is nothing about entitlement in this: rather it is about skills and attitudes and opportunities, but it is also about citizenship, obligation, duty, responsibility... I am absolutely sure that your teachers and your families have done a great deal to help you understand this, and my most fervent hope for you as you leave Bishops today is that you never forget it, that you always remember what your special and privileged circumstances have done for you, and that you resolve to give back and apply your skills empathetically and energetically.

And yet even as you think you are about to take the next step towards positioning yourself to do just that, you run into difficulties: the universities have to be persuaded to accept you, and then the worry is that they won't be able to deliver what every undergraduate before has been able to rely on: classes, lectures, tutorials, exams, graduation.

But university is not the whole point. We at this school haven't been trying just to get you into university but more importantly to empower you to be able to benefit from it once there – and if you don't go, there is still benefit. At Bishops we have been trying to educate you in a way that transcends training. Indeed, we would hope that good

exam results are just a by-product of good teaching and learning, not the focus of them. So trust me when I say that you are leaving with a host of skills and understandings that are always going to advantage you. Of course for medicine, engineers, lawyers, accountants and many other occupations, you cannot avoid the need for detailed and highly technical further training, and it cannot be denied that the outlook there is of great concern, not just for you but for the country. I wish you all good luck in your paths ahead, and if that does involve studying, please don't forget how well equipped in essential ways you already are.

I am not going to make a list of my favourite moments at Bishops - it would be far too long, but I do want to talk about one of the things that I so appreciate about the modern Bishops. The solo music competitions are a bit more regulated now than they used to be, but even so... we often see boys who are well-known in one unrelated context, perhaps even firstteam rugby, participating, 'giving it a go'. In some ways these are the most pleasing moments, when you see someone in an unexpected light, or when you see a big tough lad pausing for melodramatic effect in a song, letting the silence hang (and isn't that difficult, eh, to be centre stage, with everybody watching/listening, and leave silences?) ...

Very difficult.

Part of why I enjoy this all so much is because it shows me how far Bishops has come in the last 30 years and what it has been striving for all this time: we want people to have the courage to stand up, to

acknowledge feelings, whether their own or somebody else's, whether in words or some other medium... to recognise that clichés and stereotypes are not what makes for a rounded and contributing person, that each person has so much more to contribute to his world and his companions than just the thing he or she is best known for ... and then as audiences we encourage people to give it a go, we acknowledge ourselves willing, even desperate, to be moved, and more than prepared to receive something less than perfect and still appreciate it so long as it was sincerely meant and honestly delivered. It is mutual trust - the performer trusts the audience not to be scornful, the audience trusts the performer to be genuine - and apart from the wonderful sounds, it is that trust that I feel most keenly in the room on these occasions. The fact that this is all part of a competition fades into total irrelevance.

The last decades have seen the atmosphere at Bishops move a long way from control and into partnership. In the old days the teachers were the law, each individual teacher had his (occasionally her) individuality which he revelled in even when it meant breaking the rules; prefects ran the boys and boys respected the prefects - truth to tell, that respect was grudging and rather closer to fear than admiration – and boys did as prefects and teachers told them. Ask a teacher 'why?' and the reply you got was probably 'Because I say so'. Nowadays you can tell when you see teachers and boys talking, that the relationship is so much more trusting (both ways), so much more a pleasure and so twoway - and in Assembly after Assembly we see that it is just as productive and successful.

I am convinced that one of the reasons we have so few significant discipline issues in the school is because we don't operate on a them-and-us basis: we don't set ourselves up for conflict and clash. We value each other, we recognise what each brings to the partnership, and we are all stronger and greater because of that. Trust, again.

This is not only a school issue: learn from this experience and apply it to all your relationships after school, whether they be in a home, a family, a workplace, a sporting team. Realise how much you have learned, without necessarily being taught, about teamwork and collaboration, about honouring and working within codes of conduct and shared norms and platforms rather than trying to break free or break down.

All the people you meet are potential partners in something, so treat them with respect and give them space to enhance not only your life but everybody else's too.

In your own speeches at Valedictory year after year you stress the togetherness you all feel; at that time you usually mean the boys in your own matric grade, but there is a spirit of togetherness and connectedness that binds all the boys in the school, to each other, to the staff that teach them, and to that great spirit that we call 'the school'. They say it takes a village to raise a child – Bishops is a wonderful village, and I know you will treasure the memories for ever, and I am confident that you will walk tall in the world and do well for the world because of how you were raised here.

Floreat Bishops.

Marcus Bizony

## MATRICS 2016

## inspires individuals



- Back Row: J Smith, D Goldberg, A Sutherland, M McKirby, B Kane, L Cooper, R Berkeley, L Davis, B Cranswick, J Nel, J Garlick, L Viljoen, M Viana, M Peter, J Beachy Head, E Pandiani, A Jewson, A Williams, C Glynn-Dicks
- 6th Row: K Cara, A Vavatzanidis, N Fleming, W Reid, R Schwulst, S Wellmann, C Gruber, M Christy, D Dell, D Van Der Valk, R Lanefield, C Diem, O Stevens, T Wyatt-Smith, N Proudfoot, A Peile, J Bassett, P Morkel-Brink, R Aspinall
- 5th Row: T Sebola, D Turpin, D Rowell, T Muller, C Steyn, C Tait, C Mailer, A Gordon, M Wray, C Mewett, A Lupini, J Faure, M Quibell, A Michaletos, C Jacobs, B Steyn, T Baldwin, T Schlebusch, R McNamara, J Her
- 4th Row: J Gray, R Bailey, O Dovening, J Cottrell, N Viljoen, N Rubin, C De Nysschen, T Bhorat, J Hudson, S Kilpin, A Wheeler, J Smith, K Baard, J Wilson, J Frost, K Scheepers, S Gordon, C Lehmann, T Horrell, N Brake





- 3rd Row: D Campleman, L Baker, A Gowar, S Mesham, H Rhode, J Thompson, P Thomas, J Ross, T Langerman, C Wilson, G Meadows, A Dhansay, N Goolam Mahomed, M Nyangiwe, R Majal, I Jacobs, Y Collins, D Masha, H Gaibi, J Macdonald, H Makin
- 2nd Row: S Price, M Rissik, J van Breda, S Yanta, C Cannon, Y Dube, R De Mey, J Hendrieck, T Hermans, T Davray, R MacGregor, A Volkel, N Janisch, D Goliath, Z Bawa, M Clayton, J Murinda, M Jiang, W Gardener, J van der Linden, J Murray, L Dornford-May, L Jones, C Mitchell, A Manjezi, A Potelwa, D Holliday, M Mujulizi
- Front row: Z Oakes, L Scott, D Burke, D Tate, C Stehlik, C Hyslop, J Pieneau, M Knight, M Perrott, J Linley (Deputy Head of School), Mr G Pearson (Principal) F Stassen (Head of School), B van der Westhuizen (Deputy Head of School), B sneddon, M Newbury, T Scarles, J Rossonw, J Hofmeys, S Prentice, M Kulm, C de Beer, N Piotrowski
- Insets: K Pillay, T Bakre, J Mitchell

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- Back Row: A Vavatzanidis, J Beachy Head, J Bassett, L Davis, B Cranswick, A Williams, C Glynn-Dicks, N Piotrowski, B Kane, R Lancefield, N Proudfoot, J Hudson
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- Seated: M Kulm, J Schlebusch, T Hermans, C Hyslop, M Knight, F Stassen (Head of School), Mr G Pearson (Principal), M Perrott, B Sneddon, S Prentice, J Hofmeyr, D Burke, S Kilpin

#### **HEADS OF HOUSES 2016**



- Back Row: S Prentice, D Tate, C Hyslop, J Hofmeyr, C Stehlik, M Kuhn, D Burke, J Rossouw
- Front Row: J Pienaar, M Knight, M Perrott, J Linley, (Deputy Head of School), Mr G Pearson (Principal), F Stassen (Head of School), B van der Westhuizen (Deputy Head of School), B Sneddon, M Nevchury, T Scarles

## NEWS FROM HOUSES



A pot of gold



#### **FOUNDERS**

House Director: Dave Mallett Head of House: Ivan Stassen Deputy Head: Sam Kuhn

As 2016 draws to a close, we look back on our achievements and on the accolades that were accomplished by the young Founders men. The Founders boys flourished again this year in all facets of school life: academics, sport and culture. Any Founders boy who looks back on the year can be proud of how we have progressed. One could immediately recognize that 2016 would be a good year for Founders by looking at the leadership, with

both the Head Boy, **Francois Stassen**, and the Deputy Head of Boarding, **Brandon van der Westhuizen**, flourishing from our House. However, they would not have been able to do their jobs without the unwavering support from the rest of their Founders matric group who were eager to lead Founders to even greater heights.

Founders celebrated three Floreat Founders this year – a Floreat is celebrated in light of



Farewell Mr Glanvill

the House doing well in one or numerous Inter House events. The boys showed their commitment early on in the year by winning the Heats Week trophy; a true indication of the pride and passion the boys have for Founders. We also brought home both the Senior and Junior Inter House water polo trophies, as well as the U16, U19 and, inevitably, the overall Inter House rugby trophies. The contribution Founders boys made to Bishops was amazing. Founders held the key to seven 1st team rugby players, including vice-captain, James McDonald; two 1st team cricket players and three 1st team water polo players. And this is only a fraction of the talent that Founders has to offer. Along with this, we praise our two cheerleaders on an awesome job at leading the school from the sidelines this year. As we look to the year ahead, we would also like to congratulate Aidan Neill on being appointed Vice Captain of Water Polo, and Finbarr **Lebona** on being appointed Vice Captain

of Fencing. Further congratulations go to
Aidan Neill, Tom-Ross Lee, Matthew
Klingenberg, Matthew Smith, Sam
Elliott, Brad Bullough, Michael Coles,
Jake Stuart and Jack van Essen on being
selected for the WP water polo teams in their
respective age groups. Tom was also selected
for the U16 SA team; what an outstanding
achievement! Congratulations are also in order
for Lubelo Scott who made the Craven Week
Academy side.

Founders boys showed their well-roundedness at Prize Giving this year. Academic prizes were awarded to: **Chris Dicey** (Grade Prize 3rd, Biology Prize), **Lloyd Phillips** (General Good Effort), **Thomas Liefeldt** (General Good Effort), **Ivan Stassen** (Accounting Prize), **Musa Nyangiwe** (Xhosa Prize) and **Francois Stassen** (Afrikaans Skryf Prys). **Christian Stehlik** and **Stuart Vine** must also be commended on receiving awards for considerateness, and special congratulations



Leavers Dinner

should go to Francois Stassen on being awarded the OD Merit Prize.

The true musical talent of the Founders boys might not have been on full display this year during Eisteddfod, but that does not mean the boys were not passionately singing their hearts out and giving it their all. Those who attended the Founders Variety Concert this year will definitely agree that there is great cultural talent within Founders. The matric group shone once again, producing numerous 'a cappella' groups that stunned the audience. This was topped with hilarious dramatic performances from the different grades.

As the December holidays continue to creep closer, we bid farewell to the Matrics of 2016. One must commend all of you on a truly remarkable year for Founders. A special commendation goes to François Stassen, Brandon van der Westhuizen and Christian Stehlik on leading this House superbly over the past 12 months. Matrics, well

done on making it, and we wish you well as you move into the next phase of your lives. We are certain that the Founders name will keep your friendships forever bound. Good luck for Finals!

The reins have officially been handed over to the Grade 11s, and the leaders for 2017 -Head of Founders, **Ivan Stassen** and Deputy Head, **Sam Kuhn**. We would also like to congratulate, as well as bid farewell to, Mr **Leon Glanvill**, who has been appointed Head of School House for 2017. In doing so, we must also welcome **Mr Barry Emms** to Founders as Assistant House Director. Congratulations, Sir - we look forward to working with you. Lastly, I would like to wish everyone good luck for the upcoming exams and hope you have an enjoyable summer holiday. Get as much rest as possible and come back ready for an exciting and action packed first term. Floreat Founders!

Ivan Stassen



### **SCHOOL**

House Director: Jannie de Villiers

Head of House and Deputy Head of School: Bulelani Ngqukuvana

Deputy Head: Luca Guerrini



The new Head and Deputy Head of House, Luca Guerrini and Bulelani Nggukuvana

After an astounding year, shepherded by the Top House Matric class of 2016, the time has now come to pass on the reins. The Top House Matric class of 2017 will have high expectations to live up to, courtesy of the cohesive effort of Jean Pienaar, **Sebastian Prentice** and their peers. The newly appointed Head of House, Bulelani Ngqukuvana (also Deputy Head for Boarders), and Deputy Head, Luca Guerrini, are more than eager to lead the Top House boys through another momentous year, but first, a bit of reflection...

The Eisteddfod marks an exciting time on the Bishops calendar. Once again Top House rose to the occasion by taking a profound second place in the Inter House singing and bringing home the Boarders' Owl for the third consecutive year since its introduction in 2014.

Top House remained a formidable force on the sports field. Our lads were there, either running out onto the sacred Piley Rees on a Saturday morning for the 1st XV Rugby, or for the 1st XI Hockey under the fluorescent Friday night lights of the Woodlands, or even lining up some bulls-eyes under the watchful eye of our very own Jonathan Frost (Captain of Shooting) down at the pit. Top House was the best represented House in the starting line-up of the 1st XV Rugby team with Jean Pienaar (1st XV Captain), Sebastian Prentice (WP U18 Academy), **JP Smith** (WP U19), **Harry** Makin, Luke Viljoen and Clyde de Beer. William Rose represented U16 WP rugby. Calvin Ziegler-Smith shone on the squash court, going on to represent the U16 WP squash team. Bulelani Ngqukuvana enjoyed a productive season with the 1st XI Hockey,



Winners of the U14 Inter House Sevens Cup celebrate with Mr De Villiers

and went on to represent the WP U18 Hockey team. Top House was also well represented in the 1st XI Cricket side by Clyde de Beer, Calvin Wilson and Matt Du Plessis. Jean Pienaar, Michael Peter and Preston Thomas formed part of the First XIII rowing crew. Michael Viana was our man in the First Tennis team. We are represented in the First Basketball team by Jordan Ross (Vice Captain). Our U14 rugby players lifted the Inter House sevens rugby cup.

The following Top House boys are congratulated on their awards at prize giving: Cameron Clark, Jacob Holm, Rushay Shiba, Kamal Sacranie, Calvin-Ziegler Smith, Mark Bergh, Sean Price, Sebastian Prentice, Mukisa Mujulizi and Jean Pienaar.

Life in Top House ran in the usual

streamlined manner throughout this year, thanks to our phenomenal staff, including the divine dorm staff, our great stooges, our wise mentors and of course Mr Walsh, Mrs Koegelenberg and Mr de Villiers. Their efforts did not go unnoticed and the boys appreciated their selfless dedication very much.

Sadly Mr Jannie de Villiers, Mrs De Villiers, Alida and Jean leave us at the end of the year to start a new chapter in their lives. Mr De Villiers has been involved with Top House for the better part of 15 years. He will take up the position as Principal of Oakhill School in Knysna and we wish him God's speed. Mr Leon Glanvill will be assuming the position as our new House Director from January 2017 and we wish him and his family a long and happy association with Top House.

Bulelani Ngqukuvana and Luca Guerrini





### **WHITE**

House Director: Jean Nolte Head of House: Arthur Fisher Deputy Head: Jody Williams

Nestled between the hallowed ground that is the Piley Rees and the home of our Principal, Mr Pearson, 'The Castle' serves as a home away from home to 69 of Bishops' finest. Over the years, White House has been responsible for helping wide-eyed Grade 8s become the top tier academics, international sportsmen and cultural experts that they strove to become, and will continue to do so. White House is not only a place of achievement, but



a comfortable, welcoming environment that provides a place for boys to develop and grow.

The matric class of 2016 has done a fantastic job. Despite referring to themselves as the last year of "the good old days" in reference to the old leadership system, they ushered out the old, and embraced the new, leading by example, and have been one of the most successful years in terms of achievement and leadership that I have seen in my time

at Bishops. Their motto, "our experiences shape our success" describes the way they lead perfectly. They showed the House that not everything is about winning, and that you learn the most from your mistakes. Despite this stance, 2016 was a year of achievement and White House continued to meet the high standards set for us by previous years, reaching multiple Inter House event finals in sport and culture, as well as churning out very respectable sets of academic results. In every Inter House event White House boys partakes in, be it sporting or culture, mainstream or otherwise, you can count on the unwavering support of the boys. This shows how passionate the boys are about their House.

As the matrics of 2017 take the wheel, we are looking to not only maintain the very high level of leadership and achievement, but also to build on the firm platform laid out for us by this year's matric class, and the years before them. We will continue to spread the idea that winning isn't everything, and that if

one works hard, and does one's best, the rest will fall into place. In terms of leadership, we will be first year that hasn't experienced the old leadership system, and we will do our best to maintain the new system and allow Bishops to put that period in the past. 2017 will be a big year for White House, and we know that we can leave the House in an even better state than we found it.

Arthur Fisher



#### **GRAY**

House Director: Joc Wrensch Head of House: Felix Burt Deputy Head: Lloyd Wood



Gray House singing their way to the Eisteddfod Singing Owl



House Heads for 2017: Felix Burt (Head) and Lloyd Wood (Deputy Head)



Anton Volkel represented SA at the World Junior Fly-Fishing Champs in Spain



James Faure represented SA at the World Junior Rowing Champs in Holland



Max Harrison and Rob Moubray, winners of the Inter House Surfing, with Mr Wrensch

With the end of the year imminent, it is time to reflect upon the many and varied successes which Gray House has achieved over the past year. From the highly-coveted Eisteddfod Owl to the 'local' Gray House Surfing trophy, these achievements are a product of the abundant energy, enthusiasm and commitment of the greatest House on campus. We owe a debt of thanks to **Marcus Knight** (Head of House), **Daniel Tate** (Deputy Head of House), the matric group, the Assistant House Directors and the House Director, for such a superb job of maintaining this throughout the year.

Gray House has continued their cultural excellence by having another exceptional year in the Bishops Eisteddfod, from winning the Prelim, Speech and Singing Owls, to second place in the

Music and Performance Owls (with best director, Dylan Rowell), to capping it all off with the overall Eisteddfod Owl. None of this could have been achieved without the tireless effort put in by the Gray House matric group, specifically, Nicholas Janisch, Daniel Tate, Dylan Rowell and **Iamie Wilson**, and we thank them for their commitment to achieving these outstanding cultural results. James Wilson was awarded his Full Art Colours and Daniel Tate, Dylan Rowell and Jack Belcher were awarded Full Music Colours, with Nicholas Janisch achieving his Distinction Tie for Music. It was no surprise, following the exceptional performance of the ensemble in the Eisteddfod, that the 3rd term Gray House Soirée was another successful musical evening. Jack Belcher, Okuhle Minyi

and Matt van Westenbrugge were also all chosen to represent Simply Blue, for 2016/2017. Although Gray House is renowned for our cultural strength, we remain highly competitive in the sporting arena of Bishops. With a number of provincial and national athletes ranging from rugby to downhillmountain-biking, it was no surprise that we managed to bring home various sporting trophies over the past year, helping to keep our trophy cabinet full. Special mention must go to Max Harrison, who together with and injured Rob Moubray, brought home the Inter House surfing trophy for the fourth consecutive year. Congratulations also go to Malachy Barbour, Lloyd Wood, Shane Goodsell and Richard Wellington for giving Gray House its second Senior Inter House tennis victory in the past three years. In the winter terms, regular appearances in the 1st team rugby were made by **Ross** Goodwin, Murray Bruce, Marcus Knight and **Alasdair Jewson** (Half Colours), while Dan Tate and Malachy Barbour (Full Colours) were regulars in the 1st Hockey side. Congratulations to Okuhle Minyi, Daniel Kirsten, Conor White, Malachy Barbour, Calvin Sides, Tristan Sides, Jono Bird, Lloyd Wood, Anton Volkel, James Faure, Shaun O'Brien, Max Wolfson, Zak Cadiz, James Morritt-Smith, Kieraan Meyer, Joe Kirsten and Jock Buchanan on provincial or national selections for their various sporting codes. These included cross-country, tennis, downhill mountain biking, paintball, hockey, fly-fishing, water polo, rugby, rowing, shooting and cricket. James Faure qualified to represent South Africa's Junior Men's Coxless Four at the Junior World Rowing Champs

in the Netherlands in August, while Anton **Volkel** represented SA in the Junior World Fly Fishing Champs in Spain, and was awarded the Johnny Marr Fishing Trophy for excellence in fly fishing - both earned Distinction Ties for representing SA at Junior level. With such an abundance of sporting talent, it is no surprise that many of our boys have received sporting colours. Congratulations to the following boys in Gray who have been selected as Captains of their sports for the coming season: Lloyd Wood (tennis), Oliver Innes (rowing), Jack Belcher (sailing) and Max Harrison (surfing). Finally, with the November exams around the corner, it's time for Gray House's academics to shine again. This year saw many boys receiving academic colours, exceptional performance in Maths and Science competitions, and selections for national mathematics teams. Gray House also had many representatives in the annual Prize Giving, most notably **Brandon Snider** for finishing 3rd in Grade 10, **Daniel Tate** for finishing 2nd in Grade 12, and **Nicholas Janisch** for finishing 1st in Grade 12. **Nicholas Janisch** should also be heartily congratulated on being awarded a full scholarship to Cambridge University. Felix Burt and Christopher Mailer both received academic jerseys this year, and Felix was selected for the 10 Club for 2017.

This has been an exceptional year and certainly one for the books. Now that the Leavers' Dinner and Valedictory have passed, it is time for us, the grade 11s, to take the reins. Although the bar has been set high, we are filled with excitement and eagerness to join together and do whatever it takes to reach and surpass this in 2017. Farewell Matrics, you will be missed.

Felix Burt and Lloyd Wood



#### **OGILVIE**

House Director: Glen Gibbon Head of House: Jamie Diggle Deputy Head: Stephane Pienaar





Stephane Pienaar putting in the effort with Ogilvie Grade 11s showing their support

The second term of 2016 saw Ogilvie prepare to defend our position as reigning champions of the Bishops Eisteddfod. We entered the festival with high hopes and great enthusiasm. However, due to miscommunications in the entries for speech prelims, we were severely handicapped in our attempts to remain on top. Despite this, all of our boys gave their best and there were several highlights including: the play, which won best script, written by **Timothy Langerman**; Christopher Hyslop winning the English Reading final; **Stephane Pienaar** winning the Afrikaans Speech final and a strong representation in the Strings and Piano categories, with KB **Ko** receiving Gold Diplomas in these events. Overall, Ogilvie placed 5th in the school and was disappointed especially in light of our victory in the previous year. This, however, does not reflect the passion that every individual demonstrated in the overwhelming support for each other and Ogilvie at large.

Other Cultural achievements that must be mentioned include the awarding of Ensemble Ties to **KB Ko, Julian Mort,** and **Stephane Pienaar**. In the recent Cape Town Eisteddfod,

Ogilvie had two boys who did exceptionally well with **Miles Boeddinghaus** winning the Burgess Simpson Cup for Best Performance (14 years and under) and **KB Ko** winning the Victoria League Prize for Best All-round entrant, the Nine Club Award for the Best Performer (16 years and over), the S.A.S.M.T for Best Violin Recital (13 to 18 years old), and the Cape Town Eisteddfod Award for Most Diplomas. Well done!

Ogilvie has also represented in the Academic and Societal aspects of school life after the midyear exams. At the first assembly of the third term, these Ogilvie boys were awarded with the following academic awards: **KB Ko** and **Jamie** Diggle with Academic Jerseys; Nivar Rajoo, Francois Breytenbach, Murray Gordon, Tristan Turner, and Kenau Vith with Academic Ties. On top of their Full Colours for academics (Academic Jersey), KB Ko and **Jamie Diggle** were also accepted into the Ten Club for 2017. The following Ogilvie boys have been appointed as heads or deputy heads of their respective societies: Jamie Diggle - Head of Global Issues Network; Nicholas Featherstone - Head of Audio Visual Club; Laurence Mort







Stephane Pienaar representing South Africa

- Deputy Head of Interact Society. Ogilvie also showed its colours at the annual prize giving with many Ogilvie boys making an appearance on the prize list. Special mentions must go to: Robert Dugmore (Grade 8) who achieved 1st in the grade; **Nivar Rajoo** (Grade 10) for his multiple Maths awards, one which he shared with Christopher Kotze (Grade 10); KB Ko (Grade 11) for achieving 2nd in the grade; Jamie **Diggle** (Grade 11) for achieving 3rd in the grade; Stephane Pienaar for winning the Afrikaans prize; Stuart Mesham (Grade 12) for winning the IT Prize; **Timothy Langerman** (Grade 12) for winning the Historical Research Prize and the Maths Literacy Prize; Matthew Rissik (Grade 12) for winning the prize for excellence in Geography, for winning the prize for Southern African history and the Stanley Clarke History Prize.On the sporting front, there have been notable successes this half of the year.

In the third term, our first victory in the Inter House competitions was in fencing. Ogilvie has been strong in fencing for many years and our 2016 team of **Jamie Diggle** (Captain of Bishops Fencing), **Alaric McGregor, Angus Longmore,** and **Nicholas Featherstone** managed to regain the trophy and return it to its rightful home in the Ogilvie trophy cabinet. Ogilvie has won the Inter House Golf Competition in 2014 and 2015 and this year was no different. The competition was held on the first Sunday of term 4 at Bellville Golf Club. Thirty seven of the 45 competitors were able to make it for the replay of the competition and it

made for an exciting day's play. The Ogilvie team, consisting of Captain **Finley Knight**, who is also captain of Bishops
Golf for next year, **Nikolai Piotrowski**,

## Nikolai Piotrowski, Peter Thacker and Robbie Lennett

were able to maintain Ogilvie's winning ways



Victorious Ogilvie Fencing

and bring home the trophy by just two shots. Notable mentions should be made of: Peter for coming third in the overall individual competition with a score of 79, and Nikolai for participating despite his exams starting soon after. The myriad of sporting victories continued as Ogilvie grasped the Inter House rowing trophy for the first time. This great success can be attributed to **Stephane Pienaar**, who represented South Africa earlier this term at the World Rowing Championships in Rotterdam, Netherlands, and broke the senior individual record at the Inter House competition; Oliver Kane-Smith, who won the Grade 8 individual sprint; and all who participated in the group events. The atmosphere was electrifying and it was great to see such a collective effort. These early victories under the new leadership of Ogilvie pay tribute to the enthusiasm and passion of this group and we hope to continue to build on these successes in 2017 with the same zeal and spirit shown by the House over the past weeks. Jamie Diggle, Stephane Pienaar, Finley Knight



Winners of the Best House Grade for Academics: Kidd Matrics



Senior Inter House Squash Winners: Mitesh Valodia; Charlie Yates; Glenn Yates



Climbing Champions: David Naude and Liam Foxcroft



#### **KIDD**

**House Director:** Graeme Klerck **Head of School:** Christian Rohrer

Head of House and Deputy Head of School: Michael Burton

Deputy Head: Ross Tucker

Kidd House has once again enjoyed a happy and successful year. We have had a fantastic Matric group, who have led us to great heights. Special mention must go to Joe Linley, Jason Hofmeyr, Alex Peile, Nathan Fleming, Ziyaad Bawa, Redwald Aspinall and Troy Horrell, who all achieved distinctions for leadership. We wish the Matrics every success for their final exams. Although our matrics will be missed, we are in good hands for 2017. We are fortunate enough to have the Head Boy, Christian Rohrer, in our House. Our Head of House and Deputy Head of School for 2017 are Michael Burton and Ross Tucker respectively, so 2017 looks very promising. We are a House of diversity and this is evident in the broad range of our boys' achievements. On the academic front we have excelled, as our Matrics achieved the best performing House grade in the recent June exams. A big congratulations to the following boys who achieved academic ties in the June exams:

Liam Foxcroft; Drew Williams; Warwick Reid and Jason van der Linden. Nicholas Bowden achieved a rare Academic Jersey and after all his hard work was rewarded with a place in the prestigious Ten Club. Angus Thring joins **Nicholas** in the Ten Club. **Angus** also managed to win the National Science Olympiad. At the Cape Town Expo, Joshua Mol won a gold medal for his project and Nathan **Fleming**, in Matric, achieved a mark of 88% in the second round of the recent SAIPA National Accounting Olympiad. Liam Foxcroft was placed 6th in the country at the South African Mathematics Olympiad, We also congratulate Joshua Mol, Nic Vine-Morris, Thomas Coombe and James Shuttleworth on their selection for exchange. Kidd boys pride themselves on their cultural and sporting abilities and on their outreach efforts. Charles Yates and Joshua Mol are congratulated on being chosen for Simply

Blue, for 2017. Kidd has also been heavily



Exchanges Boys: Nic Vine-Morris; Thomas Coombe; Joshua Mol and James Shuttlewort

involved with the Sisanda Fundaytion, helping to positively influence the lives of disadvantaged children. The proceeds of our successful variety concert were donated to Sisanda. Kidd House has also hosted a Sisanda Connect day with 20 Bishops boys entertaining 40 or so disadvantaged children, providing them with a day of great fun. We had a fine run at the Bishops Eisteddfod this year. Although many of our boys would have liked to have gone the whole way, we can still be proud of an overall 2nd place finish. We managed to win the Visual Arts Owl and the Performance Owl, which are firmly nestled in our bulging trophy cabinet.

On the sporting front, **Glenn Yates** won the Jackson Cup for squash. He also managed to win the U19 WP Closed Squash Tournament and **Greg Medcalf** the U14 division. **Glenn** has also been placed in the top five U19 squash players in the country and received a distinction tie for his efforts. **David Naude** recently won a Gold Medal in the U15 Regional Climbing Championships, with **Liam Foxcroft** taking the silver, and then David followed this up by receiving his national colours. **David Laubscher** achieved a bronze medal at the recent Karatedo Goju Kai National Championships and has been selected to represent South Africa at the



Victorious U15 Inter House Sevens Champions

World Championships in Vancouver. Adam **Suliaman** won a bronze medal in the Shukukai World Championship tournament in the kumite (fighting) section. Our Water Polo athletes performed exceptionally well recently and we congratulate Max Martin, Aiden Murphy, Rob Young and Cayden Marquis, who have all earned WP colours. In hockey, Christian Rohrer made the WP U18A Hockey side and Conor Dempers the U14 Disas side. Charlie Yates was chosen for the WP U15 Touch Rugby Team, which won gold at the National Tournament, Kidd won the Senior Inter House Squash Trophy, the U15 Rugby Sevens Inter House trophy and were also the runners-up in the Junior Inter House Squash event.

As the year rapidly draws to a close, it is a time of change. The ever keen grade 11s are now leading in the House. Kidd House has a happy vibe that continues to welcome all members of the Bishops community; this is evident in that our common rooms are always filled with our own boys and boys from other houses, at breaks. There is a friendliness and ethos in Kidd house that continues to separate us from the rest and we look to keep this growing in 2017, when we welcome our new Grade 8s.

Michael Burton



#### **BIRT**

House Director: Trevor Pasquallie Head of House: Brandon Burke Deputy Head: Joshua Passmore

As one of the incoming Birt House Matric boys, and Head of House, I am extremely excited, grateful and honoured to be representing Birt and the school in this prestigious position. Upholding the College name, and doing this according to the qualities and values of the Mitre, is everything that a Bishops boy should stand for, and is what I feel should resonate most with the boys in my House. My fellow

Birt House Matrics and I are eager to make our mark on Birt and the school, and to contribute to every facet of Bishops life. We will be doing this by adding our cumulative knowledge and wisdom that we have gained over the years at this establishment and we will use this to teach and guide our House to become a united and stronger unit. Therefore, we will be leaving Birt in a better place. We have all been blessed with



Team Birt: Ronald Jacobs, Trevor Pasquallie, Campbell Smith



Junior Inter House Hockey winners Standing: Adam Stonestreet, Josh Elliott, Caleb Oliphant, Matt Sherrell, Michael van der Merwe, Liam Hoffman. Front: Sam Hardie, Ben Cheminais, Matthew Guy



Hugo Janssens and Michael Wilson-Trollip won a gold medal at the International Science Fair and were interviewed about their project on SABC3 Expresso



Outgoing Head of House and Deputy Head of House, Max Newbury and Dylan Burke

the opportunities and privileges that Bishops offers and I urge every Bishops man to utilise every opportunity presented to him. Bishops has so many things on offer. My ultimate goal is to see every boy in the House being fully involved and bringing his unique individual talents to the table - and in doing so ensuring a very successful year. My wish is that this upcoming year should be based around brotherhood, support for the school in every way, respect and involvement with everyone's finest effort. If we can do this as a House, then the rest of the Matric team and I believe we can be truly successful. Thus, it is not about what you can get, but rather what you can give.

The following boys fared very well in national and international competitions: **Michael Houlie** (Junior African Swimming



Head of House and Deputy Head of House for 2017, Brandon Burke (right) and Joshua Passmore

Champion), **Brandon Burke** (Water Polo), Mac Cheminais (International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition), Michael Wilson-Trollip and Hugo Janssens (International Science Fair, Gold Medal), Mitchell Christy and Giuseppe Guerandi (World Individual Public Speaking and Debating), Adam Morkel (Squash), Robert Storey (Mind Sports SA Schools Champion), Leo Gevisser (SAMRO National Music Competition, Gold Medal), Luke Baker (Junior Fly Fishing Champion), Tomas Slavin (SA Maths Olympiad), Christopher Mewett (Rowing and Rugby for Bermuda), Mitch Labberté (Fly Fishing). Birt House also won the Inter House Junior Hockey Competition. Floreat Birt! Brandon Burke



#### **MALLETT**

House Director: Marion Bradley Head of House: Sanele Myosi Deputy Head: Nikolaos Tapanlis



Matric 2017

After our many victories in the first half-year, by Mallett's standards, the Eisteddfod was not as successful as many hoped it would have been. Despite not winning any Owls, Mallett still managed to rank in the top three of Visual Arts, Speech and Movement. Special mentions must go to Jonathan Greyling, Michael Beckhurts, Nikolaos Tapanlis, John Steyn and Alexandros Vavatzanidis.

Our boys and staff returned to Mallett in the third term eager to experience the newly refurbished House. After a term of renovations, everyone was glad to finally be able to enjoy the new environment. This was no easy task and so special thanks must go to everyone, both parents and staff, who contributed to the renovations.

Our seniors won the Inter House football and came second in the surfing. Our U14 team made it to the final of the Inter House rugby. Overall, Mallett came second in the tennis lead by **Christopher and James Mitchell**.

The House dinner was held in the Woodlands Pavilion and the boys were given a speech by Mr Ledwidge about letting go when moving on to a new chapter in one's life while still holding on to the cherished memories. On that note, we say farewell and thank you



Mallett House Dinner



Nikolaos Tapanlis, Sanele Myosi, Theuns Kuhn and Brett Sneddon

to the Mallett matrics of 2016 who continued the progress made by the previous years while stamping their own mark on the House. As the matrics now turn their focus to the final exams, we welcome our new "matrics of 2017 and in particular **Sanele Mayosi**, Head of House, and **Nikolaos Tapanlis**, Deputy Head of House.

The Grade 11s enjoyed a weekend together at the Protea Hotel in Tygervalley. The group discussed ideas and plans for the upcoming year. This conference gave the boys a platform to voice their opinions regarding improvements that could be made while still maintaining many of the Mallett traditions.

As always, Mallett continues to flourish on the academic side of school life. Special mentions must be made of: Ahmed Dhansay, 3rd in Grade 12, Nikolaos **Tapanlis**, 3rd in Grade 11, Derek Reissenzahn, 1st in Grade 10, and Euan Musselwhite, 3rd in grade 9. Josh Smith won the Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness. and Idrees Abdulla was voted, by his fellow Grade 10s, for the Dudley Persee Trophy. Nikolaos Tapanlis (Debating and Public Speaking) and Brett

**Sneddon** (Water Polo) both represented South Africa. We commend them both on their magnificent achievements and wish them good luck as they continue to represent South Africa.

James Watson

## COLLEGE SPORT



Bishops Cycling supporting the first day of the Unogwaja Challenge 2016

### **CYCLING**

Bishops Cycling has taken part in a number of events this year. Highlights included Bishops hosting the Inter School Eliminator Series where our U14 riders competed well on a short, but very challenging course. We also supported the Unogwaja Challenge where

our boys rode from Cape Town city centre to Franschhoek with the Unogwaja team for the first leg of their journey. Our cyclists continue to enjoy out-rides on the Tygerberg trails and fitness training on the challenging Bishops Track.

Donovan Abrey



Cade Cannon, Terry Kim and Carl-Philip Lehmann at the Championships Evening

#### **FENCING**

2016 has been another exciting year for the Bishops Fencing Club. Apart from four open competitions and five ranking competitions, the highlight of this year was the tour to Tauberbishofsheim in Germany in July. It has been a very busy year and some of the highlights for 2016 include the following events.

Bishops fencers participated in a national and a provincial competition in Term 1. In the Junior Nationals, **Jamie Diggle** placed 3rd in the U17 foil event and won a bronze medal. In the ranking competition, **Alaric McGregor** placed 1st in the U17 foil event winning gold for the provincial competition

and **Mark Bergh**, who competed for the first time, placed 3rd in this category. **Angus Longmore** also competed for the first time and placed 5th in U17 foil. **Terry Kim** did very well in epee, placing third and winning bronze in the U20 and U17 events.

In Term 2, the Bishops Club took 9 fencers to Germany to the Fencing Club at Tauberbischofsheim and the Olympic training centre. The tour was a great success and the fencers returned with new skills from being coached by experienced European coaches.

In Term 3, the Bishops championship evening took place on Tuesday 18 August, which included the Old Boys and Inter House finals. It was as much of an occasion as it has

been over the last few years! The awards for 2016 were: Fencing certificates: Rayhaan Admed, Mark Bergh, Reece Corbett, Matthew Bradley, Luke **Bradley**; Club badges: Bronze: Mark Bergh, Jacob Holm, Matthew Bradley, Luke Bradley, Gabriel Makin, Silver: Nicholas Featherstone, Mweya Ruider, Christiaan Garry, Gold: Alaric McGregor, Terry Kim, Shirag Maharaj, Angus Longmore, Cade Cannon; A Service Tie was awarded to Gunther Cloete for his services to the armoury; Half Colours: Terry Kim and Carl Philip Lehmann; Full Colours: Alaric McGregor; Inter House Cup: Ogilvie; Best Swordsman: in epee to **Terry Kim** and in foil to **Jamie Diggle**; Service Cup: Carl Philip Lehmann; Captain for 2016/2017: **Jamie Diggle**; Vice Captain: Finbarr Lebona. The OD Challenge was one of the highlights of the evening, but the ODs managed to win for the fifth year in a row. The schools league was reinstated in Term 3

with five participating schools. The first match took place between Reddam, Durbanville and Bishops. The result of the team event was 45-28 to Bishops.

In Term 4, at the Fencing Western Cape awards evening, the following awards were presented: Trophies for first in the category: Junior men's foil: **Jamie Diggle** and Cadet



On tour in Wurtzberg

men's foil: **Alaric McGregor**; Western Cape Federation Half Colours: **Jamie Diggle**: foil, **Alaric McGregor**: foil, **Finbarr Lebona**: foil and **Terry Kim**: epee. Once again, a great year for the club! We look forward to an exciting 2017 year of fencing and all the challenges it will bring. *Jacky Withers* 

# **HOCKEY**

# 1ST XI

The 1st team squad has enjoyed a good year and have been excellent ambassadors for Bishops hockey in different parts of South Africa. With a world-class facility at our disposal, Hockey on Friday nights is special here at the Woodlands. The 1st team has developed an excellent culture over the years that has made us competitive at this level and the players have been good role models for the other age groups. It's this culture that has been responsible for producing the really outstanding results which we have year after year and this year is no different.

RESULTS	
Played	33
Won	25
Lost	3
Drew	5
Goals for	112
Goals against	30

It's this team culture that allows us to score three, four goals per game - while only conceding one goal per game. With that statistic you are going to win more games than you lose. I am so proud that this year's 1st team squad has made their mark and contributed to the team culture. They have made this a memorable year for all of us associated with the 1st team and Bishops hockey. It is this culture that they have embraced and enhanced that secured the Knock Out cup and a top two league position. It's this culture that contributes to your team mates earning colours, five of them earning half colours and eight earning full colours. That contributes to your team

mates, earning Provincial selections - two into the WP Pens or B team and four into the WP A team and that contributes to your team mates, earning National call ups - one into the SA B team, and one into the SA team. So, what is this CULTURE...at a superficial level, it's the values that management is trying to inculcate in the team. In reality, it's an 'unconscious' ethos of the 1st team and the force that guides and constrains behaviour of the players in the team. This year's team has worked very hard on embracing and evolving the team culture and I want to thank the team leadership, Captain Wesley Gardener, and Vice Captains Simon **Kilpin** and **Dylan Burke**. The team has certainly been a huge credit to Bishops hockey this year. As a result EACH PLAYER has made a CONTRIBUTION to the team...and in the process this has been a HAPPY, PROUD Bishops 1st TEAM in 2016. Warren Wallace

#### 2ND XI

The 2nd XI Hockey side has enjoyed a fantastic season, losing just two games, one in the opening weeks of the season and once convincingly against Rondebosch, at the end of the second term. It was most encouraging to see a turnaround in the second half of the season, with no defeats against our top rivals and a goalless draw against Rondebosch to turn around a 1-4 defeat, earlier in the year. The team amassed 34 goals in 14 matches and only conceded 8, this due mainly to the fantastic defensive efforts of Nathan Fleming, Andrew Hodgson, Ivan Stassen and Captain, Drew Turpin, ably assisted by Nicholas Rubin and Luke Ranoszek. Shaylin Foflonker was

outstanding in goals, and pulled off many wonderful saves, most noteworthy being the penalty stroke against Paarl Boys. The midfield was controlled by **Jack Newman** and **Liam Dicker**, and assisted on the outside by **Luke Leach-Lewis**. Our strikers, **James Gordon**, **Tom Warren** and **Theuns Kuhn** finished off many wonderful build-ups. All in all, this was a talented group of boys, many of whom have 1st XI prospects for 2017, and will no doubt play our top side. Ryan Julius helped enormously with the coaching at times and Gary Coombe is thanked for his management earlier in the season and umpiring in the latter. *Graeme Klerck* 

#### 4TH XI

At the start the team consisted of a wide range of mixed talent. We started our first game on a high note, scoring four goals and only conceding one. The next game went badly as we lost our main striker, James Cottrell, to the 3rd team. James Cottrell finally came back to the 4th team, halfway during the 2nd term. The team was more structured by then and the leadership roles were chosen at this point. Nabeel Goolam Mahomed and James Cottrell were elected Captain and Vice Captain respectively. By the end of term 2, the team played superbly, resulting in mostly wins and draws. At the start of term 3, the team was back at it, winning and drawing most of the matches until the end of term 3, when the team lost three consecutive matches. One of these was the Rondebosch game, which we fought hard for and unfortunately lost by one goal. A few highlights of the hockey games were the immaculate one-to-one passing between James Cottrell and Nicholas

Viljoen; the overheads from Anton Volkel in the defence; the drag flicks from James Cottrell; Christopher Kode's so called "stealth mode"; the amazing runs and passes in the defense by Ahmed Dhansay and **Ross Tucker**; the structured centre play by **Filipe Acafrao**; the 'nutmeg' passes by Redwald Aspinall; the speedy runs by Taahir Bhorat and Finbarr Lebona; the 'rocks' in defence by both Tyger Thompson and Nicholas Bowden; the hard-hitting tackles by **Jaime Garlick**; the ball control by Nikolai Piotrowski, and the ball possession by Kenhardt Scheepers and Alexander Wheeler. Unfortunately, Joe Linley could not join us for a full season of hockey due to his foot injury. Overall, we may have conceded more than we have scored, however, as a team we have realised that hockey is not all about winning. Hockey this year has been one of the most fun and memorable times and I thank the team for their efforts. A huge thanks also goes out to our coach, Leighlind Daniels, for putting up with the team and being a kind and caring coach, and to our manager, Mr Robertson, for his organisational skills in managing to keep a full team for every match. Nabeel Goolam Mahomed

### **U16A**

The U16A team had a very rewarding hockey season this year for a number of reasons. Firstly, the team was integrated with the U16B side and this allowed for the increased movement of players between teams. By doing so, depth in hockey was developed. The second reason was the ability to draw players of various ages into the side. In this way a continuity has been developed that will benefit Bishops hockey



Mustapha Cassiem scores another goal



Independent School Tournament Victors

down the line. Aziz Cassiem is a demanding coach who was consistent in his approach to skills' development and fitness. The team came back from the Independent School Hockey Tournament as victors, and it was on this platform that the 2016 training programme was built. By the end of the season, the team had achieved first place in the league and managed to have the second highest goal/game ratio of any Bishops side. It was most rewarding to beat Rondebosch twice. As a manager, however, what was far more important to me was to see

the growth of the players as individuals. They learned about themselves – their boundaries, their dreams and their ability to work as a unit. I am incredibly grateful for all the coaching we got along the way from coaches like Jason Mulder. I am also grateful to the 1st team for coming out to support our matches. My special thanks goes to the parents; what a fine group of people. They were always first to help and always committed to the process. I know that the lads are excited and ready for the next phase of their hockey careers.

Leon Glanvill

### **U16B**

The strength of a schools sporting ability can always be seen in its depth. The U16B team has been an exceptional example of this this season. The U16 age group as a whole exceled with the A team winning the league and being undefeated for the most part of the season. The B team mirrored this perfectly, winning 13 games this season and ending the season with a +45 goal difference and a 70% win ratio, taking down a couple of A teams along the way. The squad depth and team rotation was used to great success by training the two teams together, leading to most players getting a chance to showcase their quality on the bigger stage. The standard of coaching and hockey in general was exceptional and it was a huge privilege to captain a team of such incredibly talented and hardworking players. It was slightly disappointing to see none of this potential recognized in the recent selection for the overseas tour but I warn everyone not to write off anyone from this team as they are all talented players, but more importantly they are hardworking and passionate about Bishops



Successfully defending the goal mouth off a short corner against Bishops



James Caro stealing the ball and playing a fine shot down the field. Scott Jeffery in defense

hockey and I have the utmost confidence that we will see many of the players from this team on the pitch for the first team very soon. Benjie Hartman

#### **U16C**

The team had an unforgettable season winning eight of our 14 games and losing six. Two hard fought victories over SACS, as well as comfortable victories over Protea Heights and Paarl Boys were the highlights of the season. The team suffered two narrow defeats in the season, losing to Wynberg and Rondebosch by

a single goal. They did not let this affect them, however, and continued to play an impressive style of hockey. The team was undoubtedly known for its quick, lethal and all-out attacking style of play. Scoring over 50 goals in 14 games is an amazing achievement for any team. Beyond all the stats and figures, the team had an incredible year and developed their hockey skills thanks to the hard work of the coaches and support of the parents. James Watson

## **U16D**

The team had a very eventful season with fantastic wins over highly-rated opponents. However, we also experienced the disappointments associated with competitive sports. Our philosophy was that we do not fear losing we fear not playing to our abilities - a winning outcome is merely the consequence of doing the right things consistently. As manager I am very proud of the fact that we scored 27 goals in nine games at an average of three goals per game. I would like to thank the team for making this such a memorable season. Competitive sport at any level must be fun to play and to watch and this was certainly true this year.

Willem Steyn

This season has been extremely rewarding. We have grown stronger and closer in both victory and defeat. I have loved leading a team with so much passion towards their sport. My personal favourite moment was walking off Woodlands after our win against Bosch; I like to think that it is not how much we win by, but rather the quality of our performance. I look forward to the season next year.

James Shuttleworth

#### **U16E AND U16F**

We started off the season with only one group, but as our numbers increased we managed to field two teams. That confirmed the level of interest in hockey at the College. Thanks must go to our two coaches, Scott Wadeson and Matt Leppan who managed to keep the boys motivated despite having to play above their level in most of our games. What started out as a fairly disjointed group has progressed into two teams with their own identities and players who bring their passion and skills to every practice and match. I am proud of the way in which our boys have conducted themselves on and off the field; I am sure that they have learnt many valuable life lessons and that they look forward to the next season, some even to a promotion! Trevor Pasquallie

#### **U14A**

The season began with two tournaments at Somerset College and St Albans College. The tour to St Albans was a memorable one where the boys played exciting, attacking hockey and destroyed opposition defences with excellent passing and movement off the ball. The team played six games and won all six convincingly against tough opposition. This was all done on very little sleep due to a seven hour flight delay which saw the boys arriving in Pretoria at 1am all sporting very short haircuts! Back in Cape Town the boys continued to play a brand of fast moving and entertaining hockey and the basic skills improved immensely and led to dominant displays against our local rivals. There were some outstanding team performances and none more so than an

epic semi-final win where the entire team showed heaps of character to defeat SACS, whom they had lost to twice during the regular season. A hugely impressive team effort was not enough to achieve victory against Rondebosch in the final of the knock out cup, but the boys played superb hockey and it was a fitting way to end the year displaying all of the skills and strategies learnt throughout many training sessions and matches. The amount that the team improved throughout the year was incredible and they go forward as better players individually as well as a team who knows how to play the game strategically. It was an absolute pleasure to coach such a talented and enthusiastic bunch of young men and I have no doubt that they will do Bishops hockey very proud as they move through the school. The team ended the season with a wonderful record that read as follows: Played - 24; Won - 16; Drew - 2; Lost - 6; Goals for - 61; Goals against - 19. Campbell Smith

#### **U14B**

What a special team and memorable season! This group of boys were a talented, determined, happy unit that took on each challenge this season, including some tough A team opposition, with such belief in themselves and their teammates. They deserved every victory they fought for and their humble but determined attitude lead them to an exceptional set of results, with them ending the season UNDEFEATED! Well done boys, you made us proud! Played -14; Won - 12; Drew - 2; Lost - 0 *fill Walsh* 

#### U14C AND U14D

It has been a pleasing hockey season where the boys in both teams have been enthusiastic and generally dedicated in their approach to the games and practice sessions. There was always a good vibe with the all-important sense of humour between the boys who were focused and appeared to enjoy the various activities on the field. All thanks to the coaching ability of Michael Hanley for the C team and Harry Danckwerts (later replaced by James Dry for the D team). There was general parity between the results of both teams with just a couple more wins for the C team with **Lloyd Phillips** as captain. Regardless of the results, there was good communication and a cohesive spirit amongst the boys and they can be proud of their performances with thanks also to the captaincy of Jack Davies in the D team. Kirsty Green became an integral component of both hockey sides who took control in her management role of both teams, relating well to the boys with her involved and firm, but fair approach to the game.

# **ROWING**

Mike Withers

Knysna Regatta: The annual Knysna Midway Regatta took place on 15 & 16 October bringing the best teams in the Eastern and the Western Cape together on 'neutral territory' for a day of sprint racing (1080m) and a Sunday morning heads race (6km). The event was a very good outing for Bishops Rowing. Our Senior Opens came second to St. Andrews in literally every race

over the two days (really giving them a run in the coxless 4 and the pairs). The fact that we were close on St Andrews' stern all weekend, and beating everyone else pretty soundly, is a good leading indicator for Boat Race and for the rest of the season. Our younger crews performed brilliantly – the U15 8x+ won the heads race (convincingly) and the sprint final, in both cases with St. Andrews in 2nd. The U168+ won the sprint final (St Andrews 2nd) and was ahead in the heads race, but were disqualified when they missed a buoy at the finish - that's rowing! The U16 4+ won the sprint final and Nicholas McAdam won the U16 1x by a lot of open water. Our boys carried themselves with maturity and great sportsmanship. Bishops was even cited at the prize giving for exceptional effort in pulling up the lanes at the end of the regatta. The level of support and 'gees' between the age groups, and amongst the many parents in attendance, was terrific.

## **NEW HEAD COACH**

We are delighted to announce that Brad Smith, the current coach at St Benedicts, will join Bishops in January 2017. We look forward to introducing him next year.

# HIGH PERFORMANCE CENTRE UPDATE

Progress with the new Centre is on schedule to be completed in the first week of December 2016. The brickwork is complete as well as the difficult "hack and bash" to the existing Oaks Pavilion extensions. The main concrete roof beams have been cast, cured and stripped. Truss erection is imminent, which will be followed by roof







coverings, ceilings, internal plaster and floors. Costs are very carefully monitored and the project is on budget. We still need to raise another R500k to complete the

facility, so if you'd like to support the Blades for Bishops fundraising campaign, please email sue@trucc.co.za for details.

Sue Beaumont

# **RUGBY RESULTS 2016**

	Westville <b>28 March</b>	DHS <b>24 March</b>	Grey PE <b>26 March</b>	Brackenfell <b>9 April</b>	Paarl <b>16 April</b>	Tygerberg <b>23 April</b>
1st	20 - 20	27 - 24	0 - 44	30 - 23	19 - 58	40 - 14
2nd	_	_	-	70 - 13	5 - 47	26 - 3
3rd	_	_	_	40 - 20	7 - 24	24 - 13
4th	_	_	_	62 - 17	14 - 64	40 - 7
5th	_	_	_	dnp	0 - 55	21 - 0
6th	_	_	_	dnp	dnp	22 - 6
16A	_	_	_	17 - 13	3 - 67	17 - 15
16B	_	_	_	75 - 0	5 - 32	60 - 7
16C	_	_	_	dnp	5 - 55	7 - 15
16D	_	_	_	dnp	5 - 22	dnp
15A	_	_	_	dnp	3 - 45	56 - 5
15B	_	_	_	dnp	5 - 17	34 - 0
15C	_	_	_	dnp	12 - 10	0 - 42
15 <b>D</b>	_	_	_	dnp	24 - 0	27 - 20
14A	_	_	_	60 - 0	14 - 15	76 - 5
14B	_	_	_	33 - 24	0 - 36	57 - 19
14C	_	_	_	dnp	0 - 34	7 - 19
14D	_	_	_	dnp	7 - 49	0 - 24

	Boland	Paul Roos	SACS	Wynberg	Rondebosch	Kingswood
	23 July	30 July	13 August	20 August	27 August	6 July
1st	19 - 47	24 - 42	43 - 28	21 - 31	26 - 30	24 - 34
2nd	21 - 24	24 - 22	15 - 10	28 - 20	13 - 12	_
3rd	33 - 18	14 - 15	7 - 12	55 - 5	15 - 6	_
4th	5 - 29	24 - 7	19 - 17	17 - 14	38 - 8	_
5th	7 - 45	25 - 7	27 - 3	55 - 17	19 - 8	_
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15B	18 - 16	5 - 28	14 - 19	13 - 12	19 - 12	_
15C	19 - 10	0 - 43	54 - 7	27 - 7	14 - 17	_
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14B	7 - 47	21 - 10	14 - 18	0 - 26	7 - 28	_
14C	24 - 19	17 - 34	5 - 32	27 - 7	0 - 38	_
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33 - 26	31 - 7	dnp	0 - 55	12 - 14	29 - 7
22 - 20	40 - 24	dnp	0 - 12	48 - 0	31 - 26
17 - 34	dnp	dnp	7 - 28	47 - 5	19 - 15
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7 - 24	0 - 62	22 - 7	12 - 19	14 - 22	19 - 10
47 - 10	0 - 60	10 - 17	10 - 17	0 - 24	0 - 60
48 - 22	dnp	dnp	dnp	20 - 12	dnp

Hilton	Eton	St Andrews	Jeppe	Oakdale	Windhoek
4 July	2 July	19 March	2 May	2 May	30 April
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Super Seb Prentice on another break with ball in two hands



James Macdonald offloads with (from left) Harry Makin, Cullum Diem, JP Smith, Byron Cranswick and Jean Pienaar in the background



Brandon van der Westhuizen (15) taking it up with Tristan Hermans, James Macdonald and Lubelo Scott supporting



Another crucial offload from flyhalf James Macdonald to brother Rob Macdonald

# RUGBY

# 1ST XV

As at the start of any season here on the College campus, the senior rugby players were particularly looking forward to the start of the winter of 2016. With several months of pre-season training and conditioning under their belts, the young men in question eagerly anticipated all that lay ahead: a full match-schedule, another tour to Johannesburg and participation in no fewer than three different festivals, including a rather prestigious one right here on home soil. With great excitement

amidst their ranks, they drew up their plans and objectives for the next few months, focussing both on specific results which they hoped to achieve and on the style of play which they aimed to deliver.

Looking back on their lofty ideals now that the dust has settled and the final whistle of the season has sounded, one would have to conclude that this squad of boys was not always able to produce the goods, for a number of different reasons. There were plenty of stirring performances along the way, and numerous patches of scintillating rugby



Byron Cranswick in action with Luke Viljoen looking on in Rondebosch Derby



Cullum Diem and Alasdair Jewson prepare for ruck time in support of captain courageous, Jean Pienaar

that would doubtlessly have brought a smile to the face of many an aficionado of the modern running game; unfortunately, however, these glorious moments were often interspersed with more ordinary passages of play when mistakes crept in, when the game-plan was overlooked and, quite simply, when tackles were missed. An objective overview of the winter would have to refer to the fact that the First XV allowed too many "soft" tries to be scored against them: these occasional defensive lapses inevitably led to pressure on the scoreboard, forcing the players to dig ever deeper and deeper, out on the park.



Brandon van der Westhuizen characteristically cutting the line; Luke Viljoen and George Spencer in support

Here it should be noted that the squad suffered the cruel misfortune of losing its captain-elect even before a ball had been kicked in anger: this year's Head Boy,

Francois Stassen, had to leave the field after just ten minutes of a warm-up fixture against Stellenberg in early March. This experienced campaigner would not return to the fray for the remainder of the season, and, in spite of his impassioned guidance and constant encouragement from beyond the touchlines, his absence on the field of play would prove to be very costly indeed.

**Jean Pienaar** stepped into the breach, filling **Francois'** boots both in terms of captaincy and the Number-8 berth. He proved to be exceptional in both roles, leading with conviction even when our plans went awry. A warrior in every sense of the word, **Jean's** determination and talent stood out in every game.

Things got underway in the last week of the first term. After a capping ceremony presided over by Mr Bob Skinstad, the players ran out on to the hallowed turf of Newlands when taking part in the Western Province Schools Day. The ensuing match against Boland Landbou provided glimpses of the talent

within our ranks, though the final result was to go against us. The next match, a "home" encounter against visiting St Andrews from Grahamstown, featured far more fluidity and much-improved structure: it was clear that the boys were beginning to gel as they galvanised to come from behind, winning the game thanks to a couple of exhilarating tries.

A few days later, the players found themselves in Johannesburg as Bishops returned to the St Stithians Easter Festival after an absence of a couple of years. In two of the games played here, our players again had to come from behind, firstly to overcome a plucky and determined team from Durban High School; here the final outcome was only resolved when our fly-half coolly converted a penalty with the last kick of the game. Bishops also clawed its way back into the game against Westville Boys, deservedly dotting down to tie this match with only a few minutes left on the clock. The score against a hugely promising Grev PE was a lot less flattering, even though our boys turned around at half-time with only two penalties against them and a lot going in their favour. We just could not maintain that hard-won momentum, when a couple of handling errors early in the second half were severely punished by our opponents who quickly swept to a commanding lead.

Back in Cape Town, satisfactory progress in games against opponents from the northern suburbs was countered by more modest performances on other occasions. The team consistently battled to put together two halves of convincing rugby: we seemed either to start well before fading away, or drift along through the first half until finding our feet and a measure of flair and confidence in the second

(this was certainly the case when Bishops travelled out to Paarl to take on the mighty Boishaai). One of the goals that the team had established for itself was to produce the "perfect game" and to provide a full seventy minutes of high-quality play; unfortunately, as the season unfolded, the pieces very seldom fell exactly into place during a single game!

The demanding fixture-list has been referred to already. With the First XV participating in festivals during the Easter holidays and the winter holidays, this effectively meant that the boys would play 24 matches of rugby spread across the full 23 weeks of the season, from first game to last ... and this in what surely must be the most challenging schoolboy league in the world.

The Wynberg Boys High Festival took place over the Workers Day long-weekend at the end of April and the beginning of May. As is regularly the case at festivals, the decision was taken to ensure some "game-time" for the boys on the bench when the Firsts took on the team from Windhoek High. Our opponents scored twice early on, however, and when our regulars returned to the fray at half-time they ran into brave defenders as the visitors hung on to the narrowest of leads. Highly-rated Jeppe Boys were next up. In this match, we really ought to have finished off a few moves that had been beautifully set up... instead, however, a couple of defensive errors made it impossible for our boys to stay in the game and to keep up on the scoreboard.

Just a few days later, the First XV went up the road to SACS, with a quite a few players out of contention due to injury. The match here was to be a much closer affair than the scoreboard may have suggested and our

team felt that it was always in the game. The disappointments experienced on this occasion served to spur on the players ... the return match against SACS will be referred to in due course!

It was good to return to winning ways with a couple of convincing displays on home soil: supporters at the Piley Rees were treated to some good rugby and some fine finishing when the Firsts took on a robust and physical side from Drostdy, the same fluid linking led to a comfortable win over Durbanville in our next match, where a number of memorable "team" tries were scored.

Back in Paarl, an early red card really hampered our plans against a very well organised side from "Gim" who ran out as comfortable winners despite a gutsy performance from our boys.

In the next fixture, we welcomed Wynberg to Bishops with the home side producing one of its best performances of the season. This was as close as we got to the "perfect game", with numerous players contributing to an impressive display of dazzling footwork and passing skills. The forwards played a significant role on the day, dominating the line-outs and providing many opportunities for the backline to run at our opponents.

There were no surprises in the last match of the second term as both Bishops and Bosch threw everything into the game, hugely entertaining the many thousands of enthusiastic spectators along the way. Though our hosts scored early on, the lead would change hands on several occasions. Inexplicably, our players lost far too many of their own line-outs, yet somehow, with guts and determination and very little of the ball,

they found a way to stay in the match. In the end, this wonderful game of rugby all came down to a single kick at the poles with no time left on the clock.

With mid-year exams and the annual Eisteddfod out of the way, the Firsts enjoyed some time away from the game before regrouping to host the Independent Schools Festival. We kicked off against Eton, winning by a handsome margin against our opponents who had barely stepped off their southbound plane. The next match would be another entertaining affair against Hilton, both sides delighted the large crowds with their open running rugby. In the end, the determined continuity of the hosts perhaps provided the edge that was needed to ensure victory. The Firsts made a very promising start in our next match against Kingswood, with this tightlycontested game hanging in the balance until a positional mishap allowed the opposition to score twice in the closing moments.

Inconsistency had regularly plagued our progress over the course of the season, and this was again evident as the team returned to its domestic programme at the start of the third term. The young men just could not get things together in the home fixture against Boland Landbou, appearing to lose focus along the way. A week later, we were up against formidable Paul Roos, who seemed to have been in a purple patch in the build-up to the game. The first half duly went against Bishops, but with steely determination and a few sharp messages ringing in their ears at half-time, the boys went on to produce a most convincing come-back in the second half. Despite going down, the team had been particularly inspired by one of our wingers, Seb Prentice, who

crossed the line for a most memorable try that relied on a mixture of exhilarating dexterity and sheer brute force.

The boys felt that they had a score to settle when SACS then came to the Piley Rees for the return match. As against Wynberg a few weeks before, they raised their standards, upped their game and turned in a thrilling performance to record a significant improvement on the outcome of their first game against these local rivals. We then traveled to Wynberg where our opposition caught us napping by playing in an unfamiliar style; our players simply could not come up with any answers and fell further behind when taking a number of selfish options instead of trusting the game-plan. Not for the first time this season, the First XV left a couple of tries out on the park before being sent home to think again.

The scene was set for a magnificent season finale on the Piley Rees on a glorious day in early spring. The home derby against Rondebosch began poorly, however, and, at one stage, the scoreboard showed that our visitors were well in command, being ahead by 21 points to 3. As expected, Bishops rallied strongly and began to claw its way back into the game, just as the visitors faltered under intense pressure. Eventually our boys got their noses in front and were three minutes away from sealing the deal ... but we all recall what was to transpire in those closing moments, as the lead changed one last time, thus bringing down the curtain on the 2016 season in the most dramatic fashion.

In closing, one would have to pay tribute to those who represented the First XV over the course of a long and challenging season.

After all the highs and lows of the winter, the players would have been touched by the tribute they received from Head Coach, Angus Firth, who passed on this message at the final gathering: "There are talented teams who have rarely been defeated, they are the ones who never wholly battled when well-founded plans ran awry or when lady luck turned her head away. They never felt the scars, the shame, the helplessness. They never learned that there is honour in defeat and real joy in winning".

**Harry Makin** played scrumhalf for the First XV and, pound for pound, proved himself to be the gutsiest player in the team, extremely determined and gifted with excellent skills on attack and defense, he showed that he has a wonderful "rugby-brain".

Our fly-half **James MacDonald** is a player with enormous talent who varied his game well, he loved to attack the gain-line, scored a number of tries himself and set up many more for those around him. A most passionate and committed player, his defense improved enormously this year.

At centre, **Rob Macdonald** is a solid tackler who can also destroy a defense system with his footwork. It was a great pity that he damaged his ankle early on as this certainly took some of the confidence out of his game. We look forward to seeing him at full force once again in 2017.

**Lubelo Scott** (our Western Province Craven Week representative) is very talented and fiercely competitive. Blessed with abundant pace, brute strength and a sturdy side-step, he opened up defenses on a number of occasions. He has all the necessary ingredients to play at a high level after school.

Though he joined the team quite late in

the season, **George Spencer** had enough game-time to show that he can be dangerous with ball in hand, he is hard and direct, and has a range of continuity skills that allow support players to play off him. He will play an important role next year.

Selected to represent Western Province "B", "Super Seb" Prentice is blessed with speed and power and has a wonderful nature to go with these attributes. Without argument, he scored some of the best individual tries seen on the Piley Rees ever.

**Tristan Hermans** showed himself to be passionate and hardworking on the wing, he is a superb team man who just loves his rugby.

Our full-back, **Brandon van der Westhuize**n is gifted with speed and power.
His booming left boot is going to become an asset for teams that he represents in the future, once he develops fully the confidence and experience to use it more regularly.

Unfortunately, **Ross Goodwin** played only a handful of games before being sidelined by injury; he sets the stands alight with his pace and will also be a huge factor in 2017.

**Alasdair Jewson** proved to be a most versatile forward, he is very hardworking, and constantly looks to improve his game, he runs excellent lines and is a first-rate scrummager.

A front-row forward who has earned provincial recognition, **JP Smith** occasionally seems unaware of the talent and potential he has at his disposal. He has so much to offer and can certainly go far in years to come. He responded superbly to his critics and was a vital cog in the team.

**Zico Oaker** was, first and foremost, a kind, caring and humble member of this squad, he worked tirelessly on and off the field, and had

enormous bearing on the team.

**Jason Hofmeyr** worked his way up to the First XV having played as hooker for the 4ths just a year ago, with his passionate commitment and self-belief, he quickly became one of the first names to be pencilled in on the weekly team-sheet.

**Clyde De Beer** came off the bench on numerous occasions to represent the First XV, significantly impacting on those games in which he played.

**Byron Cranswick** was always quick to acknowledge that he had much to learn ... after all, he had been a hockey player until quite recently. He ended up way exceeding whatever expectations had been set before him, while also making an important contribution to the team's esprit de corps.

A strong and robust player, **Marcus Knight** was unfortunately injured early on and was not left with enough time to reclaim his place in the starting line-up, following his eventual return.

Blessed with speed and power, **Christian Stehlik** spent the winter tirelessly throwing himself into rucks with almost complete disregard for his body; he carried the ball up hard and loved nothing more than to have a tilt at his opponents.

Otherwise known as the "big one" in the team, **Luke Viljoen** certainly made his mark over the course of the season, he added immense power to our scrum, his line-out jumping improved steadily and he always enjoyed at least one line-break in each of his games.

**Cullum Diem** proved that looks can be deceiving as he battled tenaciously well above his size; he proved to be a true Bishops flanker

in every way, with his dogged rucking and rock-solid defence being complimented by his deft skills and quick feet.

We thank captain, **Jean Pienaar**, and his teammates for the hours of entertainment which they provided over the course of the 2016 season.

Warwick Richter (manager) in collaboration with the coaches

#### 2ND XV



The team, or the "all whites", had a fantastic season. Winning the renowned "triple crown", with record victories over SACS, Rondebosch and Wynberg made this year a memorable one. The 24 – 22 win over Paul Roos must go down as one of the best games they played and will be entrenched in their rugby careers forever. The team was led with distinction by influential Captain, **Clyde de Beer**, who was ably assisted by **Daniel van der Valk**. The boys played with passion, showed immense character and played with a degree of camaraderie seldom witnessed. The brand of rugby dished up this year was true to the Bishops style – a pleasure to watch. It

was great to be part of such a vibrant and committed group of youngsters. The motto adapted by the players, "twos never lose", rang true with every game and seemed to inspire the boys. A number of boys played in the 1st XV this year, which underlines the good quality of players that came through the ranks. A special thank you must go to the matriculants in the team and to my assistant coach, Chris Ekron

Captain: Clyde De Beer

Vice Captain: Daniel v/d Valk

TEAM: Hloni Dornford-May, Mukisa Mujulizi, Ben Nel, Ross Doyle, Alasdair Jewson, Alessandro Lupini, Matt Norton, Alexander Williams, Ghalieb Kenny, Marcus Knight Felix Burt Aidan Labuschagne, George Spencer, Robert Lancefield, Reece Meyer, Josh Hendrieck, James Murray, Murray Bruce

**Coaches:** Ronald Jacobs and Chris Ekron Ronald Jacobs

#### 3RD XV



Another forceful run by Matt Clayton for the 3rd XV

The 'Stripes' of 2016 thoroughly deserved their winning season. Looking back it could

have been better in terms of results. We narrowly lost an absolute humdinger of a game against SACS away where we outscored them 4 tries to 3 and lost to an injury time penalty. We lost to Paul Roos at home, also narrowly from an unfortunate call in the dying moments when we look certain to finish the game off. On the up side, our performances against Paarl Boys away and Boland Landbou at home whom at the time were unbeaten having dispatched both Paarl schools and Paul Roos was something special. Paarl Boys for our grit, bravery and sheer determination to keep playing flat out for 60 minutes only going down 24-7 at Paarl - we won the second half. Then beating Landbou with the best all round display of attack and defence (total rugby), which proved to everyone that when we get it right no team in the league could handle us. The 50 point win against Wynberg will stay in the memory banks as our most comprehensive attacking display with some individual brilliance, excellent continuity and offloading mixed with sublime timing of our backline moves. I would like to congratulate all the Stripes and mention a few who played a significant part in many if not all the games. Matt Clayton's impact from the base, his bustling runs along with his versatility was immense. Matt Perrot's work rate, his link and defence cover was colossal. Alex Williams's robust physicality on defence and in the carry was awesome. **James Ipser** had a season he will not forget and was a match winner at times. Then a special mention to the "Wild Stripes" who made such an impact in many games, two players in particular namely Nate Maimba and Thabo Sebola had significant influences.

Finally from a player's perspective, I must congratulate our two captains Mike Peter and **Devon Campleman**. Both led from the front and contributed significantly in all the games, even when injured or concussed... that's commitment! Special mention and thanks goes out to Seb Matheson (captain of 'Stripes' culture) and Colin Richmond, our assistant coaches, who were outstanding with the forwards, backs and in particular the finer details of attack or defensive structures and set pieces. I look forward to following the team next year and wish them well for the season ahead. I will miss this awesome team culture... Pride/Passion/Power... 2...3...STRIPES. Captain and Vice Captain: Mike Peter and

## **Devon Campleman**

■ TEAM: Alex Williams, Ben Nel, Arthur Fischer, Ronald Walters, Daniel Golberg, Thabo Sebola, Sisa Liwani, Aiden Neill., Matt Perrot, Glen Yates, Matthew Clayton, Cayden Marquis, Nate Maimba, James Morritt-Smith, Lukhanyo M, Luca Geurrini, James Ipser, Siya Sonja, Almandro Jansen, Matt Du Plessis, George Spencer, Reece Meyer, Oliver **Stevens and Richard Wellington** 

Coaches: Richard Smith, Seb Matheson and Colin Richmond

Richard Smith

#### 4TH XV

In the end one would have to see this as a good season for the Wild Boys. They played some attractive rugby on occasions and beat a good portion of their opposition. In addition they seemed to have a lot of fun under their coaches and captain. We could have defended better though and were certainly exposed by



4th team after a happy home win

the two Paarl sides and even against other schools we allowed through too many tries. However, we had the ability to score tries, especially out wide, and so won most games despite leaking somewhat at the other end. (Ya'eesh Collins' pace on the wing and place-kicking ability were significant in a number of games.) The pack was gutsy and improved through the season and we looked better when we could scrum (props were very short this year!). Sisa Liwani's move from flank to prop made a big difference to the side. The season ended with a comprehensive win over Rondebosch on the Avenue with some well-worked tries and a pleasingly solid defence. Captain: Rory MacGregor

■ TEAM: Keagan Baard , Paola Bersella, Ya'eesh Collins , Duma Gcabashe , Luca Guerrini , Guy Henderson , David Kinnear , Rayleigh le Fleur, Sisa Liwani, Rory MacGregor , Nathan Maimba , Cayden Marquis , Amani Masha , James Mitchell , James Morritt-Smith , Aidan Neill , Lindani Ngcokoto, Liam Partgiter, Sean Price, Jonathan Rossouw, Julien Schlebusch, Richard Wellington, David Wesson

Coaches: Luke Kuhn, Justin Rowe-Roberts
Manager: Peter Westwood

Peter Westwood

## 5TH XV

The fifth XV have once again had an incredibly enjoyable season under the very capable coaching of Jordan Flax (OD) and the management of David Ledwidge. Their results have been very good and the brand of rugby which they have played has been distinctively Bishops rugby with the lads running in some of the most brilliant tries seen on the fields this season. Unfortunately at our end of the system injury is a constant problem – not to our players necessarily but to those in the teams above us as it results in our team being disturbed regularly when coaches of the teams above us come 'shopping' for players. Some of our stalwarts this

year include the likes of hard man Francois van der Merwe who made some devastating carries during the season, Dylan Rowell our soccer playing centre with excellent feet and great balance in his running style. Robbie Moubray was our solid full back always to be relied upon and often making some scything runs into the backline to carve up the opposition. Of course our international star Chris Mewett was strong both on attack and defense until he succumbed to injury against Wynberg and was unable to finish the season with us. There were many others who played so well during the season and it is unfortunate that in an article like this one can't mention them all, but suffice it to say that at the lower end of the open division Bishops rugby is in a fine state. Boys love playing the game and their levels of skill are still at a very high level. David Ledwidge

#### 6TH XV

The 6th team had an good season in 2016. The boys showed great character throughout the season by committing to practice with zeal and enthusiasm. The end of the season was a particular highlight for the team. Following a 50 point win over SACs in their second last game, the boys capped the season with a hard-fought 15-14 win over Rondebosch Boys on the Piley Rees. It was a great pleasure coaching 6th team this year; the future of the Sexy Boys looks bright.

#### **U16A**

The U16A XV had a reasonable season without setting the world alight. There were a few highlights that will not easily be forgotten as in the victories vs. Paarl Gym and the nail-biter against RBHS in the dying seconds of

the season. But as educators, how did the boys go as individuals? One would like to think that they developed and are now ready to enter the much bigger pond of senior rugby where there is no place to hide, and the competition is much sterner. At fullback, Stephen Fourie and **Bingo Ivanisevic** were rock solid with Bingo's usual turn of speed and forceful running his chief attributes. His adaption to the position from the midfield was fine. **Alex Jankovic-Besan** must be mentioned here, albeit he played very little. Who will forget that try vs RBHS? His elusive running and strength on his feet must be exploited from now on. The wings **Stephen Fourie**, **Greg Bolus**, Harry Newman, Michael Roche, Rob Young and Reuben Mndende did their jobs well. Stephen's figurative break came his way literally vs. Tygerberg where he set the side up for victory. With his pace, reading of the game and gutsy defence, he can play anywhere in the backline and eventually played fullback until injury curtailed his season. Greg came into the side late and his elusive running and feet were sound. Michael Roche improved vastly, his reading of the game and ability to run good lines were his strengths. Reuben's pace was his main weapon and served the side well when called upon to do so. Rob Young's water polo curtailed his season and he was fine when he did play. **Harry Newman** is another utility back who can play centre/wing/ fullback and he definitely improved this season. Victor Allen was the most improved back, and was a pillar of strength in the centre where he created, utilised his very good feet, calm head, distribution skills and sound defence. The halfbacks **Willem Rose** at 9 and **Jordan** Meyer at 10 were good. Willie's tenacious

approach to each game, crisp service and ability to be another loose forward was invaluable to the side. **Iordan's** feet, ability to take the ball up and solid defence added that much extra to the position. They are a good combination, especially when fully fit and on song together. This was often disrupted by the factors mentioned here. Cole Kruger played well in the games he stood in for Willie, he went from strength to strength as the self-belief grew. The loose forwards **[] Muller**, **Tim Sharples** and Ano Mtombeni complemented each other well. II was the ultimate work horse with the dirtiest jersey at the end of each game. Ano's ability to link and carry added the finishing touch to **II's** grovelling. **Tim** was also a very constructive player at number 8 and with more height coming his way, could there be a switch to lock? Matt Klingenberg and Jeff Malherbe always stepped up to the plate when called upon to play. They were your ultimate team men with Jeff at home on the flank or hooker whilst Matt's play to the ball and grovelling ability was plagued by injuries during the season. The locks Finn Geldenhuys and Matt Van Westernbrugge were good. Finn's astute leadership, lineout skills and work rate in the tight lose was significant. Matt was new to the position from wing, and added his honest work rate and line out options. Liam Agnew played early in the season and he is going to grow even more, thus he must make the most of his opportunities next year. The front row of **Tom Newbury**, Alex Castle, Jeff Malherbe, Peter Bacon, Ollie MacRobert, Hector Orrell and **Dimitri Kapoutsis** all did their bit. The vast number here explains it all as injuries plagued the side. Peter's scrummaging and work in

the tight lose, **Tom's** general play, **Alex's** all round play as a hooker, **Hector's** tenacity and **Dimitri** and **Ollie's** solid scrummaging lay the foundation for decent first phase ball. As a unit, they were once again a pleasant bunch to be around. Their humility, integrity and determination will take them far in life besides just on the rugby field. Now for open rugby and hopefully the Piley Rees.

Captain and Vice- Captain: Finn Geldenhuys and William Rose

■ TEAM: B Ivanisevic, A Jankovic-Besan, M Roche, H Newman, V Allen, S Fourie, G Bolus, R Mndende, R Young, J Meyer, W Rose, C Kruger, T Sharples, A Mtombeni, JJ Muller, M Klingenberg, F Geldenhuys, M Van Westernbrugge, L Agnew, T Newbury, H Orrell, D Kapoutsis, A Castle, J Malherbe, 1. P Bacon, O MacRobert.

Coaches: Jean Nolte, Brendan Hamman Manager: Dean Sudding

Dean Sudding

## **U16B**

2016 was a great year. Rugby at Bishops is much more than just results – the way the game is played and how the boys grow and develop are just as (if not more) important, but by any measure this side was special. It was great to see how they played for each other and expressed themselves through their attacking and their defending. They played with a maturity that was a pleasure to behold – the first game against SACS where they dominated the whole game was a rare sight – normally teams get 'their turn to play' but this side was capable of shutting out good sides. In past years sides have won hard



games, but tripped up over less 'glamorous' sides - Bellville away. Here, too, this side was different – they put the weaker sides away comprehensively. The style of play was also special. They were not afraid to run from anywhere, and it was a pleasure watching them run the ball. This was a side with belief and to be unbeaten on the Sahara by the end of the season was something special. Coaches talk of the 'spine' of the team in describing connectivity through key positions and this side was blessed with an incredible spine from two fine hookers (Malherbe and **Orrel**), to several top players who could play number 8 (Stehlik, Psillos, Nivinson, or **Klingenberg**), through number 9 (**Kruger**), and 10 (Burton, and Labberte - when we had just thought we had run out of options!), to full-back with Jankovich-Besan. But everyone contributed: by the end of the season Van Wyngaarden had developed into a superb line-out forward who was never afraid of doing the hard work, and his partner Steytler put his hand up as a leader for the future. The wings and centers all were threatening, and whenever we had to pull on

the C team for help the reserves were always up for it - some (Wessels) and ending playing most of the latter part of the games for us. There are too many to mention all, but, as I said, everyone played a part in a year we will not forget. I would also like to thank my assistant coaches who made the year so much easier and pleasurable for me. I mentioned Michael Steytler as our forward captain, but special mention should be made of captain Tom Burton, who left nothing on the field and led with flair and commitment.

Captain and Vice Captain: Tom Burton, Michael Steytler

■ TEAM: Liam Agnew, Tom Burton,
Alex Jankovich-Besan, Dimitri
Kapoutsis, Matthew Klingenberg,
Junho Ko, Cole Kruger, Ryan Labberte,
Oli MacRobert, Jeff Malherbe, Reuben
Mndende, David Nivinson, Hector
Orrel, Theodore Psillos, Luke Stevens,
Daniel Stehlik, Michael Steytler,
Charlie Storey, Anton Van Wyngaarden,
Jay Waller, Rob Young

Coaches: James Swift, Clinton Hamman, Blake Gowar, Dean Sudding, Thomas Rudston

James Swift

#### **U16C**

The U16Cs have had a rather frustrating season this year. The boys worked hard in practice and showed significant improvement during the season, but we unfortunately too frequently underperformed and therefore lost close games we probably could have won. Great team spirit was the hallmark of the team throughout the season and they never gave up on their ambition to play attractive,

positive and enterprising rugby. A number of highlights during the season were hard fought victories over Bosch (twice), Boland Landbou and Drostdy. Most games were categorised by slightly shaky starts where we would let the opposition get ahead followed by a hard fought chase to make up the lost ground. I am hesitant to single out individuals but the following need special mention: Kieran Manca's runaway tries down the wing whenever he got the ball in space with a turn of real pace. Calvin-Ziegler Smith's exemplary captaincy throughout the season and especially his "captain fantastic" - try scoring performance against Bosch. Marco De Nysschen's uncompromising leg drives and tackling. Sihle Kahala's fearlessness in the face of any opposition. Junho Ko's hard work in the rucks. Jack Pain's smile - no matter how dirty he got. Kamal Sacranie's raw passion and 100% commitment. Matteo Luppini's unrelenting hard work. Jonathan **Pletts** knowledge of the laws and ability to rub everyone up the wrong way - and effect the occasional turnover. And lastly, Ethan **Roberts** scoring all the points in our finale nail-biting 7-5 win over Bosch. A big thanks to Sambulo Msani for his skilful work throughout

#### **U15A**

Keith Warne

From the outset our kind of rugby was about fifteen dedicated players who had a burning desire to win and a fierce pride in themselves and their team. The players quickly adapted to the rigours of U15 rugby as they met bigger opponents more often than not. Coaches

the season in crafting appropriate drills and his

positive inspirational coaching style.



The U15A team pulling together before the Bosch game



Isaiah Wharton (Captain) breaking through the Bosch defence with Tom Liefeldt and Ross Tudhope in support

worked hard on developing all aspects of the boys' game. It was good to notice individual players and the team's continued growth as results improved towards the end of season, with the victory over Bosch and winning the SACS sevens adding the cherry on top of a worthy season. The most epic game of the season was the battle against SACS at home. It would not be in keeping with the spirit in the team to single out any players, but **Isaiah Wharton** deserves to be mentioned for his great leadership as Captain.

■ TEAM: Jordan Velosa, Declan O'Neill, Innocent Macha, Aaron Woodman,

Jack Hampshire, Tom Liefeldt, Charlie Yates, Jonathan Bird, Matthew Smith, Isaiah Wharton, Michael Van der Merwe, Matthew Lennett, Aadam Abrahams Weltin, Luca Liebenberg, Michael Wesson, Ross Hyne, Ross Tudhope, Ryan Sneddon, Tano Sivertsen, Matthew Leong, Zander Brooks Max Martin.

Coaches: Donovan Murray (Backs) and Andre van Vuuren (Forwards)

Donovan Murray

## **U15B**



Ross Hyne breaks away against Bosch with Raafiq Adams and Jack Clayton on his flanks in support

The U15Bs had a successful season. The results were mostly positive, with a few losses that could have easily gone our way. I believe this suggests that this age group has a healthy depth and that the U15A incumbents should not rest on their laurels. When the U15Bs were working as a unit, they played some marvellous rugby. I have no doubt that these young men have some stunning rugby ahead of them. The likely highlight for the season was getting the double over the old rival, fighting hard to beat Bosch home and away. I anticipate



U15B team after beating Bosch

that there will be enjoyable future contests against their rivals up the road. Beyond the results, the team matured as players and people as the season progressed. I hope that the team can look back on the 2016 season with fondness.

Captain: Jack Clayton

■ TEAM: (3+ games): Raafiq Adams, Dallas Vicheman, Cameron Good, Ben Cragg, Julien Dower, Kieraan Meyer, James Koster, Tom Byron, Jack Clayton, Nicholas Cattell, Innocent Macha, Bongeni Mavusa, Zander Brooks, Michael van der Merwe, Brett Tucker, Ubaid Francis, Taino Syverston, Max Stewart, Aadam Abrahams-Weltin, Oliver Stewart, Tristan Turner, Sam Elliot, Ross Heine

Coaches: Jason Wulfsohn and Clinton White

Jason Wulfsohn

#### **U15C**

This team had a wonderful season. They developed continually and eventually played mature, exciting and brave rugby. Much of

this success can be attributed to the respect they all showed each other, which facilitated a magnificent camaraderie in the team. Highlights of the year included a great comeback to win against Paarl Boys, big wins over Wynberg and SACS and titanic battles against Rondebosch. Many of the players were called up to the B team when required and fitted in there ably – I will not be surprised to some of them playing 1st and 2nd team in three years time. Oli Hans was also instrumental as a coach with his calm and experienced manner.

Captains: Adam Fernandes, Michael Coles

■ TEAM: Dominic Beaumont, Drew Burton, Michael Coles, Ben Cragg, Matt Davies, Adam Fernandes, Luke Flint, Nic Gleeson, Cameron Good, James Koster, Mbongeni Mavuso, Kieraan Meyer, Aiden Murphy, Sean Murphy, Matt Sherrell, Julian Simpson, Tristan Turner, Thomas van Breda. Coaches: Kevin Kruger, Oli Hans Kevin Kruger

**U15D** 

During this past rugby season we had on paper, at least, a squad of 25 boys, although as the season progressed inevitably illness and injuries in the higher teams drew off some of our best men. Therefore during the second half of the season we were often fielding a markedly different selection for each game, and despite valiant efforts from our boys, this period was less successful than the first. The team started the season in promising style winning their first two games against Paarl Boys and Stellenberg

respectively, followed by a big loss to the powerful Paarl Gym. Thereafter we quickly recovered and easily defeated our three local southern rivals during the first round of these fixtures. After the holiday break we lost all four matches, although to their credit the team never gave up. The boys were well captained by a highly energetic **Freddie Davis** who always led by example and played with great vigour. Our highlight game was definitely the opening match with a 24-0 victory away against Paarl Boys. All thanks to coaches Keegan Sutherland and Daniel Russell who twice a week worked patiently and determinedly with the squad.

Captain: Freddie Davis

■ TEAM: Brice Agnew, Dominic Beaumont, Ryan Campbell, Paul David, Freddie Davis, Kyle Elliot, Cole Gannon, William Hamilton-Russell, Gift Hokwana, Berkley Hollingum, Andrew Koen, Tristan Le Fleur, Vladko Levendal, Jonty Mondry, Matt Marr, Bunathi Mbityi, Jamie Naude, Joshua Njorage, Sabri Numanoglu, Jack Ritchie-Roux, Alexander Russell, Matthew Shaw, Matt Sherrell, Jan Smuts, Emil Tellefsen, Alexander Van Doorn, Alexander Van Hoogstraten, Peter Worthington- Smith

Coaches: Daniel Russell, Keegan

Sutherland

Rodney Warwick

### **U14A**

By all accounts this season for the u14A team was a success ... or was it? They were only defeated in three out of seventeen



From left standing: Gerry Noel, Aya Ngcwangu, Mikey Ford, Ollie Jones, James Bolton, Harry Gilson, Keagan Blanckenberg, Sam Rudston, Connor Evens, Nicholas Christodoulou, Keegan Van Wyk, Ross Beckett, Mustapha Cassiem.

Kneeling: Samuel Marthinussen, Sacha Mngomezulu, Joe Kirsten, Dan Kirsten. Sitting in front: Masood Meyer.



Keegan Van Wyk, Connor Evans, Joe Kirsten, Mikey Ford and Mustapha Cassiem

fixtures played, therefore winning 82 percent of their matches. They scored a total of 523 points and conceded 182. In their first league fixture, they lost to the rugby powerhouse, Paarl Boys, by only one point but then went on to become victorious against giants such as Paarl Gim and Paul Roos, which according to Mr Bey's records, hasn't happened in the Bishops U14 division for many, many moons. They won a triple crown and ended up relatively low in the top ten national U14 rankings at the end of the season. Winning percentages, the triple crown, rankings, historical victories this is what we have come to believe to be important in school boy rugby and make no

mistake, it is wonderful when these things go your way. However, I would like to make it clear that I have never cared much about what makes a season "successful", as talent and size in U14 can easily achieve this without much coaching from coaches or managing from managers. What I believe to be important is what makes a season significant and sustainable. And what was significant about this season was that this group of young men will be remembered as ...

- · being a conditioned team
- enjoying the game no matter what the outcome
- · having a vibe on and off the field
- having grit and never giving up
- · being respectful and positive
- being able to play a brand of rugby that no other team in the U14 age group can play – free, risky and creative
- being a team that doesn't rely on individuals but on the collective spirit, skill and courage.

It is for achieving the above that this season was significant. Thank you to everyone involved who helped make this happen. *Captain and Vice Captain:* **Michael Ford,** 

#### **Samuel Rudston**

■ TEAM: Aya Ngcuwangu, Keegan Van Wyk, Nicholas Christodoulou, Samuel Rudston, Harry Gilson, James Bolton, Keagan Blanckenberg, Connor Evans, Dan Kirsten, Sacha Mngomezulu, Michael Ford, Oliver Jones, Joe Kirsten, Masood Meyer, Mustapha Cassiem, Jordan Watson, Dylan Plaatjies, Samuel Marthinussen and Undi Ngxangane.

# Coach: Gerry Noel; Assistant: Ross Beckett; Manager: Caroline Bester Caroline Bester

#### **U14B**

The 2016 U14 B rugby was both rewarding and frustrating. Plagued by a surprising number of injuries and especially concussions, it was difficult to maintain consistency in selection and to find and maintain some rhythm. Having said this, the boys played their hearts out each week in what is a very tough school boy league which does not provide any easy, sure-win fixtures. We concentrated on the basics and playing with ball in hand as far as possible. Some fabulous tries were scored through our two very quick wings. The boys must be commended for practising hard and maintaining a positive attitude throughout the year. This is a team with a wonderful spirit that enjoys playing for one another. They are certainly going to get better and better as they mature physically and are able to match the strength of many of their opponents. One aspect that will need to be worked on though is maintaining intensity for the full duration of a game - too often this season they started games or halves far too gently. Their skills and understanding of the game is impressive, as is their positive attitude, and so Bishops can be confident that we have a core group of players who are going to make the College proud in vears to come.

Captains: Mich Labberte and Undi Ngxangane

■ TEAM: Josh Levy, Zak Ahmed, Undi Ngxangane, Niall Maloney, Samuel

Marthinussen, Cameron May, Mitch Labberte, Tristan Barow, Jordan Watson, Sam Hanssen, Cameron Parker-Forsyth, Mitchel Fussell, Euan Groenewald, Dylan Plaatjies, Adam Suliaman, Luke Beachy Head, William Morley, Oliver Werner, Oliver Kane-Smith, Ethan Kieffer, Rayaan Hendricks

Coaches: Michael Blanckenberg, Nick Nester, Barry Emms (manager). Barry Emms

#### **U14C**

In all, 33 boys played for the C team over the 14 match season, which does not make life easy for the coaches or the players. The boys enjoyed their practice days together and were a spirited group. Thanks to Mr Flynn and Mr Morgan for the time and effort they put into coaching and coxing along the boys and for the rapport they established with the boys. The highlight of the season was the game the team played on the Piley Rees against Boland Landbou, which they won!

Coaches: Brad Flynn and Casey Morgan
Captain: Nicky Sieff

■ TEAM: Oliver Werner, Zimvo
Mahlati, Luke Beachy Head, Luke
Negrine, Luke Haarburger, Francis
Bayly, Nicky Sieff, Connor Glass,
Jean-Luc Fourie, Nic Koch, Mitch
Fussell, Seb Allison, Ian Sherwood,
Jono Bateman, Jake Herbert, Travis
Norris, Ben Gukelberger, John Steyn,
Cameron May, Lawrence Masha,
Jonathan Border, Jake Nicholas,
Jake Stewart, Josh Seymour, Oliver

Kane-Smith, Daniel Mudge, Gabriel de Graaf, Euan Groenewald, Sam Hanssen, James Kirkman, Tristan Barrow, Josh Levy, Liam van Schalkwyk.

Phil Court

#### **U14D**

Highlights: The boys enjoyed practices where the coaches were warm and encouraged communication and team play. 'The Cheeky Play' was created where the one of the flanks would say to the hooker, "Here, let me take it!" The hooker would then pass the ball and the flank would run. The boys agreed that they improved on their teamwork as the season progressed. Connor Glass took some big hits and displayed some impressive tackling ability throughout the season. He also scored three tries. Gabriel De Graaf scored a hattrick against SACS. The boys enjoyed victories over Wynberg BHS and SACS and remained in high spirits even after losing to Rondebosch. Players like Max Nixon and Gareth Watson improved their skills dramatically over the time period of five months.

Lowlights: **Jono Border** was concussed early on in the season. **James Farmer** was concussed and rendered out of action for most of the season. **Jono Border** got involved in a fight during the final game against Rondebosch. **Lawrence Masha** dislocated his shoulder in the final game against Rondebosch and was rushed to hospital. **Cantain and Vice-Cantain: Conner.** 

Captain and Vice-Captain: Connor Glass, Gareth Watson

■ TEAM: Elyas Ayoub, Jonathan



Border, Gabriel De Graaf, James Farmer, Chad Francis, Connor Glass, Ben Gukelberger, Luke Haarburger, Jake Herbert, James Kirkman, William Makin, Lawrence Masha, Daniel Mudge, Luke Negrine, Max Nixon, Travis Norris, John Steyn, Liam Van Schalkwyk, Gareth Watson Coaches: Zukile Ncube, Nic Bester

## **SOCCER**

The start of this winter sport season saw more than 100 boys reach for their soccer boots, when it was announced that Bishops would be having trials for soccer as a winter sport. Eager, excited and determined...

The number of boys that arrived at trials exceeded all expectations and it was clear that these boys were keen to play, but were also rather competitive. It was such a pleasant and interesting experience to get the sport up and running – it proved to be challenging on many different levels, but were the boys were extremely supportive and passionate. "Quad-soccer" had always been a big thing, but this was a chance for many of the boys to showcase their talent on a marked-out pitch with actual soccer posts and a Bishops soccer kit. After trials, the coaches, Graham Welham (U15) and Dugald Robertson (U19) had their work cut out for them as we were set to play fixtures



against schools that had been playing soccer for a couple of years. Two teams, a squad of about 35 boys in total, were selected. Even though our boots seemed as though they were fresh out of the box, we most certainly did not lack skill and talent. To my surprise, many of the boys had been playing club soccer, and it was an absolute pleasure to see them perform on the pitch. The season proved to be a very constructive one and the boys were amazing ambassadors of both the sport and the school. The results would, at times, reflect what we lacked in experience, but we ended the season on a positive note. The immense

improvement was clearly visible towards the end of the season and it was a pleasure to see how these boys grew and stepped up to the occasion when it was needed. The boys never failed to play with pride and passion. We look forward to a similar setup for soccer as a winter sport next year – with better results and more exposure. *Jarred Bradley* 

# **SQUASH**

## 1ST

The Bishops top players play in the Super-League each year and the organisers, Western Province Youth Squash, seem to

vary the format of the competition from year to year. In 2016 the league consisted of seven teams of five players: RBHS, SACS WBHS, Paul Roos, Paarl Boys, an invitational WP team called the Disas, and Bishops. We fared exceptionally well in this despite the fact that we were often unable to field a full strength team due to illness, injury or because a player happened to be away on Exchange. The knock-out competition was also keenly contested and we got through the final once again against our arch rivals RBHS. This final was a closely fought affair which saw us losing out on the winner's trophy - and thus on a trip to KZN for the National Finals - by the slimmest of margins. There was also a complaint lodged to the executive of WPYS after this final as the opposition No.1 appeared to take the court injured and it was widely felt by many at the match that he should not have played. He did in fact manage to stay on court for just two games and then forfeited his match. The result therefore turned on this decision and Bishops were unlucky not to have been granted at least a rematch. In October the 10th edition of the very popular and successful WBHS Stavers festival took place and this is where we showed everyone how much depth of good talented squash players there is at the moment. We played five competitive six-a-side matches against top schools from outside the Cape and lost just once. The results were as follows, and placed us as probably the second or third strongest side of the 18 schools playing:

The first team was captained by our lone Matric, **Calven Wilson**, and coached

v St Johns	Won	13	12
v St Andrews Bloemfontein	Lost	7	13
v St Stithians	Won	18	0
v Pretoria Boys High	Won	15	7
v Michaelhouse	Draw	11	11

most ably by Justin van de Poel. We are most grateful to him and of course we are indebted to our strong group of squash parents for all the support and lifting required at unsociable times of day. Next year looks as if it may well be a great year for Bishops squash and I hope the players will rise to the challenge. I know they are aiming high!

The players: Calven Wilson (Captain), Glenn Yates, Ibrahim Kerbelker, Calvin Ziegler-Smith, Jonathan Greyling, Brandon Snider, Charlie Yates. (Nic Gleeson, Tim Wright and Greg Medcalf also represented Bishops in the WBHS Stayers festival).

The next event on the squash calendar for these boys is the St Andrews Bloemfontein festival in February 2017. Good luck! *John Knight* 

#### U19A AND B

The U19B side had a most successful season winning most of their matches. Due to injuries (to the super league reserve players who were eligible to play for the U19A side), the U19A side did not do as well as expected, but remained very competitive in all their matches.

Gregor Bell, Tristan Smith, Stuart
Cottrell, Luke Baker, Chris Haller and
Amo Mothibi were regular members of
the A side and James Halle, Sheridan
Laudien, Matthew Von Bulow, David

**Court** and **Brandon Thomas** played for the B side. The keenest and most improved player was **David Court** who was always looking for a game. Stuart Cottrell was involved in a number of four and five setter matches and proved to be the fittest member of the team. Amo Mothibi got "stage fright" when he come up against the "fairer sex" in their match against Rustenburg and had a shocker of a game. However, he did make amends when Bishops came up against Springfield later on in the season. In the second half of the season Gregor Bell had to raise his game since he was promoted to the number 1 position in the A side. The stiffer opposition helped to improve his match temperament. Luke **Baker** showed a lot of potential but did not realize this potential because he did not play enough. Brandon Thomas's lack of fitness counted against him in a number of matches. Chris Haller is to be congratulated for winning all his league matches this season! It is encouraging to note how squash at Bishops has grown over the past couple of years. This augers well for the future of the sport! John Lanser

## U19C AND D

U19C: James Aron, Dylan Evans, Jason Pittaway, Timothy Tzemis; U19D: Ebrahim Muhammad, Luke Malan, Simmele Mashwama, Joshua McKirby, Madison Quibell, Mogamad Rawoot, Calvin Sides.

The season was a very enjoyable one. We saw the squash playing skills of the players rise, as did the level of competitiveness. The practice sessions were fun but also through a lot of playing as well as coaching of players, some

of them developed their drop-shots which at this level is a deadly weapon, especially against any player preferring to hit the ball willy-nilly to the back of the court. One completely underestimated shot that we should possibly have concentrated on more is the lob, because at this level of play, it can completely disengage the opponent especially when it is expertly executed only to land in the back of the court like lead. As for the matches both away and at home, these were always played in excellent spirit and some of them were closely contested. This is such a great game for young people, and to see it enjoyed as much at this level as it seems, a delight! Paul Murray

# JUNIOR SQUASH

Another extremely successful season of squash for the junior section. It never fails to amaze me how enthusiastically the boys approach the game no matter at what level they compete. Squash is a great game for all levels - it demands both hard work and fitness. It is very noticeable how the boys improve during the season with the committed approach and a willingness to make use of all the opportunities. We are very fortunate to enjoy fantastic facilities at the College, so the large number of boys can be generally catered for during practices. Tuesday was largely spent with coaching sessions with the boys assigned to various groups. It is important that the boys are taught the basics of the game and that they learn how to play the game correctly. From general stroke play to positioning on the court, these sessions were valuable in getting the message across and the boys

were committed and willing to learn. The Thursday session allows for the boys to play challenge games in attempt to improve their ladder position. Competition for places in intense and it is also encouraging to note how boys are always looking to improve and to be included in one of the representative teams. Bishops entered five junior teams in the various under 15 leagues and we are proud to record that we were winners of all the leagues. An impressive overall performance and a notable achievement considering that some of the lower teams often end up playing A or B teams of the smaller school. Matches were well attended and again the enthusiasm was evident throughout the season. One aspect that the boys can work on in the future is the scoring process, as this is an important part of the game. Without the support of a number of staff, the process can never run smoothly. My thanks and appreciation to the following for their involvement and hard work. To Mr Knight as the staff member in charge of squash at the college; the various coaches, Stefan Ranoszek, OD and first team player from 2015 (with the top group), and Mr Lionel White with the beginners.

A team: N Gleeson, T Wright,

A Morkel, G Medcalf

B team: K. Vith, L. Shuttleworth, R Tudhope, G. Murray-Cooke

C team: J Blow, J Brasher, S Du,

**D** Boyes

D team: J Sinha, Z Cadiz, V Smith,

N Cattell, S Numanoglu, A Koen

E team: S Stevens, T Krauss,
S Breytenbach A van der Leek

S Breytenbach, A van der Leek, R Naidoo

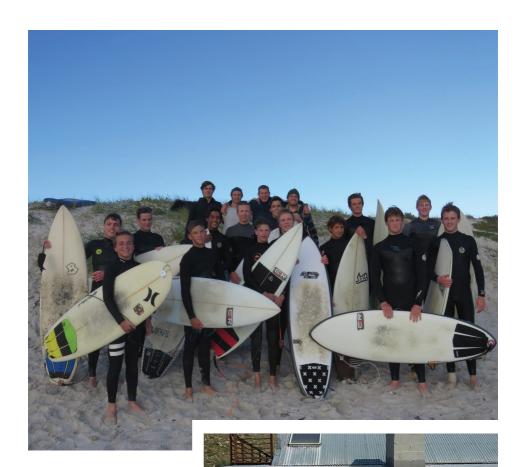
David Russell

## **SURFING**

Elands Bay Surf Camp: The conditions were perfect when we arrived at Elands Bay. 'Amped' for a surf, we all headed out and stayed in the water till dark! Later that night we all crawled around the fire and enjoyed delicious food and humorous stories. On the next morning we woke to the sound of waves grinding down the famous West Coast point break. The guys pushed their limits with some surfing a total of ten hours. Sunstroke, sunburn and dehydration were the consequences paid, but it was all worth it! On our final day, we made the momentous decision to head up the coast searching for a wave. We arrived over dunes to find some of the most perfect waves we had ever seen. Conditions were prime with a light offshore breeze and not a drop of water out of place. The water was a pristine blue and sharing the waves with each other made it a day to remember. Overall, great food, good waves and generally just a good vibe made this camp one of the best. Thanks to Mr Mallett, Ms Mallett and Mr Noel for their hard work! For a great perspective of what it was like, head on to Facebook and check Marco **Lanfranchi's** drone video of Elands Bay 2016. The Edit describes the experience perfectly.

# **Inter House Surfing Competition:**

On Friday 9 September, the 2016 Inter House surfing competition was held at Derdesteen on the West Coast. Unfortunately, the event was plagued by howling on-shore conditions, making life extremely difficult for the competitors.



However, this in no way dampened the enthusiasm of the 16 surfers and at the end of the round robin stages, Founders, Mallett, Gray and White progressed to a sudden death final. Gray emerged as worthy victors with rookie,

**Robbie Moubray**, providing solid support for his more experienced partner, **Max Harrison**. Thanks to OD Surf Club members, Oli

Marr and Matt van der Linden for braving the cold and judging our contest. Max Harrison and Dave Mallett



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# **CHESS**

This term was exceptional and the chess teams achieved some brilliant results. The first team won the Bishops Inter-Schools Tournament and the WPA Chess League. The 2nd team did magnificently in the same tournament ending up in a respectful

5th place. The 3rd team won the WPB League. Chess is growing every year at Bishops and I'm happy to say that we have over 30 Chess Club members. We are looking forward to increasing that number in 2017.



Matthew Brodziak making an important move



Great concentration from Jordan de Sousa



Akshay Thakersee planning his final moves

1st	Result	2nd	Result	3rd	Result
SACS	Won 6-0	Fish Hoek	Won 4-2	Groote Schuur	Lost 2-4
Reddam	Won 6-0	Herzlia Constantia	Won 4-2	Kirstenhof	Won 4-2
RBPS	Won 5-0	Kirstenhof	Lost 1-5		
Inter-School	Won	Inter-School	10th place		
WPPS	Won 4-2	RBPS	Lost 2-4		
Kirstenhof	Draw 3-3	SACS	Won 5-1		





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Charlton boys working hard

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

The Prep Cross Country team had a great 2016 season led by an exemplary ('A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way." — John C. Maxwell) and humble ("The price of greatness is responsibility." — Winston Churchill) Captain Fantastic, **Matthew Tripe**.

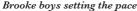
The season started with the seasonal runners participating in the Southern Zone races which took place on Fridays. The team had seven runners who successfully made it to the Zonal Championships (**ZC**) and five of our team members achieved the top 20 positions in the Zonals to qualify for the Western Province Championships (**WPC**). In the Western Province Championships, two runners made it to the Western Cape Championships (**WCC**). Congratulations were in order as follows: U13: **Gabriel Dyssell Höfinger (ZC)**, **Oliver** 

Gabriel Dyssell Höfinger (ZC), Oliver Kennedy-Smith (WPC) and Matthew Tripe (WPC); Ull: Michael Kruse (ZC) and Jacob Phillips (ZC); U10: Carwyn Davies (WCC), Adam Constant (WPC) and Lucca Mynhardt (WCC).

The second phase of our season was the Inter House event held in the last week of July on Friday 29 July 2016. After all the rain, we were fortunate to have a beautiful, warm day for the event. The results were close and the winning House was Charlton. A fantastic effort by all the learners in Charlton House, but also CONGRATULATIONS to all the learners who participated on the day!

The top ten finalist from the Inter House event for each of the age divisions (U9 – U13), participated in the Pentangular event which was organised by Wynberg Boys Junior School at Wynberg Park on the 19th August 2016. The boys did exceptionally well with the hilly challenge provided by the beautiful landscapes of the Park. Out of the five schools involved in this event, Bishops Prep placed in second position overall.







Ben MacFarlaine looking at ease

We finished the season with the High Noon Cross Country Camp held on the 3rd and 4th September 2016 in Villiersdorp. Our boys and the girls from Rustenburg Junior School had a lot of fun and the Outreach Programme of the Camp for the children of Villiersdorp was a great success. The team led by Mrs Tripe, Mrs Byron and Mrs Macdonald-Höfinger distributed 150 goodie bags, 18 prizes, second hand clothing and also shared refreshments with all the participants after the races from U11s to U13s. Thanks to the Prep PA team led by Ms Petersen and all the sponsors and donors that helped to achieve the objectives of the outreach programme of the Camp.

I would also like to thank the parents and friends who came to support and cheer the learners on throughout the 2016 Cross Country events. Also my gratitude goes to the Prep teachers and the Bishops maintenance and grounds staff who helped to make the Inter School and the Inter House successful events.

Bon voyage to all the Grade 7s and I hope that you keep your passion for this sport going at the College next year. We will meet again at the starting line of the Sanlam Cape Town Marathon, The Gun Run, The Old Mutual Two Ocean Marathon and ultimately at the Comrades Marathon.

Matthew Tripe, Gabriel Dyssell-Höfinger, Matthew Byron, Seth Nieburg, Boyd Gannon, Oliver Kennedy-Smith, Thomas Newton, Oliver Carey, Ben MacFarlaine, Andrew Kleye, Liam Day, Jacob Phillips, Michael Kruse, Carwyn Davies, Luke Johnstone, Thamsanqa Siko, Lucca Mynhardt, David Handley, Thomas Welsh, Zachary Anderson, Thomas Ludlam, Sebastian Jack, Adam Constant, Noah Edmunds, Jack Breslin, David Tripe, Rowan Piorkowski, Conor Day, Benjamin Watt, Ryan Voigt, John van der Watt, Jean de Villiers

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## HOCKEY

HOCKEY vs Redd	HOCKEY vs Reddam, Kirstenhof and Wynberg Festival -21, 22, 23, 27, 28 July 2016					
Under 13A	Invitational XI	Won	15-0			
Under 13A	Grey Junior	Lost	1-4			
Under 13A	Selborne	Won	1-0			
Under 13A	Reddam	Won	3-1			
Under 13B	Reddam	Won	4-1			
Under 13C	Reddam	Won	13-0			
Under 12A	Reddam	Lost	0-1			
Under 12B	Reddam	Won	5-1			
Under 12C	Reddam	Won	3-1			
Under 11A	Reddam	Drew	2-2			
Under 11B	Reddam	Won	6-0			
Under 11C	Reddam	Won	7-0			
Under 10A	Reddam	Won	4-1			
Under 10B	Reddam	Won	4-0			
Under 10C	Reddam	Won	10-0			
Under 10E	Kirstenhof U9A	Lost	1-7			
Played: 16	Won: 12	Drew: 1	Lost: 3			

### HOCKEY vs St Andrews and WPPS - 2, 3 and 4 August 2016

Under 13A	St Andrews	Won	3-0
Under 13B	St Andrews	Drew	0-0
Under 11A	WPPS	Won	3-1
Under 11B	WPPS	Lost	1-2
Under 11C	WPPS	Won	2-0
Under 11D	WPPS C	Lost	1-10
Under 11E	WPPS D	Lost	0-2
Under 10A	WPPS	Won	7-2
Under 10B	WPPS	Lost	0-3
Under 10C	WPPS	Won	5-0
Under 10D	WPPS	Won	2-1
Under 10E	WPPS	Drew	1-1
Played: 12	Won: 6	Drew: 2	Lost: 4

	HOCKEY vs SACS - 10,	11 August 2016					
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Under 13A	SACS	Won	4-0				
Under 13B	SACS	Drew	1-1				
Under 13C	SACS	Drew	1-1				
Under 13D	SACS	Won	3-2				
Under 12A	SACS Won		5-0				
Under 12B	SACS	Won	1-0				
Under 12C	SACS	Won	5-0				
Under 12D	SACS	Won	5-0				
Under 11A	SACS	Won	2-1				
Under 11B	SACS	Drew	0-0				
Under 11C	SACS	Won	3-0				
Under 11D	SACS	Won	2-1				
Under 10A	SACS	Won	7-4				
Under 10B	SACS	Drew	3-3				
Under 10C	SACS	Drew	2-2				
Under 10D	SACS	Lost	1-4				
Under 10D	SACS	Won	4-0				
Under 10E	SACS	Lost	0-10				
Under 10E	SACS	Drew	1-1				
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Under 13A	HOCKEY vs Rondebosch -	24, 25 August 2016  Drew	0-0				
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Under 10A	Rondebosch	Drew	3-3
Under 10B	Rondebosch	Won	8-2
Under 10C	Rondebosch	Lost	1-3
Under 10D	Rondebosch	Rondebosch Lost	
Under 10E	Rondebosch	Rondebosch Lost	
Played: 18	Won: 7	Drew: 6	Lost: 5
HOCKEY vs	s Wynberg and St Charles I	Natal - 17, 18 & 19 Augus	t 2016
Under 13A	Wynberg	Won	3-0
Under 13A	St Charles Natal	Drew	2-2
Under 13B	Wynberg	Won	4-2
Under 13B	St Charles Natal	Lost	0-1
Under 13C	Wynberg	Won	2-1
Under 13C	St Charles Natal	Won	3-1
Under 13D	Wynberg	Won	4-3
Under 13D	St Charles Natal	Won	6-1
Under 12A	Wynberg	Drew	1-1
Under 12B	Wynberg	Drew	1-1
Under 12C	Wynberg	Drew	0-0
Under 12D	Wynberg	Won	4-0
Under 12E	Rondebosch	Drew	1-1
Under 11A	Wynberg	Won	5-1
Under 11B	Wynberg	Won	7-1
Under 11C	Wynberg	Won	8-0
Under 11D	Wynberg	Drew	1-1
Under 10A	Wynberg	Won	5-4
Under 10B	Wynberg	Won	5-0
Under 10C	Wynberg	Won	7-4
Under 10D	Wynberg	Won	5-0
Played: 21	Won: 14	Drew: 6	Lost: 1

#### **U13A**

In the second term we started the season off well, experienced a slight hiccup or two in the middle of the term and ended the quarter off in emphatic style with an unbeaten tour of KZN. The team felt that we had laid the foundation to build even further in the third term. After a good holiday, we were thrust into some intensive action at the Wynberg 175 Winter Festival where we encountered some stiff opposition on the final two days. From a hockey point of view, this was great, but with





Seb Panieri in control

Brett Horn looking to pass

so many rugby players in our team, the boys were over extended, which would haunt us for the remainder of the season as many players either suffered injury or were sick. From June until early September we were unable to field a full strength team. In hindsight, this was not a total disaster and afforded some of our players to experience playing in different positions and give some U13B and U12A players the chance to play off the bench. All the boys involved gained valuable experience and acquitted themselves well. The boys enjoyed an unbeaten third term league season and carried this confidence into the Top Schools' Tournament which traditionally brings an end to the season. Here, we won the bronze medal. A very good performance indeed.

In most matches we strived to play an attacking entertaining style of hockey, but were able to adapt in some cases and play a highly defensive system where we caught teams on the break. This was implemented when we were outgunned by more skilful, quicker

opposition or merely short of fit players. The former didn't happen often as we were dominant in most matches, but when we had our backs to the wall, this die-hard attitude made us as coaches and supporting parents extremely proud of them. It also reiterated, that a highly committed team with good tactical systems in place and a sound skill set could punch above their weight.

The team was captained by our only provincial representative, **Imad Khan**. He also captained Western Province to a silver medal at the Inter Provincial Tournament. In his second season of First Team hockey, **Imad** once again proved to be a highly-skilful and hard-working player who possesses exceptional ability. He led from the front and must be commended for his superb commitment on the field. He was supported by **Bruce Campbell** as vice-captain. Unfortunately, he injured himself while in KZN missing much of the rest of the season, but returned for the Top Schools' Tournament. **Bruce** displayed good

pace, a will to go forward and an eye for goal. He also adapted well to a role in the mid-field.

Clayton Warner developed into a most dependable and courageous goalkeeper and ended the season on top of his game, making many vital and brilliant saves. Rowan **Howard** marshalled the troops from the back. His ability to relieve pressure, pick high lying strikers and score goals from short corners with his very good hit was crucial to our success. Luke Parker proved to be a useful attacking central defender. He also gave us an abrasive edge with much needed speed on defence, superbly tracking down attackers. Liam Harrison provided our thrust down the right from deep defensive areas which was integral for our pattern to work effectively. His work rate and commitment was brilliant. **Adam Clarke** was the find of the season. His brilliant tackling position and improved forehand skills proved to be highly effective. He became our 'silent assassin' with his passionate displays on defence which always kept us in the game.

**Sebastian Panieri** grew in stature and confidence as the season progressed. He has very neat close quarter skills and is rapidly expanding his excellent skill set and passing ability. The experience gained during this season will stand him in good stead as next year much will be expected of him within the team. **Johnny Fisher** established himself as the first choice right mid-fielder and shouldered much tactical responsibility. He worked tirelessly on defence and attack and was able to provide our attacking players good ball with some telling passes.

**Daniel Neuhoff** was our incredibly quick and skilful right wing. For a player so young, he displayed wonderful flair and spacial awareness. He was our attacking weapon and set up some excellent goals, forced corners and finished off some memorable attacking movements. His odd appearance in mid-field was good experience for him as he returns to the team next year. Oliver Kennedy-**Smith** started the season off in his preferred position as a mid-fielder, was also needed as a utility defender and was finally converted into a centre forward where he enjoyed a very successful season scoring some lovely goals. This was all done to benefit the team and I commend him highly for this selfless attitude. His work rate was outstanding and he also possesses the ability to perform some extremely intricate skills under pressure.

Josh Lander was our live wire left wing who caused every team a headache. His acute understanding of our defensive pattern and ability to intercept passes was brilliant and key to our effective counter attacking ability. He also scored some fantastic individual and opportunistic goals, ending the season as our top goal scorer.

Bryce Herbert was used off the bench as an U12A team player. A talented player with a useful skill set and a competitive edge, his abilities were put to good use with many a fine performance in the First Team shirt. He will be a stalwart of next year's team. Brett Horn and Ben MacFarlaine, both U12s, also seized every opportunity to play for the First Team. Brett, a highly enthusiastic player with good skills and tactical awareness played very well for us while Ben, a striker, displayed ability to go forward with pace and effectively link with other players. He too did himself proud in the team.

I would like to thank our assistant coach, Steve Mendes for his help in coaching the December 2016

team and umpiring all our matches. His awareness of team dynamics, care for the boys and passion was greatly appreciated by all. I would also like to thank our magnificent group of travelling support, the parents, for their positive support of the team and us as coaches.

Murray Anderson

#### **U13B**

Despite an abundance of talent, the team did not always achieve the best results. At times we completely dominated territory and midfield, but were unable to convert this advantage into goals. Of the eight matches that we lost, four were lost by only one goal. We also drew five matches, so the potential was there for a much better season. The team enjoyed the opportunity of playing full-field hockey whilst on tour, as well as some games at home. In fact, playing half-field looked too small for these "boys" towards the end of the season; they are definitely ready for the complete game! It is my hope that many of them will continue with hockey as they get older, especially once they leave school, and discover the social benefits of joining a club one day.

Richard Goedhals

#### **U13C**

The team had a phenomenal season. They started off with a win against Reddam and that set the tone for the rest of the games. They were determined to be unbeaten and all of them were eager to improve their skills. The team worked hard at practices and we had a great deal of fun. They bonded well as a team and played some incredible hockey. We managed to win 11 of our 14 matches, draw

2 and lose 1 to an unbeaten Rondebosch side. Despite team changes and absentees, the boys never gave up. It was such a pleasure and an honour to coach them this season. Good luck to all of you in the years to come.

Leanne Hamman

#### **U13D**

The U13D squad can be very proud of their efforts in what was an enjoyable and memorable season. We managed to go through the season unbeaten in the 11 games we played, winning seven, drawing four and netting 36 goals in the process. There was a great team spirit and camaraderie amongst the boys and the hard work and commitment they always displayed on match days showed in the great results. The side grew as a unit as the season progressed as we were able to move the ball around with more and more pace and accuracy. We finished off the season in style, scoring some brilliant goals in the big wins over St Charles (6-1) and Rondebosch (5-1) and then showed great spirit to win our final game 3-2 away against Sweet Valley. Matthew Riches

#### **U12**

The year got off to the usual rigours of balancing skills and fitness acquisition with team selection. New players, different positions, training goal keepers, new coaches and changing game plans all contribute to the excitement and stress of a new season. With enough boys to field five full teams in the age group, our space utilization was always at a premium. Our enthusiastic and competitive coaches were always willing to try new drills and this contributed greatly to a very positive hockey environment. At the

end of the season one can use the results to judge the successfulness of the season ... the results would suggest an awesome season: The U12s collectively played 54 matches; won 34, drew 14 and lost only 6. They scored 164 goals and conceded only 54. Certainly a fabulous season. However, the success of the season should also include the boys' attitude and commitment; one should reflect on their determination to play hard from the first whistle to the last. Their ability to fit into any position on the field. And most importantly to believe in themselves. By these measures, we really did have a successful season.

The A team, weakened by losing two top players to the U13 division, took some time to reorganize. Many new playing positions were tried throughout the season with some boys frequently unavailable to play matches. The season looked destined to end poorly with a second and comprehensive loss to Sweet Valley. Two weeks later, however, the boys rose to the occasion and won the annual U12 tournament. Reyne de Klerk was handed the top goal scorer trophy. Brett Horn and Bryce Herbert were devastating on the night with their sniping runs and control of the ball. Tim van Heerden, Dean Sneddon, **Oliver Beek** used their opportunities to get the ball in the net whenever possible. The defensive team of Nic Bradfield, Ben MacFarlaine, James Boustead; Oliver **Selb** and **Robert Kotze** were particularly stingy in conceding goals. It was a real pleasure to work with such pleasant and talented boys.



Rishay Thakersee steady on the ball

The B team enjoyed a highly successful season. Brilliantly coached by Mr Cassa Cassiem, the boys often upset the A team in practice matches. Every boy was able to push for a spot in the A team and all played in at least one A team match. **Kian Gounder** went from strength to strength throughout the season. **Oscar Baum**, always one of the most determined defenders. **Jared Chu**, **Rishay Thakersee**, **Haydn Dempers** and **David Border** played with impressive determination in every match. **Richard Alfredo**, with his first season in goals was stunning. His diving saves are now legendary.

The Bishops U12C team had a tremendous season, winning all but one of their games. **Ferris Moser** kept us in games with unbelievable saves, and a courageous attitude. A fantastic goalkeeper who let through only two goals during the entire season! The



Mohammad Johaar on the move

defence, made up of **Dayne Levick**, **Sam Schluter** and **Zolile Muleya**, kept the opposition at bay many a time, conceding under ten goals for the entire season, a remarkable achievement. The links were superb this season. **Murrough Epstein**, **Axel Harrison**, **Teboho Mashologu** all played equally important roles in creating goal-scoring opportunities, as well as further understanding their roles on the field. The forward line, led by **Lance Brilus**, **Mohammed Johaar**, **Max Molyneux**, were extremely efficient in scoring, as well as assisting their team mates with goals. An incredible season, well played boys.

This D team was special. Student coach, Michelle Fisher, brought her competitive spirit to every practice and match. The boys quickly realised that they were going to really enjoy their season. Undefeated, and with only one draw, the boys played every game as if it were their last. Incredibly, they scored 45 goals and gave away only four. **Thando** 

Kumalo, Aiden lotter, Oliver Carey, Luka van der Merwe, Axel Harrison, Thomas Withers, Cameron Selb, Suhayl Khalfey and Kiran Pillay can be so proud of themselves.

Congratulation too, to the E team who also remained undefeated this season. Mr Thami Siko worked tirelessly to teach new skills and to balance skills sessions with enjoyment. Trae Turner, Thomas Burton, Caleb Francis, Thomas Maurel, Alesandro Papa, Michael Naude, Zami Moyo, Aleksandr Selby and Suhail Janoodien can be proud of their results – particular in having scored 21 goals and only conceding 11.

Mark Erlangsen

#### U11A

The team has transitioned well, after some initial hiccups, from the six-a-side game played at U10 level. This transition is never easy and everybody feels a little awkward as the tactics, positional play and structure of the game changes significantly. The boys dove straight into the new season and embraced the format whole heartedly. Without a moan and groan they have listened, engaged with the new platform and developed themselves into confident hockey players who have, together, achieved some amazing results. **Johan Steyn** was superb in the goals, ably assisted by **Cole Crawford** and **Nick Allison** as halves.

Together they kept the score-line down and made sure that any attach was broken down and cleared away from the danger area. Our links of **Devon Marshal**, **Cole Crafford**, **Sam Berrisford** and **Ben Norton** passed the ball around beautifully and were responsible for the winning of many a short corner and the set-up of numerous goals.

Oscar Blatch, Kayan Jagger and Connor Watson were superb up front and finished many goals with a composed, skillful approach. The final results for the season were as follows: Played 14 matches, won nine matches, drew three matches, lost two matches. Goals for: 37; goals against: 13. These are quite outstanding results and I couldn't be prouder of the boys for their hard work this season. They deserve the excellent results. I want to wish them all well as they transition to U12 hockey next year where they will be challenged and developed further. Enjoy the challenges, continue to be open to new ideas and skills and above all, enjoy this great game.

#### **U11B**

Steve Mendes

For me as a coach, it was certainly the game against a very talented and robust Langa Hockey Club that epitomised this team's spirit. They scored an early goal and defended their goal with superb accuracy. The team work and determination was fantastic and they walked off the field 1-0 up to the open admiration of the parents in the stands. On attack was where this team shone. **Kayan Jaga** pounced on any loose ball in the circle with Olympian skill and placed it firmly in the goal. It was most pleasing to see him earning a place in the A team as the season progressed. **Michael** Kruse got more confident as the season continued and finished his last game as man of the match. With the tireless efforts of Cayden Smith, Thomas Jacob, Cullum Jenman, Jack Whitaker, Timothy Walsh, James Whiffler, Zac Heyns and Devon Botha this team was able to amass 53 goals for and concede only eight. One must mention that the amazing goal ratio was in a huge part due to

the spectacular reactions of the brilliant **Dylan de Groot** in goals. Played 14 matches, won 11 matches, drew two matches, lost one match. Congratulations U11B, I look forward to seeing your progress next year.

#### U11C

Mark Erlangsen

From the outset of the season our goal was to play attacking hockey, to be creative and to support the collective. The boys worked as a team which created a great team spirit and exciting match play throughout the season. Individually, each player in the U11C team developed and extended his skills level and learnt to understand where and when to apply one's skills during matches. As far as positions were concerned, this age group often still views playing a certain position as a reward, but soon they realized that every position counts, that different type of players have different qualities and therefore suit different positions. The boys were also exposed to switching positions from time to time which gave them the opportunity to experience different roles and responsibilities and which contributed to their overall hockey development. They were a fantastic group of players that showed great passion. They grew from strength to strength and can be proud of how they progressively developed their personal and team skills during the season. Maaike Tiaden

#### **U11D**

The U11 D and E teams had a good season together. As much as it was difficult to get matches for the U11E team, they showed good skills every time they had an opportunity to play. The teams played well

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together and the boys showed great potential throughout the season. There was incredible growth and team spirit from the players, from the beginning of the season till the end. We are very proud of their performances and wish them well for next year.

Mgomboti and Cassiem

#### U10

U10 hockey continues to flourish, building on the foundations that were laid at U9 level. A pleasing addition to the rules this year was the inclusion of the self-pass at U10 level. This made for a quicker, more exciting aspect to our play. The A team experienced a most enjoyable season. The boys' progress was very noticeable. They were competitive and soaked up the coaching sessions. Practices with the B team were sometimes highly charged, which augurs well for this group of boys as they progress to eight-a-side and eleven-aside in the future. Our midfield domination was not always converted into goals and this aspect will have to receive ongoing attention as the boys progress. Despite this, the team lost just one match during the season, an excellent achievement! The U10B team had an incredibly successful season. Their sportsmanship was super and they worked together as a team, stringing excellent passes together to culminate in numerous goals. There is much talent in the boys in this side and their hard work and determination ensured that their skills improved week in and out. This U10C hockey team accomplished so much this year, providing their coach with much enjoyment and making her very proud! They improved with every game they played and only lost two games. The cherry on the top was when they were 0-2 down against

Sweet Valley and managed to win that last game 3-2. That showed character and a belief in themselves which will take them into another exciting hockey season with confidence. Well done, boys! The U10D and E teams played very well and showed overall improvement during the course of the season. They had a great deal of fun and played their hearts out. They gave their coaches a lot of pleasure, both during training sessions and during matches! Congratulations to all the teams on a wonderful season!

Richard Goedhals, Penny Graney, Fill Walsh, Leanne Hamman and Chris Gooddall

#### U9

U9 hockey marks the beginning of a more structured approach to skills development whereby we focus on instilling age appropriate technical and tactical skills that create the basis from where boys can naturally slot into the next phase of their hockey career. It also indicates the stage at which the boys start to play friendly Inter-Schools matches. These weekly Round Robins took place on a Wednesday afternoon and were a great opportunity for the boys to put their practiced skills to use and to learn how to compete. This year's U9 hockey group consisted of 40 motivated and inspired players that were keen learners and it is exciting to see how competent and confident the boys have become during this hockey season. Every player positively contributed to making 2016 a fantastic hockey year and the boys can be commended for creating a great team spirit and excellent team work. Well done boys! We wish you many exciting hockey moments in U10 next year.

Maaike Tiaden

## **RUGBY**

BISHOPS VS DPHS, Jan van Riebeeck, Parklands, St Josephs, SACS - 21 & 23 July 2016						
Under 13A	Grey Junior	Lost	12-57			
Under 13A	DPHS	Lost	7-24			
Under 13A	Queens	Lost	0-29			
Under 13B	DPHS U13B	Lost	0-36			
Under 13C	DPHS U13D	DPHS U13D Lost				
Under 13D	DPHS U13F	Won	17-12			
Under 12A	DPHS U13C	Won	19-17			
Under 12B	DPHS U13E	Lost	17-24			
Under 11A	DPHS U11A	Lost	0-35			
Under 11B	DPHS U11B	Lost	0-66			
Under 10A	DPHS U11C	Won	7-5			
Under 9A/B	Jan van Riebeeck A	Won	40-0			
Under 9B/A	Parklands A	Won	35-15			
Under 9C	Parklands B	Won	30-5			
Under 9D	St Josephs	Lost	0-40			
Under 9E	SACS	Drew	15-15			
Played: 16	Won: 6	Drew: 1	Lost: 9			
	BISHOPS PREP VS Durba	nville - 30 July 2016				
Under 13B	Durbanville	Lost	0-29			
Under 13B Under 12A	Durbanville Durbanville	Lost Lost	0-52			
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Under 9E	Durbanville	Lost	0-40
Played: 15	Won: 1	Drew: 0	Lost: 14
	BISHOPS PREP VS WPP	S - 5 August 2016	
Under 13A	WPPS	Lost	19-33
Under 13B	WPPS	Won	52-0
Under 12A	WPPS	Lost	0-52
Under 12B	WPPS	Won	_
Under 11A	WPPS	Won	26-12
Under 11B	WPPS	Won	24-7
Under 10A	WPPS	Won	19-14
Under 9A	WPPS	Drew	25-25
Under 9B	WPPS	Lost	15-25
Under 9C	WPPS	Won	25-10
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Played: 10	Won: 6	Drew: 1	Lost: 3
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	BISHOPS PREP VS SACS	- 13 August 2010	
Under 13A	SACS	Lost	19-22
Under 13B	SACS	Won	31-5
Under 13C	SACS	Won	32-0
Under 12A	SACS	Won	27-17
Under 12B	SACS	Lost	5-20
Under 12C	SACS	Lost	10-22
Under 11A	SACS	Lost	7-21
Under 11B	SACS	Lost	7-71
Under 11C	SACS	Lost	5-17
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Under 10A	SACS	Lost	5-7
Under 10B	SACS SACS	Lost Lost	
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Under 10B	SACS	Lost	5-7 10-41
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Under 10B Under 10C Under 9A	SACS SACS SACS	Lost Lost Drew	5-7 10-41 0-38 5-5
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Under 10B Under 10C Under 9A Under 9B Under 9C Under 9D	SACS SACS SACS SACS SACS SACS	Lost Lost Drew Won Lost Lost	5-7 10-41 0-38 5-5 20-10 5-25 0-50
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B	BISHOPS PREP VS WYNBE	RG - 20 August 2016					
Under 13A	Wynberg	Lost	5-26				
Under 13B	Wynberg	Lost	19-24				
Under 13C	Wynberg	Won	29-19				
Under 12A	Wynberg	Lost	19-21				
Under 12B	Wynberg	5-20					
Under 12C	Wynberg						
Under 11A	Wynberg	Won	35-20				
Under 11B	Wynberg	Won	25-7				
Under 11C	Wynberg	Won	51-7				
Under 10A	Wynberg	Lost	5-7				
Under 10B	Wynberg	Lost	7-22				
Under 10C	Wynberg	Lost	14-24				
Under 9A	Wynberg	Won	30-5				
Under 9B	Wynberg	Won	15-10				
Under 9C	Wynberg	Drew	10-10				
Under 9D	Wynberg	Won	20-10				
Played: 16	Won: 7	Drew: 1	Lost: 8				
			Lost: 8				
	Won: 7 SHOPS PREP VS RONDEBO		Lost: 8				
BIS	HOPS PREP VS RONDEBO	OSCH - 27 August 2016					
BIS Under 13A	HOPS PREP VS RONDEBO	OSCH - 27 August 2016  Lost	21-24				
BIS Under 13A Under 13B	Rondebosch Rondebosch	OSCH - 27 August 2016  Lost  Won	21-24 17-5				
Under 13A Under 13B Under 13C	Rondebosch Rondebosch Rondebosch	DSCH - 27 August 2016  Lost Won Won	21-24 17-5 17-5				
Under 13A Under 13B Under 13C Under 13D	Rondebosch Rondebosch Rondebosch Rondebosch Rondebosch	DSCH - 27 August 2016  Lost Won Won Won Won	21-24 17-5 17-5 40-30				
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Under 13A Under 13B Under 13C Under 13D Under 12A Under 12B Under 12C Under 11A Under 11B Under 11C Under 11D Under 10A Under 10B Under 10C	Rondebosch	Lost Won Won Lost Lost Lost Lost Lost Lost Lost Lost	21-24 17-5 17-5 40-30 19-34 5-17 10-25 7-21 0-33 7-22 30-40 0-40 0-35 5-36				

Under 9B	Rondebosch Lost		10-35
Under 9C	Rondebosch	Lost	0-30
Under 9D	Rondebosch	Lost	5-60
Under 9E	Rondebosch	Lost	15-30
Played: 20	Won: 3	Drew: 0	Lost: 17
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#### **U13A**

If one had to judge a season purely on results, then 2016 was not a successful one. Thankfully, rugby is so much more than winning and if one judges success on commitment, attitude, growth, opportunity and how much fun the boys had, the 2016 season was very successful. A total of 28 boys had an opportunity of playing at the highest level for their school and all acquitted themselves well. Many players had an opportunity of playing in unaccustomed positions, and one has to applaud them for putting the team above their own personal preferences. The season started off with a very impressive win against Sweet Valley on Lut 1. Sadly, we lost a few games on the trot and we were hoping that the Durban Rugby Festival would turn the season around. Our first match at the festival was against the fancied Merchiston team. The boys played brilliant rugby and managed to win 14-12. Unfortunately, injuries to key players stunted our momentum and we lost the next, albeit very closely, two matches in Durban. After many close losses and disappointments, strong leadership was needed to keep the players positive and Liam Harrison and Luke **Parker** must be commended for their efforts. Liam led from the front, always had a smile on his face and kept on motivating every boy when things got tough.

At practice Mr Jacobs and I kept on working on the basics of rugby and we are confident that each boy under our watch has improved his skills and become a better player. We are sure that as the boys grow and can match teams physically the close losses that they experienced will be turned into victories. The team finished the season off very strongly with close losses against SACS and Rondebosch. The final match of the season against Rondebosch was a true reflection of what this team was all about. After losing the first match against Bosch, the boys rallied together and after being down against their traditional rivals late in the second half they produced some champagne rugby to get ahead. Sadly, Bosch scored in the last minute to win the game. This monumental effort certainly epitomised what the 2016 team was all about - full of guts and a never -say-die attitude to every match in their beloved school colours.

Many thanks to an incredible bunch of supportive parents. Your support, encouragement and generosity were greatly appreciated.

Thank you boys for all the wonderful memories this season. You have been a very special group and Mr Jacobs and I have enjoyed every minute spent with you. We will remember the laughs and tears we shared together as we did our best for the school we love so much.



Jake Greenberg on the run

I am indeed indebted to my assistant coach, Luke Jacobs. He was a tower of strength for me throughout the season and had a very special relationship with the players. Mr Mitchell and Mr Turner, thank you for your support and encouragement throughout the season - I know the boys really enjoyed your input and words of encouragement in the huddle after the match. Mr Fogarty, thank you for your guidance – you were always very supportive and affirming when things got tough. Mr Moomboti, many thanks for reffing most of our games this season - you have a wonderful manner with the players and they enjoyed the interaction with you on tour and at the Wynberg Festival. Your organisation around the tour and Wynberg Festival was superb and greatly appreciated.

■ TEAM: Liam Harrison (Captain), Luke Parker (Vice- Captain), Sipho Ndlovu, Benji Voogt, Gray Fogarty, Areeb Tyer, Rowan Howard, JP Freddy, Luke Solomons, Irshad Abrahams, Christopher Scheepers, Daniel Nelson, Dylan Redding, Marc Nelson, Jake Greenberg, Imad Khan, Berkeley Graaff, Bruce Campbell, Johnny Fisher, Josh Lander, Adam Clarke, Hyaaz Arnold, Muhammad Koor, Schyler Van Der Westhuizen, Zain Dawood, Oliver Kennedy-Smith, Mangaliso Nongantshi, Oliver Nicklin.

Chris Groom

#### **U13B**

The core of the team stayed together from a very successful U12 year. As it happens, rapid physical development starts to make a greater impact on boys' abilities in the U13 year. This necessitated some team selection and positional changes from the previous year. This is always a good thing, for safety reasons as well as competition within the age group. The style of attacking and highly-skilled rugby that we tried to coach the boys to play also meant that a lack of skill from previous years would very quickly come to the fore and meant that the more skilled players would be selected. After a tough start to the season with losses to Paarl Boys and Reddam, due to the above, the team settled a bit more and won their next four fixtures against SACS, Primrose, Kirstenhof and Collegians. A loss to Wynberg and a win against Rondebosch ended our Term 2 before embarking on our Grade 7 tour.

The team showed tremendous resilience and skill in the three matches on tour winning two and showing the KZN schools what Bishops rugby was all about. This tour set them up to know what they were capable of when faced with difficult times in a match or

life in general.

The third term started with two defeats to DPHS and Durbanville PS and many lessons were learnt. However, the team won four of the last five matches of the season with the loss against Wynberg being a close result. I have been extremely proud of the growth in skill, ability and confidence of the boys from beginning of the season to the end against Rondebosch on derby day. I wish all the boys best of luck in their future rugby careers and will keep a keen eye on them at College. Many thanks to Nick Venter for his committed coaching and enthusiasm during the season and I look forward to working with him again. Thank you to all the parents for their support of the boys and coaches.

TEAM: A. Tyer, P. Njoroge, Z.
Dawood, C. Potgieter, S. Ndlovu, C.
Warner, D. Redding, R. Howard, C.
Scheepers, I. Abrahams, C. Toy, O.
Kennedy-Smith, M. Byron, M. Rebe, J.
Carnell, S. vd Westhuizen, A. Clarke,
M. Nogantshi, P. Smith, O. Nicklin, M.
Koor, I. Arnold, N. Kotze, K. Walker, C.
McDonald.

Clayton Turner and Nick Venter

#### U13C AND D

This was the strongest C and D rugby squad I have ever coached. It was not surprising that we hardly lost a game in both terms. We had incredible depth and it was a nightmare selecting the teams as the players were all good. The boys were by far the toughest and most resilient I have coached. They could take a knock and then give it back even harder to the opposition. Often our boys are a bit soft and "get shot by the sniper on the turret" after taking a hit, but not these boys this year. The

rough and tough opposition teams were often very surprised at how battle-hardened our boys were. These boys are the type that you would want alongside you in the trenches. You could rely on them to make the hit. As a result it was a tremendous pleasure coaching them. They played such a good style of play keeping the ball alive and never ever kicking it away like our national team so often does! The highlight of the season was undoubtedly the number of tries we scored off the "Harvey" penalty move. Many opponents fell for the trick hook, line and sinker. Thanks to the merry band of parents who supported us so joyfully on the side of the fields, often at first light and in the ice cold.

TEAM: S. Liwani, G. Dysell-Hofinger, P. Njoroge, B. Daniel, G. John, S. Huish, T. Newton, M. Byron, J. Bull, O. Kennedy-Smith, C. Macdonald, C. Musselwhite, G. Walsh, K. Walker, N. Kotze, N. Claassens, S. Sturrock, M. Skwatsha, E. Topat, D. Davies, N. Pabst, B. Audinwood, S. Nieburg, L. Ridgway, S. Tsiki, B. Gannon, K. Vavatzanidis, S. Magai, N. Tiaden, A. Tyer, C. Toy, P. Smith, M. Noganthshi, O. Nicklin, G. Fogarty, JP. Freddy.

Bruce Mitchell

#### **U12A**

What a pleasure to coach a group of enthusiastic, eager to learn, humble boys. It was clear from the start of the season that these boys wanted to play a fast-paced, high-skilled style of rugby. The passing was very good as were their running lines. Some memorable tries were scored where they had opposition defences at sixes and sevens.

Defence improved as the season progressed and the boys can be proud of the fact that they did not concede soft tries around the rucks. The double tackles became a highlight as the season progressed. Our first game against SACS was won by resolute defence, as was the win against Paarl Boys and Durban Prep. We were on occasion during the season beaten by sheer speed and size. These are factors that play a major role in rugby nowhere more evident than at Prep school level. They scrummed very well, a tight cohesive unit that on many occasion took on packs much bigger, and gave a very good account of themselves. Lineouts will need some attention. Boys will grow and become more athletic and stronger. The backs were a joy to watch. Their passing was crisp and accurate, and they were able to put people into space. Many of their set piece starter moves split defences and allowed us to play the open game that we strive for at Bishops. We did not always capitalize on these breaks as at times we lacked a little self-confidence or some outright speed. These will come as our boys grow and mature. It was most encouraging to have had ex Bishops 1st XV coach, Andre Jacobs, heap praise on them after the Rondebosch game for their skill, but most importantly their willingness to play and try things on the field. Their ability to take the ball wide and retain possession with deft changes of direction and keeping the ball alive will stand them in good stead as they continue playing this great game. We need to be patient as they grow and develop. Time spent mastering basic skills and developing a love of the game will ensure that when growth, speed and maturity meet, they will be force to be reckoned with. I am willing to put money on

it! To the parents thank you for your support and understanding the process of developing future sportsmen. Love your boys and enjoy their trials, tribulations and highs as they grapple to master this intricate yet stunningly simple game. To the boys, thank you, I loved coaching you, your rugby was exciting, your willingness to give of your best rewarding and above all your ability to laugh and enjoy what you were doing was infectious. Who will ever forget laughing with **Richard Alfredo!** Good luck for the seasons ahead.

■ TEAM: R. Alfredo, L. Broggian, R Dutton, R de Klerk, N. Bradfield, J. Abrahams, R. Kotze, B. Herbert, E. Smith, M. Epstein, D. Sneddon, T. Turner, D. Warton-Hood, D. Neuhoff, J. Ryan, K. Smith, B. Horn, D. Krause, L. van Wyk

#### **U12B**

We have really enjoyed our time this year coaching rugby at Bishops. We can see that the boys have a real love for the game and are very keen and enthusiastic. They are eager to learn new things all the time and are always on time for practice. The season was tough with the boys battling against sides each Saturday. Our basic skills did let us down at times. The boys need to keep working hard on mastering the key areas of the game, passing, catching, rucking and tackling (defence). They need to build a good work ethic as a group and push each other during practices as this attitude and hard work will see the basics improve. To the boys' credit they played each match as hard as they could with some tremendous second half fight backs. This is to be commended and we hope to see them continue growing as young sportsmen. Well

done to the players who represented the A team and those who came up from the C team. Keep working hard and above all ensure that you enjoy the game.

■ TEAM: O. Baum, T. van Heerden, M. Epstein, T. Turner, D. Warton-Hood, C. Green, G. Rodinis, H. Dempers, J. Barrett, F. Moser, M. Naude, Z. Muleya, M. Olbrich, N. Bradfield, C. Border, B. MacFarlaine, S. Terblanche, D. Karlein,

Rigby and Dallas

#### **U12C**

At the beginning of the season I was impressed with the way the boys knuckled down during trial matches. They showed great enthusiasm during the defence sessions with Braam van Straaten, and displayed courage in during the first few matches. It emphasized the character of this group of boys and I knew we were in for an enjoyable season. We leaked a couple of tries later in the season, therefore we went back to basics in terms of defence, and worked very hard in order to stick to the defensive structures that we had put in place. It took some time before everybody was confident in implementing this system, but hats off to the boys for persevering in order to achieve their goals. They arrived at practice sessions with enthusiasm and the team spirit was second to none. We were blessed with a mixture of strong runners, combined with some players with great skill and creative ability. On attack we outwitted defences with our confidence and flair. In the first game against Wynberg we showed good creativity, and we also competed very well at the breakdown. We managed to continue our great form the next week with good

commitment and skill against Rondebosch. This was certainly a start to a very enjoyable season. Due to hard work by the boys during practice sessions, it was a season with more ups than downs. Never did anybody drop their heads after a defeat, but rather reflected and moved on to better performances. I wish this group of boys all the best for next season. I would also like to thank the parents for their continued support throughout the season.

■ TEAM:M. Beaumont, L. Botha, O. Carey, C. Green, T. Kumalo, D. Levick, N. Mahlati, M. Molyneux, D. Ramiah, C. Ressell, G. Rodinis, M. Seseli, T. Slauck, K. Spotswood, D. Thom, O. Thom, L. van der Merwe, M. Olbrich, C. Border.

Willem Louw

#### **U11A**

**Nic Allison** (Captain) writes: We started our season with a bang with the Durbanville Tournament where we were runners up in the Plate final. As the season progressed we had some memorable wins and a few disappointing close losses, but we learnt something in every game. We played some of our best running rugby that I've ever seen us play, moving the ball from side to side. Our forwards pack grew in strength over the whole season and we became like the Raptors, working in a pack to take down our "enemy"! The end of term 2 saw us face Rondebosch, the biggest game of the season! Unfortunately it ended in a very narrow one point loss, but we had some great things to take away from the match. Over the next term we were determined to do the best we could possibly do. We were encouraged and supported all the way, and our coaches always raised the spirit of the whole team. I

would like to thank the coaches for their hard work, support and dedication to our team. Finally to my team, thanks boys for all the great memories.

As Prep school rugby becomes more powerful, ruthless even, let's be honest, it becomes more like watching a super-rugby match. I believe that prep school rugby is in a downward spiral and an unrealistic drive towards performing and winning at the cost of the individual development of each boy. My strategy for this season was to create an atmosphere where the boys could learn about themselves in many hard-hitting situations and then express themselves in an environment where winning is not the most important outcome. The boys responded well and before we knew it they were putting in performances that were exceptional, even though we were on the losing side. I believe that the boys have developed into wonderful ambassadors for Bishops. Their sportsmanship on and off the field has been commented on by many opposition coaches. One such moment will always stick in my mind: when they decided to clap off Kenridge after losing to them in the final at the Durbanville Tournament. Such a contrast: one team celebrating as if they had won the World Cup and the other standing and forming a tunnel to show respect and gratitude to the winning team. What an act of sportsmanship. I would like to thank the parents for their ongoing support throughout the year.

TEAM:N. Allison, X. Ngxangane, C. Watson, Y. Ahmed, J. Crafford, C. Crawford, Devan Botha, A. Graaff, S. Griffiths, Z. Heyns, R. Horton, T. Jacobs, C. Jenman, KM. Joseph, Z. Koor, J. Marcopoulos, D. Marshall, N. Chahwahwa, B. Norton, L. Patterson, E. Probert, T. Stewart, A. Williams-Ashman

Grant de Sousa

#### **U11B**

The 2016 rugby season was a very tough one for the boys. Some of the games that we played were extremely close and could have gone either way. The reality was that in the majority of the games we were dominated by bigger and quicker opposition. The team improved as the season progressed and it was pleasing to see a number of the boys represent the A team. A big thank you to Matt Brodziak for leading the boys through the season. Congratulations to Yusuf Ahmed and Daanyaal Hendricks for being the most improved players in the group, and to Austin Graaff, Andrew William-Ashman, Zayan Koor and Ben Norton for representing the A team.

■ TEAM:Matt Brodziak , Yusuf Ahmed, Lihle Ngxakaza, Thomas Callum, Andrew William-Ashman, Zac Heyns, Josh Gevisser, Cayden Smith, Nick Macdonald, Ben Norton, Anthony Smith, Austin Graaff, Jake Phillips, Zayan Koor, Tye Stuart, Andrew Dallas, Thomas Rowand, Oscar Blatch, Daanyaal Hendricks

Trento Lambrechts.

#### U11C

The team really impressed me with their determination, enthusiasm and positive attitude towards all aspects of rugby. This was most clearly displayed at practice sessions where they gave every single drill and exercise 100%. They are a competitive group and

there was very 'little love lost' when playing mini-games during practice sessions. This team earned themselves the title 'The Giant Slayers' by being the only team to beat Durbanville, DPHS and Paarl Boys. Ball retention was most definitely this team's strength and we always looked best with ball in hand. We spent a great deal of time working on defensive lines and although some progress has been made, it remains a facet of the game that will need more attention next season. They must be congratulated on their determined attitude on the field and their excellent behaviour and manners during the season. Many thanks to Mr Bradley and Mr Goodall for their dedication, enthusiasm and valuable contributions towards making this an exciting and enjoyable rugby season. I must also thank all the parents for their loyal support and words of encouragement from the touchlines.

■ TEAM:Nikolaos Augoustatos, Sam Berrisford, Oscar Blatch, Luke Bolus, Dean Cooper, Liam Day, Luke Elliott-Jaaback, Daniel Fletcher, Andrew Kleye, Nicholas Macdonald, Joshua Petersen, Johann Steyn, Benjamin Swift, Joshua Traut, Timothy Walsh, Andrew Dallas, Ryan Ferreira, Stuart Whitelaw.

Greg Shuttleworth

#### **U10A**

The 2016 season was an eye opener for the little guys. It was a year of significant transition for them. They not only moved from ten-man rugby to full-field 15-man rugby, but needed to learn the various roles their new positions entailed. As coaches, our biggest challenge each year is getting boys accustomed to these



Great step by Lucca Mynhardt

positions. We do not always get it perfect out of the gate, but with time and patience we tend to get it right. It was a successful season, maybe not in the traditional measure of win/ loss ratio, but in terms of player and team development. The boys showed a lot of growth this season, including how well they could play as a team. No better game could illustrate that than the away matches vs Durbanville and SACS. The boys threw everything at their opponents and were unlucky to fall short of a win in both matches. There is no doubt that there is enough talent in this age group to trouble any opposition. Belief in themselves and their abilities as well as consistency of playing as a team will be their biggest challenge going forward. A few of the boys also had the opportunity to participate in the Rondebosch Sevens Festival, playing against five schools from the Southern Suburbs area. They showed some great individual efforts that day, and succeeding in beating four of the competing schools. The skills they exhibited at the festival will serve them well going forward in their rugby career. We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of

the U10 parents for their support throughout the season. To the boys, next year, U11 will come with its own set of challenges, but we are confident this group is poised to face them head on. We wish all of this year's players the best in your rugby careers. Remember: hard work pays off.

■ TEAM:Ross Walker, Josh van Wyk, Robert Forrest, Alexander Smith, Jack Campbell, Christopher Gray, Albert Steyn, Jordan de Sousa, Thomas Ludlam, Toran Head, Avumile Mngxekeza, Michael Voogt, David Handley, James Kotze, Lucca Mynhardt, Arran Muir, Jacob Oelz.

Khwezi Mgomboti and Matthew Boshoff

#### **U10B**

It was a pleasure coaching the U10Bs this season. As a coach I had loads of fun watching these boys grow as rugby players, they grew after every game and learnt new lessons as we went on. I was very proud of the boys for coming out week in and week out and trying their best on game day. The whole season was a learning curve for the team and I am sure they will take these lessons into next year and grow as rugby players. I wish every single boy that played in the B team the best for next year and hope to see you in the A team soon. Thanks for a great season!

■ TEAM: Ambethe Liwani, James Gibbs, Nicholas Basson, Aya Dyaphu, Max Escourt, Ben Karlein (Captain), Michael Kotze, Jacob Oelz, Adam Constant, Daniel Malan, Joseph Lapan, Luke Johnstone, Tiaan Louw, Tristan Wilson, Josh Anderson, Carwyn Davies, Zack Berman, Caden Ridgway. Luke Jacobs

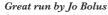
#### U10C AND D

This year our group consisted of 26 regular players. Too many players to field one team, yet too few to field two teams - especially when key players are suddenly called up to the B team for Saturday matches due to injuries or sickness in higher teams. Our C side had regular games and the boys gradually improved in their new 15-man structure as well as in passing and catching. The results show that the boys really struggled against all opposition. Despite regular rucking and tackling skills sessions, the boys let themselves down in these two areas. Most boys were not determined enough in trying to bring their opponent down and just too gentle to stake a claim for possession of that precious ball. We regularly fielded a squad of 19 players so that more boys got a chance to experience the excitement of representing Bishops on a Saturday morning.

Our D side played very few matches because, apart from SACS, no other school had a D side. On one or two occasions we organized an extra mid-week fixture for the D side and filled the gaps with C team players. The team did not gel well and lost to opponents who were just too strong. Against Durbanville, they were mis-matched against the same side which later beat the C team! Despite the losses, this group of 26 boys kept its enthusiasm throughout the season and in all weathers. I hope that they will build on the foundation we have laid and become more successful in their matches in years to come. Many thanks to all the parents who came out to watch and encourage their sons. Thanks, too, to the three other coaches who assisted during the season.

Tom Campbell







William Prestage evading the opposition



Wall of defence

#### U9

Fifty-five energetic young rugby players arrived for the first U9 practice of the season, eager to take on the exciting challenge of tackle rugby for the first time. From the beginning of the season, the boys were very excited to get stuck in and learn the fundamental skills of the game. The basics and safety of making a tackle, passing both directions and support play and offloading in the tackle were focused on, key starting points to produce skilful rugby players. Learning about the different positions in a rugby side, how those positions fit into a team structure and receiving a position is another fascinating task that the U9s take on. It's very common for a boy to play a variety of positions during a season at this level, frequently getting a taste for life in the backline as well up front in the forwards, which is beneficial for their skills' development and healthy for their experience of the wonderful game of rugby.

As a coaching group our emphasis was on avoiding setting up rucks whenever possible, but instead to look for continuity through offloads and popping off the ground to a teammate in support. This attractive style of rugby certainly paid off with many brilliant team tries with slick interplay being scored

throughout the season. Rugby at this level is about learning about the game and how to work as a team, as well as developing skills, but most importantly, it is about enjoyment and having fun. It is safe to say that this U9 group had plenty of fun on the rugby field in matches and practices this season, which was delightful to see. There is a lot of depth is this age group. We fielded five teams from the A to the E side and the results were very good throughout the season with some memorable wins being recorded, while important lessons were learnt in defeat. The boys were always eager to learn at practices, and the progress made in the boys' skills level and understanding of the game throughout the season was wonderful to witness. This year the inaugural U9 Sevens Festival was hosted at Lutsgensvale. The festival, which comprised the A and B teams of Bishops, as well as five neighbouring schools, gave boys at this age group the chance to experience the game of rugby sevens for the first time. It was a great success with some wonderful skills displayed by our boys and an enjoyable afternoon was had by all. Thanks to the parents for their enthusiastic support throughout the season. Matthew Riches

#### SOCCER

A soccer coaching clinic was held for all the Prep staff during the second week of term 3. This provided the staff with coaching points on the technical side of the game plus a good source of drills to enhance the boys' skills. The soccer season started in Term 3 with the boys playing Inter Class soccer during the lunch breaks, which they thoroughly enjoyed. This was followed by a week of skills-based practices run by Mr Siko and Matthew Bramwell. The boys then moved onto Inter House fixtures which were very competitive and proved to be a great deal of fun with every boy involved in matches.

#### Inter House Soccer

Junior: 2nd Brooke Winner: **Bramley** Senior: 2nd Charlton Winner: **Van der Bijl** 

Following this competition the age groups had practices with their respective coaches and teams were selected for the matches against Rondebosch, Wynberg, Red River, Blue Downs and Mfuleni. Each age group provided an A, B and C team to take on Wynberg Junior and Rondebosch Prep. Those boys not involved in the teams played internal matches against each other. The final fixtures saw the respective A, B and C sides face teams from Red River Primary in Mannenberg, and teams from Mfuleni and Blue Downs sponsored by Africa Bank. The boys found this soccer season to be very enjoyable. It was great to see the development of their skills and game structure as the season progressed.



Mpofana Skwatsha takes the corner kick



Luca Bottega on the move



Fancy moves by Troy Geyer

BISHOPS PREP VS RONDEBOSCH - 19 & 21 September 2016					
Under 13A	Wynberg	Lost	1-2		
Under 13B	Wynberg	Drew	0-0		
Under 13C	Wynberg	Lost	0-2		
Under 12A	Wynberg	Drew	1-1		
Under 12B	Wynberg Drew		2-2		
Under 12C	Wynberg	3-2			
Under 11A	Wynberg	Drew	0-0		
Under 11B	Wynberg	Drew	0-0		
Under 11C	Wynberg	Drew	0-0		
Under 10A	Wynberg	Won	1-0		
Under 10B	Wynberg	Won	2-0		
Under 10C	Wynberg	Drew	1-1		
Under 9A	Wynberg	Won	4-1		
Under 9B	Wynberg	Won	2-0		
Under 9C	Wynberg	Drew	0-0		
	TAY -		A		
Played: 15	Won: 5	Drew: 8	Lost: 2		
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BISHOPS P	REP VS RED RIVER, BLU	E DOWNS - 28 Septembe	r 2016		
BISHOPS P	REP VS RED RIVER, BLU	E DOWNS - 28 Septembe	<b>r 2016</b>		
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Under 13A Under 13B Under 13C	REP VS RED RIVER, BLU Rondebosch Rondebosch Rondebosch	Drew Won Won	1-1 0-1 2-1		
Under 13A Under 13B Under 13C Under 12A	REP VS RED RIVER, BLU  Rondebosch  Rondebosch  Rondebosch  Rondebosch	Drew Won Won Won	1-1 0-1 2-1 2-1		
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BISHOPS PREP VS RED RIVER, BLUE DOWNS - 28 September 2016				
Under 13A	Blue Downs	Lost	0-1	
Under 13B	Red River	Drew	0-0	
Under 13C	Red River	Lost	0-2	
Under 12A	Blue Downs	Won	1-0	
Under 12B	Red River	Won	4-1	
Under 12C	Red River	Lost	0-3	
Under 11A	Blue Downs	Lost	1-2	
Under 11B	Red River	Drew	2-2	
Under 11C	Red River	Won	1-0	
Under 10A	Blue Downs	Drew	2-2	
Under 10B	Red River	1-2		
Under 10C	Red River	Lost	0-2	
Under 9A	Red River	Won	2-0	
Under 9B	Red River	Lost	0-1	
Played: 14	Won: 4	Drew: 3	Lost: 7	



Zain Dawood dribbles ahead

#### **SOUASH**

Our six teams had excellent results in the leagues this last term. All our teams won their respective A-F leagues – a first for Bishops. Congratulations to all our boys who have played league matches this year. Our A and E teams remained unbeaten the whole year. Many thanks: to the coaches from WPCC who helped the boys tremendously

to advance their games; to the teachers who organised the daily ladders and kept a check on the healthy competition for ladder positions and team selections; and to the team managers and parents who lifted, coached and supported the boys at their matches. It was a real team effort by all of you. Well done everyone.

Bruce Mitchell



Chris Macdonald about to hit a winner

#### BISHOPS PREP SQUASH RESULTS

DATE	A League	B League	C League	D League	E League	F League
22 June	Sweet Valley B	Sweet Valley A	Llandudno	Kirstenhof	Fish Hoek C	SACS
	cancelled	cancelled	Bishops won 9-3	Draw 6-6	Bishops won 12-0	Bishops won 9-3
29 June	WPPS A	WPPS B	Kirstenhof	Fish Hoek B	Camps Bay A	bye
	cancelled	cancelled	cancelled	cancelled	cancelled	
12 Aug	WPPS A	Sweet Valley B	Sun Valley B	Wynberg	Rondebosch C	C Creek B
	Bishops won 12-0	Lost 5-7	Bishops won 8-0	Lost 3-6	Bishops won 11-1	Lost 6-7
19 Aug	bye	Beaumont A	Reddam	Llundudno	Herschel A	C Creek A
		Bishops won 8-2	Bishops won 8-0	Drew 98-98	Bishops won 8-4	Bishops won 6-3
26 Aug	Beaumont A	WPPS B	SACS	Rondebosch B	SACS	bye
	Bishops won 12-1	Bishops won 12-0	cancelled	Bishops won 8-4	Bishops won 11-1	







# **BISHOPS PRE-PREPARATORY**



Freddy Pfaff (Grade 1) milks a cow at Gumboot Farm

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# PRE-PREPARATORY NEWS HEAD OF DEPARTMENT'S REPORT



Sharlene Groom

The sound of children playing can brighten any day. Imagine hearing that all day, and you now have a vague idea of the joy that we experience, sharing each and every day with these exciting little boys. Mix this

all with a drill or two, or the sight of a dump truck, front end loader or a crane and you have an outline of our year thus far! Bricks, sandstone and concrete have become part of our daily lives, resulting in the most beautiful and tasteful venues that Bishops has to offer. Our new hall was excitedly initiated by our Grandparents on Grandparents Day when, after our Family chapel service, all were invited to tea and to read to the boys as an extension of our Readathon week.

Carol Bailie was an absolute delight and evoked much food for thought when she

presented her talk to both teachers and parents entitled "Dare to Love". Our boys were treated in so many ways this past term with outings to various places, interesting speakers and visitors to the school. Our Gentlemen's Tea wrapped up the term with our recognition of those boys who are really trying hard to become true Bishops Gentlemen.

Our Outreach Programme once again astounded us all, with seven bookshelves being filled with wonderful books and donated to Little Libraries, which reach the outskirts of the city, providing sometimes the only books in the school. Thank you to all those generous parents who made a contribution to this cause. To quote from Nelson Mandela's talk on the 90th birthday celebration of Walter Sisulu in 2002, "What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived. It is what difference we have made to the lives of others that will determine the significance of the life we lead." May we continue to strive to make a difference in the lives of those we teach as well as those around us.

## NEWS FROM GRADE R

Everybody returned after a long winter break into an exciting and eventful new term! The term was packed with a range of activities for boys and their parents. We were proud to celebrate the Olympics with a feast from around the world. Boys came dressed in creative outfits to match or represent their favourite country. To accompany the dressup day, the boys brought in delicious foods from different countries too. We snacked and shared a range of Italian, Eastern, African and American foods. Thank you to all the mommies who helped prepare and put all the goodies together. During Readathon



Fun with construction (Gr RN)



Fire Station Excitement (Gr RvZ)



Qadeer Orrie and his Granny



Ethan Johnson enjoys International Food Day



Max Harvey being read to by his Granny



Blankets sewn and collected by Grade RC



Dominic van Reenen

week, the boys could bring their favourite Dr Seuss book to school. Over the course of the week many books were read to the boys. showing much love for the famous and wellknown writer. Much fun was had when a day was put aside to dress up as your favourite book character! We had a range of lovely characters such as a whale from the Snail and the Whale, pirates, knights, and even a little Springbok to represent Bokkie. The boys had the opportunity to see a fantastic show called *Hooked on Books*. This was performed by a group of energetic and creative young actors. The stories being presented were selected for children of Pre-Prep age and used as an inspiration to get them reading. The books can be purchased at

any bookstore. The Readathon week ended with a Grandparents Chapel Service in the Memorial Theatre. Selected boys from each grade had the opportunity to say a prayer in front of their special guests. The singing performed by our little boys was lovely and filled the whole chapel with a special feeling of appreciation for South Africa and its wonderful Heritage. At 9am, our special visitors came back to Grade R to enjoy tea and delicious eats in our new hall. As part of our Readathon week, the boys were read to by their grandparents. This made it a very personal and memorable day for all! Well done Grade R boys, for showing lovely manners and respect to all involved on this special day.

## NEWS FROM GRADE 1

The boys came back feeling refreshed after their lovely winter holiday and were ready for the long term ahead. We started the term with a theme about Trees and Plants. We learnt about the importance of trees and how they are vital in providing us with oxygen. We made posters encouraging the planting of trees and the protection of our beautiful environment. Our next theme was 'Animals' where we focused on farm animals, wild animals, animal coverings and animal homes. We created a project on these topics, incorporating it into all our learning areas. The boys enjoyed an informative talk about cows and dairy farming. We also went by bus to Gumboot Farm where we were given the opportunity to collect eggs, feed a variety of animals and go on a tractor ride. We learnt about the products that are used from the various animals and

other interesting facts. Everyone enjoyed the experience of trying to milk a cow and then we watched how the milk was separated. It was a fun-filled morning the boys will never forget.

The elections also took place during the term and we gave our boys an opportunity to vote for a special treat. We made ID books and each boy was greeted, had his ID book stamped, received a black dot on his thumb and then was given the opportunity to go into a voting booth and make his mark on the ballot. The majority of boys voted to come to school wearing civvies, with the boys voting for extra break losing narrowly.

Another highlight of the term was our Readathon Week. On the first day, the boys came dressed up as a character from a storybook and we were treated to a wonderful performance from *Hooked on Books* in the



Off on a tractor ride

theatre. The boys were encouraged to read as much as possible and we had a pyjama day where they came to school still in their onesies with a teddy and blanket. We invited our grandparents to the family chapel service. The prayers and singing were particularly special and then the grandparents were invited to tea at the new Pre-Prep hall. After tea the grandparents shared their favourite stories with their grandsons. The weather was lovely, and we were able to sit outside and share a special time together. The boys also collected gently

used books for donation and we thank all those who responded so generously.

In keeping with Heritage Day, we explored our heritage with a theme entitled 'Proudly South African'. The boys made posters celebrating our rainbow nation, brought special South African food to school and came dressed as proud South Africans. As it was the end of the winter sports season, we held a tag rugby tournament at Lutgensvale that ended with a family braai. It was a great way to end an exciting, busy term.



Readathon Dress-up Day

# NEWS FROM GRADE 2

After a long and refreshing holiday, the Grade 2s were ready to come back to school and get stuck into some challenging work. We as teachers are always amazed at how boys often come back to school after their three-week break, more mature, independent and ready to master whatever we have to teach them! July and August were excellent months for the boys to consolidate concepts, learn new ones and test their newly-learnt computer skills out in the computer lab each week.

In early September, some of our hockey boys were fortunate enough to be invited to play in a tournament with some other Cape Town schools at Western Province Cricket Club Astroturf. We were very proud of the skills that these boys demonstrated on the field, and even more so of their excellent sportsmanship and gentlemanly manners. Later on in the term to end off our hockey season, all the boys were invited to play a match together with their parents on the Bishops Astroturf. The best rule was that



Some Grade 2 boys showing off their Character Day costumes



Grade 2s from Grade 2LF at the Tag Tournament



Our Grade 2 Gentlemen's Club for Term 3



Cameron Joubert, Nicolas Lanfranchi and Liam Hacking at Oranjezicht City Farm



Noah Coleman and Samuel Crookes planting their very own seeds at Oranjezicht City Farm



Matthew Leck, Oliver Howie, Michael Whitelaw and Hayden Smith sharing some tag rugby team spirit at the tournament



Oliver Howie (Grade 2HF) at the Magic Classroom being an assistant to the magician!

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only the boys were allowed to score goals, and not their parents! Lots of fun was had by all involved.

Towards the end of the term we managed to cram in lots of exciting events! One of these events was our Readathon week. We encouraged all boys to read as many pages as possible and record the names of the books and pages read each day. This fun-filled week kicked off with a 'Character day' where the boys came dressed as a character from a story they knew. We had everything from Harry Potter to Charlie from the Chocolate Factory. **Max Petersen** said, "I was Dr Seuss, because I like reading his books." We commend the parents and the boys on all the effort they made with this.

The next event on our calendar was a visit to the Magic Classroom at The College of Magic in Rondebosch. The boys learnt about colour and light and how they are used to trick the eye. **James Gordon** said he, "Enjoyed seeing the secret door which lead into the classroom." **Cullen Creedon** recounts he really liked, "When the magician turned the orange into a Fanta!" The boys had some time to experiment with some apparatus, **Reve Tuscher** said, "I liked the glasses where you could see backwards."

Not long after this, still during our Readathon week, the boys were invited to come dressed in their pyjamas and bring along a favourite teddy. **Joe Lanning** said, "It was so nice and cosy!" **Sahil Thomas** recounted, "I liked not having to change in the morning at home and just coming straight to school in my pyjamas." On the same day the boys were treated to a show called *Hooked on Books*. A talented team of actors presented some short scenes from books the boys might

be interested in reading. **Noah Coleman** loved, "When they called volunteers up on the stage." Lots of laughter was heard and the boys' love for reading increased when they realised how many more funny books there are out there to read.

In the same week the boys invited their grandparents to a morning chapel service, tea and a reading session with them out on the field. The boys were treated to having their grandparents reading to them and really enjoyed showing off their classrooms and beautiful artwork. **Tristan Thirion** said, "Grandpa Chris read *The Crocodile Ride*. It was nice reading outside." **Jack Stewart** said, "My granny brought her own book from long ago."

To end off our wonderful tag rugby season, the Tag Tournament was held for boys to play in some final games against each other. The teachers and parents were very impressed at the excellent skills that were displayed on the field that afternoon. Gabriel Lind said, "It was so exciting to see our friends and play together." Murray Finch recounted, "When you got the ball you were just so excited and didn't know if you should run or pass so you just ran and you are so happy to score a try!" Lots of fun was had by all and this exciting afternoon was followed by an afternoon braai for all to enjoy. John van den Heever said, "It was very exciting and fun at the braai!"

After a wonderful, learning filled term, the Grade 2s were looking forward to their short holiday before they come back to experience the last of their time in Grade 2. We are so proud of how far each Grade 2 boy has come this term and look forward to enjoying our last bit of time together in the fourth quarter. Sharlene Groom



# OLD DIOCESANS UNION



Above: Stef Rohrer (1986K), Christian Rohrer, Michael Burton, Paul Burton (1984K). Our new Head Boy for 2017 is Christian Rohrer, son of Stef Rohrer (1986K) and Deputy Head Boy and Head of Kidd House is Michael Burton, son of Paul Burton (1984K). Paul was Head Boy and Head of Kidd House in 1984. Read more on the matric address under Notes from the OD Union Office.

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## ROLL OF HONOUR

Their name liveth for ever

#### In December we remember:

#### THE GREAT WAR 1914-1919

Letterstedt Frederick Childe (1869-76) Maj-General, Indian Army medical service. 1918

Bertram Hewat (1907-10) [MC] Lieut, RFA. France, 8 December 1917

Ferdinand Jeppe (1902) Lieut, RAF. England, December 1917

Ernest Keeley (1904) Lieut, SAI. France, 1917

Alexander Macfarlane (1900-03) Lieut, RFA. France, 2 December 1917

**AE Ochse** (1882-83) Corpl, SAI. France, 1918

Douglas Snashall (1910-13) Driver, Motor Transport. East Africa, December 1916

Percy Stapleton (1897-1907) [MC] Lieut SAI. France, December 1918

Guy Stent (1900) Lieut SAI. Died, 18 December 1919

Stephen Steyn (1902-08) Lieut, RFA. Palestine, December 1917

Harold Tredrea (1915-16) Pvt, SAI. France, December 1918

Samuel Woofe (1910) SAI. France, September 1918

#### **THE WORLD WAR 1939-1945**

Peter Bairnsfather Cloete (1927-35) Capt, DEOR. Kisumu, 19 December 1942

Douglas Buchanan (1926-29) Flying-Officer, RAF. England, 17 December 1941

Charles Carmichael (1925-33) Lieut, East Kents. At sea, 7 December 1942

D'Eyncourt Chamberlain (1913-16) Major, Hampshires. North Africa, 2 December 1942

Painton Cowen (1926-29) Lieut, Royal Marines. Mediterranean, 22 December 1942

Owen de Smidt (1931-37) [C] Lieut, SAAF. Cyprus, 3 December 1944

Thomas Fisher (1920-27) Major, SAAF. Mediterranean, 12 December 1941

Ronald Fletcher (1937-41) WOII, SAAF. Italy, 26 December 1944

Michael Fowler (1933-34) Major, SAAF. Mediterranean, 9 December 1941

David Howe-Brown (1936-41) Flying-Officer, RAF. Germany, 2 December 1943

Harry Landsberg (1945-48) Lieut, Citizen Force Unit. Grasmere, SA, 24 November 1962

Roger Louw (1919-20) Trooper, Imperial Light Horse. Sicily, 2 December 1942

Gerald Shaw (1927-32) Pvt, Botha Regiment. Greece, 9 December 1941

#### In January we remember

#### THE GREAT WAR 1914-1919

RD Graham (1902-06) Capt, SA Scottish. POW and wounded. Died in Cape Town (not recorded)
Godfrey Johnston (1902-04) Lieut, 32nd Indian Lancers. Died in Somaliland, 1915
Austin Pocock (1900-01) Maj, 5th SA Horse. Died in East Africa, January 1916
Jack ER Syfret (1909-15) Lieut, in the Royal Field Artillery. Died in SA, January 1919

#### THE WORLD WAR 1939-1945

Ronald Howes (1924-32) Capt, Dragoon Guards. Italy, 24 January 1944
Alan Marshall (1931-37) Cpl, Cape Town Highlanders. Italy, 29 January 1943
Robert Midgley (1926-30) Sgt, SA Intelligence. At sea, 3 January 1943
Peter Moodie (1932-34) L/Bdr, SAA. North Africa, 23 January 1942
Kenneth Reid (1924-29) Sgr, SANF. Off Greece, 12 January 1945

#### In February we remember

#### THE GREAT WAR 1914-1919

Egbert Clark (1899-1900) Capt, Cheshire Regiment. Died of wounds in Mesopotamia, February 1917
Charlton Horne (1901-07) Pvt, 3rd SAI. Egypt, 26 February 1916
Andrew McGregor (1904-10) Lieut, 9th Black Watch. France, 28 February 1916
Oswald Puckle (1908) Pvt, 2nd Rhodesians. East Africa, February 1916
Walter Reid (1895-1900) Lieut, RFA. Died in England, February 1919

#### **THE WORLD WAR 1939-45**

Anthony Blackett (1935-38) Pilot-Officer, RAF. Britain, 14 February 1941 Charles Earp-Jones (1925-29) Sgt, RAF. Continent, 26 February 1943 John Gooldon (1927-36) [M] Capt, SAA. Italy, 7 February 1945 John Lewis (1921-26) Lieut, SANF. Mediterranean, February 1941 Peter Renniker (1936-38) Pilot-Officer, RAF. Eritrea, 8 February 1941

## NOTES FROM THE OD UNION OFFICE

#### **CHAIRMAN'S NOTES**

2016 has been a fascinating year from the perspective of an educational establishment such as Bishops. Most notably, we have witnessed the turmoil of the "Fees Must Fall" campaign, the uninspiring (or perhaps more accurately, uninspired) reaction from government and the accompanying inflammatory, divisive and vitriolic language.

This has cast a shadow over all levels of the education establishment, including schools, and we have had to think deeply about issues and what is at stake as a result. There are still more questions than answers and next year looks equally problematic for our tertiary institutions.

This important and unsettling issue has also highlighted how important it is for us to support those young ODs leaving school in these challenging times. Our ODU Mentoring Programme has never been more relevant. Now very ably coordinated by Nicky Bicket (1973F) it creates a vital support structure. Please get involved.

Your ODU committee is also establishing what we are calling "Bishops Cares". We have appointed a sub-committee to investigate and research the structure, purpose and ways of working of this new initiative and we will report back to you when we have more information.

The Bishops Trust is being restarted. The Trust is responsible for raising funds for the school and we will be keeping ODs well informed.

Wishing you all a happy, rewardinging and safe December Holidays.

Bruce Fack (1987G)

Chairman

# EXECUTIVE MANAGER'S NOTES

It has been a real privilege and joy coming back to labour on Robert Gray's old farm, Woodlands. At first it felt overwhelmingly daunting to be working for a large Union with so many impressive members all over the world and coming to terms with the expectations of this specific vocation. But soon enough I started finding my feet – firstly spending time on campus and meeting many new members of the school community. Within days many senior members of the ODU were bringing their well-wishes. I started meeting with passionate members sharing their concerns for the school and excited ones looking forward to the next OD gathering.

It is truly remarkable that in such a short space of time, Bishops has had such an effect on so much of our lives. Clearly Bishops is not just another school. Indeed we are all members of the Bishops family. We have our motto, our values, and our own family style. Our long heritage instils inspiration to venture forward into an uncertain future. We shape, motivate, and encourage each other. Like iron sharpens iron.

There are also ODs who have had hurtful experiences during their time at school. Pain, sorrow, and disgrace forms part of some school memories. I acknowledge this as well. I am here to serve all ODs – to serve the Bishops family. Join me. Let's build on our past experiences, learn from them, and strive forward in unison. Let us talk together, listen together, and plan together. Let us leave a legacy, together.

#### Three points from an administrative side:

- The magazine is there for your information and enjoyment, but is also essential for our record keeping. Please make an effort to keep us informed with your updated contact details so that we can stay in contact with you. Please know that we need your updates on your life. This is not boasting nor bragging. Rather view it as an opportunity around the dinner table to inform the family of what you have been up to. The family is interested in you! And send pictures to: dorourke@bishops.org.za or wpvanzyl@bishops.org.za
- We are furiously busy working on updating our database, as well as working with the school on a dynamic new website. We have launched LinkedIn and Instagram social media channels this year in addition to our popular Facebook page. Please keep the ODU office informed of any changes to your information such as address, location, email and telephone numbers. This allows us to communicate effectively with you. We are currently contacting ODs where we are missing information. Please email odu@ bishops.org.za with your updated contact information. Please also remind any fellow ODs you are in contact with to do the same.
- Our family home, Bishops, is in need of maintenance and upgrades. Look out for the activities of The Bishops Trust as it gets fired up again and starts outlining the necessities required to keep this school a place of excellence. The school is turning 175 in just over 7 years. There's work to be done, so pull in!

Enjoy reading about fellow ODs, and all their efforts across the globe. And a big thank you to Delré for all the time that has gone into compiling it.

WP van Zyl (1997K)

# INTRODUCING THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

SIMON PEILE (1979F) looks after the Finance Portfolio for the ODU Committee. His major responsibility is the long term investments of the Union and he sits on the school's investment committee. The ODU follows similar investment strategies to those followed by the school and we piggy-back on the work done by the school's investment committee, which includes a number of OD investment industry professionals. He also works with our Honorary Treasurer and the Head of Governance to oversee the management of the Union's short term finances.

JOHN MACEY (1979O) manages the Governance Portfolio on the ODU Committee. He is responsible for the ODU having effective controls in place and oversight to ensure that expenditure and use of the ODU assets are conducted in terms of the ODU constitution and within the mandate of the committee.

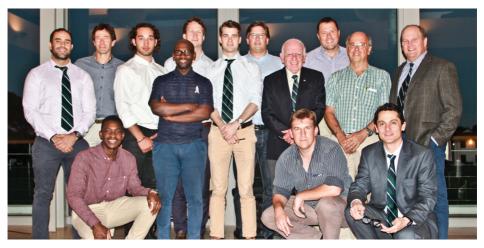
#### **GUY LANFEAR (1979G)**

Honorary Treasurer

Guy is responsible for the overall financial reporting of the OD Union, preparation of the Annual Financial Statements, submission of Annual Financial Statements to the OD Union's Auditors as well as the Annual Treasurer's Report tabled at the AGM.

**ADAM PIKE** (19920) has recently filled the big shoes of Jonathan Steytler (1978G) on the committee. He is responsible for keeping an eye on the legal, contractual and regulatory facets of the Union's activities.

#### THE ODU COMMITTEE



Standing left to right: Anton Taylor, Guy Lanfear, Michael Mynhardt, Arthur Mngxekeza, Luc du Plesss (non-executive observing OD), Dugald Robertson, Nick Durrant, Raymond Ackerman (President), Simon Peile, Phil Calothi, Bruce Jack (Chairman) Kneeling left to right: Mnotho Makhoba, WP van Zyl, Adam Pike Not in attendance: John Macey, Moshe Apleni

Presently, he is developing a Privacy Policy, particularly in relation to the use of ODs' personal information by the Union.

NICK DURRANT (1992G) is responsible for IT, Communication and Marketing and supports the OD Office on aspects related to technical infrastructure decisions including audio visual, internet, network and digital communication channels. This has included the implementation of the new technical requirements for The Mitre and the ongoing support of various projects for the OD Union in conjunction with the school IT teams and our office i.e. website (new site in development), e-mail communication, OD database upgrades and renewals, new hardware, telecoms and IT support agreements.

**PHIL CALOTHI (1968W)** represents the interests of the OD Union in the design, funding and maintenance of The Mitre premises. He also project managed the interior design and the installation of the fixtures, fittings and equipment of the Mitre.

#### MOSHE APLENI (1997F) AND ARTHUR MNGXEKEZA (1997F)

Moshe and Arthur's portfolio is a new one, which came about through the initiative of integrating black ODs, who were otherwise not as involved in matters of the ODU as they could have been. They play an integral role of representing the perspectives of our black ODs on the committee. Arthur also drives the support structures for black (and especially scholarship) boys at the school, and Moshe focuses on garnering support for the

revival of the Hamilton Mvelase Scholarship, which gave many of our fellow black ODs the opportunity to attend Bishops. Both of them meet and report back to the wider black OD group four times a year.

#### YOUNG ODS – DUGALD ROBERTSON (2010F), ANTON TAYLOR (2005B), MICHAEL MYNHARDT (2013F) AND MNOTHO MAKHOBA (2013S)

Our four young committee members' profile entails connecting younger ODs in a relevant way to the ODU. Their job is to bring our youngest men back to Bishops and provide a forum in which they feel comfortable interacting across generations. Over the years this position has increased in importance due to the significant transformation and progression of the ODU. Initiatives such as the Mentorship Programme, the Young OD Club and the various social network forums have led to a rejuvenation of the younger ODs' love for their Union. In particular, this position demands event organization, creating networking platforms and many hours helping in the Mitre during our functions. This is all done in line with the overall objective of the ODU, which is to connect ODs across the world.

#### REPORT ON THE ODU MENTORING PROGRAMME - By Nicky Bicket (1973F) ODU UK Branch Secretary

The Mentoring Programme is an example of how the ODU remains relevant and valued. Since September, the UK Branch has taken over the Global OD Mentoring Programme which was launched internationally on the



back of the successful UK initiative. At the time of writing, there are almost 300 OD mentors worldwide covering over 90 disciplines and occupations and just on 100 mentees (past and present) who receive mentoring, many of them across country borders. The programme was set up in support of the ODU's purpose of "ODs helping ODs" and it is staggering and gratifying just how many extraordinarily well-qualified ODs have stepped forward to voluntarily offer support and guidance to younger ODs. From academia to yachting (and everything in between; I am waiting for a zoologist to sign up to complete the mentoring alphabet). Younger ODs are encouraged to avail themselves of this expertise and experience. They can do so through the ODU website. And we're always looking for more mentors, wherever they are in the world – should this be something that might interest you, the website is the place sign up.

#### **GRATITUDE**

In our newsletter of 20 May we appealed to OD rowers to support and contribute funds by sponsoring a "blade" for the Blades for Bishops initiative, a long-awaited dream of a land-based high performance Rowing Centre to be built adjacent to the cricket pavilion at the Oaks. We would like to thank the following OD rowers who donated generous funds to this campaign:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Robert (2010G), James (2012G) and} \\ \textbf{Piers Johnston (2015G)} \end{array}$ 

Charles Arton (1978W)

Adam (2004B) and Philip Pickard (2007B)

Chris Bands (1990K)

Mark Burgess (1992O)

James Sedgwick (1976F)

Michael Starke (1996K)

#### MATRIC ORATION

In assembly on Thursday 13 October the grade 12 boys were handed their OD ties by WP van Zyl (1997K) and Michael Mynhardt (2013F). The boys were then welcomed to the ODU by our Ex-Chairman, Brian Robertson (1979W), due to our Chairman, Bruce Jack, travelling, along with committee members, Dugald Robertson (2010F) and Anton Taylor (2005B). The OD Union has put in place a comprehensive programme to ensure the smooth transition from school to union. The central theme is that "ODs care for ODs", we look out for one another and we look after one another. The matrics were encouraged to get involved and become a part of this incredible network through the coaching and mentoring programme. After the address, the boys enjoyed tea and eats followed by the ever-popular shirt signing.







Top: Class of 2016. Left: Shirt Signing. Right: Proud Future ODs

## **UK REPORT**

The UK Branch of the ODU consists of over 700 members, spanning matriculation years between 1939 and 2015 and in that, are representative of the demographics of the OD body anywhere in the world.

The UK compared to South Africa is a small country (or more accurately, group of countries). Scotland has its own Branch. The UK Branch covers the rest. And the rest can be a difficult, time-consuming and expensive place to get around. Most of the Branch's functions and events happen in the South East and mainly in London, the epicentre (in engineering if not geographic terms) of the country's rail network. ODs are spread across the UK and for many to get to a London function can entail a multi-hour train journey and, more often than not, a sleepover in the capital. So given the broad age range, the challenges of attending functions and the fact that we can offer no Bishops campus as a magnet or venue, it is very gratifying to see

more and more ODs becoming engaged in the Branch's activities.

Gone are the days when the ODU was merely a drinking, sporting and dining club, providing, at the centre, a rolodex which enabled ODs to stay in touch with each other. In today's immediate world of social media connecting ODs real-time anywhere to any number of social

and professional events and each other, the "country club" club raison d'etre is almost redundant. To be meaningful, especially 6000 miles from the mothership, we must attract ODs through relevant and valued offerings. And always with the objective of doing what we do, while fun, sociable and often nostalgic, as a platform to facilitate networking within the OD fraternity and with other likeminded alumni associations. In the UK, contacts are everything so leveraging the ODU network — our own and other alumni associations — underpins everything we do.

Nicky Bicket (1973F) UK Branch Secretary

#### **ACTIVITIES**

In October David Jordan (1962W) led a party of ODs and their families on a guided tour of Hampstead Heath and Kenwood House. David is a certified London Blue Badge Guide and passionate about the Heath. His



Left to right: David Jordan (1962W), Tim Loughton (1993G), Tom McLennan (2009G), Peter Arthur (1965W), Haydn Hammond (1990B), Claire Deane and Aarjan Snoek (1997O)

knowledge and energy were inspiring and we all learnt a good deal about the history, politics, culture and sub-culture of the area – and burnt off a few calories in the process. ODs on the walk were: Tim Loughton (1993G), James Deane (1990B), Peter Arthur (1965W), Humphrey Payne (1961O), Haydn Hammond (1990B), Tom McLennan (2009G) and Aarjan Snoek (1997O). Sadly, Chris Saunders (1960O) had to pull out at the last moment having endured a pretty uncomfortable flight up to the UK the night before.

Also in October, I together with John Wyatt (1963W), Graham Thomas (1984F) and David Walsh (Chairman of the Old Tonbridgians) made a day trip to Thiepval to lay a wreath at a short but moving memorial service to commemorate the 18 ODs who fell in the Battle of the Somme. We also used the opportunity to recce the area in preparation for the OD tour of the Western Front in October 2017



Left to right: Graham Thomas (1984F), Nicky Bicket (1973F) and John Wyatt (1963W)

Alex Price (2008M) and Stefan Swanepoel (2008M) together and Doug Mallett (2007M) completed extraordinarily athletic challenges to raise money for very deserving South African charities, The Thokozani Youth Centre and

Yabonga respectively. Alex and Stefan scaled Kilimanjaro and Doug completed the Arch-to-Arc epic. They are to be congratulated on their commitment (and energy).

The Senior OD Golf Team under the captaincy of Richard Duck (1964G) took on the FIGS at Walton Heath and in a rather gentlemanly fashion drew the match. The team consisted of Bob Trew (1952F), Peter Arthur (1965W), John Wyatt (1963W), and Robert Simpson (1968S). The aim of the Senior OD side is to take on similarly-constituted alumni teams, to play on iconic courses and to play midweek. Any "senior" OD (loosely, over 55) who is travelling to the UK with his clubs or just keen to turn out should get hold of Richard through the ODU to see whether his visit coincides with a fixture.



The Team Back: Bob Trew (1952F) and Richard Duck (1964G). Front: Peter Arthur (1965W), John Wyatt (1963W) and Robert Simpson (1968S)

53 ODs and guests assembled at The Carlton Club for a lunch with Tony Little who for thirteen years was Headmaster of Eton. Introduced by Charles MacGregor (1969F) and

thanked afterwards by Gareth Penny (1980F), Tony spoke passionately, amusingly and with great insight about his journey to, through and then back to arguably one of the best schools in the UK. He added perceptive and provocative comments on the state of British education today and where it might be headed. Any school, he said, which wasn't preparing its pupils for a world of not just artificial intelligence but super-artificial intelligence was not preparing their pupils at all.





Top left: Tony Little, Damon Crowhurst (1991F), John Gibson (1998B) and Robbie Weich (1992B) Bottom left: Anthony St John (1974F), Tim Bowen (1981G) and Grant Challis (1982S) Bottom right: Tony Little, Gareth Penny (1980F) and Miles Maskell (1953O)

ODs who attended were: Peter Arthur (1965W), Nicky Bicket (1973F), Tim Bowen (1981S), John Campbell (1974F), Niall Carroll (1982O), Grant Challis (1982S), Mark Charnock (1962O), Denis Christie (1971F), Damon Crowhurst (1991F), John Doff (1944S), Adam Franke-Mathecka (2002F), John Gibson (1998B), Michael Groves (1960W), Haydn Hammond (1990B), Nick Heesom (1961W),

Peter Joelson (1968O), Stephen Larkin (1990F), Tim Loughton (1993G), Miles Maskell (1953O), Bruce McGregor (1963F), Charles MacGregor (1969F), Bruce McKenzie (1940F), Justin Michau (1988S), Michael Mills (1973S), Chris Olds (1999O), Jeremy Ouvry (1953F), Gareth Penny (1980F), Anthony Pickering (1990F), Chris Price (2002F), Gordon Robinson (1990F), Anthony St John (1974F), Mike Taylor (1959G), Graham Thomas (1984F), Peter Wallach (1958G), Robbie Weich (1992B) and Michael Wilson (1952O).

Casual "pop-up" events are always a spontaneous and enjoyable way of ODs to get together and a few of those have taken place this quarter. Tom Baigrie (1978F), Chris Anderson (1978F) and I enjoyed a very festive housewarming party at the new home of Trevor Torrington (1978S) and his wife Jean. Tom is a barnstorming entrepreneur in the financial services space, and is building up his new business, Life Search. Chris is a very successful urologist practising both within the NHS and private domains. Trevor is the CEO of the healthcare division of The Priory Group one of the largest mental health care providers in the UK.

Passing through the UK was Richard Newton (1972F) who was overnighting on one of his long-haul flights for SAA, for whom Richard has been flying for 32 years. It was wonderful to catch up with him after many years and also with Paul Winter (1971F) who was with us.

As a warm-up for that, I was with Bard Langstrom (1990G), Haydn Hammond (1990B), Martin Calder (1991B) and Nick Durrant (1992G) for a few drinks in a very crowded but well-stocked London pub. I have also met up socially with Choppy



Left to right: Trevor Torrington (1978S), Nicky Bicket (1973F), Chris Anderson (1978F) and Tom Baigrie (1978F)



Left to right: Mike Cockburn (2006F), Alex Price (2008M), Guy de Freitas (2005M) and Francis Eliot (1996F)

Bands (1990F), Anthony Record, MBE (1956S), Michael Wilson (1952S), Haydn Hammond (1990B), Charles MacGregor (1969F), Graham Thomas (F1984), Francis Eliot (1996F), Mike Cockburn (2006F), Alex Price (2008M), Guy de Freitas (2005M) and Zandy MacDonald (2007F).

Rob Johnston (2010G) and I, together with John Hawinkels (2010O) and Nic Boswell (2010S) met to celebrate Rob's acceptance by the Royal Military Board into the Officers'



Rob Johnston (2010G)

training Programme at the Sandhurst Royal Military Academy.







Top Left: Tim (1951S) and Rosemary Bravington
Top right: Rosemary Bravington, Mike Taylor (1959G) and Peter Carter (1963F)
Bottom: Tony Honoré (1939F), Margie Charnock, Peter Carter (1963F) and Matthew Golesworthy (2011K)

At the end of October, several ODs and their wives met at a pub just outside Oxford for a very convivial and long Saturday lunch. Getting out of London and taking the ODU "into the regions" is one of the Branch's objectives and this is the second such lunch we've held. It was a real pleasure having Tony Honoré (1939F) and Deborah Honoré present. I wrote about Tony in the September magazine, and his reconnection with Bishops and the ODU is wonderful for us all. Making up the party were: Tim Bravington (1951S) and his wife Rosemary, Mark Charnock (1962O) and Margie, Matthew Golesworthy (2011K), Katie Hofman (nee Hutchins) (1981G), Peter Carter (1963F) and Diana, Tony Honoré (1939F) and Deborah, Mike Taylor (1959G) and his wife Anne, and Nicky Bicket (1973F).

Our last event of the year will be a drinks party on Thursday 1 December. The event

is hosted by Hamish Sinclair (S, 1992) at the offices of Stonehage Fleming where Hamish is a partner. The report on this will appear in the March 2017 magazine.

Lastly, we are starting an OD Networking Forum for all ODs in or interested in asset management, investment and funds management, financial analysis, in short anyone interested in making money out of some form of investing. As this builds it will be reported in this section of future magazines.

Note that the reports and full set of photographs of all events and functions can be found on the UK ODU Photo Gallery at www. ukodu.blogspot.co.uk. We produce a monthly newsletter for UK ODs and anyone else interested in what has happened, is happening and will happen in the UK. If you're interested in receiving this, please "subscribe" at https://form.jotformeu.com/62625993969376

# FORMATION OF A NEW OD UNION BRANCH – LANGEBERG/OVERBERG

Chris Versfeld (1958S), David Carter (1958G) and Pat Henderson (1958G), with the agreement of the OD Union have formed a new branch, covering the following areas:

- **Overberg** Hermanus, Stanford, Greyton, Caledon, Riviersonderend, Napier, Bredasdorp, Infanta
- Ceres including Tulbagh, Worcester, Wolesley, Prince Alfred Hamlet, Witzenberg/Koue Bokkeveld
- Langeberg McGregor, Barrydale, Bonnievale, Robertson, Montagu, Swellendam, Heidelberg, Vermaaklikheid, Witsand
- Riversdale including Heidelberg, Albertinia, Stilbaai, Swellendam

The central administrative location of the Branch is in Montagu. The Branch Secretary is Patrick Henderson (1958G). The inaugural meeting and dinner took place on 15 October at the Montagu Country Hotel. Excellent Excelsior wines were sponsored by Peter (1995W) and Fred De Wet (1966W) of Excelsior Winery. Brian De Kock (1953O) was the special guest and (due to your Chairman being in Australia on business) WP van Zyl (1997K) represented the OD Union.

ODs in attendance were: Alec MacDonald, Peter De Wet, Frank Hawks, Peter Micklem, Chris Versveld, Patrick Henderson and Gillian Lloyd, who taught at Bishops for eight years, representing her daughter Jane Lloyd (1992G) now living overseas.

Apologies were received from: Bruce Jack, Charles Lipp, Johann Doms, Paul De Wet, Stephen De Wet, Vaughn Koster, John Koster, Duncan Barry, Austin Roberts, John Fisher, Ian Gird, George Gatt, Michael Wheeler, Michael Reed, Peter Ovenstone, Jeremy Ricketts, David



Left to right: Julian Lloyd, Gillian Lloyd, Barbara McDonald, Alec McDonald (1958G), Peter de Wet (1995W), Amanda de Wet, Peter Micklem (1958F), Petra Micklem, Chris Versfeld (1958S), Brian de Kock (1953O), Gill de Kock, Patrick Henderson (1958G), WP van Zyl (1997K) and Maria van Zyl



Left to right: Peter de Wet (1995W), Alec McDonald (1958G), WP van Zyl (1997K), Brian de Kock (1953O), Chris Versfeld (1958S), Patrick Henderson (1958G), Peter Micklem (1958F) and Frank Hawks (1961G)

Schulze, Jerome Sedgwick, David Dicey, Anthony Malan and Steven Smuts.

The Agenda for the meeting covered:

The appointment of the Branch Secretary and Local Area Secretaries:

Frank Hawks (1961G) – Overberg 083 773 0024 - fhawks.napier@gmail.com

David Carter (1958G) – Riversdal

082 004 249 - carter@isat.co.za

**Patrick Henderson (1958G)** – Langeberg 083 413 5413 - *patrick.henderson@afrihost.co.za* 

Vaughn Koster (1999F) – Ceres

082 446 8999 - vaughan@cheveleystud.com

The frequency of Branch and Area meetings, gettogethers, as well as locations venues.

## SOCIAL REGISTER

#### **BIRTHS**



Tracy and **Ross Johnson (2002B)** welcomed their first child, a baby boy named James Peter Johnson, into the world on 1 September, weighing in at 2.66kg.



**Nicholas Louw (2001K)** and his wife Rosalie are pleased to announce the birth of their baby son, Charles Michael Louw, on 6th October 2016, in New York City. They are hoping to introduce him to Cape Town and of course Bishops in June 2017!



The happy couple

#### **ENGAGEMENT**

Congratulations to **Eon de Quelen (2000F)**, who recently got engaged to Catherine Hayley Bell from the UK.

#### **WEDDINGS**

**Jerome Mitchell (2000F)** married Samantha Schatte at the Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church in Houston Texas on 8 October.

Samantha is the daughter of Andrew and Annette Schatte of Houston and Jerome is the son of **Jack (1964F)** and Helga Mitchell of Constantia, Cape Town.

There was a wonderful attendance from South Africa including several ODs. The

celebrations were spread over three days including a Cowboy Gear party at the Armadillo Club in Houston hosted by Jack Mitchell. The next evening everyone gathered for dinner at the Cotton Club the in downtown city area was hosted by Andrew Schatte. The wedding reception was held in the garden of the Schatte's beautifully spacious home in Houston's Museum District. On Sunday morning a farewell brunch was held at the West Alabama Ice House. It was decided unanimously that the Texans really know how to give a party! Jerome and Sam were last heard from in the Yellowstone National Park. where Jerome was teaching Sam to fish, after which they will make their home in Johannesburg.



From left to right: PV van der Byl (1998F), Ian Buchanan (2000G), Casimir van der Byl (2008F), Chris Galloway (2000F), Jerome Mitchell (2000F), Alistair Hayward (2000F), Jack Mitchell (1964F), John Hayward (1967F), Valerian van der Byl (2000F), Crispin Inglis (2000F), Chris Rawbone-Viljoen (2001F), Ian Ovenstone (1966S) and Andrew Calothi (2000O)



#### Wesley Chetty (2006O)

and Megan Petrie got married in the Memorial Chapel on Saturday 29 November. Wes is a provincial rugby player and a Bishops rugby coach. Megan is one of the two physiotherapists at Bishops and a 'keen' rugby supporter. After a significant courtship, these two have tied the knot. Meg looked radiant as she entered the Chapel and her groom and his entourage set the bells ringing. We wish them both a long and happy life together.



We would like to congratulate our President **Mr Raymond Ackerman (1948S)** and his wife, Mrs Wendy Ackerman on celebrating their 60th (Diamond) wedding anniversary on the 4 September. A diamond has many facets, its wealth is beyond compare, it sparkles in the sunlight and glistens everywhere.



Love is a symbol of eternity and was evident on 26 October when **Christopher Stobart** (1950F) and his wife Marjorie, celebrated 60 years of marriage! Congratulations on your Diamond wedding anniversary. Chris and Marjorie were married in the Salisbury Cathedral and their reception was held at the Ruwa Country Club in Southern Rhodesia. Chris used to travel down from Rhodesia by train when he attended school at Bishops. The very happy couple now live in Havelock North, New Zealand after having farmed in Zimbabwe for all their working life.



A belated happy Golden wedding anniversary to **Anthony Plummer (1955G)**, who married Catharina (Kitty) de Villiers on 14 May 1966 in St Thomas' Church, Rondebosch. "These are the moments to remember forever."

#### **OCTOGENARIANS**

Williams Girdwood (19530)1 October 1936 Philip Taylor (1954W) 1 October 1936 Miles Maskell (1953O) 2 October 1936 **Peter Macan (1954F)** 11 October 1936 Michael Barry (1954W) 14 October 1936 Ernest Williams (1954S) 25 October 1936 Bruce Milne (1954O) 31 October 1936 **John Molteno (1954S)** 9 November 1936 Anthony Atkinson (1955F) 11 November 1936 Peter Sauerman (1954W) 23 November 1936 Judge Michael Stegmann (1952F) 31 July 1936 Geoffrey Richardson (1954S) 30 November 1936 Warwick Barnes (1955S) 6 December 1936 **Alec Lipp (1955F)** 13 December 1936 Henry Hermans (1954F) 23 December 1936 Peter Lamming (1955F) 29 December 1936

#### **NONAGENARIANS**

**Basil Hone (1942F)** 1 October 1926 **Thomas Le Mesurier (1944G)** 21 December 1926 **Ernest Frost (1944O)** 25 December 1926



Judge Michael Stegmann (1952F)



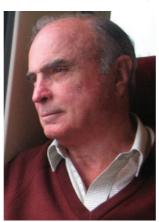
Miles Maskell (1953O)



Betty and Geoffrey Richardson (1954S)



Rev Peter Macan (1954F)

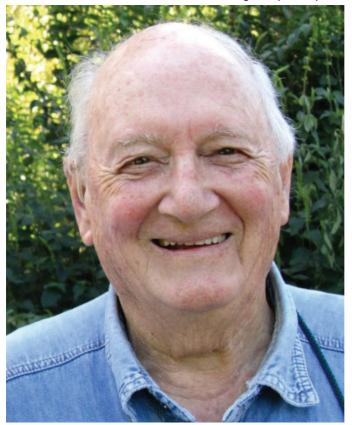


Peter Sauerman (1954W)



Alec Lipp (1955F)

#### NONAGENARIAN - Ian Campbell (1943G) 15 October 1926



On 15 October this year World War Two veteran and Legionnaire stalwart Ian Campbell (1943G) celebrated his 90th birthday. Ian joined the Transvaal Scottish and volunteered to fight for his country when the Great War commenced in 1914. Although he had been hospitalised after inhaling mustard gas in the trenches of the Western Front, this didn't prevent him from serving again during the Second World War. He enjoyed his College years at Bishops. His

passion was school cadets and shooting. It was not long before he was promoted to sergeant and given the responsibility of looking after the armoury - early signs of his love for the military. After Ian matriculated he wasted no time in enlisting at the recruiting office in Adderley Street where he was told that if he joined the Air Force it would take fourteen weeks for him to qualify as an air gunner. Ian was delighted, but at the Castle he was told by another recruiting officer that if he joined the Duke of Edinburgh's Own Rifles he would be

in Italy within seven weeks. All thoughts of donning a light blue uniform evaporated! When he finally retired from the military in 1982 he had been awarded the following medals: War Medal, 1939-45 Star, Italy Star, John Chard Decoration, John Chard Medal and a Pro Patria (with Cunene Clasp). When asking Ian "What has life taught you?", Ian doesn't hesitate. "To find happiness in everything I do. And I can say I have had a happy life."

#### **VISITORS**



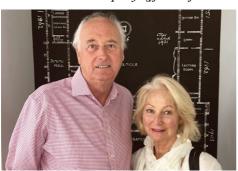
Douglas Greenshields (1968F) and grandson Connor Jean (Grade 1) holding the Honiball Sword of Honour, which was awarded to Doug in1968 as a Senior Student Officer winning a Cadete' competition



Steve Galloway (1974W) our Namibia Branch Secretary with his wife Clare and WP van Zyl (1997K)



Alan Bramwell (1952G) and John Twiggs (1953O) visiting from Zimbabwe - They were just "popping into" The Mitre and landed up staying for the afternoon



Anthony Bedford (1962W) and wife his Mildred

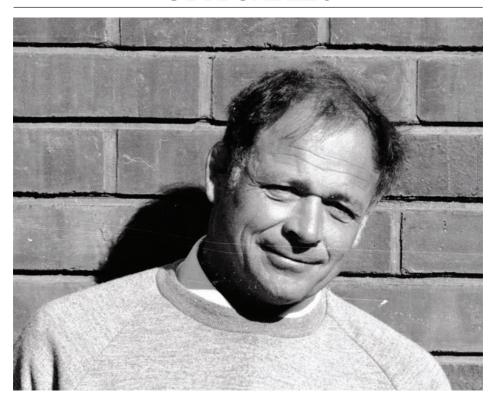


Alex Lockhart (19750) and his wife Mansaya, visiting from Thailand



Mark Lewis (1974W) and WP van Zyl (1997K) spent three hours exploring Bishops and reminiscing

## **OBITUARIES**



#### **BASIL BEY (STAFF 1971 TO 1998)**

Basil Bey, a much-loved English teacher, coach and house master, passed away at the age of 80 on Thursday 10 November 2016. Basil was born in Harare on 6 April 1936. His father was an Athenian Greek who found English difficult and his mother a Van Wyk from Hammanskraal, who found English difficult. They had three sons — Nick, Basil and tennis player Adrian.

Basil was a popular and successful coach at Bishops, where he coached the first XV from 1972 until 1998. He made a significant contribution to the brand of running rugby known as 'Bishops Rugby' and his firm belief

that "you don't coach, you encourage." Paul Dobson (Staff) was the driving force who encouraged Basil to come to Bishops in 1972. Alan Douglas (Staff) held the prestigious position as coach of the first team at that time. Alan went to Anthony Mallet (Prinicipal) and convinced him to let Basil coach the first XV. Anthony questioned it. He could not believe that Alan would do this. When Basil started coaching, Alan said three things to him, "Protect Bishops rugby, let me coach the U14A team and if you go to Rhodesia, take me with you."

Basil also played rugby for the University of Cape Town, UCT and False Bay in later

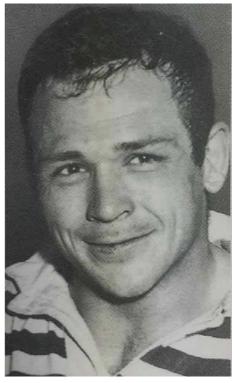
years. He was also a Western Province senior selector and coached the Western Province Craven Week team.

Basil leaves behind his son, Martin (1990B), daughter, Michelle and grandchildren Sam, Daniel and Rebecca. Basil is pre-deceased by his wife Zeta. May he rest in peace.

#### TRIBUTES TO BASIL BEY

#### From: Paul Dobson (Staff)

Basil had a vast knowledge and understanding of rugby, was a player of great character and a brilliant coach. Alan Douglas (Staff) remembers Bey, a new man at UCT, standing up at the rugby club's annual general meeting and introducing himself with the words: "My name is Basil Bey. I am a rugby fanatic." Basil had come from Salisbury, Rhodesia (now Harare, Zimbabwe) where he had been the head prefect and captain of rugby at Prince Edward School. At UCT he changed from lock to prop and became the charismatic captain of UCT, loudly urging his team to 'PLAY.' After a long spell at UCT, Basil went off to Simonstown High and played for False Bay, taking others with him. The second time they won the Western Province Club Champs was in 2016 and on Friday the 11th November, Basil was to have attended the celebration of False Bay's 2016 successes. From Simonstown, Basil went to Plumstead High School, where he, the principal Dieter Pakendorf and some boys built the three fields the school still has. Plumstead's rugby was brilliant at the time, as they ran sides, including Bishops, ragged. In 1971 he went to Bishops and in 1972 became the first team coach, where he stayed till 1998, 27 great seasons for the school. They did not always win, not at all, but they played the most



1956 - playing for UCT

adventurous, exciting brand of rugby, known as Bishops rugby – rugby played with romance, enthusiasm, energy, skill and courage. His sides would scrum with power, tackle hard and handle with skill, and, full of the confidence that freedom gives, they would do it all with a smile, rugby packed with enjoyment. And they did not play only in South Africa as Basil took his team abroad – to England, Scotland, Ireland, Thailand, Hong Kong, the Republic of China, Italy and Australia. After leaving Bishops, Basil coached up in Welkom and at Stellenbosch.

With him, a vast store of rugby knowledge and wisdom has gone. Apart from a coaching

column on the website Rughy 365 and in the Cape Times, Basil, despite many urgings, did not put his philosophies and techniques on paper. He was, of course, much more than a rugby man - a sensitive teacher of English, loving poetry in particular, and at Bishops he was the Housemaster of School House for the full term. He was a man of integrity with a great understanding of and sympathy for other people.

"His life was gentle; and the elements so mixed in him, that nature might stand up and say to all the world, THIS WAS A MAN!" (Shakespeare: *Julius Caesar*.)

#### From: John Gardener (1948G)

He once told us in an English lesson circa 1972 (between Damon Runyon readings) that his vision of heaven was an air-conditioned bar overlooking a rugby ground - it's comforting to picture him settling in there right now. Some years later, as an OD, I found myself watching Bishops play Wynberg, standing behind the deadball line with Basil and a temporarily crocked Nick Koster (2007F). Bishops had conceded a try and the lead and were re-grouping in their in-goal area with only a few minutes play remaining. Basil cocked a cauliflowered ear to listen in to the impassioned team talk (delivered by a young Mallett) taking place a yard or two in front of us and then, just as it broke up, growled out the three word instruction for which I remember him best, 'Think, Bishops, think!' We won that day and on many more to come.

Far, far above the floor of memory In the uneven quad below, I can see a grey flagged cross Of four coarse grass squares. One Cape winter square is speckled With a ragged ring of slight figures,
Twitching, swaying, flaring in the breeze.
A light and dark blue mushroom circle.
One giant toadstool breaks from the rest
And ambles around his stage.
A tap here, a tug there, the words lost
In the murmur of the river of my life.
A splutter of applause, a faint cheer
And the circle breaks up in the rising wind.
The slender spores stream out through the arch
Their studs ringing on the stones, the clock tower
stopped in time.
Go forth to seek, to strive, to stay alive,
To dare to win for us, for this, for him.

To enjoy, have fun,
To be the one – and to be as one.
And somewhere higher than me still,
A wise man
On a high stool

Gives me a lopsided grin.

#### From: Nick Koster (2007F)

The name Basil Bey was often mentioned in our household while I was growing up. My father John (1979F) and uncle Charles (1983F) often reminisce about their days playing for Basil. They tell stories of being amiably invited for beers in the School House during their matric year, where Mr Bey was the housemaster. My father played for Basil in 1979 and my uncle in 1982. As a youngster I would hear about 'running rugby' – which to a ten year old with limited English at the time seemed obvious – running rugby as opposed to walking rugby? It was only later that I truly learnt to appreciate the true meaning of running rugby.

Mr Bey was somewhat of an icon in my eyes even before I arrived at Bishops. When I heard that in our U15 year we would be coached by him I was excited to experience the same privilege with the man I'd heard so much about. It was for this reason that I was so deeply disappointed to miss the year of rugby

due to a lower back injury.

I spent the entire year on the sidelines and helped Mr Bey with some of the coaching. But on the Friday night before the last game against Rondebosch I called my dad to ask permission to play the last five minutes of the match on the wing. I remember him being very apprehensive but when I said that I had always dreamed of playing for Mr Basil Bey, he agreed.

I asked Mikhail Messaris (2007G), our U15 left wing if I could come on for just the last five minutes of the match, and he kindly agreed. We lost the game but almost won it in the last movement when a pass was judged to have gone forward. We lost but tried valiantly. I went to Mr Bey as I walked off the field and said that I am proud to know I have now also been coached by Mr Basil Bey. He reacted in his normal, humble way. He looked me in the eye and smiled with his head tilted to one side, oblivious to the influence that he'd had on me.

It was this same humility that he showed at the unveiling of the new Heatlie Pavilion. An occasion was made to honour his colossal contribution and a painting was unveiled with his unbeaten coaching years listed to be exhibited in the Heatlie. He said a few words, adamant that it was all unnecessary and that he'd be far more comfortable with his name carved on the inside door of one of the bogs downstairs.

But in some ways I understand his reaction. While for many coaches it is a great achievement to boast four unbeaten seasons with a first team, this doesn't begin to define Basil Bey's coaching years at Bishops. Unbeaten seasons could never capture his influence as he was never overly concerned with what the scoreboard said. He focussed on

the journey more than the destination, and the journey was the way in which he encouraged us to play the game.

I learnt to play rugby the Basil Bey way looking for space and exploiting it, balancing risk and reward but always being more interested in the reward part. The instinct to have a go entered our minds before the fear of failure did. Unsurprisingly, that changes when you play professionally. It is almost a different sport to the one we learnt at school. Nowadays rugby is all about gain line and set piece dominance, and particularly as a forward my success as a blindside flank is dependent on how well I can smash people back in defence and attack. I have become a battering ram, paralysed by instructions and game-plans required to win games at this level. And I don't blame coaches. The pressure on them is immense, they need to find short term solutions. Unfortunately short term solutions are often best instilled through a fear-driven culture, a culture where making errors is the enemy. The ruthlessness of the environment means they have to find ways to win, and they have to find them now. Building a culture of no fear by instilling confidence in the minds of players and winning while doing so can take years, and even if you have the vision to achieve it, you could be gone by the time that culture is established. The week-to-week pressure often clouds coaches' judgement as they tighten their grip of control, further driving this culture of fear. Coaches often say things like: "Know your role", "stick to the game plan", and "don't go out of system".

At Bishops we created our roles as we went. We were encouraged to think outside the box – to do the unexpected. The only system that mattered was a system that encouraged

unpredictability. But this is not the case at most schools, kids as young as 13 are being taught to value winning over all else. I can't even begin to describe how problematic this is - coaches adapting their coaching style to be conducive to results, blindfolding players and turning them into little robots that execute the coach's plan, Basil Bey was different. He focused less on winning and more on developing. He allowed players to express themselves and to make mistakes because he recognised that there is no better way to learn and discover the limit of your talent than doing so. He inspired us to pursue a style of play that was poetic. It takes a person of great courage to go against the trend. Society values winning above all else, but Basil stuck to his philosophy and never bought into winning at all costs. Winning soothes our ego, but he was willing to lose in pursuit of playing the game the way he believed was right. He saw rugby as an opportunity for expression. And for these reasons Basil Bey would probably never have been a successful professional coach, at least not if you measure success by win/loss ratio. But perhaps sometimes what you gain in influence you lose in win percentage. And if success were measured by influence, Basil Bey is undoubtedly among the greatest there is. During my school years I believe that we were true to the Basil Bey style of play. And who knows - it might have won us games we should have lost and lost us games we could have won. But it gave us an identity. I still speak with friends from Paul Roos and Paarl Boys about the days they played against Bishops, so often they talk of these days as some of the toughest they've had to endure because of the expansive rugby we played. A friend from Paul Roos said his heart almost exploded in

his chest on the Piley Rees in 2006, when we beat them. But perhaps not even winning can give me the sense of pride that knowing we did so playing with adventure. We moved these big Afrikaners from one side to the other in a constant bid to play a high-tempo, fearless style of rugby until they could not stay with us any longer. Basil spoke at my grandfather's funeral in 2011, where he shared his belief that we come back to live multiple lives in order to progress to better versions of ourselves, until we are finally accepted into heaven when we reach our perfect self. He believed my grandfather was in one of his latter lives, and I believe Basil was too. I don't know for sure whether heaven exists, but if it does, I imagine the two of them sitting up there with a beer in hand and talking only when it is necessary to do so - they were both men of few words. Perhaps when they look down at the rugby I play now they will be saddened by the lack of creativity and expression with which I play. Maybe I owe it to them to go back to playing the way I did when I fell in love with the game, in order to be true to the influence that Basil had on my rugby career. The reason why I picked up a ball as a youngster was to run with it, to score tries and beat defenders. That is what excited me, and Basil Bey tried to access that excitement in every individual he coached - to keep them playing the game for the reason that first excited them.

Basil's influence was so much greater than just rugby. He was far more than a coach or teacher. His philosophy tells us to stop focusing on that end goal (the scoreboard), and to be more concerned with how we play the game. Because life prepares us for a destination – that success or victory we work so hard for. And we get to that point but realise we don't feel

very different, because we missed the point the whole way along. The beauty of life is to sing or dance while the music is being played, to play with freedom before the final whistle declares a winner. Basil Bey knew this the whole way through.

#### From: James Stewart (1986B)

I recall one very hot afternoon; heads down in our books while he was busy marking papers stacked in neat piles across his desk. His constant companion Andy, a border collie, was absent from his usual post at Mr Bey's side. From the corner of my eye I noticed Andy rushing to and fro outside, clearly looking for his master with typical enthusiasm. Having located the correct classroom he burst in, leaping onto the table and into his masters arms – scattering papers in all directions. Not an angry word, just a deep fond stare into Andy's eyes while he ruffled his coat with adoration. I learnt a bit in that moment. A tough rugby guy. An affectionate and kind gentleman.

#### From: Luc du Plessis (2003B)

I remember being fascinated by Basil's articles he used to write after the weekend rugby events in 2010, each of which included a small anecdote connecting life with rugby which always resonated with me. It was a time when I coached the Bishops U14Bs and this excerpt stood out.

"Much earlier in the day on the Bishops' Piley Rees field, I enjoyed an exciting contest between the two schools' under 14B teams; both groups of boys played adventurous, stimulating rugby football and it seemed that the game to them really was fun – of course it was fun, as it should be, not only for the

boys but also for those of us who braved the early start to the day and the heavy mists that blanketed the fresh, green fields of Bishops. My wish is that all those lads, throughout their rugby careers at school, will continue to play sport, especially rugby, rough, tough game that it is, for fun. There is considerable talent in both teams, which made for some good rugby, but it was the attitude of both teams that most impressed. One hopes that no coach manages to clip their wings in the next few years!"

#### From: Mike Currey (1975G)

I was lucky enough to have had him as both an English teacher and as a rugby coach. I'm fairly certain that he taught both of my brothers during their time at Bishops. When my Dad was vice-principal, he used to invite new staff, and a few of the 'select oldies' around for lunch and drinks. Needless to say, Basil was a permanent fixture! Dad, along with Basil, Tim and Paul Dobson used to arrange a few get-togethers. Given their academic record, we used to refer to them as 'The Three Wise Men'! My sister reminded me of how she always pictured Dad and Basil chatting together, deep in conversation, both with a cold beer in their hands.

He was a pillar of the Bishops we all knew and loved, and he will be sorely missed by boys, parents, ODs and staff.

#### From: Rick Coke (1963O)

Miss me a little And then Set me free Your hearts so brittle Pain is o'er Set me free Love's sorrow Dark night clouds To Christ you flee

Golden the morrow Opens heaven Father, Son, and Spirit see And then Set me free

#### From: Tim Newton (1978G)

I was deeply saddened to hear about Basil's passing. He was probably the best teacher I had at College, and was a major influence on me, even though with him being into rugby, and me being a fat music geek who hated all sport, I was never his favourite student. It is mostly thanks to Basil that I got my A in English in Matric. My clearest memory of him is his sitting on the teacher's desk in the room in School House, as we went through one of the set books that no-one liked. One of the resentful students asked him what he thought of the book. "It's a classic," he replied, his legs swinging. Then he looked out through the classroom door and continued, "I hate it!". That forthright honesty allowed us all to relate to him, and made him one of our best and universally loved teachers. I am forever grateful to have had him teach me.

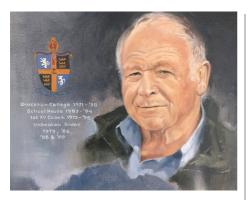
#### From: Tim Richman (1995B)

Though I didn't have the privilege (i.e. skill) to be coached rugby by Basil, I did have the honour of playing in his mighty 5ths cricket XI for a season. Never one to over-coach or spoil with praise, his most encouraging words to me came one Saturday morning after I'd taken a bouncer to the head (it being the era of team kit and no helmets). He hobbled down the Lutgensvale pitch, observed I was still alive and not bleeding too profusely, nodded, and said, "Glad you're using your head, Richman." Then he took up his umpiring position once more and the game continued.

A proud and memorable moment for me: to be considered a thinking sportsman by the great Mr Bey.

#### Tribute to the late Mr Basil Bey – From the College

Mr Basil Bey joined the staff at Bishops in 1971 teaching English at the College. He was the Housemaster of School House from 1983 to 1994, faithfully supported by his wife Mrs Zeta Bey who together with several of the other staff wives, served the school in various capacities. At College, Mr Bey's extra-mural activities included coaching athletics, cricket and rugby. It was, however, for his rugby coaching that he achieved iconic status, not only in South Africa but also during the 1970s to 1990s in the rugby-playing world. He coached the First XV at Bishops for 26 years, from 1972 to 1998. His significant contribution was the brand of running rugby known as 'Bishops Rugby'. It was a creative and elegant style of play that still today gives as much excitement to the player as to the spectator. He was a Craven Week selector, and coach and lecturer at the Rugby Academy. After his retirement from full-time teaching at Bishops, Mr Bey took up the position as the assistant coach to the Griffons (the Northern Orange Free State provincial rugby side). He returned to Bishops in his retirement to work part-time at the College Museum, first, in the premises constructed in 2005, and then in The Mitre complex where the Museum is now situated. He worked there up to the time of his sad passing on the morning of 10 November 2016. To all who knew Basil Bey, he was a source of true light and wisdom. He engaged with those around him always showing great passion for his and their fields of interest, of which there were so



Painting by Ritchie Ryall (1977F)

many – the game of rugby, astrology, English poetry, teaching, and philosophy; one can never forget his intense affection for his philosopherdog Charlie, the most recent of several generations of beautiful border collies that he had. Basil Bey will forever remain one of the truly great sons of Bishops. He is survived by his son Martin and his daughter Michelle and his grandchildren. To them all, goes our deepest sympathy.

Dr Paul Murray School Archivist Rest in peace Basil.

#### ULICK OSBORNE ARNOLD BROWN (1940G)

Ulick Brown died on 6 November 2016 on his 93rd birthday.

Ulick matriculated in 1940, after spending ten years at Bishops Prep and College. He was one of the founders of the Literary Society in 1939 and won the Victor Lewis Matric Biology Prize. He captained the U19B cricket team and played cricket and rugby for Gray House. Years later, he was probably the oldest OD to play in OD cricket matches, descending gradually from the 2nd XI to the 5th XI at the age of 65.



Ulick would readily acknowledge that his enthusiasm for sport exceeded his talents. On Saturdays, he was always to be found on the touchlines or boundary ropes of whichever field his sons and later his grandsons were playing on. Many of their contemporaries will recall his vocal support and encouragement for the Bishops teams.

Ulick remained a keen watcher of the Bishops 1st XV rugby matches throughout his life and was a regular in his seat on the Heatlie Pavilion, even in his final year. He also had a particular love for the Triangular Athletic Sports which he had attended from its inauguration in 1934, and was well known for his unofficial points-scoring!

Ulick worked for the British Ministry of War Transport from 1941 and, from 1943, was responsible for organising all ships carrying South Africa's military exports to the Middle

East, and later Italy. Post-war, shipping remained in short supply due to war-time sinkings, and his job became the allocation of all cargoes exported from SA to UK/Europe until shipping was decontrolled in 1948. He then joined the SA subsidiary of the British shipping line, Ellermans, from which he retired in 1989 as Executive Chairman in Cape Town.

Besides his family and gardening, it was the share market that became Ulick's real passion over the last 40 years and he remained an active investor well into his nineties. As a result of his investing skills, many friends and acquaintances would often seek out his advice, which he was never shy to dispense.

Ulick will be remembered for organising Matric class reunions – he believed that the 1940 year "40 Years On" reunion in 1980 was the catalyst which started the many reunions that followed. He went on to organise their 50th, 55th, 60th, and 65th anniversary reunions, with the 1940 year being later joined by the classes of 1941 and 1939.

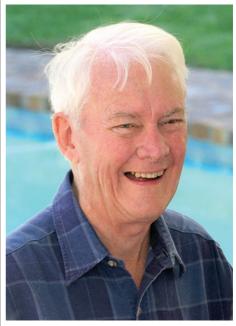
Perhaps Ulick's most valuable service to Bishops was his realisation, on the deconsecration of the old cemetery of St Thomas Church, that this represented the last opportunity for Bishops to acquire contiguous land. Through his long-standing membership of St Thomas Church, he was able to facilitate firstly, the acquisition of the former graveyard on lease, and later he initiated the process which led to the field's ultimate purchase from the church. Formerly known as the Graveyard field, it was converted in 1999 to the astroturf Woodlands hockey field. His role is recognised in a plaque on the wall in the Woodlands pavilion.

In 2010, Ulick funded the "Ulick Brown Bursaries" which are now awarded every

year to a deserving scholar and which are a permanent legacy reflecting his love of his school.

Ulick is survived by his wife Wendy, sons Niall (1973G) and Malcolm (1979G), daughters Tessa and Amanda, and his 12 grandchildren to whom we extend our sincere sympathies.

#### **DR JOHN IRWIN FORBES (1944S)**



John Irwin Forbes died peacefully in Cape Town on 15 September 2016, aged 89. He was the beloved husband to Audrey for 61 years and "Father Extraordinaire" to Jennifer, Alison (deceased), Anthony and Caroline. John was born in Salisbury, Rhodesia in 1928. He attended the Diocesan College as a border from 1941 and matriculated (First Class) in 1944. In 1951, he graduated as a doctor

from University of Cape Town. He worked at Groote Schuur Hospital for two years, before moving to England. In 1957 he was awarded membership to the Royal College of Physicians (Edinburgh) and returned to Rhodesia to work for the Department of Health as a consultant physician in the Salisbury Group of Hospitals. He was a part-time clinical lecturer and examiner in the Faculty of Medicine at the University College of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and later at the University of Zimbabwe. As a result of his research and publications on intersex and Hermaphroditism, he was elected Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (Edinburgh). He opened the first Diabetes Clinic for black Africans in Salisbury. He set up and ran the first renal dialysis unit in Salisbury which served the whole of Central Africa. In 1971, John commenced private practice as a consultant physician and worked in Harare until 2003. He served as chairman of the Examination Committee (Nursing) and the Examination Committee (Health Assistants). He was appointed as Honorary Consultant Physician to the Defense Forces. He was elected chairman of the Division of Medicine at Andrew Fleming Hospital, Harare. He served as consultant and medical advisor to the Old Mutual and Mercantile and General Company. In 2003, he retired and moved to Cape Town. John was an accomplished pianist, a carpenter and a keen yachtsman. He was an Elder of the Presbyterian Church in Harare for 15 years. John was loved by his family and friends for his gentle manner, compassion, kindness, absolute honesty, humour, and storytelling. Time spent with him left you feeling uplifted and appreciated.

Jennifer Gibson (daughter)

#### **BRANDON MATLEY (2005G)**



Brandon passed away unexpectedly on 27 September 2016 after a long battle with melanoma.

Brandon packed more into his brief 29 years than the average person would do in a normal lifetime. It was almost as if he knew that life would be short and he had to make the most of it. He had great energy and lived life with great passion, not only for kiteboarding, surfing, yachting, snowboarding and endless adventure sports, but primarily for people. He had a deep love and compassion for people and they loved him back. The hundreds of Facebook postings and messages from around the world that have been received since his passing all say the same thing: He was a warm,

loving human being and a deeply thoughtful philosopher and confidante.

The nucleus of friends that Brandon formed at the Prep and through the College remained a tightly knit group over the years. Beyond school, Brandon's circle of close friends expanded massively, especially through the UCT years, his time living in Costa Rica and then six years as an engineer on super-yachts all over the world. He had a deep impact on many people, many of whose lives were changed forever.

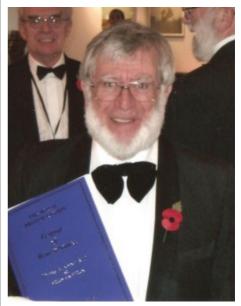
Brandon could be serious but he had a wonderful, wicked sense of humour and was always fun to be with. He was really happy because he was doing what he wanted to do, and that happiness was infectious.

Brandon's illness began four years ago but he did very well until he suddenly became unwell again in Florida in July 2016. On the right treatment he started getting better again and was able to go on holiday to KwaZulu-Natal only two weeks before his death. However, soon after this he started experiencing severe pain and scans showed that the disease was progressing rapidly in spite of the treatment. On 27 September he suddenly suffered a brain haemorrhage and lapsed into a coma. Although this was unexpected and very traumatic for family and friends it certainly saved him from enormous suffering that seemed inevitable.

The Memorial Chapel was full for his memorial service on 1 October with eulogies presented by ODs, Matt Hacking (2005G), Andrew Van Dorsten (2004B) and Chris Ryall (2005G). It was a fitting tribute to an outstanding human being, so loved by so many. We will miss him terribly.

Philip & Terry-Ann Matley (father and mother)

# DR CHRISTOPHER JOHN MOLYNEUX (1959S)



Dr Chris, as he was affectionately known, passed away peacefully on 19 October 2016 after a brave battle against cancer. The son of an Anglican minister, he matriculated from Bishops in 1959 (School House). He was a very accomplished organist, having obtained a Bachelor of Music (1980) as well as Performer's and Teacher's Licentiates. During his Matric year, he was renowned for locking himself inside the Memorial Chapel and playing improvised jazz at full volume on the organ for hours, much to the dismay of the then head of music, "Doc" Claude Brown. Chris was also prominent as a choral musical director, having founded the award-winning Cape Town Male Voice Choir in June 1976, and leaving his legacy with them - a legacy that remains to this day. He always enjoyed entertaining and he had an incredible ear for music.

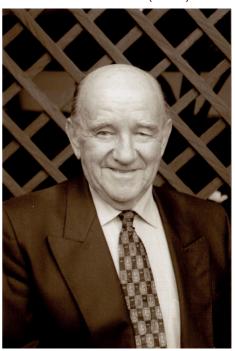
He obtained Bachelor degrees in Commerce (1968) and Theology (1985). He was awarded a Masters in Business Leadership in 1972. In 1985 he was awarded a very rare Ph.D. in Thanatology by Stellenbosch University's Graduate School of Business for research into why people choose burial versus cremation, a thesis which placed him on the global stage in his chosen field. He was also a prolific writer and speaker on the topic of dealing with dying and, on the flip side of the topic, dealing with bereavement.

Following a number of years with the Divisional Council of the Cape, Chris moved to Metropolitan Life in 1986 to manage its Funeral Division. He was part of the management buy-out in 1989, becoming a major shareholder of the new company called the H T Group and the Executive Director responsible for the Western Cape and KZN, until his retirement in 1997. He was elected onto the Executive Committee of the National Funeral Directors Association, and served as Vice-President (1986-87), and President for a number of terms (1990-94, 1996-97).

Post retirement, Chris pursued a number of passions including attending formula one grand prix races, singing in choral concerts in London such as the annual remembrance day celebrations in the Royal Albert Hall, working on his miniature collections, but above all devoting much time to his local church through musical direction and faith ministry.

He is survived by his loving wife, Norma, his children Graham (1979S) and Juliet, his step children Patrick and James, and his grandchildren Max (grade 6 at the Prep), Emily, Oliver and Matthew. They and many others will miss his infectious charm, his diverse talents, his leadership, and his love.

#### **PETER GWYN MORRIS (1949F)**



Peter was born in Bulawayo, Rhodesia. He was the third of four brothers, John, (1948F) David (1948F), and Bob (1951F) all born within five years of each other. At the age of ten, Peter was sent off to join his older brothers at boarding school at Bishops. During the 1940s the commute between home and school was by train, a journey of three days and three nights one way. The length of the journey made it impractical for the boys to return home during the shorter Easter and September school holidays, so they either remained at school or were farmed out to local Cape families. A number of Peter's peers spoke fondly of the train trip. There were many boys and girls living in Rhodesia who were being schooled in the Cape, so boys

from Bishops, Rondebosch and SACS were joined by girls from Herschel, Rustenburg and Saint Cyprians. A bunch of teenage boys and girls on a train for three days and nights with minimal adult supervision held some potential for those of a more social nature. Although the boys were in one carriage, with the girls in another, separated by the dining car containing the chaperones on duty, the train would stop at regular intervals. It was therefore relatively easy for the boys to duck out onto the rails and run alongside the dining car, below window height to avoid detection, until they reached the girls' carriage. Up into the carriage they would go, with much whooping and giggling. The highlight of the trip, however, was the overnight stop at Magalape, one day's journey from Bulawayo. Once the train had been parked for the night, the station platform was transformed with fairy lights and a band into a dance floor. There was also a bar which served beer and cigarettes, where the local rules for under-age drinking and smoking were strictly enforced. If you were tall enough to reach up and place your money onto the bar counter to pay for your drinks or cigarettes, you were old enough to be served. At school, Peter played hooker for the Second XV, occupied the study above the Founders main entrance in his final year and left Bishops at the end of 1949 with a First Class Matric and half colours in smoking. Jill Newton, wife of Chris (1949G) and mother of Tim (1978B) wrote: "I first met Peter when I was sixteen and was cohosting a party in Pinelands where a friend had provided her house as a venue and I was tasked with inviting the boys. Peter arrived with a core of what were generally regarded

as Bishops' naughtiest boys who, of course, were a huge hit with all the girls. He sat down at the piano and played with great verve and also featured on the dance floor where I found him great fun. He charmed my mother – not an easy thing to do – into describing him as 'that nice young boy who is so polite and has such a good sense of humour'. Then there was a gap of about thirty years and I didn't meet him again until Chris was invited to the Classmates Reunion lunches. I often sat next to Peter and I found he was just the same as the boy who had so charmed my mother. He had a way of being interested in everything one said to him and always looked as though he would do what my mother told me to make a guiding rule, "Take the best and leave the rest". When he finished school. Peter travelled with his older brother John by boat to the UK, where he studied medicine at University College London's Middlesex Hospital, the motto of which is "Miseris Succurrere Disco" - I learn to give comfort to those in distress. After he qualified as a doctor, he took a posting as a ship's surgeon on board a passenger service between London and Hong Kong. He then settled in London and worked as a GP. both within the National Health Service and in private practice. Returning to Cape Town in 1969, he worked at the Rondebosch Cottage Hospital before taking over a private practice in Milner Road. He was a popular and much loved family doctor, but in the mid-1970s decided to join the public sector. For the next twenty five years, he was a senior doctor at Fish Hoek hospital, Victoria and Princess Alice hospitals in Wynberg and finally Brooklyn Chest Hospital, from which he retired as superintendent in the late 90s.

After his official retirement, he continued to work on contract at Brooklyn Chest, as well as conducting clinics on the West Coast. One of his former colleagues had this to say, "Peter, who walked the wards with his trademark white coat and hat, was a consummate gentleman. He was well liked, just and fair. The only time I saw Peter really lose his temper was when a junior doctor refused to check up on one of the patients in the ward. Peter gave him some on-the-spot career counselling, whereupon the doctor quickly reconsidered his position and the patient was seen to." Peter was also a Rotarian for many years and genuinely enjoyed contributing time and money to projects in the Milnerton/ Tableview area. Rotary was also a generous donator of services and equipment to Brooklyn Chest Hospital. One of his fellow Rotarians remembered him like this: "When Peter was inducted into the Rotary Club of Milnerton, we knew he had exceptional qualities: compassion, understanding, kindness and intelligence. We first knew him as an outstanding Superintendent of Brooklyn Chest Hospital. I remember Peter once coming into the children's ward and how all the children shrieked with delight as soon as they saw him. He touched many lives and hearts and will be much missed. Rotarians were proud to have him as one of their own." Peter was a gentle, kind, principled and caring man. He had a good sense of humour and his laugh made us laugh. He liked biltong, good wine and watching rugby. He enjoyed theatre. He was a cunning squash player at Kelvin Grove. He enjoyed reminiscing with his old school mates and was proud of being an OD. "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does

not boast, it is not proud." Peter was a gentle, unassuming gentleman. He lived a life of service and will be very much missed by his wife of almost forty years, Ena, and his family and friends.

Niall Carroll (19820) - Peter's stepson

#### **RUSSELL DAVID MORSE (1981S)**



Russell always held the view that completing his Matric at Bishops set him up for life. His relationship with his fellow pupils and school masters was such that many of them became very close friends and business partners. In particular the support and encouragement of Basil Bey and Paul Dobson played an important part in his life.

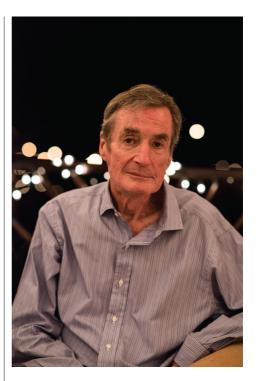
In 1984 while completing his military service at Youngsfield Military Base, he became paralysed in a motor vehicle accident. After spending nearly a year in the Conradie Hospital, it was confirmed he would spend the rest of his life as a quadriplegic. Russell never let this get in the way of living his life to the fullest. He followed his passion of business and was a trader at both Coronation and

Sanlam before joining a school friend Andrew Campbell (1982G) at Clan Capital. Wherever Russell went he left his mark of inspiration, courage and kindness to all. Russell had many passions outside of business. One of them was horse racing and he had a number of great encounters with breeders, owners and in particular, the Shirtliff and Koster families. In 2004 Russell, together with his siblings acquired a farm in the Karoo and this was to become a great part of his life. From a slow start to farming, Russell accomplished his dream of seeing his fields of lucerne flourishing under the Karoo sunshine. Special thanks must go to our neighbours, in particular to Ralph Koster (1987F) and Roland Du Toit for their enduring support to Russell in this venture. Russell never let his limitations get in the way of fulfilling his dreams. From New York to the wildlife parks of South Africa, his love for travel knew no bounds. He enjoyed his radio-controlled boats and cars and would spend many hours perfecting their performance. He was the centre of our lives in many respects. His sudden passing on Sunday 23 October was a shock. His courage, kindness and love will always be remembered. He leaves behind his dad, Thomas Morse (1951G), brothers, Greg and Bryn and sister, Kath, and his nieces and nephews. He was able to touch the lives of many people and was a true hero and inspiration to us all.

The Morse Family

#### **GEORGE RICHARD MURRAY (1958S)**

George Richard Murray (1958S) passed away peacefully at home on 5 November aged 76. Much-loved husband of Karin and loving father of Simon, Alex and Isabel. He lived a



full life in South Africa, Hong Kong, Jamaica and the UK. He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

#### CHRISTOPHER JOHN PHILLIPS (1953G)



Chris was born in Bloemfontein on 4 March 1935 and shortly after his family moved to Cape Town, where they first lived in Plumstead and later in Zeekoevlei, close to the water, where his love for sailing was born. He attended Bishops Diocesan College for most of his school life and matriculated in 1953. He was in Grey House and always spoke fondly of his activities in cadets, cricket and fencing. He attended both his 50th and 60th class reunions which brought back many memories.

He started his working life for Shell in 1954 in Cape Town and was soon transferred to Port Elizabeth and later to East London, Graaff Reinet, Durban and finally Johannesburg. His span in the oil industry covered almost 40 years covering numerous roles in Shell, including working for the subsidiaries EasiGas and Valvoline. Chris married Elaine in 1960 in Port Elizabeth and just a few weeks after his death, they would have celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary. They have three children, Michael, Anne and Andrew, One lasting memory will be his love for his six grandchildren, Alexandra, Ashton, John and Peter in Johannesburg and Gabriela and Daniel whom he visited frequently in the USA. His enthusiastic participation in yachting began in 1949 at the age of 14 and in 1952 he was awarded Western Province Colours and he will be remembered for regularly skippering his beloved Formula One -"No Compromise" in every available event, including several MSC week regattas in Durban where he won gold. He was awarded Transvaal Colours and in 2008 he was awarded the Lake Denys Yacht Club's highest honour of Honorary

Life Membership. In a tribute from the Yacht Club they said "As chairman of the Formula One Association for several years, Chris will be fondly remembered as a passionate Formula One sailor and absolute gentleman." Chris' other great interest was wildlife. Many happy hours were spent with family and friends in both the Pilanesberg and Kruger National Park and he was especially interested in the bird life and really quite an expert at identification. He took a great interest in Elaine's work with the Catholic Women's League and did everything possible for her to travel worldwide to many conferences and encouraged her to hold many offices in her organisation through all their 55 years together. In his eulogy, his son Andrew, gave these key characteristics that had impacted on his children and grandchildren enormously: Dad had an enormous amount of integrity. He was always trying to do the right thing, even if only he knew what action he took. He always had the best intentions and could be relied upon to try to help to improve the situation. He always gave 110% of himself to any task. He was amazingly persistent and always continued trying to improve and be better. Lastly, Dad was always a gentleman, no matter who he was dealing with or what the situation was. These characteristics spanned all aspects, from his family, to work, to friends, to sailing and formed the basis of trust that was the foundation of all of his relationships. Chris will be sadly missed. May he rest in peace.

#### FREDERICK (SAM) SAWKINS (1953S)

Sam Sawkins was born on 15 September 1935 in Cape Town and passed away



Sam and his granddaughters Cate (left) and Emma (right)

quietly in his home in Urbanna, Virginia on Thursday 6 October at the age of 81. He is survived by his children Peter, Annemarie, (both from his first wife Anelise, of Skagen, Denmark), grandchildren Emma and Cate with Christine Hagan, his wife Virginia "Ginny" Bell Sawkins and their dog Sir Lawrence of Urbanna.

Born to Arthur and "Chi-Chi" Sawkins who owned and operated a hotel known as Easterbrooke in Rondebosch, Sam grew up in Cape Town where he attended Bishops Diocesan College and then the University of Cape Town. As a young man, he hitchhiked with a friend from Cape Town to Cairo, and lived in the bush for months at a time. From Africa, he moved to England, where he attended the London School of Mines, and then went to Princeton University where he earned his PhD in Geology. This was followed by a Post-Doctorate at the University of Durham, England. He lived in Lima, Peru before moving to Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1968.

Sam was a world traveller, adventurer, intellect, sailor, and fierce advocate for the earth and its battle to endure the challenges

of a growing population, uncontrolled capitalism, and global warming. A man of integrity, curiosity, and principle Sam was a professor in the Department of Geology and Geophysics at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis from 1968 until 1991. He co-authored the influential and critically acclaimed textbook *The Evolving Earth*, and the highly lauded *Metal Deposits in relation to Plate Tectonics* along with over 50 articles in various professional journals. An avid rugby player, and fan, he started the

University of Minnesota rugby club in 1969, and coached them to many championships.

After taking early retirement, Sam moved first to Hampton, VA to spend time ocean sailing, logging over 26000 miles of blue water sailing, including a trans-Atlantic sail. While in Hampton, he met Virginia Bell with whom he sailed to the Caribbean. They married in 1998 and then moved to Urbana to live in the first of two houses they had built. While in Urbanna, he was active with the local Rotary Club and became known for his patronage of the library and his many thought-provoking letters to the *Daily Press* editors.

In August of this year, he was awarded special recognition by the Geological Society of South Africa (GSSA) at the Geological Society 35th International Congress. For his life-long contributions to the subject of plate tectonics, and his specialty the correlation between mineral deposits and plate tectonics, he received the Des Pretorius Memorial Award recognising achievements in geology by a South African.

He will be missed by all who knew him. In loving memory.

Annemarie Sawkins (daughter)

### EVENTS AT THE MITRE

### Review By Delré O'Rourke

# "THE FIRST WORLD CHAMPIONS"

The Untold Story of the Legendary 1937 Springboks in New Zealand by Michael Charton

On Thursday 29 September OD rugger and history fans and their guests gathered at The Mitre for drinks and pizza before moving across to the Woodlands, where Michael Charton presented "The First World Champions" -The Untold Story of The Legendary 1937 Springboks in New Zealand. Michael Charton stumbled upon the story of the 1937 Springboks in an old bookstore in Long Street in Cape Town. Struck by the success of the team, as well as the fact that it was a marathon five-month tour to Australia and New Zealand, he began to search for more information on what is a poorly documented tour. In wading through the personal scrapbooks of these old Springboks, Michael discovered a wealth of anecdotes about the players of this tour and the era in which they lived. These unexpected stories were far bigger than just this tour, or even the great game of rugby, for they offer a rare glimpse into the beauty of the human spirit. Over many months of research, Michael came to love this long-forgotten team. Then, having been persuaded over a beer to share these anecdotes to a few friends before an All Black test, the story began to gain traction. And through wordof-mouth, Michael has subsequently travelled the country telling this story. The story weaves together a few of the key characters of the tour, their backgrounds and their contributions on the tour. It then follows their stories through the

war and beyond, until Howard "Sparky" Watt (1929F) was the last man to pass away in 2005. Michael's story breathes new life into the famous old rivalry between rugby's two giants: the All Blacks and the Springboks. It celebrates rugby's amateur era and the associated gentlemanly conduct. This was an era when our countries came to a stand-still in order to watch our national rugby teams battle it out. It was a time when their clashes were watched from trees and ladders and from the tops of buildings. Yet, even in the midst of this most brutal of rugby rivalries, the sportsmanship and value system of these teams leap at you through the characters, reminding one through an emotional sense of nostalgia, what is truly important in life and legacy.



Michael Charton (ORB)

Having qualified as a chartered accountant Michael spent time in a financial advisory role in the United States, he returned to Cape Town in 2007 where, during a short career

in advertising, he was awoken to the art and power of storytelling.

I received e-mails from ODs leading up to and after the event. Here are a few:

Waine Lawton (1965F) wrote in to say "I read with interest about the talk Michael Charton is giving on the 1937 Springbok tour, as my father Dendy was a member of the team. Indeed my existence is a result of the tour, as he met my mother, a friend of the well-known NZ journalist, Terry McLean, during the tour when skiing in the region of the Fox Glacier. I have a few small photographs of the team, with some, no doubt experiencing snow for the first time. I kept his large book of the tour, compiled of newspaper cuttings that I think someone presented my father at the end of the tour."



much greater possession of the ball, the Springbok backs were able

to give the public a fine exhibition of open play.







Newspaper cuttings

# OGILVIE SENIOR RUGBY TEAM 1934



Walter is the OD with colours cap on, in the middle, in the back row.

**Crispian Standford (1968S)** sent in a photo of his father Walter Power Stanford (1935O) in the Ogilvie senior rugger team in 1934.

### Last surviving springbok – 1937

Howard Hugh (Sparkle) Watt was the last surviving Springbok from the 1937 Springbok tour and is **Ross Wilson's (1992W)** grandfather's (Roy Wilson 1927F) cousin. Howard was a wonderful raconteur and an allrounded brilliant guy. He spent a lot of time with Ross, Kyle Wilson (2002G) and Greig Wilson (1995G), telling those stories about the tour to Australia and New Zealand. Howard was unfortunate to not get a Test cap. Ross writes, "Apart from his success in rugby, he was a very talented cricketer. His favourite cricket story was the one about him getting Donald Bradman out in both innings

in an exhibition game in the States in the early 30s, a feat very few men can boast about. I remember the last time I was with him, we went down to Newlands Cricket Ground to find the ball that he got signed by The Don after the game. He donated it to the WPCC museum where it can be found at their new clubhouse."

#### **1969 SEVENS**

Dick Stent (1970F) sent in a photo from 1969. He writes, "I believe this may have been one of the first years that Bishops tried out sevens rugby. This is a Founders versus White House game played on the Piley Rees. Mike would definitely have been in contention for naughtiest boy in the school however he played Craven Week wing for Western Province in 1970 and went on to play for Transvaal U20 when he left Bishops. Giles White went on to play for Western Province U20 and got an Oxford Blue."

On an amusing note, the evening was a



Left to right: Dick Stent in support (1970F), Giles White (1970W) and Mike Eve (1970F)

Bish Bosch affair. ODs had contacted me, to sheepishly ask if they could bring a guest? And not only a guest, but a Rondebosch Old Boy! The coincidence is that Michael is a Rondebosch Old Boy! The event was sold out and some ODs remarked that they had not been back to Bishops for years and that there is still a great core of ODs.

### "SOUTH AFRICA'S WILDEST PLACES" By Scott Ramsay (1993F)

On Wednesday night 2 November, over 100 people turned out to hear Scott Ramsay (1993F) present his world renowned photographs and anecdotes contained in his new book *South Africa's Wildest Places*.

The national parks and nature reserves of South Africa define the country's epic story of conservation, which is full of controversy and contradiction, tragedy and triumph. For seven years, Scott Ramsay has been exploring and photographing more than 60 protected

areas in the country, and the rest of Africa. South Africa's parks conserve just seven percent of the land surface, and less than one percent of the oceans, yet they are home to the last remnants of the country's stupendous biodiversity and natural beauty. His new book is the first largeformat book to celebrate all of the country's most special wild places, including all 19 national parks and 11 provincial reserves. Some of these are world famous (eg. Kruger, Kgalagadi and Table Mountain), while many are largely unknown,

yet equally important both biologically and culturally (eg. Mkambati, Kogelberg and Mapungubwe). These places are not only critical for conservation of unique biodiversity, but they are also the foundation of South Africa's economy and society. Ultimately, Scott believes these places are the most valuable in the country, as they give all South Africans an irreplaceable sense of meaning, belonging and identity. Featuring more than 1 500 photographs and 30 000 words of text, Scott's 400 page hardcover book is a definitive reference of South Africa's natural heritage, its diverse wildlife and remarkable scenery.

Scott is a professional photographer and writer, focusing on African parks and conservation, and spends several months a year exploring the continent's protected areas. His work has been published in a variety of media both locally and internationally. He hopes to inspire others to experience for themselves the incomparable power of the African wilderness. For more, go to www.LoveWildAfrica.com



Flying lion of the Busanga Plains in Kafue National Park





"House on wheels"

Scott in action



Giraffe walking across the Umfolozi River



Coaching panel from left to right: Mike Bayly (1983S), Richard Smith (Staff), Oliver Steynor (1989O), Angus Firth (1984W), Matt Pearce (1987G), John Dobson (1986K) and Robbie Fleck (1993O)

# "RUGBY COACHING – CAN IT SAVE SA RUGBY?"

On Thursday 10 November a panel of six professional OD rugby coaches: John Dobson (1986K), Robbie Fleck (1993O), Angus Firth (1984W), Mike Bayly (1983S), Richard Smith (Staff) and Oliver Steynor (1989O), chaired by Matthew Pearce (1987G), were ready to discuss how Bishops rugby has influenced their coaching, the state of SA rugby today, and the future of this beautiful game. Due to Basil Bey passing away that morning, what would have been a heated debate, turned into a celebration of the life of Basil Bey and his significant contribution to the brand of running rugby known as 'Bishops Rugby', and his firm belief that "you don't coach, you encourage." Everyone stood for a moment's silence and Father Wilke voiced the words from the Remembrance Day service held that morning, "We shall remember him. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen." Bruce Jack (1987G) asked everyone to stand and raise their glass in a toast to Basil.

### BIOGRAPHIES ON COACHES John Dobson (1986K)

Founder 365 Media Group, WP coach and author

John Dobson is a former accomplished amateur rugby player turned coach, having been head coach of the UCT Ikey Tigers for their first three seasons in the Varsity Cup competition from 2008 to 2010. He has since had successful coaching stints with the Western Province Vodacom Cup side and the Western Province U21 side. In total, he guided Western Province to the Vodacom Cup play-offs for five consecutive years between 2011 and 2015, winning the title once. He also guided the Western Province U21 team to five consecutive play-offs between 2010 and 2014, winning two titles. In 2015 Dobson took over the reigns as Head Coach of the Western Province Currie Cup side. He is a founder of the 365 Media Group and the Rugby365 website. He is also an author and so far, he has published two novels: The Year of the Gherkin and The Year of the Turnip.

#### Robbie Fleck (1993O)

Professional rugby player and coach of The Stormers Robbie Fleck is a former Springbok, Western Province, Stormers and Bath centre and played professional rugby for over 10 years. He made his test debut in 1999 against Italy

and went on to play for the Springboks in 31 matches, including in the 1999 World Cup, and was vice-captain of the Springboks in 2001. He was a SA Rugby Player of the Year nominee in 1999. Fleck was renowned as an attacking midfielder with an overpowering sidestep and good turn of pace. Fleck was the assistant and backline coach for the UCT Ikey Tigers before joining WP Rugby in 2009 in the capacity as backline coach and subsequently became the head coach of the Western Province U21 side, winning the competition in 2015. He is currently the Head Coach of the Stormers and co-founder of Cape Town Tens rugby in Cape Town.

#### Angus Firth (1984W)

Head of Bishops Rugby

Angus was the 1st XV Assistant Coach from 1997 to 2005. He coached alongside Andre Jacobs (Staff) and Basil Bey (staff). He coached UCT U20 during 2003 and 2004. He has been Head of Rugby at Bishops since 2013. Angus played for Eastern Province U20 and Eastern Province B, as well as Villagers. He was Housemaster of White House from 2003 to 2013 and he also managed the Bishops Water Polo 1st team from 1997 to 2011.

#### Michael Bayly (1983S)

Bishops Support Coach

Michael's love for rugby began at Bishops Prep and he played A-side Rugby throughout most of his school career. In his Final year, he captained the 1st XV, was Head of School House and Head Boy. He was selected for WP Craven week, but due to an injury had to withdraw. He played WP Defence Force U20 Rugby. On the rugby field he worked his

way through the ranks from "Koshuis" rugby, Jongspan, Vics to eventually captaining Maties 1st XV and in 1989, he was elected as Maties Sportsman of the year. His provincial rugby career started in 1989, when he was selected for WP, playing 35 games in total. Later, he spent two years playing professional rugby in the Boland, totalling 35 caps. His coaching career started in 1997 when he retired from professional rugby. He took over from Nick Mallett at Boland, having played and coached under Nick for four years at False Bay and Boland. Boland ended 5th and 7th in the two years he coached them beating arch rivals WP three times. He was then appointed as Head Coach for Rovigo, Italy; a magnificent experience for him, competing in various competitions, including the Heineken Shield. His team won the "Coppa Italia" in the first season. He then joined Heineke Meyer as the Bulls assistant coach and spent the next seven years being part of building the Bulls from a struggling franchise to Super Rugby Champions in 2007. In his time they won the Vodacom Cup in 2001, reached five Currie Cup Finals in a row, three wins in a row, a loss and a draw and reaching three semi finals in Super Rugby and eventually winning in 2007. Mike has coached at Reddam, Paarl Boys High and Bishops.

#### Richard Smith (Staff)

Bishops 1st Team Coach

Richard matriculated from Rondebosch Boys High School. In 1997, he played in a 'reasonably' successful 1st team coached by Spencer King (1974W) and captained by Gcobani Bobo. While at school he was part of the WP rugby Elite squad system and was

initially selected for the WP U17 side. He later studied at Stellenbosch and played three seasons for Maties before moving to Van der Stel rugby club when they had a brief period in the Super A league. A catastrophic knee injury put halt to a promising career in 2002. He taught Bio kinetics for three years then joined Bishops in 2007 in the LO Department. He has coached many successful Bishops rugby teams over the past 10 years.

He also coached three seasons of club rugby being the assistant and then the head coach of the Villagers U20A side while also coaching the club 7s team and more recently has finished a season being the third team assistant coach at False Bay.

#### Oliver Steynor (1989O)

WPPS 1st Team Coach

Oliver Steynor has coached rugby at all age levels since 1990. Shortly after leaving school, and under the guidance of some of Bishops Prep's legendary "school-masters" such as Skeeles and Milne, he honed his skills in terms of using the game as a vehicle for allowing boys to learn about the intricacies of team-work, passion and life in general. He has continued to coach all ages at Prep school level over the last 20 years, at Somerset House and WPPS. A foray into the club scene saw him coaching False Bay U20s in 2007 and then as assistant to UCT U20s from 2009-2012 as part-time backline coach/general rugby philosopher. He currently coaches the (extremely successful) U13 team at Wetpups, and has a keen interest in how rugby develops body, mind and soul.



"The Three Wise Men"
Coaches Tim, Basil and Paul, when on the field, all played prop!



The 1987 Front row Alistair Burns, Bruce Jack, James Swift

Many of Basil's very close friends and colleagues attended the talk.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following ODs for kindly offering their services and special tariffs thereby making my task at hand more hassle-free.

Ross Wilson (1992W) at Urbantonic Robert Wilkinson (1987K) at Butlers Pizza

Evan Faull (1999G) at Knead Bakery

# **REUNIONS**

**CLASS OF 1976** – 40th Reunion ODs from the Class of 1976 enjoyed a few days packed with catching up. On Wednesday

9 March they attended the OD Annual Dinner at Kelvin Grove. On Founders Day, Friday 11 March, Dr Paul Murray took them on a tour



of Bishops followed by watching some of the sporting events. That evening they enjoyed cocktails and canapes in The Mitre. On Saturday 12 March they did a central Cape Town city walking tour with Andrew Boraine (1976O) and then had lunch at The Cape Town Club in Queen Victoria Street.

#### CLASS OF 1996 - 20th Reunion

Over a year ago, after hearing of the tales of the class of 1995, a small group decided to form a self-appointed committee of 1996 veterans to get the ball rolling in anticipation of our 20 year reunion. Indeed we had some great evenings whilst planning the ultimate reunion. Mark Hibbert put up his hand to hunt down our fellow classmates and AK Mitchell volunteered his services to coordinate the hospitality aspects of the weekend.

As the day neared the "committee" was ready to roll out the weekend. Had there been more committee meetings there would have most definitely been some rather unhappy spouses!

On Friday 26 August, about 40 of us met at Forries in Newlands, away from school to officially kick-start the weekend, and get to grips with 20 years of water under the bridge. Indeed this proved to be a fantastic idea, and after closing down the bar when last rounds had been called, many were still keen and able for more. The evening carried on, into the wee hours of the morning at several other establishments around Cape Town.

The following morning we met up on the corner of the Piley Rees for the annual Bosch vs Bishops derby. The game was, as always, a great spectacle. This one even more so as Rondebosch sneaked a victory in the dying

minutes of the game under some would say dubious circumstances!

As expected we then strolled across to the Heatlie for several obligatory beers and a chat with various teachers, ODs and parents, etc.

A few of the class stayed on after the rugby and had an impromptu tour around the school leading up to our dinner. The Bishops building committee has indeed been busy over the past 20 years. The rest of us arrived at The Mitre at 7pm for the headliner event of the weekend.

The Mitre was an absolutely fantastic venue for our formal dinner. With a gourmet meal and an open bar, wine supplied by James de Wet of Arabella, the evening was guaranteed to be a great success and indeed did not disappoint.

If there was any tension left in the building by dinner, our head boy for 1996, Stu Berry delivered a rip roaring speech, fashioned on a roll call that left us all in stitches. Man for man, he both heckled and charmed his way around the year. By the end of dinner we were well on our way to a most memorable evening and one was truly taken aback by the euphoria of what Bishops is, and what it means to be an OD.

This was clearly evident with a small die-hard contingent of the class, who found themselves leaving the building at 05:15 the following morning!

Thank you to those who made the effort to come from far and wide. It was a crazy dash back in time and many of us are no doubt still reminiscing about how great the weekend was.

Special mention must be made of Mark Hibbert who without his persistency in tracking down those classmates far and wide,



Stuart Berry, Richard Bell, Stephen Linnel, Michael Langford



Gareth Cowan, Bernard Sellmeyer, Sean Learmonth



Stuart McVitty, Anthony Mitchell, Christopher Thompson



Bernard Sellmeyer, Michael de Villiers, Anton Magnus



Darryn Lander, Daniel Vickerman



Gordon Burchell, Sean Learmonth, Phillip Wyatt, Stuart Berry, Owen Green, Bernard Sellmeyer, Simon Duffett, Janusz Kaminski

Francis Eliott.



Christopher Thompson, Robert Nichols, Crispian Abbott



Bruce, James de Wet



Sango Siyengo, Bernard Sellmeyer, Stuart Berry



Christian Dolby, Robert Lightbody, Christopher Thompson



Green, Phillip Wyatt

the weekend would never have materialised.

To close off, as a group of organisers and moral supporters we agreed that at least once a year we should offer the chance of a casual impromptu gathering for those who are around. So, be aware! 2017 awaits...

AK Mitchell

#### **OD BOLAND DINNER**

Thanks to Martin Versfeld (1977S), another successful Boland OD Dinner was held

at Waterford Wine Estate on Friday 16
September. The owners, Jeremy Ord and
Kevin Arnold, are very supportive of hosting
our dinners and supporting our OD initiatives.
There was a good mix of 'young' and 'old.'
Michael Foxcroft (2012W) spoke about the
planned activities ODs had in mind for
2016/2017. Guest speaker, Brian Robertson
(1979W), touched on the ODU Mentoring
Programme and his personal mentoring
experiences, which were well received by all.







ODs eating, drinking, mingling and reuniting.



Back row left to right: Graeme Low (1975W), Craig Vincent (1987S), Dirk van Doorn (1988W), Richard Wingfield (1983S). Front row left to right: Andy Wood (1977G), Bruce Jack (1987G), Jonathan Loww (1987W)

### MIDDLE EAST OD GET-TOGETHER IN DUBAI

The Middle East branch of the ODU hosted a get together for ODs on 3 November at the iconic Dubai Creek Golf and Yacht club. A number of ODs attend the event along with special guest, Bruce Jack, chairman of the ODU.

The mix of ODs was varied with some ODs only having recently moved to Dubai and others who had been in Dubai and Abu Dhabi for over 16 years. A number of these ODs already have their next generation currently at Bishops. Long may the tradition continue. It was an enjoyable evening with many a story being told from yesteryear and some of the experiences we all had during their formative years at Bishops. Some of the stories were naturally hilarious in content that had everyone chuckling. Bruce also took the opportunity to give everyone an informal update on the ODU.

#### **1979 LUNCH**

The 1979 ODs decided to hold their annual reunion lunch at The Mitre this year. We meet each year on the Friday before the third term Bish Bosch Bash. The venue was particularly popular as we did not have to move to watch the first hockey teams battle it out on the astro and some of us secured good parking spaces for the rugby on Saturday. As always, the lunch was well-attended by the Cape Town based '79ers.



The following '79ers were present: Peter Llewellyn, Paul Boynton, Uti Schirmer, Chris McCallum, Ralph Andreas, Ken McKenzie, Johnny Henkes, Simon Peile, Nick Rattle, Tim Morris, Neil Proudfoot, Brian Robertson, Dave Burton, Dave MacGregor, John Macey, Nico Gericke, James Drew, Paul du Toit and visiting from Gauteng, Greg Mills. Craig Watson had to leave early.

#### HOTS LUNCH



Standing left to right: Margie Dobson, Brian de Kock (1953O), Gill de Kock, Georgie Douglas, Alan Douglas (Staff), June Clark, Melvin Wallis-Brown (Staff), Ed Milne (Staff). Seated left to right: Paul Dobson (Staff), Basil Bey (Staff), Steyn Fourie (Staff)

The HOTS were honoured and delighted to meet for lunch at The Mitre on Thursday 20 October. From the venue to the food and wine, to the laughter and catch-up, everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Alan Douglas (Staff) was most appreciative and states that the OD Union's generosity is boundless.

#### **RELAXED 1961 GET-TOGETHER**

In the absence of any known organized reunion, Bob Rowand arranged a small informal lunch which was held at The Pool Room, Oak Valley Estate, Elgin on Friday 7 October to mark the 55th celebration of a few 1961 ODs who still keep in touch. In attendance were Garry Southern, Martyn Trainor, Keith Foster, Laurie Chiappini and Bob Rowand. Johnnie Bothner and Ron Woulidge were not able to make it. A delicious meal, excellent wine, non-stop chatting and some good laughs made it a thoroughly enjoyable occasion.

# UPCOMING REUNIONS CLASS OF 1967 – 50th Reunion

This reunion will take place from 28 September to 1 October 2017.

For more details please contact the organisers:

#### Christopher Duck -

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Anton Moldan – antonmoldan@gmail.com Mickey Madlener – madconns@iafrica.com Ian Smith – ians@holdfast.co.za

# **CLASS OF 1972** – 45th Reunion **Chris Newman** is planning a 45th reunion

for next year. If you would like to assist Chris, please e-mail him at newmanz@iafrica.com

#### **CLASS OF 1977** – 40th Reunion

The Class of 1977 will be celebrating their 40th reunion over the weekend 17/18/19 February 2017. Please contact the organisers for more information:

Mark Westcott - mwestcott@wol.co.za

Dave Steward - dsteward@bricook.it

#### **CLASS OF 1987** – 30th Reunion

The Class of 1987 will be celebrating their 30th reunion from 21 to 25 September 2017. A Reunion Facebook page has been set up at https://www.facebook.com/events/1621847/ For more information please contact **Delré O'Rourke** dorourke@bishops.org.za

#### CLASS OF 1997 – 20th Reunion

**WP van Zyl** is planning a 20th reunion over the weekend 23/24/25 June 2017. Save the dates! A Reunion Facebook page will be set up shortly. If you would like to join the reunion committee please e-mail WP at: wpvanzyl@bishops.org.za

### NEWS OF ODs



Paul du Toit (1992W)

#### **TONY AWARD!**

The brilliantly innovative, heartbreaking, and wickedly funny, Hedwig and the Angry *Inch*, the iconic rock musical, opened at Gate69, on 15 September 2016. A landmark musical by John Cameron Mitchell and Stephen Trask that is "groundbreaking and undoubtedly ahead of its time" (Entertainment Weekly), this genre-bending, fourth-wallsmashing musical sensation, with its pulsing score and electrifying performances, tells the story of one of the most unique characters to ever hit the stage. The music, written by Stephen Trask is steeped in the androgynous 1970's glam rock style of David Bowie (who co-produced the Los Angeles production of the show), as well as the work of John Lennon and Iggy Pop. The production stars Paul du Toit (1992W) (The Rocky Horror Show, Binnelanders, Backstage) and Genna Galloway (Grease). Design is by



Niall Griffin (2001B)

**Niall Griffin**(2001B). The story is about a fictional rock band fronted by an East German transgender singer called Hedwig, formerly known as Hansel, who assumes a female persona after a botched sex change operation that was performed to allow her to marry an American man and escape East Germany. The musical explores Hedwig's life and complex gender identity.

# EX-DE BEERS CEO JOINS PANGOLIN DIAMONDS

Toronto Stock Exchange-listed Pangolin Diamond Corporation, which has seven diamond exploratory projects in Botswana in eight project areas that cover more than 10705 square kilometres, has announced that, former De Beers Chief Executive Gareth Penny (1980F), has been appointed Non-Executive Chairman of its board. Leon Daniels, President and Chief



Gareth Penny (1980F)

Executive of Pangolin Diamonds is pleased to have Gareth join the board. He states, "His lifetime industry experience and proven leadership and operational skills, coupled with his extensive international business management expertise, will be invaluable additions to our board."

#### **COURAGE TO LEAD**

There is a famous quote by John Rockefeller that reads: "Don't be afraid to give up the good, to go for the great." That quote epitomises the courage and leadership displayed by **James Sedgwick (1976F)** in taking up the reins as the Chairman of the Board



James Sedgwick (1976F) with Alana James – CEO of The Sunflower Fund

at The Sunflower Fund. It was good for him to be involved with the organisation since 2012, when he was approached by the Founder to be a member of the board responsible for the financial portfolio. Over the past four years James has been giving of his skills and experience tirelessly to ensure the good governance of The Sunflower Fund's financial affairs. In June 2016, the opportunity presented itself to give up the good to go for the great, by stepping into the role of Chairman and to continue to lead the organisation on a path of sustainability that will benefit generations to come.



Norwegian teachers with John (far right)

#### **GUESTS FROM NORWAY**

On Tuesday 11 October, John Lawrence (Staff) led a tour for 22 teachers from Norway, around the Pre-Prep, Prep and College. Afterwards they had a most delightful lunch at The Mitre. The teachers were in awe of Bishops!

### VERSE Archibald Swanson (1973G)

The September 1970 edition of the College Magazine dedicated two pages to the retirement of the Prep Headmaster Pieter Van der Bijl (Senior Prefect at Bishops, Oxford Blue in cricket and boxing, Officer Commanding the Dukes and Bishops Prep staff member for 36 years, 20 years as headmaster). To underline the importance attached to literary contributions, four full pages were dedicated to creative writing in the same edition yet, almost apologetically, the writer states "For many years Bishops writers have had these few pages for the publication of their works". He then goes on to draw the attention of students to an alternative outlet

 the annual Bishops literary publication called The Mitre. In my opinion it's a pity that college magazines no longer have space for such contributions.

Later in the same introduction it is mentioned that "English Alive has established itself as a national schools literary magazine of quality. In 1970 Bishops is proud to have been (for the second time) one of the schools judged to have made the best contribution to the publication". This undoubtedly reflected the strong tradition of writing encouraged by teachers at the time like visionary rugby coach Basil Bey. Those of us lucky enough to have been in his classes will well recall him hunched over and reading one of his favourite poems like Thom Gunn's On the Move "... On motorcycles, up the road, they come: Small, black, as flies hanging in heat..."

English Alive has just published a commemorative anthology of 220 poems covering 50 years of the magazine and Bishops once again is well represented by the poems of Trevor Buckland (1968W), Archie Swanson (1973G), David Montgomery



Archibald Swanson (1973G)

(1982G), Peter Anderson (1985K), Graham Madikiza (1987W), Gerhardt Will (1992K), Jan van Zyl Smit (1996K), Ross Hofmeyr (1999O), Jonathan Keevy (2000F) and Sean MacGinty (2004M). In fact, Bishops is the best represented school in the anthology – a tradition that will hopefully continue.

On a personal note, I have remained active as a poet with my poems appearing in the current quarterly South African publications - New Contrast and Stanzas. In June this year, three of my poems (originally published in the 2015 Best African Poets Anthology) were translated into Spanish by Spanish poet Martin Lopez-Vega and appeared in the Spanish national newspaper, El Mundo. In August I was one of the guest poets at the McGregor Poetry Festival.

### MOVEMENTS by Rev Bob Commin (Chaplain 1976 To 1980)

At the end of April this year, Daphne and I travelled to Australia where I was part of



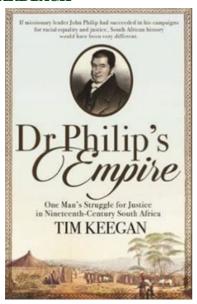
Rev Bob Commin, Jane Cox and Robin Cox (1972G)

the SA over-65 team playing in the Grand Masters Hockey World Cup that took place in Newcastle. Over 40 teams took part coming from 13 different countries. It was a wonderful tournament, well run and lots of fun.

After that, we spent five days each in Sydney, Brisbane and Canberra before heading to Torquay in Victoria, where I did a locum in the Surf Coast Parish. While in Brisbane we were thrilled to spend the day on and next to the Brisbane River with Jane and Robin Cox (1972G).

The Surf Coast Parish consists of three churches in three different centres necessitating a lot of driving on Sunday mornings, avoiding collisions with kangaroos! We had a splendid eight weeks there, getting to know the locals and surrounding areas, including, of course the wonderful city of Melbourne. My brother and his wife took us on a road trip along the spectacular Great Ocean Road to Adelaide where we ended our visit. We returned to Simons Town at the end of July, where I have been looking after St. Francis of Assisi church for the past three years.

#### HARDBACK



**Tim Keegan (1969G)** documents missionary leader Dr John Philip's encounters with Dutch colonists, English settlers and indigenous South Africans, his battles with his fellow missionaries and the colonial authorities, and his lobbying for indigenous people's civil rights. Keegan discusses Philip's fight for the emancipation of slaves, his attempts to protect the Khoi against injustice and his opposition to the dispossession of the Xhosa in the Eastern Cape.

With 'Dr Philip's Empire', Tim Keegan has done us a great favour. This exceptionally readable and deeply illuminating story of the fascinating and complex British missionary Dr John Philip is far more than a freshly opened window on the history of the colonial enterprise. It is, in fact, a tantalising microcosm – even a parable – for the early liberal and humanitarian aspirations of empire and the twists and turns of

their fall into decay and delusion. A timely and important book, its cool and judicious historical perspective may also help to educate the present-minded ideological puritans for whom the colonial past is nothing other than the Evil Empire of Cecil John Rhodes.

Historian and writer Tim Keegan is also the author of *Rural Transformations in Industrialising South Africa*, Colonial South Africa and the Origins of the Racial Order and Moravians in the Eastern Cape.

Tim is a graduate of the University of Cape Town and obtained his PhD in African history from the University of London. After living and working in the UK and the USA, he spent five years in the African Studies Institute at Wits University before going to the History Department at the University of the Western Cape. In the mid-nineties he left to concentrate on research and writing. He has published several books including Rural Transformations in Industrialising South Africa, Colonial South Africa and the Origins of the Racial Order, Moravians in the Eastern Cape and the novels Waiting for the Moon, Tromp's Last Stand and My Life with the Duvals. He has been shortlisted for the Commonwealth Writers Prize (Africa region) and the Caine Prize for African Fiction.

#### **OD AUTHORS**

The OD Union is collecting and displaying all books written by ODs in our boardroom at The Mitre. If you have written a book please e-mail: dorourke@bishops.org.za to arrange having a copy delivered to the ODU.

#### MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Boulder Center for Interactive Learning at Dawson (BCILD) based in Colorado, is a nonprofit organisation founded and directed by



David Sutton (1982O)

David Sutton (1982O), to assist schools in putting themselves in the centre of innovation and creative thinking, adding enrichment to under-resourced communities through effective use of the internet. He believes that enriched and purposeful education with equal access to online resources will substantially narrow gaps in education inequality. They have recently completed a documentary film on Design Thinking. This is ground-breaking in that Design Thinking is a new approach to solving complex problems, and they have brought this thinking to K-12 schools. See more at http://www.bcild.org/blog

In addition, David is also a board member of Artworks for Youth, an organization dedicated to providing art education to under-served children in South Africa. He has launched a new and innovative product which is a physical manipulative which teachers can use in schools to teach mathematics, engineering, construction and art. It can be used for formal concept training, and also in creative self-guided learning.

See www.intooba.com

#### "CHEERS"



Brothers Stuart (1988W) and James (1990W) Downes

Congratulations to brothers **Stuart (1988W)** and James (1990W) Downes of Shannon Vineyards who were lauded 5 stars at the Platter's 5 Stars Awards Ceremony, for both their Mount Bullet 2013 and Semillon 2015, affirming that cool-climate Elgin delivers excellence across the varietal range. Again the Mount Bullet, a 100%, 5-way clonal Merlot blend has been rewarded with 5 star status, something that not many Merlots have achieved. The recognition for their Semillon also highlights the exciting style for this variety from cooler climates. Huge credit must go to the combined efforts of the vineyard and winemaking teams in realising this achievement.

#### GIVING BACK

In June this year, **Murray Robertson** (2011F), along with four Old Andreans,





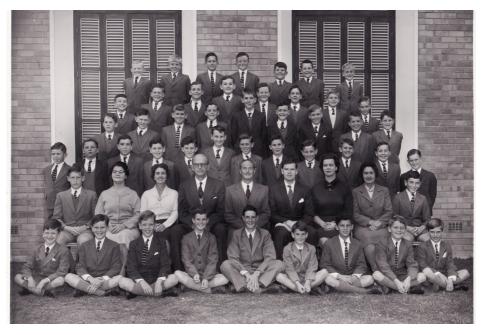
co-founded a charity called Born to be Free. Their main objective is to supply schools in the townships with access to computers to create computer literacy in these communities. This will give them the skills that they will need when growing up in a technological evolving environment. Murray reports, "In our first three months we raised funds and bought and installed 30 computers at West End Primary in Mitchells Plain. It is an on-going project. We have been registered as an NPO and we have Siya Kolisi and Scarra Ntubeni as ambassadors and are currently in talks with Nizaam Carr (2009M) to come on board. We have successfully pitched our company to YOCO and they have sponsored events that we have held. We are going to be hosting a black tie event in the near future to raise funds for our next school which will either be in Gugulethu or Khayelitsha. The schools need to have a number of specifications, namely a secure room for the computers and secure premises. We are only five months old and have already garnered support from the community, sportsmen, government officials and local support through word-of-mouth. Our goal is to become a lead NPO, supplying

computers to these areas in the next five to ten years, thereby opening doors and opportunities for them in the future." Follow their progress at https://twitter.com/borntobefreeza



Murray Robertson (2011F)

#### **BIRT HOUSE PREP INAUGURAL YEAR IN 1961**



All left to right. Back row: John Finch, Rob Heydenrych, Steven Steyn, Alan Snowden, Andy Selfe, Blaine Tomlinson, Philip Wood.

- 4th row: Chris Theron (deceased), Pete Brierley, Hugh Philip, Dave Franklin, Neil Snowden, Alan Knott Craig, Dave Swift (deceased), Mark Stanford.
- 3rd row: Chris Winearls, Clive Keegan, Jeremy Hogg, Angus Waugh, Anton Melck, John Mitchell, Chris Duck, John Hayward, Crispian Stanford.
- 2nd row: Martin Melck (deceased), Robin Watling, Robert Jackson, Ian Ovenstone, Tyrell Fairhead, Donald Fraser Bett, Rupert Valpy, John Voortman, David Abbott, Peter Lubbe (deceased), Philip Selfe (deceased), Roland von Hoesslin.
- Seated: Alistair Millar, Mrs van Heerden, Betty Le Mesurier, Pieter van der Bijl, Peter Le Mesurier, John Charlton, Betty van der Bijl, Mrs O'Connor, Michael de Klerk. Front row: Gavin Larmuth, Doug Wares, Anthony Walker, Chris Le Mesurier, Tim Le Mesurier, Nicholas Le Mesurier, Dudley Wolhuter, Richard Tomlinson, Stephen de Klerk.

#### Donald Fraser Bett (1966B) reports:

This year a group of Bishops Prep school boys will celebrate 55 years since making up the 'new' boy contingent at Birt House. Rossall was demolished in 1960 to make way for two

new Prep boarding houses, namely Birt and Bramley, which were completed in 1961 for the first intake of boarders from Stanmore and Rossall. Birt House is now a dayboy house at the College and Birt at the Prep, is now van der Bijl House.

Michael de Klerk (1965S) and Alastair Millar (1965W) were joint Head Boys in Standard 6. My own recollections are mostly to do with all the fun and laughter that we had. Pieter van der Bijl (1941F) and Peter Le Mesurier (1953O) (Vandy and Lemmie to us), used to read books to us in the evenings. One was the exploits of Bulldog Drummond by HC Mc Neile alias Sapper, the self-styled British detective, patriot, hero and gentleman. The new dorms for the Standard 5s and 6s were divided by T-shaped, waist-high walls, with four beds in each alcove. Robin Watling's (1966F) bed was on the opposite side of the wall to mine. We were very naughty in those days and played lots of pranks. The title of one of the other books that Vandy read I cannot recall, but it sparked several nick names and much hilarity. One evening Vandy was reading from this book about a young English upper-crust schoolboy named Gazeke Furby-Smith who was to choose a new school. He wore a pince-nez and carried a portmanteau. Vandy, quoting the boy's father in the book said, "Do you want to go to Ryeking?" I yelled out "Oh alright then!" to the mirth of the whole dorm. "Who said that" Vandy asked? I owned up and was told to keep quiet! Ever since then Robin has been called Gaz, short for Gazeke. My nickname was Fern. I was one of the first to become hirsute in the nether regions, so earned that dubious sobriquet.

John Charlton (1954G) (alias Charlie) was Assistant Housemaster who introduced us to the famous Goon Show. I remember sitting with others in his study listening to their hilarious skits, including the Ying Tong song. I've been a fan ever since. We were quite a sporty lot and entered house teams in rugby, cricket, swimming, tennis and athletics. There were always prayers

said in the reading room at the end of the day usually by Lemmie. Finally a character named 'The Man' made his appearance at Birt. I had taken a page out of a National Geographic magazine dated September 1960, showing Dr Louis Leakey's discovery of Homo Zinjanthropis in the Olduvai Gorge in Tanzania. One evening just before lights out I slid the picture up over the wall in Robin's direction. When he saw it he went into uncontrollable laughter. This went on for weeks! When we spoke about 'The Man', we intoned his name in a high-pitched, falsetto screech, then fell about laughing. I still have the original cutting and we laugh about it now even after 55 years! Fantastic camaraderie, with a hard core of friends who still keep in touch. Some wonderful memories!

Here are reminiscences from some of the other boys. Nic Le Mesurier (1968G), on behalf of his older brothers Tim (1964G) and Chris (1966G) reports, "Those were great years! I remember Angus Waugh (1967G) brought his ukulele banjo to Birt House which started a guitar craze. Often the circular lawn was full of Standard 5 and 6 boys with their guitars playing *Suikerbossie*. The model yacht craze, when the pool was full of some of the most sophisticated model yachts. Another memory was not quite so happy. Miles Arnold had "won" an important race at Sports Day, I think the record was broken too, and that evening Birt House celebrated magnificently, only to be told the next day that an error had been made and the real winner was Simon Burrow of Bramley! Birt House had some humble pie to eat but sportingly handed the trophy to the true winner. I think I remember exuberant celebrations emanating from the dining room of Bramley House.



"The Man"

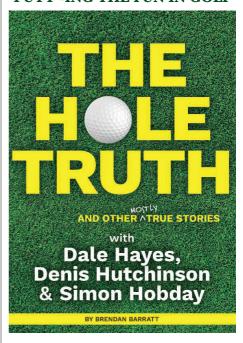
Then there was the ghost of Lord Nelson where the "victim" was blindfolded and led into the reading room and his hand was guided over the "body" feeling the stump of the amputated leg, the amputated arm and then the "victim's" forefinger was thrust into the empty eyesocket of Nelson's eye. Hedley Peter (1971F) came out and smelt his finger and exclaimed 'It's a guava!' at which the guide tried desperately to hush him up! The 'eyesocket' was actually a granadilla, not a guava!

There was also the swimming pool donated by the Ovenstone family, newly completed and just filled. All we wanted to do was to dive right in but someone came up with the great idea that Gerald Rowe (1966G), captain of the swimming team, should swim a length before anyone else. I seem to remember everyone was happy with the idea, but Gerald had to get to the school from home which took quite a while. We waited as patiently as we could and at last Gerald arrived to a hero's welcome, swam his length after which we all piled in.

Speaking for Tim, Chris and myself, our years at Birt House were among the happiest of

our lives, especially the holidays! Playing hide and seek in the dark (dodging Mrs Beyer, the Bramley House Matron, who was always on our case about dirtying the walls). The cricket field and pool were ours during the holidays and what privileged lives we led! Then there were the visiting Nuffield teams who were accommodated in Dorm 1 for the duration of Nuffield Week. It was always great to have them visit. There may be more wonderful stories and other Prep School memories in Peter Le Mesurier's (1935O) book on the Prep".

#### 'PUTT'-ING THE FUN IN GOLF



"The Hole Truth and Other Mostly True Stories" is a collection of short stories, experiences and anecdotes from Dale Hayes, **Denis Hutchinson (19480)** and

**Simon Hobday** (19578), written and edited by former Compleat Golfer editor Brendan Barratt. Dale, Denis and Simon are three of the great characters of South African golf. They hail from a time when golf was less serious and, as such, players got up to a lot more mischief both on and off the course. With over 150 years

combined experience as professional golfers, the three former SA Open champions have seen and done it all. Thankfully, they still remember most of the details. These fellows invite you inside the ropes to relive their funniest golfing moments. Follow them on https://www.facebook.com/HoleTruthBook/

## **SPORT**

Congratulations to the following ODs on their sporting achievements:

#### **RUGBY**



Springbok Nizaam Carr (2009M)

■ Nizaam Carr (2009M) on being selected for the Springbok squad for the November tour of Europe.



Dasch Barber (2006M) on tour with Germany

■ **Dasch Barber** (2006M) on being selected for the German national side for November Internationals against Uruguay and Brazil.



Nicholas Fenton-Wells (2004F), Tim Swiel (2011F) and Nick Koster (2007F)

■ Nick Koster (2007F) and Nicholas Fenton-Wells (2004F) (captain) for playing in the Aviva "A" League Match between Bristol and Harlequins.



Founders OD supporters – left to right: Nick Koster (2007F), Michael Enotiades (2007F), Glen Biderman-Pam (2007F) and Nick Fenton-Wells (2004F)



ODs Graham Knoop (2005O) and Robbie Fleck (1993O) at the False Bay jersey presentation before the Gold Cup Final



ODs Dasch Barber (2006M) and Robbie Fleck (1993O) at the False Bay jersey presentation before the Gold Cup Final

■ The following ODs for representing the Western Province Super League A Champions False Bay in the Gold Cup: **Graham Knoop** (2005O) (captain), Wesley Chetty (2006O), Dasch Barber (2006M) and Josh Pinn (2008B).



Our boys in the WP under 19 squad, Tristan Leyds (2015S), Brandon Salomo (2015S) and Cornel Smit (2015W), all sitting in the front row

- **Johnny Kotze (2011S)** on signing a contract to represent the Blue Bulls from 2017.
- James Murphy (2013F) on representing Western Province in the 2016 SA Rugby Sevens Provincial tournament.
- Cornel Smit (2015W), Brandon Salomo (2015S) and Tristan Leyds (2015S) on representing Western Province in the Under 19 Championship. They reached the final
- Andre Manual (20158) on representing Boland in the under 20 Championship Final.
- The following ODs on representing the UCT Champions the Cobras, in the UCT Koshuis Final: William Day (2015F), Jaime Manual (2009O), Thomas van As (2014F), Olivier Neill (2013F),

- Jordan Artus (2012M), Sean Paterson (2009F), Justin Rowe-Roberts (2014O), Luke Leach (2014S), Chris Heunis (2013O), Ty Wills (2013K), Callan Artus (2006M), Justin Heunis (2014O), Dan Russell (2013G), Ross Church (2015W), Campbell Frost (2011S), Luke Kuhn (2012F) and Zukile Dube (2013F).
- Johannes (Frik) de Wet (2007M) on joining the Austin Huns as technical analysist and skills coach.
- Sam Lane (2009S) on representing the Sydney Rays in the 2016 Australian Domestic Championship.

#### FALSE BAY RUGBY

Six ODs who play for the False Bay Rugby Football Club, travelled to Harare last weekend, where they took on the Zimbabwe



Left to right: Dasch Barber (2006M), Josh Pinn (2008B), Len Thomas (1957S), Graham Knoop (2005O), Wesley Chetty (2006O) and Kevin Lennett (1984O).

Club Champions Old Georgians in The Gold Cup (SA National Club Championships). This year was the first time that a Zimbabwe side was invited to participate in the tournament. Our Harare Secretary, Leonard Thomas (1957S), along with a crowd of around 1500 spectators was there in support. On a typically warm Zimbabwe day False Bay, captained by Graham Knoop **(20050)**, managed to secure the win 38-25 in an extremely entertaining match. Len shared some memories of his Bishops days where he was a boarder at School House. Most notably being, that in those days, there were 40 boarders from Zimbabwe, and they only went home twice a year!

#### **EPIC**



Oliver Munnik (2003B) on the right

■ Oliver Munnik (2003B) on finishing 8th overall in the Israel Epic, a three day stage race.

#### RUNNING



Ben Brimble (2003G) proudly showing off his King of the Mountains trophy following his victory in the La Capra trail running race

■ Ben Brimble (2003G) on winning the La Capra Trail race.

#### CANOEING



Stuart Bristow (2014K)

Stuart Bristow (2014K) has been very busy competing internationally for the South African Sprint Canoeing Team. Following on from receiving his U18 SA Junior Protea Colours whilst in Matric, he was awarded U23 Colours in 2015 and now Senior Men SA Colours in 2016. He competed in the World Marathon Championships in Oklahoma in 2014, the World Marathon Championships in Portugal in 2015, the World Cup Canoe Sprints in the Czech Republic and the European Canoe Sprint Olympic Qualifier in Duisberg this year. Stuart has set his sights on Tokyo 2020 so that is keeping him focused!

#### ALGARVE SUP



Nick Robinson (1987S)

**Nick Robinson (1987S)** organises paddling journeys through his company Stand Up

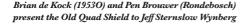
Paddle Touring. Brothers Nick and **Andrew Robinson** (1985B) along with brothers, Tim and Nick Robbins, from the UK started paddle boarding from a little village called Cambas in the Castelo Branco District of central Portugal (just below the Serra da Estrella mountain range), on boards flown in from the UK sponsored by Starboard SUP. They paddled 130 kilometres down the Zezere River to a beautiful little town called Constantia – Nick is sure Capetonians will be familiar with this name and he is pretty sure that his Latin teacher, Brian de Kock (1953O) will tell us that it means "endurance." Nick's patience "endured" after he dropped his cell phone into the last vestiges of the Zezere River before it joined the Tejo River (Iberia's longest river). Their journey ended in Lisbon after a total of 264 kilometres taking nine nights to get there, portaging three major dams.

# THE OLD QUAD GOLF CHALLENGE 2016

The annual competition for the Old Quad Golf Shield between ODs and Old Boys of Rondebosch, Wynberg and SACS took the form of a Triangular, as SACS were regrettably unable to field a team for the 24-a-side event. The match took place at the Westlake Golf Club on Friday 28 October in windy, but otherwise fine conditions. The winners were Wynberg, with a total of 470 Stableford points; Bishops were second on 445 and Rondebosch third with 441. Once again we owe a great debt of gratitude to our various sponsors, notably Theo Basson (1991F) of Ormonde Vineyards, Sanjay Daya (1994G) of Spur Steak Ranches and Panarottis for their generous prize donations.







ODs who featured among the prize-winners were: Douglas McFadyen (1986O) and Nick Price (1982), who tied for first place as the best pair in the competition with 44 points, Rob (1987O) and Murray (1989O) Carlyle and Sanjay Daya (1994G) and James Henkes (1997G), who tied for fourth place on 42 points. Rob Cheetham (1966W) won the prize for 'Nearest the Pin' on the 3rd hole.



Nick Price (1982) and Douglas McFadyen (1986O)

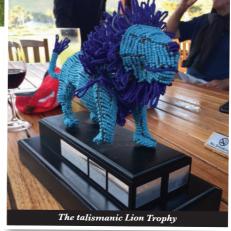
#### WALKER CUP GOLF DAY 2017

The annual match for the Walker Cup, between ODs and Rondebosch Old Boys will take place on Friday 3 March 2017 at the Mowbray Golf Course. ODs wishing to play should please contact Brian de Kock bdekock@iafrica.com or Delré O'Rourke dorourke@bishops.org.za



### FOUNDERS VERSUS SCHOOL '77 GOLF CHALLENGE

The 6th Annual Golfing Challenge between the Founders and School House classes of 1977 was held on 4 and 5 November at The Hermanus Golf Club. The teams are made up predominantly of 1977 ODs however "star" golfers from other years "help" out from time to time. Founders managed to secure a hard fought victory this year under some fairly tough conditions!





The Old Boys Tens Players

#### **OLD BOYS TENS**

The OD union was strongly represented in the Annual Old Boys Tens hosted at Pirates Rugby Club in Johannesburg on 4 and 5 November. A combined Southern Suburbs side consisting of old boys from SACS, Rondebosch, Wynberg, Reddam and Bishops took on Monument, Jeppe, Dale and St Stithians. After a "hard-fought" win against Monument, it went down narrowly to Jeppe, before a loss to Dale and finally a draw against Saints, to put them out of contention. This is always a momentous weekend and a

chance to meet up with some old friends from school and varsity. A special thanks must be made to the few ODs who flew to JHB from Cape Town to take part. I am sure they will agree that it was well worth the trip.

The Bishops Squad was made up of:

Brendan Raubenheimer (2005F), Dean Schoeman (2006W), Matthew Kelly (2005W), Warren Kelly (2003W), Pete Haw (2005F), Clinton White (2009G), James Bailes (2005F), Theo Louw (2005W), Mike Ledwidge (2005M) and Justin Bijl (2005K).

### MUSEUM & ARCHIVES



# 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAR MEMORIAL CHAPEL by Dr Paul Murray

Father Terry Wilke, the College Chaplain explained the reason for this special service. It was to commemorate the 90th year of the erection of the War Memorial Chapel built in honour of the ODs who gave their lives fighting in the First World War. He explained how 90 years before, the Dedication Service of the War Memorial Chapel took place on the Eve of the Festival of All Saints Day, on 31 October 1926. This was followed later with the unveiling of the War Memorial Bronze Tablets on 6 November 1927. He emphasized that we were therefore gathered here on this day in order to mark that moment in the College's history. The format of the 2016 service reflected the original service. The Introit Hymn was from the EH 173, All things are Thine, by J.G. Whittier (1807-1892). Mr Peter Westwood, the College Deputy Principal, led the service in Prayer, recalling for the congregation the memory of the founder, Robert Gray. The scripture reading was from Psalm 27, 'The Lord is my light and salvation' (said by all). Father Wilke offered the

prayers for the memorial bronzes, which are at the entrance of the Chapel, "in memory of thy servants, the past members of this College who laid down their lives in the War, and to the glory of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ". Mr Westwood offered further prayers, and then the Congregation sang *Tell Out My Soul* (Hymns A& M, 422).

Dr Paul Murray gave the address in which he explained the great honour that befell him, in doing so. The Reverend John Brooke had given the Dedication address 90 years ago to the day on 31 October 1926. Dr Murray explained that today's service was not meant to replace the Remembrance Day service to be held in November. There, the lives of the fallen would be commemorated. He then highlighted some of the points from Reverend Brooke's address, 90 years ago. We should be thankful to those who through dedication and amid great financial sacrifice, generously gave so that the Memorial Chapel could be fully paid for. This was a great building, which several of the world's leading architectural societies have on their itineraries and visit. The costs to erect it today would be astronomical. It is also with sadness that we commemorate the building's 90 years, as so many of the country's young fell fighting "Pro Fide et Patria". They fought to make the world safer for democracy, to overcome Evil, hence the decision to include the Flag of St George, traditionally the Flag of Bishops, when processing in. At the entrance of the Chapel, above the memorial bronze tablets, is the image of St George conquering the dragon. The Chapel was the school's highest building, reflecting the importance of our



spiritual lives. As The Hon. John X Merriman (OD and Former Prime Minister) remarked about the Chapel, it is a memorial for the future. If the fallen from where they lie buried in East Africa, Egypt, Palestine, Belgium and France could speak to us, what would they say? That we should strive to get closer to God in our worship in the Chapel, and that we should communicate their spirit in our daily

lives at the College, from the youngest among us, as well as from the least sensitive. Father Wilke gave the benediction and pronounced the blessing, and the service ended with the recessional hymn, *To God Be the Glory*. The cross and standard bearers led the retiring party, to where it had begun, at the entrance, under the memorial tablets and the image of St George slaying the dragon.

#### FOR THE DIARY

#### **ODU DINNER**

The Annual Dinner of the OD Union, Thursday 16 March 2017

Venue: The Ballroom, Kelvin Grove

Time: 18h00 for 19h00 | Dress: Black Tie or Suit

Cost: R350

A formal invitation will go out via e-mail with more details

#### **FOUNDERS DAY 2017** - Friday 17 March 2017

Lunch for ODs participating in events will be served at the Frank Reid Pavilion at 12h00 ODs wishing to take part in the respective sports, please contact the responsible OD below

Shooting: Phil Calothi phil@lsds.co.za

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Basketball: Glen Gibbon ggibbon@bishops.org.za

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Cricket Teams: **Delré O'Rourke** dorourke@bishops.org.za

Golf: **WP van Zyl** wpvanzyl@bishops.org.za

(Date: To be advised)

Squash: Chris Boyes chris.boyes@taquanta.com

(Squash matches played on Thursday 16 March at 17h00)

Drinks will be served after the 1st XI match at the Frank Reid Pavillion

#### CAROLS WITH RICHARD COCK Friday 16 December 2016 at 18h00

Bishops Memorial Chapel

Join us for another not to be missed event!

Christmas mince pies kindly donated by Pick n Pay and wine will be served at interval.

To book your tickets go to http://online.computicket.com/web/event/christmas\_carols\_with\_
richard\_cock/1075370625/0/75325410

#### MAGAZINE

In the interest of improving the quality of the magazine and to reduce a steep printing expense, the ODU will be converting all ODs on our database who receive hard copy magazines, to the electronic version from June 2017. An announcement will be sent out during the first quarter of next year allowing you enough time to convey that you would in fact favour receiving a hard copy magazine. In the interim, if you would like to change from a hard copy magazine to the electronic version, please e-mail

dorourke@bishops.org.za

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# **AGM**

The Annual General Meeting of the OD Union will be held at The Mitre on Wednesday 15 March 2017

#### **AGENDA**

- Notice convening the meeting
  - Apologies
- Minutes of the AGM of 10 March 2016
  - Matters arising therefrom
  - Chairman's Annual Report
    - Financial Statements
  - ODU Objectives for 2017
  - Election of Office Bearers
    - Address by Principal
    - Any other business

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