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Grade 10 Epic - 2012

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STAFF NEWS

The new principal, **Mr Guy Pearson**, and his wife, **Maree**, hosted a staff function to welcome the Bishops staff to the new academic year. 2013 started with a number of changes in staff responsibilities: After 28 years, **Grant Norton** handed over the 1st XI cricket reins to **John Knight**. **Geoff Kieswetter** retired as teacher-in-charge of cricket at the end of the first term and **Willem Steyn** stepped up to the crease. **Sean Henchie** and **Angus Firth** assumed the responsibilities of teacher-in-charge of Hockey and Rugby, respectively.



Bishops Staff celebrate the start of the Academic Year!

Dave Mallett, **Warren Wallace**, **Joc Wrench** and **Marion Bradley** took over the reins as House Directors in Founders, White, Gray and Mallett House, respectively and **Jean Nolte**, **Willem Steyn** and **Jenny Campbell** assumed their positions of Assistant House Director in White, Ogilvie and Mallett, respectively. **Olga Peel** assumed the position of HoD Biology and relinquished the post of Director of Post Matric, which was filled by **Dave Russell**. **Alex van Selm** assumed the position of HoD French. **Nikki Gerhardi** moved into the library and it is intended that it will increasingly become a resource centre for both staff and boys. **Gerry Noel** joined the library, as the new Resource Co-ordinator, and the Biology Department. **Cheryl Gammon** joined the Mathematics Department full time. We welcomed the following new staff into the Upper Common Room: **Fiona Mallett** (History, English and Drama), **Michael Vamvadelis** (Mathematics) and **Will Steenkamp** (HoD Xhosa). Three new interns joined us in the LO, Geography and Mathematics Departments: **Darren Osborn**, **Kagiso Morodi** and **Ben Merkel**.

SUPPORT STAFF NEWS

This term we are pleased to welcome many new support staff to Bishops. **Donovan Murray**, Grounds and Functions Manager, joined us from Western Province Prep School where he had been since 2000. During this time he held a number of different positions including Physical Education teacher, Head of Sport, Turfgrass and Facilities Manager and Boarding Housemaster. Donovan, his wife Lisl and young daughter will be moving onto the premises from 1 April. **Lorraine Chateau** has taken over from **Sue Ritchie** as Housemother of Founders. Lorraine has three grown children and up until last year, worked in client relations management in the corporate environment. **Heidi Johannes**, one of our long standing casuals, has been appointed in the Catering Department. With her wealth of experience she has hit the ground running with all the functions in the first term. **Sally Borchard** has been appointed as a relief nursing sister at the San following **Sister Francis's** retirement. Sally will be relieving **Sister Sharon Hicken** on Wednesday from 1pm-5 and Fridays from 9.30-5.30am. Other contract appointments for

the first term are: **Christina Hans**, School House Dorm Cleaner, **Wilson (Smiley) Mkhwananzi**, White House Dorm Cleaner, **Quintin Low Shang**, Central Kitchen Cleaner.

We were saddened to hear of the tragic death of **Lettie Visser**'s young granddaughter, **Rachel Stoffels**' brother and **Rosie Hugo**'s nephew. Our thoughts and prayers are with **Lettie, Rachel, Rosie** and their families.

All support staff were invited to a bumper ceremony at the end of last year. **Richard Khontyo, Victor Mgxasha, Sandy Saner, Hayley Cable, Grant Norton, Jannie de Villiers** and **Mike Withers** gave farewell tributes to **Grant** and **Rosemary Nupen, Mike King, Brad Strauss, Sue Ritchie, Marie Julies, Maryanne Zide** and **Petronella Morolong**.



Happy Admin Staff: Wendy van Heerden, Natalie Petersen, Felicity Clemence, Rosemary Hyslop, Mouché Scheepers, Mandy Spreeth and Hayley Cable

2012

The following staff were recognized for their long service to the school:

Name	Years of Service	Department	Name	Years of Service	Department
Yolanda Ramon	5	<i>Principal's Assistant</i>	Natalie Petersen	10	<i>Debtors Fees Administrator</i>
Janet Gluck	5	<i>Aftercare Supervisor</i>	Charlotte Heynes	10	<i>Central Kitchen</i>
Hester Anthonie	5	<i>Founders Dorm Supervisor</i>	Beira Arendse	10	<i>Admin</i>
Angie Vula	5	<i>Central Kitchen</i>	Sandy Saner	10	<i>Prep Cleaner</i>
Bill Bulgen	5	<i>Estate Manager</i>	Jolene Josephs	15	<i>Secretary to Deputy Heads</i>
Pippa Houghton	5	<i>Aftercare Supervisor</i>	Tony Noon	15	<i>White House Cleaner</i>
Mandy Spreeth	(6)	<i>Payroll Administrator</i>	Sheila Roff	25	<i>College Driver</i>
Cynthia Sitofile	5	<i>Founders Dorm Staff</i>	Doris Lottering	25	<i>College Music Secretary</i>
Mouche Scheepers	5	<i>Office Administrator</i>	Charles Tulwana	25	<i>Grounds Supervisor (retired)</i>
Tyrone Adams	5	<i>Handyman</i>			

We also recognized a number of staff who attended training during the course. Some of the courses included plumbing, first aid, scaffolding, conflict resolution, basic cleaning and supervisor training.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

We congratulate **Joe Kahn** on his award of a Distinction Tie for Debating. **Nick Marine** was awarded Full Colours, and **Ismail Rawoot** and **Rahul Naidoo** were awarded Half Colours. The Chairperson of Debating for 2013 is **Ismail Rawoot**.

Congratulations to the following boys on their award of Half Colours for Drama: **Dean de Klerk; Jamian Heesom-Baron; Justin Hedges; Sozon Sarandis; Kieran Cattell** and **Stefan Dominicus**.

Leadership for Interact 2013: President: **Ismail Rawoot**, Vice-Head: **Ishtiyaaq Rawoot**, 2nd

Vice-Head: **Pule Nkopane**, and Secretary: **Katleho Morojele**.

71 Bishops boys played their Royal Schools Practical exams in September 2012: All 71 passed and the average mark was 84% (the world average is 78%). 28 boys achieved a distinction, which is above 88%. The following boys achieved a distinction: **Jonathan Crowther** (Gr. 4 Saxophone); **Piers Johnston** (Gr. 4 Saxophone); **Murray McKechnie** (Gr. 4 Double Bass); **Andrew Henderson** (Gr. 5 Violin); **Graeme Irvine** (Gr. 5 Singing); **Matthew Morris** (Gr. 5 Piano); **Oliver Marr** (Gr. 6 Cello); **Shannon Thebus** (Gr. 6 French Horn); **Daide Scott** (Gr. 6 Trombone); **Ian Douglas** (Gr. 7 Violin); **Harshil Govan** (Gr. 7 Piano); **Jo Kahn** (Gr. 7 Flute); **Sam Wolski** (Gr. 7 Piano); **Sevi Steingaszner** (Gr. 8 Piano) and **Jayden Farao** (Gr. 8 Singing). There were some boys who got a distinction on TWO different instruments: **Nicholas Cotchobos** (Gr. 6 Clarinet and Gr. 6 Saxophone); **Julian Dean-Brown** (Gr. 6 Trumpet and Gr. 6 Euphonium); **Sean Douglas** (Gr. 6 Flute and Gr. 6 Violin) and **Simon Thompson** (Gr. 7 Piano and Gr. 7 Clarinet). **Adam Rothschild** was invited to be part of the National Youth Wind Orchestra. **Jaydon Farao** and **Shannon Thebus** were invited to perform at the Royal Schools High-Achiever's Concert – a concert for those who achieve the highest marks in the examinations of the year. Jaydon was awarded a distinction for Gr. 8 Voice and Shannon a distinction for Grade 6 French Horn – both marks of above 90%. **Sevi Steingaszner**, **Ian Douglas**, **Oliver Marr** and **Murray Elphick** were awarded Full Music Colours and **Christopher Rossouw**, **Nicholas Hyslop**, **Tim Waterfield**, **Jake Bennett** and **Ty Wills**, Half Colours.

The Friends of the Rondebosch Common Society hold an annual sponsored poetry competition to celebrate this lovely green space in our city. Bishops is delighted that **Michael Alberts** (Grade 9) won the city-wide competition.

It is with great pleasure that we can acknowledge **Ross Christopher** and **Justin Fanton** and their efforts and hard work in achieving their Gold Award (President's Award Scheme). They are the second and third boy at Bishops to have achieved all 3 levels of the President's Award and we congratulate them.

We would like to wish **Joe Kahn**, **Nick Marine**, **Nic Cullinan** and **Rahul Naidoo** great success as they head off to Clifton College in Durban as part of the South African Individual Debating and Public Speaking team to participate in the World Championships. It is going to be a tough competition as they face off against the traditionally dominant Canadian, American and British teams, and the aggressive Hong Kong and South Korean contingents. We especially wish **Joe Kahn** and **Nick Marine** well as it is the last time they will be eligible to participate in this competition, and we wish to thank them for their sterling contributions to Public Speaking over the last five years.

SPORTING AFFAIRS

At the two one-hour Athletics meetings, held at Bishops and at SACS, **Lubelo Scott** was awarded trophies for the Best Performance by an Athlete. He ran the 100m first in 11.5 seconds and again in 11.6 seconds.

Murray Walters will continue as Captain of Canoeing for 2013 and he, together with **Luke Rockey**, was awarded Full Canoeing Colours. **Josh van Niekerk** was awarded Half Colours.

Congratulations to **Daniel Russell** and **Mark Wilson** on their appointment as Captain and Vice Captain of the 1st XI Cricket team.

Congratulations to **Robert Mc Gregor**, **Alex Collings** and **Sam Wolski** who have been selected to represent South Africa at the Junior World Fencing Championships in Croatia.

Congratulations to **Luke Baker** who is awarded a Distinction Tie for his achievements in Fly Fishing. He is the youngest South African to be awarded his National Colours for Fly Fishing. We also congratulate him on his selection to the Protea Youth Team to compete in the 12th FIPS - Mouche World Youth Fly Fishing Championship in Ireland in July.

Half Colours for Karate were awarded to **Patrick Hamilton** and (posthumously) to **Andrew Meddick**.

Benson Joubert was awarded the 'Shottist of the Term' Trophy for the 4th Term, 2012.

Derek Brink is congratulated on his appointment as Captain of Squash for 2013.

School House, and the team of **Tristan Rusch, Shaun Clamp, Jarryd Lurie** and **Daniel Gregory**, won the Inter House Tennis Trophy for 2012, against a formidable Ogilvie team.

AWARDS

JERSEYS

Academic

Grade 11: Paul Ferrandi

TIES

Distinction

Luke Baker (Fly Fishing); Joe Kahn (Debating)

Academic

Grade 9: Paul-Henri Daron, Daniel Gregory, Graeme Irvine, Dylan Maxwell, Ross Nelson, Tom Richardson.

Grade 10: James Battersby, Christopher Lea.

Grade 11: Andrew Court, James Dry, Michael du Plessis, Robert Leusink, John Shaw.

All-Rounders

Stuart Bristow, Michael Hanley, Nick Cotchobos, Christian Cotchobos, James Dry, Adam Smith, Matthew Morris, Tim Allan, Jordan van Tonder, Justin Rowe-Roberts, Luc Janssens and Michael Thomson.

PR GROUP 2013

Tim Allan, Max Linley, Cole Barnard, Pule Nkopane, Jonathan Smuts, Harshil Govan, Rijk Roux, James Beningfield, Luca Bersella, Pierre Heywood, Rupert Langerman, Graham Turnbull, Michael Wright, Jake Bennett, Ihsaan Dawray, Graham Welham, Michael Hanley, Tariq Salie, Simon Thompson, Jordan Flax, Tom Orton, James Roche, Jamie Battersby, Tom Van As.

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL 2013

Head of School: **Ty Wills** (Kidd)

Deputy Heads of School: **Mnotho Makhoba** (School), **Saleem Firfirey** (Gray)

Heads of Houses: **Max Herberstein** (Founders), **Jaydon Farao** (White), **Oliver Marr** (Ogilvie),

Michael du Plessis (Kidd), **Luke Barker** (Birt), **Keegan Sutherland** (Mallett)

CLASS OF 2012: MATRIC NSC RESULTS

Aldera , Roberto	Bachelor	Groeninx van Zoelen , Floris	Bachelor	Olds , Timothy	Bachelor
Alexander , Gregory	Bachelor	Groeninx van Zoelen , Tobias	Bachelor	Oliver , Joseph	Bachelor
Apperley , Jordan	Bachelor	Hardcastle , Harris	Bachelor	Opie , Shane	Bachelor
Arendse , Cameron	Bachelor	Harding , Digby	Bachelor	Patel , Keilan	Bachelor
Arkhipov , Egor	Bachelor	Heinrich , Jaime	Bachelor	Pentz , Alex	Bachelor
Arnols , Junade	Bachelor	Hermann , Jaryd	Bachelor	Pinn , Daniel	Bachelor
Artus , Jordan	Bachelor	Heydenrych , Luke	Bachelor	Pitcher , Sean	Bachelor
Baard , Devon	Bachelor	Hope Robertson , Brett	Bachelor	Porter , Nicholas	Bachelor
Baikoff , James	Bachelor	Horn , Aidan	Bachelor	Potgieter , Daniel	Bachelor
Bampffield-Duggan , Murray	Bachelor	Houliston , Maxwell	Bachelor	Quma , Vuyo	Diploma
Bartlett , George	Bachelor	How Saw Keng , Matthew	Bachelor	Rawbone-Viljoen , Gregory	Bachelor
Betheldo , Corbin	Bachelor	Husband , Oliver	Bachelor	Raziya , Tabile	Bachelor
Bhawoodien , Mohamed	Bachelor	Hutchinson , Andrew	Bachelor	Remmelzwaal , Sebastiaan	Bachelor
Bijl , Nicolas	Bachelor	Hutchinson , Gregory	Bachelor	Ressel , Luke	Bachelor
Black , Jonathan	Bachelor	Immelman , Christopher	Bachelor	Robertson , Neil	Bachelor
Blackwood-Murray , Matthew	Bachelor	Jacobs , Kyle	Bachelor	Roux , Jan	Bachelor
Blum , Alexander	Bachelor	Jameson , Matthew	Bachelor	Rudolph , Guy	Bachelor
Bodenstein , Dominic	Bachelor	Jangulo , Chaaba	Bachelor	Rusch , Tristan	Bachelor
Bolus , Mikhail	Bachelor	Janse van Vuuren , Shaun	Bachelor	Ryall , Stephen	Bachelor
Briggs , James	Bachelor	Jedeikin , David	Bachelor	Salie , Racez	Diploma
Burger , Christo	Bachelor	Johnston , James	Bachelor	Schabort , Kilian	Bachelor
Butler , Andrew	Bachelor	Johnston , Luke	Bachelor	Sellier , Patrick	Bachelor
Campbell , Nicholas	Bachelor	Kenealy , Kieran	Bachelor	Simpson , Henry	Bachelor
Campleman , Sean-Michael	Bachelor	Keyser , Alex	Bachelor	Smit , Keegan	Bachelor
Chagan , Kishan	Bachelor	Khanyile , Dali	Bachelor	Smith , Jason	Bachelor
Choi , David	Bachelor	Kibble , Alexander	Bachelor	Spencer , Louis	Bachelor
Christy , Gregg	Bachelor	Kuhn , Luke	Bachelor	Stanley , Matthew	Bachelor
Cockburn , Christopher	Bachelor	Leach , Paul	Bachelor	Steinhagen , Karl	Bachelor
Coetze , Karl	Bachelor	Liebetrau , Carl	Bachelor	Stirrup , Timothy	Bachelor
Danckwerts , Harry	Bachelor	Linley , Oliver	Bachelor	Swift , Jonty	Bachelor
Dove , Alastair	Bachelor	Lowndes , Christopher	Bachelor	Temlett , Robert	Bachelor
Drummond , James	Bachelor	Mackenzie , Charles	Bachelor	Tengana , Siyasanga	Diploma
Dunlop , Brice	Bachelor	Magai , Brian	Bachelor	Thompson , Alexander	Bachelor
Dyer , Martin	Bachelor	Majal , Sadiq	Bachelor	Truter , Jean	Bachelor
Eksteen , Llewellyn	Diploma	Manca , Declan	Bachelor	Tzemis , Jethro	Bachelor
Enotiades , Alexi	Bachelor	Marais , Neil	Bachelor	Vadillo , Jalid	Bachelor
Evers , Kristopher	Bachelor	Marais , Sergio	Bachelor	van der Merwe , David	Bachelor
Falconer , Reid	Bachelor	Marchesini , Giovanni	Bachelor	van der Watt , Roux	Bachelor
Farrell , Adrian	Bachelor	Marlow , Christopher	Bachelor	van Heerden , James	Bachelor
Fish , Justin	Bachelor	Matthews , Taahir	Bachelor	Vanlierde , Michael	Bachelor
Francis , Nathaniel	Bachelor	McClarty , Jordan	Diploma	Vanmali , Meelan	Bachelor
Freund , Paul	Bachelor	Midgley , Michael	Bachelor	Walsh , Dominic	Bachelor
Gallacher , Callan	Bachelor	Miller , Jonathan	Bachelor	Warne , Thomas	Bachelor
Gebers , Andrew	Bachelor	Mills , Richard	Bachelor	Wells , Timothy	Bachelor
George , Andrew	Bachelor	Mohamed , Uthmaan	Bachelor	West , Michael	Bachelor
Giurich , Alessio	Bachelor	Morris , Jason	Bachelor	Westwood , Timothy	Bachelor
Goddard , James	Bachelor	Murphy , James	Bachelor	Williams , Marc	Bachelor
Golding , Alexander	Bachelor	Nauta , Emile	Bachelor	Zimmermann , Alexander	Bachelor
Gray , Ethan	Bachelor	Nebe , Jack	Bachelor		
Grobler , Matthew	Bachelor	Ntsimane , Omphile	Bachelor		



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INDUCTION OF THE 14TH PRINCIPAL

Mr Guy Pearson was admitted as Bishops' 14th Principal at 'A Service of Welcome', in the War Memorial Chapel on 16 January 2013. The Celebrant was the College's Visitor, His Grace the Archbishop of Cape Town Thabo Cecil Makgoba, assisted by The Right Rev. Garth Q. Counsell, Bishop of Table Bay; The Ven. Keith de Vos, Acting Archdeacon of Rondebosch and The Rev. Terence D. Wilke, College Chaplain. The Introit Hymn was from AM 192 'Praise My Soul the King of Heaven' followed by the School Prayer. The Readings were 1 Kings 3:5-10, by Ty Wills, Head of School, and the Gospel, by the Chairman of Council, Mr Mike Bosman. His Grace



Mr Guy Pearson: 14th Principal of Bishops' (Diocesan College)



Archbishop Thabo Cecil Makgoba and Mr Guy Pearson

delivered the Sermon after which he admitted the Principal to his office, followed by the installation. After that, Mr Pearson was introduced and invited by His Grace to deliver the Principal's Address to the College. The congregation replied with a warm round of applause, and just before the Peace was pronounced, the boys were invited to remove their blazers due to the sweltering heat. The service continued with The Great Thanksgiving, and ended with the Recessional Hymn. The congregation exited the chapel to Widor's Toccata.

Paul Murray

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT



Vernon Wood and Terry Wilke enjoy the Valedictory Speech

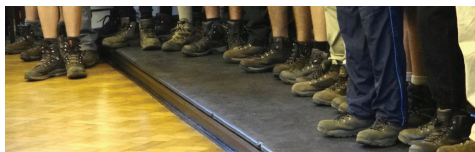
The fourth quarter of 2012 was, and has been, a time filled with many highs and lows. Between the normal school activities including Leadership Week for the Grade 11s; getting the Grade 10s ready for the Epic with first aid training and demonstrations of snakes you may encounter in the Cederberg; the rush to the end of season rugby and hockey matches and the superb end of year music concerts as the boys prepared for the end of year exams. Of special note was the term 3 Pre-prep family service in the Memorial Chapel with a number of parents, grandparents and other supporters present.

The boys sang beautifully and really enjoyed Mike Hampton's cut out and story of Mr Potato Head. The Chaplain was kindly invited by the Rowing Club to celebrate the acquisition of a number of new boats and to bless them at a special ceremony held at the Heatlie Pavillion on

26 September. College Prize Giving was held in the Mallett Centre on 26th October followed by a very fine Valedictory Service in the Memorial Chapel. The Matric group of 2012 presented the Chapel with a new Speaker's Podium made from American oak by Prof. John de Gruchy. It was put to good use both at the Valedictory Service and the Remembrance Day Service which followed on 8th November during which Dr Rodney Warwick, Military Historian and teacher, shared his thoughts. A sad and poignant day during which prayers for those who had lost their lives in the many conflicts both past and present were offered. Our thoughts were especially with those of the Bishops community currently serving in the armed forces and for victims of violence and crime.



We shall remember them – Grant Nupen and Ty Wills (Head Boy 2013).



Blessing the Boots – Epic 2012

School Prize Giving on the 6th. This evening function in the Memorial Chapel was certainly a grand event with everyone looking very smart in their No. 1s. The year end carol services were soon in full swing. The College lead the week with a Carol service of note. The Choir was cobbled together by Mark Mitchell and the boys of grade 6, 7 and 11 and managed to produce some fine music in spite of their diminished numbers. As difficult as it was to do between exams and extra mural demands, we experimented with a new and different form of the traditional service. Designed by Mark Mitchell, Director of Music, and the Chaplain, with assistance from the Rev. Bob Commin, a new and innovative Carol Service took shape. This service was a slightly reduced and more modern version of the Service of Nine Lessons and Carols. Mike King became the Narrator connecting the various readings which were accompanied by hymns and modern jazz pieces composed and compiled by Steven Carletti. This service promises to become a firm favourite in years to come. The Prep School followed with a beautiful and stately service with the boys carefully prepared to read by Lynne Adelbert and wonderful music supplied by the Prep Orchestra and musicians. The Pre-Prep Nativity service followed with a huge number of eager faces balancing on the Choir stands at the front of the Memorial Chapel. Christmas hats dangled from heads too small to wear them – thank goodness for large ears! The readers were superb, the singing angelic and the teachers worn to a happy frazzle.



Pre-Epic blessing



The Memorial Chapel at rest before the Installation Service.

entire school was able to fit between the four pillars). Sadly they were not used except to read the Lessons at the occasional College Evensong service and end of year Carol services. Many boys also will tell of spending 5 years not being able to see the front of the chapel. It was decided to therefore return the Memorial Chapel back to its pre-1950s look and the pulpits were removed and placed into storage. Of interest is the fact that a number of ODs have since visited the Chapel and did not notice that the pulpits had been removed. In turn, the centre of the Chapel is once more a place of space and light and balance. Boys can see the front from the two sides and the intention of the architect to draw one's attention to the Altar area of the Sanctuary is once more apparent.



***Guy Pearson (Principal), Terry Wilke (Chaplain)
and Mike Bosman (Chairman of Council)***

As the school year drew to a close, a quiet but important event took place in the Memorial Chapel. Since the mid-1950s, the Chapel had been graced with the presence of two beautiful, but imposing, concrete pulpits. The smaller, a gift from the Yearsley family in 1953 and the larger one donated by the McDonald family in 1966. These had been in use for many years, but had sadly become desolate islands in the sea of chairs as the number of boys grew and rows of chairs were added well past their location. (John Gardener tells of a time when the

The school year ended all too soon with the final echoes of Psalm 150 ringing in the ears of those present at the final communion service of the year. Thus ended the era of Grant Nupen and of Michael King who had served this school well over many years. As the boys filed out of the Memorial Chapel looking forward to the holidays they were aware of new beginnings with a new Principal at the start of 2013.

Pastorally, the Chapel year, however, did not end there. During the term we had said farewell to Edward Hastie

(16 November) and Dave Eaton (22 November). On the Monday (10 December) following the end of term we celebrated the life of Richard (Dickie) Orpen, who had died in Port Elizabeth, at a Memorial Service in the Brooke Chapel. On Tuesday, 11 December, the Memorial Chapel was filled with well-wishers for the Memorial Service of stalwart and school doyen, Sir Wilfred (Chippy) Robertson who had died in London. The holiday period continued with a number of weddings and

special events including the weddings of Neil Watson (Maths teacher) to Laura Taylor; Chris Cobb to Elva Willis; Aarjan Snoek to Seetal Patel; Jamesdean Neill and Katherine Spiers; Durant Thompson to Allison Gibbens; David Thompson to Carmi Gevers; James Edwards to Claire McClarty; Henry Poulos to Heather Wood; and Andrew Ranson to Tina Gough. The Ashes of Michael Fisher and Faye Leashing, both staff members, were also placed into the Garden of Remembrance on 18 December in the presence of their family and friends. Two baptisms also took place as Ayana Blau and Connor Haude were welcomed into the Lord's family. Sadly the year began with the funeral service of Johan van den Burgh at the de Grendel wine estate on 11 January, followed by a Memorial service for family and friends that same afternoon at Bishops. James Simpson was also laid to rest soon after with his Memorial service taking place in the Memorial Chapel on 25 January.

The Christmas Day Service took place at Bishops with the Chaplain believing that it would be a small and intimate affair for a handful of people. By 08:30 the Brooke Chapel was packed to overflowing and the service was moved to the Memorial Chapel. It became a glorious celebration of the birth of our Lord with approximately 800 ODs, friends and family attending and the Chaplain of St Alban's College, Pretoria, the Rev. Andrew Nel, concelebrating.

The term started with the stirring and uplifting service of Installation on 16 January as Mr Guy Pearson and his family were welcomed by Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, Bp. Garth Counsell and the Ven. Keith De Vos, Archdeacon of Rondebosch. It was a truly stirring moment as Guy Pearson was led down the length of the Memorial Chapel and installed as the 14th Principal of Bishops College.

Since then, the year has become a hot and busy one as the boys settle into the new school year. Athletics, cricket, water polo and a myriad of other sport and cultural activities are in full swing. We look forward to an early Easter with Ash Wednesday on 13 February and to a blessed and holy time of preparation in Lent. May your Lenten journey and Easter celebrations be blessed.

Fr. Terry Wilke



The Installation: Archbishop Thabo and Guy Pearson

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EPIC 2012

When taking on a project like Epic, the school has to consider so many variables – many of which surround the issue of safety (both of boys and staff). Perhaps this sms, sent by a group on their hike without adults, puts into words why we do Epic?

Hi Sir, we took the wrong route due to a bad navigational error in the mist of the mountains. We discovered our error very late in the day and therefore we did not have time to rectify our mistake. We apologise for our incompetence. Everyone is safe and healthy and we are currently setting up camp at the top of the saddle between Voor Warmhoek and spot height 1287 about 4 km north east of Jamaka. Kind regards Sneeuberg Blue.

Epic is not just about pushing yourself whilst hiking, but so much more. The sms can be analysed in so many ways – lessons about group work, lessons about trusting, the importance of top quality communication and knowing that even when lost, the group can still have fun and learn.

Every year we have some who do not want to do Epic – reasons vary, but some are because their parents fear for their child's safety, some because they fear they won't be accepted in the group they are in and some because they do not think they can survive the physical aspects. Sadly, there are years where a boy is not able to do Epic despite the fact that we try our best to accommodate individual needs. Time and again, we are amazed to see how many come out of Epic believing so much more in themselves; the pride a boy feels in having conquered his fears; the realisation from so many that we live in a beautiful country despite the wide range of needs that exist. I've read through the feedback forms the boys filled in during LO and it is so encouraging to see how many enjoyed working at the three schools we're involved with. Some wanted a longer solo time – 24 hours was not sufficient! The Waterbase featured as a highlight for many – including learning how to ski, wakeboard, sail and kayak as well as a range of other team building exercises. Most of all, boys said how much they enjoyed having time with each other away from the hustle and bustle of city life with all its trappings.

There has been no need to change the basic structure of Epic since its inception – every year we simply fine-tune parts of our programme. We were not able to horse ride at Elizabethfontein this year so Russell Drury and Donovan Abrey set up a mountain bike course that proved to be a wonderful addition to our programme. We hope to expand the Farm Management component started at Sanddrif this year to include all groups who go there next year. Perhaps one of the best improvements this year was the day-long first aid course run by WildMedix in the week prior to Epic. I'd like to believe that the sms sent by Sneeuberg Blue was because of the training the boys received not just in First Aid but in the communications aspect of what we did that day. We hope to expand the course to a few days this year so that boys can come out with an official first level first aid qualification – included in the First Aid bundle will be a little bit more on navigation!

Epic is a team thing and one of the major improvements that came about last year was the moms' group headed up by Janet Black. In the past we've had a couple of moms helping with packing of materials needed for crafts. This year was taken to a new level where all the planning and preparation was done by moms in consultation with staff who work at the different schools.

Our sincere thanks to you all for your hard work and to all the parents who made this effort possible through responding to the pleas for donations. We're also grateful to the parents who generously loaned the vehicle and the boats as well as to those who made financial contributions and gave so generously of their time when we consulted you for advice on some matters.

My final thanks is to a dedicated group of Epic staff – this includes teaching staff, ODs, stooges, relatives, spouses of staff, retired College staff and the willing and dedicated complement of support staff who keep the wheels in motion and the gears running so smoothly at school.

Graham Robertson

VIC BAY SURF WEEK 2012



The Intrepid Vic-Bay Surfing Squad!

A large variety of surfers and body-boarders arrived at Bishops, anticipating an awesome camp with awesome surf. After performing a miracle of fitting a massive number of surfboards and clothes into a small trailer we set off to Vic-Bay in our busses. We stopped for a delicious Wimpy breakfast on the way and then arrived in our living area at Wilderness. Everyone pitched their tents, packed the boards and wetsuits and left for Vic-Bay. The waves on the first day were medium, but everyone was stoked to get in the water and it turned out to be very

fun surf. Since it was small, it was a shallow break and a few people had some disagreements with the rocks! We returned to our campsite tired, but stoked. We had a delicious supper and all stayed around the fire for some interesting, deep and meaningful conversation with some nice background music coming from the car. Each morning we travelled to the surf with Mr Noel's 'beat' expanding our knowledge on what good music is and after our first surf we were rewarded with some delicious "eggy bayky" by Mr Mallett and his cooks. The next day we woke up at 4:30 AM to avoid crowds. After managing to cross the mental barrier of getting into a wet, cold wetsuit we paddled out at Herold's Bay. A fun wedge was breaking and everyone caught loads of waves. Afterwards some went to the beach-break to bodysurf while others played a competitive game of touch rugby on the beach. In the evening we threw the frisbee, kicked soccer balls and passed a rugby ball. To finish the night off we had a close game of '30 seconds'... the losers had to wear tiaras! It was neck on neck and was won by the 'odds' on the final question. After another early wake-up we surfed a cooking Vic-Bay. Mr Mallett and Mr Noel caught the two sets of the day. The vibe in the water was generally good except for a few tussles with some aggressive locals. For our next surf we went to Herold's and all bodysurfed and wrestled on the beach. We returned home and went out for some delicious pizza at the local restaurant. For the last day we went to Vic-Bay and surfed some powerful double ups. Everyone had a good session and when we finally arrived home we were all tired but content. Thanks to the Mr Mallett, Mr Noel, Fi and Greg Mallett and Pavo for a great trip.

Laurence Midgeley

POST MATRIC NEWS



Post Matrics ready themselves for a hike.

Post Matric is said to be a 'bridging' year for one to re-establish one's life goals. It is a year to broaden knowledge and skills. Many of us come from different countries and backgrounds, but regardless, the year has begun on a high note for us. We have bonded far better and much more quickly than originally expected. Exploring Cape Town together has been an amazing experience, both emotionally and physically. Hiking Elandsplad assisted us in getting to know each other a lot better on another level as some of us found some parts challenging and thus we helped each other overcome those obstacles. We are looking forward to the Epic and the rest of the busy year ahead. Academically we know it's going to be a challenging year; however, we are ready to take on the challenge. We know that many laughs and good moments lie ahead.

Harris Hardcastle



Post Matric 2013 – The Men!

MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES

Curator and Archivist: *Mr Paul Murray*

Assistant: *Mr Basil Bey (bbey@bishops.org.za)*

Donald McIntyre's 'A Century of Bishops' describes that on the night of 30 June 1943 as the Rev. Canon Harold Birt handed on the torch (Principalship) to Mr Hubert Kidd, a great gale raged which uprooted the stone pines that lined the Avenue, as in the picture on p. 48 of his book, taken by the *Cape Times* in 1939, four years prior to the storm. In a recent conversation with Mr Tony Van Ryneveld (OD) he recounted his personal recollection of this moment. He pointed to the classic picture of the old College Avenue with

all its tall pine trees bending away from the southeaster. "Came that fateful night – 30 June 1943 – when a powerful stormy northwester came through in full force. My parents' home was the double story thatch-roofed house, known to many school boarders as well, right on the school boundary near the Avenue. It was dark night time, but I can remember well how, with great concern, we heard the sound of tree after tree crashing down in the storm, fortunately falling away from our house. I think that 93 of them fell that night, wrecking the old Avenue as it had been known. Those pine trees were old, and their roots were very shallow, limited in depth by the ironstone layer less than a metre below the ground level. Coincidentally, it was the date of changing of the guard, the last day of Canon Birt as Principal, with Kidd to take over on 1st July. It might have seemed a bad omen, but history showed that to be unjustified." The current pines were planted soon after and to this day they line the avenue as those that came crashing down, did before.

Paul Murray



*The Avenue Stone Pines of
Yesteryear.*



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Grade 10

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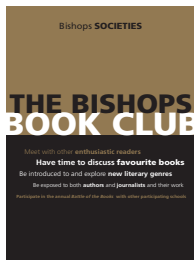
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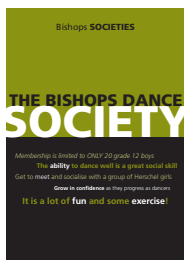
BOOK CLUB

Teacher-in-Charge: *Mr G. Noel*

2012 was a fairly quiet year in the Book Club. We met twice a term, discussing the books we had been reading at the time, current affairs in the news and the like, all the while trying to find times we could have guest speakers come in to talk to us. Later in the year, we entered both the Battle of the Books competition held at Wynberg, and entered a team for the annual *Cape Argus* Quiz. The Battle of the Books was, as always, a humorous and fun occasion, but we unfortunately didn't manage to

score a place in the end. Everyone who participated, though, agreed that it was definitely worth the time spent! The *Cape Argus* Quiz was far more hotly contested, despite the fact that we had Ismail Rawoot, the human encyclopedia, on our team. Again, we didn't quite manage to pull off a win. This coming year, the Book Club looks to be far more active, with huge changes planned for both the society and library!

Gerry Noel



DANCE

Teacher-in-charge: *Mr P. Court*

The 2013 Dance Society year has got underway with a new group of keen recruits. 20 matric Bishops boys and 20 grade 11 Herschel girls meet three times a term to learn the dance steps to the waltz, foxtrot, quickstep, rumba, cha-cha, rock n' roll, jive and tango dances. At this stage of the year the boys are dancing with their heads down watching their feet and counting the steps – and the girls have to avoid being trampled upon! In no time at all though, the couples will be gliding gracefully around the dance floor as though they have been dancing for entire lives!

Phil Court



DEBATING

Teacher-in-Charge: *Ms J. Stielau*

Chairperson: *Ismail Rawoot*

Debating has started the year strongly with more than 60 members and an additional coach – Sam Dunne will join Irene Pampallis to give us the competitive edge. The Debating League winners of 2012 are: Manca Trophy (Snrs): Muhammed Razzak, Jamie Battersby, Scott Maslin and Siseko Maweyi; Attieh Trophy (Gr. 9): Stefan Ranoszek, Laurence Midgley

and Jordan van Tonder; Von Zahn Trophy (Gr. 8): Tariq Dawray, Jono Roussouw, Alex Piele and Nick Ruben; MacMillan Memorial Shield: Jordan van Tonder; Contribution to Debating Spirit (Snr): Nikhal Narismulu; Contribution to Debating Spirit (Gr.) 9: Paul-Henri Daron; Contribution to Debating Spirit (Gr. 8): Ziyaad Bawa. Awards 2012: Distinction Tie: Joe Kahn; Colours: Nick Marine; Half Colours: Ismail Rawoot and Rahul Naidoo. The chairperson for 2013: Ismail Rawoot. We begin the year noting the outstanding achievements of Desmond Fairall (Gr. 10) and Joe Kahn (Gr. 12) who represented Western Province in the National Schools Debating Championships in Grahamstown in the holidays finishing 3rd and 5th respectively – both warranting selection for SA trials.

Jo Stielau



DRAMA

Teacher-in-Charge: *Mr C.W Tucker*

As in every year at this time, the Drama Society is involved in the major first term production. This year Rodgers and Hammerstein's classic musical 'Oklahoma!' is being staged. The production is directed by Wayne Tucker with musical direction by Joc Wrensch and Stephen Carletti, and choreography by Roxy Levy. It stars Stuart Bristow (Curly McLain) and Alece Clayton (Laurey). Other lead members of the cast are: Oliver Marr (Will), Jess Tinkler (Ado Annie), Dean de Klerk (Jud Fry) and Jaz van der

Spuy (Aunt Eller). Other members of the society are involved in positions in the sound and lighting box and backstage. Rehearsals have been intense and the learners have been busy five times a week in preparation for what promises to be a rollicking trip down memory lane for many musical buffs. Members of the Society attended the Maynardville production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' and enjoyed Shakespeare in the park! With many exciting productions being staged in the greater Cape Town area, we look forward to a few trips to the theatre in the near future – the start being 'Potted Potter' and 'Dirty Dancing'.

Wayne Tucker



FORUM

Patron: *Prof. Philip (Taffy) Lloyd (OD: Class of 1953) – Nobel Peace Prize-winner*

Teacher-in-Charge: *Mr P. Murray*

Chairperson: *Peter Anguria*

The Forum continues to challenge its members to be thought-provoking, having been there to stimulate the minds of boys since its inception, under the guidance of Mr Michael Fisher, in 1976. The new members for the 2012/13 society year were voted in last October and Peter Anguria is

the newly elected Chair. The first speaker of the 2012/13 season was Mr Neil Lurie, CEO of Maponya Developments. The speaker ignited thoughts in the minds of boys as to how they could view the progress of South Africa in the next 10 years. The speaker for the next meeting,

held in January 2013, was Prof. Bongani Mayosi (D Phil OXON.) - Head of Medicine at UCT and Groote Schuur Hospital. Prof Mayosi encouraged boys to be inspired by the numerous South African Nobel Prize-winners and to strive to achieve excellence in their fields of choice. The Forum looks forward to a year filled with learning, and distinguished speakers.

Peter Anguria



GIN

Teacher-in-Charge: Mrs C. Douglas

Chairperson: Damon Lurie

The Bishops Global Issues Network society is one that is concerned with raising awareness over and trying to find viable and sustainable solutions to issues that affect our lives. The topics that we discuss and orientate ourselves with are broad, including; ecology, technology, economics, food security and sustainability. It is a very workload intensive society that attempts to encourage its members to take an active role in creating projects to tackle

issues that are relevant in a local and global context. It's a society in which its members develop keen problem solving and project management abilities. Members are always expected to be involved in some kind of project in any kind of capacity. One such project that many of our members are going to be involved in is the World Savvy challenge, which promises to be a very challenging and interesting project. The prospects are looking busy and exciting this year for GIN; any people interested in becoming a member should come to one of our bi-weekly meetings that take place every Wednesday Week B in classroom B3.

Damon Lurie



HISTORICAL BENCH

Teacher-in-Charge: Mr P. Murray

Chairpersons: Samuel Wolski & Joseph Kahn

The Historical Bench has had another successful two terms, with two enthralling and in-depth meetings held on the first Monday of each term. The society prides itself on a different approach to cultural and political themes, encouraging the students to discuss a relevant topic presented by the Chairperson. The meeting in Term 4 last year was on the topic of South Africa as a "Captain of the African Continent":

discussing the mandate of South Africa to take a stance in leadership positions within Africa by virtue of our socio-economic position. The first meeting of this year kicked off with a debate about gun control, comparing the gun laws and gun crime situations of the US and South Africa. Both meetings were full of heated debate and drew from the varied knowledge of all members present at the meetings.

Samuel Wolski



HISTORY

Teacher-in-Charge: *Dr R. Warwick*

Towards the end of last year, DA Shadow Minister of Defence, David Maynier was our guest and he spoke at length concerning the difficulties for even a briefed and portfolio-dedicated politician like himself, with a specific defence party-political office, successfully drawing information from official sources regarding the current state of the South African National Defence Force. This particularly in terms of SANDF combat-readiness: Namely the extent to which it is capable of fulfilling its most

primary role: The defence of South Africa against internal or external aggressors. Mr Maynier pointed out several obvious glaring problems that are visible or documented. For example, many SANDF personnel, most particularly the rank and file of the army, are being neglected; such is manifested in terms of their shoddy service conditions. Mr Maynier also spoke how components of the SA Air Force are being shamelessly exploited by certain senior government members receiving regular outrageously expensive flights across the globe, with seldom any justifiable explanations. The current combat capacity of the SANDF was such that it would struggle to defend this country against any reasonably well armed aggressor; the numerous African peace-keeping missions do not signify the SANDF is battle-ready. In short, the SANDF from 1994 appears to have mutated into a kind of “armed social welfare agency”, rather than a professional force tasked with defending the sovereignty of the nation. It always includes the most extraordinarily high ratio of generals and admirals to troops, with far too few junior officers; compared to the armed forces of the United States, Britain or any other properly balanced military - an alarming picture indeed. The History Society members under Chairman Jack Nebe, participating in his final meeting, thanked Mr Maynier for the talk and presented to him the customary gift.



Members Listening to Daniel Silke's Address.

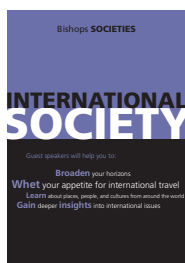
On Wednesday, 6 February this year, the History Society heard and viewed a presentation by Daniel Silke, a well known local political and economics analyst. Mr Silke provided some projections as to potential future trends in these areas during the first half of this century. Underpinning his calculated speculations was the oft-stated, often (in this author's opinion) intellectually superficial, supposed “truism”, that change is inevitable and should therefore be anticipated and accommodated as opposed to resisted/ resented. Mr Silke qualified his support of such by outlining some startling demographic trends

anticipated over the following half century, along with his views concerning important shifts that have already occurring within the most important national economies. For example, the likely global consequences pertaining to the swelling Chinese and Indian economies particularly in relation to the “old” first World economic hegemony, conventionally understood as referring to United States, Europe and Japan. Mr Silke expected American economic and cultural influence

to wane over the following half century, as opposed to the emergence of the Chinese economy in particular, matching and ultimately exceeding that of the United States. Besides commenting upon other emerging economic giants under the acronym MIST: Malaysia, Indonesia, South Korea and Turkey, Mr Silke also perceived what he believed constituted justifiable relevance and local optimism regarding the involvement of South Africa in the BRICS economic collaboration: Brazil, Russia, Indonesia, China and South Africa. Indeed besides South Africa, Mr Silke viewed the economic future of several African countries in a most optimistic light.

Mr Silke's outlook that technology would proliferate further in ameliorating material aspects of the human condition is not unique; although he bolstered such with several startling examples thereof. However, with historical studies as a guide, Mr Silke acknowledged that "black swans" (unpredictable, unforeseen, dramatic events that make, or have made, a marked difference to human society/international relations) remain an important "unknown" factor. Very pointedly, Mr Silke's analysis was not constructed within a "prophet of doom-type" paradigm, which often marks these kinds of sweeping political/economic projections. Important factors such as terrorism and the possibility of resource wars were largely absent or played down; as were issues such as the ongoing instabilities within the Middle East particularly; from the yet uncertain "Arab Spring" consequences, to the ongoing hostility directed towards the Israeli state by its various enemies. History Society members in attendance plied Mr Silke with questions and opinions; he remarked to me later that he was extremely impressed at the quality of the boys' contributions. It was an intellectually stimulating evening for all those present; Thomas Orton, acting as Chairman, presented Mr Silke with a bottle of wine in gratitude for facilitating such a stimulating presentation and debate.

Rodney Warwick



INTERNATIONAL

Teacher-in-charge: Mr. P Court

Pupil Leader: Michael du Plessis

I would like to start this report by thanking Adrian Farrell for being our pupil leader for the 2011/2012 society year. Adrian has been a stalwart of the society for the past five years and has been a most helpful and proactive society leader. In our second meeting of Term 3, 2012, Richard Wells (parent) came to tell us about his 'Season in Tanzania'. Richard

spent nearly two years running a beverage business in Tanzania and had humorous, alarming and shocking stories to share about life and business in this East African country. He opened the boys' eyes to the business potential in Africa and how best to cope with the 'curve balls' that inevitably come your way. It was a most informative and entertaining evening. In the last meeting of 2012 William Esau (OD) came to talk about his experiences performing internationally in the West End production of the *Lion King* (now the most successful musical of all time). He gave us a humorous, but very real insight into the life of a performing artist. William was part of the male singing ensemble and an understudy for Simba – a part he played in over 40 shows. In our first meeting of 2013 Peter Farlam (OD) told us about two very interesting, but contrasting work experiences he

has had in Africa. When he was employed by the South African Institute of International Affairs he went to Mauritius as part of a NEPAD peer audit. He gave us insights into the 'real' Mauritius as well as a small taste of life on the island. Peter also spent time working as a psychologist in the SANDF and was posted to the Dafur region of Sudan with the South African peace keeping troops for three months. This is an unstable region politically, socially and environmentally and proved to be a real 'eye opening' experience for him.

Phil Court



LINGUA FRANCA

Teacher-in-Charge: *Mr P. Murray*

Chairpersons: *Ty Wills and Rupert Hickman*

Lingua Franca has once again enjoyed a most successful season, drawing boys from the boarding and day-boy houses, and seeing the NLT filled to capacity each time. There was an informative

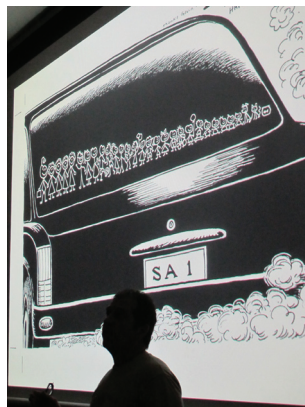
and interesting talk from Chris Whitfield, editor-in-chief of Independent Newspapers, on his career as a journalist and the excitement such work brings. The following meeting was the world-renowned cartoonist Zapiro. Zapiro drew the biggest turnout in Lingua Franca history (200 people) with



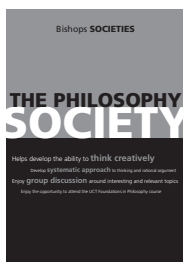
Mr Chris Whitfield explaining one question, about to take another.

a hilarious presentation incorporating social and political commentary that was greatly enjoyed by all present. The joint chairpersons for 2013 are Rupert Hickman and Ty Wills, as the society continues to be the most popular in Bishops. Thanks to both these gentlemen for arranging such exciting and successful meetings. Their efforts are truly serving lots of boys at the school, who are interested in societies.

Paul Murray



Zapiro, at Bishops, explaining his cartoon.



PHILOSOPHY

Teacher-in-Charge: *Mrs C. Douglas*

Chairperson: *Sam Wolski*

The Philosophy Society meets twice termly in the evening, always home to engaging and challenging discussions on a great variety of philosophical topics. A unique aspect of this society is that a committee of eight members organizes meetings on a rotational basis, each one having an option of

bringing in a guest speaker, making a presentation themselves, or carrying out the meeting in any form they deem optimal and interesting. Recently we have had a rise in student-led meetings, and it is promising to see boys being able to carry out a discussion and a debate in front of their peers, especially as the last two meetings were eye-opening and extremely well-attended. Tom Orton gave a perceptive insight into the mysteries of time-travel and the dangers of ripping the fabric of space-time, and members were racking their brains over multitudes of contradictions and paradoxes! Shaun Clamp proffered an alternative view of morality with his presentation of Randism, suggesting selfishness as a virtue, and in fact a necessity. Members found that preconceptions that had seemed obvious before the meeting were rapidly being turned around, and many were unsure of which side of the debate they were supporting at any given time!

Sam Wolski

COLLEGE SPORT

CANOEING



Murray Walters tackles a NW headwind in the Fenn Cape Point Challenge.

During the summer holidays the Bishops Canoe Club Captain, Murray Walters, took part in the Fenn Cape Point Challenge in a single surfski. This challenge is renowned for being the toughest one-day surfski race in the world with a 50km race route starting at Scarborough Beach, rounding Cape Point and finishing at Fish Hoek Beach. This edition of the race was made even harder by a strong NW headwind which the paddlers had to battle into for over 30 kilometres. Murray finished the race in a time of 5 hours and 45 minutes and was ecstatic to have finished his first Cape Point Challenge. 2013 is looking

like a great year for the Bishops Canoe Club with 16 boys paddling at the first practice of the New Year. Coming up this year are the Dusi, Fish and Breede River Marathons and the 2013 Cape Point Challenge amongst a host of other river and surfski races, sprint regattas and marathon champs. The following boys are to be congratulated on receiving canoeing awards, having met the criteria agreed upon last year and posted on the canoeing website: Full Colours: Murray Walters and Luke Rockey; Half Colours: Josh Van Niekerk. Murray Walters will continue as Captain of Canoeing for 2013. Hopefully we will see even more growth in Bishops Canoeing in the future!

Gary Coombe

CRICKET

Bishops Cricket has entered a very interesting new phase, what with the change in personnel at 1st XI level, as well as elsewhere, and also the imminent change in the M-i-C. And then there is the very exciting prospect of our own high-performance cricket centre – the Steffan Coutts-Trotter

Inspires individuals



Running rugby



Overhead passes



Crunching tackles



Quick hands



Indoor Cricket Centre – which should be completed by the end of this term, but definitely by early in the new term.

Grant Norton resigned from and left Bishops at the end of last year, and handed over the 1st XI reins to John Knight after the Bosch game on 10 November. We thank Grant for the time and effort that went into his coaching of the 1st XI during his various stints as coach, and wish him well at Stanford Lake. Richard Smith, who assisted Grant from 2008-2012, has opted not to be involved at 1st XI level, and is doing a fine job managing the U15A/B squad. He is also to be thanked for the many hours that he devoted to the 1st XI, and for continuing to do so at U15 level.

John Knight is assisted in his running of the 1st XI by Oscar Nauhaus, a former head-boy and 1st XI captain at Wynberg BHS, whilst Willem Steyn (the M-i-C Cricket elect) runs the 2nd XI, assisted by Imraan Hendricks, an OD and former 1st XI and WP U18 cricketer. Into this particular mix we can also add Joc Wrench – music teacher, house director and cricket umpire! Together, they have brought new ideas and new energy to the 1st and 2nd XI squad, which works very closely together.

The 1st XI has had a very successful run since the new men took charge, and have lost just one match to date – vs Sussex Academy U19 in December last year. Before that they had beaten Paarl BHS in a Stayers D/N game; and since then, they have gone on to beat Malvern and Shrewsbury (UK); Paarl Gym (in Paarl), Grey HS (at Grey in PE) and SACS (D/N game); they drew with Charterhouse (UK), and with Hilton in the rain-affected KZN Festival at Hilton (just the one game completed); they drew with Wynberg; and had matches vs Maritzburg College, Michaelhouse and Woodridge abandoned because of rain (all away from home...)

Alongside (right) are the abbreviated scorecards for the games played to date by the 1st XI under the guidance of John Knight:

This year we are fielding five U19 teams, four U15s and four U14s in the various WP-Youth leagues. Interspersed with these games have been T20 games vs Paul Roos for the 2nd XI, U15As and Bs and the U14As and Bs, as well as day/night games for the U17A vs Merchiston Castle School (UK), the 4th XI (vs DF Malan HS), the U15A vs Otago BHS (NZ) and the U14A (vs Wynberg BHS). And the annual day/night game vs Bosch looms.

All in all, cricket at Bishops appears to be in a good space – the boys are mostly enjoying their cricket, and where they are not, attempts are being made to find out why and to rectify this. Cricket is a great leveler, a great challenge and a great builder of character, and together we hope that all of our boys and coaches get the most out of this fine game.

This is the last magazine report that I shall be writing as M-i-C Cricket, and I would like to thank all of those responsible for making the past five and a quarter years the enjoyable and fruitful ones that they have been for me: grounds-staff, catering staff, parents, coaches and boys – I have certainly learned a lot during this time and wish all involved in Bishops Cricket a great deal of enjoyment and success in the years to come.

Geoff Kieswetter

Bishops 1st XI results term 4 2012

1st XI beat Paarl Boys High *by 4 runs (40 overs)*

Bishops 174/2 (**Daniel Russell** 83, **Mark Wilson** 68*)

Paarl 170 /6 (**Mark Wilson** 4 for 33)

1st XI lost to Sussex Academy *by 7 wickets*

Bishops 142 (**Justin Rowe-Roberts** 35, **Ty Wills** 32),

Sussex Academy 146 for 3.

1st XI drew with Charterhouse

Bishops 257 for 7 dec (**Daniel Russell** 147, **Luke Schofield** 55),

Charterhouse 249 for 8(**Matthew Jones** 3 for 74)

1st XI beat Malvern *by 2 wickets*

Malvern 195(**Matthew Jones** 5 for 46),

Bishops 196 for 8(**Saud Abrahams** 43, **Justin Rowe-Roberts** 40, **Jordan Flax** 34, **Ty Wills** 28)

1st XI beat Shrewsbury *by 8 wickets (50 overs)*

Shrewsbury 174(**Michael West** 4 for 26, **Tim Westwood** 3 for 17)

Bishops 175 for 3(**Daniel Russell** 92, **Tom Richardson** 47*)

(Shrewsbury also brought an Under 15 XI which played a team made up of some of our Under 14 and 15s. Shrewsbury won that match).

Independent Schools Festival at Hilton College:

1st XI drew with Hilton College

Bishops 213 for 5 dec (**Justin Rowe-Roberts** 100*, **Mark Wilson** 50, **Daniel Russell** 32)

Hilton 209 for 9(**Matthew Jones**, **Matthew Rudston**, **Ryan Julius** and **Justin Rowe-Roberts** 2 wkts each)

1st XI v Maritzburg College *(Match Abandoned due to Rain)*

Bishops 193 for 8(43 overs) (**Justin Rowe-Roberts** 55, **Jordan Flax** 55*, **Reece Conrad** 22)

Maritzburg College did not bat

Days 3 and 4 rained off.

1st XI beat Paarl Gym *by 4 wickets*

Paarl Gym 101(**Matthew Jones** 4/46, **Matthew Rudston** 3/16)

Bishops 104/6(**Justin Rowe-Roberts** 57*)

1st XI drew with WBHS

Bishops 244 (**Luke Schofield** 23(47); **Justin Rowe-Roberts** 38(40); **Mark Wilson** 72(97); **Daniel Lombard** 32(49); **Jordan Flax** 50(104))

Wynberg 178/6 (**Matthew Rudston** 2/52 (12 overs); **Justin Rowe-Roberts** 1/6 (4 overs); **Luke Schofield** 1/27(6 overs); **Ryan Julius** 1/20(8 overs))

1st XI beat Grey HS *by 3 wickets*

Grey174 (**Matthew Jones** 4-36; **Matthew Rudston** 3-35)

Bishops 175/7 (**Saud Abrahams** 55*; **Ty Wills** 48; **Justin Rowe Roberts** 29)

1st XI vs Woodridge *(50-overs) – Rain stopped play*

Bishops 188 (**Jordan Flax** 41; **Daniel Russell** 34; **Saud Abrahams** 33; **Ty Wills** 24; **Daniel Lombard** 20)

Woodridge 17/1

1st XI beat SACS by 5 wkts *(45-overs D/N)*

SACS 100 (**Matthew Jones** 4 for 23)

Bishops 101 for 5 (**Daniel Russell** 34)

1ST XI

The 1st X1 of 2012 can look back on an extremely good year. They lost to only two South African Schools (Wynberg and Rondebosch) in their 20-odd matches and these two schools were ranked at no 1 and no 2 respectively in the country. They also all but beat Wynberg in the first term with Wynberg 9 wickets down and hanging on for a draw – which included a dropped catch that would have sealed the match. This half of the season was a short and difficult one. Bishops did not attend the annual Cape Schools Week at Union HS in Graaff-Reinet due to having toured England in June/July and then the first two matches and the match against SACS were all rained off so that the 1st X1 played only 6 matches winning 4 and losing 2 – the two to Wynberg and Rondebosch mentioned earlier. We started with a nail-biting one-wicket victory against Palmerston North (from New Zealand) where our last pair needed to add 14 to clinch victory and followed this with a first innings win in a two day match against Paarl BHS where we held the upper hand for most of the match and could easily have won on the double. Another tight come-from-behind win against Paul Roos saw us claim their last 4 wickets for just 8 runs with Digby Harding bowling four yorkers in the final over to prevent Paul Roos getting anywhere near achieving the 11 runs required off the last over. We fell apart against Wynberg but then came back the next week to beat Paarl BHS by 24 runs in spite of compiling a modest 130 all out. The final Rondebosch match of the year ended in a draw with Bishops very much on the back foot but batting bravely for a well-earned draw. Ty Wills (108 balls) and Daniel Lombard (66 balls) saw us through to a comfortable draw in the end with some resolute batting.

This meant that the team finished the term with an overall year record (excluding T20's) of 13 wins, 6 draws and three losses in the 22 completed matches they played locally during 2012.

Our batting was not special during this term and only three batters got past 50 - Tim Westwood and Mark Wilson (79 and 60 respectively in different innings of the 2-day match against Paarl BHS) and Sean-Michael Campleman (63 against Paul Roos). Sean-Michael Campleman completed 1000 career runs towards the end of the term and was the leading run-scorer for this term with 173 runs. Mark Wilson (149 runs in the term) started to come through strongly as a batter with a number of vital contributions in the middle order. Although Daniel Russell (142 runs for the term) did not score as prolifically as he did in the first term, he still made a couple of good 30's and 40's at the top of the order and was easily the most productive batter this year. He scored over 1000 runs in the year – twice as much as the next highest total – and was extremely unlucky not to gain provincial selection. Kyle Jacobs chipped in with one or two very important 20's and 30's. But we did not pass 190 in any of our innings besides the first innings of the 2-day match against Paarl BHS and this put our bowlers under severe pressure.

Luckily our bowling was invariably up to the challenge of having to bowl sides out for modest totals. Digby Harding was the stand-out performer again this term. We kept him back to bowl the death overs against Paul Roos in a 50-over match and he was able to restrict the Paul Roos batters and clinch victory. Against Paarl BHS he bowled 28 overs on the trot after opening the bowling and again secured the victory. He bowled just under 500 overs of left-arm spin this year and picked up over 80 wickets at around 2,3 runs per over. I doubt that there would be figures to match this from

any other schoolboy in the country. His control and variation (particularly his quick arm ball) have been outstanding, and he enjoys nothing more than bowling under pressure. He has won so many games for us over the last three years and particularly this year. He received fantastic support from Chris Immelman who opened the bowling with great control and was able to restrict the opposing batters up front and get them behind the run-rate. The big squeeze followed and invariably the middle orders collapsed against us. Mark Wilson also bowled one or two tight spells of off-spin and was the vital third component of our attack. Saud Abrahams was our fourth bowler but he had a difficult term which started late due to injury and which saw him get very few opportunities.

Our fielding was adequate but we did drop too many vital catches which put us under pressure. Luckily for us, none of these dropped catches cost us a match. Kyle Jacobs was exceptional behind the stumps and was easily the best wicket-keeper we saw around the country this year. He has lightning hands and has been a major threat to any batsman standing up to the wicket to our seamers. Some of his legside stumpings have been unbelievable, but it is also an absolute guarantee that his mere presence behind the wicket has been as valuable as his dismissals because he has not allowed any batsman to feel comfortable at the crease.

As captain, Kyle has left nobody in any doubt as to how much the baggy blue means to him. He has fought against every run in the field and spurred the team on to greater and greater heights. His personal example has been his hallmark and he has continued our long line of passionate, proud and courageous Bishops captains.

We congratulate Digby Harding and Kyle Jacobs on achieving their 100th caps in the course of the season. It is not easy to play 100 games for Bishops. The first thing you have to do is get yourself selected for the 1st X1 straight out of U15 and at the beginning of your gr 10 year. But, what is even more difficult is that you have to basically play every match thereafter over three years. And that means that you will need to play a number of games feeling stiff, sore and probably sporting a temperature. Digby and Kyle have certainly both done that several times and we salute their commitment. Digby completed his phenomenal career second on the all-time list of wicket takers at Bishops this century (with 174 in 108 matches) behind Andre Mouton while Kyle took his equally prestigious career tally to 147 dismissals in 103 matches - easily the most this century at Bishops.

Richard Smith stepped down from coaching the 1st X1 after five fantastic years at the end of the year, and I would like to pay tribute to his contribution. He left the 1st X1 at the tender age of 33 after 165 games at the helm and a win ratio of over 61%. He gave so much to the team and he still had so much to give. Any modern schoolboy cricket team needs a guy with a medical background if they are to compete. Richard got players onto the park when they have been injured and sore, he pre-empted and managed injuries and he reminded players to stay hydrated. Look at the top schools around the country in recent years and you will see how many of their top bowlers have had massive injuries. But at Bishops our fast bowlers have seldom missed a game because of Richard. He re-invented fielding at Bishops and his five teams have loved fielding almost as much as batting and bowling because of his drills and his energy. Fielding was never just fielding with Richard. It was fitness, agility, speed and attitude all in one. Thank you, Richard, for what you did for the Bishops 1st X1.

I would like to conclude by thanking every single player for putting themselves on the line whenever they played, and for so obviously having great pride in their performance and such passion for the baggy blue. Your behaviour on and off the field was also outstanding and you certainly made Bishops proud this year. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with you this year.

I leave Bishops cricket with many happy memories and with a great sense of pride. It has been a special privilege to coach fifteen Bishops teams for over 450 matches, to tour to far-flung places of the country and the world, to play my small part in building a team ethic and working on skills, but, more importantly, to watch young men grow as they enjoy doing what they do best....compete against the best in a sport they love. They developed bonds of human friendship which cannot be created any other way than by 'dying in battle' together for a common cause....that baggy blue cap so cherished by those who earned it. May Bishops cricket continue to flourish.

The following played regularly for the 1st X1 this term:

Kyle Jacobs (captain), Sean-Michael Campleman (vice-captain batting), Digby Harding (vice-captain bowling), Daniel Russell, Tim Westwood, Ali Golding, James Baikoff, Mark Wilson, Daniel Lombard, Ty Wills, Saud Abrahams, Chris Immelman.

Kyle Jacobs and Digby Harding (both re-awards) were awarded full colours and Daniel Russell, Mark Wilson, Chris Immelman, Sean-Michael Campleman, Tim Westwood and James Baikoff were awarded full colours for the first time.

Ali Golding, Saud Abrahams and Daniel Lombard were awarded half colours.

Grant Norton

Bishops 1st X1 results term 4 2012

1st X1 beat Palmerston North (NZ) by 1 wicket (50 over match)

PNBHS	142 all out	(Digby Harding 3-25, James Baikoff 3-31, Chris Immelman 2-23)
Bishops	143-9	(Sean-Michael Campleman 48*, Kyle Jacobs 33)

1st X1 drew with Paarl BHS (2-day match)

Bishops	255 all out (80 overs)	(Mark Wilson 60, Daniel Russell 48, Daniel Lombard 38)
Paarl BHS	184-8 dec (72 overs)	(Chris Immelman 4-64, Digby Harding 3-53)
Bishops	180-8 (51 overs)	(Tim Westwood 79, Daniel Russell 27, Kyle Jacobs 26)
Paarl BHS	92-7 (51 overs)	(Mark Wilson 2-10)

1st X1 beat Paul Roos by 9 runs (50 over match)

Bishops	188 all out	(Sean-Michael Campleman 63, Daniel Russell 31, Mark Wilson 20)
Paul Roos	179-9	(Chris Immelman 4-41, Digby Harding 3-25)

1st X1 lost to Wynberg by 7 wickets

Bishops	80 all out	(Kyle Jacobs 23, Sean-Michael Campleman 21)
Wynberg	82-2	(Saud Abrahams 2-17)

1st X1 beat Paarl BHS by 24 runs

Bishops	130 all out	(Daniel Russell 26, Mark Wilson 26, Sean-Michael Campleman 23)
Paarl BHS	106 all out	(Digby Harding 4-43, Ryan Julius 3-31, Mark Wilson 2-14)

1st X1 drew with Rondebosch

Rondebosch	235-1	
Bishops	68-6	(James Baikoff 35)

FENCING

FENCING EXCHANGE TO TAUBERBISCHOFSSHEIM



Thomas Orton, Cade Cannon and Chris Steyn at the Ubuntu Games.

Last year I spent three months in Germany, on Exchange, in a small town called Tauberbischofsheim. I thoroughly enjoyed it. I stayed in a boarding house that is run by the fencing club that I was affiliated to. I was privileged to have members of the German national team to train with and have made many new friends and acquaintances that I am looking forward to keeping in touch with. I attended the local school of the town, called “Mathias Grünsfeld Gymnasium” which is named after a famous artist. My average

day consisted of going to school and, in the evening, training. The facilities of the club were incredible. The sheer size of the club and the number of coaches and fencers gives one a stark realisation of how much better supported the sport is in Europe with prestigious sponsors, such as Adidas and Samsung, sponsoring this world famous club. The gulf in class was immense. I could train with fencers who had medalled in the London Olympics. Benjamin Kleibrink and Sabastian Bachman, who won bronze in the men’s foil team event, train at the club. There is also a large percentage of the German squad that I was privileged to train with. In my time in Europe I also did some travelling but not with sightseeing in mind. I participated in three Cadet (U17) circuit competitions in Moedling (Austria), Halle (Germany) and Capries (France). Along with them I also competed in one Cadet German ranking tournament (Munich), one U23 German ranking tournament (Essen) and a Men’s German and European ranking tournament (Heidenheim). My results varied. Some I was pleased with, but others not. The international fencing circuit is always very tough.

Robert McGregor

UBUNTU FENCING GAMES

The Fencing year opened at Bishops on the 26-27th January 2013 with the Ubuntu Fencing games. Five schools participated in the event: Bishops, Pretoria Boys High, Herschel, The French School and Paul Roos in the weekend long event. The French School won the Epee Team event and individual events were hotly contested. Sam Wolski came 3rd and Philip van Biljon 6th, in U20 Epee. Alex Collings came 2nd in U20 Foil and 3rd in U17 Epee. Cade Cannon came 3rd in U15 epee. A club braai was held on the Saturday night and it was a festive event with Pretoria boys as our guests.

Jacky Withers

ROWING



1st VIII Boat Race - 2012

The SA Schools' Boat Race was held in Port Alfred on 7 and 8 December 2012. This is an annual national event in which all rowing schools' 1st VIII's race against each other in a Heads Race over 6kms on the Kowie River. In the light of the Grade 10s commitment to Epic it was decided to enter an all Grade 11 crew on this occasion. By virtue of their ranking last year (9th out of 14), Bishops started 10th in the heats when all boats leave at 30 second intervals and race against the clock for the best time. Bishops qualified for the 2-boat G final and beat Hilton in this race, finishing 13th out of a total of 17 boats. Insufficient training time as a crew prior to the event affected overall race performance. The January camp was held at the end of the Christmas/New Year holidays. This was one of our largest camps with some 50 rowers attending. This included 15 new U14s. Captain of Rowing, Nyaki Makgoba, reports:

'The start of a new year is always a busy and extremely exciting time and the same is true for our club. After a few metres of tape, several bottles of Sun-Cream and too many blisters later, we started the year off with our annual January training camp along the Brede River in Robertson, where on the tranquil water Bishops boys of all ages could be seen training hard in preparation for the short sprints season ahead of us. Along with the usual excitement around five days of uninterrupted rowing, this camp was made especially lively by the welcoming of the new U14s into our club. Their energetic behaviour and eagerness to learn even managed to rub off onto some of the Senior Opens who were caught up in absorbing the camp atmosphere for the very last time. Through the course of the camp many of the crews not only gained experience through valuable water time, but also gained some race experience by means of Prognostics and Seat Racing. In conjunction with our on water training the entire club also completed 2km ergo land trails with the exemption of the U14s who completed 1km trials. After this exciting start we are all looking forward to racing at the upcoming regatta this weekend and at the larger ones further into the term.'

Fresh from training, a series of three Saturday regattas were held at the start of term on the Eikenhof Dam at the Elgin Country Club. These were hosted by the other local Western Cape rowing schools, Somerset College, Rondebosch Boys' High, and SACS. There have been strong performances across the grades, and particularly in several boat classes in the U15 and U16 age groups. The 1st V111 has been giving a very strong SACS V111 some very



U16A VIII with their coach and trophy at the SACS Regatta!

hard racing, and are improving steadily. There was also much excitement when the new U14A rowers came to their first regatta after several Saturdays of training, to win the Octopul (an 8-man sculling boat) against Somerset College. Racing now moves to a national level with selected crews departing shortly for the Buffalo Regatta, East London in mid-February and then the SA Schools' Championships in Pretoria in early March. We wish them well!

Paul Johnston

SHOOTING

The new shooting captain for 2013 is Matthew Brooks; a well-regarded and high-achieving shottist, who has enjoyed numerous success in many interprovincial competitions; and been awarded his College full colours and his Western Province colours several times over at an unusually young age. Matthew has been involved in shooting since his early Bishops Prep school days and is a most important asset to our shooting squad. Certainly Matthew has easily been our top shottist over the past ten years of my tenure as Master in Charge of Shooting. A special mention of thanks must go to Fedde van den Bosch who has coached Matthew so successfully with the South Peninsular Shooting Squad. Fedde also adjudicates each year at our Founder's Day ODs versus College competition. At the end of the first term last year, the Shooting Squad again scored a victory in their annual Founder's day competition against the ODs. Top scores (in order) came from Corbin Betheldo, Matthew Brooks, Maxwell Houliston (the outgoing Shooting Captain) and Alex Blum. It was a decisive victory for the squad; their second in a row, successfully retaining the **Chippy Robinson Founder's Day Shooting Trophy**, donated ten years ago by OD Mr Phil Calothi, who always takes personal responsibility for mustering together a strong OD shooting side. In a month's time The Bishops Shooting Squad will once again be defending their hold on this trophy. The trophy is aptly named after Chippy Robinson, a former member of the academic staff (teaching History) and Master in Charge of Shooting for Phil Cathothi and numerous other OD generations. Chippy Robinson who passed away in London late last year, was the subject of an excellent Cape Times article in the 1 February 2013, edition. It was written by OD Peter Elliot, who attended Bishops during the 1960s and now lives in Languedoc within the south-west of France. The article specifically highlighted Chippy Robinson's military service with the British Army's 3rd Parachute Battalion during World War Two, referring to Chippy's experiences as an officer in the heroic British paratroop effort during the September 1944 Battle of Arnhem. From the beginning of the fourth term of last year the Bishops Shooting Squad restarted work for the 2012/2013 season. At the end of 2012, Benson Joubert won the "Shottist of the Term" trophy for the 4th Term, achieving an average of 87.44. Lawrence Hill also shot well, while Andrew Warren, Jefferson Brown and Chris Lea continued to display promise with some pleasing averages. With the departure of our 2012 matric shottists, the ranks are being refilled by grade 8 newcomers: Cayden Marquis, Dylan Wingfield and Calvin Sides; while Ross Schoeman (grade 11) has also joined us and is showing promise. Matthew, Benson, Chris and Jefferson have all displayed good form in the first few weeks of this opening 2013 term. Much practising still needs to be ensured for our boys to be competitive; a report on the College versus ODs match and other competitions will appear in a DC magazine edition later during this year.

Rodney Warwick

SWIMMING

Swimmers have been active at Bishops over the past two terms – practices have been held on two afternoons a week with galas being swum on Thursday afternoons. Todd Dugmore has been training swimmers for fitness and technique this year; we have once again seen an increase in numbers of swimmers – in fact the pool is bursting with over 60 team swimmers at each practice. It has been a luxury to be able to choose an ‘A’ team from such a large group of dedicated swimmers. We have swum 4 galas so far this season with the A-league gala to be swum at the end of February and the Inter House Long Distance and Short Distance Galas to be swum in March. Swimmers with notable achievements will be mentioned in the next issue of the school magazine.

Olga Peel

WATER POLO

Water polo at the College is in a very good space at present – the fourth team ended last year well, with strong performances at SACS, and this year our A sides are all highly competitive, and I hope that we will find ourselves in a position to win tournaments. The u14 and u15 A sides and the 1st team have been getting into semi-finals (and the odd final) over the past year, and we need to push on to win, and make it a habit. The coaches of these sides have been working very hard with their sides, and I have high expectations for the year. A new innovation this year, in an attempt to prepare our (Cape) schools 1st teams better for the prestigious KES tournament, has been the SACS Evening League – a round robin based on the format of KES played mainly on Tuesday nights. Our results have been good – beating SACS, and Paul Roos by a goal, and losing to Wynberg, also by a goal. It has been good to get the 1st team playing more, and I am sure the tournament will go from strength to strength. What has also been pleasing is the quality of player coming up to the College through the Prep systems – we have noted how much more mature and aware the young boys are – it can only bode well for the future, and the Prep needs to be congratulated on this. Polo in the lower sides is also strong – we still boast depth in the sport and could field 7 senior sides – it just becomes a problem finding opposition! I would like to thank the coaches, managers and the boys who work, ref and do table duty – water polo needs people who give of their time so generously!

James Swift

THE BISHOPS 2013 1ST WATERPOLO TEAM

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THE BISHOPS 2013 1ST WATERPOLO TEAM

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