

COLLEGE









Grade 10 Epic - 2013

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COLLEGE NEWS

STAFF NEWS

The 2014 school year started with a staff gathering at the Principal's residence and a Conference. With **Jo Stielau** on long leave, we welcomed **Will Donkin** into the English Department for the first term. We also welcomed our 2014 interns: **Ulrika Hartl** (Term 1) and **Michael Day** (English), **AJ Spieringshoek** (Maths and IT), **Daniel Nambassi** (LO), **Smanga Phoseka** (Science), **Anthea Pasqualle** and **Jo-Ann Bergstadt** (BSU). At the end of the term we bade farewell to **Oscar Horstmann** who left us to take up the position of HOD Economics at Hilton.

SUPPORT STAFF NEWS

We bade a sad farewell to **Sandy Saner,** at the end of January, after 12 years of loyal service. **Sandy** performed a vital function in the school. Not only was she the right hand person to the Deputies at the College, but she also ensured that the Bishops exams and other processes in the school, ran like clockwork. We wished Sandy everything of the best as she immigrates to the USA. We welcomed some new and not-so-new staff: **Verna Leverzencie**, Secretary to the Deputy Headmasters at the College, took over from Sandy Saner and has worked as a receptionist at Wynberg Girls' High, and prior to that worked as an events and conference planner and also has many years of banking experience; **Bronwyn Gabriels**, Accounts Administrator, has a solid admin background gained from various roles within OneNebula, a telecommunications company. **Bronwyn** reports to **Sean King**, with a dotted line to **Mukesh Govan**. **Petronella Morolong**, who left us at the end of 2012 to look after her terminally ill mother, re-joined us in January in the position she previously held, Assistant Functions Cook. **Heidi Johannes**, current Assistant Functions Cook has taken up the position of Second Cook at Van der Bijl.

We congratulate **Kim Carlson** and her husband David, on the birth of their son, Tyler Mason Carlson, brother to Tyreece.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

The Class of 2013 certainly did Bishops proud with an exceptional performance in the final NSC exams. The results they achieved are outstanding, certainly the best since 2002 and perhaps ever! Of the 152 boys who wrote the exam: 150 achieved bachelor degree entry certificates (98,7%); 2 boys achieved diploma entry certificates (1,3%); 100% of the boys passed; 486 subject distinctions were achieved (3,2 per boy); 12% of all subject results were over 90%; 41% of all subject results were over 80%; 69% of all subjects were As and Bs; 5 boys achieved 10 distinctions; 6 boys achieved 9 distinctions; 3 boys achieved 8 distinctions; 12 boys achieved 7 distinctions - this means that 1 in 6 boys achieved 7 distinctions or better.

Distinctions: 10 Distinctions: Nevarr Pillay, Daniel Chung, Joseph Kahn, Ismail Rawoot and Ziyaad Adam. 9 Distinctions: JP Lanser, Nick Cotchobos, Sam Wolski, Keegan Sutherland, Ian Douglass and Adam Smith. 8 Distinctions: Afika Nyati, Jaydon Farao

and Paul Ferrandi. 7 Distinctions: Saleem Firfirey, Cuan Hablutzel, Young Kyun Hwang, Geoffrey Forbes, Murray Moore, Sevi Steingaszner, Murray Willcocks, Ty Wills, Oliver Marr, Andrew Court, Nicholas Marine and Viresh Valodia.

Noteworthy individual results: **Sam Wolski** 100% for Maths; **Oliver Marr** 100% for Visual Arts; **Afika Nyati** 99% for Visual Arts; **Daniel Chung** 99% for Accounting; **Nevarr Pillay** 99% for Economics. At the WCED Awards Ceremony held on Tuesday, 14th January, Bishops came 3rd in the Province in terms of specified criteria. We were the top boys' school in the Province. The following boys were awarded merit certificates: Top Maths student in the Province: **Sam Wolski**; Top 20 in the Province: **Nevarr Pillay**, **Joseph Kahn** and **JP Lanser**.

Although no one from Bishops made it through, as a National finalist of the Mathematics Olympiad in 2013, Bishops was presented with a trophy as the Top Participating School. This is thanks to every Bishops boy who wrote Round 1 of the Olympiad. The Round 3 participants receive a certificate, a bronze medal and a note book which is sponsored by the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants. They are: Christopher Aubin, Nicholas Featherstone and Angus Thring (Gr. 8); Alexander Peile, Nicholas Janisch and Jonathan Rossouw (Gr. 9); Soo-Min Lee (Gr. 10); Warren Black, Murray McKechnie and Pierre van Biljon (Gr. 11) and Nicholas Cotchobos in Grade 12.









Nevarr Pillay, Sam Wolski, JP Lanser and Joseph Kahn are congratulated at the WCED Awards Ceremony.

Warren Black, Murray McKechnie, Alexander Rohrer and Thomas Vidal were congratulated on their repeat award attendance in the JSE Schools' Challenge, since entering the competition in 2011. Amongst over 300 competing schools they achieved 2nd position in the 2013 challenge and as the Bishops 'Investorpreneurs' received shares to the value of R14,250 as the prize, a framed certificate and a Johannesburg Stock Exchange trophy.



Warren Black, Tom Vidal, Alexander Rohrer and Murray McKechnie.

Thomas Orton recently returned from the National Youth Science Forum in Australia. 450 high school students were invited from around Australia and other countries to attend this event. **Thomas** was invited as one of three students from South Africa based on scores from the 2013 Science Olympiad. **Thomas** also wrote four A level exams and one AS level in 2013 (in addition to the one he wrote in 2012) and scored over 80% in each. He was largely self-taught, working on each subject 3-5 months before the exam. Results: Chemistry: A* (93%) (2013), Economics: A* (93%) (2013), Physics: A* (91%) (2013), AS English: A (86%) (2013), Further Maths: A (81%) (2013), Maths: A (86%) (2012) As a result of these A level results, **Thomas** has been accepted into UCT, and is currently studying a number of first-year subjects, and in fact one second-year subject, while he completes his matric at Bishops. For these outstanding and exceptional achievements, **Thomas Orton** is awarded a Distinction Tie.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

For their contributions to the technical side of Drama over the past three, we congratulated **Kieran Cattell** and **Stefan Dominicus** on being awarded their Full Drama Colours.

Forty indigenous trees were planted at Marconi Beam Primary School, on the outskirts of the Joe Slovo community, through Greenpop, by Goodhope FM DJ Seano, The President's Award Youth Committee, local volunteers and Marconi Beam's young, vibrant Eco-Leaders. Greenpop is a local organisation that aims to 'greenify' underprivileged areas through planting trees and by doing so ignite a 'treevolution' through the spirit of hope, teamwork and ubuntu. Eight Bishops Boys represented The President's Award Youth Committee at the planting ceremony. We congratulated **Pule**



Bishops representatives on the President's Award Youth Committee.

Nkopane on his active involvement as a President's Award Youth Committee member for 2013 and awarded him a certificate in recognition of his service. **Pule** remains on the Committee this year and is joined by **Luc Janssens** and **Matthew Perrott**.

Jamie Battersby welcomed Mrs Sue Brown, of the Rhino Orphanage Foundation, to a College Assembly and spoke about the Foundation and the money Bishops boys raised in order for us to be able to present a computer to Mrs Brown for their work. The computer was handed over by **Robbie Mowbray.**

The Bishops Interact Club announced their Office Bearers for 2014: President: **Jamian Heesom-Baron**; Vice-Head: **Pule Nkopane**; 2nd Vice-Head: **Katleho Morojele**; Secretary: **Saadiq Brey**.

Nicholas Cullinan took part in the Langa Quarter Street Art competition. There were 17 artists involved, and the medium used was spray paint. The space **Nic** had to work on was a piece of wall 2x8 metres in length. The winner was determined with a public vote open to the residents of Langa. **Nic** received the most votes and won the competition. The prize was R6000 cash, and the award of 2 further commissions for mural paintings.

Christopher Lea was named Head Monitor of the Molteno Resource Centre for 2014 and will lead the Library through an exciting transition. He will be assisted by the following Monitors: **Jamian Heesom-Baron, Muhammed Razzak, Grant Byron** and **Aidan Bizony**.

A large number of boys played their Royal Schools of Music practical exams and a number wrote the Royal Schools of Music theory. Those who passed with distinction, ie. a mark higher than 88%, are: Ryan Acton – grade 3 guitar; Mohammed Osman – grade 3 piano; Benedict Chetwyn – grade 5 saxophone; Mac Cheminais – grade 5 flute; Jack Belcher – grade 5 saxophone; Julian Mort – grade 5 cello; Robert Mertens – grade 5 cello; Nicholas Janisch – grade 5 singing and grade 5 clarinet; Piers Johnston – grade 6 saxophone; Shannon Thebus – grade 6 double bass and grade 7 organ; KB Ko – grade 7 piano; Sean Douglas – grade 7 violin; Soo-Min Lee – grade 8 piano; Murray McKechnie – grade 8 piano; Adam Rothschild – grade 8 piano, and Lood van Niekerk – grade 8 piano (Lood achieved such a high mark that he was invited to perform at the Royal Schools High Achievers' Concert).

Rahul Naidoo was congratulated on being elected as the Chairman of the Students' Representative Forum for 2014.

PASTORAL AFFAIRS

The Frank Reid Shield is awarded to the House with the best performance in the Bishops New Boys' Heritage Test. This shield belonged to Frank Reid who was not only the first Rhodes Scholar for Bishops, but the first Rhodes Scholar in the world. He was a hugely gifted all-rounder and our 1st team cricket field is named in his honour. This year's winning group is **Birt House** with an average mark of 93%. **Yusuf Blake** received the shield on behalf of his grade.

SPORTING AFFAIRS

Stuart Bristow has been appointed as Captain of Athletics for 2014. **Mallett House** was crowned the worthy winner of Relay Sports 2014.

Makumba Chiti was appointed as Captain of Basketball for the season, and Tim Kuhn as

Vice-Captain. Congratulations to the winners of the Inter House Basketball Trophies: Seniors - **Mallett House**; Juniors - **Founders House**.

James van Niekerk was congratulated on being elected Canoeing Captain for 2014.

Full Cricket Colours 2013 were awarded to: **Daniel Russell** (re-award), **Mark Wilson** (re-award), **Matthew Jones** and **Justin Rowe-Roberts**. Half Colours were awarded to **Ty Wills**, **Ryan Julius, Jordan Flax, Daniel Lombard** (re-award), **Thomas van As** and **Matthew Rudston**.

The Captain of Fencing for 2014 is **Alexander Collings.**

We congratulated **Jamian Heesom-Baron** and **Muhammed Razzak** on their award of Full Colours for First Aid, for maintaining a high level qualification, serving the club and school for 4 years and for taking on a role as a leader in the First Aid group.

We congratulated **Luke Baker** and **Warwick Reid** who were selected to represent South Africa in the 13th FIPS Mouche Youth World Fly Fishing Championships in Poland to be held from at the end of July 2014.

Julian van der Watt tied for 1st position at the first Western Cape Regional Go-Karting race for 2014. **Jonathan Aberdein** placed in 4th position.

Jonathan Smuts was appointed Captain of Golf for 2014.

We congratulated **Garth Turner** who was selected to represent South Africa Hockey in the Boys African Qualifier Team.

We congratulated **David Laubscher** who obtained a Bronze Medal at the 6th World Gojukai Karate-Do Championship held in Mumbai, India.

The Bishops Mountain Biking Cross Country Track had its official opening and several schools attended – including riders from Paul Roos, Rondebosch and SACS. In the junior heats **Jason van der Linden** managed a third place overall and in the senior heats **Zandi Rohrer** and **Chris Viljoen** managed first and second place respectively. **Zandi Rohrer** also beat the course record set by a professional rider, Lourens Luus, of team RE:CM, by one second.

Nicholas Hyslop has been appointed as Captain of the Rock Climbing Club for 2014.

The rowing team excelled at the SACS regatta: 1st eight - placed 2nd; 1st four - placed 1st. In the pairs, **Matthew Boynton** and **Cole Barnard** were placed 1st. The U16 eights, the fours and the pairs placed 1st in all three races. In the U15 age group, **Stephane Pienaar** was placed 1st and **SvenWellman** was placed 2nd. In the U14 age group the Oct placed 1st and the pairs placed 2nd.

André Manuel attended the Investec international advanced players' course for U17 rugby players. **Andre** impressed so much on the course that he won the award for Most Valuable Player and in doing so has been offered a full sponsorship from the Investec academy to attend the Elite course for top U18 and U19 players at the end of the year. We congratulate him on his effort and on gaining this opportunity.

Benson Joubert was awarded Full Colours for Shooting; **Chris Lea** was awarded Half Colours for shooting. The Shottist of the Term trophy was awarded to **Benson Joubert**, who was also appointed Captain of Shooting for 2014.

Stefan Ranoszek was congratulated on his appointed as Captain of Squash for 2014.

Keanan Alexander was awarded Full Colours for Swimming.

The Inter House Surfing Competition took place at Long Beach. At the end of an exciting series of Heats, Gray House emerged victorious. Congratulations to the **Harrison** brothers, **Max** and **Jack**.

The Charles King Tennis Trophy was originally presented by Mr D. King of Beaufort West in the 1st Term of 1955. It has now been revived and was awarded to the Junior Singles Champion of 2013: We congratulated **James Murray** on winning it. We also congratulated **Ogilvie House**, who prevailed over a young **Birt House** team to take the Inter House Tennis Trophy for 2013. We congratulated **Tom Sutcliffe** on his selection to the U17A Western Province Tennis team and on his being awarded Full Colours for WP Schools Tennis.

The 2014 Water Polo captain is **Kimon Haralambous**, and the Vice-Captain is **Andrew During**. **Andrew During**, **Kimon Haralambous**, **Liam Neill** and **Zack Herberstein** were selected for the WP U18 Currie Cup team. **Keanan Alexander** was selected as reserve for this team. They will participate in the Currie Cup in March in Durban.

AWARDS

JERSEYS

Academic

Warren Black, Richard Freund, Murray McKechnie, Pule Nkopane.

TIES

Academic

Grade 11: Jason Botha, James Irvine, Luke Leach, Daniel Lombard, Taku Mtombeni, Pule Nkopane and Sean Voss.

Gr 10: Max Gobel and Laurence Midgley

Grade 9: Dylan Burke, Christopher Hyslop, Carl-Phillip Lehmann, Akha Manjezi, Matthew Rissik and Julian Schlebusch.

All Rounders

Thomas Richardson, Rhiyaan Smith, Alessandro Mirotto

Distinction

Thomas Orton (Academic)

Interact

Jason Botha, Ziyaad Bawa, Jordan van Tonder, Jamian Heesom-Baron, Saadiq Brey and Elliot Gordon.

Service

Chapel: Bell Ringers: Jez MacIntyre, Pierre Heywood, Conor Young, Liam Cook, Jarryd Lurie, Keean Pople, Tristan Leyds, Brandon Salomo;

Sacristan Duties: Johnson Alfredo, Matthew Du Plessis, Ryan Good, Luca Guerrini, Aidan Kenealy, Thomas Mudge, Lindani Ngcokoto, Bulelani Ngqukuvana,

Matthew Norton, Samkelo Sani;

AV Crew: Kieran Cattell, Zandi Rohrer, Stefan Dominicus, Chris Viljoen, Benson Joubert

Servers: Henri De Villiers Te Water, Jamian Heesom-Baron, Josh Knipe, Theuns Kuhn, Evan Pandiani.

PR GROUP 2014

William Baldwin, Richard Bassett, Aidan Bizony, David Bruchhausen, Christian Cotchobos, Paul-Henri Daron, Nic Frankenfeld, Daniel Gregory, Sam Jeffery, Josh Knipe, Soo-Min Lee, Dylan Maxwell, Nick Pithey, Stefan Ranoszek, Matthew Roberts, Rhiyaan Smith, Rayhaan Survé, Michael Thomson, Jordan van Tonder and Jeremy Wilkinson.

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL

Head of School: Jordan Flax (White)

Deputy Heads of School: Gerard Pieterse (School), Richard Freund (Birt)

Heads of Houses: **Tom van As** (Founders), **Daniel Lombard** (White), **Nic Bester** (Gray), **Jake Bennett** (Ogilvie), **Simon Thompson** (Kidd), **Kimon Haralambous** (Mallett)

APPOINTMENTS



It gives me great pleasure to announce that Brian Robertson BA (Hons) HDE (Cape Town) has been appointed to the full-time position of Development and Funding Director at Bishops with effect from 1 February 2014. Brian is very well known and highly respected in the Bishops Community. He is an OD (1979), has been a parent at the school and has served as Chairman of the OD Union Committee since 2009. He has been the OD Union representative at Council meetings since 2010. For many years until late 2013, Brian was the Human Resources Director of Vital Health Foods, the major sponsor of rugby at Bishops. He has previously served as Chairman of the Board of Governors at

Bridge House School from 2000 to 2006. Brian studied at UCT where he was both Captain (1986) and Chairman (1987) of the UCT Athletics Club. He received provincial colours for both road running and cross country. He has run 34 marathons, including Two Oceans and Comrades and has completed 21 Argus cycle tours. He is also a passionate supporter of cricket and rugby.

The position of **Development and Funding Director** has been created to develop and implement funding initiatives at Bishops. Brian will work with the school and the OD Union and through them for the Bishops Trust. The appointment is for a one year period and is subject to renewal. We received 22 applications for the position and interviews took place at the end of last year.

Please join me in welcoming Brian (back) to Bishops!

Mike Bosman

CLASS OF 2012: MATRIC NSC RESULTS

Adam, Ziyaad	Bachelor	Herberstein, Max	Bachelor	Paterson-Jones, Guy	Bachelor
Alexander, Max	Bachelor	Heunis, Christopher	Bachelor	Paulucci de Calboli, Frances	
Allen, Tahriq	Bachelor	Hewitson, Joshua	Bachelor	Peel, Michael	Bachelor
Anguria, Peter	Bachelor		Bachelor	Philip, James	Bachelor
Barker, Luke	Bachelor	Hickman, Rupert	Bachelor	Pillay, Nevarr	Bachelor
Barker, Thomas	Bachelor	Hill, Paul	Bachelor	Rawoot, Ishtiyaaq	Bachelor
Belcher, Oliver	Bachelor	Holliday, Justin	Bachelor	Rawoot, Ismail	Bachelor
Bemat, Mas'ood	Bachelor	Holmes, Alistair	Diploma	Richter, Kyle	Bachelor
Botha, Nicholas	Bachelor	Hwang, Young Kyun	Bachelor	Robarts, Matthew	Bachelor
Bourne, David	Bachelor	Innes, Simon	Bachelor	Roberts, Kei	Bachelor
Brink, Derek	Bachelor	Innes, Timothy	Bachelor	Rockey, Luke	Bachelor
Brink, Robert	Bachelor	Jones, Matthew	Bachelor	Rossouw, Christopher	Bachelor
Brooks, Matthew	Bachelor	Julius, Ryan	Bachelor	Rousseau, Jacques	Bachelor
Brown, Jefferson	Bachelor	Kahn, Joseph	Bachelor	Russell, Daniel	Bachelor
Carter, Alexander	Bachelor	Kaulinge, Lineekela	Bachelor	Scarles, Darrien	Bachelor
Chikte, Raihaan	Bachelor	Keir, Seumus	Bachelor	Scott, Davide	Bachelor
Christopher, Ross	Bachelor	Kenealy, Nicholas	Bachelor	Share, Herman	Bachelor
Chung, Daniel	Bachelor	Kirk, Alistair	Bachelor	Shaw, John	Bachelor
Clamp, Shaun	Bachelor	Kotze, Dirk	Bachelor	Shikongo, Nokokule	Bachelor
Clark, Shaun	Bachelor	Landon, Robert	Bachelor	Smith, Adam	Bachelor
Corbett, Murray	Bachelor	Lanser, John	Bachelor	Smith, Shane	Bachelor
Cornelissen, Tristan	Bachelor	Laurie, Stuart	Bachelor	Steingaszner, Sevi	Bachelor
Cotchobos, Nick	Bachelor	Leale, Dayne	Bachelor	Steinhagen, Joel	Bachelor
Court, Andrew	Bachelor	Leusink, Robert	Bachelor	Stewart, Alex	Bachelor
Crowther, Stephen	Bachelor	Louis, Michael	Bachelor	Steytler, Nicolas	Bachelor
Day, James	Bachelor	Lurie, Damon	Bachelor	Sutherland, Keegan	Bachelor
de Freitas, Daniel	Bachelor	Maimba, Allen	Bachelor	Tobias, Sean	Bachelor
de Klerk, Dean	Bachelor	Makgoba, Nyakallo	Bachelor	Ulimwengu, Mahatma	Bachelor
Douglass, Ian	Bachelor	Makhoba, Mnotho	Bachelor	Upshon, Alex	Bachelor
Dreyer, Darren	Bachelor	Marais, Michele	Bachelor	Valodia, Viresh	Bachelor
Dry, James	Bachelor	Marine, Nicholas	Bachelor	van der Linden, Matthew	Bachelor
du Plessis, Michael	Bachelor	Marokane, Tebogo	Diploma	van der Ploeg, Adam	Bachelor
du Toit, Neale	Bachelor	Marr, Oliver	Bachelor	van Niekerk, Josh	Bachelor
Dube, Zukile	Bachelor	Masha, Chela	Bachelor	van Rensburg, Sean	Bachelor
Elphick, Murray	Bachelor	McAlpin, Andrew	Bachelor	van Ryneveld, Anthony	Bachelor
Erlangsen, Gregory	Bachelor	McGregor, Matthew	Bachelor	van Wyngaarden, Adam	Bachelor
Everingham, Timothy	Bachelor	Meddick, Dominic	Bachelor	von Zahn, Timothy	Bachelor
Fanton, Justin	Bachelor	Miller, Remy	Bachelor	Walters, Murray	Bachelor
Farao, Jaydon	Bachelor	Miller, Stuart	Bachelor	Warren, Andrew	Bachelor
Ferrandi, Paul	Bachelor	Moir, Dean	Bachelor	Waterfield, Tim	Bachelor
Firfirey, Saleem	Bachelor	Moodley, Jasanth	Bachelor	Whaley, Buck	Bachelor
Fisher, Daniel	Bachelor	Moore, Murray	Bachelor	White, Wesley	Bachelor
Forbes, Geoffrey	Bachelor	Motsepe, Obakeng	Bachelor	Willcocks, Murray	Bachelor
Giuricich, Luca	Bachelor	Murphy, James	Bachelor	Wills, Ty	Bachelor
Gordon, Jared	Bachelor	Mynhardt, Michael	Bachelor	Wilson, Justin	Bachelor
Gush, James	Bachelor	Neill, Oliver	Bachelor	Wilson, Mark	Bachelor
Gwiliza, Camagu	Bachelor	Nel, Daniel	Bachelor	Wolski, Samuel	Bachelor
Hablutzel, Cuan	Bachelor	Nixon, Mitchell	Bachelor	Woodman, Devon	Bachelor
Hamilton, Patrick	Bachelor	Nyati, Afika	Bachelor	Wray, Christopher	Bachelor
Hanekom, Jack	Bachelor	Orrie, Siddeeq	Bachelor	Wyatt-Smith, Justin	Bachelor
Harries, Cameron	Bachelor	Pastorino, Louis	Bachelor	,	
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STAFF FAREWELLS

SANDY SANER

There are a number of us who have 'reported' to Sandy in her tenure here at Bishops: Peter Westwood; Marcus Bizony; the IT Department; WCED; Home affairs; Bishops Travel (a few years ago); Michael King, and many more, and of course, ME! When I asked the staff members who had attended the Bruce Springsteen concert what they thought about it, their answer was unanimous: 'He gave so much of himself!' That is exactly what we can say about Saint Sandy – aptly nicknamed by Peter Westwood many years ago!

We have enjoyed an amazing journey with Sandy. She arrived at the Pre Prep in 1998 and it was her working relationship with so many of us that captured our attention. She taught me that Bishops is an institution; people work inside that institution; some will think they own it, but it will always be bigger than all of us. It is like a bucket of water. When you leave it is like pulling your finger out; it just closes the gap. I'm afraid we are going to need to put quite a bit of



Sandy Saner

water in that bucket as Sandy leaves us today. Peter Westwood and Marcus Bizony will remember her 'capacity for self-direction which is enormous and her attention to detail which is legendary. Not only is she extraordinarily efficient, she is also cheerful, kind, wise, loyal and deeply caring. She inspires confidence in those around her.' I know I kept her fit. I'd ask, 'Sandy, how do I...?' She would answer, 'I'll be there in a minute!' I can also tell you that that no-one ever walked into her space and left without feeling helped. Sandy has, through her work ethic, earned our respect. She could be direct too. She once told me, while waiting for my sanction letters to be finalised, 'André, a procrastinator's work is never done.' After looking up what the word meant, I applied the 48 hours rule immediately. It is true that she wrote DC Sanction letters before the DC Committee.

Sandy is a huge loss to us as a colleague and friend and if there is anyone clever enough in Tampa, Florida, they will jump at the opportunity to rope her in. We wish you well with the packing (Parrot and all), a safe journey and many blessed years with your children and grandchildren. Go well Saint Sandy!

André Jacobs

OSCAR HORSTMANN

Mr Oscar Horstmann leaves Bishops at the end of the term and returns 'home' to Kwazulu-Natal to take up the position of HOD Economics at Hilton College. He has been at Bishops since January 2009. As part of the Bishops Economics Department he has taught Economics to Grades 10, 11 and 12 and EMS to Grades 8 and 9. He has been a dedicated and hard-

working member of the team and was a driving force in the introduction and roll out of Simventure. He was also influential in the formation of the Bishops Economics and Entrepreneurial Society. In addition to his teaching, Oscar has been the Teacher-in-Charge of Rowing and has coached rugby and cricket. He was the staff representative on the Finance Committee, and was a tutor in Birt House. The College, and in particular the Economics Department, will miss his enthusiastic (and loud) lesson delivery, his cheerfulness, team spirit and comradeship. He has been an asset to the school and will be missed. Hilton's economics programme is in excellent hands. We wish Oscar and his (ever-growing!) family all the best in their new endeavours.



Oscar Horstmann

Sean Henchie

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

No sooner had the Epic ended than the December winds started to blow – and blow – and blow. Five weeks of continual wind heralded in the Christmas season and miraculously dropped a few days before Christmas, leaving, in its wake, the most beautiful weather over the Christmas period. One would have expected the end of the year to come quietly, but this was not to be. The echoes of Carol services, Prep Prize Giving, PrePrep Nativity Play and the Leavers' Dinner had barely faded when we were saddened by the news of the passing of our dear Madiba. Bishops was fortunate to be one of the few schools still operating on that sad day – the evening of 5 December 2013. As a school our end-of-year service on 6th December 2013 became a time of celebration of his life and times. Assembly started on a sombre note with Mr Guy Pearson officially informing the school of the passing of Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela. He quoted from the Cape Times editorial of the day by saying that Bishops honoured the memory of so great a man and prayed for the guiding principles of his life to be those which we, as free South Africans, could honour and live by. As a school, we prayed for his soul, for his family and for the nation. We also shared the prayers written by Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, reminding us of the fact that we pray as a family prays. We pray a prayer of adoration to the God who is a liberator God. We offer a prayer of contrition for the ways we have fallen short of God's glory. We offer a prayer of thanksgiving for saintliness embodied in real human beings with all their flaws and foibles and a prayer of supplication asking God, in our hour of grief, to bless South Africa. (Desmond Tutu, Cape Times, December 6, 2013). Our Eucharist service continued and saw, thereafter, the departure of all for a well-earned Christmas break.

During the Christmas holidays, we were privileged to host the Cape Town Male Voice choir in the Memorial Chapel and to enjoy the stirring sounds of Richard Cock and his Christmas Carols afternoon. The Christmas Day service was well attended with many ODs, visitors and staff in

attendance at the service held in the Memorial Chapel.

All too soon, the bells ringing in the New Year faded, to be replaced by those announcing the beginning of term. The first service of the year was held on 13 January 2014 in the Brooke Chapel. With the staff of the College and Prep in attendance, the Rev. Mark Long (newly installed as Rector of St Andrews, Newlands) preached a challenging and thought-provoking sermon, encouraging staff to be strong and to see the value of what they do in this part of God's vineyard. The next day was spent welcoming New Boys into the College before the school year officially started on Wednesday 15th January with Eucharist and Assembly. This was a grand affair with the Memorial Chapel filled to capacity and with many shiny-faced New Boys filling the front pews as the stirring sounds of 'I Vow to Thee my Country' filled the air.

February saw us welcome the SUIS Mission team (Scripture Union Independent Schools) to the school. Among their numbers was a group of gap year students from the SUIS Summit team from a variety of South African independent schools as well as the gap team from Christ Church, Kenilworth and a number of undergrad and post-grad UCT students with ties to SUIS. They were ably led by Xavier Moran, National Director of SUIS and Matthew Lewis, Director of SUIS, Johannesburg. Under their capable guidance, the team managed to preach a number of significant and challenging sermons in Chapel during the week and to visit with every class in the College, Prep and PrePrep. In the midst of this we also were privileged to have the College Parents Prayer team conduct a Prayer Walk around the precincts of the school, adding to the prayers of the greater community.



SUIS Banner

The SUIS team left us with a legacy of thought-provoking messages and a sense of deeper spirituality which will bear fruit in the lives of the Boys in years to come.



Matric 2013 Gift

As the term continues, we continue to enjoy beautiful summer days with a scattering of rain which has helped to turn the fields and gardens into lush green areas and look forward to the, later than usual, Lent and Easter season (Easter Sunday 20 April). In our community we pray for those who have experienced the pain of loss and sadness and remember the tragic passing of Jean Pierre Blandin de Chalain and Christine Satchel. We also celebrated the baptisms of James C. Diesveld, Emily C. Baff and Harry D.D. Edwards and the nuptials of Charles Warren-Codrington and Julie Robertson. May they live a happy and blessed life together. We also received, with thanks, the Matric 2013 Gift to the Chapel and acknowledge the beautiful Cross above the main entrance to the Memorial Chapel. I leave you with a thought – the possibility of a Stained Glass window in the Brooke Chapel celebrating the lives of

Nelson Mandela and Desmond Tutu – and look forward to hearing ideas from the Bishops Community. *Terry Wilke*



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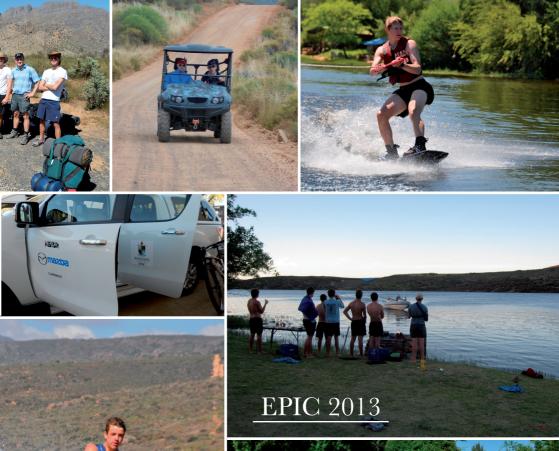
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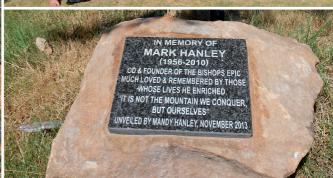












EPIC 2013

In their LO classes this term, the Grade 11s are giving feedback (to us) about Epic. What these illustrate is that Epic is different things to different people and even within some groups, the nature of that group and the journey they took together, has determined the comments made. What follows then is a selection of comments made. Firstly, the mental preparation:

- Attitude is everything. Go in saying you will enjoy yourself it rubs off on others too.
- It's normal to be nervous beforehand. Don't worry, Epic will challenge you, but you will make it through.
- You may not be in a group with all of your friends, but that can be a good thing because you can use Epic as an opportunity to get to know some people you might not necessarily have interacted with before then. I didn't realise how many other top blokes there were in my grade that I had never gotten to know.
- You must enjoy the Epic and do everything at a 100% so that you come back with no regrets!
- Relax and prepare to be amazed at what you will do.

Secondly, practical details:

- Take a relatively large groundsheet.
- Your sleeping bag is important get a

good one.

- Sporks are horrible.
- Your feet are your motors. Look after them well; buy a decent pair of boots, with hiking socks and liner socks.
- Walk your boots in.
- Bring slip slops.
- Don't let your mother pack your bag. Packing less is better.
- One group condemned camelpacks and another group thought they were the best!
- Hydrate whenever you can when you cross a river, drink and fill up your water bottle.
- Don't walk in wet clothes getting chafe is not pleasant!
- Label your clothing and equipment.
- Take snacks brilliant for when walking.
- Suncream and a wide brimmed hat are crucial.

There is much that goes on behind the scenes in order to ensure that Epic happens and it is always gratifying to know that these efforts are appreciated – this is seen so clearly at the way the boys respond to the programme whilst on Epic; through e-mails received before and after; through the feedback they give in LO and then in the whole demeanour of the Grade now that they have experienced Epic. We can see a difference in the boys and a number of parents comment to us that Epic is the one event that did something intangible, but yet noticeable – their son is different!

This was our seventh Epic and it was the first one where we had no one leaving early due to sporting commitments. We've been able to negotiate with a couple of provincial sporting bodies and the understanding now is that Epic is a compulsory event for our boys and provincial practices will need to work around the dates the boys are away.

We're always grateful to the parents who gave of their time and also lent us boats and vehicles. To the moms (ably led by Jean Jeffery and Jenny Dominicus) who packed the school crafts and all donated material for further distribution – this was hugely appreciated. Leon Potgieter of Stellenbosch Land Rover loaned us the Defender that I enjoyed driving so much that I did not want to return! Mekor Claremont loaned us the Double Cab Bakkie we used for the cycling component. Conrad and Carol

Steyn gave us use of their Defender. John and Anne Henderson loaned us their ski boat and Rob and Jacqui Henderson loaned us their 4x4 golf cart. Mike Bampfield-Duggan of Wine Concepts helped out with supplying wine for staff and some thank you gifts. There were a number of parents who made donations – these were over and above the fantastic range of goods and the cash that came in for the craft material. We're also most grateful to Hi-Tec for their involvement – clothing for boys and staff; great discounts at their shop and the wonderful donation of shoes to those children from the three schools we work at, which we hosted at Bishops for a weekend.

What stands out for me this year is the personal journey so many of our boys (and their families) experienced. There were some difficult issues that were dealt with – some only a few of us know about; some we don't know about and some have been bravely shared. As staff, we are honoured to have journeyed with each of the boys in our different ways and them with us. We know that Epic makes a difference and that all sorts of descriptions of what it entails can be given. It was beautifully summarised for me this term when I heard a Grade 11 comment to a Grade 10: "Epic is Epic! Just go and do it and you'll know what I mean!"

Bishops is most fortunate to have staff who have the skills to run the various things we do on Epic and the willingness to develop them. We're most fortunate to have superb backup at the school from admin – the bills, the transport, the food and the willingness to go that extra mile. Whilst we do rely on some outside organisations for their professional support (WildMedix, SailPro, Cape Leopard Trust and Team Work through Innovation), Epic is a 'home-grown' entity and I'm most grateful to my colleagues on the Epic Brains Trust who assist in so many ways with extensive planning and such wonderful encouragement. We're most encouraged that more schools, particularly in the Cape Town area, are doing a similar programme. There is a need for young people to have controlled activities that push them out of their comfort zone – we do this on Epic and it is wonderful to see how our boys respond and how surprised so many of them are that what appeared impossible, is now possible! *Graham Robertson, Epic Director*

VIC-BAY SURF CAMP - 2013



The Intrepid Vic Bay Surfers

As the eleven of us (plus Mr Mallett, Mr Noel and Miss Mallett) ventured out towards the Ebb and Flow campsite in Wilderness, one thing became immediately apparent: This camp was going to be a lot of fun! After a solid 6/7 hours of driving we poured out of a hot, stuffy minibus to unload and settle down. We pitched tents and almost instantly headed out for a surf. The weather conditions were perfect for a 4 o' clock surf in the afternoon sun. We were lucky enough to have the best weather for the duration of our camp, the only setbacks being the wind and the 'mozzies'. The problem with the mozzies was that they interrupted our heated game of 30 seconds/charades in which the

losers (by only one point) came out with pink tiaras. Nonetheless, with many a game of touch rugby and with plenty of surf, our camp drew to a close as we re-packed our trailer and headed back to the Mother City. A successful camp - barring the fact that our bus was impounded as we were heading out of George!



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VALETE 2012

Grade 8 Alfredo, JT Burger, R Christaudo, C Forbes, I Mertens, R S Grade 9

Pringle, C I

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Marlow, O Grade 12 Adam, Z Alexander, MAH Allen, T Anguria, PA Barker, TGS Barker, LS Belcher, O J L Bemat, M Botha, N B Bourne. DAK Brink, R A Brink, DAM Brooks, MR Brown, JP Carter, A Chikte, MR

Christopher, R L Chung, J D Clamp, SP Clark, S Corbett, M J Cornelissen, T Cotchobos, NA Court. A P Crowther, SA Day, J C de Freitas, DM de Klerk, D

Douglass, I C Dreyer, DG Dry, JA du Plessis, M C du Toit, N F Dube, Z Elphick, M B Erlangsen, G C Everingham, TR Fanton, J A Farao, J E Ferrandi, PT Firfirey, MS Fisher, DS Forbes, G.J Giuricich, LRS Gordon, JJGush, JWC Gwiliza, CO Hablutzel, CH Hamilton, PA Hanekom, JP Harries, CSA Herberstein, MA Heunis, C Hewitson, J T Heydenrych, M C Hickman, RAD Hill, P J Holliday, J W Holmes, AK Hwang, Y K Innes, TGS Innes, SJS Jones, MR Julius, R C Kahn, J W Kaulinge, LN Keir, SO Kenealy, N V Kirk, A.J Kotze, DJA Landon, R.J. Lanser, JP Laurie, SW

Leale, DK

Leusink, R H

Louis, ME Lurie. D A Maimba, A Makgoba, N M Makhoba, M C Marais, MAL Marine. N I Marokane, T Marr, O I Masha, CP McAlpin, AW McGregor, M Meddick, D J Miller, R Miller, SA Moir, DM Moodley, J Moore, M J Motsepe, O A Murphy, J R Mynhardt, M A Neill. O L Nel, D.J Nixon, MW Nvati, AA Orrie, MS Pastorino, L G Paterson-Jones, G E Paulucci de Calboli, FN Peel, MR Philip, J.J.G Pillay, N Rawoot, I A Rawoot, I A Richter, K.J. Robarts. M M Roberts. K Rockey, L J F Rossouw, C G Rousseau, IL Russell. DH Scarles, DT Scott, DE Share, H Shaw, JR Shikongo, N D

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Post Matric 2013 Bovijn, MEV Brown OAA Hardcastle, H G Hassanali, N Heinrich, J K Kerbelker, S Lees, FG Lutufyo, K Mojela, N K Norsworthy, J-S Setlhare, RWZ Sham, A Wilson, WD

Zimmermann, A F

SALVETE 2012

Grade 8 Aron, I Bell, G Bolus. G Bowker, C Brakhoff, M Braun, C Bromley, W Cottrell, S Cuthbert. D Foulkes, A Frater, W Godfrev, M Goodsell, S Grav, B Halle, I Hartman, B Henderson, J Jacobs, D Jankovich-Besan, A Jones, G

Kahla, S

Kirsch, I Knight, A Ko, J Kruger, C Kwatsha, O Malherbe, I Mashwama, S Murinda, P Nelson, D Newbury, T Newman, H Nvoni, C Omar, R Pearce, N Phelan, O Phelan. P Pitman. W Pittaway, J Price. C Reissenzahn, D Roberts, E Roche, M

Rose, W
Rudston, T
Schwulst, M
Smith, C-Z
Stevens, L
Steytler, M
Thomas, B
Van Wyngaarden, A
Varney, K. J
Vine-Morris, N
Whiting, A
Grade 9
Heatlie, I

Wixley, H

Grade 10

Aberdein, J D

Cassiem, A-D

De Nysschen, C J

Murinda, J S

Moodliar, N

Smith, J-P Wellmann, S O

Grade 11 Africa, N-R Miller, K Pohl, A C Tshifularo, R

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COLLEGE CULTURE

SOCIETIES



AFRICAN RELATIONS

Teacher-in-Charge: Mr W. Steenkamp

African Relations is a society that focuses on the African continent, African Economic and Social Development and on African Politics. The society met regularly and attended various culture evenings at surrounding schools, such as Springfield Convent and Wynberg Boys' School. In April, Bishops hosted its own Culture evening in the Memorial Theatre. Craig Chinook (OD) was the guest speaker. He spoke about Ubuntu and the IsiXhosa culture. We were entertained by musical items from various schools, as well as by our

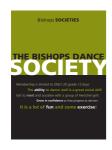
own Marimba Band (Peter Anguria, Afika Nyati and Mnotho Makhoba). A highlight for the year, after a lengthy process, was to have the African Relations tie finally presented. The tie was designed

by Nyakallo Makgoba and the first tie was presented by Mr Vernon Wood to the 2013 Chairperson, Mnotho Makhoba, in a special function in the Heatlie Pavilion. The society had a wonderful end-of-year function at Moyo, Stellenbosch. Prof. Willie Breytenbach, from the University of Stellenbosch, spoke about Africa:The Continent, Then and Now. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by all.



End-of-Year function at Moyo

Will Steenkamp



DANCE

Teacher-in-charge: Mr P. Court

The 2014 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 floating gracefully around the dance

floor as though they have been dancing for their entire lives!

Phil Court



DEMOCRITUS

Teacher-in-Charge: Mr K. Warne Chairperson: Jeremy Wilkinson

Jeremy Wilkinson writes, 'The Democritus Society has had a very successful past year. We've strived to provide captivating evening talks, once a term, with topics ranging from Newton to Astronomy. During open periods we have tried to host an environment of development and research for various projects, open to anyone, and for anything relating to science. Below are two short summaries from the two project leaders, Nicholas Hyslop (CanSat Rocket Project) and

Taku Mtombeni (Hovercraft Project) to benchmark our progress for the forgone year.'

Nicholas Hyslop writes, 'The Democratis Society CanSat rocket project has been a very interesting and ambitious one for us and has provided many challenges for everyone involved. The aim of the project is to launch a rocket using a system that takes Hydrogen Peroxide (H2O2) and decomposes it, producing a very large amount of hot gas which is then used to propel the rocket. This rocket would carry a small electronic device in a 330ml soft-drink can (hence CanSat) that would collect all the flight data and stream it to a computer. The can is then ejected out of the rocket and returned to earth under a parachute. The H2O2 method is a largely unused technology – especially by amateur rocketeers – as it involves a complicated system of trying to pressurize and distribute the liquid rocket fuel through an engine mechanism, requiring quite a lot of complex calculations to get right. This ultimately provided two challenges: firstly it meant that it would be very difficult to engineer, and secondly there is a very small amount of information out there as to how to construct it. It is by far much more difficult than a simple solid fuel engine that you just light and stand back. But, in true Bishops style, we decided to charge ahead and do it anyway. And it has been greatly rewarding experience for all the people involved: namely myself (Nicholas Hyslop) and Jeremy Wilkinson (working on the rocket) and Scott Maslin (putting together the electronic CanSat). Currently we have finished all of the theoretical work - having finalised all the calculations needed to design the engine and rocket body systems – and have started work on building the test system for the H2O2. It has definitely not been without some hurdles. To try and obtain some high concentration H2O2 has proved quite difficult, as well as trying to cheaply fabricate the complicated silver wire mesh components – an absolutely critical aspect of the engine system. However, the project is starting to build some momentum, with the engine construction complete, I am very enthusiastic and excited to see this project get up and off the ground. You know what they say: the sky's the limit.'

Taku Mtombeni writes, 'As a Democritus society project, the Hovercraft team has been working on building a functional hovercraft. Once completed the hovercraft will be used to aid in the teaching of Newton's laws, pressure and friction to boys in the younger grades. There are even plans to offer the project to grade 9's or 10's and even host a bishops Hovercraft Derby. The Hovercraft is of surprisingly simple design. It has a large circular base with a skirt attached to it in order to help with airflow. The Hovercraft will be powered by air and will use a leaf blower as its engine. The process of taking an idea through the process of design and actually building it has been an insightful experience for all involved. At present the Hovercraft requires one more part before it can be completed (a T-Bolt Band Clamp). Upon completion we hope to use the project to showcase the society.'

As can be seen from the reports here the society is developing into a vibrant and challenging arena where boys are engaging in first hand discovery and development of ideas and theories. For the boys to have got the rocket test motor through the design and fabrication phase is a significant achievement. It has been a delight to me to see the impressive level of operation that our boys are capable of and I am excited about what lies ahead this year. There are a number of ideas which are still on the back burner and so for any others who are not yet members in the society there is huge scope for further involvement.

Keith Warne



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 Simon Levy's adaptation of F. Scott Fitzgerald's classic, *The Great Gatsby*, is being staged. The production is directed by Wayne Tucker with musical direction by Stephen Carletti, technical direction by Russell Drury and choreography by Roxy Levy. It stars Nic Cullinan (Nick Carraway); Simon Thompson (Jay Gatsby); Max Linley (Tom Buchanan) and Nicholas Hyslop (George Wilson). The

leading ladies join us from Herschel, Rustenburg, Springfield Convent and St Cyprian's – Tyler Bennett (Daisy Buchanan); Jean Marr (Jordan Baker); Paige Rigby (Myrtle Wilson) and Jaz van der Spuy (Catherine). Other lead members of the cast are: Jason Botha (Wolfsheim), Mitchell Christy (Mr McKee), Emily Turnbull (Mrs McKee) and Josua Joubert (Michaelis). Members of the society are involved in positions in the sound and lighting box, as production assistants 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 to the Roaring Twenties with images of bobbed-hair-flappers and couples dancing freely to jazz music! Members of the Society attended the Maynardville production of *The Tragedy of Richard III*, but unfortunately the performance was cancelled just before 'curtain up' because of the weather. 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 *The Sound of Music* and *Blood Brothers*.

Wayne Tucker



FORUM

Patron: Prof. Philip (Taffy) Lloyd (OD: Class of 1953) – Nobel Peace Prize-winner **Teacher-in-Charge:** Dr P. Murray

Chairperson: Graham Welham

Forum had two incredible meetings this last season. The first was an address by Cape Town entrepreneur Mr Ian Halfon who spoke to the group about possibilities in business. As an entrepreneur one has to have specific qualities and these were shared with the group by Mr Halfon. Mr Halfon shared his experiences from the hospitality industry as well as

impressed on the students the need to engage in the community, as an entrepreneur. Here once again he provided examples from his own experiences. It required of entrepreneurs that they be smart, study and strive for the highest in their field. He kindly arranged for each member to receive a double voucher to enjoy a dining experience at one of his restaurants on the Waterfront. We are grateful to Mr Halfon for this gesture as we are for sharing with us his experiences.

The second meeting was an incredible account delivered by Professor Haroon Bhorat (OD) of UCT about "Economic Growth, Poverty and Inequality Dynamics in Post-Apartheid South Africa". Professor Bhorat expounded on the theory of how 20 years after the start of South Africa's democracy there is still this huge gap in economic society. He explained his thesis using graphs and statistics, for instance, the Gini Coefficient and the Lorenz Curve. One of the striking features of the presentation, and indeed a great eye-opener for the members was how the government over the years has re-distributed income through transfer payments which might make the situation for South Africa look fairly ok, but in fact, in the course of it, there has not been the accompanying sustained economic growth. The address by Professor Bhorat was incredibly challenging for prospective young men to look for ways to solve the huge economic problem faced by South Africa. We are grateful to Professor Bhorat for sharing with us his insights and findings from his research. *Graham Welham*



GIN

Teacher-in-Charge: Mrs C. Douglas

Chairpersons: Rahul Naidoo and Nikhal Narismulu

The Global Issues Network is a society of thinkers and (more importantly) doers who challenge the problems under the status quo and attempt to find solutions for issues ranging from environmental pollution to the spread of infectious disease. Projects are chosen and managed by the students, with the constant support of Cheryl Douglas. In the fourth term of 2013, a team from the Global Issues Network society collaborated with

five students from the Leap school to tackle the issues of water availability and quality in the Western Cape. The team documented conditions in Langa and Westlake and studied the protocol for proper water usage. After countless Thursday afternoon and Saturday morning meetings, the project culminated in the team presenting an eight-minute video to the City of Cape Town (in association with Teaching Biology Project). Visit http://learning.bishops.org.za/humanimpact/ to see our video and



Leap and Bishops on site visit regarding Water Availability and Quality

those from other schools. This collaborative project was an eye-opener, as it forced the Bishops team to interact with the reality of life in an informal settlement, and it resulted in some useful content- the video will be used to educate people about proper water usage.

In the coming year, GIN students are encouraged to follow their passions and choose their own projects. Over the course of the first term, the society's members have already fragmented into six groups- each working on a different topic, including a NAIS 20/20 project on global infectious diseases with two schools in the USA. Within a few weeks, the society will be hosting a 'dragon's den' evening, wherein projects will be professionally pitched, and prizes will be awarded. Viable project ideas will be developed further, including working with SAIIA and City of Cape Town on a research based sustainability project. The society is poised to achieve much this year. Watch this space... To find out more speak to Rahul Naidoo, Nikhal Narismulu or Mrs Douglas (cdouglas@bishops.org.za)

Rahul Naidoo and Nikhal Narismulu



HISTORICAL BENCH

Teacher-in-Charge: Dr P. Murray Chairpersons: Daniel Mesham

The Historical Bench meets once a quarter and in these meetings boys are encouraged to engage in thought-provoking and well-rounded discussions. The aim is to give each member greater knowledge of a topic and to allow him to broaden his understanding of the many questions surrounding it. In the final quarter of 2013, we met to examine the ever-growing problem of rhino poaching. We discussed the morality of the Vietnamese demand,

which led to a record 1004 rhinos being poached in South Africa last year. Debate was had as

to whether current antipoaching measures were doing enough to deter poachers, and the on the merits of many alternative tactics such as trophy hunting and legalizing the trade in horns. Finally, members entered into more philosophical discussion about conservation in general and why we as humans should feel obliged to help not only the rhino, but all endangered animals. In recognition of the 20th



Members of the club receive articles beforehand for the discussion. They then consult in the debate.

anniversary of South Africa's first free and fair elections, the Historical Bench began 2014 with a meeting to discuss voting and democracy. Members were challenged to think about the real reason why they would want to vote one day, and what they believe they should consider when choosing their candidates. We discussed the role of small minority parties in elections, and finally debated the recently passed Electoral Amendment Bill of 2013, which allows both imprisoned criminals and South Africans living overseas to vote. Thanks to their involvement the boys will hopefully be able to take more of an interest in the coming months as the general elections draw nearer.



Daniel Mesham leads the discussion

Daniel Mesham



HISTORY

Teacher-in-Charge: Dr R. Warwick

In the only History Society meeting that we have had to date, Warrant Officer Keith Chandler of the Diep River SA Police Services station, together with a female reservist constable colleague addressed a group of History Society members on the kinds of crimes which some teenagers might find themselves either drawn towards or may encounter as bystanders. Unsurprisingly narcotic crime figured prominently and the police personnel brought along a wide range of illegal substance samples

for the boys to view, ranging from various varieties of cannabis or dagga as we commonly know the term, to various illegal drugs such as methamphetamine and heroin. Warrant Officer Chandler who has served for over twenty five years as a regular policeman, outlined in graphic detail the seizure of such substances and the grim court processes awaiting individuals arrested therewith. He also explained a range of aspects regarding the law, not least the potential consequences of the public drinking of alcohol in prohibited places; public drunkenness; dealing with petty, but potentially violent thieves (of cell phones for example) to advice on the management of aggressive police personnel who in the course of their duties threaten to be unnecessarily heavy-handed towards the public. This talk, which unsurprisingly elicited numerous questions from those who attended, will be the first of a trio dealing with the law. Our next speaker is due for Wednesday, 5 March: Advocate Jeremy Guantlett will address the History Society on the topic of to what extent the South Africa Judiciary is free of political interference, besides his thoughts on the future scenario regarding this latter deeply concerning situation. Thereafter we are likely to have a historian or political analyst discuss the general election stakes as they will be standing around middle to late April. Finally Judge Dennis Davis has agreed to address the History Society at some stage during this first half-year; a date must still be arranged. A new development is that Aiden Bizony at his own initiative will in the near future be placing the Bishops History Society on Facebook to extend invitations to attendees and keep a closer more assessable record of its activities.

Rodney Warwick



IMPACT

Teacher-in-Charge: Mr K. Warne

Impact is a name that represents the Christian Union of Bishops. The society meets every Wednesday Open Period in the library to discuss different elements of Christianity: Jesus and His role in our lives; to help out less-privileged people; worship God, and listen to guest speakers — whilst enjoying quality coffee and biscuits! As members of Impact we strive to find out more about God and make a difference in the school and our community in His name, and have fun whilst doing so! A committee runs the society and organises each session.

Impact has blossomed this year from having a small and sporadic membership, into a group of friends with a real sense of fellowship. We've enjoyed a range of discussions and speakers, a guest appearance from the SUIS, and have many more projects lined up for the year. We make sandwiches once a month to support the work started by the Interact Society in contributing in a small way to a local primary school. This is an attempt to demonstrate practical love, just as Christ has loved us.

Last year we hosted the Impact Café in the library, which provided food and a welcoming experience of God – this turned out to be quite a success and was popular among many Bishops boys - even if only for the food!

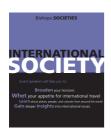
Also, nearing the end of last year, Impact invited several schools to meet at Bishops for a fun social evening with pizza and music, where many students could meet up together and chat about different aspects of life as a follower of Jesus. The dayboy dining hall provided a suitable location for the students to chill, chat, eat and fill a fun quiz. The meeting was a great success as we enjoyed a message of celebration and a moving testimony from staff member, Mr Peter Westwood.

The SUIS (Scripture Union of Independent Schools) team joined us last week and provided some powerful worship and an inspirational talk that spurred a renewed interest for many of the boys about Christianity and our daily walk with Jesus.

Herschel has invited the Impact members to join their meeting this week and in fact, has asked us to share something with them! We are excited for this as it is our first inter-school event apart from the Worship held at the end of last year.

Impact has enjoyed a real sense of energy and all round general vibe this year and we are looking forward to the rest of the year with some great plans for events ahead. These include: becoming more involved with the Christian Unions of other schools, another Impact Café, extending our community outreach and developing our worship team.

Nic Cullinan, Sean Voss and Daniel Tate



INTERNATIONAL

Teacher-in-charge: Mr P. Court Pupil Leader: Rhys Farrell

We had three guest speakers at our second meeting in term 3 of 2013! The theme of the evening was 'The Gap Year'. Jenny Wells, who matriculated from St Cyprian's in 2012, gave an enthusiastic presentation about her experience of teaching English in Thailand.

She did the TESOL course in Thailand and then spent eight very rewarding and adventurous months teaching and travelling. Mr. Darren Osborn (intern teacher) has taken several 'gap years' so far in his life and he told us about winter working programmes in the United States as well as Camp America opportunities. Michael Weaver (OD) spent a year stooging at Epsom College in England and gave an entertaining and convincing talk about the merits of taking a gap year.

Our last meeting of 2013 had a nautical theme. Katherine Spindler (staff) told us all about her experiences of working on the Mercy ships (Anastasis and Africa Mercy). She spent a year and a half teaching on these ships as they carried out humanitarian operations in Ghana, Liberia and Sierra Leone. We were inspired by the example Katherine set of living the Christian life humbly and courageously. She shared the following quote by Ravi Zachariasat the end of her talk: "Accomplishment and dream careers do not necessarily lead to happiness. Making it to number one really means knowing where God wants you and serving Him there with your best efforts. The goal, then, is to find the threads God has in place for you and follow His plan for you with excellence." On a completely different note Gerry Noel (staff) regaled us with his adventures of looking for work and working on yachts of the rich and famous in the Mediterranean Sea! Gerry's positive attitude and zest for life helped him through the highs and lows of the life of a deckhand.

At our first meeting in 2014, Dr Will Bolus (OD) spoke about his 'journey' in climbing Aconcagua. He told us about his physical and mental preparation for the climb and showed us wonderful pictures of his ascent and descent on the mountain. Over and above this Will shared the life lessons he learnt through his experience and left us with a very inspiring message to live life to the full.

Phil Court

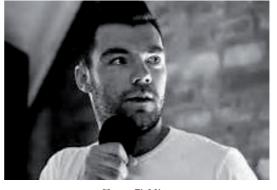


LINGUA FRANCA

Teacher-in-Charge: Dr P. Murray Chairpersons: Graham Turnbull

We were most privileged to have as our guest speaker at the first of the term's meetings,

Mr Shaun Fickling. Mr Fickling, a member of the Founders House staff at the time, gave a presentation of his life as a Master's student studying Mechatronics/Biomedical Engineering at UCT and at the same time playing an important role in student



Shaun Fickling

administration and politics. But it is as a stand-up comedian that he was invited, and this is probably what he will best be remembered for by the gathering. Shaun carefully described the life and times of a person wearing two hats, that of the student and that of the comedian. The much awaited moment came when he kicked in with his performance and soon had the members roaring with laughter. It was clear this gifted person knew how to turn his gifts into a way that could help fund his studies, at the same time having a great deal of fun. It was a great privilege to have him address us. Unfortunately at the time of going to press the second meeting has not been held as this was scheduled for later in the term, but details will be featured in the September edition.

Paul Murray



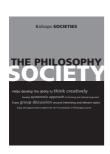
TEN CLUB

Teacher-in Charge: Mr V. Wood Chairperson: Nic Cullinan

Rhys Farrell gave the first speech of the Ten Club this year on the topic of "Nature or Nurture" in which he examined what caused athletes from particular areas of Africa to outperform athletes from the rest of the world in both the sprints (West Africa) and middle distance (Kenya) disciplines. It was perhaps of some consolation to the audience that genetic makeup has been found to be the overriding factor that explains their superior

performance. Richard Freund followed soon after with a fascinating talk on how technology has and will continue to affect our jobs. The talk gave birth to a heated discussion which took a sharp turn towards the possibility of an extreme existential crisis. The year promises to bring many more fascinating presentations and discussions. The club looks forward to being addressed by Daniel Mesham and Pule Nkopane at the next meeting.

Vernon Wood



PHILOSOPHY

Teacher-in-Charge: Mrs C. Douglas

Chairperson: Pule Nkopane

The Bishops Philosophy Society meets twice a term and encourages a dialogue of lively conversation and profound internal examination. Meetings are organised by the Philosophy Society Committee which this year consists of 8 boys who volunteer to organise a meeting. Committee members have the option of presenting a topic themselves or inviting a guest speaker to do so. The year started with an extremely well-attended

insightful discussion on 'The Advertising of Ethics' led by UCT Professor, Dr Greg Fried, who lectures both philosophy and business ethics. For an intriguing hour and a half an intelligent group of eager boys debated what constitutes ethical advertising. Many prior preconceptions failed to withstand the wisdom of Dr Fried and the perceptive philosophy society members!

Pule Nkopane







SPORT

BASKETBALL

We've kicked off the season with an amazing start by being undefeated. Last year, in Term 4, we managed to conquer all of our opponents, except for a strong Wynberg Boys'. Unfortunately, the Bishops vs Wynberg game was rained out in the last quarter and we were unable to finish the game. This term is giving way to be an incredible season with a recent victory, 33-32, against SACS. The team has been training hard and is very excited to continue its winning streak. We have 3 age groups playing: U19, U16 and U14. We hope this season will continue to be prosperous under the guidance of Mr Gibbon (T-i-C Basketball), Khanye Siyengo (Coach), Makumba Chiti (Captain) and Timothy Kuhn (Vice-Captain). This year we will attend the Kearsney Stayers ISSASA tournament again and fly the flag for Bishops.

Timothy Kuhn

CANOEING

2013 was a fantastic year for the thriving Bishops Canoe Club. There was a major spike in the number of members and it was great to see an overflowing bus packed with excited beginners every week during the summer months as they came to try out the sport. The year started with Murray Walters and Luke Rockey teaming up to compete in the 'Dusi Canoe Marathon in February. This iconic 125km endurance adventure takes place over three days between Pietermaritzburg and Durban and involves a mixture of running and paddling through the valleys and rapids that challenge competitors throughout this event. The boys were happy to finish the race in a time of 13½ hours and they can now add another 'Dusi medal to their growing collection. In October, Murray and Luke teamed up again to take on the Hansa Fish River Canoe Marathon which took place in the Eastern Cape. The Fish is a two-day 85km race which features some of the biggest rapids in the country. The boys were ecstatic to make it down the river with no swims and even managed to shoot the notorious 'Keith's Flyover' rapid cleanly – less than 20% of the field attempted this rapid! The Bishops Canoe Club took a greater interest in Surf ski ocean paddling to add to the river and flatwater marathon racing with Murray Walters completing the 50km Cape Point Challenge between Scarborough and Fish Hoek during the December holidays. Nikki and Dawid Mocke at the Surf ski school in Fish Hoek then, very kindly, provided equipment to show 15 members of the club how to paddle in the waves and swells out at sea. Murray then flew to Durban in March to take part in the SA Schools Surf ski Champs. Overall 2013 was a pivotal year for the Club and the rapidly-expanding member base is a very positive sign for the future.

The year also saw the end of the tenure of Murray Walters as the Canoeing Captain and goodbyes to the matric group who had formed the core base of the club for the past 3 years. The reins have now been handed over to James Van Niekerk. A huge thank you must go to Teacherin-Charge, Mr Gary Coombe, assisted by Mr Burgert Maree, for their support of the club and for transporting and aiding the boys throughout the year.

Murray Walters

CRICKET

It is our vision to establish Bishops as the most sought after independent cricketing school in South Africa. We plan to do this by building the Bishops Cricket brand into everything we do!

The Steffan Coutts-Trotter Indoor Cricket Centre (SCTICC) adjacent to the Frank Reid Oval is, without a shadow of a doubt, the hub of Bishops Cricket. The facilities available are world class and it wasn't a surprise at all that the Cape Cobras chose to do their pre-season training in the SCTICC. The Centre is open to all current Bishops boys and I would like to encourage all young cricketers to make use of this fantastic opportunity. Kindly contact Neil Carter, our resident pro, at ncarter@bishops.org.za for more info.



Neil Carter and the boys from Heathfield Primary

Thanks to Paul Burton (OD) and his team, the Bishops Cricket Golf day was very successful. All proceeds will be put to good use and will be used to benefit all the cricketers in the school. Our latest project is to excavate the bowler landing areas at all of our 20 cricket nets and replace the grass with a synthetic (bowler friendly) surface similar to the one in use in the SCTICC. This will not only save money over the long run but also instil confidence in the bowlers as they do not have to worry about the front foot landing area being worn-out and dangerous.

Staying true to our vision of assisting those less fortunate than

ourselves we donated more cricket equipment to Tygerberg CC in Ravensmead and Forest Heights in Blackheath. Then through a charity called "sport for kids" we invited Heathfield Primary to attend three coaching sessions in the SCTICC with Neil Carter.

The 2013 season ended with a very special moment for our 2013 captain, Daniel Russell, as he played his 100th game for the 1st XI against Rondebosch in November. Thank you Daniel for serving your school with pride, passion and integrity!

The 2014 Cricket season kicked off with the inaugural Bishops Cricket Festival. The festival ran over

four days and involved five South African schools and three Australian teams. Teams included Michaelhouse, Hilton, Kearsney, Rondebosch Boys, Churchie (Brisbane), Brisbane Boys College (Brisbane) as well as Hale (Perth). This prestigious festival would not have been possible without the financial support of Coronation Fund Managers, our anchor sponsor.

Late in February the 1st XI will leave for St Albans in Pretoria where they will participate in the annual Independent Schools Cricket Festival. We wish them all the best.

Willem H. Steyn



2014 Bishops Cricket Festival: five retired International cricketers graced us with their presence: (l-r) Neil Johnstone (Zimbabwe, Coach of Hilton); Kim Hughes (Australian Captain, Coach of Hale); Gary Kirsten (Proteas, Guest Speaker); Ian Greig (England, Coach of Churchie); Neil Carter (Scotland, Bishops Cricket Pro).

ROWING

Bishops Results

	SACS and PGRC Regatta	RBHS Regatta	Somerset College Regatta WC Champs	VLC Regatta in Johannesburg (Sprints)
Date	18 January	25 January	9 February	25-26 January
U14 1X		Winner		
U14 2x		Winner		
U14A 4X		Winner		
U14B 4X		Winner		
U14A 8+	Winner		Winner (Manca)	
U15 1x	Winner	At VLC	,	Winner
U15A 4X+		At VLC	Winner (Pienaar)	Second
U15B 4X		At VLC		Winner
U15A 8X+		At VLC	Winner (Baird)	Winner
U16A 2-/2X	Winner	Winner	Winner (Mewett)	
U16A 4X+	Winner	Winner	Winner (Faure)	
U16A 8+	Winner	Winner	Winner (Faure)	
U19 1st 2-	Winner	Winner	Winner (Barnard)	
U19 1st 4+	Winner	Winner	Winner (Barnard)	
U19 1st 8+	Second		Winner (Barnard)	



Bishops u16 rowing team

Since our last rowing update, so much has happened in the interim. Five regattas and the January training camp have kept our boys very busy. I would like to extend a warm welcome to our U14 boys who, by all accounts, are an enthusiastic group of lads who will serve the sport well over the next five years.

Misverstand Regatta on 2 November 2013: what a glorious summer's day! Our boys acquitted themselves well in this annual 8km Heads Race on the Misverstand Dam of

the Berg River. Bishops U16 came first in their age group. The gravel road to Club Elani rattled a few bones though. Thanks to the parents who came out and fed our boys well.

The January camp in its staggered format proved a success. U14 boys and Open boys together,

allowed the new boys to acquaint themselves with all the basics of rowing under the guidance of our coaches, and the Open boys acted as great role models. The U15 and U16 boys attended for the second part of the camp, held at Nerina Guest Farm in Robertson. An additional and unexpected challenge was the high level of the Breede River after the early January storms, but despite this, training and seat boat racing continued and crew selections for the first part of the season were finalised.

The first three local regattas at Elgin helped us assess our strengths within the club and laid down a



SACS Regatta: 1st 4+ with Sam Wells, Head Coach, and the 1st 4+ Trophy!

marker to the other Western Cape rowing schools about our growing strength as a club. Results from these three local regattas are laid out in the table. Of particular note is the fact that at the Somerset College Regatta the Bishops Octopul and Eights boats won in all age groups. We believe this to be 'a first' in this boat size!

Our U15 boys attended the VLC (Victoria Lake Club) Sprints Regatta in Germiston, Johannesburg on the weekend of the 25 January. Their results were outstanding and gave them a good idea about rowing at altitude and an opportunity to assess their strength against our more-favoured northern cousins. Their results below augur well for the SA Champs to be held at the beginning of March.

The acquisition of new elite boats (VIII, coxed four, and 2 pairs), and a new light-weight trailer, an increase in membership and of course the tireless dedication of Mr Sam Wells and his coaching team make all of us quietly optimistic about our chances of medalling at the Buffalo Regatta and The SA Champs. Good luck to all the boys selected for the various teams.

Yaasien Kerbelker

SHOOTING

With the significant stress upon athletics during the first half of the first term, the shooting squad, under its Captain, Benson Joubert, and his ever dependable Deputy, Chris Lea, has to date (of this magazine's publishing) been fully occupied in this very limited time space so far available for the sport, by introducing numerous new members to shooting. There clearly are some promising shottists amongst this group although Benson and Chris still top the averages. But, amongst those demonstrating they could be due for higher honours are Theuns Kuhn, Joshua Van Breda, Andre Truter and Joshua McKirby. A fuller report on shooting will be possible during a later edition of the Diocesan College magazine.

Rodney Warwick

WATER POLO

Bishops Water polo had a fantastic 2013 that saw some exciting developments and changes. We are fully subscribed at the College and water polo remains a very popular option at the Prep. A programme and specific outcomes for each age-group from U9 upwards was developed in 2013 and has been distributed to our coaches with the aim of ensuring boys are taught specific skills at each stage of their water polo careers. In order for the above structures to be implemented successfully, we needed to develop our own coaches and managers. We now have the benefit of working closely with Dasch Barber (OD and top South African referee) to ensure that our coaches and students have the best opportunity to develop their refereeing skills and we held our first clinic at the start of February. The heating of the Bishops Pool in 2013 was significant, as it gave us a real chance to compete at the top level of the game. We made full use of this facility for pre-season training and tournament preparation in the build up to the 4th term in 2013 and will certainly look to benefit from it in 2014. Our water polo boys have had some outstanding results across the age-groups in 2013 and 2014. We had over 25 boys representing Western Province at the SA Schools Tournament in December 2013 and had a South African representative in Max Herberstein (2014 u14A coach). We are looking forward to a successful 2014 of water polo!

Fiona Mallett



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