



King's Week

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KING'S WELL REPRESENTED AT ANNUAL SPEECH COMPETITION

As many of our parents out there will appreciate, getting boys to speak clearly, articulately and (Shock! Horror!) publicly is no easy task. Having wisdom teeth pulled, slowly, without anaesthetic would appeal to most boys as a pretty fair alternative to speaking in front of their peers. Nevertheless, King's has a proud record in public speaking going back many years and this year **Bonar Robertson**, Yr 12 and **Reece Hallum**, Year 13 added to that legacy with excellent efforts in the annual and very prestigious **Otago Regional Council Anniversary Day Speech Competition**.

Ms Jo Harford, teacher in charge of public speaking, spares a few minutes from the fine and rather famous lunch provided to report on the competition.

Last Friday, two pupils from King's pitted their skills against other secondary school pupils from all over Otago in the annual ORC Speech Competition. This year's topic was "Whose Rivers are they Anyway?" and Reece Hallum and Bonar Robertson both did King's proud with their 5 minute speeches. The competition was very tough and although we didn't make it to the afternoon's finals, both boys thoroughly enjoyed the experience and learnt a lot.

There were several angles the speech could be taken from. Reece focussed on keeping our thoughts realistic rather than idealistic and promoted the idea of hydroelectricity while, at the same time, reminding us to be cautious about ruining a natural environment that is a playground for fishermen, rowers and boaters.

Bonar focussed closely on the Taieri River and the significance it holds for him, lamenting the fact that this river is deteriorating in quality due to farmers using it to dispose of waste, and proper systems not being in place to control the quality of water that comes from there. Both students presented their speeches confidently and put their case forward persuasively. Well done!



Reece and Bonar at last week's ORC Speech Competition

TUDOR LEADS IN HOUSE COMP.

It may be Autumn but the Tudor rose is in bloom this week as its volleyballers took out first place in the House volleyball competition and propelled Tudor to first place overall in the race for the House Shield as the term ends.

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP OVERALL STANDINGS:

1. TUDOR 80
2. WINDSOR 72.5
3. HANOVER 57.5
4. STUART 30

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

The end of Term 1 signals a welcome break for all. I trust that the interim report brought home today will indicate a positive 11 weeks effort by your son. I encourage all parents to attend the report evening next term. It is an essential part of the feedback cycle.

I would like to challenge parents regarding the social habits of your boys over the holiday break and beyond. I have received comment from within our community regarding the gatherings of our boys with excessive amounts of alcohol involved. Often this has occurred when parents have thought their young men were at friends' houses, attending sporting events or at school functions. The best advice I can offer is that you check with other parents before they head off to stay or check with the school if you have queries regarding any school function.

As you will be aware, Friday April 15 is a teacher only day, as our staff meet with colleagues from other schools to refine programmes of work for NCEA levels 1-4.

We are thrilled to have seen a start to the Performing Arts Centre during the week. The site works will restrict access to some areas of the school and we ask that parents assist us in dropping off and collecting pupils in areas away from the building site.

Best wishes

Colin Donald



Last weekend the King's fly fishers traveled to Kurow to fish the Waitaki & surrounding lakes. Above is Dominic Courtney with a fine rainbow.

COMING UP

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| April 15: | Teacher Only Day |
| April 24: | Feilding Agricultural College visit |
| April 29-30: | Quadrangular Rugby Tournament |
| May 2: | Term 2 begins |
| May 3: | ANZAC Day Service |
| May 4: | Report evening for parents |
| May 6: | Stage Challenge |
| May 12: | King's Road Relays 1.30pm |

5 END OF SEASON AWARDS TO KING'S CRICKETERS

Five individuals and one King's team were rewarded for their efforts at two end of season Otago cricket function last Sunday and Monday.

Dunedin Cricket Association Awards

- Tim Ford: Highest Score in 5th Grade, 146no for 5th XI
- Colin Enright: Best Bowling in 5th Grade, 5 for 17, for 4th XI
- Richard Hyndman: Highest Score in 3rd Grade, 94 for 3rd XI
- 4th XI: Job Wain Cup (first presented in 1899) for winning 5th Grade

Otago Cricket Association Awards

- Laren Guthrie: U19 Bowler of the Season



Tim Ford receives the Job Wain Cup on behalf of the 4th XI.

The King's Cricket Club End Of Season Awards

<u>BATTING</u>		<u>BOWLING</u>	
1st XI: Kieran Parker	92	Laren Guthrie	6 for 8
2nd XI: Regan Flaws	66	Mike Moehau	5 for 27
3rd XI: Richard Hyndman	94	Ryan Curd	5 for 40
4th XI: Manu Emile	77	Colin Enright	5 for 17
5th XI: Tim Ford	146no	Rhys Vaitupu	4 for 22

SPECIAL AWARDS - PERFORMANCES & SERVICES

Daniel Ford, Simon Conrad, James Gilbert, Jack Butler, Joel Cambridge, Robert Dean, Geordie Scott, Brad Rodden

PLAYERS OF THE SEASON

1st XI:	Laren Guthrie	52 wickets
2nd XI:	Richard Hyndman	93
3rd XI:	Paora Patuwai	67 & 59
4th XI:	Colin Enright	5 for 17
5th XI:	Tim Ford	146no
Wed XI:	Regan Flaws	outstanding bowling all season

ROWERS ENJOY MAADI CUP

A wonderful week of clear skies, no wind and calm water! Over 2000 competitors and 7 days of racing made for a long and challenging week at the NZSS Rowing Champs at Lake Karapiro.

Our U18 crew were up against formidable opposition and should be proud of their final national ranking of 11th in the 8's and 10th in the 4's. Our single sculler, Ben Grundy, performed admirably to achieve a semi-final berth in an event he will be able to compete in again next year.

Mr C Donald

OTAGO SS SWIMMING CHAMPS SUCCESS

Last weekend King's was represented at the Otago Secondary Schools' Swimming Championships by Rene Robb, Jacob Gray, William Buchanan and Sam McCutcheon. William and Sam swam well and qualified for finals but were unplaced. The Medley relay team placed 3rd and our Freestyle 2nd.

Overall, a successful meet. Thanks to the pupils involved.

Mr T Graham

NEWS FROM THE KING'S RUGBY CLUB

KING'S RUGBY CLUB AGM

This will be held in the King's Library at 7.30pm on April 14 when it is hoped as many parents as possible will attend. There will be an opportunity to meet coaches and people involved in rugby with the school.

If you are able to or wish to help this season your attendance would be appreciated. Tea and coffee will be available at the conclusion of the meeting.

RUGBY GEAR FOR SALE

- Jerseys \$65
- Shorts \$30
- Socks \$9

FUND RAISING JUNIOR DANCE

The dance that was to have been held this Thursday April 14 has now been postponed until Term 2.

JAPAN RUGBY TRIP CANCELLED

The 2006 Japan Senior Rugby Trip has been cancelled due to lack of interest. At the April 7 meeting it was decided by the attending parents to gauge interest in a 2006 Australian Senior Rugby trip. There will be forms available and a box to put them in next to Mr Larkin's Sports Co-ordinator's office.

FEILDING AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE VISIT

On April 24, Feilding Agricultural College (and, yes, that's how it's spelt) will visit King's and play 2 games against our 1st XV and our U15 team.

Come along and support our teams.

QUADRANGULAR TOURNAMENT

On the last weekend of the holidays King's hosts a quadrangular tournament involving teams from Nelson College, Marlborough College and Southland Boys' - 3 of the country's top rugby nurseries.

Come along and see some top action.

INTERSCHOOLS

- WBHS, May 11 - 1st XV, 2nd XV in Oamaru - U15, U14 at King's
- Shirley, July 4 - 1st XV at King's
- OBHS, July 8 - 1st XV at King's

RYAN STEWART MANAGER GREEN ISLAND PREMIERS

2004 University A Assistant manager, Ryan Stewart, Yr 14, transfers to Green Island Premiers this season. Ryan says he enjoyed Varsity A but he is surprised how much he is now enjoying the job at Green Island. It's a great job being 'tea boy'. Good luck to Ryan and The Grizzlies, who include many KHS Old Boys in their ranks, for this season.

REPORTS OUT, REPORT EVENING MAY 4

Parents and their sons will be able to meet individual teachers to discuss Term 1 reports the first Wednesday back in Term 2. Each boy has been given a notice to take home about this evening. Parents are to sign the notice and boys will then return it to their Group Teacher.

Each boy is responsible for organizing interviews with each subject teacher.

Congratulations to...

- Michael Crombie and Graham Tweed who were both named as KHS Prefects for 2005 today.
- Head Prefect, Andrew Ashton, who has been named in the Southern Districts U21 hockey team
- Our Orienteers who won the Wednesday evening school's competition and then were the top school at the Otago championships recently. Riki & Ryan Cambridge were Senior and Junior Boys' Otago Champions. Vincent Pettinger and Bede Robertson were 2nd and 3rd in the Junior Boys' Championship.