

# THE KINGSMEN



JULY 2000

## Historical Material

The next stage of the school reconstruction has commenced with the administration block to be replaced. Within this block was much archival material and five members of the Association were enlisted/volunteered to sort, assess, pack, and place in safe storage historical records and items of interest relating to the school since the beginning.

This work included sorting and packing spare school magazines the numbers of which varied substantially for different years. There is a full set under lock and key, plus we have a set for reference which includes photocopies not originals. Also there is at least one set of bound copies from 1936 to 1977. There appears to be a low number verging on the rare for the following years—1937, 1939, 1949, 1951, 1952, 1956, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1981, 1993 and strangely 1996 and 1997.

We have extracted an odd few from some people but if any of the above years are still held and not required please write to Box 163 or contact Bob Glass, 29 Hobson Street, St Clair, Dunedin (phone 03 455 7973).

### SCHOOL FILMS/VIDEOS

As advised previously we have had the school films for the period 1936–1969 professionally put on video.

Jim McCready, who was responsible for a lot of the filming, is thrilled with the result.

### THE COST OF THE 2 VIDEOS INCLUDING POSTAGE IS \$30.00.

As we need to make further orders, please forward your order together with your cheque for \$30.00 by the 31st August 2000 to Box 163, Dunedin.

Overseas orders please add \$15.00 for additional postage and packing.

### SPORTS QUIZ

Cricket

1. Which year did the school 1st XI qualify to represent the South Island in the Gillette Cup?
2. Which year were they runners-up in the South Island?
3. The 1st XI recently won the Dunedin Cricket Association 2nd grade for how many successive years?
4. Name the seven ex-pupils who were involved with the Otago Plunket Shield team, plus one other for another province in the 1975/76 season?
5. Name the five ex-pupils who played for the Shell Trophy Champions Otago in 1985/86?
6. The 1st XI has been *unbeaten* in its annual interschool games with at least 2 wins and a draw in 7 cricket seasons (not calendar years). Can you name any?

(Answers Page 7)



### Annual Dinner

To be held Thursday 19th October 2000.

7pm at the Kings High School Catering Suite.

Guest Speaker Ian Farrant (1955–59).

Probably the schools most successful business mogul  
\$20.00 per head

Wives and partners most welcome

Please advise Warwick Larkins (454 3902)  
of your attendance.

## ADMINISTRATION

### Office Bearers

Patron: Lindsay Hocking (1953-58, staff 1986-)  
President: Irvine Duncan (1947-49)  
Vice President: Warwick Larkins (1960-63)  
Secretary: David Horne (1954-58)  
Treasurer: Bob Glass (1948-52)  
Registrar: Hugh Kidd (1950-54)  
Committee: John Fitzgibbon (1973-75), Graham Geary (1953-56), Ken Harris (1967-70), Lindsay Hocking (1953-58), Ron Paterson (1948-50), Mack Stephens (1952-56)  
Auditor: Brian Cuthbertson (1952-55)

### Sub Committees

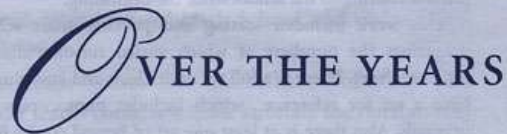
Newsletter: Graham Geary (production), Hugh Kidd, Bob Glass (writers)  
Annual Dinner: Warwick Larkins  
Jubilee Fund: Graham Gosney (1950-55), Graham Sinclair (1949-53)

## NEW MEMBERS

We wish to welcome the following who have joined the Association since July last year:

R. A. (Dick) Bennetts (1961-63) Shepperton, England, P. T. (Peter) Burns (1952-56) Vancouver, Canada, A. E. (Alan) James (1965-68) Brisbane, A. E. (Athol) Meder (1955-59) Lincoln, U.S.A., F. (Forrest) Niven (1952-55) Bonny Hills, N.S.W., K. G. (Keith) Ussher (1945-48) Neutral Bay, N.S.W., P. V. (Peter) Adams (1972-76) Dunedin, G. R. (Graeme) Bassett (1952-55) Palmerston North, P. H. (Peter) Bathgate (1952-55) Mosgiel, R. W. (Winston) Bishop (1954-56) Manakau, Levin, G. C. (Graeme) Boomer (1963-66) Lower Hutt, D. F. (Denis) Bosworth (1960-64) Christchurch, B. R. (Barry) Bridgman (1950-54) Auckland, N. D. (Don) Campbell (1964-68) Whangarei, R. D. (Russell) Campbell (1949-52) Auckland, W. A. (Warren) Cope (1967-71) Dunedin, L. R. (Lindsay) Cowan (1967-71) Auckland, K. R. (Kelvin) Cowie (1967-70), Dunedin, G. T. (Geoff) Cushen (1964-69) Dunedin, B. R. (Blair) Davidson (1952-54) Mosgiel, R. A. (Roger) Dodds (1961-65) Browns Bay, Auckland, B. T. (Bruce) Dowie (1960-63) Wellington, A. S. (Andy) Fleming (1950-53) Palmerston North, G. C. (Graham) Fortune (1955-59) Wellington, N. K. (Norman) Gamble (1965-67) Dunedin, A. (Alby) Gascoigne (1947-48) Dunedin, D. I. (Doug) Graham (1965-69) Dunedin, J. A. (John) Gray (1964-68) Dunedin, A. E. (Athol) Hamilton (1949-51) Dannevirke, R. (Ross) Hore (1960-63) North Shore, J. R. (John) Howorth (1947-51) Waitotara via Wanganui, B. R. (Bryan) Johnston (1962-66) Dunedin, A. P. (Anthony) Kaye (1960-64) Wellington, J. H. (John) Kilpatrick (1974-78) New Plymouth, M. N. (Malcolm) Knox (1968-72) Torbay, Auckland, T. M. (Terry) Kreft (1966-70) Nelson, F. J. (Fraser) Macandrew (1964-67) Christchurch, B. F. (Bruce) McLachlan (1960-63) Karitane, A. J. (Alan) Menzies (1966-71) Invercargill, T. C. (Tom) Miller (1938-41) Albert Town, P. C. (Paul) Morris (1962-66) Invercargill, K. G.

(Keith) Murray (1947-49) Wellington, A. (Alan) Nicholls (1968-71) Dunedin, L. A. (Lindsay) Parry (1961-63) Wanaka, C. T. (Chris) Patterson (1986-90) Auckland, G. N. (Graeme) Pennell (1970-74) Dunedin, F. A. P. (Pres) Peterson (1941-44) Nelson, C. A. (Colin) Reid (1939-42) Paraparaumu Beach, L. J. (Lindsay) Scott (1973-77) Wellington, G. B. (Graeme) Seaman (1962-65) Dunedin, B. D. J. (Brian) Silverstone (1960-64) Hamilton, A. G. (Alan) Smith (1957-61) Levin, E. J. W. (Evan) Squires (1951-55) Morrinsville, D. M. (David) Stewart (1965-70) Tauranga, L. A. (Les) Stewart (1962-66) Christchurch, S. J. (Sydney) Swift (1962-66) Napier, S. J. L. (Stuart) Thorne (1960-64) Wanaka, B. C. B. (Bernard) Thornton (1956-61) Gore, D. J. (David) Todd (1953-58) Wellington, J. V. (John) Triggs (1962-64) Takapuna, J. G. (John) Williams (1961-64) Dunedin, B. W. M. (Brian) Wong (1966-69) Manukau City.



## WHERE MEMBERS ARE:

The School opened on February 3 1936 with a roll of 196 with 77 4th and 5th form boys transferred from Otago Boys' High School and 119 new entrants.

Most of the originals were proud of the fact that they were foundation pupils. This has been evidenced over the years by attendances at reunions and membership of the Association.

Current members who commenced in 1936 are as follows: Ron Ainge (Pymble, New South Wales), Les Beveridge (Darfield), Max Beverley (Tauranga), Allan Brighting (Auckland), Dick Callon (Dunedin), Laurie Campbell (Auckland), Arthur Chetwin (Levin), Noel Dunbar (Canberra), Clive Geary (Christchurch), Graham Herbison (Christchurch), Murray Ings (Auckland), Alan Joel (Salisbury, England), John Kempthorne (Auckland), Stuart Lenz (Hamilton), Bill Lucas (Dunedin), Gordon McKay (Auckland), Errol Maxted (Christchurch), Frank Petre (Christchurch), Noel Pringle (Coory, Queensland), Jack Pinkham (Wairoa), Ron Purvis (Auckland), Les Reid (Christchurch), Bill Robertson (Nelson), Malcolm Templeton (Wellington), Bill Thomson (Ashburton), Jim Valentine (Dunedin), Bill Ward (Invercargill), George Watson (Christchurch), Ray Watts (Wellington), Bob White (Kaikoura). They were joined in 1937 by Ces Irwin (Dunedin) in the 4th form and in 1938 by Jim Bell (Harden, New South Wales) in the 5th form. Original staff member Ray Richards (Christchurch) is a life member.

## GOLF IN AUCKLAND

A report was received from John Taylor (Box 12640, Penrose, Ph: 021 964 789) that thirteen King's High School Old Boys

had a Golf Day at Remuera Golf Club on Friday 14 April. Those participating were: Malcolm Arnold (1956-60), John Taylor (1954-58), Des Shaw (1949-53), Russell Jones (1953-55), George Humphries (1950-54) Eoin Pope (1950-53), Russell Campbell (1949-52), Alan Jones (1969-73), Barry North (1943-46), Garnett Tregonning (1955-59), Richard Solomon (1956-60), Jim Lewis (1961-65), Barry Kaye (1958-62).

A good day was had by all, as well as some Bluff oysters.

### OLD BOYS TIE

We now have a stock of the new ties available for \$26 delivered within New Zealand. It has our shield and motto within two narrow diagonal, light blue lines on the dark blue background. Orders and payment to P.O. Box 163 Dunedin.

### COMING EVENTS

1. Tuesday 25 July Interschool Sports v Southland Boys High School at Invercargill. This is the fourth of the annual winter interschools covering nearly ten various games, etc. Our ex-pupils living in Southland are asked to support their High School with fingers crossed on what could be an historic occasion for the King's 1st rugby XV. We will let you know next issue but Southland will be hard to beat.
2. Winter Sports Old Boys v School to be arranged with golf, soccer and maybe basketball.
3. Thursday 19 October Annual Dinner. See the details elsewhere but pencil the date in if you are thinking of coming to Dunedin about that time. Capacity is limited.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Allan McIntosh (Ashburton) Writes

In the March Kingsmen in the notes from the Christchurch Branch I noticed that the question arose as to when the first game between the first fifteens of Kings and Gore took place.

The first game was played in 1946 between the first fifteens of the two schools. Gore had a strong team that year with the two Archer brothers who went on to be Southland reps and Robin went on to play for the All Blacks. We travelled to Gore to play this first game travelling by train and after a tiring train journey we managed to beat Gore quite comfortably. Ian Page was the captain of the Kings team that year.

During the war years for all our away games we travelled by train and I can well remember one epic train journey by goods train to Invercargill to play SBHS. We got to know every little station and railway siding between Dunedin and Invercargill. To keep warm during the trip we would disembark at every opportunity while the shunting took place and tossed the footy about.

Congratulations on your excellent newsletter I really look forward to it although its arrival is sometimes tinged with a little sadness when I read where the odd school mate has passed on.

Note: Checking the School magazines the first game with

Gore High School was in 1946 and then next in 1949.

Noel Pringle (Cooroy, Queensland) Writes

I was very interested to read the article on Fives Champions in the March, 2000 edition of "The Kingsmen."

The champions listed dated from 1941, presumably because that was the first year the Championship Cup was awarded. This Cup was donated by D. N. F. (Noel) Dunbar who had won the Fives Doubles Championship in 1939 and 1940, the first two years in which the Championships were held. The winners of the Singles Championship in those first two years were D. E. N. (Derek) Wood in 1939 and H. H. Colquhoun in 1940. A perusal of the 1940 and 1941 School Magazines will confirm the above.

I always enjoy reading "The Kingsmen," particularly items about 1936-1940 students; unfortunately their numbers are dwindling. Last year we had a very enjoyable visit from Les Reid (1936-1941) and his wife who were visiting family in Brisbane. In previous years we have had visits from Arthur Chetwin and Warwick Anderson and hope to have more visits from them and other Old Boys who are always welcome, particularly 1936-1940 vintage.

Many thanks to you and the rest of the Committee for all your good work on behalf of the Old Boys. It is greatly appreciated.

Note: Here again the School magazines show Fives Championships in 1939 and 1940. We recorded the names from the Jubilee booklet which fell for the trap detailed by Noel.

The following Senior Fives Champions have been traced. 1948 J. E. (John) Bray, Wellington, 1954 M. L. (Michael) Brown, Blenheim, 1956 W. L. (Llewellyn) Gwynne, Invercargill, 1957 G. (Geoff) Tait, Wanganui.

### SPORTING TRIUMPHS

#### Otago Sports person of the Century

Contenders for this award included: G. I. (Glen) Denham (1977-82) basketball, W. K. (Warren) Lees (1965-69) cricket, K. R. (Ken) Rutherford (1979-82) cricket, G. A. (Gary) Lamb (1975-78) diving, J. A. (Josh) Kronfeld (Staff 1994-95) rugby, C. R. (Chris) Laidlaw (1957-61) rugby, and P. W. (Philip) Rush (1977-80) swimming. The talent available was mind-boggling with the ultimate winner being Yvette Corlett (nee Williams).

#### Skeggs Foundation

Recent recipients of grants have included: B. A. (Brent) McEwan (1995-97) golf, D. J. (Daniel) Kerr (present boy) martial arts, N. L. (Nathan) McCullum (1994-98) cricket, B. B. (Brendon) McCullum (present boy) cricket, H. J. (Hayden) Allen (1994-98) basketball, A. (Aron) Miller (1995-99) wrestling, and S. C. (Scott) Weatherall (1993-97) surf lifesaving.

#### Multi-use Stadium

Prominent in the struggle to obtain a multi-use stadium for the city are J. D. (John) Barr (1957-62, staff 1971-) Otago Basketball president, and R. L. (Russell) Garland (1958-62) representing Dunedin Stadium.

### **Athletics**

I. R. (Ian) White (1994–99), M. A. J. (Max) Smith (present boy), P. E. (Eddie) Smith (1993–97), and T. M. (Tim) Dobier (1993–98) were members of the Ariki team which won the Otago cross-country title at Wesleydale, and the Lovelock Relay. Tim Dobier recorded the fastest time in both events, and also second fastest time in the recent J. G. Barnes race, while Eddie Smith recorded fastest time in the Lovelock Relay.

J. P. (James) Simpson (1994–99) recently participated in the javelin and shotput events at an international meet in Shanghai involving sister cities. As well as Dunedin, other cities represented included St Petersburg, Vladivostok, Zagreb, Gdansk, Goteborg, Liverpool, San Francisco, Chicago, and Yokohama!

### **Badminton**

D. W. (Duncan) Rae (1980–84) is once again the Otago selector-coach.

### **Basketball**

K. M. (Kaine) Hokianga (1994–97) was selected as a guard in the New Zealand under 20 team which competed at the Oceania championships at Vanuatu recently.

Once again T. D. (Todd) Marshall (1978–83) is the coach, and D. T. (Dave) Jarvis (1974–77) assistant coach of the Otago Nuggets, which includes H. J. (Hayden) Allen (1994–98), M. S. (Matthew) Gillan (1994–98), and Kaine Hokianga.

### **Bowls**

The train boys are into bowls: L. M. (Lawrie) Kenworthy (1946–49) is president of Bowls Canterbury, while M. (Martin) Finlay (1950–53) is president, and W. R. S. (Bill) Reeve (1949–53) Junior vice-president of Bowls Otago.

T. J. (Trevor) Mason (1956–60) is secretary/treasurer of Dunedin Lawn Bowls Stadium Inc.

K. G. (Ken) Walker (1960–63) equalled the record when he won his 26th Dunedin Centre bowls title by defeating the record-holder!

### **Cricket**

At the end of season O.C.A. function, N. L. (Nathan) McCullum (1994–98) received the award for outstanding performer at the under 19 level, and M. G. (Michael) Rabette (1995–99) was adjudged best bowler, B. E. (Bradley) Scott (1993–97) was adjudged the outstanding performer at the under 22 level.

Bradley Scott was member of the Green Island team which won the national club championship in April.

A rare event occurred during Otago's final Shell Trophy match versus Wellington at Alexandra in March. Both Nathan and his brother B. B. (Brendon) McCullum (present boy) were members of the team which had fielding problems when two of the team were injured. Into the breach stepped their admiring old dad, S. J. (Stu) McCullum (1970–74) who had played 75 matches for Otago, and who was until recently chairman of selectors. It must be a while since a father and his two sons represented their province at cricket!?

### **Cycling**

G. A. (Gordon) McCauley (1985–88) now riding for Kingsworth Wheelers, has won three races in Belgium since the beginning of March.

M. D. (Melvin) Tudor (1961–64) has been appointed manager of the track nationals, to be held at the new Mosgiel velodrome in February 2001.

### **Golf**

B. A. (Brent) McEwan (1995–97) recently represented New Zealand at the World under 19 championships in Japan, helping the Kiwis improve their standing from thirteenth to seventh.

### **Hockey**

D. C. (Darren) Smith (1987–91) representing North Harbour, was selected to represent New Zealand at the Olympic qualifying tournament in Japan.

J. P. (Jeremy) Botting (1993–97) has been selected to represent Otago; the assistant coach is P. W. (Peter) Ashton (1962–66).

### **Marathon**

J. R. (Jeff) Seymour (1969–73) pulled a hamstring on the very day his brother, J. G. (Gill) Seymour (1967–71) rang him unexpectedly from Sydney to inform him that he had entered them in the Sydney marathon. So the Balclutha accountant who is a Clutha District councillor started serious training as soon as his leg was better, and they were among the 5600 entrants given the opportunity to try out the 2000 Olympics course. They duly completed the course within the allotted time.

### **Orienteering**

G. L. (George) McLeod (1956–58) won the over 55 event at the national championships held at Mauriceville West in the Wairarapa in April; third in the race was G. C. (Graham) Fortune (1955–59) the Secretary for Defence.

### **Rugby**

T. E. (Tony) Brown (1993) and J. A. (Josh) Kronfeld (1994–95) are again representing New Zealand.

J. M. (Joe) McDonnell (1986–88) was a member of the NZ Maori XV which retained its growing unbeaten record when it defeated Scotland recently.

C. J. (Carl) Hayman (1993–97) and T. E. (Tom) Willis (1992–97) were members of the NZ Colts team which so convincingly won the under 21 tournament held at Albany recently.

### **Soccer**

D. J. (Dean) Wilson (1987–92), A. J. (Andrew) Duncan (1984–88), and J. R. (Justin) Flaws (1994–98) are members of Dunedin Technical; the coaching trio are R. R. (Roger) Brooks (Staff 1986–), B. J. (Barry) White (1972–74), and N. (Neil) Mackenzie (sometime relief teacher). Sadly G. I. (Graham Marshall (1981–85) has retired.

M. R. (Michael) Boomer (1981–83) is playing for Christchurch City.

#### **Snowboarding**

F. (Felix) Dickson (1996–99) was a member of the Pulsate NZ team which competed at the World junior championships in France earlier this year.

#### **Surfing**

G. S. (Greg) Bell (1985–87) finished fifth in the kneeboard division at the World Surfing Games held at Brazil recently.

As a result of finishing first and second at the Pulsate National Scholastic under 18 championships in Gisborne in April, F. (Felix) Dickson (1996–99) and D. (Danny) Carse (1997–98) were selected in the NZ team which competed in junior events at the World Surfing Games in Brazil in June, and which will compete at the World Grommet Championships in Bali in July.

G. W. (Greg) Townsend (1977–80) executive officer of Surfing New Zealand has shifted to Wellington, and has taken the headquarters with him!

L. J. (Les) Carse (1971–72) is president of the South Coast Boardriders club.

#### **Surf Lifesaving**

At the South Island inflatable rescue boat championships held at Warrington in March, M. J. (Mark) Weatherall (1989–93) and S. C. (Scott) Weatherall (1993–97) were silver medallists in the assembly rescue, and bronze medallists in the mass rescue. A. B. (Anthony) Mason (1984–88) and D. M. (Darryl) Fairburn (1985–89) won silver in the mass rescue and bronze in the assembly rescue; Scott Weatherall and another partner won gold in the under 21 tube rescue, and bronze in the single rescue; while K. J. (Kieran) More (1993–98) won silver in the under 21 mass rescue.

At the New Zealand BP inflatable rescue boat championships held at Waihi Beach in April, Mark and Scott Weatherall won gold in the senior mass rescue, while Kieran More won gold in the under 21 assembly rescue, and bronze in the single rescue.

#### **Triathlon**

P. E. (Eddie) Smith (1993–97) was a member of the NZ team which competed at the World Championships at Perth in April.

### **HONOURS**

Our proud record of featuring on Honours Lists was maintained this Queen's Birthday, with two Old Boys being honoured.

The Very Reverend J. S. (John) Murray (1943–47) of Raumati was made an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit (ONZM) for services to the community. John was for many years the Presbyterian minister of St Andrew's church in Wellington, and served a term as a liberal Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.

Also honoured was W. N. (Warwick) Larkins (1960–63) of Dunedin who was made a Member of the New Zealand Order

of Merit (MNZM) for services to cricket. This recognises an involvement, both as player and administrator, for more than 40 years, including 25 years as president of the Albion club of which he was made a life-member in 1981. He toured England in 1978 as a scorer for the NZ cricket team, and unexpectedly made his international debut when he played in their one-day match versus Holland in Amsterdam. He was cricket field manager for TVNZ from 1993–96, and has served on the executive of the Otago Netball Association and the Otago Sports Trust. Warwick has been both secretary and president of the KHSOBA and is currently back on the committee.

Emeritus Professor D. S. (Doug) Coombs (1938–42), Board of Governors 1979–88) was made an honorary life-member of the Otago Institute, formerly the Otago Branch of the Royal Society of New Zealand. The award acknowledged his long-standing contribution to geological science.

Sir F. W. (Frank) Holmes (1937–41) and I. F. (Ian) Farrant (1955–59) were among 16 who were made inaugural Distinguished Fellows of the Institute of Directors, for their contribution to business. Fellowships of the Institute were awarded to A. W. (Bill) Baylis (1959–63), D. R. (Ross) Black (1961–65), and S. W. B. (Stan) Duncan (1943–45).

New Zealand Scouting's top award, the Silver Tui was awarded to two Dunedin men in March, the recipients being H. D. (Hec) Browett (1948–51, Staff 1972–96), and A. J. G. (Allan) Ward (1947–49). The award is for services of an outstanding character, and there were 8 recipients throughout the country—they were the first from Otago since 1990. Hec is area commissioner for Otago, and has been a scout leader for 47 years after joining the St Clair group as a junior. Allan is honorary commissioner for the Otago area, and has been a scout leader for 48 years, after joining the Andersons Bay Sea Scouts.

J. H. (John) Heslop (1938–42) of the Rotary Club of Dunedin was recently presented with a second Paul Harris award: a Sapphire Fellowship. This is only awarded when a member has made a highly significant contribution to the movement and reflects his full participation during his 36 years of membership. A retired surgeon, John this year superintended the planting, tending, and harvesting of a field of potatoes, which resulted in local foodbanks receiving 3 tonnes of potatoes in 5kg bags.

J. (Jim) Wren (1939–41) who helped found the Dunedin South Rotary Club in 1957 has been awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship. Over the years he has sat on each of the club's committees at one time or another. Jim was presented with the award by the District Governor, S. B. (Stuart) Heal (1965–70).

### **PUBLICATION DATES**

We aim to post the next "Kingsmen" in November. Any articles or notes should be received by the last days of October.

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## BITS AND PIECES

Major P. J. (Peter) Flint (1981–84) hoped for better luck when he returned for a second stint in Bosnia recently. In 1992 Peter spent 12 months as part of a UN peace keeping force and was hit by shrapnel from an exploding artillery shell, spending a month in hospital. This time he will spend 6 months near Banja Luka identifying and managing projects designed to re-establish civilian infrastructure in the area. He joined the army in 1984, and is director of the army's adventure training centre at Burnham.

Corporal P. A. (Paul) Jowett (1986–90) part of the NZ Army's welfare and education section, broke his leg badly in a motor cycle accident in East Timor in February, and spent a week on morphine and in various aircraft before receiving appropriate treatment back in Auckland.

M. A. (Max) Kennelly (1954–57) hung a radio telephone out of the window of the KA locomotive he was driving back from Oamaru during the excursion season, in order that train control in Wellington could hear a live broadcast of a steam locomotive hauling 14 carriages containing 400 people up the Oamaru hill!

A Centre for Innovation is being constructed on the corner of Castle and St David Streets, adjacent to the university, and will house about 25 business and academic research groups—80 to 120 researchers in partnership with business—focusing on developing research opportunities through to the spin-off of creating companies. The centre has been designed by C. A. (Ashley) Muir (1960–64) of Mason and Wales, and is planned to open early in 2001.

B. R. (Blair) Davidson (1952–54) of Mosgiel is the Otago/Southland Community Liaison Officer for the Neurological Foundation.

M. S. (Michael) Coughlin [formerly Clydesdale] (1977–79) of Bell Pepper Blues Restaurant in Dunedin, is one of five chefs named as 2000 NZ Beef and Lamb ambassadors. It is the third time that he has received the distinction.

G. E. (Grant) Fletcher (1953–56) and his 16m ketch 'Southern Spirit' were holidaying up in the Hauraki Gulf since the beginning of the Louis Vuitton challenge races: chartering for up to eight hours afloat on race days, and cruising around the gulf islands when there was no racing. Even when racing was over, they had enough bookings to continue chartering work until the end of March.

R. C. (Craig) Dickson (1972–76) farms about 1600 pigs at Highcliff—indoors, as it is too cold in Otago for pigs to be raised outdoors. Each week half a dozen of his 150 sows farrow on average 10–12 piglets: in about four years, each sow will have seven or eight litters. The piglets are weaned at four weeks, and sorted by sex and size into pens, where they eat at will, and become acclimatised through having the temperature in their shed gradually lowered. After six weeks, they go to another shed where they are fattened and finished for another 12–14 weeks. At about 24–26 weeks of age, they are sent to Ashburton, which has the nearest facility for slaughtering pigs. Craig is one of the last of the local pig farmers to feed his pigs on food scraps from hospitals and hotels, about 45 x 44 gallon drums full, which is cooked and milled into a form of soup, but nowadays pigs are fed grain as well.

In January, Seven Peaks College, a new concept in secondary education, started as a division of Twizel Area School, to provide new opportunities for students in forms 6 and 7. The college uses a combination of academic and outdoor education, together with basic living skills (the college is residential, with individual rooms) based on the American-developed Glasser's Quality Schools approach.

Responsibility for courses undertaken, progress, and developing discipline is placed on the students, who set their own goals, negotiate their curriculum, and have mentors who provide support and monitor progress. The college's principal is R. G. (Ron) Ballantyne (1964–68) sometime dux of Kings.

A scholarship in memory of Andrea Brander, who was a victim of the Raurimu massacre, has been established, and by late last year \$15,000 had been raised. Her husband G. B. (Gordon) Brander (1954–58) and her brother J. G. (Jeff) Meville (1966–69) presented the first two grants from the scholarship to two school leavers from He Huarahi Tamariki, the Porirua East school for teenage parents run by her sister, Sue Baragwanath. One of the recipients plans to study nursing at Whitereia Polytechnic, and the other law at Massey University.

I. MacG (Ivan) Donaldson (1955–59) is an owner of Pegasus Bay winery at Amberley, and their chardonnay was selected to accompany the lamb dish served up at last year's APEC dinner, attended by President Clinton and other notables—only three other NZ wineries were so honoured. Buckingham Palace has requested a magnum, and President Jiang Zemin of China also chose it when hosting an official dinner. In his other life, Ivan is Professor of Neurology at the Christchurch clinical school.

Those at school when W. R. (Bill) Mayhew (Staff 1945–53) was a brilliant history teacher and rugby coach, but who tragically died young, will be interested to learn that his daughter Judith, who trained as a lawyer, has been described by *Management Today* magazine as one of the most powerful women in Britain. For the past four years she has been chairman of the policy and resources committee of the Corporation of London, and has recently been asked by London's new mayor, the dreaded 'Red' Ken Livingstone, to be a member of his Cabinet and advise him on how he might harness the financial and political power she controls. [A feature article on Judith appeared in the July 1–7 *Listener*]. His son, C. J. (Chris) Mayhew (1965–69), a sometime dux, is an engineer in Auckland.

B. F. (Bruce) McLachlan (1960–63) of Karitane, a foundation member of the Otago Rugby Supporters' Club, is a psychiatric nurse at Wakari hospital.

E. L. ("Lox") Kellas (1960–66), a Vietnam veteran from pioneer Peninsula stock who has been sole charge police officer at Portobello since 1984, polled a creditable third in the recent by-election held to find a replacement on the Dunedin City Council for D. H. (David) Benson-Pope (1963–67).

I. B. (Ian) Simpson (1954–58, Staff 1981–82, Rector 1982–97) is presently acting-principal of Forbury school, where there have been difficulties between the Board of Trustees, the staff, and the former principal, exacerbated by adverse reports from the Education Review Officer.

## CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Despite having been dead for nearly 30 years, James K. Baxter (1940–43) is enjoying an amazing public after-life! Some six years ago, an Upper Hutt art enthusiast paid \$2200 for a painting of James K., portraying him in “his unwashed hair state,” at a Wellington second-hand store. The recent Festival 2000 show which celebrated Baxter rekindled the enthusiast’s efforts to find out more about his purchase, and the subsequent publicity led to John Corben, a mental health worker in Christchurch and self-taught artist, confirming that he had painted the portrait from the photo on the cover of a *Listener* dated October 1980. It was then revealed that the photo had been taken quite fortuitously by T. (Terry) Maguire (1949–53) in 1971 when he passed through Jerusalem en route to the NZ Photographic Society conference in Wanganui!

Earlier this year, the Government launched a panel of some of New Zealand’s cultural high fliers and asked them to create a strategy to boost arts and culture, and their benefits to the economy. This ‘Heart of the Nation’ panel had until the end of May to develop a plan for the future of the cultural economy. Professor T. J. (Tim) Hazeldine (1961–65) of Auckland University was a member of this panel.

Late last year, Sir F. W. (Frank) Homes (1937–41) had published *The Thoroughbred Among Banks in New Zealand*, a post-war history of the National Bank; and more recently the Institute of Policy Studies published a report entitled *An Anzac Dollar?*, of which he was the co-author.

In the previous *Kingsmen* we expressed disquiet that Waitaki Boys’ High School were claiming Sir Frank as one of their knights: he advises that he did attend their Junior School for two years before coming to King’s for his secondary education, and that both schools are welcome to a bit of him! King’s should be grateful for this, because Helen Clark has ensured that probably he will be our one and only knight—unless one of our Old Boys resident in Britain can become famous!?

## BUSINESS SECTOR

W. G. (Bill) Bachop (1960–61) started Bachop Signs and Print when he completed his signwriting apprenticeship at the age of 20, and today the firm is a larger family-operated Dunedin-based business, which generally covers the area from Christchurch southwards (although it will go anywhere!) undertaking traditional signwriting, wood-sandblasted signs, laser photocopying, colour copying, colour printing and design, and digital printing. When Bill discovered wide-format digital printing technology five years ago, he realised that it was the way of the future, and was the first South Island company to install the process which already accounts for 40% of his work, and should reach 80% in a further five years. When Bill wasn’t printing, he overdoses on Liszt’s music, and was wrapt to be able to meet a visiting Australian pianist who performed his works at a Dunedin Sinfonia concert earlier this year.

R. S. (Russell) Bell (1954–56) who retired as manager of J. S. Skinner & Co., recently, confirmed that the colourful

trading days of the grain and seed industry, when grain and seeds could change ownership several times without leaving the store, are gone. Russell joined National Mortgage when he left school, and was working his way up when approached by J. S. Skinner, a Dunedin-based family firm specialising in wholesale grain and seed trading throughout New Zealand. The seed which was renowned for its quality and competitiveness, came mainly from Canterbury, but was supplemented by specialist seed from Otago/Southland. The product was moved around the country by coastal shipping, and sold via stock and station agencies—operating from Dunedin was never a handicap. Following mergers and the demise of many agencies in the 1970s, the firm had to move into retailing directly with the farmers, few of whom had even heard of the company! A further culture change to the corporate approach came in the 1990s, when J. S. Skinner was sold to Combined Rural Traders; however this enabled expansion, and the firm nowadays has six representatives out on the road.

## Quiz Answers and Information

1. Year 2000. The Gillette Cup being a knockout one-day cricket competition for Secondary Schools throughout New Zealand commenced in 1989/90. To qualify for the 4 team final Kings beat South Otago by 203 runs; Kavanagh by 8 wickets Southland Boys by 6 wickets Otago Boys by 3 wickets, and St Bedes by 34 runs. The finals are to be held in Palmerston North later in the year.
2. 1999. Kings lost to Christchurch Boys.
3. 4 years. The Bing Harris Shield was won from 1995/96 to 1998/99 with a record at 3 successive years. It is difficult for schools with a cricket season straddling school years with some leaving, plus some better players being called upon to play for the Colts team in Senior grade.
4. Warren Lees (captain), Paul Facoory, Stuart McCullum, Don McKechnie, Philip Morris, Ian Rutherford with Warren Shirley as Manager/Selector. John Cushen played for Auckland.
5. Warren Lees (captain), John Cushen, Stuart McCullum, Ken Rutherford, Derek Walker. These five plus Paul Facoory played for Otago in the previous season.
6. 1961/62, 1963/64 1969/70, 1971/72, 1985/86, 1991/92, 1996/97. In 1969/70 there were 2 wins, 2 draws, 1971/72 3 wins, 1 draw; in 1991/92 3 wins, with 2 wins 1 draw in the others. Many two day games finish as draws although some of those from the scores could have been exciting. Interschool games with Waitaki commenced in 1939, Southland 1944, Otago 1946 and Shirley 1963. The summer interschools with Otago Boys ceased from 1976 but often they meet in club and Gillette Cup games.

**KING'S HIGH SCHOOL**  
**ANNUAL REPORT TO KING'S HIGH SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING—13 APRIL 2000**

This was another successful year for King's. It began with a form 3 enrolment in excess of 200 and a total roll of more than 900 students.

King's had entered the fully funded option which allowed the employment of five extra staff members and a great deal more flexibility. We continued with an experienced and well qualified staff who were committed to the Framework and the resultant introduction of Unit Standards—almost entirely at Forms 6 and 7 (years 12 and 13) and in some subjects at Form 5.

We continued to emphasize boys' achievement in class, introducing motivational programmes, Deans revision programmes, weekly tutorials and continuing with our achievement awards each term and diagnostic testing of students by the University of New South Wales.

Although our external examination results were very satisfactory our students vary widely in ability and many find academic success difficult and for some almost impossible.

Our teaching programmes are first rate and our staff very very committed and as a result King's boys continue to do well. Our Dux for the year was Craig Greene. 1999 saw two head prefects as befits a large school—Brendon McCullum and Thyson Steentjes—both outstanding achievers and first rate young men.

King's continued to be a force outside the classroom both in individual student and team achievement. A second music teacher strengthened

the music area and we now have choir, big band, concert band and jazz band. I am happy to report also that we participated successfully in Social Studies quiz, Young Enterprise, Australian Mathematics, English, Science and Computer Studies competitions. Our Maori and Polynesian students brought credit to themselves and King's through the performances of the Culture Club and Kapa Haka.

Our interschool programme was most successful where we usually ended up in credit against Southland Boys' High School, Shirley Boys' High School, Waitaki Boys' High School and Otago Boys' High School.

In team games our Basketball, Volleyball and Soccer teams could not quite emulate the outstanding results of recent years but Cricket, Touch, Hockey, Indoor Hockey, Ice Hockey and Rugby were local champions and competed at South Island and National level.

Our rugby team defeated Southland BHS (2), Otago BHS (2), Waitaki BHS, Shirley BHS and Nelson College before losing 19–15 to Christchurch BHS in the South Island final. (Christchurch BHS won through to the New Zealand final.)



**L. J. Hocking**  
Rector

**OBITUARIES**

G. J. (George) Christie, Q.S.M. (1941), died at Christchurch 1/12/1999

J. A. (Jack) Connor (1936–38), died at Rotorua 25/12/99

N. T. (Noel) Bowie (1950–54), died at Alexandra 16/3/00

T. D. (Trevor) Caley (1951–54), died at Buderim, Queensland 16/3/00

G. B. (Graham) Geary (1947–48), died at Kakanui 17/3/00

R. A. (Russell) Heydon (1940–41), died at Edendale 18/3/00

A. F. (Fraser) Sutherland (1937–40), died at Christchurch 24/3/00

R. C. (Bob) Dick (1948–49), died at Naseby 29/3/00

H. W. (Hugh) Stevenson (1945–47), died at Nelson 1/4/00

L. A. (Len) Horwood (1944–48), died at Auckland 6/4/00

J. (John) de Jong (Board of Governors 1979–89), died at Dunedin 7/4/00

S. W. (Shaun) Middlemiss-Reeves (1989–92), of Heriot, died 7/4/00

S. J. (Steven) Hill (1980–82), of Port Chalmers died at Dunedin 17/4/00

J. W. (Warwick) Anderson (1936–40), died at East Taieri 5/5/00

J. A. (Jim) McConnachie (1941–45), died at Dunedin 28/5/00

A. B. (Alan) Gray (1951–55), died at Gore 29/5/00

Rev D. S. (David) Borne (1943–45), died at Christchurch 5/6/00

A. B. (Bert) Wilson (1936–40), died at Dunedin 21/6/00