



# THE KINGSMEN

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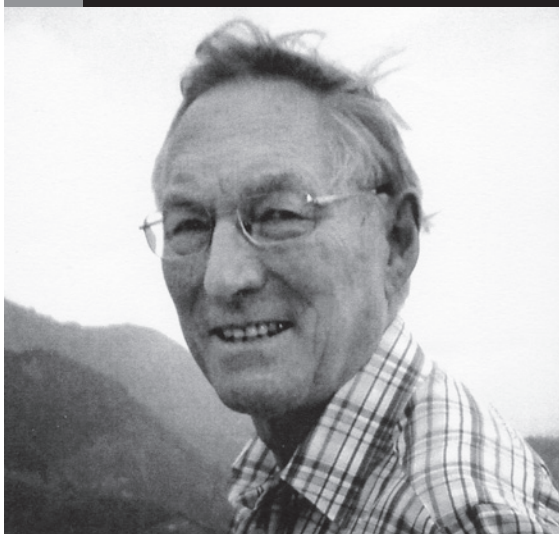
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But see under Administration for  
"Communications with Members."

## School Wall of Fame

### Ian Farrant 1955–59—Business



Ian was the youngest of three brothers to attend King's: the eldest Brian, became an electrical engineer, the second Murray, became an anaesthetist, and Ian chose a career in business. The boys' father, a former school principal, was also a relief teacher at King's in 1967.

After leaving school as the cross-country champion, Ian secured a job at the Inland Revenue Department, while studying part-time at Otago University for a commerce degree, graduating in 1966 with a Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting and Marketing. Ian immediately headed to the UK for two years, working for Cooper Bros in London and Glasgow. Upon returning to Dunedin he worked as a tax expert for an associate of Coopers, before becoming one of the first tax partners with Peat Marwick. He also lectured part time at Otago University for twelve years.

In 1984, aware that NZ had a limited pool of experienced company directors, Ian decided to become a full time professional director with professional interests which eventually ranged from banking to salmon farming, brewing to oil refining, as well as tourism, aviation, roading and

### Urgent Message from the President

Dear Fellow Old Boys,

The membership of our association is now just under 900 whereas just before our 50th celebrations in 1986 it was 381. Continued and concentrated recruitment campaigns by Bob Glass (non members mentioned in *The Kingsmen* have been sent invitations to join). This saw the membership climb to 970 after the 75th in 2010, which has now dropped to the previously mentioned just under 900. Literally thousands of invitations and sample *Kingsmens* have been sent out with an overall success rate of about 10%.

Of course even at 900 it means considerable more work than the 1986 total.

In short we need your assistance—the committee has only 3

meetings annually plus the AGM and 3 mailing working bees to get *The Kingsmen* out.

Committee numbers are currently small and in addition we need someone to take over the role of Treasurer for 2015 and onwards.

Perhaps someone recently retired, or that rare beast, an old boy in their 40s—all would be welcome to assist. I give you my word it's not too onerous if shared.

So, Dunedin Old Boys, that's the clarion call—please respond.

Sincerely,

Warwick Larkins (1960–63) (454 3902 or  
wlarkins@xtra.co.nz)



## Dunedin End of Year Lunch

An end of year lunch is to be held for Old Boys and Partners as follows:

Date: Wednesday 3rd December

Venue: Mitchells Tavern—289 South Road, Caversham (a room for ourselves is to be used)

Time: Midday Onwards

Please local members and those close by, support this function.

Please advise Warwick Larkins by Thursday 27th November if you are able to attend (454 3902 or wlarkins@xtra.co.nz)

To all members in the KAPITI AREA

Any who would like to meet (non members welcome) please contact John Murray—Phone (04) 902 8855 or jsmsm@paradise.net.nz

infrastructure, meat, fishing and the wool industries. By the end of his full-time career, Ian had been a director of 16 listed companies, 9 unlisted, 4 State Owned Enterprises (SOE's), 2 Local Authority Trading Enterprises (LATE's), 4 Statutory Authorities and 3 farmer co-operatives. He was chairman of 16 of these enterprises. He also assisted the various governments of the day as initial Chairman of the Southern Regional Health Authority (managing South Island health with a budget of \$1b), Chairman of the Waterfront Industry Restructuring Authority (which completely restructured NZ port's labour resources), Chairman of the NZ Shipping Corporation (when it was decided to withdraw from international shipping), Chairman of NZ Post Properties, Director of NZ Post, NZ Forest Corporation and a member of Transit NZ, and the NZ Securities Commission.

However the undoubted highlight of Ian's career was his 29 years on the board of Dunedin—established Fulton Hogan, including 24 years as Chairman. When he joined the company in 1974 it had an annual turnover of \$5m and employed 160 people. When he retired, the turnover was \$1.3 billion with more than 3000 on the payroll. The company has been, and still is, an outstanding NZ success story, operating throughout Australasia and the Pacific. As an accountant, Ian had been trained to compartmentalise projects: at one stage he was

Chairman of NZ Refining, which made bitumen, a Member of Transit NZ, which allocated road funding, and Chairman of Fulton Hogan which laid the bitumen, all the while managing to avoid any conflict of interest!

Although now semi-retired, he remains Chairman of Skeggs Group (fishing and tourism) and a director of Wilson Holdings (transport), both private companies. Ian modestly claims that, at three times in his life, he was the right person in the right place at the right time; however his ability and his talents were highly appreciated by companies and governments over a long period. In 1997 Ian moved to a 40 hectare cattle and deer farm near Wanaka maintaining business contacts by using modern technology and his own aircraft to attend meetings.

In 1986 Ian was made a Fellow of the NZ Chartered Accountants, and four years later a grateful government awarded him the 1990 Commemorative Medal. Subsequently he was one of sixteen inaugural Distinguished Fellows of the NZ Institute of Directors. In 2007 the Queen made him a Companion of the NZ Order of Merit (CNZM) for services to business and the community. Ian believes this recognition was important for raising the profile of the business community and thereby show how fundamental, strong and healthy businesses are, to the health and well-being of our economy and our nation.

## Laurie Mains 1960–64—Sport



In his final year at King's Laurie was selected for the 1st XV and appointed Vice-Captain: he had previously spent two years in the 1st XI Cricket team. On leaving school he joined the Southern Rugby Club as a fullback and played in more than 100 matches for the premier team, scoring 1251 points before retiring in 1977. In 1967 he was selected for the Otago Provincial team, playing in 115 matches and scoring 967 points before retiring in 1975. Apart from his reliable goal kicking, a key attribute was his defence, achieved through sound

positional play and his combination with his wingers. In 1971, following the defeat by the British Lions at Carisbrook he was selected for NZ and played in the remaining three Tests, scoring a try in his 17 points. Recalled in 1976 to play in the sole Test against Ireland, he kicked a penalty, and was included in the NZ team to tour South Africa. Despite not being selected for the Tests, and merely playing in eleven matches he still scored 132 points, which equalled the record scored by a New Zealand player touring that country.

Retiring as a player, Laurie turned to coaching, no doubt helped by his sojourn at Dunedin Teacher's Training College when he left school: in those days the students were taught how to teach rather than merely to communicate, and he duly qualified as a primary school teacher, teaching in the Taieri area. He was a coach of the Southern premier team from 1979, and won the club premiership three seasons in a row. In 1984 he began coaching Otago, ultimately for 164 matches, and winning the provincial title in 1991—he is the only player to play for and coach his province in more than 100 matches! In 1991 he was appointed convenor of selectors and coach of the All Blacks, and in the 1995 World Cup final played at Johannesburg his team, despite being weakened by illness and playing at altitude was only defeated by South Africa when a goal was drop-kicked during extra time! He subsequently coached the Golden Lions to win South Africa's Vodacom and Currie Cups, before coaching the Cats, and later the Highlanders. He was subsequently appointed by the NZRU as National Resource Coach, and facilitated courses for emerging coaches. On occasion he also offered technical advice to the King's 1st XV. Laurie was renowned as a coach of forwards despite being a fullback, and for his use of innovative methods: one being to take his players deep-sea fishing off the Otago coast!

In 1992 Laurie was NZ Rugby Personality of the year; in 1996 he was the subject of a book written by Howitt & McConnell entitled simply 'Laurie Mains' which concentrated mainly on his coaching, especially his tenure with the All Blacks, and he received the Services to Otago Sport Award; and in 1998

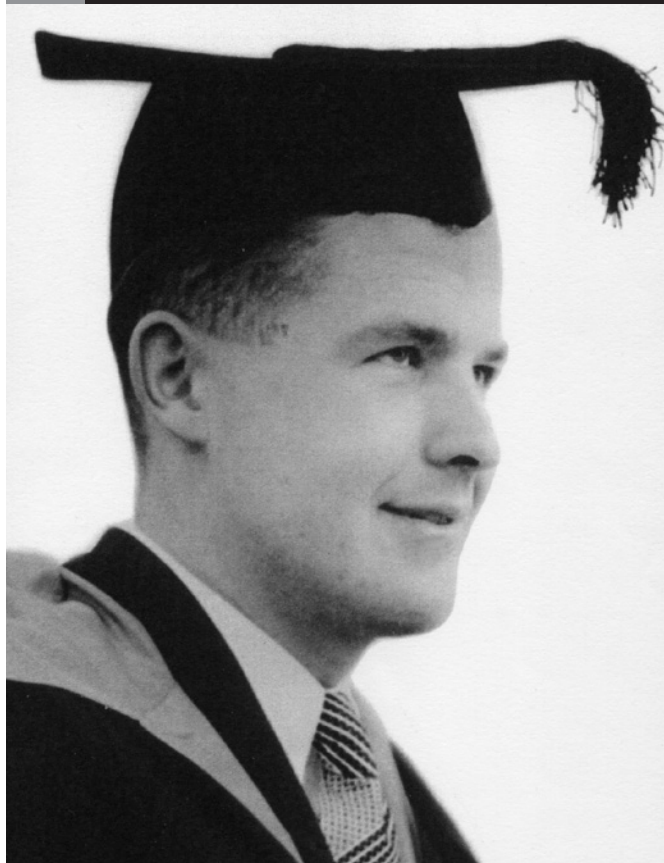
he was honoured by the Queen and made a Member of the NZ Order of Merit (MNZM) for services to rugby. In 2005, prior to a test between the two countries, 430 eminent guests gathered in Dunedin for a testimonial breakfast to honour his contribution to rugby as a player and as a coach in both New Zealand and South Africa. He remains a committee member of the Sassenachs Rugby Club and a Trustee of The Otago Amateur Rugby Charitable Trust.

But there is more to Laurie than merely rugby: for several years he was a sheep farmer at Woodside on the Taieri Plains, and

he is a successful businessman, having owned Profile Homes & Versatile Garages and is currently Managing Director of G. J. Gardner Homes Otago.

Laurie and wife Annemarie are Trustees of The Lift (Life Improvement For Teenagers) Charitable Trust which they fund for the purpose of financially assisting disadvantaged teenagers to benefit from education and cultural activities not funded by the education system: several King's boys have been assisted by the Trust.

### William McLean 1946–50—Academic



While at King's, Bill McLean maintained a high degree scholarship, and in his final year was made a Prefect. He entered Otago University and graduated B.Sc., in 1954, and M.Sc., in 1956 with first class honours in physics. As a result he was awarded a Shell Senior Scholarship, which provided him with a place in Clare College at Cambridge University to study as a research student in the famous Cavendish Laboratory. He chose to study superconductivity, which today has many applications such as fast digital circuits, low-loss power cables, powerful magnets used in medical scanners, and to levitate trains. At the time Bill began his research, a theory

of superconductivity had been proposed, and experimental confirmation was needed. Joining an elite group within the Cavendish Lab (the Mond), Bill designed and constructed a new type of apparatus to measure the superconducting penetrating depth (the distance by which a magnetic field penetrates into a superconductor) in aluminium at a certain frequency over a range of temperatures. His experimentation was entirely successful, and he was awarded his Ph.D in 1960.

Following a brief sojourn at the University of British Columbia, he was appointed to Rutgers University in New Jersey, ultimately being promoted to Professor. Over the years new effects were discovered, and new materials came into prominence, with high temperature superconductors as the most recent surprise. Bill always in the vanguard, making his own contribution to each exciting new development, usually with one or more research students for he was a committed teacher and a true scholar who was never content until he had reached the bottom of any problem. The papers that he published as a result of his research have been regarded as meticulously careful, the work of an imaginative scientist who chose to investigate critical problems of fundamental importance. Bill had a deep grasp of the entire field of solid state physics, and an ability to communicate his understanding with real skill and style, not a trait common among practitioners of the subject.

A Nobel prize-winning physicist considered Bill to be a first rate experimentalist whose work was of the highest quality and which had considerable international impact. A colleague described Bill as being a very private modest, rather shy person unfliningly kind and generous, giving freely of his time and knowledge. He never married, but radiating gentle good humour made friends all around the world, and was both welcomed as a visitor and welcoming as a host.

Following his untimely death from cancer in December 1990, a memorial colloquium was held the following year in the Physics Auditorium at Rutgers with eminent participants from around the world with whom he had worked during his research career; all spoke in glowing terms of Bill as a person, and of his important contributions to science.

### Over the Years

Once again we thank the few who have supplied information relating to Third form photos.

This issue those who commenced in the Third form in 1967 are featured, with some unknown and queries as indicated.

No names had been supplied for 3BL and 3AG by ex-pupils checking the website. However we have recorded those names from the 1967 school magazine. On odd occasions some

change classes between the time photographs are taken and rolls are recorded in the magazine. Also a few leave during the year.

We have received the six named photos for 1968 Third forms, subject to checking. These will appear in the March 2015 *Kingsmen*.

## 1967 Third Form Photos: Pupils Identified



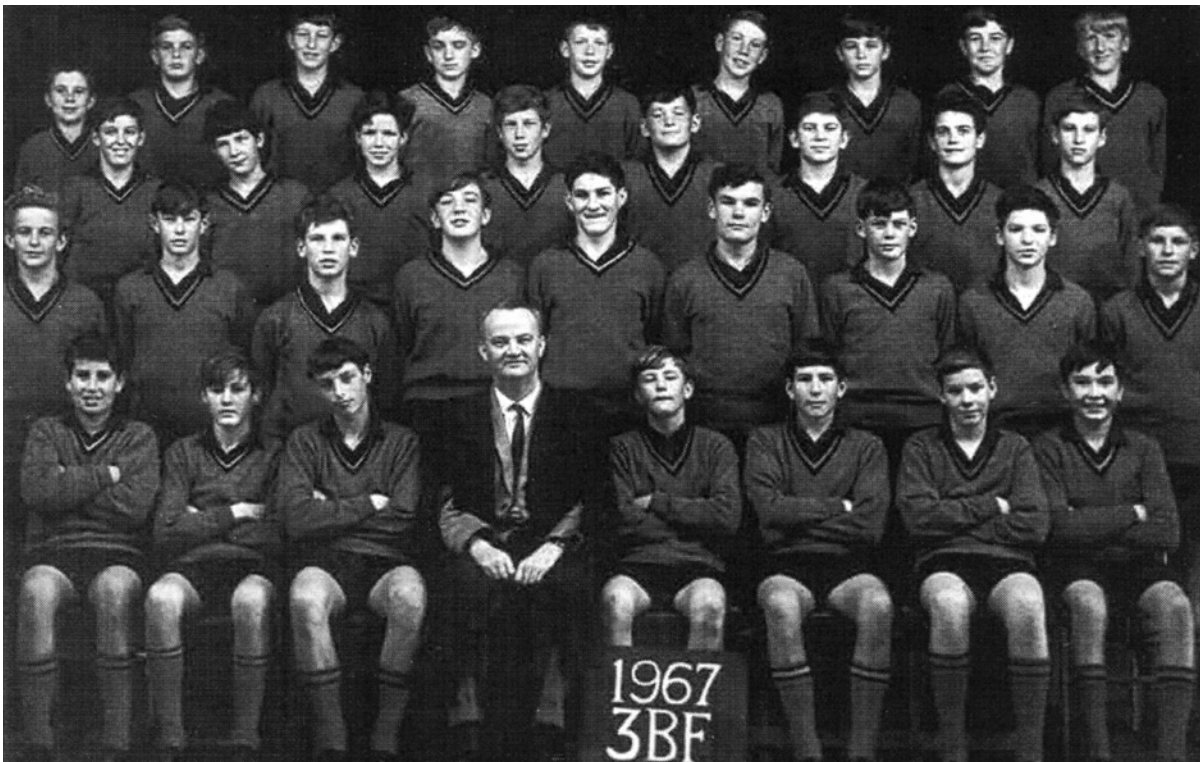
Row 4: Gregory Colston, Mark Sinclair, Barry Melbourne, Malcolm Forster  
 Row 3: Ray Spence, Murray Cook, Stephen MacDonald, Graeme Norton?, Bruce Dowland?, Paul Murchie, Stewart Moore  
 Row 2: Derek McCormack, James Roberston, Stephen Fisher, David Scoular, Daryl Soal, Lynn McAlevey, Daryl Rowan, Chris Baker  
 Row 1: Robert McLeod, Barry Ayers, Ray Ayers, Mr Gillanders, Graham Clough, John Mudie, Gary Sapsford  
 On roll but not identified: Roland Maslin, Ian Stanaway.



*School Roll From Magazine*  
 Mr Emslie, A. J. Anderson, G. D. Backholm, D. B. Berry, G. R. Buchanan, P. L. Day, G. D. Grant, P. T. Haslemore, R. A. Johnston, P. R. Klee, S. R. Leggett, R. H. Macandrew, J. D. Morrison, S. G. Read, L. R. Rigby, G. C. Sapsford, M. M. Scorgie, K. J. Seque, B. A. M. Smith, D. G. Stewart, G. M. Wells, J. A. Williamson, R. S. Williamson, E. M. Willis



Row 4: Bryan Barclay, Blair Jack, Lindsay Cowan, Jeffrey March, David Brooks, Brian Alderson, John MacKinlay, Graham Wong, John Latimer  
 Row 3: Andrew Beamish, John Gardiner, Lawrence Bycroft, Brian Smith, Craig Semple, Kenneth McFarlane, Neil Almond, John McBain  
 Row 2: Michael Steel, Lance Mitchell, Kevin Cowie, Gillon Seymour, Alister Gould, Setphen Atkins, John Milburn, John Robinson, Max Staunton  
 Row 1: Dave Gillon, Ian Stewart, Noel Glue, Mr Pelvin, Murray Muir, Peter Gilchrist, John Forrester, Neil Gillon  
 On roll but not in photo: David Searle.



Row 4: Bevan Imrie, Graeme Smith, Mark Way, David Rodwell, ????, ????, Ken Johnstone, Neville Wilson, Don Crum  
 Row 3: ????, Chris Hudson, ????, Peter Walker, Graeme Scott, Craig Lawrence ????, ????  
 Row 2: Wayne Cameron, Graeme Meek, Lindsay Gooch, Alister McAlpine, Boyd Wilkinson, Jim Brownlie, ????, Ross McTaggart, Stephen Ford  
 Row 1: David Parata, John Stanley, Warwick Cope, Mr W. Patterson, Ray Moore, Brian Skeggs, ????, Charles Levings  
 On roll but not in identified: Paul Applegarth, David Holdsworth, David Houston, Denis McDermott, Glenn Newbound, Craig Taggart, Alan Wood.



*School Rool from Magazine*

Mr McCready, A. A. Allen, C. P. Berryman, B. E. Bosworth, D. N. Brown, A. R. Campbell, W. R. Camplin, C. L. Carson, M. de Wattignar, K. W. Francis, L. A. Gavegan, W. W. K. Haley, R. H. Hamilton, D. W. Hodgson, H. Kong Tin, A. J. Latimer, G. R. McArthur, G. J. McLeod, M. G. T. McTainsh, J. W. Parker, C. J. Scoles, G. R. Shaw, N. R. Steel, G. D. Tisdall, R. D. Tomkins, W. D. Whitson, N. T. Willcock, G. W. Wedge, B. A. Wyber



Row 4: Henry Kong Tin, Richard Montgomery  
 Row 3: Wayne Myers, Lindsay Padgett, Steven Webster, Leslie McFadgen, ???, ???, Noel Beamont  
 Row 2: Barry Oats, Brian Wood, Lindsay Weastell, Brent Strathdee, Gavin Lawrence, Garry Beardsmore, Ken Harris ???  
 Row 1: Barrie Holland,\* Wilson, Nigel Middleton, Mr Baird, Graeme Ellison, Kevin Landreth, Evan Bosworth  
 On roll but not in identified: Leslie Bourke, Philip Dickson, Jon Fitzgerald, Lindsay Haar, Warwick Hogg, David Luke, George Robinson, Kevin Watterston, Anton Yurjevic.  
 \* Named by someone on the website as Wilson but the roll for 3BG shows two—Graeme David and Lloyd.

## Missing

Included in this *Kingsmen* are the class photos of the 1967 intake, which with later inclusions numbered 193 of whom 13 are believed to have died. The circumstances of the following are unknown to us, are dated, or lack the required precision:

Anthony Allan Allen, Allan John Anderson (Twizel?), Stephen James Atkins, Barry Richard Ayers, Raymond Rex Ayers, Graeme David Backholm, Brian James Ballantyne, Brian Leslie Barclay, Andrew Millar Beamish (was Sydney), Bruce Elliott Bosworth, Evan George Bosworth (was Brighton), Leslie Rowan Bourke (was Belleknowes), James Bruce Brownlie, Laurence Raymond Bycroft, Allan Robert Campbell, Cyril Leon Carson, Murray Alexander Cook (was a teacher, then joined the police force), Mark de Wattignar, John Tod Downer, Malcolm Richard Forster, Kevin William Francis, Ross Lindsay Fraser, Peter William Gilchrist (USA?), Noel Glue (was Wgtn), Gordon David Grant, Christopher Mabin Hall, Douglas William Hodgson, Barrie Ralph Holland (was Halfway Bush), James Stuart Holmes, Christopher Ian Hudson, Bevan John Imrie (was Corstorphine), Royce Alan Johnston, Henry Kong Tin, Craig McLean Lawrence, Gavin Ernest Murray Lawrence, Ross Hunter MacAndrew (Darwin?), John Alexander MacKinlay (was Chch), Alastair Noel McAlpine, Graeme John McLeod (Little River?), Barry Robert Melbourne, Nigel Philip Middleton, Richard Henry Montgomery, Raymond Henry James Moore, Stewart William Moore, John Peter Mudie, Graeme Douglas Norton, David Wiremu Parata, Lloyd Raymond Rigby, George William Robinson, John Charles Robinson (was Chch), Graeme Richard Scott (Otatarā?), David Wayne Searle, Robert Henry Semke, Neville Craig Semple (Turkey?), John Gillon Seymour, Bradley Albert MacLeod Smith, Brian Charles Smith (Chch?), Ian Bruce Stanaway (Ashtonfield, NSW?), John Llewellyn Stanley, Max Lester Stuanton, Michael Gordon Steel, Donald George Stewart (Wellington?), Ian Kenneth Stewart (New Brighton?), Brent Strathdee, Thomas Craig Taggart, Christopher William Tomblin, Peter Gordon Walker, Mark Christopher Way (Leura, NSW?), Gary William Wedge, David Wayne Weeber, Wayne Darrell Whitson, Neville Thomas Willcock, Alan Geoffrey Wood, Brian William Wood (was Andy Bay), Bruce Adrian Wyber.

## Administration

### Communications

1. Thanks to members who have sent in their email addresses to have the *Kingsmen* sent electronically.  
The request has two purposes
  - A. For the *Kingsmen* to be sent in order to save costs. and/or
  - B. Notification of events.Some members prefer to have the *Kingsmen* in the present form, but all who have email should have notification of events that way.  
Would those who have not registered and have email please email Murray Patterson at: [murray@cruisingforyou.co.nz](mailto:murray@cruisingforyou.co.nz) and advise what they want.
2. With Association and ex-pupil matters our mail address is PO Box 163, Dunedin 9054 and the email: [wlarkins@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wlarkins@xtra.co.nz)  
Please do not forward to the school.

### Subscriptions

The year is heading towards the 31st December, which is the

end of our financial year. Although a good percentage of subscriptions have been received there are still some from not only 2014, but further back unpaid. We cannot carry on sending *Kingsmens* to those members.

As advised they may be forwarded to Box 163, Dunedin 9054, or by Direct Credit to our bank, the Bank of New Zealand, George Street, Dunedin, 020900-0062936-00. Ex-pupils living overseas may forward their country's cheque direct to us for conversion and banking.

### Lost Members

Mail to Keith C. Gordan (1939–41) has been returned from Mareeba, North Queensland and also Eddie B. Westrupp (1989–92) whom we traced through an Electoral roll to Stoke. We would be grateful for advice.

### Website

John Barr reports on the upgrade.

The site is currently undergoing a major upgrade. After almost 6 years' service the old site is now using a version of a management system which is no longer upgraded. There are now management systems which are much more sophisticated. They can detect the type of device you are using and arrange the layout of the site to suit. The newer devices like iPads, iPhones and various other smart phones and tablets now regularly in use to view the web were not widely used when our original site was developed. Word Press our new management system along with the "designfolio" theme can detect smartphones, tablets, notebooks and desktop computers. WordPress provides a smarter looking, easy to use interface for users viewing the site. It is much less prone to spam than the old site where spam registrations to the site were a major problem.

Soon I will take the old site down and upload the new. Initially there will be no photographs or downloadable files as the space they take up would make the upload more difficult. However, these will be added to the site as soon as possible. Initially, at least I will concentrate on adding the form 3 photographs prior to 1985. This is the area where least information is available and most work will be required.

Johns Barr's email: [barrnone@xtra.co.nz](mailto:barrnone@xtra.co.nz)

## The School

This year the School received an impressive Education Review Office report.

It is split into four sections

1. Context
2. Learning
3. Curriculum
4. Sustainable Performance

They wrote

"Since the last ERO review in May 2011 there have been significant changes. These include:

The school roll has increased, particularly at the Year 9 intake level.

A continuation of the positive trends identified in the 2011 ERO report.

Improved and high levels of achievement for students in National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA).

Improved and imbedded self review.

The school focuses on the whole student, building "men for life" of good character."

It continues much further.



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**Contact Registrar: Mrs Sharon Davis 03 455 7547 ext 7**

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Payment by cheque to: **KHS Trust, c/- King's HS, 270 Bay View Road, Dunedin, 9012**

**Trevor McKinlay (59–63), Chairman, Ian Simpson (54–58); Lindsay Brown (56–60);  
Wayne Wright (59–62); Laurie Mains (60–64); Chris Ashton (99–03).**

## Generations King's

Following up from the July *Kingsmen* we have received advice of two more cases of three generations of one family having attended the school

E. C. (Eric) Shaw (1949–51), his son K. J. (Ken) Shaw (1974–77) and his grandson D. J. (Dylan) Shaw (2007–10).

P. S. (Peter) Williams (1957–61), his two sons S. M. (Stuart)

Williams (1984–88) and P. A. (Paul) Williams (1986–90), and his grandson J. (Jake) Burtenshaw (2012 to current).

Obviously others will exist and we are eagerly awaiting advice of the first instance of 4 generations.

Please send to [wlrkins@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wlrkins@xtra.co.nz) or KHSOBA, PO Box 163, Dunedin.

## Activities Around the Country

On the front page you should have noted that a luncheon in Dunedin is to be held on the 3rd December.

Also a call to those living on the Kapiti Coast and nearby Wellington.

### North Shore/Hibiscus Coast

Since the last issue a luncheon was held in September, whilst another is to be held late November. We hope to have reports for our March issue.

#### Contacts

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Grahame Howley (1951–53) Apartment 1408, The Poynton, 142 Shakespeare Rd, Takapuna 0622. Email: [ghowley@ihug.co.nz](mailto:ghowley@ihug.co.nz)

### Christchurch

#### Contacts in the meantime

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Alister Campbell (1949–53) PO Box 69 052, Lincoln 7640. Email: [alandpat@xtra.co.nz](mailto:alandpat@xtra.co.nz)

### Nelson

#### Contact

Kevin St John (1957–62) 19 Bryant Road, Brightwater 7022. Email: [kgstjohn@xtra.co.nz](mailto:kgstjohn@xtra.co.nz)

### Wellington

John Hedge (1966–70) PO Box 10694, Wellington 6143  
Email: [johnhedge@xtra.co.nz](mailto:johnhedge@xtra.co.nz)  
Brian Farrant (1952–55) 19B Kowhai Street, Eastbourne 5013. Email: [bandmfarrant@xtra.co.nz](mailto:bandmfarrant@xtra.co.nz)

### Dunedin

1. The Annual Dinner was held on the evening of 14th August with Ian Farrant and Laurie Mains, two of the 2014 School Wall of Fame recipients, as speakers.

The attendance numbered 68, being much better than the previous year, but not up to the mid seventies obtained for several years prior to 2010.

2. **60th Reunion of the 1954 Cohort**

A small, but significantly noisy and social group of old boys

from 1954—many accompanied by their wives partners came together over the weekend of 10–12 October for a 60th reunion.

A general 'get-together' was held at the University's Plaza Cafe from 5.00–7.30pm on the Friday evening, the main purpose of which was to allow recognition to occur without too much strain on fading memories.

A group of a dozen then moved next door to Forsyth Barr Stadium for the Otago V Manawatu ITM Cup game. Our presence obviously did nothing to assist our team but did allow a number who had not been in the stadium to enjoy its special ambience—and shelter from the heavy rain that was falling outside.

Saturday morning saw us reassemble at the school for more reminiscing, a guided tour of the school by the current Head Prefect and his two deputies, a DVD of the old Film Club's 8mm history of the 1954–58 era, a warm welcome by Warwick Larkins on behalf of the Old Boys' Association, and a lovely luncheon. A very enjoyable morning!

Forty-eight of the group enjoyed a formal dinner at Cargill's Hotel on Saturday evening and an inspirational address by the Rector, Dan Reddiex. General entertainment was provided by Bill Townsend who, amongst a number of interruptions, had to publicly excuse himself "to go get my pills!"

It's probably a statement about age but there were not enough takers for golf or bowls but a group of 16 attended a coffee morning service at Caversham Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning. A lovely relaxed service was led by Dr Peter Strang of the 1955 cohort and who many will remember as "Buttercup" in the 1958 school production of "HMS Pinafore". Two of the 1954 team spoke at the service. Rev. David Morrell spoke on "Memories"—and proved beyond any doubt that there was nothing wrong with his ability to remember. Rev. Winston Baker gave the Bible Reading.

A great weekend was had by all and the general consensus was for another to take place—but not to wait 10 years or we might just have to hold it in a telephone booth!

"The above group held a 50th Reunion in 2004. Those who





60th Reunion assembled above.

commenced in 1958 and 1959 held weekend reunions after their 50 years, whilst a couple of classes have also held get

together. The full School 75th Reunion seemed to break the pattern of easier organised small ones.” Ed

## Memories

Your association has in recent years located photographs of all 1st Rugby XV's plus 1st Cricket XI's and with the financial assistance of the Bendigo Foundation, had them framed and hung on walls at the school. All that is except the 1936 and 1937 1st Rugby XV's—no interschools were played in those years but the teams were selected and played in ORFU competition.

Imagine the delight to find that handed into the school reception recently) were those two missing photographs. They appear to have been the property of E. M. (Eric) Neill (1936–38). Now comes the task of trying to identify the members of each team.

### 1936

**Back Row L to R:** 5th from left Don Sapsford, 6th from left Jim Valentine.

**Middle Row L to R:** 1st Mr R. Fraser, Ian Murdoch (Captain holding ball), next Jack Sapsford, and end of row Mr L. LeF Ensor.

**Front Row L to R: not known.**

**Members of the 1st XV that year were:** A. R. Pritchard, V. D. G. Agnew, A. N. Mitchell, L. M. Campbell, J. M. Smithson, E. R. McGregor, E. G. Borrie, J. A. Graham, T. M. Brown, W. B. M. Stratton, G. C. Lyon, D. B. Clark, G. S. Williams, R. A. Newlands, W.A. H. Waugh, E. M. Neill.



### 1937

**Back Row L to R:** 2nd from left Jim Valentine.

**Middle Row Left end of Row:** Mr R. Fraser, Ian Murdoch (Captain holding ball) next Jack Sapsford, **Right end of Row:** Mr L. LeF Ensor.

**Front Row 4th from left:** Clive Geary.

**Members of the 1st XV that year were:** L. M. Campbell, D. R. Sapsford, J. R. Hodgson, G. S. Williams, T. M. Brown, W. B. M. Stratton, W. A. H. Waugh, J. M. Smithson, J. A. Rogers, E. G. Borrie, R. L. Klee, D. B. Clark, A. T. Raines, C. C. O'Hara.

Any assistance with the naming of anyone would be much appreciated.

Please contact Warwick Larkins: 03 454 3902 or wlarkins@extra.co.nz or 41 Silvertown Street, Anderson's Bay, Dunedin 9013.

## Cultural Affairs

The St Kilda Brass Band won the “Band of the Year” title at the NZ Brass Band Championships held in Invercargill recently. The musical director, who is also a professional conductor, is P. V. (Peter) Adams (1972–76), who has recently been promoted to Associate Professor in Music at OU. Chairman of the band is E. J. (Errol) Moore (1965–69), who is a senior-lecturer at the OU College of Education (formerly the Dunedin Teachers’ Training College).

The posthumus career of James K Baxter (1940–43), which after 42 years had seemed to be stuttering, burst into renewed life recently when a previously unpublished two-page poem was discovered inside a book purchased cheaply at an auction. Apparently such a discovery is not that uncommon, for James K often wrote letters in poetic format to his friends—this one was to Denis Glover, and contains unkind references to Allen Curnow, a fellow poet with whom he was in dispute! This poem was expected to fetch between \$1500–\$3000 when auctioned by Dunbar Sloane in Wellington, but instead fetched \$3600, so somebody would have been pleased with the outcome—except possibly the Hocken Library, which was the under-bidder at \$3500.

Bevan Gardiner of Dunedin who is blind is making a name for himself as a musician by touring Australasia: he is the son of J. R. (John) Gardiner (1967–71).

Emeritus Professor E. N. (Erik) Olssen (1955–60) has for the best part of 30 years been studying the lives of workers in NZ. Specifically data were gathered as part of the Caversham Project which he directed: a multi-disciplinary OU research project (the country’s largest investigation of urban social structure) with the study area gradually expanding to cover most of the South Dunedin flat. Several theses have been written by students engaged in the project and using the data collected while Erik himself has written *Building a New World* (1995), and co-authored *An Accidental Utopia* (2011). Recently he has produced a photographic essay entitled *Working Lives c.1900* published by Otago University Press and making use of the wealth of photographs available from around the turn of the century. The book investigates the nature of work in NZ’s first industrial suburbs, the transformation of the countryside involved, and the transplantation of the knowledge and skills acquired from the Old World that were essential for the building of a New World. It is also a celebration of the photographers’ art.

G. C. (Grahame) Sydney (1962–66) has compiled a book entitled simply *Grahame Sydney: Paintings 1974–2014* and published by Craig Potton to celebrate his 40-year career as a professional artist. Described as a “landmark publication” and magnificently produced, it features an autobiographical account of growing up in Dunedin, including his five years at King’s where although art was not part of the curriculum, he was mentored by R. K. (Reg) Graham (1944–48, Staff 1954–55, 1958–66) among others, painted the sets for the major productions, and was appointed head prefect; and the development of his obsession with art. This is followed by an essay by Vincent O’Sullivan, NZ’s Poet Laureate who waxes lyrical about the significance of Grahame’s work. The book includes more than 200 of his paintings, including all of his best-known landscapes, and “captures magnificently the scale and significance of Grahame Sydney’s contribution to NZ’s art and culture.”

The role of oratory in NZ’s history and its development as

a nation, has largely been ignored, with no single published collection of NZ speeches which cover lengthy periods of our history. This has now been remedied by the Honourable H. C. (Hugh) Templeton (1945–47), a former diplomat and cabinet minister; his twin I. C. (Ian) Templeton (1945–46), doyen of NZ political reporting for more than half a century, and Josh Easby, a publisher, writer, editor, and former executive who has worked for media companies in NZ and internationally. They

## Obituaries

- M. E. (Mike) Port (1983–87) died at Dunedin 7.7.14  
E. R. (Ted) McDougall (1955–58) died at Invercargill 10.7.14  
K. R. (Ross) McCrostie (1944–48) died at Masterton 13.7.14  
F. N. (Nevill) Wilson (1949–53) died at Ashburton 13.7.14  
A. R. M. (Adam) Coxon (Staff 1955–61) died at Lower Hutt 17.7.14  
R. J. (Russell) Ings (1945–47) died at Sunshine Coast, Queensland, Oz 23.7.14  
G. S. (George) Williams (1936–38) died at Dunedin 25.7.14  
M. E. (Mike) McCuin (1976–77) died at Dunedin 25.7.14  
A. R. (Allan) Galbraith (1944–46) died at Dunedin 26.7.14  
R. M. (Murray) Allan (1944–45) died at Wellington 28.7.14  
C. F. P. (Paul) Harris (1959–61, Staff 1970–72) of Dunedin, died at Los Angeles 29.7.14  
L. S. (Lincoln) Gardner (1984–88) died at Sydney 1.8.14  
J. G. (Gordon) Baines (1942–45) died at Dunedin 13.8.14  
E. M. (Max) Finnie (1942–46) died at Saddle Hill 16.8.14  
P. A. (Paul) Rowe (1963–66) died at Tamworth, NSW, Oz 22.8.14  
H. (Hapeta) Gardner (Board of Governors 1987–89, Board of Trustees 1989–92) died at Dunedin 24.8.14  
G. W. (George) Burck (1953–55) died at Dunedin 25.8.14  
L. J. (Lindsay) Hocking (1953–58) of Dunedin, died at Cardrona 26.8.14  
R. J. (Redmond) Holloway (1979–83) died at Auckland 27.8.14  
M. G. (Max) Muir (1954–58) died at Drybread, C. Otago 3.9.14  
D. Y. (Doug) Brown (1948–51) died at North Shore 10.9.14  
J. E. N. (Jack) Welch (1957–58) died at North Shore 12.9.14  
E. B. (Eric) Scanlan (2008) died at Dunedin 21.9.14  
A. J. H. (Allan) Fraser (1953–57) died at Dunedin 25.9.14  
R. J. (Bob) Chandler (1986) died at Tauranga 27.9.14  
A. C. (Aaron) James (2009–11) killed at Waikuku, N. Canterbury 30.9.14  
K. F. (Keith) Dignan (1968–71) died at Auckland 3.10.14  
D. A. (Dave) Kitto (1965–68) of Templeton, died at Christchurch 4.10.14  
R. G. (Grant) Moffat (1949–52) of Southbridge, died at Christchurch 9.10.14  
M. L. (Mike) Brown (1950–55) of Blenheim, died at Wellington 10.10.14  
D. G. (Derek) Keene (1944–47) died at Mosgiel 16.10.14  
T. M. (Trevor) Ladbroke (1987–89) died in Oz 16.10.14  
N. G. (Nevill) Henderson (1968–71) died at Mosgiel 17.10.14  
W. (Wayne) Harrison (1956–60) died at Bannockburn 21.10.14  
L. G. (Les) Randall (1947–48) died at Mosgiel 25.10.14

have selected some 48 speeches for a book entitled *Speeches that Shaped New Zealand 1814–1956* which begins with a sermon by Samuel Marsden and ends with a speech by T. L. Macdonald which marks the end of the British Empire. They intend to continue the story in a second volume featuring post-1956 speeches, and to consider publishing any other speeches which readers may consider they have overlooked, and worthy of inclusion.

## Honours

E. L. (Lox) Kellas (1960–66), president of Coastguard Dunedin and long-serving Portobello community police officer has recently been honoured with a Coastguard Award of Excellence: the Southern Region Communication and Incident Management Volunteer of the Year Award. Lox has been with Coastguard Dunedin since it was founded in 2005, having been part of the group that pushed for Dunedin to have its own coastguard rather than rely on units at Timaru or Bluff. He had picked up his marine search and rescue expertise through 30 years of involvement as a police officer at a coastal station, while the manner in which he led by example and was able to delegate responsibility meant that all of the volunteers felt that they were contributing.

## Business Sector

J. P. (Jim) Butler (1957–60) and his wife Glenda have recently sold their Mornington Coffee Shop which they bought as a going concern in 1986. Believing (correctly) that the clientele was comfortable with the atmosphere, they had made few changes during their tenure: the furnishings remained unchanged, the food (which included cheese rolls, macaroni cheese, scones) was made on site, there was a cash register but no eftpos facility (customers who arrived without sufficient cash were told that they could pay next time they visited, and all did!), while some of the customers were still patrons after 28 years. Jim claims that the customers made the work enjoyable, that it had been away of life, and that it would be a struggle to get into another way of life.

S. M. (Stuart) Williams (1984–88), like his father P. S. (Peter) Williams (1957–61) before him (who these days picks grapes in Cromwell) and his grandfather before them, has lived and worked in the motor trade in Dunedin all his working life. He is currently Operations Manager for Armstrong Prestige in Princes Street, purveyors of Mercedes Benz, Chrysler, Jeep, Land and Range Rover, etc. His brother P. A. (Paul) Williams (1986–90) preferred wine to petrol, working for Montana Wines (now Pernod Ricard) for 17 years, and ending up in London as Marketing Manager for Western Europe. He has recently returned to Dunedin, and opened his own business (Wine Freedom) in the former NMA building in the rejuvenated warehouse precinct which is centred on Vogel Street.

## Sporting Triumphs

### Athletics

P. N. (Pat) Sidon, who died in April, has been described as “a colossus of the sport”—despite suffering from flat feet as a legacy of a bout of polio in his childhood. In the 1950s and 1960s he set a record which will never be surpassed: he won the Edmond Cup 11 times and was part of 15 team wins (by Caversham) and 13 Otago cross-country titles. Unable to compete at the national championships every year, at 7 events he achieved a first, two seconds, and a third—thereby

demonstrating his talent and his consistency at a time when the headlines were hogged by Snell, Halberg, Julian, Magee, and Baillie—while his winning margin in 1961 of 58 seconds was the biggest in a decade. He was selected for NZ in 1957, and was captain of the NZ team which finished third at the World Championships in Belgium in 1965. Unlike most of his contemporaries, he did not follow the Lydiard principle of “run more, not less” but stuck to running 60 miles a week (rather than 100) of quality training—as was favoured by Zatopek. Pat continued to run, and later in life won the NZ veterans title, thereby becoming the first athlete to win NZ titles at junior, senior, and veteran level. While at King’s he won the junior cross-country title, then joined the Caversham club, becoming a life member in 1964, and co-patron in 2010. Pat started as a clerical cadet at Hillside workshops, where he acquired a wife; joined the Dunedin Hospital board in 1954, where he rose to be assistant staff clerk; then moved to OU, retiring as assistant registrar in 1993 after 32 years’ service.



Pat Sidon in typical pose.

Lured home by his mother’s cooking, and also because he was the defending champion, T. A. (Tony) Payne (2002–06), nowadays a corporate lawyer in Auckland, duly won the Dunedin marathon, despite battling a virus and unpleasant weather conditions. He is now concentrating his efforts on marathon events.

B. G. B. (Ben) Anderson (2006–09) recorded fastest time in this year’s Port Chalmers–Dunedin road race.

For safety reasons, and in an effort to attract more team entries, the Peninsula Relay is now a six-leg event finishing at Portobello. R. J. (Rob) Homan (1976–79) helped Civil Service win this handicap event, while Ben Anderson and his father G. A. (Geoffrey) Anderson (1970–74) ensured that Caversham recorded the fastest time.

D. J. (Daniel) Balchin (2004–08) helped his club New Brighton Olympic gain second place in the NZ Road Championships held on Banks Peninsula.

## **Basketball**

B. W. (Blair) Crawford (1984–88) general manager of the Edgar Centre, Dunedin's indoor sports facility on the foreshore, is concerned that so far only about 650 tickets for the pre-season match between the Auckland-based Breakers and the Sydney Kings have been sold. Apparently a crowd of 2000 is required to break even and if this is not achieved, future events may in jeopardy.

## **Bowls**

A. G. (Andy) McLean (1994–98) won his final at the PBA championships in Hastings, and will compete at the world indoor singles in Norfolk in January. K. G. (Ken) Walker (1960–63) despite reaching two finals, unfortunately missed a seventh trip to the UK.

## **Boxing**

P. C. (Paul) Miller (1994–95, Staff 2012–) fighting on behalf of the Lift Trust, participated in the Southern Showdown charity event in September.

## **Cricket**

B. B. (Brendon) McCullum (1995–2000) captain and his brother N. L. (Nathan) McCullum (1994–98) continue to represent NZ at ODI level.

B. P. (Brad) Rodden (2002–06) and B. E. (Bradley) Scott (1993–97, Staff 2013–) are again representing the Otago Volts at Plunket Shield level, and have been granted domestic contracts. N. P. (Nathan) King (1996–2000) is assistant coach.

W. K. (Warren) Lees (1965–69) is having to seek a new method of motivating the Otago Sparks which he coaches: he can hardly continue to call them underdogs when they won the national women's title last season, and were judged Otago Team of the Year!

D. J. (Derek) Walker (1973–78) of Oamaru has retained his place on the nine-member NZ Cricket elite umpiring panel.

## **Football**

Despite Caversham, which is coached by T. C. (Tim) Horner (1998–2000) having won the Football South premier league title for the 12th time in 14 seasons, the Fletcher Cup, and the Frank Peacock Cup this season, it missed out on any of the individual season awards. T. J. (Taylor) McCormack (2006–10) of Dunedin Technical won the Golden Boot award,

Mr D. (Dan) Reddiex (Staff 2001–05, Rector 2008–) recently learned that while continuing to play physical sport at age 41 may be excellent in theory, it might be hazardous to one's health in practice. As a result of colliding with the opposition goalkeeper, Dan received several fractured ribs, and a collapsed lung, which led to overnight observation at Dunedin Public Hospital, and a week's sick leave! It is worth remembering that it is not so long ago that his predecessor, Mr C. (Colin) Donald (Rector 2002–08) suffered grievous bodily harm in a rugby match (since cancelled for safety reasons!) between staff and senior students.

## **Golf**

A wedding and subsequent honeymoon meant that B. A. (Brent) McEwan (1995–97) missed the first two trials for the Otago team, but it doesn't seem to have affected his golf! He recently won the North Otago title for the seventh consecutive season, and will once again captain Otago. G. (Graeme) Barbara (1969–71) of Wanaka has again been selected for the Masters (over 40) team.

## **Hockey**

This year, the Southern Dogs faced a difficult prospect in the

NHL competition with three of their quality players no longer available. Nevertheless, coached as usual by D. E. (Dave) Ross (Staff 1985–) skippered by C. W. (Chris) Ashton (1998–2002) and including J. A. (Jason) Dungey (2002–06), they reached the semi-finals, defeating Auckland on the way!

## **Ice Hockey**

The "Skate of Origin" match is where North Island-born players meet South Island-born in contest. This year the Southern squad included R. J. (Regan) Wilson (2006–10) and four present boys: J. R. (Joe) Orr, H. A. (Hunter) Waugh, D. (Dylan) Devlin, and J. P. (Jacob) Hurring. Incidentally, King's is the top South Island schoolboy team this year with Joe being the top scorer, and Hunter the top goalie.

## **Rugby**

B. R. (Ben) Smith (2000–04) who has consistently starred for NZ this season, as well as playing nearly every minute for the Highlanders is currently being rested, prior to travelling to the UK to rejoin the All Blacks for that section of the tour. Never guilty of forgetting his origins, he recently presented one of his AB jerseys to Abbotsford school, where he was once a pupil.

At ITM cup level, M. I. A. (Michael) Mata'afa (2003–07), yet another prop from King's represented Otago, while B. T. (Breydon) Mitchell (2003–06) yet another hooker from King's represented Waikato.

J. A. (Josh) Clark (2000–04) once again captained North Otago in the Heartland competition and has been selected for the NZ Heartland team to tour the Cook Islands.

T. E. (Tony) Brown (1993) once again coached Otago, but next season will make his part-time position as assistant coach (attack) of the Highlanders permanent, and will thus be ineligible to coach Otago.

D. W. (Dave) Barnett (1969–72) left school and played two seasons of premier grade rugby for Kaikorai but suffered concussion and was forced to quit playing at the age of 21. But as he still wanted to be involved in the sport, he started refereeing in 1977. He was an active referee until 1996, controlling premier grade matches for 13 years, including three years in the country when he was based in Alexandra. His pinnacle was to control Otago B matches, and sub-union fixtures. He found that the standard of play was higher in Dunedin, but that country rugby was special, with its own unique style "which made you feel part of the whole set-up. After games you had to get up and give an after-match speech." After giving up the whistle, Dave has remained a member of the Otago Rugby Referees management group, and his 37 years involvement has been recognised by an invitation to join the exclusive Sassenachs Club.

## **Rugby League**

Representing the Otago Whalers this season have been K. D. R. (Koben) Katipa (1991) as captain, and K. J. (Kail) Spooner (2002–06).

## **Surf Lifesaving**

At La Grande Motte in France, the Black Fins managed by M. J. (Mark) Weatherall (1989–93) who is also CEO of Canoe Racing NZ, retained the surf lifesaving crown which they won at Adelaide in 2012, despite losing more than 50% of financial support from High Performance Sport NZ (HPSNZ). As more than 40 countries competed, the NZ performance was impressive. As well the NZ youth team came second in the Junior World Cup held at another French venue. Team members train two or three times a day, six or seven days a week while holding down jobs: effectively they are professional

athletes who don't get paid. But surf lifesaving is not an Olympic or Commonwealth sport, and can therefore safely be ignored by HPSNZ.

## Bits and Pieces



L. J. (Lindsay) Hocking (1953–58, Deputy Rector 1986–1997, Rector 1997–2001) was an outstanding pupil and a dedicated and meticulous leader during his separate lives at King's. He was and remained a South Dunedin boy at the heart and his upbringing helped him to relate to and understand young people from all walks of life. He was one of the finest all-round pupils to attend King's, becoming head prefect in his final year and winning nine blues: four for rugby, four for cricket, and one for athletics—indeed rugby writer T. P. McLean forecast that he would be a future All Black, but unfortunately an industrial accident sustained while working during his university holidays ruined such a scenario. Graduating from OU with a BA degree, he trained at Christchurch Teachers' College, and embarked on a teaching career at The Taieri High School. Initially he taught social studies and history, but gradually moved into administrative roles, at all times setting and demanding high standards. In 1986 he was appointed deputy rector at King's, rejoining rector I. B. (Ian) Simpson (1954–58) who had been a fellow pupil, a fellow university student, and a fellow sportsman. The job required meticulous planning so that more than 900 boys and the staff all knew exactly what was going on, and Lindsay worked long extra hours ensuring this. He was the driving force behind the establishment of the hostel in the former Donaghy building in Macandrew Road, where his wife Ann as manager did a fantastic job getting the hostel up and running, while ensuring that a strong relationship with the school developed. Several stints as acting-rector ensured that when Ian retired, he was appointed rector. Former Board of Trustees chairman Robin Charteris who worked alongside Lindsay has paid tribute to his "probity, reliability, sternness, discipline, occasional humour, and—usually kept hidden—soft heart." Outside school he was a dedicated family man, the doyen of Glendhu Bay holiday camp for 47 years, where his inclusive and friendly personality and generosity of time spent teaching dozens of adults and children to waterski put him at the centre of camp life. He built his own jet boat; was a car buff; a trout, salmon and whitebait fisherman; and a connoisseur of single malt whisky. Everything that he did or made was planned and organised to perfection, for among his range of skills were mechanical ability and manual dexterity. Mostly nursed by his family at home, he died as he had wished at his son's farm among the mountains of Wanaka. The packed King's and Queen's Performing Arts Centre which celebrated his life reflected the esteem in which he was held.

In September, R. S. (Dick) Jones (1942–45) sometime mayor of St Kilda, and long-term resident of Waikaia in Northern Southland, and his wife Doreen celebrated their Diamond Wedding. Golden Weddings that we are aware of include J. W. (John) Levido (1953–56) and Joan of Ranfurly, G. C. (Greg) Francis (1955–56) and Judith of Waverley, C. J. (Colin) Clarke (1954–57) and Fae of Halfway Bush, W. W. (Bill) McCabe (1956–57) and Glenys of Geraldine, and W. B. (Winston) Parks (1954–57) and Hazel of Kaka Point.

Forget the America's Cup—we have our own yachties who have just returned from a sojourn in the Mediterranean. P. G. (Phil) Connolly (1960–63), P. D. (Paul) Grainger (1960–64) and E. H. (Hartley) Meder (1960–64) all received their early seamanship training in the Anderson's Bay Inlet in the late 1950s on home-made rafts. This stood them in good stead when they decided to venture further afield at the invitation of B. E. (Barrie) Neilson (1961–64) who is based in London but who owns the largest private yachting fleet on the planet. Hartley (Dunedin-based) and Paul (now in Christchurch) collected Phil in Brisbane and the trio were on their way. A wonderful time was had by all with wives and partners present to keep an eye on them. Still, warm, days on a azure sea, getting to know the locals when they docked, and in between times eating and drinking like hungry baboons were the order of the days. One such magic day Hartley, when sitting on the edge of their yacht suddenly felt something slide out of this hip pocket and into the Mediterranean. It was his new very up market cell phone—curses—he watched it slide down to the ocean floor and pondered whether or not he should dive in to retrieve it. The depth appeared to be more than he had anticipated. But, the cavalry arrived in the form of a very attractive bikini-clad young lady who had been observing proceedings—she volunteered to attempt to dive for it—"I'll come with you" yelled Hartley but alas the Mediterranean is very much deeper than the Anderson's Bay Inlet and after several attempts the couple both surfaced without the phone. Did Alexander Graham Bell envisage such happenings when he invented the telephone all those years ago?

The *ODT* prints a photo each Saturday entitled "Within Living Memory," and recently one featured the Maker brothers (and their dog Snoopy) with a trolley-load of empty bottles which they hoped would win them a competition sponsored by Lane Thompson and Four Square. Nowadays T. S. (Tony) Maker (1976–80) is a journalist in Wollongong, NSW, via the *ODT*, Napier and Wellington; K. L. (Kelvin) Maker (1978–81) has been a sales representative for Fuji Xerox in Dunedin for the past 21 years, and helps coach King's rowing; while M. G. (Malcolm) Maker (1980–82) operates a snack food business in Waikouaiti, having previously been a butcher there.



W. G. (Bill) Clayton (1938–42) was the eldest of three to attend King's. Though a keen athlete, he distinguished himself as a spin bowler in the 1st XI. In his final year at school, he was head prefect, Dux, and the first pupil to gain a Junior scholarship. At OU, his studies were interrupted by a year of air crew training with the RNZAF, but he graduated LLB in 1948, and gained a wife, Fay Flood, an arts student. Initially Bill joined a Dunedin law firm but it was

not long before he moved to Wanganui where he eventually became a partner in the firm of Treadwell Gordon and Co, remaining there from 1951 till 1971. While in Wanganui he became President of the Wanganui District Law Society, 1967–1968, but his practice did not prevent his involvement in a full family life seeing the construction of a large family home with the establishment of a productive orchard and vegetable garden. It was here also that Fay and Bill had their four daughters along with considerable involvement in the church. In his earlier years at University Bill had developed a strong interest in literature and the theatre and was an active member of the Repertory Society in Dunedin, appearing in a number of leading performances such as John Worthing in “The Importance of Being Ernest,” the “Ascent of F6” and others. This interest continued in Wanganui, where he participated in stage productions most years with the Wanganui Repertory Society.

As a Barrister and Solicitor his principal legal work there was with Workers’ Compensation Act court cases, but with the changes in legislation in the Woodhouse Report and the arrival of the new Accident Compensation legislation then this type of work was going to disappear so he had a change of career and moved to Wellington to Findlay Hoggard and Richmond, 1971–1982, and subsequently to Buddle Findlay 1982–1991, where he specialised in corporate legislation and international banking in particular. These years provided opportunities for considerable international travel to Congresses in many different countries, resulting in both Fay and Bill becoming very seasoned travellers. He was Chairman of the Govt Inquiry into Crown Pastoral Leases in 1981–82, became Chairman of Partners at Buddle Findlay from 1985–87 and latterly, 1992–94 continued as a consultant with the firm, while in 1990 he was President of the Wellington Medico Legal Society, as he had been in Wanganui in 1966.

In retirement they moved from the Wellington home in Karori to a rural property on the Kapiti Coast where the family had already enjoyed many years with a beach house right on the waterfront at Waikanae. In their latter years Bill and Fay moved into a retirement village on the Coast but still maintained their independence. They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary there in February 2009 with a grand family gathering with immediate family and grandchildren as well as great grandchildren from all over New Zealand and some from Australia in attendance.

Bill’s lifelong love of the arts, literature and music in particular, enabled him to quote extensive passages from the classic authors from his prodigious memory, an achievement that stood him in good stead not only for the theatre, but to stimulate an on going love of literature within his family. His love of classical music and the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra was instrumental in a generous endowment to the NZSO for a Bill Clayton Memorial Scholarship for National Youth Orchestra players. Fittingly his funeral service opened with a Mozart composition.

Bill died on the Kapiti Coast in September 2012; he is survived by his wife Fay, four daughters and their partners, 8 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

[We have been criticised for never featuring Bill’s achievements in the *Kingsmen*, but he declined to provide any information, preferring to blush unseen. We are grateful that his youngest brother, retired anaesthetist J. I. (Jim) Clayton (1946–50), for providing the details upon which this obituary is based.]

Voters in the Dunedin South electorate were spoilt for choice in the recent general election, with *three* Old Boys standing as candidates: C. W. (Colin) Nicholls (1955–59) representing ACT

NZ; W. R. (Warren) Voight (1971–73) representing Democrats for Social Credit; and A. C. E. (Andrew) Lepine (1994–98) representing Internet Mana. However none of them attracted sufficient votes to gain success.

E. J. W. (Evan) Squires (1951–55) reminisces:

I played for Varsity A in 1957; got severe concussion late in the season and never played serious rugby again; played a few games for Teachers’ College (third grade) on the wing in 1960. The 1955 Kings team were a good bunch of blokes. It is sad to see guys like Neville Mayne and Lindsay Hocking passing on so soon. One of the Bassett twins (Ian) passed away a few years ago along with David Caradus and Graeme Wood, though they may have been in the 1953 or 1954 team. It’s a bit hard to recall the details without having the photos handy. Good to hear Graham Gosney is still up and going. It is interesting to hear Dan Reddix belongs to a church; when he spoke to us up here I thought a lot of his thinking on training and character squared away with what I consider the core Christian values. I was very impressed actually. I retired officially about 12 years ago but over the next eight years had 5 short term pastorates, 9–18 months. Now I just try to help out in my local church where I can, though I continue to work with a group that conduct a training seminar for ministers (11 days once a year) focusing on Leadership, Management, Relationships, and Communication skills which is often glossed over in seminaries of Bible Colleges. I have been to India twice, PNG, USA and Hong Kong to help with training there so have had a fairly interesting life. I got into the ministry through an interdenominational mission, had 2 years in Wellington then 4 in Manila. Had various jobs till 1973 when I was invited to the staff of The Queen St Assembly of God in Auckland for 3 years, then to Kaitia for 4 years and back to Manila for 4 years all with Assemblies of God. On my return I was asked to pastor a Baptist church and I remained with the Baptists (17 years) till retirement. Since then my home church has been a Pentecostal church, now called “Church Unlimited” but while having CU as a “home-base.” I have done stints in 4 Baptist churches so if you include my roots in Dunedin at a little Brethren Church your could say I’m a “Brethro-bapti-costal”!

Heterosexual best mates, M. J. (Matt) McCormick (2004–08) a teacher, and T.G. (Travis) McIntosh (2004–08) an engineering student were married at Eden Park recently in order to win a competition organised by The Edge radio station: as winners they get to attend the 2015 Rugby World Cup in the British Isles. However their honeymoon in Rarotonga is over, and unconsummated, and some minor bickering has already started ....

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Contents for the March *Kingsmen* to be received as soon as possible and by 20th March. We would appreciate information from outside Otago which may be legally published relating to ex-pupils.