

THE ZINGSMEN

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T. R. (Ray, "Curly") Richards Remembered

It would have been noted from our last issue that Ray Richards died in Christchurch on the 22/4/01. He was 93.

Ray joined the staff of Otago Boys' High School in 1932 and was one of the first five from that school who were appointed in October 1935 to commence teaching at King's in 1936. His subjects at King's were Latin and French. He had an M.A. with Honours in those languages.

As a teacher he was respected. One of his better students stated in a letter sent to us recently, "He was an excellent teacher, equipped with a stentorian voice and a good grip on discipline."

During the war, service was seen as a company commander with the Otago Regiment of Territorials, and also overseas with the Fiji Military Forces. Teaching colleague Ross Fraser was his battalion commander in both cases.

In 1951 he was appointed first assistant at Gore High School. From there in the mid 60's he became principal at Hagley High School in which were merged Christchurch West High School and Christchurch Technical College.

His connection with our Association came about through being the liaison officer with the school and he was elected a life member in 1952 for his services.

Ray informed many of his ex-pupils that he considered his 15 years at King's the most pleasant in a teaching career. Interest was always maintained in the school and former pupils. He attended the Golden Jubilee in 1986 and the 60th Reunion in 1996 with his wife.

Colin Donald-King's High School 7th Rector

Born at Dolamore Park, near Croydon Bush, Southland, Colin Donald was raised mainly on lush pastures of a Southland farm at Charlton. Attending Gore High School, he followed a sporting line typical of most of his era: Basketball, Cricket and Rugby Union. Attending the University of Otago's School of Physical Education from 1970–72 and then onto Christchurch Teachers' College in 1973 he emerged with Dip PE from Otago and his Teaching Diploma from Christchurch. Later a Master of Educational Studies was gained from Tasmania.

While in Dunedin he played for the Southern Rugby Club's Colts side being coached by Old Boy and current King's Staff member Rick Mains (1957–61). Transferring to the University Club in 1971, he represented University A in the 1972 club Final which was defeated by his old club, Southern.

His first teaching appointment was to one of our Interschool rivals, Shirley Boys' High School in 1974 where he stayed until 1989 apart from a stint overseas in 1977–78 during which both he and his wife, Justine taught in London schools.

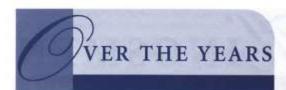
In 1990, he was appointed Assistant Principal at Hillmorton High School and in 1996 became Deputy Principal at Christchurch Boys' High School from where he was appointed to King's, Justine, his wife, originally from Wellington is involved in Interior Design while Colin's sporting interests keep him involved with school and community.

Three children in Alecia (18), Simon (15), and Emily (10) complete the Donald family.

The Old Boys' Association extends to Colin and Justine and their family every good wish for a happy and successful time in Dunedin and at King's High School.



Here pictured at the last assembly of Term 3 during which Alecia and Justine judged the Interhouse Singing Competition and Alecia displayed a fine soprano voice to the boys are from L to R: Alecia, Justine and Colin Donald.



The school roll hovered in the mid 300s from 1945 unitl 1951. The numbers had slipped back slightly in 1948 to 331 but with the recovery in the birthrate after the depression the roll moved up to 373 in 1951.

The Association membership at this time was about 200 and it became an Incorporated Society in 1949.

Where Members are

Current members who commenced in the years 1949-51 are as follows:

1949

Norman Angell (Upper Hutt), Jim Banwell (Dunedin), Brian Bassett (Hamilton), Neville Bruhns (Kareets, New South Wales), Graham Burns (Dunedin), Alister Campbell (Lincoln, Canty), Russell Campbell (Auckland), Charles Edlin (Upper Hutt), Ritchie Fay (Christchurch), Colin Green (Christchurch), Allen Hair (Masterton), Athol Hamilton (Dannervirke), Graeme Harford (Dunedin), Bob Hunter (Dunedin), Jack (John) Jarvis (North Shore City), Neil Macgregor (Palmerston North), Huia Ockwell (Mosgiel), Bill Reeve (Dunedin), Des Shaw (Auckland), Eric Shaw (Mosgiel), Graham Sinclair (Christchurch), David Stewart (Palmerston North), Graeme Swanson (Auckland), Bill Tomkins (Queenstown), Neville Wilson (Christchurch). In 1950 they were joined by Michael Lake (Budapest, Hungry).

1950

Barry Bridgman (Auckland), Andrew Fleming (Palmerston North), Ron Gillan (Wanaka), Graham Gosney (Dunedin), Ken Graham (Auckland), George Humphreys (Auckland), Gordon Jennison (Christchurch), Hugh Kidd (Taieri), Ken Payton (Luton, England), Lance Pearson (Dunedin), Eion Pope (Auckland), Lindsay Reid (Queenstown), John Sommerville (Browns Bay, Auckland), Roy Summers (Wanaka), Bruce Taylor (Mangawhai Heads, Northland).

1951

Graham Avery (Gore), Kerry Bain (Dunedin), John Bradley (Dunedin), John Butel (Bannockburn, Central Otago), Dave Caradus (Dunedin), Jim Cochrane (Dunedin), Kelvin Doolan (Christchurch), Les Freeman (Geraldine), Les Graham (Dunedin), Les Green (Dunedin), Garth Hames (Christchurch), Graham Hanson (New Lambton Heights, New South Wales), Dave Humphrey (Dunedin), Ron McQueen (Upper Hutt), Dick

Quiz

Athletics and Cross Country over the first half of the schools existence. The questions relate to achievements in the Otago Southland Secondary Schools' Championships unless otherwise stated.

Although the Macassey (Sensor), Oswald Smith (Intermediate), Arthur Barnett (Junior), and Isaacs (Under 14 commenced in 1963) Shields are for team points some outstanding individual efforts contributed greatly to King's wins in nearly all the years mentioned below.

- In its foundation year who won 2 Junior events and was a member of the second placed relay team?
- Name the athlete who as an Intermediate in 1943 and 1944 had 4 firsts in completely different events, apart from a third, plus first in the relay?
- Who every year from 1963 to 1967 won his age group in the King's Cross Country, the Otago Southland Cross Country, and 4 out of

Offwood (Auckland), Eddie Quin (Dunedin), Nelson Redshaw (Alexandra), Colin Reid (North Shore), Herb Ritchie (Mt Maunganui), Bruce Robertson (Christchurch), John Simon (Dunedin), Evan Squires (Morrinsville), Ian Telfer (Christchurch), Brian Wilson (Wellington). In 1952 they were joined by Brian Farrant (Wellington) in the 4th Form, and in 1953 by Colin Angus (Wellington) in the 5th Form.

Market Gardens

Older members may recall the framed photograph of a Chinese market gardener on a water treadmill. This was hung for many years on a wall of the staits to the original staffroom and library. Copies of this photo appeared in the 1939 School magazine of and the Silver Jubilee booklet (1961) with the title "Celestial Labours. An interesting study of the site of King's High School before its foundation."

Dr James Ng a writer of Chinese histories in Otago became aware of its one time existence through a member. Fortunately this was just after some of our executive had been involved in sorting and storing records and archival material prior to the old Administration block being demolished. Through the Association he had a copy for publication reproduced by the Hocken Library who were also interested.

Dr Ng informed us that there were about 20 market gardens in the area at one time on what was virgin fertile if swampy land. The last of these gardens was where Queen's High School was built and some will recall their existence.

Brass Band

The article and photograph in the last Kingsmen created some interest. It was also appropriate as 2001 was the centennial of the St Kilda Brass Band. Many went on to play for St Kilda or Kaikorai whose members supplied tuition and bandmasters for the school.

There is a correction to a name in the photograph in that fifth from the left back row is the late Bill Brookes not Ross McCrostie. Bill was a lecturer at Dunedin Teachers' College now College of Education and was killed in a climbing accident.

There is also interest in the whereabouts of C. Robb Webster (1946–51) who was dux in 1951, had a mining degree, and it is thought he went to Australia. Also W. C. F. (Wattie) Edgar (1945–47) who was in Timaru, and Frank E. Kerr (1961–65) a former National bandsman who worked in the tourist industry and was in Wellington at one stage.



5 years was King's Athletic champion, apart from achievements in the Otago Southland Athletic Championships?

 In the following years name others who had at least 2 firsts and a placing?

| placing7 | 1941 | Intermediate | 1944 | Junior | 1946 | Junior | 1947 | Senior | 1955 | Senior | 1958 | Intermediate | 1972 | Junior | 1972 | Senior | 1973 | Senior | 1973

- Name the person known more for many years for his involvement in yachting who in the 1960 King's School Athletics won 4 events breaking 3 records?
- King's supplied 4 different winners of the Senior Otago Southland Cross Country in 1964, 1966, 1967 and 1968. Who were they?

"Classroom by the Sea"

The building on land at Warrington bequested to the school by C. R. (Tad) Hatherly who taught at King's from 1975 to 1984 was officially opened on the 26th October.

The \$250,000 building contains a classroom, kitchen, dining room, lounge, ablution block and staff offices with a dormitory planned.

If anyone has surplus kitchenware like crockery plus blankets please contact the school.

Community Service

Many Old Boys put their names forward for the local body elections. It is difficult to trace all who were elected throughout the country so please advise us upon any who are not recorded below:

- C. R. (Chris) Laidlaw (1957–61) was re-elected to the Wellington Regional Council.
- R. G. (Grant) Moffat (1949-52) elected to the Hutt Health Board.

Rev. W. D. (David) Morrell (1954-57) elected to the Canterbury Health Board.

- J. T. (John) Bezett (1957-58) re-elected to the Dunedin City Council.
- M. J. (Mark) Weatherall (1989–93) has moved from the sporting page by being elected to the Saddle Hill Ward of the Dunedin City Community Board.
- I. F. (Ian) Capitaneas (1944–45) a long time Invercargill City Councillor was re-elected.
- S. J. (Stuart) Millis (1973–76) elected to the Central Otago District Council (Alexandra Ward). Also elected to the Alexandra Community Board.
- J. B. (John) Olssen (1960–64) elected to the Central Otago Health Trust (Cromwell Ward),
- J. R. (Jeff) Seymour (1969–73) re-elected to the Clutha district Council (Balclutha Ward).
- P.C. (Peter) Gray (1942–45) re-elected to the Queenstown Lakes District Council (Wanaka Ward). Also to the Wanaka Community Board.

Long serving politician W. E. (Warren) Cooper (1947–48) who started off with Queenstown, being its Mayor, then M.P. for Central Otago, a Cabinet Minister, and back to Queenstown as Mayor, has retired. Using the ODT term "his arsenal of colourful comments," over many years and issues, which caused ire to some and amusement to many others, will be missed.

C. D. (Doug) Jackson (1960–62) who at one time was our Association Treasurer was Dunedin Electoral Officer.

Honours

Rev. Dr P. E. (Paul) Oestreicher (1945–49) has recently been awarded the Order of Merit (1st Class) by the German government for his promotion of Anglo-German relations, while the German provincial government of Thuringia has awarded him the Wartburg Prize for his promotion of European unity. The city of Meiningen, from which his parents came as refugees to Dunedin, has granted him Honorary Citizenship: Meiningen is famous for its theatre and for its Shakespearian productions, and Paul has initiated a partnership between the Meininger Court Theatre and the Royal Shakespeare Company in Stratford-upon-Avon, and between the two towns.

M. F. (Martin) den Dekker (1974–78) was one of only five people, from 92 countries worldwide, to receive a gold medal of distinction from the London City and Guilds for excellence in their Diploma in International Tourism run by the Otago Polytechnic in 1999. He is the first in New Zealand to receive such an award, and he intends to study for the Advanced Diploma when it is offered by Otago Polytechnic next year—he would have been eligible for a £2000 scholarship, had he applied! Martin is seeking employment in the tourism area, especially if it involves marketing Dunedin City, but ironically he hasn't even been granted an interview when he has applied for advertised work!

Business Sector

Two South Island stock firms, Reid Farmers and Pyne Gould Guiness have recently merged, creating a \$250 million islandwide rural servicing company. Chairman of the newly named Pyne Gould Guiness Reid Farmers is A. W. (Bill) Baylis (1959–62) while L. J. (Lindsay) Brown (1956–60) is also a member of the Board.

N. M. (Matheson) Beaumont (1941–44) is retiring after 46 years as an optometrist, now that fourth generation clients are among the 12,000 currently patronising his services. Since he completed his indentureship in the 1950s, his profession has progressed from being "mechanics" prescribing glasses to "consultants" providing the first diagnostic stop in checking ocular health. Matheson intends to use his extra free time to further his lifelong passion for photography, which has gained him numerous photographic awards, including the prestigious Royal Photographic Society's Fenton Medal, which commemorates the world's first photojournalist. To date, his work has included portraiture and genre work, but his present interest lies in making landscape prints using 35mm film and digital equipment. He has travelled extensively in Asia, Europe and North America, but much more overseas travel is on his agenda.

- J. L. (John) Eagles (1952–55) had thought that he was retiring when they sold the Oturehua Tavern, but his life-long collecting wife had other ideas, and instead they opened a new business in the former Maniototo Information Centre in Ranfurly: "Antiques and Collectables." Controversy over their purchase of a \$14,000 building for only \$3,000 attracted a good crowd for their opening in May, but they were hardly unknown, having previously owned the Ranfurly Motels, and the Korna Stop
- I. J. (Ian) Farquhar (1945—49) has gotten so old that he had to step down as chairman of Port Otago, but Old Boys needn't panic as they will be represented by D. R. (Ross) Black (1961–65) who is the new deputy chairman. Ross has recently resigned after seven years as chairman of the Otago District Health Board, effective from the recent elections, but will retain three health directorships, two health trusteeships, and three business directorships, while continuing to build up his business consultancy practice.

William Hill winery, established by W. H. (Bill) Grant (1945–50) is developing 23 ha adjacent to the Alexandra golf course which should double the output of the winery within five years. This comes at an opportune time, for at the Bragato wine awards, held in Napier in September, the winery won its first gold medal with its William Hill Pinot Noir 2000.

Also at Napier, Olssen's of Bannockburn, operated by J. B. (John) Olssen (1960–64) won gold with Olssen's Slapjack Creek Pinot Noir 1999, and bronze with their Desert Gold Late Harvest Riesling 2000. C. R. (Crawford) Brown (1959–63), former manager of Speight's Brewery and still a consultant brewer despite growing grapes at Bannockburn, won bronze with his Bannock Brae Pinot Noir 2000.

P.J. (Peter) Notman (1973–77) who works for Naylor Love Ltd, and who was project manager for the Otago Museum redevelopment, was a finalist for the N.Z. Institute of Building—James Hardie Award in the \$2–10 million category. The awards celebrate excellence across all professions in the building industry, and recognise the talents of an individual, or a team, rather than the project itself.

J. E. (Jack) Ross (1947–51) worked briefly in Christchurch after leaving Dunedin in 1955, before being transferred to Ashburton as branch accountant for NZ Farmers Cooperative Association of Canterbury Ltd. In 1961 he entered public practice and "retired" in 1998, during which time he was a member, of the NZ Stock Exchange for 33 years. As well, he was heavily involved in community affairs, being an Ashburton District councillor, a member of the Mt Cook National Parks and Reserves Board and a member of the Council of Lincoln University. He is a past district governor of Rotary, and an active JP since 1976. He hopes to add considerably to the 45 years he has spent in Ashburton.

Once again the Government has called upon J. G. (Jeff) Todd (1955-58) for help, and he will be a member of a committee set up in the wake of the Auditor General's report to consider parliamentary salaries, allowances, and entitlements following controversy concerning this matter earlier this year. A chartered accountant, he had previously advised Government on the introduction of G.S.T. (1986), and funding tertiary education (1994), and was chairman of the 1991 Task Force on the Private Provision for Retirement, Jeff retired as managing partner of Price Waterhouse NZ in 1998, and is currently a director of the ANZ Banking Group, Dynasty Hotel Group, the Earthquarke Commission, Sandfords, and is available for re-election as a director of Southern Cross Healthcare. He had previously served as a director of the Reserve Bank, and the National Provident Fund. He was appointed to the Council of Massey University in July.

G. W. (Graham) Valentine (1939-42) graduated B.Com from Otago University, and became a chartered accountant in 1948. Currently he is almost fully retired, being chairman of the NZ Diabetes Foundation, a board member of the NZ Institute of Economic Research, and a trustee of the Wellington Club. However, during his working life he was a partner and ultimately chairman of Coopers Lybrand NZ and a director and ultimately chairman of the A.M.P. Society of NZ. He has been chairman of NZ Lamb Coy (North America) Ltd, Bing Harris, and Richardson McCabe; James Smith Ltd, Readers Digest NZ, and Tasman Pulp and Paper (govt. nominee); president of the NZ Institute of Directors, and the Wellington Club; a member of the Standards Board of the NZ Society of Accountants; and international treasurer of the Pacific Basin Economic Council-presumably not all at the same time! In his spare time he played golf, and grew orchids and roses.

P. M. (Michael) Willis (1966–70) is the general manager of the Blue Mountain City Council, outside Sydney. He was previously city manager of the Palmerston North City Council, and was last year appointed international vice-president of the U.S. based International City/County Management Association.

G. C. (Graham) Wong (1967–71) has after twenty years in the garment trade had a mid-life career change, and is now a mortgage banker with Affiliated Capital Resources in Santa Monica, California.

Cultural Affairs

The St Kilda Band has been celebrating its centenary this year, and A. F. (Alan) Brieseman (Bandmaster 1962-82) who has been a playing member for 47 years, and who was Champion of Champions (trombone) soloist in 1969 is the centennial committee chairman. L. A. (Les) Green (1951-54, Bandmaster 1961-62) who has been a playing member for 48 years, was recently awarded life membership of the Otago/Southland Brass Band Association. Dr P. V. (Peter) Adams (1972-76) who lectures in music at Otago University, has been musical director since 1992, and is presently in Britain on a six week study tour, taking in the British open championships, and working with university lecturer David King, conductor of Britain's top band, the Yorkshire Building Society. The St Kilda Band was fourth at the Australian championships at Brisbane this year, and runner-up a week later at the NZ championships in Wanganui. At its centennial concert in September, the band played "Centrifuge," a modern piece composed by T. A. (Trevor) Coleman (1973-75), who has been living and composing in

When T. A. (Tom) Bell (1993–97) first registered with WINZ, he was listed as a builder (even though he didn't know which end of a hammer to use!), because being a musician wasn't considered to be a "real job"—despite music being one of the world's biggest industries: ahead of the film industry and just below weaponry in terms of international distribution figures! But he never got a job as a builder, and after a year on the dole he found his own job as a kitchen hand, part-time which enabled him to gain the odd job around Dunedin venues as a guitarist and bass player. His first break came when Dunedin musician David Kilgour invited him to accompany him, and now he has a full-time job developing the Arclife record label on a Task Force Green subsidy. Recent new strategies at WINZ have led to the establishment of the Dunedin Arts Employment Service.

R. J. (Royden) Smither (1994–96) was serving 150 hours of community service for assault by washing cars for DCC Citifleet, when by chance it was noticed that he possessed hidden artistic talent. So he was diverted to paint a mural on their interior garage wall, and now is bieng paid by Citifleet to continue his efforts. Furthermore, he is considering taking a design course at Otago Polytechnic.

After producing books, slides, and videos of the Maniototo, pharmacist and photographer D. J. (Denis) Todd (1953–55) has produced Maniototo Magic, a CD Rom of images of the region.

Sporting Triumphs

A. (Alan) Nicholls (1968–71), Sport Otago's development coordinator has been a staff member for 3 years after previously being Otago/Southland regional manager for Ansett Air Freight. He is mainly concerned with strategic planning and working with local government in the field of sport development. He also assists regional sporting organisations in developing aspects of their strategic plans.

Athletics

P. E. (Eddie) Smith (1993–97) won the Karetai Challenge in record time, won the Clyde/Alexandra road race, and won the senior men's title at the Otago road championships recently. He also competed in the 10km NZ road championships in Hamilton, coming 17th in a field of 54.

Badminton

J. E. (Jeff) Robson (1940-43) was re-elected as a vice president

of the International Badminton Federation, and is heading a committee named "Events" which oversees international championships and tournaments such as the Olympics, world championships, the Sudirman Cup, the Thomas Cup, the Uber Cup, etc.

Basketball

H. J. (Hayden) Allen (1994–98) was recently selected for the NZ Tall Black squad which will tour the USA in November. Despite playing this season for the youthful and rather struggling Nuggets, his form has been such that he was named in the NBL's All Star Five selection. Standing at 185cm (i.e., 6ft 2ins), Hayden is not huge for a basketballer, but the shooting guard has averaged 20 points per game, ending up fifth on this season's NBL individual scorer's table.

Cricket

In what will be Otago's 125th anniversary season, the president of the O.C.A., for his fourth term, will be W. L. (Warren) Shirley (1952–56), while the chairman will be S. B. (Stuart) Heal (1965–70). In charge of organising a series of functions and fundraising ventures associated with the anniversary will be S. M. (Steve) Davie (1970–74), retiring executive trustee for the Skeggs Foundation. One of the events will be the 300 Club dinner in February honouring those NZ cricketers (all from Otago!) who have scored triple centuries: they comprise K. R. (Ken) Rutherford (1979–82) and Bert Sutcliffe, Roger Blunt, Glenn Turner, and Mark Richardson.

Ken Rutherford is returning to New Zealand, having completed a two year contract as cricket coach of Ireland, and will take up a position as a bookmaker with the T.A.B. Ken has always had a strong interest in horseracing, being an owner in New Zealand, and in South Africa where he had a presenting role in "Tellytrack," their equivalent of "Trackside," It is understood that he will be setting the T.A.B. odds for cricket, as well as for horseracing.

Curling

K. G. (Ken) Walker (1960–63), a former international bowler (1987–95) who won the NZ fours title in 1983, and the singles in 1987 has been a key member of the Dunedin intercentre team that has dominated the national bowls event over the past 20 years. Three years ago he decided to transfer his experience gained on the green to the icerink and his progress has been such that in August he won the Dunedin Curling Club's individual points-scoring title at the Big Chill with a total of 24 points.

Cycling

Belgian based G. A. (Gordon) McCauley (1985–88) returned recently from racing in Europe, and went to the recent national road cycling championships in Taranaki hoping to win the time trial. Instead he rode off with the elite road race crown leading the event from start to finish! The following weekend he won cycling Otago's 52km mass start, and is expected to start in next month's Tour of Southland.

B. A. I. (Barry) Veenvliet (1974–78) is continuing his transformation from international kayaker to road cyclist and came second in category two for Cycling Otago's 52km mass start recently.

Golf

B. A. (Brent) McEwan (1995–97) was a member of a four person NZ team which competed, along with 24 other countries, at the Spirit International Amateur Golf Champions, billed as the "Olympics of Golf" and held at the Whispiring Pines Golf Club near Houston, Texas. Brent and his partner won a silver medal in the men's event, while the mixed team won bronze, Joining Brent in the Otago team to contest the Tower interprovincial championships in New Plymouth in November will be clubmate C. G. (Chris) Idour (1983–87) the former Pirates winger.

In July, the fledgling Hawea Golf Club staged its first tournament barely one month after its formation. P. S. (Pat) Milsom (1945–48) was chairman of the steering committee which established the club.

Hockey

L. M. (Merv) Rowe (1949) has been involved in Otago hockey since 1947. As a player he represented the province at all aggroup levels, while as a coach he guided both club and representative teams. He has umpired at all levels of the game, and is both life member and patron of the Otago Hockey Umpire's Association. He is also a past president and life member of the Otago Hockey Association, and a life member of the KHSOB club. In 1989, he was chairman of the The Otago Artificial Surface Trust (TOAST) which laid the first artificial pitch in Dunedin. He is still on the technical bench for all top-level matches played in Dunedin, and is the technical delegate for national tournaments held in the southern region. Recently the International Olympic Committee awarded him a diploma which recognises the outstanding contributions of sports volunteers.

J.P. (Jeremy) Botting (1993–97) was selected for the Otago men's hockey team to contest the national second division tournament in Christchurch.

Rugby

B. J. (Brett) McCormack (1985–89); J. E. (Joe) McDonnell (1986–88); T. E. (Tom) Willis (1992–97), temporary captain; T. E. (Tony) Brown (1993); C. J. (Carl) Hayman (1993–97); and P. C. (Paul) Miller (1994–95) represented Otago in the NPC this season.

It is fashionable up North to portray Otago as a team of imports, but during most of the second half when Otago was demolishing Taranaki, King's comprised one-third of the players on the field: the frontrow of McDonnel, Willis, and Hayman, Miller at No. 8, and Brown at 1st five-eighth!

As well, A. J. (Ashley) Barron (1992–96) represented Southland, and K. (Kupu) Vanisi (1990–91) represented Wellington.

The final in German club rugby was played between DRC Hanover (Based in Hanover) and SC Neuenheim (based in Heidelberg). B. R. (Bevan) Williams (1988–93), S. R. (Stephen) Melville (1989–93) and M. T. (Matt) Leach (1989–93) played for DRC Hanover, and A. C. (Andrew) Melville (1987–92) represented SC Neuenheim—not a bad way to enjoy your OE? The Melvilles are the sons of R. S. (Stuart) Melville (1963–67, Board of Governors 1988–89, Board of Trustees 1989–2001—chairman 1992–2001), a former international athlete.

New All Black

Old Boys Tom Willis and Paul Miller have been selected for the All Black end of year tour to Ireland, Scotland and Argentina.

Soccer

Otago representatives this season were R. D. (Rod) Fleming (1983–87), A. J. (Andy) Coburn (1993–97), and B. E. (Bradley) Scott (1993–97).

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At the Soccer Otago end of season function, Rod Fleming was selected as Sportsman of the Year, and tied with Bradley Scott for the Golden Boot, awarded to the Southern Premier League's top scorer—both scored 17 goals. Young Player of the Year was Andy Coburn.

Surfing

T. W. (Todd) Robertson (1994–97), at 21 the youngest competitor in this year's two-week Rex von Huben Quicksilver Big Wave Challenge, won third place and \$1000 in the country's only big wave competition. The 18 competitors surfed at Catlins and Foveaux Strait venues.

Bits and Pieces

P. J. (Philip) Craigie (1965–70) who was Head Prefect in 1970 has been appointed principal of Kaikorai Valley College which is the merged Kaikorai Valley High School and Kenmure Intermediate. He has been deputy principal of The Taieri High School since 1990, and before that was head of the music department at Otago Boys' High School (1988–89), and taught music at Riccarton High School (1975–87).

W. K. (Wayne) Dixon (1960–64) has been appointed principal of South Otago High School. He has been principal at Aparima College in Riverton since 1994, and before that was principal at Roxburgh Area School (1984–88), and Macandrew Intermediate in 1989. In 1990 he joined the then new Education Review Office before spending the next year in Otaru, Dunedin's Japanese sister city as part of the sister city programme, and

Quiz Answers

- Bill Lucas who also won a medal as best Otago Southland athlete under 15 years of age.
- Cliff Simpson—1943 1st Long Jump (record but not passed), 1st High Jump, 1st Relay (equalling record)—1944 1st 880yds (record), 1st 440yds (equalling record), 3rd Long Jump.
- Stuart Melville who won the Under 14, Junior, and Intermediate for 2 years, in the three meetings with Geoff Knox heading him in the 1967 School Senior Championship.
 - In the Intersecondary Schools (O-S) in 1964 Junior 1st 100yds, 1st 220yds, 2nd 80yd Hurdles—1966 Intermediate 2nd 100yds, 2nd 220yds, 1st 440yds, 1st Relay (record)—1967 Senior 1st 880yds, 1st mile.
- 1941—Peter Walker 1st Intermediate Long Jump (record), 1st High Jump, 2nd Hurdles, 2nd Relay. In 1940 he came first in the Junior High Jump with a record.
 - 1944—Murray Woodrow 1st Junior 100yds (record), 1st 220yds, 1st Relay (record).
 - 1946—John Hair 1st Junior 100yds, 1st 220yds, 1st Relay. 1947—John Cunningham 1st Senior 100yds, 1st 220yds, 1st Long Jump.
- He was School Senior Champion winning the 100 (equalling record), 220, 440 (record) and Long Jump (record) in 1947, 1955—Graham Gosney Senior 1st High Jump, 1st Long Jump, 1st Shot Put, 2nd Javelin.
- The previous year he won the Senior High and Long lumps. 1958—Selwyn Inglis 1st Intermediate 440yds, 1st 880yds, 3rd Relay.
- 1961—Russell Tregonning 1st 100yds, 1st 220, 1st Long Jump, in the 1962 Senior, Russell was 1st 220yds, 2nd 100, 3rd Long Jump, 1st Relay.
- 1972—Steve Davie Junior 1st 100m, 1st 200m, 3rd Relay. 1972—1973—Chris Thomson 1st Senior 100m, 1st 200m, 2nd Long Jump in both years and in winning 1972 Relay.
- Peter Montgomery Senior 100yds, 220yds and 120yd burdles with record times, plus the 440yds.
- 1964 Graham Cooper, 1966 Bruce Cowan, 1967 Stuart Melville, 1968 Neil Hickey.
- Next issue we will complete the second half of this particular quiz.

- one year in Liverpool on an overseas exchange. In 1993 he coordinated a principal support programme which was used by the Ministry of Education throughout Otago and Southland.
- J. W. D. (John) Dunbar (1953–57, Staff 1970–74) who died in September had been at John McGlashan College for 16 years, five of them as deputy principal. He was also on the Council of the Dunedin College of Education as the Council of Combined Trade Unions' representative.
- B. R. (Brian) Davidson (1961–66) has been principal of Darfield Primary School in Canterbury since 1987. Having begun his teaching career at St Clair School in 1970, Brian has taught in several North Otago and Canterbury rural schools and also lectured at Dunedin College of Education as a Teaching Fellow in 1976, Following a long period as chairperson of the Canterbury Country Junior Cricket Board he was presented with a Certificate of Commendation by NZ, Cricket in 1997, for an outstanding contribution to Junior Cricket.
- R. E. (Errol) Holland (1957–60) has retired after 16 years as registrar at the Dunedin College of Education and will be succeeded by a "corporate services manager!" He had an extensive background in accountancy, and the redevelopment of the College into a purpose-built facility was the highlight of his tenure. He believes that the significance of the College to Dunedin is undervalued despite it being among the city's top 15 providers of income, boasting as it does some 1600 students. Errol was also project coordinator for the reconstruction of the main entrance to Knox Church, part of an overall \$3.2 million refurbishment of the church.
- I. B. (Ian) Simpson (1954–58, Staff 1981–82, Rector 1982–97) is one of two ministerial appointments to the Board of Trustees of Forbury School following 18 months under the reins of a Ministry of Education commissioner. Many of our members went to Forbury and their old school is lucky to have the services of Ian who went to "Cavy" their close rival primary school, firstly as acting principal, and from 1st December on the Board.
- B. R. (Bruce) Park (1951–54) has had a farm property at Greenfield (Clutha Valley) since 1964. It has been increased in size since then and has been converted to dairying. Over the years most options have been tried for sheep, cattle, grain, poultry processing, pigs and dairy grazing. All were undertaken as full-scale operations and were successful in their own right. Now Bruce considers dairying the most profitable land use.
- A. J. (Arch) Scorigie (1944–48) and family have farmed at Lee Stream about 45km from Dunedin between Outram and Middlemarch for many years. Currently they have 6500 breeding ewes, 250 breeding cows and 1600 deer on 3800 acres.
- On a lesser farming scale L. S. C. (Stuart) Botting (1957–59) and his wife care for a small flock of merino lambs on their 4ha Mosgiel farmlet for about eight months every year before they are returned to the Central Otago high country in the spring. Recently they decided to put them in jackets for several reasons. One being that Stuart, who is at present a technical officer with Wrightson Wool, says the animals produced a superior wool when covered.
- E. J. (Errol) Hitt (1959–63) is deputy principal of Leeston Consolidated School but has 43 acres in the Rangiora area running about 40 to 60 deer and a few cattle. He is known for growing saffron and thinks that they are the biggest growers in the Southern hemisphere. He says saffron has become a way of life rather than a lifestyle and has led him to destinations and down paths he would never considered possible.
- A. W. (Tony) Roydhouse (1958–62) and his wife purchased a 10 acre Alexandra property while visiting 5 years ago. Tony was

in the telecommunications industry in Wellington. With an eye to the future, a different place to be, and a different lifestyle they decided after research to grow olives. Nearly 900 trees were planted and last year they were living on their land fulltime. Research indicated that olives are a good land use option for extreme conditions of Central Otago. They are less intensive than the other traditional crops of that area such as stone fruit and grapes with a lower start-up cost.

After a 20 year absence R. T. (Ray) Gaul (1965–67) has returned to his province to settle and to develop a \$100,000 mini-golf course in Cromwell. During this absence he has been living in Whangaparaoa, north of Auckland, where he was involved in the computer industry but decided to return south to settle.

There has always been a move from Dunedin to Central Otago but we have noted a drift from the North Island for a different lifestyle or retirement. Other ex-pupils of ours who come to mind are P. C. (Peter) Gray (1942–45) a former president of the New Zealand Society of Accountants, and national chairman of KPMG Peat Marwick from Auckland to Wanaka. M. W. (Murdoch) Taylor (1945–49) a former Comptroller of NZ Customs, and M. B. (Michael) Hyndman (1957–61) one time with Treasury, have moved from Wellington to Wanaka, with G. C. (Gordon) McKay (1936–40) from Whangamata (east of Thames) to Cromwell, and N. R. (Nick) Redshaw (1951–54)) from Huntly to Alexandra.

Our inveterate traveller D. H. (David) Horne (1954–58) who has publicly admitted to the addiction has now visited 156 of the 314 recognised as countries. He received a silver membership card for 150 countries from the Travellers Centurian Club luncheon in Los Angeles in September. The U.S. was left a day or two before the 11th. It's Afghanistan on the list for next year?! A future issue will cover the amusing and scary.

S. H. (Stephen) Isaacs (5F 1966–68) who has lived in Israel for 3 years fearing terrorism came closest to it on a business trip to the United States. Stephen boarded a flight leaving New York at the same time as another New York plane was high jacked and minutes later flown into the World Trade Centre. We gather that his work in Israel involves electric motors causing him to travel to the U.S. at times. Prior to reaching and settling in Israel he built a vehicle and travelled from South Africa north through other parts of Africa.

R. E. (Roger) James (1981–85) a son of A. E. (Arthur) James (1952–56) began working with Conservation International on the island of Makira, Solomon Islands, firstly with a pigeon hunting study, then working with villagers to establish a conservation area on tribal land. Last year he had to come home as the result of a coup. Roger went through Lincoln, Otago and Auckland Universities completing at the latter a Masters in Zoology with a thesis on breeding of NZ pigeon, and impact, or otherwise of rat poisoning. He has worked with T.V.N.Z. Natural History, and D.O.C. involving the Takahe programme in Fiordland.

G. J. (George) Tofield (1947–51, Staff 1964–68, 1970–97) was well known to his pupils for his interest in classic motorcycles. In September he headed off with four others to travel about 2000km on Indian Enfield motorcycles, starting just south of New Delhi. These motorcycles are new and were made in India at factories transplanted in the 1950's when the Royal Enfield Motorcycle Company closed.

R, D. (David) Orr (1948–50) who died this year was a tradesman electrician who reputedly wore a collar and tie under his overalls because of the crowded nature of his extra work commitments (mostly volunteer). He was a former Grandmaster (national head) of the Masonic Lodge, overseeing the activities of the country's 14 districts, and attained the rank of major in the NZ Army's territorial force, ultimately commanding 3 Independent Field Squadron, a combined force of regular and territorial South Island troops. He began his electrical apprenticeship with A & T Burt, and had stints with Cadbury Fry Hudson, the Otago Hospital Board, and the DCC electricity department before joining the family firm in 1964. David maintained a life long interest in the scouting movement, served on school committees and the Bayfield High School Board of Governors, was an office-bearer with St Kilda Rotary, and was overall a deceptively quiet and generous man who poured energy into the community, while not neglecting his own interests and the life of his family.

A. R. (Arthur) Rockliff (1951-54), who died this year, was a founding member and the driving force behind the Taieri Gorge Railway and the Ocean Beach Railway projects. He has been described as the inspirational "father" behind many of Otago's railway preservation projects, realising early their tourist potential. He was instrumental in forming the Otago Excursion Train Trust, to run excursions for local people (and others!). He worked for NZ Railways, initially as a junior cadet, before serving as relieving station master at many Otago rural stations (before they were closed!) and was stationmaster at Ravensbourne from 1966-72. Up until he retired in 1987 he was in the accounts department in Dunedin. Subsequently he held several positions with Taieri Gorge Railway, most recently full-time special duties manager. Of equal importance to Arthur's life was his work for and devotion to All Saints Anglican Church (he was the third of five generations to be baptised there) being ultimately vicar's warden.

Prof. T. J. (Tim) Hazledine (1961–65) Auckland University economist considers New Zealand and Australia should adopt a joint ANZAC currency. New Zealand was the smallest OECD

Obituaries

- R. L. (Russell) Buchanan (1951) died at Palmerston North
- R. R. (Ray) Timmins (1941) died at Queenstown 5/7/01
- W. M. (Murray) Woodrow (1943-47) died at Christchurch 24/7/01
- L. A. (Laurie) Haig (1965-67) died at Balclutha 19/8/01
- A. R. (Ray) Langford (1937-39) died at Dunedin 27/8/01
- T. A. (Thomas) McCloy (1939–41) died at Bangalow, N.S.W., Australia 31/8/01
- W. E. (Warwick) Brock (1956-59) of Naseby, died at Dunedin
- A. G. (Allan, "Chappie") Henderson (1944-46) died at Auckland
- T. D. (Travis) Durbin (1986) died at Perth, Western Australia
- D. M. (David) Reid (1998-2000) died at Dunedin 13/9/01
- J. W. D. (John) Dunbar (1953–57, Staff 1970–74) died at Dunedin 17/9/01
- J. A. P. (Jim) Black (1940-43) died at Tauranga 20/9/01
- G. T. (Tom) Parker (1937-39) died at Dunedin 21/9/01
- N. L. (Norm) Wilson (Staff 1956-57) died at Lower Hutt 10/10/01
- S. D. (Stefan) Maydon (1989) died at Dunedin 12/10/01
- C. D. (Colin) McLean (1960-62) of Mosgiel, died at Dunedin 15/10/01

country to have a fully independent monetary policy and he says "good riddance" to that dubious status.

Prof. P. E. (Peter) Holst (1951–55) a medical researcher, practitioner and health administrator was appointed as an acting head of department at the Wellington School of Medicine earlier this year. Peter was a full-time member of the Wellington school's academic staff from 1974–93. He recently served as director of continuing education for the Royal Australasian College of Physicians.

Prof. C. D. (Colin) Mantell (1953–57) of Auckland was one of four appointed to a special committee by the Environmental Risk Management Authority (Erma) from an original panel that considered the AgResearch application for genetic engineering field trials. This committee was to urgently carry out the court ordered reconsideration of the insertion of human gene codes in cows.

Dr W. H. F. (Wayne) Sutherland (1958–62) a research fellow at the University of Otago's Dunedin School of Medicine, plus a cardiologist are investigating potential beneficial effects on heart arteries of garlic. Wayne said a 1997 study of rabbits, conducted in Australia, pointed to potential benefits in improving the function of cardiac arteries where heart disease was present. They received a \$34000 grant from the Otago Medical Research Foundation.

F. N. (Neville) Wilson (1949–53) since his retirement as a secondary school principal and some time teaching in China has been heavily involved in voluntary work for the Citizens Advice Bureau. He is resident in Christchurch and currently National President of the New Zealand Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux.

R. T. J. (Russ) Gillions (1947–49) of Dunedin is President of the Funeral Directors Association of New Zealand and has been involved in establishing a quality assurance scheme for funeral directors. Although it is possible for anyone in New Zealand to start a funeral business as it is unregulated, members of Griefcare will go through a stringent testing process in order that clients of those businesses will be assured of top quality service.

W. J. (Jim) Banwell (1949–50) a retired painter and decorator has been driving a train for a few years, and W. B. (Warren) Ockwell (1949–50) a retired builder built a bus. Jim is a volunteer driver of the Children's Recreation Enterprise Support Trust Community Express—a train which gives children and others rides around the Dunedin Botanic Gardens. Train proceeds provide a series of annual grants towards the city's needy children. Warren has contributed to many facilities at the Rainbow Pre-School a South Dunedin childcare centre and is known as Poppa. Tot-sized bus seats from Japanese kindergarten buses became available free and using three double seats, a trolley frame, scrap material plus individual seat belts the "Rainbow Express" was built.

The "Star" community paper produces at times a half page titled "From the files of The Evening Star 30 years ago" and the school has figured at odd times. One showed a photo of H. R. (Huia) Ockwell (1949–52, Staff 1961–63, 1969–74), B. R. (Brian) Alderson (1967–71), V. M. (Val) Guytonbeck (1966–71) and R. D. (Robert) Larkin (1966–71) with the wording, "The best brains in the business! Senior pupils of King's High School with their business advisor admire the trophy they won in the national business management contest in 1970 which they intend to defend in 1971."

Some parents do have 'em! Professor Helen Heslop, daughter of J. H. (John) Heslop (1938-42), who runs a bone marrow transplant unit (amongst other duties) in Houston, Texas was too busy to return for a class reunion in Dunedin: she was accepting the Doris Duke Distinguished Clinical Scientist Award (worth \$1.5 million U.S.) for her cancer research. Meanwhile Emma Cassells, daughter of the late D. G.A. (David) Cassells (1938–41) and an environmental planner in Christchurch is honorary consul for Uruguay, a surprising appointment by such a macho country and believed to be unique.

Old Boys will be interested to learn that Michael Crombie, great grandson of W. (Bill) Lang (Rector 1948–61) is a third former at King's. His father Graham was head boy at Bayfield High School, his grandmother Margaret Lang was dux at O.G.H.S., and his great grandparents Bill Lang (O.B.H.S.) and Olive Roy (O.G.H.S.) each dux of their respective schools. With such a pedigree, it seems unlikely that he will become a "lout," even though his great grandfather was fain to observe that every school had one (or was that two? or maybe three? or ...?)!

Rev. K. D. (Ken) Baker (1961–66), who is one of five brothers who went to King's, was appointed Presbyterian Support Services Dunedin residential aged care chaplain for the three homes in the area. After teaching High School for a few years in Winton, Tonga and Balclutha, he enrolled in theological training at Knox College. Ken's first parish ministry was in Ashburton. This was followed by several years as an Army Chaplain based at Waioura, then Christchurch.

R. S. (Stuart) Melville (1963–67) is chairman of Age Concern Otago. After being on the King's High School Board of Trustees since 1989 (the inception of Tomorrow's Schools) and Chairperson since 1992 he did not offer himself for re-election.

L. J. (Lindsay) Brown (1956–60) is now chairman of the Otago/Southland Division of the Cancer Society.

R. T. (Roy) Summers (1950–52) is St John Wanaka area committee chairman which organisation has been raising funds (\$1 million required) for a new headquarters.

E. L. (Lox) Kellas (1960–66) who is the senior constable at Portobello on the Otago Peninsula stated that "Every time I come across a cannabis plot somewhere, I leave my business card and ask them to contact me to claim it back. It's called quality customer service. I haven't had a response yet." An Indian film crew set part of a movie at Larnach Castle. Among the 70 or so extras was Lox who it was stated tried to act like a police officer. Another was piper D. R. (Dugald) Mackay (1968–71).

Judges at the 2001 Liquorland Top 100 International Wine Competition included R. (Raymond) Chan (1970–74) a wine consultant, and Prof. I. MacG (Ivan) Donaldson (1955–59) of Pegasus Bay winery.



OLD BOYS OF THE SCHOOL SERVED IN EAST TIMOR
The photograph was taken at the medal parade where all those Dunedin
based personnel who had served in East Timor received their medals.
Jason Isaac (1993–94), Bernard Flaherty (1992–96).