

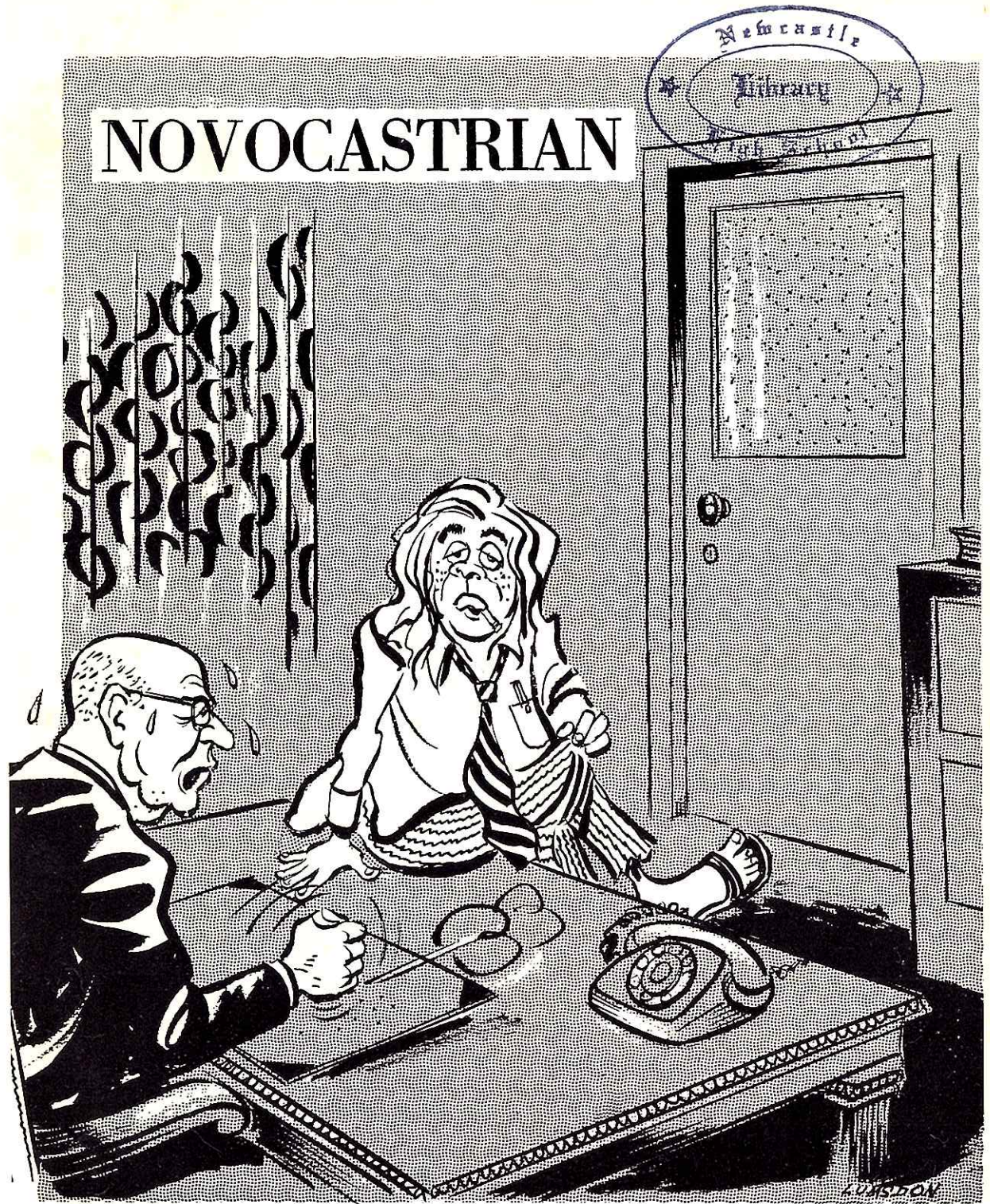
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NEWCASTLE BOYS' HIGH YEAR BOOK 1973

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Any visible change at Newcastle Boys' High School will not be apparent before late next year. However, at the time the committee for this year's magazine met, change was in the air. As a historical document this magazine reflects some of the change about to take place.

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FOREWORD . . .

It will be almost fifty years from the time Newcastle Boys' High School was conceived until the last students leave the school in 1978.

The original Newcastle High School was co-educational. The Principal, Mr. C. R. Smith, [see the portrait near the library] argued to keep the school co-educational. Had he succeeded in convincing the authorities Newcastle Boys' High would not have existed. This foreword was written in March 1929.

Co-education has developed as a common practice in the country High Schools of N.S.W. chiefly for administrative and economic reasons. But the tendency to-day is to consider the question more and more from the standpoint of our larger educational purpose, and from our better understanding of child nature. Apart from specific objects in sending children to school, we must remember that we expect these children to become men and women, and as such, they should know how to conduct themselves in mixed company in all degrees of complexity. People who have travelled widely with eyes open have frequently commented on the awkwardness and self-consciousness of children brought up exclusively with members of their own sex. We may differ as to whether girls and boys should be taught altogether the same subjects in school, and as to whether they should be taught in altogether the same way. But there can hardly be any question that much of the daily activity of the growing child should be the same for both sex and that they should share a great deal of each other's company.

There are still, however, plenty of doubts and difficulties, but many of the commonest objections need to be taken seriously. Are girls to play football, or are boys to spend their time in dancing? Is it good for boys to be tied throughout their High School life to women's apron-strings? — such should be treated as rhetorical questions which expect no answer. Some questions, however, are more serious. Is it not adding danger to difficulty to keep the sexes together during the period of sex-development in any child's life? Or again, if, in addition to natural differences of strength or capacity, it is an observed physiological fact that boys and girls do not develop alike, but at different rates and different times, must not setting them to follow the same course do inevitable harm to one sex or the other, by making demands that must be either excessive or insufficient? Difficulties such as these cannot be lightly dismissed; and co-education, whatever the advantages it promises cannot be accepted as an article of educational faith until it has been shown that these difficulties are either less serious than they look, or that, if they are boldly faced, some greater gain lies in the means by which they can be overcome.

The aim of bringing up boy and girl together is not to make them alike, but to see that neither sex is debarred from the fullest individual development by merely conventional differences of treatment. The purpose of education should be to provide all possible opportunity for the growth of individuality and to make all possible allowance for individual differences, so that each can become his best self. On the one side, there is the humanising influence that the presence of girls exerts on

boys, not only in language and manners and weightier matters of conduct, but also in ideas of government and methods of exerting authority. The common life together provides the natural correction for the pettiness and sentimentality rife amongst girls when thrown upon themselves and their own interests alone. If the boy needs civilising by the girl, no less, in other ways, is the girl's nature made fuller and more human by daily contact with the boy.

It is just in this matter of comradeship, however, that co-education presents a danger. It is feared that, if brought up together, boys must inevitably be made effeminate by the example of girls; while girls will no less inevitably lose their womanly qualities and become mere copies of boys. This fear rests on a belief that in co-education, boys and girls must do exactly the same things—but co-education does not mean this. Again, it is feared that growing up together, boy and girl will remain indifferent to each other and lose the glamour of romance. In this, there is this much truth, that the daily intercourse of school life on equal terms tends to postpone the emergence of sex-consciousness and allows natural sex attraction to develop on sounder lines of comradeship. It is further feared by some that this normal development will mean falling in love at an age when students ought to be concentrating their energies on school work and examinations. But, instead of inducing precocious love-making, common work, common interests and the hourly intercourse of a common life afford a natural outlet for feelings that, if thwarted, are apt to turn to silliness or worse.

In addition to these fears, there remains the difficulty that boy and girl develop at different rates and, in consequence, what at any given age may be good for the one, may be bad for the other. The curve of growth is not the same for the two sexes. The girl develops earlier and, up to fifteen or so, is usually a year, or even two, in advance of the boy. Up to this age, therefore, it is easy for her to hold her own in everything, except matters of physical strength. After fifteen, the boy's development is in all ways more rapid, while that of the girl slackens, and at this stage it would be a mistake to insist on their working at the same things and at the same rate. The common general course should give place to special lines of work in accordance with the peculiar bent and future needs of each sex. But whatever differences in the courses followed in these later years, there is still much both in work and school life that can be shared. Whatever the career in view, and the special lines of work that lead up to it, time must still be found for keeping up studies in language, in literature, in history, in art—the rightly called "humanities", whose purpose is the enriching of the mind with the treasures of imagination and feeling, as well as the utilities of knowledge. In these studies there is a wide field of common work, of great gain to both, in which the girl is at no disadvantage; and in this field the co-operation of the sexes adds greatly to the range of what can be accomplished, and so to the fulness and happiness of life. Adolescence craves happiness as its right, and games are the main thing relied upon to satisfy the craving. But to how many can games give this satisfaction, and what sort of satisfaction is it, at best? Only in filling both the working and leisure hours of life with manifold interests and healthful activities is any real satisfaction to be found such as will last after school days are over; a satisfaction the more real and the more lasting, if these interests and activities are shared by both sexes, and so form a bond of common experience and common memories associated with the enthusiasms and aspirations of youth; that is one of the most delightful and at the same time one of the most helpful contributions that school life can make.

EDITORIAL . . .

Change and its effect on the peoples of the world is a talking point for Commentators and a writing point for Columnists and Authors.

Newcastle Boys' High School is very subject to a change at this period. 1973 saw the implementation of the Education Minister's statement to phase out Selective High Schools in Newcastle. Despite considerable opposition it now appears that Newcastle Boys' High School, a school of great strength and long tradition, is to be eliminated and replaced by a co-educational locality High School known as Waratah High School. The locality intake begins in 1974 but the girls do not enrol until 1976 when buildings are planned to be complete.

The cry of 'Boys' High' around so many sporting arenas is to disappear. The abolition of crest, motto, flag, name etc. is reminiscent of the disbanding of a famous regiment. Newcastle Boys' High School will become history in the educational pattern of Newcastle and New South Wales.

If this move has been considered necessary then I think it is most unfortunate that it has been decided not to develop a Senior High School. I feel sure that there was ample community support for such action. These have been in use in Tasmania and are about to be introduced in Canberra. There was an excellent opportunity here to take the initiative for New South Wales. I am convinced that Social pressures will force their introduction in the very near future. Why not now?

The Student Body of any School must have some reaction to the general disturbance in educational administration in New South Wales - In the general field we have:—

- (1) the Karmel Report and its effect on educational finance.
- (2) the Minister's White Paper on The Community and Its Schools with the overtones of School Councils and Regional Boards.

In the School scene we have new courses like Social Science in Form 1. A greater pressure for the introduction of Sex Education and the phasing out of the School Certificate by 1975. 1975 too, will see restructuring of courses in the Senior School - changes in certain syllabuses and reallocations of period allowances for subjects.

This year too, Seniors are faced with choice problems if they seek tertiary education.



The Federal Government has made entry to Universities financially free which makes the quota system even tighter - However, the growth of the C.A.E. presents the student with an alternative but an alternative with multitudinous choices which are difficult to interpret at this early stage in the Colleges development. Finance available under Commonwealth Scholarships has altered in Form 5.

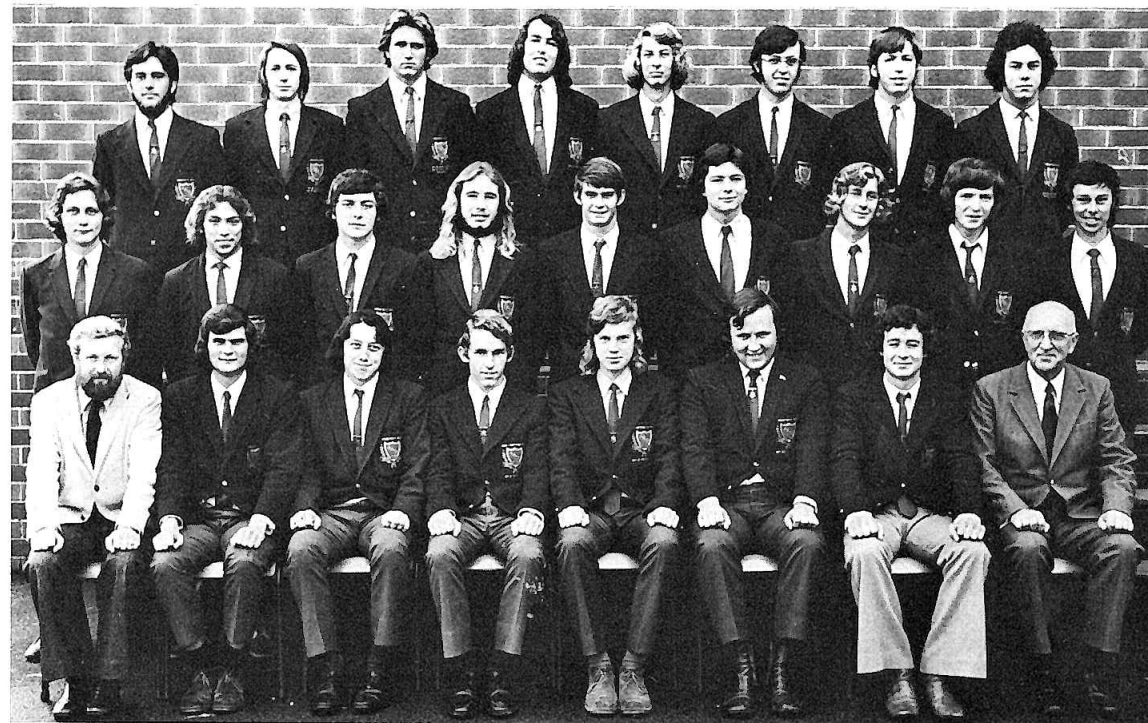
Teachers College Scholarships are now personal loans and not annual payments.

Despite these many outside factors the Higher School Certificate still remains as the examination hurdle for 6th Form Students.

A School tries to establish a balance between the pursuit of academic skills, sporting skills and citizenship leading to the development of a well-adjusted outlook. This world still needs a search for academic excellence as much as the development of technical knowledge and labouring skills.

It is to be hoped that schools will continue to encourage this search for academic skills whilst at the same time serving the many demands of industry and society.

L.T.RICHARDSON



N.B.H.S. PREFECTS

CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE

Newcastle Boys' High School, one of the best in the state, scholastically, sporting-wise, and in every other aspect, is about to die.

Side by side in the coffin, go the traditions, the heritage, the achievements, and the distinction that the school has built up over the decades. Mr. "Selective" is buried to make way for Mr. & Mrs. "Comprehensive".

The concept of single-sex schools in this day and age is idiotic. No-one could logically argue that co-education is a hazard to either the health or the education of a student. If anything, single-sex schools do more harm than good in that they restrict natural mixing of opposites: something which instinctively happens in normal society and yet for some unknown reason, not between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays. However, I need argue no further on that point because co-education is to become a reality among Newcastle's city schools (with the compliments of Mr. Willis).

Something which is needed almost as much as co-education, but which is not to be realised (compliments of Mr. Willis), is the segregation of the 'junior' and 'senior' forms. For great, bulky, hairy, 18 year-olds to be educated in the same school by the same staff, under the same administration and the same 'rules', as young 12 year-olds, fresh out of primary school, who "run around the 'playground' like rabbits", is a phenomena which should never have occurred. With the adoption of Dr. Wyndam's hair-brain scheme, senior co-ed. high schools should have been established, in an attempt to relieve the resentment of the new system, and more importantly, to make the aims of the Wyndam scheme more realistic.

A school especially designed for juniors would have as many advantages for them, as senior high schools would have for seniors.

The arguments for and against the retention of selective high schools in Newcastle are all fairly well known: I do think that students of comparable intellect work more effectively and can be taught with more effectiveness than a group of students in which there are I.Q.'s ranging from one end of the scale to the other. But all criticisms and objections to the new system of comprehensive high schools are in vain because the government has 'made up his mind'.

I genuinely believe that for students studying for the Higher School Certificate, the atmosphere and all other features of a senior, selective, co-educational high school would have more benefits for both the pupils and the community into which they enter, than under either the present or the proposed systems.

I would like to personally thank Denis Kilroy, the vice-captain, for all his individual assistance, Alan Randell, whose initial organisation ensured that the prefects functioned efficiently, and all the prefects for their support during the year. Special mention must be made of Mr. Les Davies, the Prefect Master, whose guidance, friendship and good nature earned him the respect and admiration of all the prefects.

In conclusion I would like to wish the school the best for the future, no matter how short that may be, and let us hope that the 'bold' step taken by the government in instigating such a change is a success and not just another practical blunder.

DAVID MULLIGAN

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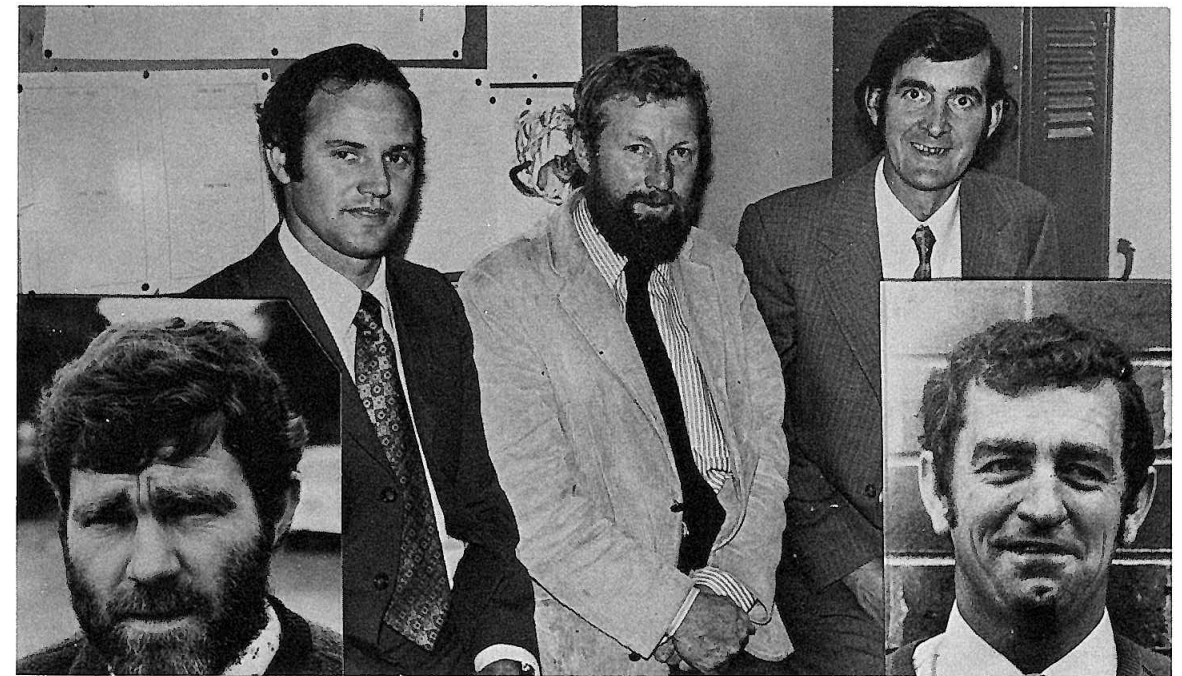
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LANGUAGE FACULTY
 Standing: C.Goffet, D.Brinkley, D.Wood, J.Allen.
 Seated: N.McLeod, G.Woodward.



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K.Bridges, C.Goffet, Mrs.D.Shield, R.Delaney, K.Giddy [inset].

STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

The SRC this year has failed to achieve the aims it was created for, but why? The actual meetings and results depend on the attitude of the members themselves, but the evolution of ideas to necessitate these meetings lies with you, the school body. The SRC cannot function without the involvement of a majority of the school - if not every person in the school, but the apathy in this school kills any serious move to create interest in participation.

Surely every person can see the need for change in many aspects of school life. If nothing is done as nobody takes interest, this will be carried over into later life when people allow themselves to be handled, as long as the administration leaves them alone. This is exactly what happens in schools today. But as the media grows, and people become more aware of social and political systems, this apathy will diminish and be replaced by a growing need for change. This is what the SRC is striving for - change.

"In response to rapid changes in society, schooling has new purposes. There is a recognition that learning should have both a social and a personal orientation. Schools tend to use more flexible programmes of learning experiences, and the individual interests and abilities of teachers and pupils are given more opportunity for development. Schools now function with reduced central constraint but they have an increased obligation to be responsive to pupil, community and system needs." This passage from a paper by the State Government sums up their view of the changing system in schools. They are becoming more aware of the problem of a co-mingling in and out of school and thus are in the process of reform at the administrative level, but it is up to us to respond to this reform - to change our own attitude; and our teacher's attitude as indeed it must. Student-teacher relationships must also co-mingle, instead of the authoritarian attitude some teachers hold at present. To do this, both parties must give a little and help in this adjustment, as many pupils would find benefit in the altering of several existing rules and regulations.

The course must be altered to suit the pupils interests, there should be no compulsory subjects, and a far wider range; and the teacher should explore and guide the student on interesting data at his/her own level, and thus the course would be interesting, instead of the boredom that finds its way into teachers and pupils.

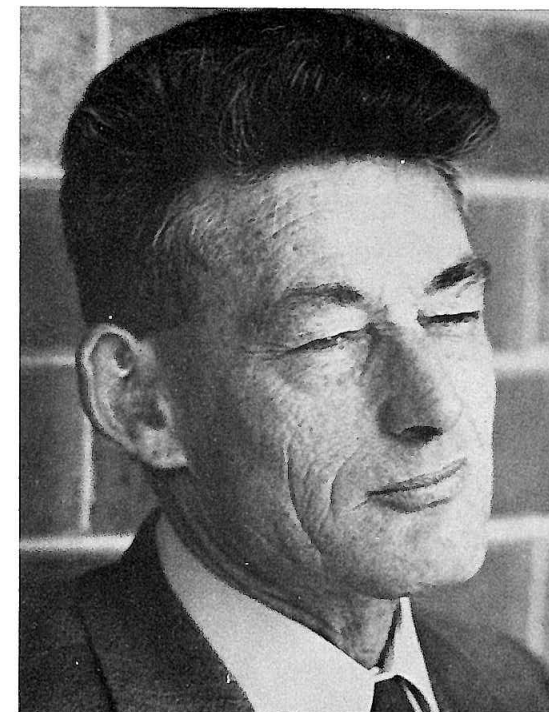
Examinations must cease and academic competition die out with the new objective system. "In the past, the kinds of tests underlying the school reports, by which a young adolescent has so often been judged, have taken no account of personal qualities such as social skill, creativity and application to task."

Students should have a right of say in the new "School Council" being formed, but as yet not only has the Department disallowed this, but it also has reduced the authority of these Councils.

Drug and sex education, careers advising, personal counselling, driver education and many other new activities should become commonplace in the not to distant future. "A school cannot afford to become a 'closed shop'. Between the modern school and its environment there must be a two way interaction."

There is a growing awareness for the need to change our environment, but without a boost from public participation, it will be only realized by our children.

BRETT FRASER



STAN MUDFORD

Among the many changes that are due to take place in this school, there is one at least that must give us all a tinge of regret.

At the end of the year, Mr. Stan Mudford will take up the position of Deputy Principal at the newly-formed Lambton High School, and we warmly congratulate him on his promotion. But we shall certainly miss him at N.B.H.S.

Mr. Mudford is an old boy of our school, having come across from the old high school on the hill to the present site at Waratah.

After gaining his Leaving Certificate here in 1935, he graduated in Agricultural Science at the University of Sydney.

He came back to our school as a science teacher in 1950, and has been our Science Master since 1960.

He is widely known as an authority on the teaching of physics, which subject has remained his chief hobby. However, like many other scientists, he also takes a deep interest in philosophy.

On the several occasions that he has acted as Deputy Principal here, we have enjoyed the dry humour in certain of his pronouncements.

We wish him well in his new school.



Photo Newcastle Sun

DINO HOLDS ONE-MAN SHOW

Dino Consalvo, 16-year-old son of a Tighes Hill electrician, last night watched the opening of his first one-man exhibition at the Cottage Gallery, Hamilton.

For Dino, possibly the youngest artist in the State to stage his own exhibition, painting is a vital means of expression.

"I don't really like to say what they are about", he said, surveying the 21 oil paintings that make up the show. "I want the people who see them to make up their own minds."

"My paintings involve people, feelings and the real character of the subjects under the surface.

"I usually don't title them."

But he has for the exhibition. One of them, "The Old Drunk Catching a Butterfly", is based on an actual incident one day as he left a rugby league match.

"This is the painting I had the most fun doing", he said.

Dino, a fifth year pupil at Newcastle Boys' High School, said he spent most nights in his studio, built in the front yard of his parents' home.

His latest project is a large mural on "escapism".

"My best mood for painting is either anger or frustration", he said. "I started the mural sick and tired of everything and wanting to get away".

He hopes to have more of his paintings exhibited in Sydney later this year.

NEWCASTLE MORNING HERALD

ART SUCCESSES

This year, Boys' High somehow managed to get itself quite a reputation in Art. The good name of the school, was quite successfully upheld, or maybe held up for the first time, due to the artistry of quite a number of students.

Our long string of unbelievable successes, started with Dino Consalvo's one youth exhibition at the Cottage Gallery. Dino, always one to paint pictures, spent many a sleepless night dipping brush into paint in preparation for the exhibition, so thanks must go to Mrs. Shields (Mrs. Shields is the art teacher) for letting him take the odd nap during art lessons.

Mark Adams, because he had to, submitted an entry into the Hunter Valley Research Foundation Cahill Memorial Art competition and managed to convince the judges that he should win the senior section. Mark claims he was inspired by gazing out the window while Mr. Rooney was giving a lesson on poetry. Our thanks go to Mr. Rooney for not noticing. Peter Hunt received a highly commended and Scot Taylor of Form 1 won the Junior section. Next in our pageant of glorious victories was Peter Hunt's win of the Arts council poster competition. Peter's first words after the news was 'how?' which quickly changed to 'When do I get it?' after he heard the prize was \$50.

Dino somehow got a second with a painting he "messed up" and didn't quite manage to complete, which shows how skillful Dino must be.

It was then decided that we should show the other schools how good we are, so we exhibited paintings by Dino Consalvo and Scott Taylor, and poetry by Jon Henderson of last years 6th Form at the High Schools Exhibition in Shortland Teachers College. Just to let the



message sink in, we had many excellent paintings entered into the 'Sun Art Show', including a wonderful piece of work by myself.

In the hope of finding hidden talent for future years, Mrs. Shields (the art teacher) let first form do 'balloon sculpture', and also let 2nd and 3rd form muck around, and generally have a real shindig of a time messing with clay, wire copper and other constituents of devotion the idea in mind being that they were to create major works.

J. DERKENNE

ON LIFE

We all offend
 But none try to mend
 Our own self-deception
 We are what we are
 But we would that we were
 What we say that we are
 We try to deceive
 So that friends misconceive
 What we are and believe
 We indulge one and all
 In a NECESSITY we call
 The dirty big crawl.

DENIS KILROY

HOCKEY



SENIOR HOCKEY

During 1973, Hockey in Newcastle Boys High has grown in stature. The Senior team this year was entered in three competitions, the statewide Wales Cup High Schools Knockout, the Zone B competition and the Saturday afternoon Newcastle association "D" Grade competition.

In all competitions the team has met with outstanding success, due mainly to their early season dedication to training.

In the Wales Cup the team gained a bye in the first round and then in subsequent rounds defeated. Gunnedah 4-3, Warners Bay 2-1, Taree 2-1, Epping 2-1, the latter being a very good win over a team which had scored 25 goals and conceded only 2 in their previous two games. Following four good wins the team was drawn to play Murwillumbah in a semi-final, at Murwillumbah. The team was defeated 8-0 after seventy minutes of very fast hockey in temperatures exceeding 85°F. Murwillumbah went on to win the Wales Cup defeating Goulburn 3-1 in the final.

In the Zone B competition the teams 15 undefeated and at present they are leading the Saturday afternoon competition.

Outstanding players were hard to find in the team which played very well. Some who deserve special mention are Paul Neilson and Alan Randall whose defence was outstanding. Chris Turner and John Buxton were the pick of

the forwards, between them they scored the majority of the teams goals.

During the year Alan Randall was selected in the Newcastle Open Mens Team which played against Auckland, and John Buxton and Paul Neilson were selected in N.S.W. C.H.S. II's, congratulations to those boys on fine performances.

I would like to thank all boys for their efforts during the year and congratulate them on their performances.

K.BRIDGES (coach)

JUNIOR HOCKEY

This year, our junior hockey team was entered in two major competitions; the Wednesday afternoon school-boy competition; and a Saturday morning Junior Mens' competition.

The Wednesday afternoon competition saw this team win in the majority of games with the only persistent defeats being suffered at the hands of Hill High. The squad consisted of 18 players.

Unfortunately the same cannot be said for the Saturday morning competition in which we finished fifth in the five-team under 16 second division competition, losing or forfeiting (because of a lack of players) all games except one which resulted in a draw. The major reason for these



Standing: Mr.K.Bridges [Coach], T.O'Brien, G.Littler, S.Pryde, A.Randell, G.Foster.
Seated: M.White, S.White, D.Kilroy, D.Mulligan, J.Williamsen, R.Bates.

defeats was the lack of team members - nine being the size of the average team.

Finally, the thanks of the team should go to K.Bridges (coach and manager) and the members of the senior team, particularly A.Randell, for their assistance on Wednesday afternoons to the team, many of whom had never played hockey before, and P.Kleeman for acting as coach and manager on Saturday mornings.

J.SANSOM (Capt.)

HOCKEY 1973

The 1973 hockey season proved to be the most satisfying the team has experienced since their formation four years ago. Perhaps the best result of the year was the beginning of a junior hockey team consisting of mainly junior form members. Considering their lack of experience, their prospects are outstanding since they have shown determinative enthusiasm and basic ability.

The senior team entered three major competitions. In the State-wide Wales Trophy competition, the team reached the semi-finals. Qualifying-round wins against Gunnedah 4-3, Warners Bay 2-1, Taree 2-1 and Epping 2-1 excited the partisan spectators and reflected the high standard and suspense of the games. At Murwillumbah the team was given a lesson in combination hockey by a perfectionist side. The oppressive heat, high humidity and water-logged grounds combined to upset our team and so

allow the more adaptive Murwillumbah side to score 8 goals, the majority in the second half. Murwillumbah eventually won the Trophy and we congratulate them since they deserved their victory.

The Saturday afternoon men's competition was a tribute to the consistency of the team. Finishing third, the team won the "sudden-death" semi-final 3-nil with a superb display of safety play showing surprising maturity. In the final, a close game again showed the teams consistency in making few mistakes when they won 3-nil. The grand-final produced scrappy play due to heavy rain influence and in a game that could have ended in either teams favour, we were defeated 3-1.

The third competition, on Wednesday afternoons showed conclusively that the team was superior to any other in the area. However, committed to other activities, five forfeits were conceded which destroyed any chance of winning the competition.

It would be impossible to single any one player, though John Buxton, always constructive and inspiring in attack, and Paul Neilson, defensible in a tight game, deserved their C.H.S. State representation.

Finally as captain, I would like to congratulate all players for an enjoyable season of dedicated, whole-hearted hockey and I congratulate them on their successes and honourable defeats.

Thanks to Messrs. Bridges, Giddy and Richardson are expressed by the team for support and encouragement throughout the season.

A.RANDELL (Capt.)



The Annual Speech Day was held at the Newcastle City Hall on May 29th. This function is one of the major outings in the school's year and it is on this afternoon that the school's academic and sporting achievements are recognised and rewarded.

Commencing at 1.00 p.m. with the school pledge and school song, the Headmaster, Mr. Richardson, then welcomed visitors and guests and invited The Lord Mayor, Alderman Doug McDougall, to take the chair.

After a short address from the Lord Mayor and a comprehensive report on the school's academic and sporting achievements by Mr. Richardson, the President of the P. and C., Mr. Oliver, moved the adoption of the Principal's report.

Mr. Griff Duncan spoke on Education and expressed his views on the selective high school system which is rapidly dying out.

Following the presentation of special Memorial prizes and awards, the academic prizes were awarded by Mrs. E. E. Gray and Mrs. S. B. Jones. Later other school and sporting awards were presented.

Mr. Ted. Gray, the Director of Education in the Newcastle area, then proceeded to congratulate the prize-winners and finally David Mulligan, School Captain, thanked the City Council for the use of the City Hall and the P. and C. Association for their untiring support of the school.

P.S.: For those with a copy of the 1972 Novocastrian, you may notice a remarkable similarity between this year's report and 1972's. You're absolutely right! Approximately fifteen words were deleted to keep the date current and Mr. Lacey, Mr. Buchan and Ian McPhee replaced with the current serving officials.

Such a static and stultifying ceremony must go!

TOM CUTHBERT

AWARDS AND PRIZES, 1972

Memorial Prizes—

Mrs. Alice Chichester Memorial Prize for Dux of Form 6: Richard Adams.

Finlay Donald McLeod Memorial Prize for Captain: Ian McPhee.

Kenneth Sanderson Memorial Prize 2nd in Form 6: Ian Watson.

The Captain John Cleary Memorial Prize For Modern History, Level 1: Richard Adams

The Captain John Cleary Memorial Prize for English, Level 1: Jeffrey Lomndes.

W. J. Cochrane Memorial Prize for Science: Level 1: Peter Ramadge.

Murree-Allen Memorial Prize for Mathematics, Level 1: Ian Watson.

Special Awards—

Ross Mearns Award: Ian McPhee.

Basil Helmore Award: Brian Iredale.

ACADEMIC PRIZES FOR 6th FORM

The Newcastle Businessmen's Club Prize for Economics, Level 1: Brian Daley.

Whitcombe & Tombs Prize for Economics, Level II: John Walker.

The Mayfield Lions Club Prize for Geography, Level 1: Malcolm Tuft and Jeffrey Lowndes.

John Lysaght Prize for Geography, Level II: Edmund Hennessy.

Lord Mayors Prize for Ancient History, Level I: Neli Lawson.

Lord Mayors Prize for Ancient History, Level II: Ross Murray.

German Consulate Prize for German: Ian McPhee.
P. & C. Prize for Industrial Arts: Danny Llewellyn.
P. & C. Prize for Art: Level I Jon Henderson; Level II Norman Elvidge.

P. & C. Prize for 1st in French: Ian Watson
P. & C. Prize for 3rd position 6th Form: Peter Ramadge.

P. & C. Prize for 4th position 6th Form: Michael Bint.
P. & C. Prize for 5th position 6th Form: Danny Llewellyn.

P. & C. Prize for 6th position 6th Form: Edward Hewson.
P. & C. Prize for 1st in English, Level II: Brian Stout.

P. & C. Prize for 1st in Level 2S Mathematics: Neil Lawson, Brian Stout.

P. & C. Prize for 1st in Level II Modern History: Jeffrey Rowe.

P. & C. Prize for Science, Level 2F—Science: Douglas Campbell.

P. & C. Prize for Science, Level 2S: Peter Nicolas.
P. & C. Prize for 1st in Mathematics, Level 2F: John Earle.

P. & C. Prize for 1st in Level II French: Geoffrey See.
P. & C. Prize for 1st in Level II German: John Seskus.



SPECIAL PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATES H.S.C.

Richard Adams, David Beverley, Michael Bint, David Campbell, Michael Collis, Peter William Cox, Brian Daley, Ian Davis, Geoffrey Goeldner, Jonathan Henderson, Edward Hewson, Shaun Higson, Douglas Hingst, Eric Kiem, Lawrence Lack, Danny Llewellyn, Mark Maxwell, Ian McPhee, Timothy Miles, David Moore, Peter Ramadge, Keith Rigby, Geoffrey See, Laurie Stanbridge, Bruce Taggart, Ian Watson, Robert Watson, Graeme Wood, Peter Woodward, David Wright.

P. & C. ACADEMIC PRIZES FOR LEVEL II HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE, 1972

Economics: John Walker.

Geography: Edmund Hennessy.

Art: Norman Elvidge.

English: Brian Stout.

Modern History: Jeffrey Rowe.

Ancient History: Ross Murray.

Mathematics: Equal First Neil Lawson, Brian Stout.

Science: 2F Douglas Campbell; 2S Peter Nicolas.

OTHER ACADEMIC PRIZES

5th FORM PRIZE LIST

Lord Mayor's Prize for Dux: Stephen White.
Commonwealth Savings Bank Prize for 2nd: David Mulligan.

P. & C. Prize for 3rd: Maurice Dabruzzo.

P. & C. Prize for 4th: Allan Randell.

P. & C. Prize for Economics: John Rothfield.

P. & C. Prize for Geography: David Mulligan.

P. & C. Prize for Industrial Arts: Robert Lojewski.

P. & C. Prize for Art: Chris Turner.

P. & C. Prize for English: David Mulligan.

P. & C. Prize for Modern History: Edward G. Bennett.

P. & C. Prize for Ancient History: David Donald.

Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd Prize for Mathematics: Stephen White.

C.S.R. Chemicals Prize for Science: Stephen White.

P. & C. Prize for French: Stephen White.

German Consulate Prize for German: John Clarke.

P. & C. Prize for Latin: David Donald.

4th FORM PRIZE LIST

Hunter the Stationer Prize for Dux Fourth Form: Stephen Ticehurst.

Whitcombe and Tombs Prize for 2nd: Graeme Davidson.

P. & C. Prize for 3rd: Richard Kleeman.

P. & C. Prize for 4th: Warren Lazer.

P. & C. Prize for Geography: Stephen Ticehurst.

Hunter the Stationers Prize for Tech. Drawing: Kevin Rushworth.

P. & C. Prize for Commerce: Graeme Davidson.

P. & C. Prize for English(James Derkenne.

P. & C. Prize for Modern History: Stephen Ticehurst.

P. & C. Prize for Mathematics: John Faehndrich.

C.S.R.Chemicals Prize for Science: Stephen Ticehurst.

P. & C. Prize for French: Kieran Gregory.

German Consulate Prize for German: John Faehndrich.

Certificates:

P.E.: Brian Iredale, Glenn Bunn.

3rd FORM PRIZE LIST

Temple Bookshop Prize for Dux Third Form: Russell J. Patrick.

P. & C. Prize for 2nd: Stephen M. Connors.

Commonwealth Steel Prize for 3rd: Michael J.Back.

P. & C. Prize for 4th: Peter Clarke.

Caldwell the Jewelers Prize for Geography: Peter Clarke.

P. & C. Prize for Tech. Drawing: Dale Kleeman.

P. & C. Prize for Commerce: Stephen Connors, Graeme Fullick.

P. & C. Prize for Mathematics: Stuart Adams, Stephen Connors, Dale Kleeman.

P. & C. Prize for English: Michael Back.

C.S.R. Chemicals Prize for Science: Grant Ackers.

Stephen Connors.

P. & C. Prize for French: Russell Patrick, John Ambler.

German Consulate Prize for German: Russell Patrick.

P. & C. Prize for Latin: David Cottee.

P. & C. Prize for Modern History: Michael Back.

Certificates:

Art: David Bruce, Paul Kuleschow.

P.E.: Peter Randell.

2nd FORM PRIZE LIST

The Broken Hill Proprietary Prize for Dux Second Form:
Alan Cameron.
P. & C. Prize for 2nd: David Basic.
Commonwealth Steel Prize for 3rd: John Church.
P. & C. Prize for 4th: Anthony Vero.
P. & C. Prize for Geography: Greg Burns, Jeff Parker.
P. & C. Prize for Tech. Drawing: John Church.
P. & C. Prize for Commerce: Allan Cameron.
P. & C. Prize for English: John Church.
P. & C. Prize for Modern History: Gerry Markezinis.
P. & C. Prize for Mathematics: Phillip Haines.
C.S.R. Chemicals Prize for Science: Andrew Lewis.
P. & C. Prize for French: David Basic.
German Consulate Prize for German: Anthony Boddy.
P. & C. Prize for Latin: Stephen Currow.
Certificates:
Art: Ian Iredale, Graeme Chambers, Bill Jacobi, David Basic, John Iuliano.
P.E.: Ian Johnson.

1st FORM PRIZE LIST

Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd. Prize for Dux First Form: Richard Hallinan.
P. & C. Prize for 2nd: John McQualter.
Commonwealth Steel Prize for 3rd: Kim Manias.
P. & C. Prize for 4th: Ian R. Mossop.
P. & C. Prize for Social Studies: Kim Manias.
Temple Bookshop Prize for English: Brett LaHay, Anthony Rigby.
P. & C. Prize for Mathematics: Dallas O'Brien.
C.S.R. Chemicals Prize for Science: Ian Mossop.
P. & C. Prize for French: John McQualter.
P. & C. Prize for German: Thomas Radtke.
P. & C. Prize for Latin: Ashley Saunders.
Certificates:
Art: William Carmen, Richard Hallinan, Anthony Rich, Andrew Muir.
P.E.: Chris MacKay.

OTHER SCHOOL AWARDS

NBN Channel 3 Prize for Music: S. Williams, K. Blanch.
NBN Channel 3 Prize for Art: Dino Consalvo.
Angus & Coote Achievement Award: John Buxton.
Sam Jones Prize for Public Speaking: Senior— Ross Kerridge; Junior— Ian Iredale.
Sam Jones Prize Debating: Michael Stanwell.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Senior Poetry: Ian Lean.
Junior Poetry: Christopher Holland.
Senior Prose: Ian McPhee.
Junior Prose: Thomas Cuthbert.
Art: John Earle.
Commonwealth Savings Bank Prize for Best Article: John Rothfield.
School Chess Champion: Warren Lazer.

SCHOOL SERVICE AWARD

A.T.C.: Martin Bennett.
Cadets: David Aitchison.
Library: Lindsay Walker.
Otis: Lionel Solomon.
Film Club: David Griffiths.
Outward Bound Prize for Outstanding School Service: Robert Monteath.

SPORT

HOUSE COMPETITION, 1972

Aggregate Point Score 1972— Fifth Year Shield: Smith.
Basketball— "Rundle Trophy": Smith.
Cricket— "F. S. Scorer Shield": Hunter.

HOUSE COMPETITION, 1973

Swimming— "C. Hocquard Shield": Smith.
Athletics— "Arthur Shield": Smith.
School Blues, 1972:
Athletics: Melvyn Moses, Brian Morgan.
Cricket: Ian Davis, David Campbell, Alan Hogan.
Basketball: John Bone, Steven Morrall, Paul Beale.
Hockey: Alan Randall.
Rugby League: Stephen Allen, Garry Mason, Robert Monteath.
Rugby Union: Stephen Allen, Robert Monteath, Phillip Whetham.
Soccer: Angelo Thodas.
Australian Rules: John Preen.
Area Blues:
Basketball:
Steven Morrall.
Rugby League:
13 Years Premiership.
Australian Rules:
Senior Premiership.
Cricket:
13 Years Premiership.
Basketball:
Summer Competition—
Open No. 1 Premiership.
winter Competition—
Open No. 1 Premiership.
14 Years Premiership.
"The Ashton Trophy" for Rugby League: Stephen Allen.
"The Barnett Trophy" for Soccer: Angelo Thodas.
"The W. Lamb Trophy" for Senior Championship Mile: Brian Morgan.
Annual Trophy for Senior High Jump: Stephen Wallace.
Zone B Senior Squash Champion: Ted Hennessey.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Champions 1973—
12 years: David Wells.
13 years: Jonathan Stewart.
14 years: John Stanger.
15 years: Ross Taggart.
16 years: Stephen Ticehurst.
17 years: Greg Blundell.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Champions 1973—
12 years: David Wells.
13 years: Michael McDonald.
14 years: John Callaghan.
15 years: David Keary.
16 years: Shane Pont.
17 years: Brian Morgan.

SPECIAL LIFESAVING AWARDS

Award of Merit:
John Stanger.



On Monday, October 15th, the sixth form of N.B.H.S. in conjunction with our staff, gave seventy (70) pints of blood to the community.

Blood Transfusion Service.
NEWCASTLE.

19th October, 1973.

Dear Mr. Delaney,

In forwarding you a Blood Donor's card we would like to thank you for your public spirited action in submitting yourself as a Blood Donor to our Transfusion Service.

The blood taken some time ago has been analysed and found to be of a very rare type, as a matter of fact we have never experienced any other of blood quite like it. As it does not come within any of the known classifications, we have chosen to apply symbol H20 as the most appropriate description.

The analysis showed that your Blood contained amongst other things, the following:-
2% Thallium, 4% Bath Water, 5% Weymusea (dish water) 3% Thick Serum, 5% Chocolate, (mixture of Old Jamaica and Nut Milk), 2% Cabbage Water, 75% Alcohol.

The balance of 4% is pinkish colour which may be ordinary blood or more probably, Raspberry Syrup.

Unfortunately, blood of your type is of no use connection with Blood Transfusion for human beings (as a matter of fact it would be criminal to make such a transfusion) but, we understand from The Director of Taronga Park Zoo that it would be invaluable for the treatment for:-

Anaemic Antelopes, Bloodless Buzzards, Consumptive Camels, Dyspeptic Donkeys, Epileptic Elephants, Flatulents Fleas, Gastric Goldfish, Hydriphic Hyenas, Itchy Insects, Jaundiced Jaguars, Kidneyless Kangaroos, Lungless Lizards, Myoptic Monkeys, Neurotic Rattlesnakes, Sunstruck Seals, Tongue tied Tapeworms, Ulcerated Unicorns, Vaccinated Vermin, Wall eyed Whales, Yaks and Yaws.

If you are prepared to donate your blood for any of the purposes mentioned, I would inform you that the Taronga Park Trust Authorities would welcome you with open arms.

If on the other hand, you are not prepared to co-operate in this way, I am afraid I must ask you to return your donor's badge, together with a postal note for 17 cents to cover cost of your afternoon tea, provided under false pretence last Monday. No charge will be made for entertainment provided by the nurses.

Yours faithfully,
BLOOD SECRETARY

Regor Mortus

Apologies to Blood Bank.

UNIVERSITY SHIELD — RUGBY LEAGUE



Standing: D.Kilroy, P.Cook, G.Littler, S.Browne, J.Peters, P.Whetham, I.Lean, D.Murray, D.Allen, Mr.M.McEntyre [Coach]
Seated: J.Banks, O.Calcoff, G.Kearns, S.Connors, B.Stanger [Capt.], C.Van Ruge, D.Consalvo.

UNIVERSITY SHIELD

"The University Shield Team for this year looks a very strong combination and I feel that if the boys show a dedicated approach to the game we could go even further this year. Mr. McEntyre has charge of the team and has shown great enthusiasm."

KEITH GIDDY (on speech day)

We didn't win the University Shield - we didn't even make the semi-finals. We didn't win the Evan Shield - we didn't make the semi-finals. We lost.

"Promise", potential, "should have....." etc. could be used to describe the season. Unlucky, Banksy's leg, Dino's painting, Dave's nose could also be used, successful couldn't. 1973 was virtually two separate seasons for the first grade. The University Shield games and the Evans Shield "Matches".

Pre-Gosford - Braye Park (for some), enthusiasm (again some) 10 minutes on the Central Coast and 3 hours travelling, many tries, not many goals, good things said at assemblies, not losing, extended Lunch hours and short seventh periods.

Gosford - Bernie, the ref. ("You toss Newcastle, you call Trevor")

Binskins - (a really good scrum-half.)

Ball - (very little of it.)

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NEWCASTLE v WYONG

Round 1 11-4-73

The University Shield quest started with a convincing win over Wyong, the final scores being 38-2. John Banks opened the scoring with a good try from close to the line, Peter Barnwell crossed soon after and then from the kick-off Banks initiated a movement which saw Barnwell score a great try. Banks was in again soon after and Dino Consalvo touched down after a 50 yard run but was unfortunately injured and replaced by John Peters. The second half saw Boys High run away with the game and add 5 further tries, although there was a noticeable lack of success in the goalkicking department. John Banks was the outstanding footballer of the game with a brilliant exhibition of attacking play whilst Peter Barnwell, Steve Connors and Bruce Stanger also stood out.

NEWCASTLE v ERINA HIGH

Round 2 8-5-73

Again the side ran out easy winners 37-5 scoring 11 tries to 1, but managing only 2 goals from 12 attempts. After an initial "settling" period Boys High took the initiative and scored 2 quick tries from the dummy half position. The trend continued through the game with the bigger home team running well, but with many try-scoring movements breaking down as a result of poor-handling. Boys High won the scrums 18-7 but were caned in the penalties 20-6. Peter Barnwell in the centres proved too

much for Erina to handle and he crossed for 4 tries while Steve Connors and Guy Littler did much of the heavy work in the forwards.

N.B.H.S. 37 P.Barnwell 4, D.Calcoff 2, P.Whetham 2, K.Brien, S.Connors, C. Van Ruge tries. G.Littler, P.Barnwell goals. **Defeated** Erina 5.



NEWCASTLE v HOMEBUSH BOYS HIGH

Round 3 1-6-73

This game was expected to be the hardest to date, and, although the margin was over 20 points, so it eventuated. The first 20 minutes contained much spirited football with Newcastle playing with "fire and determination". Eventually the home forwards got on top of the opposition and Newcastle scored 3 quick converted tries taking the score from 2-2 to 17-2. Steve Brown scored 2 of these and Carl Van Ruge finished off an impressive team effort with a 35 yard sprint to the line for the third. The half time score finished at 17-4, with Guy Littler being outstanding.

Play was hard on the resumption but after 10 minutes play Guy Littler scored and when he crossed 5 minutes later he put the result beyond doubt. In the concluding stages Dino Consalvo crossed wide out (first time he'd caught the ball this season) for two tries and Homebush scored and converted. The final score was 33-11.

Boys High again dominated the scrums 20-8 but took a hammering in the penalty department 16-6. Possibly the outstanding players for Boys High were "Superstar" Guy Littler and Steven Brown both of who had "big" games in both attack and defence.

N.B.H.S. 33. Brown 2, G.Littler 2, D.Consalvo 2, C.Van Ruge tries, P.Barnwell 3, P.Cook 3 goals defeated Homebush 11.

NEWCASTLE v GOSFORD

Round 4 16-6-73

The first away and the first Saturday game resulted in another first - the first defeat, and the quest for the University Shield ended on a very wet, windy afternoon at Grahame Park, Gosford. A very hard game was anticipated but the Newcastle side was confident of success. However Gosford opened the scoring after 9 minutes with a converted try from the inside centre from a set scrum. This was the only major defensive lapse in the game but it was to be very decisive. A penalty for a late tackle by Carr was converted and Gosford led 7-0 before a field goal

from Stanger took the half time score to 7-1. The pattern had been set in this half with Gosford just winning the scrums 13-4 and retaining possession for a very great majority of the 35 minutes. Penalties were also favouring Gosford.

The second half was basically a repetition of the first with Newcastle having even less ball and Gosford scoring 2 tries to N.B.H.S. 1 by Guy Littler. The scrums were a little "unorthodox" and Newcastle were being heavily penalised. When in possession Newcastle showed what could have happened with more ball, and Consalvo and Barnwell made good breaks. The final score was 15-6 and Gosford advanced to round 5. For N.B.H.S. star Littler and Steve Connors had "big" games in defence as did Peter Cook. Guy Littler was probably our outstanding player though. Peter Barnwell showed out with spectacular defence and strong running despite limited opportunities.

EVANS SHIELD

RESULTS

v Tech High	- Draw 5-5	
v Maitland	- Lost 11-5	(Game getting hard -
v Marist	- Lost 25-0	"Biffer" Browne gets
v Pius	- Lost 23-5	himself sent off.)
Semi v Marist	- Lost 14-6	

To say the least, attitude and performance in the Evans shield games were "disappointing". Some members of the side gave the impression that they desired a written invitation to take part in these matches. In addition to the pre-match attitude, the performance on the field was one of total non-effort. Two notable exceptions however were Peter Barnwell and Steve Connors who gave as much to these games as they did to the University Shield matches.

We didn't win a match, we scored only 5 tries and we made the semi-finals at 4th place in a 4 team competition after Tech High withdrew.

On behalf of the team, I would like to thank Mr. "Megs" McEntyre for the job he has done this year and all the time he has spent. He was enthusiastic, exceptional in his move strategy (Oranges? Royal?) and in the years to come, when West realise their incredulous mistake, the football fans of Newcastle will rejoice. And to all the boys at school, you will be pleased to hear that Mr. McEntyre has been donated a pair of long pants by his grateful proteges.

BRUCE STANGER (Capt.)





Those who participated

- TOM WILKINSON — A particularly mobile fullback.
 DINO CONSALVO — "Didn't I go well!!!!"
 MEL MOSES — "I don't know why, I don't like bananas?????"
- CARL VAN RUGGE — "I train hard with Wanderers"
 DAVID ALLEN — "What's wrong with my nose"
 PETER BARNWELL — Was known to have expressed his opinion, on most matters, in a forceful rather than elegant manner
- JOHN BANKS — Winner of the "Golden Crutch" - the A.M.A. award for Dedication
 "I get it off on Friday"
 "What Ball?"
- JOHN PETERS — Hasn't quite decided about his future but it could be on radio
 PETER COOK — "I'm not playing on Wednesday"
 KIM BRIEN — Claims to be a goalkicker but talks in Economics.
 DAVID CALCOTT — Said nothing at all!
 GRAHAME KEARNS — Said even less than Dave Calcott
 PHIL WHETHAM — Does bus duty on training afternoons and has a chronic rib problem
- STEVE CONNORS — Has been advised that his future could be as a winger
 "If you don't let me into the canteen line I'm not playing this afternoon"
- GUY LITTLER — Has managed to overcome his inferiority complex, but is concerned about his career.
 "They're playing my song again ("Superstar")"
- LEE CARR — Played fullback in 1972 - and for most of 1973
 "I come to training, you don't expect me to run as well!"
- STEVE BROWNE — Outstanding in early matches, but then had a haircut
 "What moves?"
- BRUCE STANGER — Believed to have, on at least one occasion, run with the ball — and then kicked it
- DOC KILROY — Entertains visiting sides - any code!

- IAN LEAN — Failed to realize that the play-the-ball rule existed
 DEREK MURRAY — Plays a bit of baseball

CHS RUGBY TOUR OF NEW ZEALAND

The tour began for us on the Wednesday night as we had to travel to Sydney for a presentation and team photograph which took place in the Sydney Rugby Union Club.

The next day, Thursday, we trained at the Woollahra Oval before going to the Airport and flying to Brisbane.

We played 2 games in Brisbane, the first game resulted in a 26-3 win. The second was a trial match for the England team.

We left Brisbane Sunday night and arrived in Auckland at about 1 a.m. Monday morning.

We played Auckland Schools the same day and went down 20-3.

From Auckland we travelled by coach through Hamilton and Rotorua to Whakatone.

This was probably the best spot we visited. It was a small town at about 10,000 people and they are renown for their hospitality.

We played the Bay of Plenty at Whakatone and won 20-3. Both nights we were at Whakatone we went to parties and receptions the town had organized.



From Whakatone we travelled by coach to New Plymouth.

At New Plymouth we played the curtain raiser to the Lions-Taranaki match in front of a crowd of 22,000. The result was a 13-4 loss.

After our stay in New Plymouth we went down to Wellington where we caught the overnight ferry to Christchurch.

At Christchurch we played our last game against Christchurch, and this game we won 23-12 after being down 12-6 at half-time.

From Christchurch we went to Mt.Cook and Lake Teakapu before returning to Christchurch and flying back to Sydney.

While away we found all the people we encountered most friendly and hospitable. Nearly every night there was either a function or a social event organized, and after every game we attended receptions in rooms within the ground.

PETER COOK
 GUY LITTLER

2nd GRADE RUGBY LEAGUE REPORT

Although we were unlucky not to make the semi-finals this year, I feel that every member of the team enjoyed themselves immensely throughout the season.

They commenced the season with two excellent wins against Tech High and Maitland II's, the scores being 10-6 and 29-3 respectively. After these two successes we were unlucky to lose against Pius and in the following weeks we were narrowly defeated by Maitland I's and Marist Bros. After about three wet Wednesdays in succession, there was only enough time to play the final between Maitland I's and Marist, while our team was reluctantly relegated to fourth place on a countback.

During the season many players had outstanding games. The most consistent of these being Gary Elsely, Ian Kidd, Paul Crain, Paul Legge and Mark Hornby-Howell.

On concluding, I would like to offer my sincerest thanks to our coach, Mr. Vic Rooney, for his time, interest and most valuable advice throughout the season.

WAYNE BROWNLOWE (Team Capt.)

UNDER 13A RUGBY LEAGUE

Capably led by captain David Young, this team showed steady improvement throughout the season. Unfortunately we suffered from a lack of weight and were beaten by heavier sides. Close games were played with Maitland and St. Pius (whom we beat 22-19 in the last match of the season).

Outstanding in defence were James and Robinson; Mahon and Whitehead worked well as centres; Neil showed plenty of pace; Chapman is developing well as a hooker and Thompson and Burke stand out as promising forwards.

The boys combined quite well as a team, but would have benefited by spending more time in training.

UNDER 13-2's RUGBY LEAGUE

Luck wasn't with us through the season. We were unfortunately beaten most of the time by stupid errors near fulltime and lost by odd points. If we trained, this team could be world-beaters for there is much talent in most players. We have the spirit and are able to play as a team, not individuals.

RICK ROBINSON

UNDER 14 RUGBY LEAGUE

After winning the competition the previous year the team began the season very sluggishly, only winning one of the first four games. But toward the end of the season the team began to show the form of the previous year.

In the semi-finals, the team took the field very confidently only to be beaten 9-3 by Tech High. In this match the score at half-time was 3 all with our team playing the more enterprising football. Everyone in the team played well with John Callighan and Greg Burns showing out.

Much thanks must go to Mr. Brydon for his time and effort devoted to the team.

P. DONNAN (Capt.)

U/15 LEAGUE TEAM

This year the team enjoyed its best season, having won one game which was won in convincing fashion. The team was slightly disorganized at the beginning of the season but due to the guidance of our coach, Mr. Delaney, the team knuckled down to some serious training. The second game we drew a bye which put us on top of the points table. From then on we fought a losing battle against opposing teams, who beat us convincingly.

The main disadvantage in the competition was the opposing teams. Our team consisted of only of two big forwards which put us at a disadvantage right from the start.

Ritchie, Whilton, Tonks and Ross were the most consistent players in the team but the whole team could be named because they never gave up.

Next year could easily be the year for the team to win its first premiership. Many thanks to Mr. Delaney for his time and effort in trying to piece the team together.

G.MORTON (Capt.)

STROP'S BUDGET

1. While Gough 'as been prancin' an' dancin',
 Me an' Hoges, we's made up an anthem;
 'Bout a place with no trace,
 Of the 'Eye-talian' race,
 An' where Toohey's two-bob a case.
2. This utopian civilization,
 Wot exists in the 'Orstralian' nation,
 Is unique in the fact,
 That the 'Al Grassby Act',
 Told the Yanks to get out or get sacked!
3. Well Crean said to Gough, 'e said; "Goughie,
 Me budget's all clagged up wiv coffee,
 'Cause Bob Hawke 'ad a squint,
 When we sold 'im the Mint,
 An' 'e chundered all over me copy!"
4. "Well Strop" said Hoges, "let's get our 'eads down,
 An' put the skids under this Crean clown,
 'Cause the way that I judge it,
 His stupid new budget,
 Could class 'Woodbines' as a medical benefit!"
5. "Now bein' a fair-dinkum ocker,
 I ain't got no use for a doctor;
 But I think it's a bit rude,
 That medicine and food,
 Go for prices that'ud fair-dinkum shock-ya!"
6. "Now Gough, I'm not tryin' to knock ya's,
 'Cause of wot ya's 'ave done to the doctors,
 Just so we can play two-up,
 While all of us queue-up,
 To see doctors "imported from Europe".
7. "Strop, Mate - I got a real good job for ya!
 Bein' a Rhodes Scholar; an a fair-dinkum lawyer.
 'See, all you've gotta do,
 Is run the A.C.T.U.
 The Reserve Bank, and the ALP too!"

DENIS KILROY



CADET REPORT

The 1973 Training year began on a sombre note with the retirement of Lt. J. Gebhardt and the ensuing failure to find a member of staff to replace him as OC at the unit. This situation threatened to lead to the closure at the unit until the vacancy was filled by the appointment of Lt. D. Shearman, a student at Newcastle Teachers College.

The units Drill Squad, lead by CUO David Aitchison, was unfortunate to be defeated by a narrow margin in the Shortland Shield Drill Competition, which is held annually in conjunction with ANZAC Remembrances. Thanks must go to the cadets and their parents who spent so much time preparing for this occasion.

As usual the band were worthy ambassadors for the school and unit at the Tea-Gardens RSL ANZAC Day Service and the RSL Clubs kind donation made it possible to purchase bannerettes for the trumpets and emblems and tassels for the drums.

During May Camp the unit was attached to 1A Cdt. Br., and was fortunate to have an officer of the caliber of Capt. J. Liston (OC Farrer Memorial Agricultural High Cadet Unit) providing guidance for all ranks and ensuring the smooth-running of the camp. The camp proved the highlight of the years training activities, offering N.C.O.'s and cadets opportunities to develop qualities of leadership and team work.

At the completion of the camp some member remained on CUO, NCO, and Signals Courses, all being successful and supporting the reputation of the school and unit.

Since May Camp the Band has participated in Education Work and Mattara activities.

Congratulations must go to all members of the unit, and especially to the NCO's and CUO's on whom most of the responsibility for training junior members falls, and who provide the backbone of the unit.

THE MAN, THE SEA

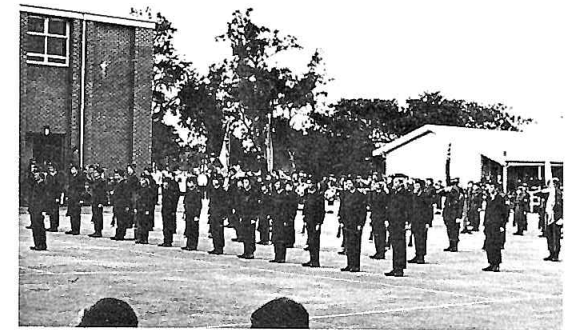
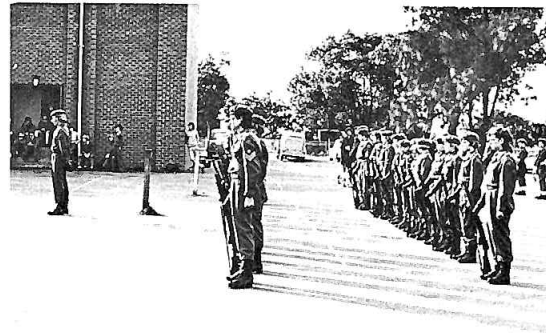
Where children play,
And people seek their happiness,
A man now stands
Alone.

He waits for hours,
So quietly he waits,
For the bite to start
The action.

The sea rocks and rolls,
The waves come in,
And then go out
Monotonously.

The sun comes up,
The children appear,
The waves continue the crashing,
But still he waits - in vain.

ASHLEY SAUNDERS



Shane Keys, who completed both INCO and SNCO courses and Chris Goggin, Anthony Rudd, Darryl Cumming and Russell Patrick, who have all completed JNCO courses and have been promoted to the rank of corporal.

Very early this year Pilot Officer Cook was appointed to the flight as Equipment Officer. Mr. Cook has had experience in handling Mirages and has seen active service in Vietnam and Korea with 77 and 35 squadrons. He will undoubtedly prove to be a very valuable flight member.

During the past 12 months cadets of the flight have been able to attend bivovacs, rifle shoots and a GST camp at RAAF Williamtown.

At the GST camp, which has only just concluded, some of the activities available to the cadets who attended under the command of Pilot Officer Cook included rifle shooting, field craft, various sporting activities, visits to Base installations, aero-modelling demonstrations, trips in the RAAF crashboat and flights in Iroquois helicopters.

In June this year we were privileged to have Mr. Grey, the Area Director of Education, inspect our annual passing out parade which was held in conjunction with the Army cadet unit of this school. Parade Commander was CUO S. Wiseman and at the parade we had two cadets who left the unit for various reasons.

Flying Scholarship applications have just been called for and CUO Wiseman and FSgt Matters have both been selected to attend interviews in Sydney. The results of these interviews will not be known until later in the year.

On behalf of all the cadets in the flight, I would like to thank all the Reserve Officers for their support and encouragement throughout the year. Flt. Lt. W.R. Burges, the Flight Commander; Plt. Off. S.J. Busted, the Flight Training Officer; Plt. Off. D.A. Cook, the Flight Equipment Officer; and F. Srent. J. Schofield, the Flight Warrant Officer Disciplinary, have all been examples to the cadets of the flight.

Mr. Burges deserves a special mention because of the exceptionally large amount of work he has done for the flight. Without his help and guidance the flight could not have operated anywhere near as effectively as it has.

Finally, commendation must be extended to the cadets of the flight themselves. They have shown many capabilities which will obviously help them in later life. Immeasurable support has been given to all Reserve Officers and all activities and this must surely serve as an example of the high interest of the young men who make up the flight.

STEPHEN WISEMAN
Cadet Under Officer

NO. 21 FLIGHT AIR TRAINING CORPS.

In the last 12 months many things that have happened to suggest that No. 21 Flight New South Wales Squadron Air Training Corps should be changed from a school flight to a night flight. This changeover, which took place on 19th September, will undoubtedly be the most important thing that has happened to the flight during the 23 years that it has operated.

After an intake of 13 new cadets at the start of this year, the flight now has an establishment of 45 cadets. Both our flight establishment and our N.C.O. establishment of 9 should increase now that we have become a night flight.

Since August last year, many of our cadets have successfully completed promotion courses. These include:

Stephen Wiseman, who has completed both the SNCO and CUO courses and has been promoted to Cadet Under Officer.

Chris Matters, who has completed both the JNCO and SNCO courses and has been promoted to Flight Sergeant.

David Burnley and Mark Adams, who have all completed both INCO and SNCO courses and have attained the rank of Sergeant. Mark Adams deserves special mention as he was able to secure 2nd position on his SNCO course with a distinction pass, a very commendable effort!

CRICKET



Standing: K.Dawes, D.Murray, I.Lean, G.Logan, A.Hogan, G.Russell [Coach].
Seated: W.Terry, P.Beale, E.Bennett [Capt.], S.Pryde, G.Paterson, J.Openshaw.

1973 1st GRADE CRICKET REPORT

Despite the wealth of talent in the first Grade Cricket Team this year we had a very disappointing season. We were rarely able to score sufficient runs to put ourselves into an advantageous position. We had to rely constantly on the ability of our bowlers and the expertise of our fieldsmen to retrieve the situation. This created an unhealthy dependence on our seam bowlers, with the result that, when these bowlers sustained injuries, they were unable to produce the excellent performances that contributed so much in placing the team in a winning position.

Our two opening bowlers, Alan Hogan and Kim Davies bowled constantly well, and on occasions excellently. When Alan's injury kept him from bowling, Gary Logan took his position. Gary, before he too was forced from the field with injury, bowled exceptionally well. Unfortunately, because of our low scores we were never able to use fully our experienced and talented spin attack of Stephen Pryde and Dereck Murray, although on the occasions that they bowled, they did so creditably.

The 1972-3 season was a bad season for batsmen. Many games were washed out and most games that were played,

were played on rain-affected wickets. The result was that our batsmen could not get sufficient practice of a high standard. Consequently our scores in all games tended to be low. Despite the fact that few large scores were made many of our batsmen performed well, notably Stephen Pryde, Paul Craig, Edward Bennett, Greg Paterson and Ian Lean.

The team fielded excellently on all occasions with the bowlers getting the support that their efforts deserved. Warren Terry, however, deserves special mention for his agility and powers behind the stumps. Thanks and praise must also go to Paul Beale for scoring for the team and for fielding for those of his team mates who were forced from the field through injury.

Finally, special thanks must go to Mr. Russell, for his invaluable optimism, guidance and example.

The team was:
Edward Bennett (captain), Stephen Pryde (vice capt.), Alan Hogan, Ian Lean, Greg Paterson, Warren Terry, Dereck Murray, Paul Crain, Larry Logan, Grahme Kearns, John Openshaw, Paul Beale.

EDWARD BENNETT (Capt.)



14 YEARS CRICKET - HUNTER VALLEY KNOCK-OUT WINNERS
Standing: G.Ashford, C.McKay, G.Arms, I.Ryan, W.Deal, S.Day, Mr.M.McEntyre.
Seated: G.Chambers, R.Madden, J.Harrington, P.Donnan [Capt.], D.Young, W.Alder, B.Heathcote.

14 YEARS CRICKET

The team has continued along the winning way and is as yet undefeated in 2 seasons. This includes both local competition matches and games in the Hunter Valley Knock-out which Boys High won.

Owing to rain only 2 matches have been played in the Wednesday competition resulting in 1st innings victories over Broadmeadow and Pius. Best performances in these games have been Phillip Donnan's 5-29 against Broadmeadow, Steven Day's 5-11 against Pius and Greg Arms' 52 against Pius.

The first K.O. match was against Tech High and after being 5-32 Boys High totalled 6-128 due to a fine partnership between Donnan (71) and Chris McKay (25). Tech were dismissed for 89- Donnan 4-29, Billy Deal 5-29.

Maitland were next and were defeated 8-97 to 69, with Deal 6-18 and Donnan 41 the best individual performances.

Glendale were easily defeated in the semi-final 4-46 to 42.

The final was played on a wet afternoon on a concrete wicket against Warners Bay and it was only during the last half hour that Boys High looked to be winners. The strong batting lineup collapsed and only a very good partnership, between Billy Deal (16) and Keith Palmer (21), of 40 enabled a score of 76 to be reached. This did not

appear to be enough and the early Warners Bay batting gave every indication of a quick, unfavourable result. From 2-30 they collapsed to be all out for 48. A fine spell of bowling by Phillip Donnan in which he took 6 for 7 in 5 overs, some outstanding fielding, and good support bowling by Billy Deal caused the collapse. Donnan bowled with much pace and fire and finished with 7-28 including the hat-trick and Deal 2-for 4 of 6 overs.

Overall the season has been very successful, with both attitude and performance being outstanding.

M.McENTYRE (Coach)

UNDER 15 CRICKET TEAM

The team is enjoying our best season so far, having won both games played in convincing fashion. This is due mainly to the fine fast bowling of opening pair, A.Alder and S.Layden. Reg Perkins spin bowling has been a great asset to the team. All bowlers have been given good support in the field with S.Thompson particularly outstanding.

The team's batting has been consistently good with some fine individual performances from G.Morgan, T.Vero and G.Wright. Late-order batsmen A.Dodds and D.Ross batted competently to add valuable runs to the score. The team, in batting order, consists of: B.Terry,

A. Alder, P. Hartigan, G. Wright, T. Vero (Capt.), G. Morgan, R. Perkins, A. Dodds, D. Ross, S. Thompson, S. Layden and J. Bessa, with Richard Best coach.

T. VERO

2nd XI CRICKET

So far this season we have played only two games - against Broadmeadow High and St. Pius X.

We were successful in winning the first of these two games and drawing the second due to rain.

The cricket has been of a very high standard this season, and the boys whose play stood out were:

Paul Beale (Bowler); B. Studdett (Bowler); Graeme Kearns (Batsman); Paul Marjoribanks (Batsman); John Walshe (Fieldsman); Paul Neilson (Bowler-Keeper).

Other team members were:

G. Littler; P. Lennox; M. Holcombe; P. McLean; J. Parsons; P. Paterson; M. Stanwell.

P. J. McLEAN (Coach)

UNDER 13A CRICKET

Due to the number of wet sport days only two matches had been completed at the end of the first part of the season. In the first of these we beat Broadmeadow (109 runs to 82) and in the second we beat St. Pius (77 runs to 69).

Already very promising cricketers are shining out, notably Keith Palmer, who is a very accomplished wicket-keeper and a capable batsman and David Young, a confident opening batsman and medium pace bowler. Also worthy of special mention was the consistent bowling of John Harrington, who kept the opposition batsmen pinned down. Chapman, Horne and Burke should develop into sound batsmen. A further note worthy feature of this team is the overall performance in fielding.

A. LEASK

13B CRICKET

Our team started the year with two victories in two games. We were unlucky however of being deprived of the use of Anthony Barker, a fine batsman who scored well for the team. He had been promoted to the 13A side. The outstanding bowler has been Greg Hogan, who claimed the wickets of many opposing batsmen.

MICHAEL LACEY (Capt.)

THE SHARK

His dark, mysterious, evil looking shape, swims through the water on a mission of death. Waiting, waiting, then without a moments notice propels his body towards his innocent victim, and leaves nothing but a stain of blood, swimming, washing through the depths of the dark, dark sea.

TOM RADTKE

WARATAH SHIELD, 1973

The School's participation in this year's Shield was unfortunately restricted by a bye into the second round, which meant that actual games were limited to a convincing win at home over Fort St. and elimination from the competition in an "away" loss to Knox Grammar. This second game produced some sparkling Rugby which served to point out very effectively that team work, resulting from regular practice together, is of immense importance to winning matches.

Players from the School to achieve representative honours were Peter Cook, Ian Lean, Guy Littler, Bruce Mills and Phillip Whetham in the Newcastle team which contested the Combined High Schools representative trials in Sydney. As a result of these trials Cook and Littler were selected and retained their positions in the C.H.S. First XV, subsequently touring New Zealand in the August - September vacation.

PETER COOK (Capt.)



SOCCER

This years National Youth Soccer Championship was held in Brisbane. Bradley Ure and Dough Hearne were fortunate enough to be selected in the Northern N.S.W. squad for this tournament. Teams from each state participated and they were divided into two groups of four. The Northern N.S.W. team was in Group B along with N.S.W., South Australia and the A.C.T.

On Tuesday, Northern N.S.W. played A.C.T. This match proved to be only a warm up with the North winning easily 5-0. On Wednesday Northern N.S.W. took on South Australia. They were quite shocked by their style of play and were overwhelmed three goals to one. Thursday's match was against N.S.W. If the North was to reach the semi-finals they had to defeat N.S.W. The game was fiercely contested with Northern N.S.W. coming out on top with a goal in each half. On Friday night Northern N.S.W. met last years champions, Victoria, in the semi-final. At the end of normal time there was no score, so extra time was called for. At the ninth minute of extra time Northern N.S.W. scored a controversial goal. The team held out to win 1-0. The final on Saturday was somewhat of an anticlimax in which Northern N.S.W. easily defeated Queensland 5-0. At the conclusion of the tournament Bradley Ure was selected in an Australian squad to tour Asia next year.



INTERACT REPORT

The Newcastle Boys' High School Interact Club has been re-established, and its Charter Night was held on 27th July.

The new club is growing in membership and is again sponsored by The Rotary Club of Waratah, with Don Stevenson helping us along. We are at present corresponding with the Interact Clubs of Kagoshima Chuo in Japan and Las Piedras in Uruguay, South America.

As far as large scale projects are concerned (even though we have several suggestions which may be attempted in 3rd Term) we are hampered by lack of time. We participated in the The Freedom From Hunger Campaign on 23rd September, but in other areas we hope to combine with other Interact Clubs, possibly from Jesmond and Raymond Terrace.

Looking ahead, perhaps our greatest achievement for this year would be to establish an Interact Club for next year, with a little more time on their hands. So any 4th formers interested in Interact, are invited to contact us.

NEIL DUNSTON (Secretary)

LIBRARY REPORT

1973 has been a year of great improvement in the appearance and quality of the library. The Audio Study Booth remains a popular annexe and now contains a collection of over 120 cassettes (which can be borrowed) and many tapes and records mostly relating to English, History and Languages. Among the 1200 books added to the library over the past year, are the bestsellers, "The Godfather" and "A Clockwork Orange". The old

photostat machine was recently replaced by a better quality coin-in-the-slot photocopier, but the piece de resistance is the new library carpet kindly provided by the P & C. New members: David Giles, David Hunter, Leigh Blackmore and Ashley Saunders. The Library Prize Winner was Lindsay Walker.

Many thanks to Mr. S. Rigby and Mrs. Hawkin for their assistance during the year.

M. MERRICK

BUSH-WALKING

Time: Time to relax; longer holidays; more leisure time. These are the wonderful hard fought-for goals of modern society. With greater automation, progress etc., we will all have more leisure, but what will you do with this time - for the rest of your lives?

Some people have found the way to spend their time - for their lifetime - and that is Bushwalking. This activity; sport; madness - call it what you will - is one of the few pastimes that involve complete relaxation and escape from the idiocy of time rat-race. Apart from physical necessities, all that is needed is a mind ready to accept the wonder of the nature world.

Many places of real excitement and beauty can only be visited on foot:— Burrigurra Rock, an aboriginal sacred site - Far Eastern Falls, or Barrington Tops, climbed so far by only 24 people. The ruggedness of the Colo River area and the natural beauty of the Wattagan Rainforest, all are more satisfying to visit than any "civilized" rat-mole.

Bushwalking is gaining adherents continually as more and more students, workers and businessmen learn the benefits of solitude, contemplation and real insight into the nature of oneself and ones friends. People everywhere are rejecting the neon lights and television culture, and turning to real relaxation and leisure.

Join the revolution! Go for a walk in the Wattagans, Barrington Tops or even Blackbutt Reserve. Get out and do something real for relaxation.

ROSS KERRIDGE

RADIO CLUB REPORT

During the year the Radio Club has held examinations under the Youth Radio Club Scheme and the following gained their Elementary certificates:

Glenn Davidson (Honours Pass), Mark Lewis (Honours Pass), Graeme Lean (Honours Pass), David Lennon (Credit Pass).

Also the club finally purchased a soldering iron, so now we will be able to conduct practical lessons. The club store, through which members can purchase any electronic components, managed to make a modest profit during the year. The club has arranged with the Library to obtain some good radio reference books for the library.

One of our up and coming junior members, Dale Kleeman has improved dramatically since joining this year although he failed to get his crystal set working.

The club receives regularly the Westlakes Radio Club Newsletter and the Magazine of the Youth Radio Club Scheme and these are available for loan to members.

At present the club is conducting its third Elementary Certificate class, and we hope to have many successful candidates from this class as there have been since our first class.

As a general policy the Radio Club has publicised the theme of 1973 being the International Radio Friendship Year.

D. CROFTS (Committee member)