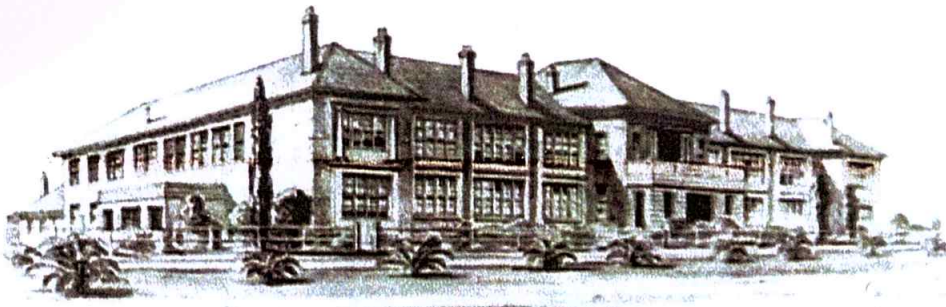


*The Newcastle Girls High School*

**NEWCASTLE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL  
HERITAGE ITEMS  
housed at  
NEWCASTLE HIGH SCHOOL**





## HERITAGE STATEMENT

### NEWCASTLE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL EX-STUDENTS UNION

APRIL 2022

The Responsibility for Managing and Regulating Newcastle Girls High School ( NGHS ), Newcastle Boys High School ( NBHS ) and Hunter Girls High School ( HGHS ) Heritage Items housed at Newcastle High School ( NHS ) Campus lies with the Ex-student Unions, the Alumni of the three schools and the Principal of NHS acting for the Department of Education.

The NGHS Heritage Items currently housed on NHS Campus fall broadly into 2 categories : -

1. Items in the Caesar Smith Collection.
2. Items which narrate part of the History and Fabric of the school but are not part of the Caesar Smith Collection.

The Caesar Smith Collection -

This is a group of Heritage Items which relate to three schools -  
Newcastle High School ( The School On The Hill )

Newcastle Girls High School

Newcastle Boys High School

In 2006 these Items were given to the City of Newcastle and are currently managed by the Newcastle Museum.

The arrangement with the City of Newcastle/Newcastle

Museum is that the Items may be displayed at Newcastle High

School and Waratah Technical High School in a safe and competent manner but may be recalled for Museum exhibition purposes or if it is felt that the Items are not safely housed.

The Items relating to NGHS are currently held and displayed in a locked cabinet to the left of the door into the Staff House. The Principal of NHS in 2006 kindly permitted this placement and NGHS Ex-students Union have continued with this relationship - they manage the contents of the cabinet as a " go between ". These Items have been collected by the Ex-students as donations and are largely of a personal nature : -

Uniforms

Workbooks

Badges

School Magazines

Restored Trophies

Non Caesar Smith Items -

Heritage Items housed within NHS which are the fabric of the School : -

Honour Boards

Chairs

Lead light Cabinets

- These Items have been donated over the years by Leaving Certificate Groups

School Generated Registers of Academic and Sporting Achievements

These are all property of the Department of Education and NHS.

The Art Installation at the Parkway Avenue Entrance was provided from the proceeds of the sale of the publication " 75 Years of Newcastle Girls High School. " and draws the contributors together with the current NHS community.

## HERITAGE RESTORATION

In 2019/2020 NGHS Ex-students Union arranged for restoration work to be carried out on the Parkway Avenue Art Installation restoring it to its original condition.

In 2020/2021, in consultation with the NHS Principal , NGHS Ex-students Union arranged with Alder's Furniture Restoration to restore five damaged lead light cabinets in the NHS Library. Cabinets 1, 3, 4 and 11 rebuild lead light crest in each ; Cabinet 12 rebuild lead light crest and fit escutcheon . The cost \$ 1,928.00 was covered by NGHS Ex-students Union.

A detailed research was carried out in 2021 and completed in 2022 documenting all the Heritage Items on NHS Campus .

Caesar Smith and Non Caesar Smith Items have been listed separately.

While the Collection of Heritage Items housed on NHS Campus have different owners and certainly different roles they work together to serve as a narrative for future generations of students.



## Newcastle Girls High School Ex-students Union

President

Colleen Potts OAM

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen Potts', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Vice President

Carolyn Rigby

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Carolyn Rigby' in a cursive script.

Patron

Robin Gordon OAM

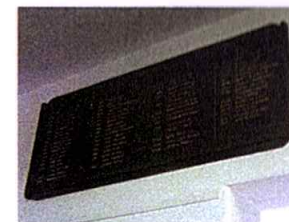
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Robin Gordon OAM' in a cursive script.

### NGHS Honour Boards and DET Objects

Title	Notes	Visual placement	DET Room /Plan Ref.	photo
<b>STATE MERIT LIST HSC. NEWCASTLE GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL. 1967 – 1971</b>	Commencing with Rosemary Auchmuty 1967 to Katherine Way 1971	Entry Foyer	AR0020  <b>B</b>	CR1430683
<b>DUX &amp; CAPTAIN NEWCASTLE GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL - 1930 1961.</b>	Commencing with Dux 1930 Joyce Coates & finishes 1961 Cpt Anne Bastian	Outside Principal's Office	AR0020  <b>I</b>	CR 1430684
<b>NGHS CAPTAIN 1962- 1976</b>	Commences with 1962 Diana Waters to 1976 Lyndall Barbour.	Corridor	Outside AR0036 or AR0039  <b>C</b>	CR1430681
<b>NGHS LEAVING CERTIFICATE FIRST CLASS HONOURS - 1959-1965</b>	Commencing with 1959 Elizabeth Ainsworth & finishes with 1965 Lynette Prince	Corridor leading to covered walkway	??SD1.20/3  <b>A</b>	CR1430675
<b>NGHS STATE MERIT HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE 1972- 1978.</b>	Starts with 1972 Annette Beath and ends with 1978 Sally White.	Corridor leading to covered walkway. This is to the right of above	SD1.20/3  <b>A</b>	CR1430675



<b>DUX NGHS 1962-1976</b>	Commences with 1962 Babara Nicholson to 1976 Julie Ward THEN... NHS 1977 Louise Feros	main corridor	outside AR0036	D	CR1430679
<b>HIGHEST PASS IN THE LEAVING CERTIFICATE NGHS 1957-1966</b>	Commences 1957 Fairlie CATO & continues to 1966 Not awarded.	Before glass doors in corridor towards National Park St.	in corridor	E	CR1430678
<b>HIGHEST PASS IN HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE</b>	Commences 1967 Margaret Pitcher and concludes with 2017 Mikaela McMahon.	On same Board. as above before Glass doors in corridor towards National Park St	in corridor	E	CR1430678
<b>FIRST CLASS HONOURS in LEAVING Certificate NGHS 1930 -1945</b>	Commences 1930 Betty NAINBY& concludes 1945 Patricia BROCKBANK	in corridor, before the glass doors towards National Park St on southern side	in corridor	H	RG9 CR 1430676
<b>LEAVING CERTIFICATE FIRST CLASS HONOURS NEWCASTLE GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL ( 1945-1958)</b>	Commences with 1945 Yvonne ISAAC & concludes 1958 Judith ALLEN.	corridor, heading towards National Park St on Northern side, through glass doors.	in corridor opp door AR0023	F	CR1430685



**NEWCASTLE GIRLS'  
HIGH SCHOOL  
HOUSE CAPTAINS.  
from 1945 to 1968.**

Cultural Centre,  
above door from  
covered walkway.

LR0004

CR1430668



**NEWCASTLE GIRLS'  
HIGH SCHOOL 1969-  
1975.**

Corridor heading  
towards National  
Park St, on  
Southern side.  
(continuation of  
House Captains'  
Board which is in  
the Cultural  
Centre.)

in corridor  
outside  
AR0024

**G**

CR1430687



**Two high backed  
chairs with school  
badge – given by  
NGHS Leavers 1962  
Metal plaque mounted  
on the chairs.  
Other high backed  
ladder chair (red  
upholstery)**

Cultural Centre

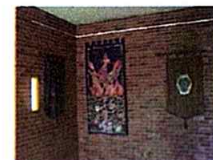
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**Banners**

CR 1430689





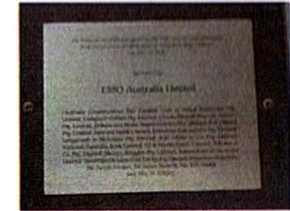
**Plaque**

Presentation of piano to  
Hall

LHS of Stage in  
Cultural Centre

LR0004

CR1430669



**Tablet/Plaque**

Jubilee of school 1956

in corridor  
near AR0036

CR  
1430680



**Commemorative  
sculpture**

Parkway Ave entrance,  
between gate and steps

CR1430757



### Caesar Smith Collection Objects housed in Cabinet

Title	Notes	Visual placement	DET Room	photo
School uniform	Tailors form – school uniform – box pleat, navy serge, dress, belt. White shirt, hat	Centre space	JR0007	CR1430751
Signed framed placard	Signatures of attendees at 50 <sup>th</sup> Exstudents Reunion	Centre space	JR0007	CR1430751
Wheeler Cup – March Past		Top right shelf	JR0007	CR1430737
Trophy - NASSA Zone Swimming		Top right shelf	JR0007	CR1430716
Trophy – Athletics Cup 2KO		Top right shelf	JR0007	CR1430718



**Trophy – Exstudents Cup for Tennis**

Top right shelf JR0007

CR1430719



**Trophy – Cup – Giles Cup**

Middle Right shelf a JR0007

CR1430725



**Commemorative wine glasses**

Exstudents Union, individual celebrating years - 1972

Middle Right shelf a JR0007

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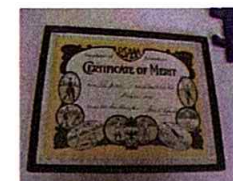


**Certificate of merit**

Presented to M Jones – framed. PSAAA (1930) Athletics

Middle right shelf b JR0007

CR1430730



**NGHS Blazer pocket**

Captain 1954

Middle right shelf b JR0007

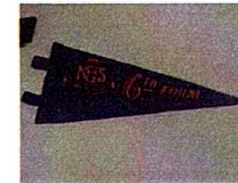
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**School badge + article** Badge found within school grounds Middle right shelf b JR0007 CR1430726



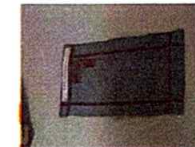
**NGHS School Pennant** 1972 6<sup>th</sup> Form Middle right shelf b JR0007 CR1430731



**Tie** Blue senior tie Lower right shelf JR0007 CR1430736



**Needlework sample** Blue rectangle Lower right shelf JR0007 CR1430735



**Needlework article** Green apron Lower right shelf JR0007 CR1430732



**Shield – wooden with metal plaques**

NGHS School Championship – presented by John Gustard 1959 (Tennis)

Centre space

JR0007

CR1430737



**Shield – wooden with metal plaques**

NGHS Debating Interhouse Competition

Centre space

JR0007

CR1430734



**Display Ribbon - badges**

Red display ribbon. Badges: NHS, NGHS, Captain, House Captain, Parry, Wallis, Delprat, Dangar, Parnell, Tyrrell, NHS

Centre space - wall

JR0007

CR1430709



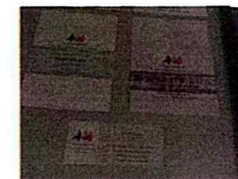
**Programs, invitations, tickets, CD**

Centenary of school 2006 - 5

Upper Left shelf

JR0007

CR1430714;  
1430712,  
1430711,  
1430710



**Framed School Song lyrics** Calligraphy lyrics of school song, includes felt school badge Upper left shelf JR0007 CR1430713



**School pocket** Blazer pocket - felt Upper left shelf JR0007 CR1430714



**Badge** Wrapped 200+ year badge, white Upper shelf JR0007 CR1430715



**Photo** In perspex holder – representatives of decades, attending Centenary celebrations Upper shelf JR0007 CR1430720



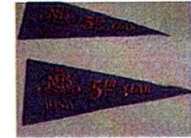
**Hat band** Red and "black", wide, striped Middle left shelf JR0007 CR1430721



**Pennant** 5<sup>th</sup> Yr Prefect 1960 Middle left shelf JR0007 CR1430722



**Pennant** 5<sup>th</sup> Yr 1958 Middle left shelf JR0007 CR1430722



**Newspaper clipping** Mounted on light card – Mothers Auxilliary? Middle left shelf JR0007 CR1430723



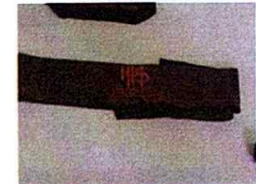
**NHS badge** In red display case, velvet lining Middle left shelf JR0007 CR1430727



**Blazer pocket** VC 1954, House Captain 1953 Middle left shelf JR0007 CR1430728



**NHS Hat band** Solid blue, red embroidery Middle left shelf JR0007 CR1430729



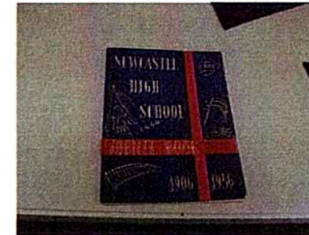
**Publication** To Climb the Hill 1816-2016 Centre space JR0007 CR1430733



**Tablecloth** Blue, Exstudents Centre space Union JR0007 CR1430738



**Publication** Newcastle High School Jubilee Book 1906-1956 Left side, floor JR0007 CR1430740



**Cutlery** Boxed set cake forks (5 /6) Left side – middle shelf JR0007 CR1430743



**Magazine** Nobbys 1975 Left side - floor JR0007 CR1430745



**School workbook** Plastic cover Left side - floor JR0007 CR1430746







8509 - Newcastle High School  
Administration/General Learning (B00A) - Ground Floor (Room Function)

A Block Ground Floor

