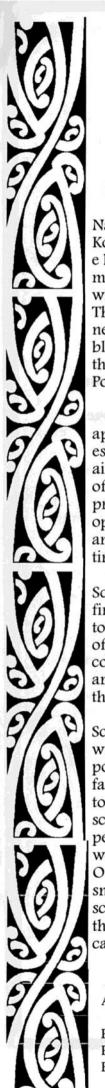


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## NGARUAWAHIA HIGH SCHOOL

Nau mai Haere mai Kotahi te kohao o te ngira e kuhuna ai te miro ma, te miro pango, te miro whero.

There is but one eve of the needle thruogh which the black, red and white threads may pass.

Potatau Te Whero Whero

This famous proverb aptly expresses the essence of our school. We aim to care for every one of our students and to provide them all with opportunities to succeed and to grow during thier time here.

At Ngaruawahia High School "people" come first. Our staff work hard to meet the needs of each of our students. courses and programmes are tailored to achieve this end.

Ngaruawahia High School is a small school with bi-cultural These two population. factors contribute greatly to the character of the school and to the type of personalised education we can offer our students. Our class sizes are smaller than most city schools which is one of the many advantages we can provide.

Academic achievement has always been held high in the priorities of this school. aspect of education will continue to be nurtured, but running parallel with our academic programmes these days is the need to foster the social development of our students. Here again, because of our size, we have a real opportunity to concentrate on producing well balanced young people.

We aim to make sure that our young men and women are fully Academic Excellence aware of their potential, their strengths and skills and their heritage. We hope that they will be friendly, caring, sensitive and value the advantage of living and learning in a bi-cultural society. Our aim is, that by the time they leave us, they will have developed skills of self management and possess high self esteem, both of which we feel are needed to face the future.

excellent facilities which we hope will be respected and enjoyed by our whole community and as such will only continue to prosper if it recieves community support.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the staff, I welcome you to Ngaruawahia High School.

Nau mai, Haere Mai, Whakatau Mai.

AJ Cranshaw PRINCIPAL/TUMUAKI

#### We offer you....

- \* An innovative modular system of curriculum delivery
- Modern Educational Facilities
- A wide range of courses
- Choices within your personal programme
- An attractive environment
- Small class sizes

- Good success rates in School and Certificate University Bursary
- Interesting and highly successful Sixth Form Certificate courses
- \* Very high levels of entry into Apprenticeship, Polytechnic and University programmes

#### Ngaruawahia High School has Sport and Recreation

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Kia ora koutou katoa,

This year I was fortunate enough to be the recipient of the American Field Service Educators Award for 1995. This award enabled me to travel to the United States, and, to spend some time observing various

programmes and systems set up in that country to assist "students at risk".

I felt very humble to be in the presence of some outstanding people who have committed their lives to working with these young people. The problems I saw being addressed by community centres, schools and youth organizations were far more serious than those found here at home. Although these problems were difficult to deal with, the people involved were committed to working in whatever way they could to give these young people a chance in life.

Sometimes here at home we feel that we are hard done by, under funded, and that the world is

ganging up against us. In comparison with the young people I saw, we're not doing so badly!

I spent some time speaking to a number of young people at these centres. There is no doubt that their problems, like, disfunctional families, homelessness, armed violence and drug dependency were very serious. But the more successful of them have been helped to take control of their problems and have shown determination to get their lives back on track. In many cases they have no one to rely upon but themselves and the staff of the centres they are attending.

It was heartening for me to see these young men and women, often only sixteen and seventeen years of age setting high goals. It was also encouraging for me to meet those who had been through the programmes and who were now attending universities. Further encouragement came in meeting parents who had been hardened offenders at some stage in their lives now working to ensure that their own sons and daughters did not go down the same slippery paths they had. To see whole communities working together, not feeling sorry for themselves, and seeking out solutions to their problems was amazing. Most of the young people I spoke to realized that if they were to have a future of any sort they had to shape it themselves.

My message to all students leaving our school this year is to take up the same challenge. Realize that you have a lot of opportunities available to you. Identify your talents and recognize that in the end you are responsible for yourself and your future. If you want something badly enough you can do it.

To all students, my thanks for the contributions you have made to our school this year. It is always a little sad farewelling our senior students but I always look forward to hearing how you get on later in life. Remember you are always part of Ngaruawahia High School no matter where you go. I also look forward to welcoming back those of you returning.

My best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday period. My best wishes to you in the

No reira e hoa ma, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.

A I Cranshaw PRINCIPAL/TUMUAKI



### Ngaruawahia Meat Centre

Jesmond Street, Ngaruawahia Phone 824-8503



BACK ROW:R.Crawford, E.Meredith, S.MacDonald, A.Paterson, M.Laurie, P.Van Wering, H.O'Callaghan, A.Johnston 3rd ROW:G.Short, D.Marsh, L.Middleton, G.Wharakura, C.Watts, R.Horomona, B.Copper, L.Graham, J.Crush, H.Marino 2nd ROW:Y.Nikora, S.Hanes, K.Anso, J.Johnston, C.Rata, B.Wadey, J.Myles, T.Small, S.Umaki, R.Rapana FRONT ROW:R.Mataira, P.Gray, P.Rietema, P.Mans, B.Cavanagh, T.Cranshaw, D.Waiti, P.Royal, J.Buckley, C.Jarnet, L.Graham ABSENT:K.Garner, R.O'Brien, R.Cann, N.Hayworth, W.Matthews, C.Smith, B.Toro, D.Wharakura, K.Williams, H.Young

## Ngaruawahia Poem

In a sacred place, History flows, the past reveals the future, The pain and anguish of our ansestors, Teaches us nothing but contempt, Like the mighty bridge and a marvel of modern technologly, In the age old river, wise and unseen in it's justice, We are a part, Seperated by the mists of colour, The two peoples so alike Yet so different, chaff together, Unfamiliarity and misunderstanding turn to anger, And althogh the war wages on, As it has hundreds of years, Even though battles have been won, The war is lost to all.

Lance Bryan

## CARZY TEACHERS













### leaving/Arriving Ceachers

### Seachers Arriving

This year we have had a few staff members leave us for new lives outside of the school.

Mr. Chris Jarnet (Pictured) who has taught within the school for many years, left, when his visa expired after 25 years, for Scotland.

Mrs. Barbara Wadey, H.O.D. Mathematics, also departed for a change to Auckland. Unfortunately she is jobless, all positions considered.

Mr. Hemi O'Callaghan has recently announced his departure for Tauranga Polytechnic. Rumour has it his Teaching Certificate was revoked.

Other teachers to have left were Mr. Tony McIntosh and Mr. Arnie Paurini.



We were lucky to have many new teachers join the staff of Ngaruawahia High School in 1995.

Mr. Brandon Toro, Ms. Kathy Williams and Mr. Alistair Paterson joined the staff, unfortunately these staff members have also joined the list of leaving teachers.

Mrs. Barbara Cavanagh also joined the staff as Deputy Principal from Fairfield, maintaining a tradition of stealing Fairfield's teachers.

The English Gepartment under went radical reshaping due to the arrival of a new H.O.D., Ms. Kieran Garner and assistant teacher Mr. Geoff Short.

Ms. Lalita Graham has been 'the boss' of the special needs department.

Replacing Ms. Kathy Williams, were counsellors Mr. Paul Flanagan and Mrs. Robin Creswell. The departure of Mr. Toro also saw the arrival of Ms. Rongo Kirkman for a short time to the Maori Department.

### airman's Report

Since our last publication, your Board has been working hard to provide improved resources, and equipment and facilities for students to utilise in a wide variety of ways. It's been pleasing to see the projects undertaken within our school have had a high degree of success. It is also satisfying for your trustees to see the participation of students in competitions outside of school, and the success they have achieved should encourage all students to consider taking part in more extra-curricular activities.

We would like to commend all students involved in the various sporting teams within the school. Many positive comments have been received with regards to the friendliness and fair play of our teams, and the standard of presentation of most teams havebeen high.

Again I would like to compliment students on their behaviour and organisation of the Ball. We would like to encourage all students to experience this occasion. The impromptu items were indeed a pleasure to watch. It is tremendous to see young JIM LICHTWARK people enjoying themselves socially in that way.

If students have any ideas of what they would like to see around the school, or to happen at school,

please bring it to the attention of your Student Representative on the Board so your request may be considered. Consequently I would like to thank Heeni Hope for her contribution this year as your Representative.

The Board is always pleased to see our students attaining excellence in examinations for School Certificate and Bursary. The academic achievement of the students in our school is always improving. It is a credit to the commitment of staff and students. We believe we are fortunate to have such a qualified and dedicated staff to encourage students to attain their goals.

For those of you returning to Ngaruawahia High School next year we encourage you to set your goals higher and strive to achieve them. To the students who are leaving the school, we wish you well in your endeavour for future qualifications or employment. We look forward to hearing of your achievements from time to time and meeting you again in our community.

### STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been an eventful year for the Ngaruawahia High School Student Council. We have been involved in many discussions and actions on issues which affect students at Ngaruawahia High. Over the year, we have covered such issues as School Socials, long form time activities, student competitions, Mufti - Days, and the biggest issue, the testing at Mururoa Atoll.

At times, these meetings really stretched well over time, due to lengthy discussions so, thanks to the teachers for their understanding. Also, thanks must go to Ms Cavanagh for the help she has given the Council. Also thanks to Gavin Pratt who took the responsibility of Chairperson for the first term, and most of all thanks must go to all the members of the council. My best wishes to all of you.

JASON BIRD CHAIRMAN NGARUAWAHIA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL 1995

### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Kia Ora.

Student Representative has been stressful, rewarding, time-consuming, fulfilling, confusing and educational. This job has definitely had its moments. It was difficult knowing that the responsibility to speak for all the students was left up to me, but I'm glad that these people trusted me enough to put me in this position.

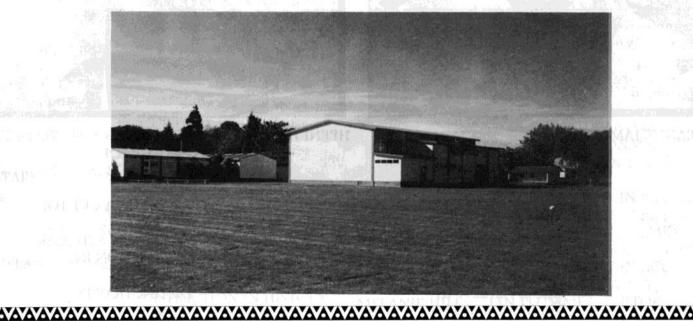
Being a student amongst a group of experienced Board of Trustees members was and still is a challenge. However, after overcoming this obstacle, other aspects of school have become more enjoyable. I had to be involved in school activities as well as being more assertive, organised and motivated.

I also feel that this experience will be of benefit to me in future challenges and I know I will find within myself confidence in my ability to solve problems.

Thanks to everyone who made my job so much easier - the BOT, all the School Committees, the Head Students, the Seventh Form, and friends Ata, Api, Marps, Tina, Mei, Aroha and Amelia.

Finally to next year's Seventh Formers (and future Student Rep's), don't take anything in this job for granted, GOOD LUCK!

HEENI HOPE



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# Prizesivins List Market 1995

This year's Prizegiving was a spectacular evening held on Thursday 16 November. An almost full hall celebrated the successes of our students this year. Barney Wharakura appeared to be the most outstanding of the students, receiving a large number of prizes and trophies for his contribution this year. Heeni Hope was another student whose all-round performance was noted. Roseanne Jamieson was Dux, achieving distinction in subjects excelling particularly in Fine Arts.

The speeches this year were a highlight. Both Mr Cranshaw and Mr Lichtwark clearly summarised the trials and tribulations of the year. Mr Cranshaw made mention of his overseas experience in the United States and expressed his disappointment at the level of commitment by most parents this year. It was the students, however, who stole the show. Atareiria Tupaea gave a speech from the heart and an inspirational message to next year's Seventh Formers. Hitomi Ono, a Japanese exchange student, delivered a heartfelt farewell to the school, adding to the emotion of the evening.

It was an excellent send-off for the students leaving school and a prizegiving that will not be forgotten.

### **Major Academic Prizes**





TEMPLETON AWARD
FOR GRAPHICS AND
DESIGN
DISTINCTION IN
ENGLISH
DISTINCTION IN ART
DISTINCTION IN
GRAPHICS & DESIGN
ACHEIVEMENT IN
MATHS CALCULUS
CONTRIBUTION TO
PARE WAIKATO TUTOR
GROUP



HEENI HOPE

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PHYSICS
McNAMARA CUP FOR
SCIENCE
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BIOLOGY
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PHYSICS
ACHIEVEMENT IN
ENGLISH AND IN
MATHEMATICS WITH
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CALCULUS

ACHIEVEMENT IN BIOLOGY

BARNEY WHARAKURA

THE TE RAPA ROTARY

CLUB SCHOLARSHIP. This is a \$1,000.00 grant awarded

to assist with the funding of a tertiary student at either

a university of a polytechnic. HITOMI ONO TE RAPA ROTARY AWARD

FOR CONTRIBUTION TO

THE SCHOOL

KT FOOTWEAR TROPHY FOR JASON BIRD

INTEGRITY

ATAREIRIA TUPAEA

DONNA CROSBY

ERANA COULTER

MEMORIAL AWARD FOR

MAORI STUDIES

MAORI TRUST AWARD FOR

LEADERSHIP IN THE CULTURAL GROUP

TE WAIPOUNAMU TEINAKORE NGAHIA

GREGORY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TE REO

MAORI

WHAKATU WAHINE FOR

TOP FEMALE MAORI

ORATOR

KELLY BLACK

FORM 6 ENGLISH SPEECH

CONTEST WINNER

LEON MATTHEWS FORM 5 ENGLISH SPEECH

CONTEST WINNER

LATTA CUP FOR SPECIAL KEPA ENOKA

ENDEAVOUR IN MUSIC

DONALD TE WHARE HAMILTON PIANO CUP

FOR EXCELLENCE IN MUSIC

DIANE HARPER TROPHY FOR NOEL REID

LEADERSHIP IN SCHOOL

MUSIC

VIOLET JOLLY KELLY ELVY

CUP FOR CITIZENSHIP

COLLINS CUP FOR GAVIN PRATT

CITIZENSHIP

ATAREIRIA TUPAEA

SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL

ATAREIRIA TUPAEA

BARNEY WHARAKURA

SCHOOL LEADERS

MELANIE DERECOURT HISTORY CUP

IAN BROWNLEE CUP FOR DISTINCTION IN HISTORY

DISTINCTION IN

GEOGRAPHY AND BOOK VOUCHERS DONATED BY

WAIKATO GEOGRAPHY

SOCIETY

EFFORT IN ENGLISH

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WITH APPLICATION

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ACHIEVEMENT IN BIOLOGY

ACHIEVEMENT IN **MATHEMATICS** 

ACHIEVEMENT IN ENGLISH

EFFORT IN CHEMISTRY

AMANDA FARMILO DISTINCTION IN

MATHEMATICS

DISTINCTION IN BIOLOGY

DISTINCTION IN

GEOGRAPHY AND BOOK VOUCHERS DONATED BY

WAIKATO GEOGRAPHY

SOCIETY

ACHIEVEMENT IN ENGLISH

ACHIEVEMENT IN PHYSICS

GALE GLASSON-HENDERSON ACHIEVEMENT IN

ENGLISH AND COMPUTERS

ACHIEVEMENT IN ACC EFFORT IN HISTORY

JAN PLUMMER CUP FOR MELANIE HILL

DISTINCTION IN

**ENGLISH** 

ACHIEVEMENT IN BIOLOGY

AND MATHS

PROGRESS IN PHYSICS

EFFORT IN CHEMISTRY

SHAWN HOWIE	FLETCHERS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN	LEON BIRD	DISTINCTION IN ENGLISH DISTINCTION IN GRAPHICS
	DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY		PROGRESS IN ITNERANT
	PROGRESS IN CHEMISTRY		MUSIC
	PROGRESS IN GEOGRAPHY	DANIEL DUFFULL	WHITE CLIFFS AWARD FOR
	PROGRESS IN ENGLISH		GRAPHICS & DESIGN
GRANT LEE	DISTINCTION IN PHYSICS		DISTINCTION IN
	ACHIEVEMENT IN DRAMA		WORKSHOP TECHNOLOGY
MARIA LONDON	DISTINCTION IN ENGLISH	JENNY FAGAN	DISTINCTION IN ENGLISH
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	ECONOMICS	JAMIE LICHTWARK	DISTINCTION IN SCIENCE
TINA THORPE	PROGRESS IN TYPING		ACHIEVEMENT IN
	PROGRESS IN CRAFT		WORKSHOP TECHNOLOGY
	EFFORT IN CRAFT	ANNA MORELL	DISTINCTION IN TYPING
	EFFORT IN ACCOUNTING		ACHIEVEMENT IN LIVING
	PROGRESS IN ITINERANT		SKILLS
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WAIKATO GEOGRAPHY

SOCIETY

ACHIEVEMENT IN HISTORY

ACHIEVEMENT IN ITINERANT MUSIC

### SPORTS PRIZES

BARNEY WHARAKURA

GRINTER CUP FOR

SENIOR BOYS ATHLETICS

MELANIE HILL

SENIOR GIRLS ATHLETIC

CHAMPION

DONNA CROSBY

SENIOR GIRLS SWIMMING

CHAMPION

BLAIR SCOTHERN

COMINS TROPHY FOR

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

SHANNIN KEELEY AND MELANIE HILL

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

MELANIE HILL

NIKORA NETBALL TROPHY

FOR MOST IMPROVED

NETBALLER

HEENI HOPE

GOODWILL CUP FOR

CONTRIBUTION TO NETBALL

HEENI HOPE

NETBALL TROPHY FOR MOST

**OUTSTANDING PLAYER** 

SHANELLE TUPP

OUTSTANDING FEMALE

VOLLEYBALL PLAYER

ANTHONY GOODWIN

OUTSTANDING MALE VOLLEYBALL PLAYER

WHETU MIDDLETON

FIRST XI BEST BATSMAN

ATAREIRIA TUPAEA ANZUS CUP FOR ALL

ROUND EXCELLENCE, EFFORT AND TEAM

SPIRIT IN GIRLS

BASKETBALL

TED RHIND

CLANCY TROPHY FOR ALL

ROUND EXCELLENCE, EFFORT

TEAM SPIRIT IN BOYS

BASKETBALL

BARNEY WHARAKURA

BASKETBALL SHIELD

FOR THE MOST

**OUTSTANDING BASKETBALL** 

PLAYER

SHANNON TURUWHENUA

RUGBY CLUBS CUP

CONTRIBUTION TO RUGBY

BARNEY WHARAKURA

FIJIAN SCHOOL RUGBY

TROPHY FOR OUTSTANDING

PLAYER

JULIEN MOUROUX DAINES TROPHY FOR MOST

IMPROVED RUGBY

PLAYER

ANTHONY GOODWIN

McINTOSH BEGBIE

BROWN TROPHY TOP TRY

SCORER

GRANT LEE SOUTH EAST ASIA TOUR

TROPHY

BEST TEAM MAN IN FIRST XV

SHANNON TURUWHENUA

FAIR PLAY AWARD

NETTA POPE

PRINCIPALS AWARD FOR

CONTRIBUTION TO SPORT

BARNEY WHARAKURA

PRINCIPALS AWARD FOR

CONTRIBUTION TO

SPORT

MELANIE HILL

DAVISON CUP BEST WOMAN

SPORTSPERSON

BARNEY WHARAKURA

DAVISON CUP BEST MALE SPORTSPERSON



As I look back over the past five years of school I can still remember the time I left Primary as a senior and walked into another big school starting all over again. This huge "little-turd", wearing Charley Brown shoes, walking through a strange land with seniors towering over him, now stands 6 foot - plus just five years later as Head Student.

This year has been an honour, to be a student representing our school on various occasions as part of my

Head Boy duties.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to give a special thanks to our Principal T.C. You have given me fatherly advice whenever I needed it. The opportunities and unforgettable experiences that I have had will never be forgotten. Thank you for the kind things you have done for me in and out of this school. I am eternally grateful.

To my friends who have lasted the long battle against pen and paper, paint and brush, machine and fingersthank you. I'd like to give recognition to the Brothers: Tahi, Taane, Ted, Whetu, Eli, Tuku, Wet's, Fish Louis and to all the up and coming brothers. To all the Seventh

Form, thank you for your help and support.

To next years Seventh's, dont let the Common Room get to you, it's like an addiction once you're attracted to it. Stay focused on school and also on your goals. You are in

control of your future.

Shannon Turuwhenua and Head Student wouldn't have been a major conversation point for most teachers when I was in Third Form, but five years later it happened and here I am.

I have enjoyed this year thoroughly and wish it could have lasted longer. Not because I am a Head Student, but because I have made it to the milestone of Seventh Form. "Ahh yes, Seventh Form." The year of being locked out of the Common Room and away from ping-pong. Looking back, I must say Seventh Form has been the best of all the years I've spent at Ngaruawahia High. From the sport to the people, and yes... even the school work has been enjoyable.

My duties this year have been much the same as others, with schooling being the priority. But they've included other tasks like attending the Anzac Day Parade without a wreath and sneaking out of Form Class to meet

head students from other schools.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the teachers who have had anything to do with me, especially Mr Jarnet, Mr Marsh, Mr Crawford and of course, the Chief, Mr Cranshaw. I would also like to thank all the friends I have made since moving to Ngaruawahia. Especially Whetu, Gavin, Tarn, Shanelle, Roscanne and Blair. Also to my fellow head's Barney, Ata and Donna, cheers for all the laughs and support this year.

Finally to next years Seventh Form and Head Students, good luck and I

hope you enjoy it as much as I have!





"Life is like a box of chocolates: you never know what you're gonna get."

A year as Head Girl has been something of a life time's challenge and an experience. Head girl has taught me you can only expect from life what you put into it, and the opportunity to better myself has indeed prepared me for the "Big Outside World." The day that it was announced I was Head Girl, I was so proud and happy; it's a feeling that goes beyond words.

I want to acknowledge all the wonder and beauty Ngaruawahia High School has brought into my life. Thank you very much. I wish to acknowledge everyone who has helped me achieve these things in the five years that I have been here.

The biggest highlight this year for me, has been our superb team, Donna Crosby, Barney Wharakura and Shannon Turuwhenua. I've shared so many memories with you and I will keep them forever.

To my family who has been my inspiration I love you all, especially my mum, who made me the mana wahine I am today, and who has always been there for me every single day of my life.

No one could take away the friendship from Aroha Rawiri, Heeni Hope, Lisa Osawamick, Ngawinika Mott and Soni Ahu and the things we have shared together.

To all the Seventh Formers, it's been great to be amongst the most unique bunch ever.

To the staff, it wouldn't be fair to single out anyone but I would like to mention that TC has been a constant source of encouragement and support for me. I cant wait till my services are up here, and I am glad Head Prefect is only for one year. Thank you, too, for the special memories.

Lastly to the students of Ngaruawahia. Make the most of everything, think positive, aim high, and be what ever it is you want to be. Stand proud whether you are Maori, Pakeha or any ethnic group.

To the up and coming Head Students: "Make damn sure you follow in my footsteps, or do it better."

Adios Dudes.

This year I have been very lucky to have been given the chance to represent the school as Deputy Head Girl.

I have learnt this year that negativity in life will get us nowhere and that taking responsibility and making the best of opportunities given to us is important when making decisions in the present, and for the future. Seventh Form is a great experience and I encourage all the students of the school to try and keep at it because it's really worth it.

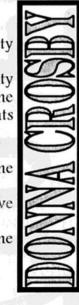
To Atareiria, Barney and Shannon; you guys have been great to work with and supportive.

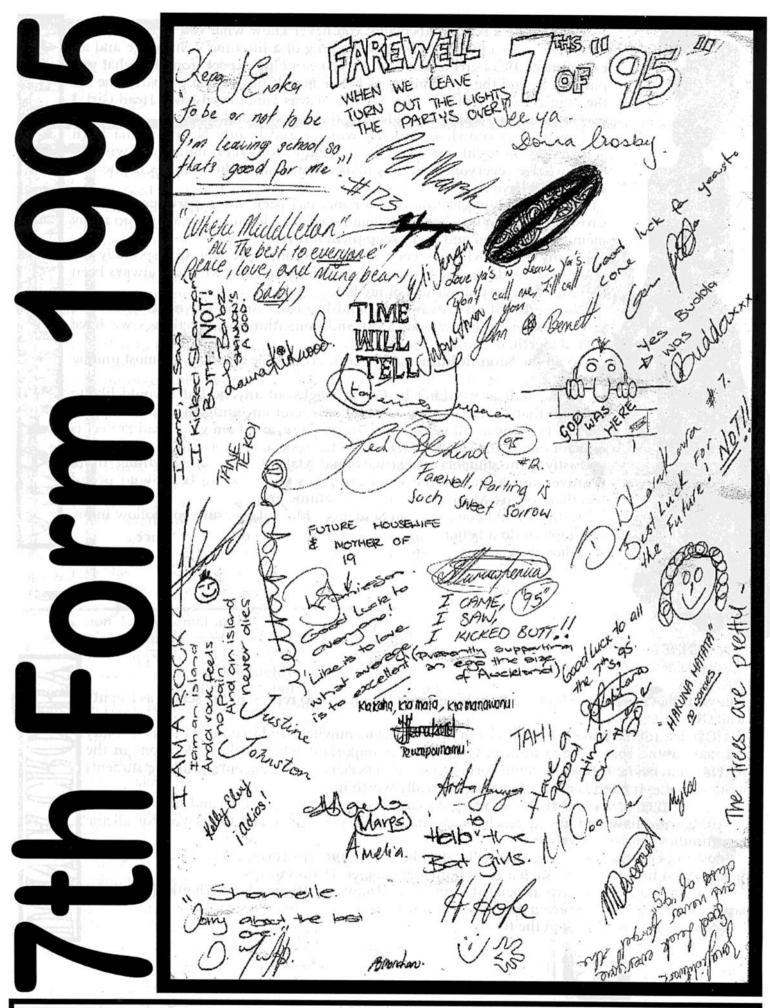
To Mr Cranshaw and all the teachers I've had in the past five years; thank you for all the opportunities you have given me.

Most importantly to Justine, Shannelle and the rest of the 7th Form; I feel so lucky to have spent the last five years with such a great bunch of people. Thanks heaps.

Finally to everyone I have associated with at Ngaruawahia High School; Thanks for all the happy memories you have given me, they will last forever.

Good-bye and good luck in the future.







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(FO) and Likely Future Occupations (LO).

JOHN BENNETT; FO: Lab Rat, LO: Colombian Drug Dealer.

JASON BIRD; FO: The Air Force, LO: Fireman Sam MEI COOPER; FO: ??? LO: Undercover Cop.

DONNA CROSBY; FO: Aventure Guide, LO: Nun. MELANIE DERECOURT; FO: Childcare Worker, LO: Mrs Chip

KELLY ELVY; FO: ???, LO: Brain Surgeon.

KEPA ENOKA; FO: ???, LO: Father of 19

AMELIA GRAY; FO: ???, LO: Pocahontas Body Double

Our Future Occupations HEENI HOPE; FO: ???, WHETU LO: Supermodel Cindy McPherson.

TUKU INIA; FO: ???, LO: AROHA MORUNGA; FO:

Interior Designer, FO: LO: Housewife and Mother of 22.

Management/Tourism, LO: Nun.

Teacher, Deranged Psychedelic TANIA RAPIHANA; FO: TURUWHENUA; Hippy.

???, LO: Emmy Runner- Playboy Photographer. Up.

PAUL MARSH; FO: ???, LO: Crash Test Dummy. BARBARA MEIER; FO: TAANE TEKOI; FO: ???, FO: Cop, Psych. Nurse, LO: Psych. LO: Super League's Bottle Patient on the Love Boat.

MIDDLETON: FO: Air NZ Pilot, LO: Pantyhose Model

???, LO: Truancy Officer ROSEANNE JAMIESON; MAPERA NAERA; FO: Teacher, LO: D.J. for Radio Rhema.

NETTA POPE; FO: Teacher ATA JUSTINE JOHNSON; FO: (Foot), LO: Professional Rock.

PRATT; GAVIN LAURA KIRKWOOD; FO: Accountant/Mechanic, LO: LO: Stripper.

Lawyer, LO: P.D. Worker. ZENA LICHTWARK; FO: TED RHIND; FO: ???, LO:

TAHI RANGIAWA; FO: Tourist Physio, LO: Assistant Kamekaze Pilot. Photographer.

WAIPOUNAMU TEINAKORE: Principal, Janet Jackson.

ELI TENGU; FO: ???, LO: Postman.

MYLES TENGU; FO: ???, LO: Milkman

TUPAEA; FO: Tourism Industry, LO: Hitler's Prodegy.

FO: SHANNELLE TUPP; FO: Teacher, LO: Nun.

> SHANNO Engineer, LO: Drag Queen Caravan Salesman HITOMI UNO: Guide,

> BARNEY WHARAKURA; LO: Hat Stretcher/Mr Personality. Compiled by the 7th Form 1995 with Mr Anthony Cranshaw and Mr Geoff Short



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## 7th Form Camp

The Christian Youth Camp seems to be the best venue available for an early return back to school Seventh Form camp. The camp was held over a three day period, and was full of fun, adventure, excitement, and happy memories. Over the first two days Mr. Jarnet educated us a maturity, responsibility, leadership skills, and heaps of communication. The main emphasis was on goals, becoming successful leaders, and being able to solve problems as a team.

I found the camp an appropriate was "primo." occasion to reinforce importance of the final year at High School. A lot of these activities have been reflected in our Seventh Form year, enabling us to see the benefit of this knowledge we gained.

One of the highlights of the camp was seeing each other making an effort to work together, especially when we were divided into groups and allocated various duties cooking, cleaning the dining room and outdoor areas.

With what little free-time we hell of a lot, mostly to do with did have, we girls were fortunate enough to have Shannelle Tupp teach us the "bus stop dance", which was heaps of fun. It started off with just a few then it gradually grew, so before we knew it we had an enthusiastic dancing group. It

> On Thursday night most of the Seventh Formers were involved in a water fight which seemed to go for ages. It was a water fight which will not easily be forgotten, enough said!

When Friday came I was one of

the unfortunate ones who couldn't sleep in. Yes, you guessed it! I was up at 5.00 am preparing breakfast. I felt so sorry for the teachers who were up there with us, because every time we had to meet in a certain place you could guarantee someone would be late. didn't seem to be an important factor. Mr. Jarnet outlined the itinerary for each day, and before we knew it the activities were well under way. It was also a pleasure to meet the new Third Formers who proved they were an enthusiastic bunch, I think a lot of them had an addiction to the swimming pool.

3.00 came and we cleaned up and grouped together and said bye-bye to the camp. The camp was excellent. Thanks to the teachers who made it happen.

Ata Tupaea

## Geography and Biology To

On Sunday 10 September, Seventh Form Biologists and Geographers packed the van and headed to Piha Beach.

This is what we had to say...

"There's someone in the cave."

"Aaaahhhh!"

"Mrs Johnston had AM Radio and wouldn't let the windows be opened."

" Shannelle did a Rambo dive, and the siren went off. Fortunately we were all safe until the next day of course when we had to drive the

the wheel."

"Ha, ha, we won."

"Barbara the farmer was up at 5:30 every morning, using up all the hot water while singing the 'Love Boat' theme."

"I asked Mrs Johnston, 'do we need shoes?' She replied, 'no'. Boy was she wrong! I walked high and low, round and round and every step I took I could hear my feet screaming, 'are we there yet!' 'Are we there yet?' I finally

motorway with Shannelle behind reached the waterfalls and when I thought the worst was over, I was wrong! But that's another story."

"6:30 the next morning, while still asleep suddenly we heard, 'I've found the salt.""

"Negative aspects of camping - spending two nights and 3 days with Barbs! - Nah she wasn't that bad, she just woke up with the birds, rushing around noisily in the morning. But apart from that

she was 'primo' and the entire trip was most exhilarating

## LANGUAGE CAMP 1995

The experience was great and building site next door. the memories are even better!!

assist German, Japanese, and Maori.

A group of Sixth Formers from Ngaruawahia High from around the Waikato and to run ragged for several days. other regions.

We had power sockets, better bunks Camp. and carpet. Nevertheless we

The food was 'different' and Language camp is an annual with the appetites of our young at Ngaruawahia Ngaruawahia High School males, it Christain Youth Camp. This camp is a mystery why they went up for the seconds and fourths. Not that food development of students learning and the softness of the beds we to speak languages such as French, slept in has any bearing on what we learnt.

Of course there was the School occasional grumpy teacher like Mr. participated along with schools O'Callaghan who we were forced

With a fast excuse like "I'm in girls were stuck in the wrong language group", you crummy little dorms where the air got an opportunity to go and wasn't fresh and the decor was a explore everything else that the lesson in History, while the boys Ngaruawahia Christian Youth

The last night was nothing managed to rustle up a makeshift short of a giggle. Toilet papering clothes line to stick in the dorm, the camp, donging the bell at 3am, kindly donated from an unfinished midnight swims, early morning

mudslides and paddle boat hijacking to name a few things that we got up to.

Language camp 1995 was a memorable ordeal and I was pleased to have the opportunity to attend.

#### Ramari Marino



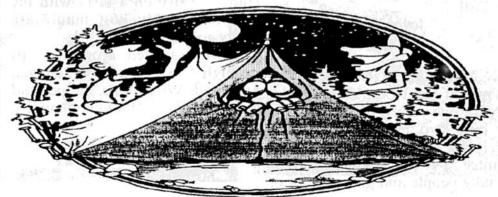
It was a cold day when the Third Form arrived at the Christian Youth Camp (CYC). We were in for a day of leisure with the Seventh Formers. All the Tird Form classes were there and each class was split into two groups to go their separate ways.

There were some thrilling exercises for us such as rolling down a steep hill on a small trolley heading sraight for a barbed wire fence. Some people glided in canoes around the lake while others frantically paddled in small boats. Ear piercing screams came from the "Flying Fox" as people smacked furiously into the tyres forgetting to put their legs down, while others forgot to put their legs up. Cries of pain eminated from the Third formers as they experienced being led blindfolded around by Seventh formers, who allowed them to go crashing into things and to step into mud and manure.

Natasha London experienced the frightful Confidence Course

However, the afternoon was all ours. We got to do anything we liked, except for Touch Rugby and the mud slide, which was excellent.

After all that fun we were put



and so did Caleb Ahu. people fell into the swamp while crossing the wire bridge. The hardest part was crossing the tyres because it hurt your hands.

back into our respective Whanau to clean the camp before heading back to school. Good start to the year. Thanks.

Elizabeth and Kiley

friends. Hi! I've been here a couple of months but I alre a dy fee1 very at home here, thanks guys! Life here totally different Belgium (Europe). Our school starts at 8.25 and the Funtazia Variety concert. Here finishes at 3.45 but the good thing in NZ most people are relaxed and school my host father took me on

is that we get every Wednesday the students have fun. afternoon off (which is really a bit of a paradox 'coz we just get more SEE YA! homework.) We get heaps of homework, usually you work 'till about 10pm. All subjects are compulsory and we have 11 of them.

Everyone here is a lot quieter (I am a VERY NOISY Belgian), everybody pays attention in class and does their homework! When people complain about school I don't know what they are talking about, I think it's heaven!

I'm looking forward to the Christmas holidays, it will definitely be strange experience because I associate it with winter not summer.

So as you say in New Zealand,

SEE YA!!

Joyce Vanden Hoven

Hi Ngaruawahia High School,

I'm Rolf from Germany and I'm here for one year. I have been here I went rafting in Waitomo Caves. for only two months, but I can I really love NZ, surely say New Zealand is a great country. I've already met heaps of friendly people and gained a lot of

and the change rooms We also 12.45pm) lines and the students friends. sit the whole year in

teachers are

Rolf Waller

Salut, Hi, Kia Ora,

I have been here about 8 months and I really love the experience I'm having. NZ is a fantastic country! I do a lot of activities over here and Hi, play a lot of sport.

playing rugby with the 1st XV and the ambulance! The best part is probably the school. I have a lot of friends and I do a lot of things with them.

School It is pretty relaxed, you have choice. The landscape in NZ is really different from my home in France. I live on a farm with my host family. My host family are pretty good.

I have travelled around heaps through Hamilton, Rotorua, Auckland, Whakatane, Taupo, and

Julien Moroux

Hello

I'm David Lenador from Spain. The school system here is totally I am writing this from home as I different from Germany. We left Ngaruawhia a couple of have one Big building months ago. On my departure I teachers was asked to write this about my each time in NZ.

> I arrived in NZ to have two spend the whole weeks holidays before going to day (7.45 am to school. During this time the with Bryan family showed the same people. Hamilton and took me up North In our rooms the with them. In these two weeks I tables are in strict met a lot of their family and

School began and I was really the same place. The nervous but when the students always and teachers made me shouting and we have to welcome I became relaxed. My do a lot of work. You could favourite subject was Craft as I see that in our AFS show at cannot do anything like that here

The time I did not spend at trips around NZ in his truck. I think your country is a beautiful green country full of lovely places to go and enjoy the scenery.

Thanks to everyone for making my stay in NZ a wonderful experience.

#### David Lenador

I'm half way though my stay here I spend a lot of time enjoying in Brazil and having a really great time.

> My school here is great. The population has just increased from 8000 to 12000. I am at a Technical school with courses in Mechanics, Electronic Design and Industrial Design. I study from 7.30 am to 12 noon, in all five classes, so it is pretty sweet compared to NZ.

> At first living in Brazil was really different, mainly because I lived across from a Pavela (slum). It took a while to get used to it as it is incredible how many things we, in NZ, take for granted. The main thing is Social Welfare, the people here get nothing, so you



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have to have a job. Many people work for almost nothing. My first family had a maid who worked from 7.30am to 4.00pm, five days a week and was paid \$160 NZ per month.

I have just recently changed Even though things families. didn't work out with that family I still keep in contact with my sister. My new family are great. Very religious, but I don't have to attend church with them all the time. I have a Mum, Dad and two sisters aged 24 and 25. Both live at home,

I have travelled with a number of other students to the North East of Brazil. The beaches were amazing, not at all like NZ, in that there were rows and rows of chairs and umbrellas. Generally the lifestyle was very different to that in Curitiba where I live, as most of the people in the places we visited lived off the natural resources and tourism.

When I first arrived in Brazil the temperature was very hot, 28-35 degrees. We are now just coming out of the winter season, and the temperatures really jump around. One day it is down as low as 5 degrees, the next it's up to 25.

I miss NZ but anyway before I know it, I will be back at school

Mey Amor

Mark Jansen

July this year I arrived home from a year in U.S.A on an A.F.S student exchange. I lived in a small town in north western Illinois called Apple River. I attended school in times before but if you have the the next town, Warren.

My school was very small with about 200 high school students. School was similar to NZ. The day started at 8.30am and ended at 3.30pm with eight classes and half hour break for lunch. Lunch was served in the cafeteria for about \$4 NZ a day or you could bring it from home, or go to town. The cafeteria food wins no prizes for quality.

School sports were taken very seriously, you could only belong to one team in a season. There are three seasons - Fall, Winter, and Spring. The season started with a week of conditioning, 4 hours a day for 5 days of drills, sprints and running (I am no star athelete), I was beginning to think they'd killed us off for the rest of the season but they got paid too much for that. I practiced two and half hours a day, and I thought I might make a good cheerleader. I had a permanent position on the team, yes, on the bench. In the end I got the most improved player.

My host family was great. I could fill this whole book with my experiences but I've probably bored you already. I suppose you've heard this thousands of chance, go.

God Bless,

Zena Litchwark

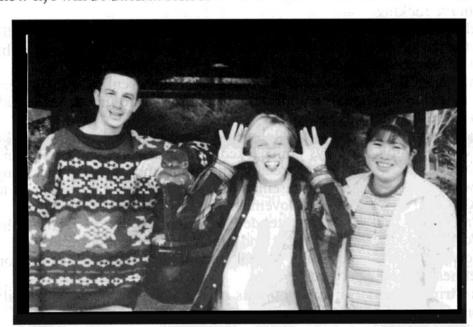
Kia Ora!

I'm Hitomi from Japan. My school life at Ngaruawahia High School has been great. All the people are so kind and friendly. School is totally different to Japan.

I am having a really neat time and I can't believe I have been here for ten months. Time is passing so quickly. I will return home with lots of fond memories and I will never forget my year in NZ.

I'd like to say to everyone I have met, thank you very much.

Hitomi Uno

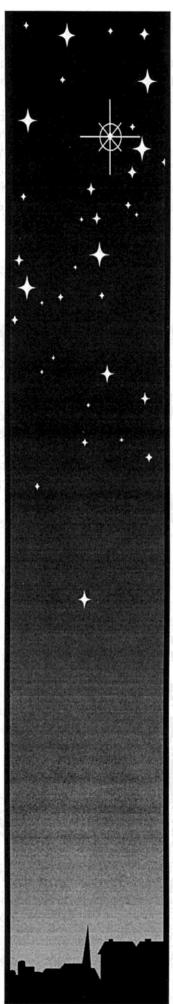




Julien Moroux, Joyce Vanden Hoven, Hitomi Ono. Absent: Rolf Waller and David Lenador.



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## The United Nations For



The main objective of the United Nations is to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war and also to reaffirm faith in the fundamental human rights of men and women from nations large and small. So when four of us hearty Sixth Formers were asked to represent our school at the inaugural mock United Nations Forum on the weekend of the 9th and 10th of September, we had absolutely no idea what we were really getting ourselves into. Murray and Anthony as representatives for the major drug dealing nation of Colombia and Deborah and Shannin as representatives for the healthy Muslim country of Saudi Arabia.

During the week our heads were crammed with information on our respective countries. The government, the policies, the law, the issues and the people. We

were ready to solve the problems of the world.

When we arrived at the University of Waikato there were around 65 Secondary School students from the Waikato and the Bay of Plenty regions, all representing a country.

As we gained allies we also gained confidence both through voting and speaking power. In between terrorists holding hostages at gun point, top secret meetings between OPEC and raising oil prices by 25% we learned an exceptional amount of knowledge about the forces keeping world peace.

In two days we had been exposed to many complex international issues, learnt to react to unexpected crisis, become a confident negotiatior and thoroughly

enjoyed ourselves. -Deborah Wood.



Being one of 50 schools invited to take part in the first New Zealand simulated student Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) was both exciting and nerve racking.

It was held in Palmerston North on the 20th and 21st of September and all 51 countries of the Commonwealth were represented by Sixth Form Geography students from all around New Zealand.

We were allocated the Bahamas and so prepared for this event by studying this country and its value positions on topics such as the environment, trade aid,

human rights and indigenous peoples.

After flying down and making our (late) grand entrance into the middle of the powhiri, we settled in for two days jam-packed full of debates, workshops and plenary sessions. Our aim was to prepare a communiqué about issues concerning the Commonwealth which we later presented to Dame Catherine Tizard to go to the real CHOGM held in Auckland in November.

It wasn't all work though - we attended a formal reception held in the Palmerston North museum the first night and lunched with Dame Catherine the next day. We were billeted with High School students from around Palmerston North and met heaps of new people.

Overall the trip was a lot of fun and was a very valuable and worthwhile

experience for both of us. -Amandi Farmilo and Shawn Howie.

## Debating

"Miss Third Speaker, like Aristotle we know how little you know. Your argument has as many holes as my Aunt Mavis's swiss cheese."

Style, cunning and wit describes the Senior Debating team which has progressed remarkably and with astonishing speed from our first debate. There we were as frightened as a long tailed cat in a room full of rocking chairs. The team consisted of Deborah Wood (1st Speaker), Shannin Keeley (2nd Speaker), John Bennett (3rd Speaker) and for our third debate against Hamilton Boys we introduced a new third speaker, Murray Nathan coming together to form an experienced group of "unstoppables" for 1996.

The first debate took place at Hillcrest High School arguing that the "sword is mightier then the pen". Although quite nervous no one would have thought we were amateurs putting up a strong fight against a team who used a precise argument - to our advantage, giving us more experience for future debates. Unfortunately we lost, but, lived to fight another day getting past the milestone of 'our first debate.'

Our team's next civilised argument was hosted at our very own school, Ngaruawahia High. We won by a large margin taking stands on many controversial issues including sex - "twos company threes a crowd is a cliche that is out of date,

threesomes are in!", but, Hauraki Plains put forward a complaint to the adjudicator, Mrs. Johnston (address supplied.), who then declared the debate a draw.

Again after researching the topic and a lot of tedious preparation our team went up against the highly experienced debating team of Hamilton Boys High School, containing a National and two Regional Representatives. To enter into the finals of the Jaycees competition, we had to win this debate. After a solid argument, despite Shannin's 'witty' interjections we lost by only a small margin. Our pride wasn't killed totally though, we all walked away with a lot of personal satisfaction for nearly beating such a good team.

Following this we had two social debates, one against Huntly College and another against Fraser High School, which was held at the Te Rapa Rotary Club. The Rotary Debate was fun and we brought home a cup to show off, which we are yet to be presented with in front of our school assembly.

Overall Debating has been quite fun, out doing the stigma that it was boring. From attacking the teachers in a social debate to a billion verbal and near physical fights, debating did have its up side.

Shannin Keely



### Speches & Manu Korero

#### 1995 Speeches

This year many students throughout the school took part in speech contests. There are always two main sspeech contests in the school; the English Department's Form Five and Form Six competition, and the Manu Korero speech contest for both Maori speakers and Maori students speaking in English.

The Form Six Speech competition was the first to take place this year. The best three students from each of the three Sixth Form English classes presented their work to the entire Sixth Form and were marked by a panel of judges. Students spoke on a variety of topics from "Teeenage Role Models" and "Men's Commitment", through to "Childbirth" and "Life and Death". The overall standard was very good and the students demonstrated that the art of oration is not lost.

Manu Korero took place well into the year and was another example of the depth of talent this school possesses. In Te Tau o Te Reo Maori, the Year of Maori Language, it was gratifying to to see students expressing their thoughts and ideas persuasively in Te Reo Rangatira. Te Waipounamu Teinakore and her younger sister Te Manawaroa Teinakore were the most outstanding speakers on the day.

The top speakers in each category, both Junior and Senior, went onto the Regional Manu Korero Competition at Fairfield College. Te Waipounamu Teinakore was again successful and attended the National Manu Korero Finals in Auckland. Te Waipounamu was unfortunate not to achieve a first three placing in the finals, the competition being won by Tamati Waka of Trident High School. We congratulate Te Waipounamu, however, as a representative of our school with tremendous talent. He pai rawa atu tou mahi korero.

The last speeches in competition were made by the Fifth Form students. It was a similar format to the Form Sixth competition and again the students showwed real ability with some clever speechmaking. Leon Matthews was the most promising speechmaker with a hilarious look at League and it's popularity as a sport. Sure bodes well for the future!

Manu Korero Competition Results:

SENIOR MAORI: 1st Te Waipounamu Teinakore

2nd Te Aroha Tihi 3rd Murray Nathan

SENIOR ENGLISH: 1st Aroha Morunga

2nd Katarina Joy Ward

3rd Tania Fata

JUNIOR MAORI: 1st Te Manawaroa Teinakore

2nd Kameta Puke

3rd Tamara Karu-Wilkins

JUNIOR ENGLISH:1st Brad Wharakura

2nd Marrin Haggie 3rd Jeanie Peeni

Form Five Speech Competition Results

1st Leon Matthews

2nd Erin Pollard

Ngawinika Mott

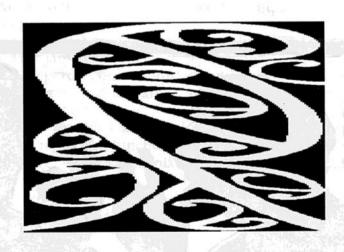
Form Six Speech Competition Results

1st Kelly Black

2nd Grant Lee

Deborah Wood

3rd Murray Nathan





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## Productions 1995





### MANA PERFORMANCE

By Gale Glasson-Henderson

Our School has been lucky to have had the opportunity to see a number of performances with a lot of talented young people in them. This year a group performed a drama called MANA to us on August 4th. The play was based around the contrasts of a Maori/Dutch family struggling with new found unemployment; and a single European news reporter covering the story of a freezing works closure in that area. These people's lives seemed to conflict and intertwine with an explosive finish.

The use of lighting and sound was very effective in a portrayal of a spiritual element in the play. The cast was also very entertaining, it contained a former "Shortland Street" star, Tamati Rice, who played Jackie Manu's cheating boyfriend and criketer, Henry Tamariki. The lovely sining voice of one female cast member also added to the show's appeal. Overall, it was an entertaining display of talent that the whole audience found exciting.

### **MAUI PERFORMANCE**

By Lance Byan

This year many performing groups visited us, one of these groups was "Ahorangi Genesis" who performed their version of the story about the life of Maui. With a lot of noise and some well co-ordinated special effects they portrayed many colourful characters that have been past down from generation to generation around the story telling fire.

The play was enjoyed by many, partly due to the audience participation which ranged from name calling to playing along with rehearsed responses.

The group was mainly aged from between 6 and 19 years of age which shocked many of us. Although recently developed this performance had been well planned and climaxed spectacularly. At the end the moral of the story was delivered and the actors also introduced themselves. Great event.









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#### He Taonga te Reo Ko tenei te tau o te reo Maori, engari, kia whakamaramatia mai etahi o nga take kua takahia te reo rangatira me ona tikanga i roto i o tatou matua, me o tatou rangatahi hoki. Ka puta ake oku whakaaro mo a tatou waiata nui e penei ana nga kupu. "Kia u, kia mau ki to Maoritanga. Kia mau ki to reo, te reo Maori." He tino nui ke nga waiata e pena ai te tohutohu mai ki nga ropu rangatahi. Na te kitanga o nga kaitito waiata i tenei ahuatanga, i meatia ai e ratou ki roto i te Pakehatanga, a, ko tena tonu tetahi o nga take i kore ai e mahi te nuinga o te rangatahi i te reo o tatou tupuna. No nga matua tonu o aua tamariki ra te he ki te kore e whakaako i a ratou tamariki i to tatou reo. I te wa e haere ana toku koroua ki te kura, kaore i whakaaetia nga tamariki Maori ki te korero i te reo. Na te tari o te matuaranga tenei ture i whakatakoto. Ke te take mo tenei ture ko tenei. I pohehe ratou ki te kore nga tamariki e korero Maori, ka tere to ratou mohio ki te ako i te reo pakeha. I he ratou ki te whakatakoto i tenei ture, na te mea he nui nga Maori kaore i te tino mohio pai i te reo Pakeha, engari kua kore ano hoki e mohio ki to tatou na reo. Ko to tatou nei reo kaore i whakaaetia, engari i whakaaetia ko te reo Wiwi, ko te reo Tiamana. Ko te reo Ratini me etahi atu reo. Ka mau ke hoki te wehi!

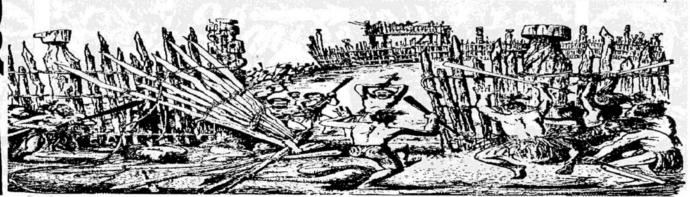
I pai inaianei ki te whakaakona to tatou reo i nga whare wananga, ara, ki Tamaki Makaurau, ki Waikato nei, ki Poneke, ki Pamutana ano hoki. He tino pai tenei: Heoi ano, ko te nuinga o ngaakonga kei roto i nga karaehe he Pakeha ke. Ko nga Maori kei te ako i to tatou reo he torutoru noa iho.

"Ko te reo te ha o te Maoritanga, ko te reo te poutokomanawa o te Maoritanga." Ma te mohio pai o te tangata ki te reo e mohio pai ai ia ki nga tikanga. Heoi ano ra, me pupuri te taonga kia mau. Kia taea ai e tatou te tuku iho ki nga whakatipuranga kei te haere mai.

"He puawai putiputi te Maoritanga ana taketake ko te reo. Tapahia te puawai putiputi ka mate te reo. Whakakorengia te reo ka mate te Maoritanga."

> "Maoritanga is a blossom the language is its roots. If you cut the blossom, the language dies. If the language dies, so does Maoritanga

> > -Na Mei Cooper





## Mapahaka Itinerary

Te Roopu Kapahaka o te Kura Tuarua o Ngaruawahia has participated in many events, both in and around the Waikato area. Performing for dignitaries, competitions and guests alike, the group was taken this year by very able tutors with a lot of experience in both the art of leadership and Kapahaka itself. Atareiria Tupaea and Barney Wharakura, the Head Girl and Head Boy respectively, each led the group almost single handedly, but with the help of Hemi O'Callaghan, who is leaving for a better life next year to Tauranga. began on March 10 with our group participating in the Intermediate Division of the annual Manuariki Competition finals at The group did very well winning second for their entry, third for Barney's speech and first equal for Te Waipounamu's female leadership. addition to this Te Wai was awarded the prestigious Korowai.

In March, they performed at Turangawaewae in front of thousands at the annual Regatta celebrations. Te Waipounamu and Te Manawaroa closed the celebrations with a waiata that was well received by all that listened.

May was a busy month for the group as a whole. They performed for the Maori Nurses Association then on the 18 the group escorted the guests of Te Arikinui Te Atairangikaahu to

a formal dinner hosted at Turangawaewae. On the 20th at the Coronation celebrations they served both as host and performers, escorting visiting groups to and from the stage.

In July they travelled to the old Hopu Hopu Army Base to perform and host visiting students from Japan. The Hozen High School was made up of Japanese students who had travelled over to play Rugby Union in New Zealand, facing off against our own First XV.

Two months later the group travelled to the Aotea Centre, in Auckland with Te Waipounamu Teinakore, as support while Te Wai spoke in the National Manu Korero Speech Competition. Although Te Wai didn't receive a placing, she did speak extremely well in such a competitive field of young Maori speakers.

In October the Hauraki Competitions were held in Thames. In the student leaders section, Barney and Ata, were highly praised for their efforts in preparing the group in the space of 3 weeks. This did pay off as the group placed third in their section.

In November the group aided in the celebrations for the arrival of Nelson Mandela and performed again for our School Prizegiving on the 16th.

Overall a great year was had by everyone!



## Taumarunui Comps

Manuariki very proud of the group's organised us to get changed into evening air. performance as I felt we had our costumes and assisted us in I thought we'd have a quiet accomplished a lot in a short remember everyone trying to crack jokes, laugh, sing, and

road which led to the marae placing we did win first equal support was "massive". Thank

the entrance to the festival. It small area was pretty good, there

was fortunate enough to qualify entertainment. Once we were especially the presentation to for the Secondary Schools inside the gates everyone come to an end. Finally, we National Cultural Competition seemed in a hurry to "check headed to the bus and I was held earlier this year at out" the other cultural groups, pleased to get away; feeling

cruising along. There were little brief karakia we were led to the morning and everyone was sure groups, cracking jokes and back entrance of the stage. I thinking about not going to laughing, singing, sleeping and remember lining up ready for school that others were just chilling out the entrance, and feeling understood why we didn't go to with the "funky sounds" trying people nugding each other school the next day as we were to relax before we performed. I from all different directions. It all tired from both the trip and remember wondering if we was quite annoying but I had no the performance. would ever get there, or make choice so I just ignored it. Even The trip was excellent and our performance on time. The though we weren't able to get a everyone gave 110%. The

Our school Kapa Haka group store's and a variety of I couldn't wait for everything marae in so there I was tagging along. tired, a little disappointed and Taumarunui. I felt excited and Sometime later Aunty Tilly somewhat cold in the late

hard and had putting our Moko on. I trip home but some still tried to time. "psych" each other up by play other stupid games. We We left school early in the saying: "Go hard bro', you too arrived back at school at around morning and there we were, bro', or cheer's bro". After a half past two on Monday

seemed to continue on and on for female kaea. The prize- you very much to teachers, and on..... giving seemed to go on forever family and friends for the time I felt some relief to finally see as we were all crammed in a you spent helping us. Thank for an hour. you to Aunty Tilly and Pita, thank you so much. To the group I was very proud and

was plenty of very pleased with your effort. Na Ata Tupaca

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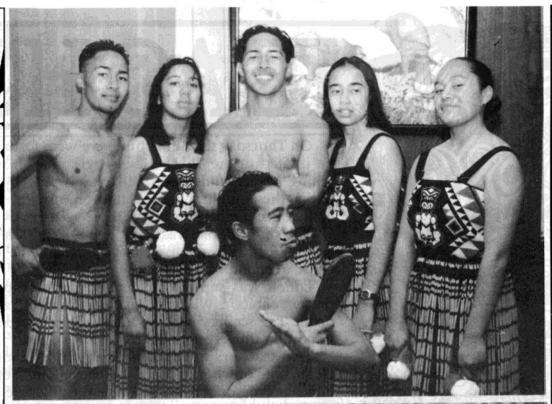






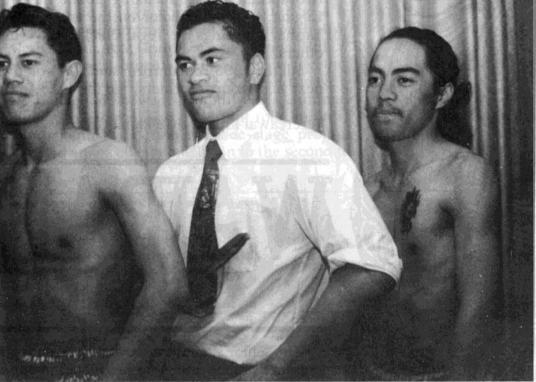






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## TE AO HOU

On Thursday the 8th of June, we were fortunate enough to be invited to the Te Ao Hou Programme. It was set up for young Maori students to help them decide which career paths they might choose later on in life. It was also a confidence builder to support those going into the workforce.

The programme was held at the Hamilton Rose Gardens and the centre was a peaceful setting for the workshops we chose to attend.

Lunch was supplied to us and we all thought that was pretty "choice". We were given a filled roll, an apple and a drink. The scenery and the lunch seemed to be the two most important things on the day.

Two teachers travelled with us- Ms Mataira and Matua Hemi, both of whom had the chance to join in on the activities and see everyone in action. We were lucky enough to have two special guests speaking about their experiences. Jay La'gaia, who is the actor on the voting advertisements, and Taisha, who sings the Tegal Chicken advertisements amongst others.

All the 1995 Fourth Form students would just like to say to next years Fourth Formers, "go for it, Te Ao Hou is the best!"

Terereawai Kipa and Te Raina Gregory

## WAIRANGI JONES

The senior students were fortunate enough to have the presence of motivator Wairangi Jones in our school to speak on his views. Students who had the chance to listen to him talk were shown the value of goal setting, the power of positive thinking, self talk and how vital is the support of relatives and friends.

It was a practical, high energy session of tips, strategies and suggestions that might help you succeed and achieve your goals.

He used the effective techniques of story telling - anecdotes, myths, legends, role-playing and comedy to put his message across. Thanks Wairangi!

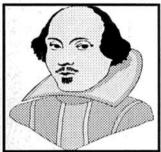


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## Shakespeare Week

"I hold the world but as the world, a stage, where every man must play a part, and mine is but a well acted one."

From "The Merchant of Venice" by William Shakespeare... sort of. For many students and staff this quotation from Shakespeare captures the feelings associated with an unusual week. It was another brainstorm to come from the English Department and shook the pillars of established thought on how Shakespeare should be studied. The students were the key. They were able to turn the difficult language of the Shakespearean Period into cleverly acted dramas and enchanting comedies. Students from Form Three to Form Seven took to the works of the most



famous English literary figure with rare enthusiasm, and were often heard spouting forth lines from plays written hundreds of years before their birth.

A highlight was the performance by Form Six students of dramas and musicals, they had written themselves, based on themes and plots from Shakespeare. Miss Cavanagh's Sixth Form English class gave a spectacular demonstration of why Romeo and Juliet committed suicide and why flares, flower shirts and the Village People are no longer popular. It would be a tough call to decide who were the more experienced actors - the evil Murray Nathan and remonstrative Fleur Passau, or the love-struck couples of Noel Reid and Alesha Moanaroa, Grant Lee and Melanie Hill.

Not to be outdone by their students, the staff threw together a stage play direct from Broadway in its professionalism. They were a prime example of the old adage that those who can't, don't and those who can, teach. Mr O'Callaghan showed his ability as a stuntman in a fall from grace, Mr Jarnet and Ms Mataira duelled for who had the most important role, and Mr Cranshaw simply forgot his lines and was replaced by a ventriloquist act from the side-stage prompt. Overall it was a mighty finish to the Shakespeare Week and an excellent conclusion to the second term.

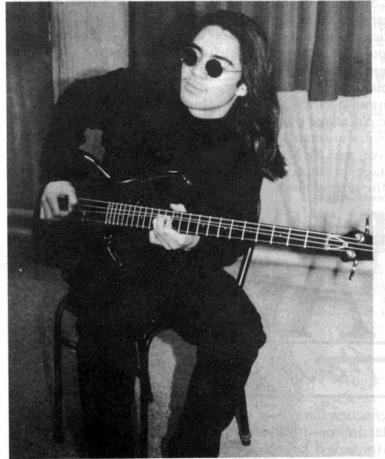


It's time to put on make-up, it's time to light the lights, it's time to get things started on Funtazia Night. This year's production was again a Variety Concert showcasing the talents of our musical and dramatic students. The Variety Concerts ran for two nights to packed houses with the students responding to the large crowds with very polished performances. Maria London and Murray Nathan compered the evening and further light entertainment was provided by the comedy duo of Mr Marsh and Mr Jarnet.

The production was a first for it's level of students involvement. Under the direction of Melanie Hil, a team of producers (Grant Lee, Te Manawaroa Teinakore, Brad Wharakura, Noel Reid) auditioned and developed acts, controlled backstage, and ran a marketing campaign. Each area of the production had an able bunch of students who were selected to further develop skills in that area: Artwork; Roseanne Jamieson, Zena Litchwark, Joanne McLean; Sound and Lighting; Jason Bird, David McConnell, Jamie Litchwark, Blair Hanna; Stage Crew; Deborah Wood, Marrin Haggie, Brad Wharakura, Ngawinika Mott, Kiri Morgan; Marketing; Tina Thorp, Shannin Keeley, Mr Mans, Mr Meredith, Ms Buckley, Ms Middleton, Mr Johnston, Mr O'Callaghan and Mr McDonald assisted the students, and Ms Mataira co-ordinated the whole effort.



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## BUGBAND

Once again the Ngaruawahia High School Big Band has proven its worth and completed another full year, successfully. A lot of work is done by the people who want to keep the spirit of playing an instrument alive and going in our school. It takes talent and dedication to be able to pick up and learn to play a musical instrument and even more skill to play to an audience.

There are some people who we are grateful to for sharing their talents and keep a High

who try very hard to School tradition part of our school. Mr Iohnston has shown his abilities over the years and continues to work hard to improve Ngaruawahia High School Big Band. The man behind the scenes who develops young students and moulds them into young musicians is

Mr Smith, he plays an important part in our band and we value his experience.

Performing as a band and coming together as a group of musicians is the main objective and the best form of satisfaction after hours of practice. During the year the Band joins a large number of other schools from around the Waikato area who share the same interest in music and wish to show off their talent. After a long day we are very tired, but pleased with our efforts and thankful to the number of tutors who help make the day and concert a success.

Our most appreciative audience, is probably the younger generation, who we also hope will be members of the Band in the future. Travelling to primary schools in the Ngaruawahia area is our best form of advertisement and an opportunity for the Band to perform.

We can also add this years 'Funtazia', the schools variety concert to our list of performances. An interesting night.

Anna Campbell Vicki Keast Wavne Trow CLARINET: Maria London Erin Pollard Kirk Spragg Tina Thorpe Hitomi Ono Rochelle Cameron Adam Stuart BASS: Gareth Johnston

TENOR SAXAPHONE: Grant Lee

ALTO SAXAPHONE: Lance Bryan Melanie Hill Owen Johnston David Williamson

TRUMPET: Mr Colin Smith Brad Wharakura

### GZIJTAZ

TUTOR: Mr Van Wering

Noel Reid Donald Te Whare Caleb Ahu Michelle Knuth Julien Mouroux Ahuru Bluegum George Monsall Neil Surgenor Blair Hanna Iill Caulfield Leona koti

### VIOLIN

TUTOR:Mr Laurie

Donald Te Whare Jordon Waiti Carrie Taipari Michelle Knuth

Karoria Barlow

CONGRATULATIONS to Wayne Trow who gained representative honours in the Waikato Symphonic Band. We are very proud of Wayne and pleased to have him in the Ngaruawahia High School Big Band. Wayne plays the flute and is also able to play the alto saxophone.

Maria London

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Are you are a motivated student up a business, whether you plan to be a school teacher, a nurse, or even the next Prime Minister? of: Being involved in a business will give you an insight into the big wide world.

If this sounds good YES is for you!

What is YES anyway?

YES stands for The Young Enterprise Scheme. This scheme enables young determined individuals like you and I to experience being in a real business situation.

When you join this scheme you establish a Board of Directors smiles and laughs develop many strategies that you apply with regard to yourself as a director and also towards the company.

CHOCOHOLICS was this year's young enterprise group which produced hand made chocolates then creatively packaged their exquisite range, ready to sell into the community. This product was very popular, everybody after all CHOCOHOLIC.

When you set up a business, help is not far away because each group is assigned a mentor, and a teacher to assist if you start to go off the track.

CHOCOHOLICS was lucky to have had guidance from Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Gerbich. This was much appreciated. Not that we ever went onto the beaten track!

But the praise goes to the great have fulfilled their objective of who would be interested in setting Board of Directors that made CHOCOHOLICS suceed in the way that it did. The directors consisted

- Joanne McLean
- Deborah Wood
- \* Vicki Keast
- \* Tina Thorpe
- \* Gale Glasson-Henderson
- \* Shannin Keelev
- \* Murray Nathan
- Sarah Anderson

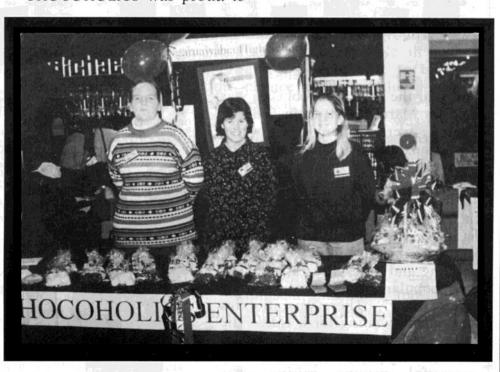
CHOCOHOLICS was not always in along with a product to produce sometimes there was a lot tension or a service to offer. You also and anger but that is part of being involved in a business.

CHOCOHOLICS was proud to

being able to give share holders a dividend. CHOCOHOLICS was able to pay back shareholders \$1.65 for every \$1 invested. CHOCOHOLICS was also proud to have been one of 40 applicants out of 200 to have been selected for the finals with our end of the year reports.

CHOCOHOLICS would like to thank all their supporters who had faith in our company. We would also like to encourage students to take part next year because it will be beneficial and you won't regret

Shannin Keeley



## YOUTH AFFAIRS

This year's Youth Week was held during the time that our school was on holiday, so the week following the Mid-Year Break we held our own celebrations. There were a number of activities, for example the Board of Trustees provided a Sausage Sizzle barbecue for all students on the Thursday. There was a special assembly run by the Head Students at the start of the week. The students created a marvellous atmosphere in the hall with pairs of students performing for us and offering guest speakers motivational advice. It is certainly gratifying to know that assemblies can be interesting! The school held another Mufti-Day, which has become a popular fund-raising

tradition, and this time the funds were donated to the local Food Bank. There was also run at the same time the English Department's Shakespeare Week which meant a feeling of excitement was constant throughout the week. During the week there were also spot prizes handed to various people in prizes classes. Other were distributed at the special assembly.

The Student Council, under the direction of Jason Bird, and the Head Students should be congratulated for what was an excellent week, even if ours was somewhat later than others.



## 1995 Gala

This year the annual School Gala was held on March 16th, from 5-8p.m. There were many enjovable attractions and delicous stalls. The turn-out was the greatest we have seen in a very long time. It is good to see the community helping to support their local High School. This year we had a variety of stalls ranging from hamburgers and milkshakes to facepainting and quick fire raffles. The most popular attraction was the joy ride "Sizzler". There was an extra long queue waiting for a ride. The raffle for the "Warriors" sweatshirt was also very popular. It was a really successful evening raising over



\$2000 which went towards the new library security system and also a new computer for the library. This computer has been a very worthwhile purchase with many educational programmes to help advance the quality and range of the resources that are available at our school. The security system has helped a lot with the security of all books that are contained in the library. A very enjoyable evening was had by all.

Deborah Wood

New to Nzarvawahia next to the Library on Jermond Street 4 U - Suppliers of Craft, Furniture and Clothing

A new lunch..... one with a difference......

some of Ngaruawahia's Third Form brightest and most talented Third 1st: Brad Wharakura and Fourth Form students 2nd: Amy Lye descended on the school library 3rd: Karoria Barlow the tension mounted. This was to be the clash of the general Knowledge titans. Represented 1st: Jordan Barber were the four best from each class 2nd: Marrin Haggie but only three could make it. The 3rd: Te Rereawai Kipa battle began with question after trivial question. Who was to be the These two teams go onto general knowledge title holder? challenge other Waikato schools
The pace heated up, the for the general knowledge temperature rose and the crowd championships. These are our went wild as those they supported creme de la creme' so watch notched up their points. For ten this space for their successes. agonizing minutes the battle raged

until finally there rose the three decisive winners...



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hard on Science Projects, were explosion. at the chance to support our permitted to explode it there.

Science. After a while Kathleen I trying to fix up the rough bits. I little difficult, but we all made it thought up the idea of volcanoes. They all looked pretty good. All of and we were able to take the Everybody's imagination ran wild a sudden our time and hard effort chance to look at other's projects as they were trying to figure out was smashed, Ann-marie as well. the materials that would be accidentally dropped our clay needed. We started with a clump volcano and it exploded into a time we had entered, but of clay and with a few days work thousand pieces. We soon got over everybody did really well. Our finally we had turned it into a the dilemma and were quite group, Kathleen, Ann-marie and I crooked, lumpy, solid volcano. pleased because the suggestion of a received a Merit Certificate each, Ideas flew around once again as paper-mache volcano seemed a lot and a ribbon to share and I was we figured out how to explode it. better. So we ripped into it, glad we were at the Prize-giving to A simple vinegar and baking soda working really hard and fast. receive it. We even had a photo of mixture seemed the trick.

After it was finished we practiced us together. We enjoyed ourselves

Then, we and other's working our more lively and realistic and I hope we will see some more There was a lot of unusual, interesting and creative asked to enter projects into the smoke and black lava, it was really experiments next year.

NIWA Science Fair. Faces "choice". We had to take photos of Igleamed as a lot of people jumped lit, though, because we were not By Natasha London

Our group started by throwing school. Doubts may have sprung to Getting everybody's projects to a few ideas around for a project in mind, but everybody got to work Claudeland's Showgrounds was a

For most of us it was the first

## AUSTRALIAN Maths & Science Competition

Once again 1995 has seen many of Ngaruawahia High School's students participate and achieve good results in the annual Trans-Tasman Australian Maths Competition, and the Australian Science Competition. This competition has been run annually for many years at our school and it compares our students with others from around New Zealand and Australia. The following students achieved recognition within the school and the country, but congratulations must go to all those who participated.

A credit or achievement allocations indicates that that student has done well in the competition while a distinction indicates the student is within the top 10% of the country.

### **AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE COMPETITION**

Kirk Spragg Distinction
Alex Burt Distinction
Vaughan Blair Achievement
Jordan Waiti Achievement
Kiri-Kahurangi Morgan Achievement
Grant Lee Credit
Anna Campbell Credit

AUSTRALIAN MATHS COMPETITION

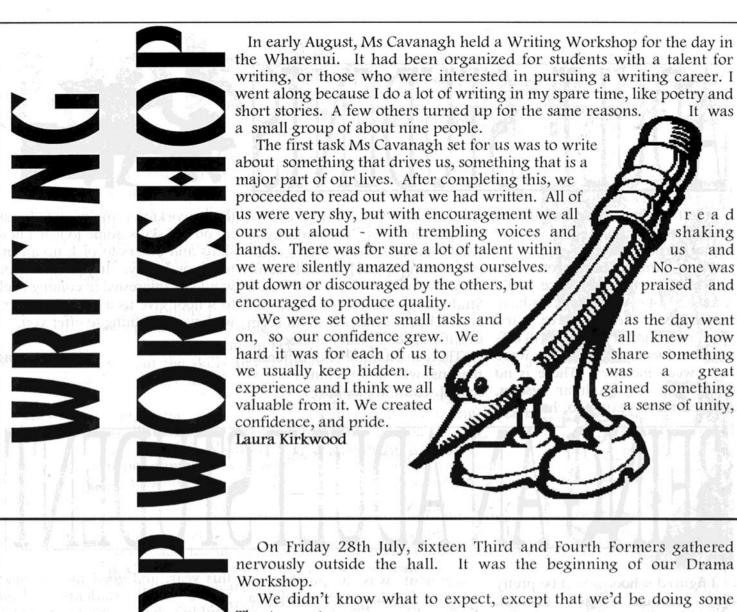
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Caroline Wood Credit
Jamie Lichtwark Credit

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Ellen's Country Keepsakes

Great South Road, Ngaruawahia. Proud Sponsor of the School Magazine



nervously outside the hall. It was the beginning of our Drama

We didn't know what to expect, except that we'd be doing some Theatresports.

Ms Mataira started off the day with a game we played to learn each others' names. Once that was accomplished, everyone split into two groups and Ms Mataira gave us a scene and we had to act it out without words. Death In A Minute was a great game where some students exhibited really wild imaginations.

After that, each of us were given blindfolds. We split into pairs and one person lead the other around the hall. We guess it was to help build up our trust in each other, but how can you when Cody is leading you down a flight of stairs with no hand

rail?!? Scary!!!

Ms Mataira went and got us a packet of chips each and a soft drink so we had a good time pigging out on those.

After lunch we split into two groups again and we wrote and produced our own plays with stage makeup. It was videotaped so we wonder what we'll look like on screen!!!

Altogether it was a great day and we learnt a lot from it.



Adult Students have become an important and vital part of the school in recent years.

Their numbers have grown significantly, particularly since 1992. A total of 142 Adult Students have enrolled over the past three years. They have chosen a total of 36 different subjects, 22 of these were eight week modules. There is no doubt that the modular system, adopted three years ago, has been

successful in increasing course completion rates. The majority of Adult Students were able to complete an eight week module comfortably, and 30% of our Adult year School Certificate, Sixth Form we have something to offer you. Certificate, or Bursary courses.

There are a number of different reasons why adults come back to school. Some are looking to return

to the workforce and want to brush up on old skills, some to learn new skills and others to pick up an interest or hobby. If you think you would be interested in coming back Students go on to complete full to school give us a call. I am sure

Helen Young

I figured school would be pretty second time around. Something "cruisy" to do until I decided to return to the workforce, as well as doing something a bit more stimulating than housework. Well, what can I say? That turned out to be the mistake of the year. All my confidence vanished on the first day with the onset of nerves, and the feeling that I was probably going to throw up at any moment. Getting the first assignment almost changed my mind. I'd forgotten how much work school actually was, although some members of the student body thought that we adult students had the "easy life". We had plenty of time to complete assignments and tasks because we only took maybe one or two subjects. And they were exactly Completing a ten page right.

assignment was a pinch.....in between five loads of washing a day, cooking a meal for seven each night, doing the weekly shopping, keeping a one year old amused, happy and clean, not to mention clearing up after a hurricane 'tamariki' had struck each morning!!!

Anyway, I can honestly say that returning to school has been a great experience. I've learned heaps and met people I probably wouldn't have under normal circumstances (I mean, what does a thirty something mother of five really have in common with the average 16 year old). And I have enjoyed my year so far, although looming exams are not high on my list of fun.

Thanks to the students and teachers for putting up with me this year, and good luck to next year's adult students. You couldn't have chosen a better school!!!

Kara Te Hira



### Considering Polytechnic Study?

Contact the Marketing & Liaison Team The Waikato Polytechnic, Private Bag 3036, Hamilton Phone 0-7-834 8888, Fax 0-7-838 0707



## Link Courses

Link Courses are designed to offer students the opportunity to sample programmes available at Training and Tertiary Providers. Many of the courses they look at help them in their career decisions and give them a taste of what the future may hold. The courses are run during school time to selected students usually from the senior school. Unfortunately, this was the last year of these course due to funding restraints. Here's what some students had to say about the courses they attended this year.

"I had an exceptional time. I particularly enjoyed interviewing people and preparing stories for articles. Visiting TVNZ was a highlight."

Shannin Keeley - Media & Journalism.

"I learnt a lot about the skills and routines of a personal assistant and a receptionist. I learnt so much."

Tina Thorpe - Modern Office Systems.

"This course taught me many of the skills involved in nursing. I have decided that I really want to go nursing when I finish school."

Vicki Keast ~ Orientation to Nursing.

"I learnt about programming. We used a programme which connected us throughout the Waikato Polytechnic. Maybe I will look towards computing as a career in the future."

Noa Tapara - Intro. to Business Computing.

"I learnt a lot more about computing and the construction of graphics during this course. I also learnt that it's possible to make a fake I.D.! That's why these Link Courses are so successful because we can all see practical applications for what we are learning."

Murray Nathan - Computers & Graphics.

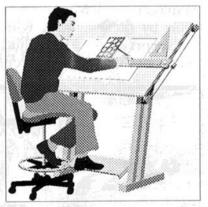
Training Providers such as the Waikato Polytechnic have been invaluable in the development of these courses over the years and our students have enjoyed the benefits of a relationship between them and the school.

This year Fourth Form students were also given the chance to attend some Link courses. These were very popular with the younger students and may help them to gain more direction in their studies. Students looked at a variety of programmes from sports medicine through to graphics and design. We have often found that it is really important to give students the opportunity to set goals for their future as soon as is possible.

The Links programme is just one of the ways the school has been meeting the needs of its changing student population. Ms Rosemary Cann, as the Transition Co-ordinator has ensured that all students who leave Ngaruawahia High School have an idea of what is ahead of them. All Senior students must complete a Transition Module before they complete their schooling. This module involves students preparing Curriculum Vitae and practicing the interview process which can be vital in securing a position in employment or further education. We look forward to the return of the Links programme in the future.











What are YOU doing next year?

### FND OF YEAR TRANSITION PROGRAMME

Hooray!

others, Golf and Craft courses.

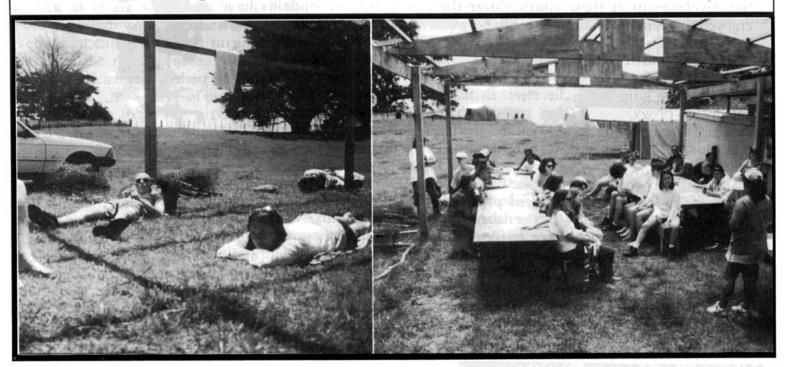
won by the teachers, which was activities. no surprise since the adjudicators were all "Old uns" (except Anna assembled in front of the hall to go Gale Glasson-Henderson

School's finished! who was bullied into declaring the on our overnight trip to Kaiaua. These were the words on every teachers the winners. In the This was the highlight of our sixth former's lips after we afternoon we prepared to go "River programme. We spent two days completed our exams. But we Ratting". Wetsuits, lifejackets and eating, playing volleyball, weren't free to go Christmas inner tubes were collected, and we swimming, sunbathing, walking, shopping, yet. Ahead of us was a headed up to Horotiu to float down and trying to get some sleep. This two-and-a-half week transition to the Point. Fortunately (or maybe was impossible though, since we programme that was compulsory not) we had two boats to keep us had three guitars, two stereos and for all Sixth Formers as an on track, and to throw lemons at about five walkmans. attendance requirement. Joining the poor, helpless, unsuspecting. On Thursday through to us also were the Non-Bursary students! We were also in store for Tuesday we took part in various a rather unpleasant surprise when, activities such as; Top Town For the first few days a number after arriving at the Point, we activities, Human Relationships, of courses were undertaken, these discovered that the Seventh Family Planning, Self Defense, included a First Aid Course, Formers had decided to throw four Massage, and Herbal Healing. Learner Licenses, and for the dozen semi-rotten eggs at us. They On Wednesday we went to claimed it was tradition of course. Waterworld Te Rapa for a fun-

The morning of Thursday 2nd Friday and the following filled and wet afternoon. was spent listening to a debate Monday were spent either doing a I would like to take this between our school's debating CPR Course with a very opportunity to thank Mrs Cann for teacher team environmentally friendly giving us something to do apart consisting of Mr Cranshaw, Mr instructor (Save the rainforest!), a from school work. And to next Flanagan and Mr Short. It was Principal's forum, and sports year's Sixth Formers, beware of

On Tuesday morning we

the rotten eggs!



## Traductes University Graduates

Brett Brown Diploma in Dairy Technology; Andrew Gould Diploma in Agricultural Science; Sandra Payne Bachelor of Education; Monique Brown Diploma in Teaching; Tania Churcher Bachelor of Arts; Andrew Gray Unitech Certificate; Kylee MacKenzie Diploma in Teaching; Isaac Osborne-Huirama Diploma in Teaching; Tiriana Paki Diploma in Teaching; Joanne Pellew Master of Social Science with Second Class Honors.

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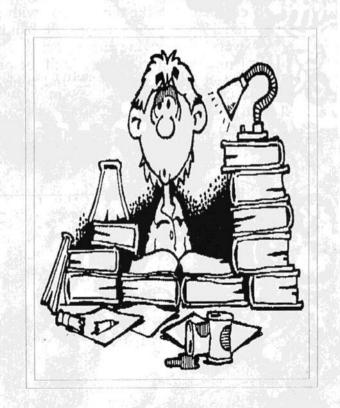
Darren Pepperell Bachelor of Education; Jody Pointon Bachelor of Science and Technology; Michael Pollard Bachelor of Science and Technology; Polly Poutapu Humanities CertMst; Karen Pratt Bachelor of Social Science; Ranvir Singh Bachelor of Science and Technology; Kahu Tukere Bachelor of Education, Diploma in Teaching.

## Exam results

In 1994 the exam result's of the senior students were some what impressive. The top A students - Maui Williams (Dux) and Susie Lambie (Proxi). Gaining B bursaries were David Campbell, Marcel Cross, Jeremy Pollard, Jay Shepherd, Catherine Roche, and Tania Hill. While four others gained entry to University courses.

School Certificate results showed the hard work these students gave to their studies. "We as staff were pleased at the achievement of last years 5th formers, gaining a 53% pass rate." The top students last year were Amanda Farmilo, Joanne McLean, Paul Singh, Anna Campbell, Grant Lee, Murray Nathan and Haskel Barber.

Congratulations to all who participated. Overall students gained more high marks than last year. The staff should also be recognised as putting in alot of work to help these students to pass with such a high rate. So congratulations to the staff members who helped contribute to this success also...





The annual School Ball was a great success and a very memorable evening enjoyed by all.

The venue was the Waldorf Lounge and the prestigous event was held on Saturday 26th of August.

Whether arriving on the school buses, in a car with a partner, or in a limo, everybody arrived around the scheduled time of seven o'clock.

As we walked into the entrance of the Waldorf Lounge, we were greeted with a friendly smile and a handshake by Head Students and selected teachers.

The hall was creatively set with large mask's to represent the masquerade theme. The tables were decorated with tablecloths, waterjugs and later on in the evening, a lovely meal.

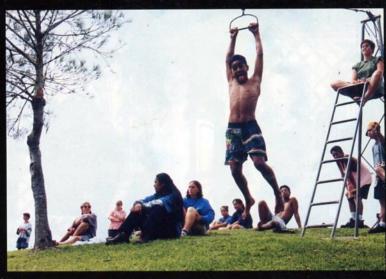
Everybody looked absolutely fantastic especially on the dance floor with smiles fixed upon their faces as the band kept everybody moving and grooving.

Time flew by quickly and before we knew, it was midnight, and time to go home.













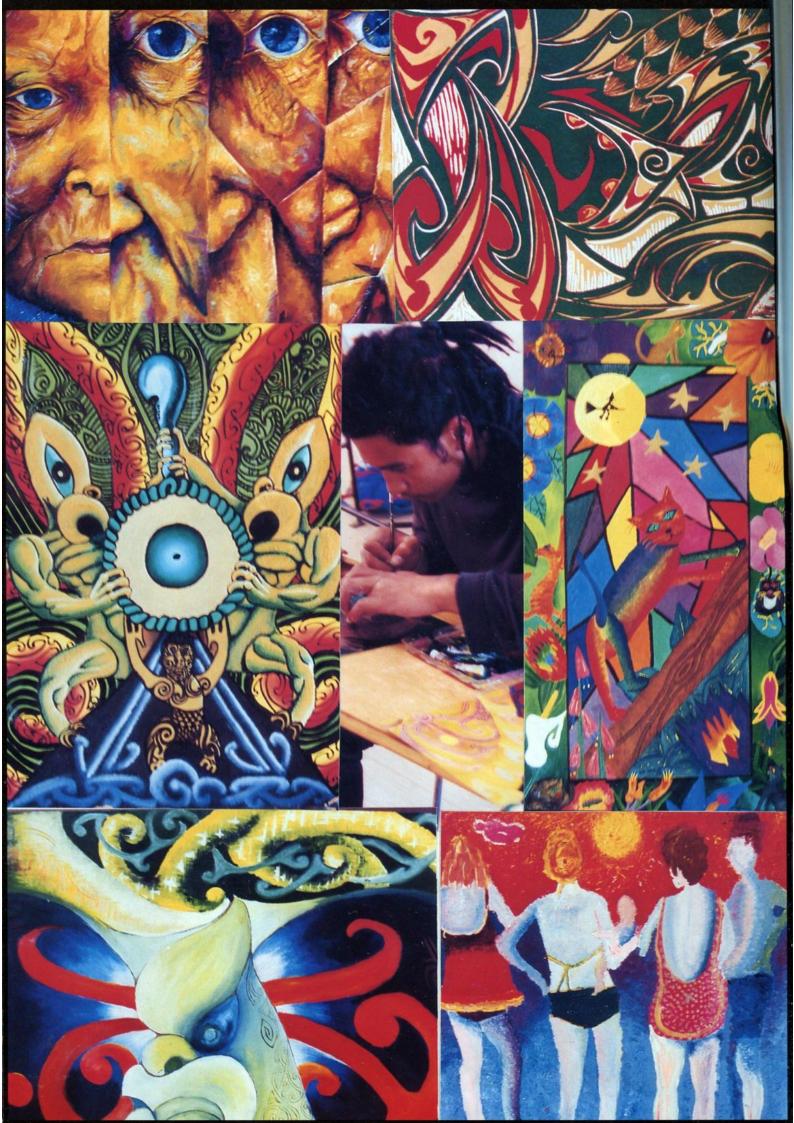














### lachin ireen I

roamed Ngaruawahia High School with his charges up the middle. have been destined to play "New The link between the forwards and Zealands Big Game". This year, out the super model backs came of the ashes a new breed of through a guy who unfortunately Gladiators with talents, skills and left us and flew to Oz, Wetere enthusiasm to match brand new "Sorry I'm late brothers" Poutapu. arose. This incorporated the Bravest, toughest, everything. We went through a look Super model Ngaruawahia High School had to should be remembered Jolan offer. We came together with a "Mouse" Pointon had a Waikato mission - to go far, to seek out trial this year but injury ended his new competition and to bodly go season, and Nathan "Mouth" where no school 1st XV had gone Witika the talker of the team before. This is the mean, green, nuclear free Ngaruawahia High to share. School 1st XV machine.

At prop we had an exchange student with incredible strength, pulling off the big hit when Rolf "Universal Soldier" Waller. His power and determination was a great asset to the team. Propping up the other side of the scrum was Anthony "The Human Tank" Goodwin. A man who delivered displays in powerhouse around the ruck. Robert "Loe" Kerapa who, like Richard Loe, always seemed to give away penalties at crucial times. Despite this he continued to impress.

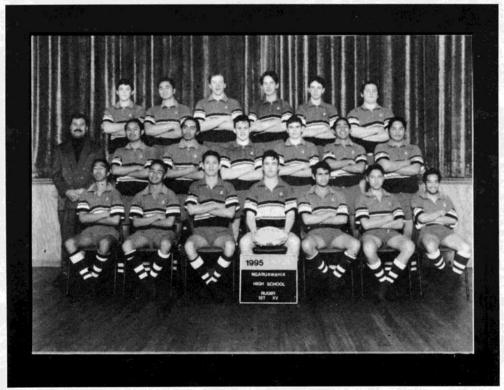
Next came a duo that can be summed up in two words "The Locks". "Cavabati" Jamie Litchwark, who thinks he is a back, and Grant "Get Onside" Lee who made an art of 'going over the top'. The team was led on the openside by the most fearless member of the "Spriggs" Shannon team Turuwhenua. He was feared for his deadly rucking. On the other side of the scrum came Bruce "Bushman" Foster. With his own brand of fight and a rugged charm he always put his body on the line. At Number 8 came Gavin "The Grunter" Pratt, one of the most versatile players in the team who

For years warriors who have really came into his own this year team As his name suggests he was late to alikes few number 10s this year but two always had something on his mind

> Next came second five Tuku "Spot tackle" Inia who was always needed. At centre was Whetu "The Executor" Middleton, who with his sexy legs found himself in so many positions this year he didn't know where to turn. Our wingers had an international flavour to them with Barney "The Terminator" Wharakura, if he comes at you,

look out and on the other wing came Julien "Kermit" Mouroux, the French man with...never mind.

At fullback came the ever impressive Jamie "Got some Boots" Allen, with his hard running he was a person always relied upon. Next came our super subs, who when they did play, played well. First the twins "Mana and Motu", unbelievable players in there own right but when combined became a deadly duo. Added to the duo came Leon " The Step" Matthews who 'cut up' a number of teams with his step and his ball handling skills. Last but defiantly not least, Myles "The Mighty Mite" Tengu, a person who could drop the biggest of men or run around them. The team would also like to thank Mr Waiti and Mr Horomona for all their help and support this year. To all the players, good luck for the future and remember "oh happy days, oh happy days." By Whetu Middleton and Shannon Turuwhenua.





### Fax: 8299511 Tel: 8299501

When a 107kg boxer walked up the aisle of Ngaruawahia High School's hall, everyone eagerly awaited the few words

The 22-year-old brought with him messages of hope and self-confidence. But most of all he raised students' spirits that day, with his glamour and the fact that he's someone famous.

We must not forget this famous person eats seven meals a day and doesn't fear anybody but God. So when Barney offered to punch his guts, he turned him down. And when Richard stood up to take him on, David Tua just looked at him. With David was his trainer who seemed to have a overwhelming amount of knowledge about David, his career and the boxing world as a whole, commenting on such issues as the wide spread view that boxing should be banned and also Davids future on the professional boxing circuit.

David is a role model for New Zealanders, and so the biggest question was "Why Ngaruawahia High School?" His response - he had heard things about its' culture and people. Nobody

argued with that.

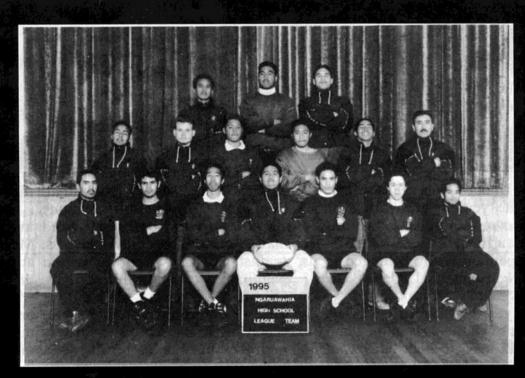
David Tua had to say.

It was an honour and a great sense of excitement that we had this strong young man to share a few words.

Maria London







Back Row: J. Cameron, A. Maru, T.Rhind

Second Row: M. Simon, B. Scothern, P.Wara, R. Ngawhika, M. Simon, H. O'Callaghan Front Row: G. Monsall, J. Pointon, L. Matthews, T. Tekoi, J. Wetere, A. Whanga, M. Tengu



School virtually unknown.

This year the Third Form Boys the enjoyment of the game. team in particular has had a major impact, bringing forth a high level and Jermaine Wetere were selected games each week. of individual skill.

Jordan Waiti and Manaia Johns, Under-16 team. who play for the Third Form team, players have been promoted to the many years were selected for the Waikato Senior Boys team for the rest of the enthusiasm of many of the younger Under-14 team earlier this year. season. This Senior team is likely to players it seems certain that teams The Third Form school team has make the finals. It has lost two vital from the school will continue to be done extremely well in its Division games and needs to continue it's successful for many years to come. so far this year, only losing one present winning streak in order to game against Cambridge. It is make it. almost certain to make the finals with only a few games left in the unbeaten in its competition. competition.

a young side they contain a lot of secured. potential.

however, did not get off to a good involvement not only of staff in the start to their season. The early coaching of the teams, but also the

For many years talented competition knocked the team involvement of senior students with young basketball players have spirit as they were overwhelmed by coaching many of the junior teams. passed through Ngaruawahia High some of the strong schools. The team continued to play, fair and for appreciated support from a group

earlier in the year for the Waikato

The Senior Girls team

It's close teamwork and all-The Under -16 Girls team has round play has made it a also excelled in it's Division, formidable combination of players pressing through the year without and if the team continues to work a loss or a draw. It is these player's together it's goal of winning the first year playing basketball and for 1995 championship should be

A special feature of basketball at The school's Under 16 Boys, Ngaruawahia High has been the

There has also been well of parents who supply transport or Shawn Howie, Tane Huirama drive the school's mini - buses to

> Basketball has been thriving at These three Ngaruawahia High School for and with

> > Barney Wharakura



### Under 16 Girls Basketball

win over Church Collage of New of competition basketball and number of supporters: Mrs Paki, Zealand (CCNZ). In 1995 the caaried on to have only one loss, Mrs Litchwark and Aunty Wai who competition really belonged to us, against CCNZ, whom we would attended many of our games. But the Ngaruawahia Under 16 Girls. eventually face again in the finals. the BIGGEST thanks goes to Barney

this year. Basketball was a new were sport to all the girls in the team but According to the score sheet it was mihi nui kia koe mo te tau e heke we all tried to play hard and fair a draw, but as a result of a mai nei. throughout the competition. In miscount we were declared the doing so we found we gained a lot winners. of skill, experience and in the end some success.

enjoyed by all, but one area of play, goal. We had done our very best for our shooting, wasn't consistent. the school and ourselves. The year began with a shock Despite this we won our first game We had a very successful season The finals was a hard game but we who took time out to coach us. Kia determined to

> At the end of the season we had The season was attained our personal and team

Many thanks must go to a win. ora rawa atu mo ou mahi pai. Nga

Awhina Matthews



### SENIOR BOYS

Back Row: Tony Cranshaw (Coach), Anthony Goodwin, Wetere

Poutapu

Front Row: Tim Montford, Noel Reid, Barney Wharakura, Ted Rhind,

Jermaine Wetere



### SENIOR GIRLS

Back Row: Hinerangi Tukere, Kotiro Turner, Kiri Morgan, Richard

Crawford (Coach)

Front Row: Tina Te Koi, Atareiria Tupaea, Mapera Naera, Heeni Hope,

Te Waipounamu Teinakore



### **UNDER 14 BOYS**

Back Row: Toi Hohua-Ward, Nuke Turner, Nathaniel Middleton, Matlaw Tukere, Motuiti Hona, Tony Cranshaw (Coach)

Front Row: Karoria Barlow, Hori Rhind, Jordan Waiti, Manaia Jones,

Atihana Barton



### **UNDER 16 GIRLS**

Back Row: Kotiro Turner, Cushla Lichtwark, Hinerangi Tukere,

Barney Wharakura

Front Row: Te Aroha Hohua-Ward, Shannah Tairakena, Awhina

Matthews, Maera Paki, Leanne Tapara

### WAIKATO BASKETBALL REPRESENTATIVES

Waikato Under 14 Boys Basketball Team Jordan Waiti and Manaia Johns

Waikato Under 16 Boys Basketball Team Tane Huirama, Jermaine Wetere, Raymond Moana and Shawn Howie

### NGARUAWAHIA BASKETBALL 1995

Four out of Ngaruawahia's five basketball teams represented the school in the Divisional finals. The only win achieved was the Under - 16 Girls Team who won their section against CCNZ. Although the other teams didn't come home with a final victory, they still made us proud by reaching the finals.

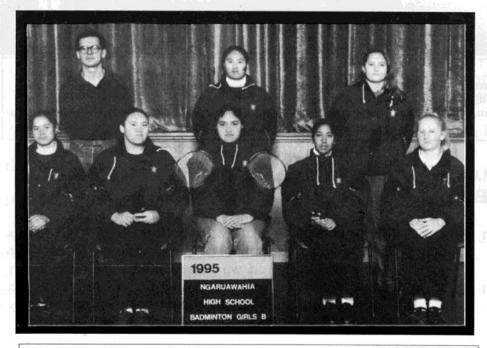
## It was a team bursting with experience, full and overflowing with talent. A lethal of that should have been us but unfortunately wasn't. Although we did enter some experience we actually wanted to play for enjoyment. By the all our games except one - so close but just not close and Hopefully next year we'll be better having Huntly knock us out of the final. With Lisa and Tanana With the source of the sou

laugh in the right places. It worked too! We would like to thank Mr Meredith for transporting us to the games, spending time in the gym with us after school and supporting us. Without him it would have a disaster.

Maria London



Maria London, E.Meredith, Tawhirangi Hunapo, Noleen Nicholson, Melanie Hill, Lisa Wade



E. Meredith, Tiana Hae Hae, Fleur Passau, Jamie Allen, Tania Waters. Poihaere Talivai, Kameta Puke, Caroline Wood

This years Division 3 Badminton team experienced a lot of triumphs and a few losses. Our first couple of games were quite difficult. They did however provide many learning experiences for us all. We won against every

team we played, but lost one against Fairfield. This was the most memorable game of the whole season because both doubles and singles games were so highly competitive. We eventually made it to the final play-offs and became the Division 3 Champions.

We worked extremely well as a team of novices supporting each other all the way. Thank you Mr Meredith for taking us to the games.

No reira, Kia Kaha

### Boys Badminton

This year the school entered two teams in the Hamilton Badminton Competition - a Division B team made up of experienced players and a Division C team for novices.

The Division B team played well in a very competitive grade recording several wins.

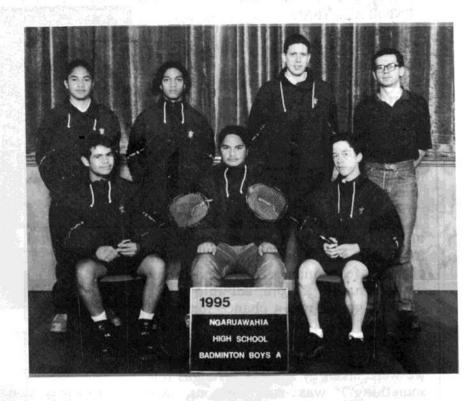


Robert Kerepa and Andrew Skinner our number one and number two players respectively had some very exciting matches enjoying narrow wins and suffering narrow losses.

The Division C team suffered a number of personnel changes throughout the season and this affected their co-operation as a group. However, by the end of the season a hard core group of enthusiasts had established themselves. All players enjoyed the competition even though there were few wins.

### BADMINTON BOYS B

John Ropoama, Ahuru Bluegum, E.Meredith(Teacher), Brad Wharakura, Marrin Haggie, Motuhake Simon



### BADMINTON BOYS A

Sam Tapine, Blair Rimaha, Andrew Skinner, E.Meredith (Teacher), Jolon Pointon, Robert Kerapa, Alan Whanga



### NETBALL

### SENIOR A NETBALL

This sport dominated by New Zealand women lacks the glamour and coverage that "New Zealand's Big Game" - rugby gets; but this popular sport will always be important to a lot of Ngaruawahia High School girls.

We may not be joining any Super Leagues but with five teams entered into the competition at Minogue Park, in Hamilton, we were going to prove something.

The junior teams seemed all geared up and ready to take on anything. Although we took our time and changed team members and positions we eventually got our act into gear. Grading games was a chance for us to settle and develop confidence, and we came up with some good results.

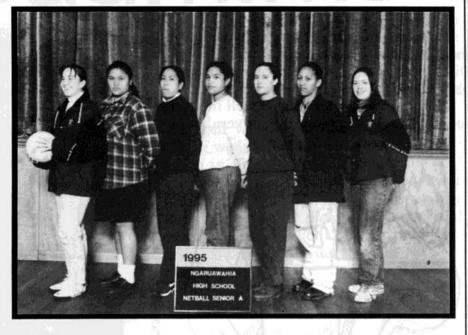
When the competition round came, we were taken by suprise. The gas (or something?) was running out, we needed some enthusiasm and goals - I mean something to reach for, as well as the ball in the hoop.

Anyway, we completed another season. We were very fortunate to have so many teams in the competition because we borrowed some when we were short. I want to thank them now (and of fear of missing anyone, I won't name them). Thanks heaps.

Our thanks to Wai and the supporters who work hard to help netball be an important part of our Saturdays.

We may or may not be the next Sandra Edge or Noeline Taurau-Barnett but what counts is that we played some good games and possibly started like some of the Silver Ferns. Who knows what may happen in the future? All I know is that netball at Ngaruawahia High School will not be going pro!

Maria London



### Senior A Team

### Left to Right:

Maria London, Henerangi Tukere, Mapera Naera, Tina Te Koi, Heeni Hope, Ramari Marino, Melanie Hill.

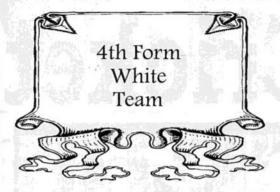
### 4th Form Green Team

### Left to right:

Top row: Caroline Wood, Amy Williams, Ngawai Inia.
Bottom row: Anna Spears, Tiana Hae Hae, Jamie Allen,
Waimedia Solomon, Tamara Wilson







Left to right:

Top row: Hinerangi Eketone (Coach), Tamara Karu-Wilkins, Te Aroha Moeke,

Te Aroha Hohua-Ward.

Botton Row: Saphire Ballas, Maera Paki,

Amy Clarke.







Left to right:

Top row: Maree Parnell, Kameta Puke,

Queenie Matthews.

Bottom Row: Dahlia Tahu, Tuhi Tai, Kui

Paki.



Left to right:

Top row: Diane Koti, Nyree Hopa, Jeannie Peeni, Leona Koti, Annmarie

Spragg, Donna Mackie

Front row: Tracey McCracken, Jill Cawfield, Kathleen Saunders, Jaydeen

Grace, Natasha London. Absent: Chastity Smith.





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## Senior A Cricket

The 1995 Cricket season started with high expectations and the old hand's having to carry the more inexperienced ones. This meant a good learning experience.

The 1995 team was captained by the two all rounders of the team; Shannon "The Spin" Turawhenua, who began spinning this year for a joke and ended up with more wickets than he could handle, and Whetu "The Rocket" Middleton, who was the centre strikeman of our bowling attack with his amazing "Pass and Swing" he could get off the ball.

These two were followed by the rest of the team: Jamie "Bodyline" Litchwark, who aimed more at the body than the wicket; Leo "Short Stuff" Swain, who couldn't hit the wickets if he tried but was a much improved batsman; Jamie "Six" Allen, who never actually hit one but always got out trying; Jason "Manu" Bird, who doesn't know what Manu means but plays good Cricket anyway; Gareth "Skills" Johnston, who with a unique bowling style proved quite effective; Gary "Bull's Eye" Spears, who proved to be a gun at throwing down the wickets; Steven "Big Mouth" Wood, the Wicket Keeper of the team who always had a comment; and lastly, Anthony "Slugger" Goodwin, who led the batting this year with his legendary slugging to the fence.

The team would like to thank Mr Meredith for his time and patience through the summer.

### Shannon Turuwhenua



### CRICKET A TEAM

Back Row: Richard Lloyd, Gareth Johnston, Jamie Lichtwark, Marrin Haggie, Edward Meredith (Coach)

Front Row: Jason Bird, Whetu Middleton, Shannon Turuwhenua, Anthony Goodwin,

Jamie Allen



### CRICKET B TEAM

Back Row: John Ropoama, Nathaniel Middleton, Richard Lloyd, Kelly Reid, Edward Meredith (Coach)

Front Row: Aaron Te Are, Jordan Barber, Marrin Haggie, James Dawson, Vaughan

## MolleyIdall

### JUNIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Who would ever have thought that Ngaruawahia would ever get to the New Zealand Volleyball Championships? At least the coach did! At the beginning of the year most of us couldn't even hit a volleyball properly but a very massive thanx to Ms Mataira for putting up with us and working on our skills.

We played the the top seeded team first from Te Aroha and went to three sets and lost a great game. We went on to win the rest of our games although we nearly gave Ms Mataira a heart attack when we played an unbeaten team -Sacred Heart A. We were very tense and unsettled as we knew it was a crucial game. We lost the first set and were down 3 - 14 in the second set! However, we grit our teeth and thanks to some great serving and team work we took the set 16-14. We took the third set comfortably much to the relief of our coach.

We played in a tournament at Fraser High School winning both games and assuring ourselves of a place in the Nationals. These games were pretty enjoyable and heaps of fun.

We put in a lot of hard work which paid off and we are looking forward to attending the Nationals in Hastings at the end of November.

Thanks to everyone for their massive team spirit, support of each other and commitment. A special thanks to Jack Robson for sponsoring our team to Nationals.

Awhina Matthews (Manager)

### SENIOR BOYS VOLLEYBALL

With the Super League having been created and Rugby going pro, Ngaruawahia needed its own super stars and they came in the form of the Ngaruawahia High School Super Volley Ball Team.

This bunch of fearless sixth and seventh form students came and conquered everything in their path especially the senior girls. The 1995 team consisted of ten individuals. Super stars in their own right but when combined they were a deadly unit.

The team was spearheaded by the Super Servers, Blair "the Bullet" Scothern who like the jet, his serves broke the sound barrier and Ants "Weetbix" Goodwin who devastated the opposition with his power house serving. These two were backed up with the force of our Super Spikers, Whetu "the Glide" Middleton with his bird like ballet that amazed many and Barney "the Dazzler" Wharakura who displayed crowd pleasing moves when spiking the ball. Tim "Air Time" Montford, who like

Jordan hung in the air long enough to pull off some magic Tahi "the and Cannon" Rangiawha who destroyed any opposition and had cowering for cover. Defending this super team were two Stop Signs, Shannon "Access Denied" Turuwhenua and Rolf "the Wall" Waller, these two hardly let a ball past their grasp and stunned the opposition with their defensive prowess and all round skill. The last two of the team were Grant "Romeo" Lee and Julien "Frog" Moroux. The two all rounders and work horses of the team, they cannot be categorized because they thought they were good at everything. The 1995 Super Volleyball Team would like to thank Mrs. Middleton for all her help and setting up our coaching session and to the team may forever your set be high and spike be strong.

By Shannon Turuwhenua





"Always saying, bridesmaid, never a bride." experienced runners. (the male version - "always groom"). Well

Whitianga challenge.

the event you are best at. great days' work! Especially if that event is We may have missed out Saturday morning.

a very pysched team madeup of the schools' two top cyclists Neil Surgenor and Owen Johnston, experienced kayaker Bruce Foster and the youngest of them all, Marrin Haggie doing the run. My swim, a 1.5km course in the cold Firth of Thames was the first event of the morning.

Once I had completed the swim, the nerves were gone and I could breathe easier and enjoy the day ahead. Marrin continued the course with a 12km run. The course wound along narrow roads of the coastline. As the youngest

You may have heard the competitor, he kept up with a a some of the

best man, never a 39km of down-hill with a we were buzzing about the long haul up at the start and entering other competitions. Ngaruawahia High School Neil was all geared up and What is it that makes a Multi Sport team managed ready to take on the human hungry for pain, to be "Flower-girls." challenge. A tyre change training and hard work? It After a long day, a lot of and a couple of drink stops must be one of those things sweat and hard work, the later and Neil needed to run that must be experienced team got a successful third down a bank to tag Bruce. and we had experienced it! in the secondary schools The next event was in the Congratulations to the section of the Thames to water, but this time it was in team, the supporters and Multi Sport a kayak. Bruce completed drivers. We really Event. It was held on the 15km without the appreciated what you did Saturday 18th March and wonderful support crew and hope you'll be there next proved to be a great who were only with him in year. Also a special mention spirit. He glided into the to the Campbell There were no prizes for wharf at Tairua and tagged family...thank you for third... only a feeling of Owen who had the final getting me up in the satisfaction at improving event to the finishing line. morning. last years time by one hour. The 43km cycle was soon Maria London The event is very long and complete and his experience gruelling. Believe me, it's proved its value. There was not easy waking up in the a final drop-off point and early hours of the morning Owen had a small run into to represent your school in the finishing chute. What a

very physical and involves on a prize but to finish the shedding a couple of layers competition is a reward in of clothes on a cold itself. For each individual who completed their All worries aside, we had respective events, there was

feeling personal more triumph.

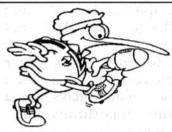
As we headed back home The first cycle event was still "high" on that feeling,

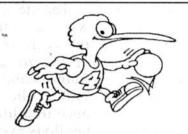


## WAIKATO REPRESENTATIVES

Our school has always been outstanding in the sporting arena, and this year has been no exception. Many of our students have made it into the Waikato teams. Congratulations is offered to all of these people, and to next years' acheivers who hope to make it in, good luck!









Waikato Inter-Provincial Athletic Championships (13-14yrs)
Ann-marie Spragg

Waikato Junior Girls Volleyball Team Cushla Lichtwark

Waikato Under -18 Womens Hockey Squad
Netta Pope

Waikato Cycling Novice A Grade Team
Owen Johnson
Neil Surgenor

Waikato Softball Teams

Keith Hunapo Alex Burt Aroha Rawiri Shannelle Tupp

Waikato Secondary School Under -18 Touch Teams

Jermaine Wetere Mana Simon Leon Matthews Leanne Tapara Dahlia Tahu

Waikato Rugby League Teams

Hori Rhind
Matthew Tukere
Hayden Wilson
Shannon Tukiwaho
Cody Fletcher
Taane Te Koi
Blair Scothern
Mana Simon



## SPIRIT OF NEW ZEALAND



For me, The Spirit of New Zealand was a challenge (socially, not physically of course!).

Trying to get to know forty other trainees and ten crew members on a boat in the space of ten days was a once in a life time opportunity and a fabulous experience.

For about the first three days I thought I'd made a big mistake because I found it quite hard to be open about things to a bunch of strangers. But from then on I made myself be happy and I loved it. (neat fun).

6am swims in the ocean were quite cold. Yep cold! But after seven days without a shower, the swim was my only form of cleanliness. So jumping in was a bit of a blessing.

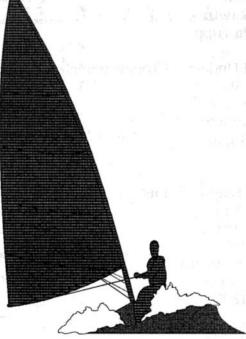
We saw dolphins a few times....Pretty. It was raining 80% of the time on my voyage so I was lucky to wear these sexy yellow things, stunning (you had to be there). I did a night sail in the dark (surprise, suprise). That was nice, cold but nice.

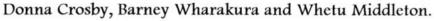
Every trainee was really open and friendly which made it really easy to work in a team.

Sailing is what the voyage is about but really it plays a minor role in the voyage. The Spirit of New Zealand changed me as a person because being patient and tolerant with people who have different views is really important.

Thanks Mr Cranshaw for the opportunity. Thanks to the Spirit of Adventure/New Zealand Trust for funding for me/us/everyone.

ADVICE: If you ever get the chance anyone; GO FOR IT!!, Its awesome!!





SENIOR SKI TRIP 95'

Thursday 21st September, up Mt. Ruapehu. about 30 seniors set off in course, this was a 40 seater coach for extremely Whakapapa Skifields.

sleeping bags and pillows would in the bus, but the Great. combination of the bus radio, a guitar, Angus' passes handy stereo and a group necessary equipment, it The snowboarders enough to totally wipe out headed straight for the ones

At around 6:00am on bus began the slow climb However, our advantage massive "waaa!" and a opportune course. Most had struggled out choose to tell us about the down." heh, heh, heh.) bed at hours we eruption warning. We thought didn't exist, to were told that if speakers skiing legs most of us More sleep was even hour told us to evacuate, then were able to attempt a attempted and once again journey to the slopes, we were to drop our poles crawl down which ever it was denied - this time Some tried to catch up on and skis and get to the hill we had chosen to by our very out-of-time beauty sleep by bringing area in ten minutes or we tackle. get squashed.

and anyone! The one less enthusiastic ones terrible.

our poor bladders, the our amateur abilities. stable. This resulted in a Of was the ability to bowl loud crash. an them over, accidentally of time for Mrs Watts didn't see you on the way onto the bus and started

After

But even as challenging as learning day After collecting our lift to ski was, mastering the everyone. We all said we other ropes was just as hard. could do it everyday, but ones that of hyped up skiiers and was off to the slopes. The grabbed with both hands were not nursing sore was pro's and brave ones were all right, but the knees the chance of 40 winks top, while learners and between your legs was finally climb into bed that exception being Melanie, went to Happy Valley, made the mistake of who, we were told can This was the place where, leaning back on them, sleep like a log anywhere. as we discovered, there which had disastrous Gale Glasson-Henderson. were lots of kids (who consequences when they After a quick stop, in had been skiing since learned that the piece of Taumarunui, to relieve they were three.) to jest at plastic was not very

When it was finally ("Oh sorry I over, we clambered back the trip back, lucky not to finding our have met any eruptions. singing to the radio.

Overall it was a great and enjoyed by you I'm sure even those who and with the pole buttocks were happy to Most people night for a good nights rest.

See ya next year guys.

### **4PW SKI TRIP** (Well Almost.)

Gray, Ms Garner, and Mr road again. Paterson piled onto the pass the time.

We

ten minutes or so at 8 have a crack at skiing. 6:00am, Wednesday o'clock for a break.

seemed to last forever report on the radio. Then plastic although jokes, the mini we saw it, SNOW! This snowball fights We gradually made our disappeared stopped at way up the mountain and another couple of schools

Taumarunui for about everyone was ready to came along and took over

Mrs Gray went to morning, tired, yawning When everyone had check things out, there money souls gathered at the front returned, there were was snow, the chairlifts have paid for our ski Ngaruawahia High some who had relieved were moving but the hireage), to spend on School, trying to ignore themselves and some who mountain was closed! whatever, and then off to the drizzle as 4PW, the had bought themselves a We started playing in the the Turangi Hot Pools we exchange students, Mrs feed, we were back on the snow, what a consolation, went. That was pretty but when Mrs Gray groovy and a little later It had rained along the twisted her knee things we were on our long bus. Because everyone way there, so most were livened up a little! We journey home. was excited, the bus trip anxiously awaiting a ski skidded down hills on (They TV, and stories helped to really got our hopes up. really sting.), but the buzz

our patch of snow.

We got \$10 (The which would

By Trudi Dawson.



### Ellen's Country Keepsakes

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### **CROSSCOUNTRY 1995**

The CrossCountry this year was seen by some to be a much easier affair than in previous years. The tracks for all sections were changed to include a short run around the back of the "Poultry Farm". This new track meant slightly more difficult terrain. Running next to the scenic Waikato River made the change worthwhile. We were fortunate that the weather was good for the race, overcast and that the track was not too soft underfoot. We were also fortunate to have Sid Eru as a guest, courtesy of the Auckland Warriors. He declined to join in the run, however, claiming he had already trained for the day. The following were the results for the races and the first two in each section attended the Waikato Secondary Schools CrossCountry Championships.



JUNIOR BOYS
1st Chris Vallet
2nd James Wilson

INTERMEDIATE BOYS 1st Marrin Haggie 2nd Andrew Graham

SENIOR BOYS
1st Shannon Turuwhenua
2nd Blair Scothern

JUNIOR GIRLS 1st Kameta Puke 2nd Dahlia Tahu

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS
1st Margo Clark
2nd Tania Farmilo

SENIOR GIRLS
1st Shannin Keely
2nd Melanie Hill





### ICE HOCKEY

This isn't a sport Ngaruawahia High School caters for, in fact not even Ngaruawahia has the resources for 'Ice Hockey ', but that doesn't stop Gary Speers participating in a sport he enjoys.

My first attempt at 'Ice Hockey' was when the Ice-Skating rink in Hamilton had only been open for a few months. I was placed in as goal keeper for a team called the Midgets, but it was not a very successful The same position. position came back to haunt me when I was goalie for the Knights. I had a change of pace and I was placed in the field, later in the season.

Like all sports there are certain opportunities and goals to achieve and I needed to think about competing in the National Team. But just like other sports, everyone has the same intentions. My biggest competition was better

than me and had made the team as the goalie, putting me on the bench as reserve. In the end I was only degraded to water-boy and could only watch

the games.

After a change in attitude a n d gaining more experie nce I set a goal to

become a member and play in the National Team, I wasn't going to let any obstacles get in my way. My dream had come true.

This year I went to the first training clinic, and it turned out to be my worst nightmare. The coach was a very strict Canadian who did not hesitate in blowing me up when something wasn't done right. As Nationals got closer

he got worse and with only three days away the team was announced. Not only was I in the team but I was told I would be assistant captain, if I remained focused on my play.

Our first game was to be a highlight as we were to play the team who knocked us out last year. The difference is this year I had made the team to play them. This time we beat Canterbury and had proven a point.

I was determined and geared up to play hard this year. I decided I was going to play my heart out to win. My main target was the final and we got there with two wins. It was a tremendous atmosphere in Auckland which made it just as exciting for us.

We made it to the final and before the last four seconds we started to buzz that we were this years champions. But more important to me was playing in the National Team and I was an Assistant Captain.

Gary Spears

Although a junior, Ann-marie Spragg has achieved a lot for a young lady of her age.

Ann-marie is only a third form, but at such an early stage in her High School career she has shown great potential to be one of our top sports stars for the future, within our school and the greater Waikato and North Island area.

At High School level she was placed first equal for Junior Girls Athletic Championships and then

### **Athletics**

at the Zone Atheletic Championships she placed first in three events. At the Waikato event she placed first in two events which pushed her into the Island North Championships, where she also placed in a highly competitive environment. Congratulations to Annmarie



















## Athletic Sport Results

JUNIOR BOYS Chris Vallet Alex Burt Nathaniel Middleton

Intermediate Boys

**JermaineWetere** 

Fane Huirama

Richard Lloyd

Barney Wharakura

Senior Boys

Mana Simon

Ted Rhind

IUNIOR GIRLS

1st equal Any Clarke
Annmarie Spragg

3rd equal Trana HaeHae

Intermediate Girls
1st equal Marie Clarke
Maera Paki
3rd Erin Pollard

Senior Girls Melanie Hill 2nd equal Kelly Black Tina Te Koi

Zone Athletics

Junior Boys
Alex Burt: 1st Shotput
Richard Lloyd: 2nd Shotput
3rd Discus
Chris Vallet: 3rd 800m

1st High Jump 1st Triple Jump

Ann-marie: 1st 70 m Hurdles

Intermediate Boys

Marrin Haggie: 2nd Steeplechase.

## Waikato Secondary Champs

-2nd Discus

2nd 800m

Shannah Tairakena:

(record)

Junior Girls
Ann-marie: 1st High Jump
1st Triple Jump
5th 70m Hurdles

Intermediate Boys Richard Lloyd: 1st Shotput

Alex Burt: 2nd Shotput

## North Island Secondary Champs

Intermediate Boys Richard Lloyd: 4th Shotput

Junior Girls Annmarie: Track

Alex Burt: 3rd Shotput

## Swimming Sports Results

3rd equal Atihana Barton Shannon Tukiwaho Andrew Graham

Natasha London

Iunior Girls

Tahi- O- Hurae Rangiawha Whetu Middleton Mana Simon Senior Boys

Senior Girls Te Aroha Moeke Amy Clarke

Christina Te Koi Donna Crosby Maria London

# Waikato Secondary Schools Swimming Champs

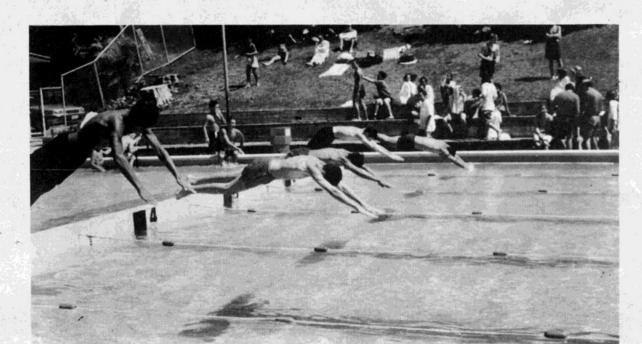
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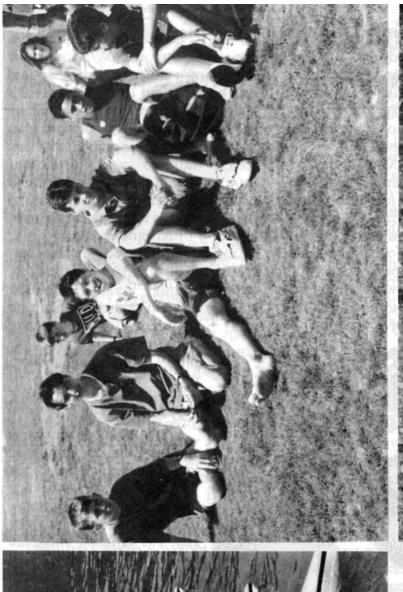
<u>Senior Girls</u> Maria London - 4th 50m Breast-stroke







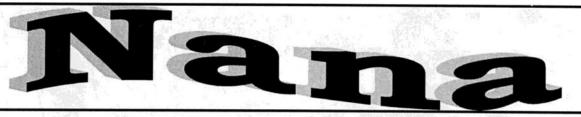












"Haere ra e kotiro"

Those were the last words she said wanted me to go to school with her the tears, but they still come every but I told her that she had to so that now and then. When the tears she could get a good education to come she usually comes with them. get a good paying job, so that she She comes to tell me to stop crying can get me a new blanket and and that she will come for me soon. shawl to show off to all my friends But it's hard, real hard. She was a at housie. I decided to go to school part of me, she was my namesake, with her on her first and second my mana, my nana.

mum wake up so early. She loves to listen to me tell the story of her birth. I would tell her how her mum practically had her in the car on the way to the hospital, and how I reckon she just wanted to hurry up and show herself off to everyone because she was so vain. She used to laugh when I said that. When she was two months old she came to live with me. she had to, her mother started drinking again.

My nana was the best story- teller ever. I used to sit on her lap, she would close my eyes and I would hold onto her pounamu. She would tell me stories of

all her tupuna and the brave fights mother's pounamu. turned three I started Kohanga. alright for both of us. Nana used to come and play with me and the other children. Once finished Primary School. Nana she didn't come and I started crying came to my prizegiving and sat because she wasn't there. I went to right up the front with her big sleep and she came to me in my woolly blanket right where I could dream and told me one of her see her. She was so proud of me, I stories. From then on I knew that won the speech cup and the citizen no matter where she was, she cup. would always be with me.

My moko quickly grew and High School was my next By Fleur Passau.

before I knew it she was at Primary School. I knew how much she to me, that was when the tears bit I couldn't. She started crying on They eventually stopped, her first day and didn't want to go day but when the third day came I I was at her birth She came put my foot down and said that she about two o'clock in the morning, had to go by herself. My poor the cheeky little thing, making her moko started crying. I decided then



was the time to give her my then that I realised what had It was between tangata and taniwha. identical to my own. I knew that as When she told them to me it was long as she had that pounamu like I was there watching the stories around her neck I would be with take place. I would be in a trance her and that she would be with me, taking in every little detail. When I and that everything would be

I kept growing and soon I had She clapped and cheered more than any of the other parents.

challenge, but with my pounamu firmly around my neck and nana in my heart I had no worries.

As I grew older so did nana. I never really thought she'd grow old but she did. I didn't notice it at first, it wasn't until Fourth Form that I noticed her health deteriorating. She wasn't sick or anything it just seemed that she had no life left in

One morning when I was waiting for my school bus I had a dream that I was in an accident. A car had hit me. It seemed so real all the pain I felt was like torture. I

woke up sitting on the side of the road just as my bus was coming. I was rather lazy because I only lived a kilometre or so away from school. I got off the bus and waited for my friend to come. To my shock my pounamu fell from my neck and broke into two pieces. I couldn't believe it, I knew something was wrong. I ran home. Nana was by herself crying. I went and hugged her, her head shot up as if she was surprised. She called out my name and I answered her but she wasn't listening. She was ignoring me. It was

happened.

Two days later we were at our marae. Nana was sitting next to me still crying. She was telling me all my favourite stories. She never slept that night, I tried to tell her to sleepbut she wouldn't listen.

The next day after everyone had spoken we all went up to urupa. And it was as my coffin was slowly being lowered into my grave that my nana said to me "Haere ra e kotiro'. That was when the tears came.

# FOREYER HUNGRY The pig stood outside staring in

The pig stood outside staring in at the two figures. One a tall wiry young woman the other an overweight man. They were seated at a narrow pine table. The man was plump at the edges and obese in the middle. His face was red blotched with purple, his cheeks puffed. He was in his late 20's, and wore an oversized teeshirt and matching shorts.

He leaned forward and picked up a knife and fork and sliced the juicy piece of meat in front of him, then gulped down his cup of bl

ack coffee. He leaned back and rested his hands on his stomach.

The red head who was seated opposite him was slender and blue eyed. Her face was narrow with protruding

cheekbones. She wore red bike pants that clung to her legs, and a green top that showed every lump and bump present. She leaned forward and took a bite of her rice cake and a sip of her orange juice. Then walked over to her treadmill.

"Honey, what's happening today?", the woman asked. "Are you going to be coming to the gym with me this morning?"

"For Christ's sakes Sally", he grumbled. "Today I am going to sit in front of the box, watch a few games of League, and get in a few winks before dinner."

He mumbled foul language under his breath.

She walked up to his chubby face, pointed her thin finger in it, opened her mouth and.....

"Fred I wish you would get up, get out and do something instead of sitting on that fat ass of yours!!!"

With that she reached for her gym bag and walked out. He mumbled more foul language and grabbed for a packet of potato chips.

Not twenty minutes had ticked over when he was again in the kitchen, preparing his lunch. A disgusting array of fried chips, bacon, and eggs. A fat feast.

Munch, munch, gulp, munch, gulp. The excess fat dripped from the corners of his mouth and hit the plate below. There was a crunching sound as his teeth ground over the meat.

Munch, munch, gulp, munch, gulp.

He guzzled the beer that lay in front of his empty plate.

She arrived again, sweaty, hot, body odour steaming from her

armpits. She stared at the blob on the couch and shook her head.

Sally stood at the fridge and reached in for an avocado, then for her sprouts, and a glass of mineral water. She let the avocado slip off the spoon, onto her tongue, and chewed slowly. Then she drank, and her throat welcomed the ice cool water.

She retired to the shower.

"Fred get up, dinner!"

His eyes opened as Sally walked away. Fred followed hungrily.

She sat at the table, he stood, lips watering, tongue hanging at the corner of his mouth, nostrils flared.

He seated himself and looked at the food in front of him. The pie, with fresh meat oozing from it, the steak - plump and juicy, the sausage round and succulent. Everything had its place on the

plate that night. But it looked different, alive perhaps.

Sally looked him in the eve.

"Something wrong?", she asked.

"Ah, no, everything is fine"

"O.K.", Sally replied.

He picked up his knife and fork, and let the knife slice through the sausage with ease, his fork picked it up and his mouth met it, open and ready.

"Good?", his wife asked.
"Mmm, fine", he replied.

She excused herself and walked down the hallway.

He continued to eat away, and when finished he closed his eyes to reflect on the moment for just that while longer.

> "We're ready, let's go" His eyes flashed open.

"Honey, did you say something?", Frank yelled.

"No".

He looked around. Nothing.

"Arggh!", he screamed frantically. "Someone save....."

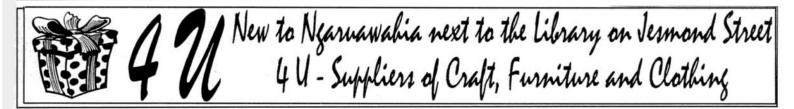
But it was too late for the screams, or for someone to help him.

The steak, so red, so juicy, had sucked onto his face. It chewed, then burped, then chewed some more. The sausage had pierced through his skin, till there was nothing left, but thin slices of a pale red meat placed elegantly on the plate.

Sally walked in.

"Didn't you like it Frank?"
She walked to the bin.

Sandra Matich





Sometimes I would wander for hours just to find her. I knew she was hiding from me somewhere in these alleyways. I saw her book in an old rusted garbage can. It was just lying there amongst the old lettuce leaves, and bits of torn cloth and newspaper. Lying there like garbage.

This book meant a lot to her and I knew it, so I retrieved it and stared at it coldly. I dusted clean the cover with my hand and examined the object. This book had once been bright and happy colours, pink and gold, but now it was pale, faded and tired. The cover had been painted black at one stage and was now worn so that some of the happy colours showed through, and what little gold was left was flaking and coming away. I remember the days when we would write our pain and our sadness into it's smooth pages and cry.

I remember the lock on the cover, our safeguard, and we would wear the keys around our necks so that they jingled when we ran. I knew this book meant a lot to her, I know she keeps her heart there. This book tells the stories of our lives, the destruction of the world and our feelings at any given time. This book deals with issues like death and

pollution, the end of the world, and how we see things in our perspective. When I hold the book it makes me fell warm inside, even though the air around me is cold and heavy. I know I must give the book back to her. Oh why must we fight. She is my best friend so I will run, I will run as long as my legs carry me, my breath steaming in the cold air of nightfall. Iwill search until I find her and give back the book, give back her heart, my heart. Somewhere in these alleys she sits and waits for me. How many other hearts are lost and thrown in the garbage?

Eyes are windows to the soul. But then all the souls must have known to keep away from this godforsaken place. Why does she hide in these places. Lost soul. Wander. All the eye are closed.

By Raegan Maisey

# Night

The lush velvety Darkness, challenging the light, Advances and the light retreats, Relinquishing her soul unto that which is Night.

He comes, enveloping earth in his inky cloak.

The earth draws him near, Ready to give itself up and sleep. For the Darkness is alive; It is beauty; it is comfort; it is familiar and a mystery to the weary Earth.

The Earth falls to sleep, forgetting the harshness of Day, knowing only presence of Night.
Life devoured and stolen by the Day is returned, replaced,
The Earth is recharged,
By the magic of Night

The smiling face turns away To hide it's evil from its prey.

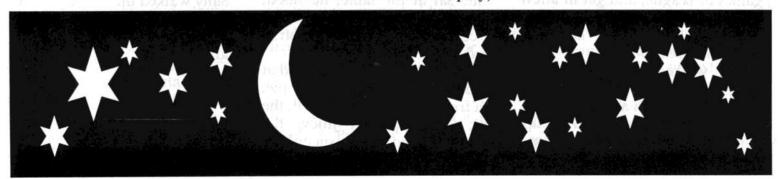
For beauty is deceiving, And the Earth is truly deceived. For the Darkness, Earths blessing is also her curse, The closed, blind eyes of the slumbering world, Fail to see the Darkness at play, Earth turns on her side, unwilling to see.

The pain, fear, uncertainty, In the eyes of the Night's toys. He plays with their minds, twisting, knotting, Until reality is as distant as time, The victims of the Night have no

For the Darkness is alive.

The Darkness spell is woven tight, And Earth cannot help but submit to the night.

Anna Campbell



Travelling on the bus by yourself. awkward situation to be in. Having been in this out what I was laughing at. position a few times myself, I should be a bit of an would seem.

out the window is the best option.

When travelling with a friend, portraying hate them all and would rather be somewhere else.

home after a good day, and feel the need to talk to someone on the way. I hardly ever attempt this with beside them. This is a very offensive form of sending the window. out vibes that they do not want to be approached. drastic measures must be taken.

standing.

I feel I should share one of my experiences, the crowbar to get some words out. "NERVOUS YOUNG MALE" situation.

in a full bus. Not sure if he was the talkative type, I decided to look out the window, as if the scenery of pretending not to notice the person sitting beside me thing, don't go it alone. for fear of invading his personal space. So, of course, I started to laugh discretely and twisted my neck Gale Glasson-Henderson trying to look out the window in case he saw me.

This was when the nervous syndrome took over. He started to look around desperately and twiddle his thumbs furiously. This made me laugh even more, and when the stop came, he nearly jumped out of his seat in his eagerness to get out. I felt horribly guilty

It's an putting him through that misery of trying to figure

Another funny experience I encountered was the expert when it comes to going it alone. Or so it day I missed the last bus out of Hamilton. My mother had previously warned me that she would be unable Many people travel alone each day to their to collect me since our car was off the road. My only destinations. We all look at these people as being way out was to catch the Inter-City coach from snobs. This is because most commuters look out the Hamilton to Ngaruawahia. This I did, but because it window and pretend to be uninterested in their was an unusual stop, I was afraid the driver would surroundings. The reason is that if people look at forget about me if I was sitting at the back, so I was others, and others look back, the person looking has compelled to sit in the front. This posed a problem to appear cool and calm. Really they are thinking when I discovered that the front seat was already things like, "Is that woman grinning because she taken. But the occupier was a frail old man who thinks I am nice or, do I have a piece of food stuck to hardly looked big enough to fill half a seat. So down my chin?" This causes great confusion, so looking I sat, straight into the "NERVOUS OLD MAN SITUATION"

As always on a coach, the driver introduced yourself to be a nice person is easy enough. You can himself and announced that the trip would be about laugh about things and appear a nice person. You two hours. The poor guy next to me was just about can also share grievances with them and show other in tears. I bet he was thinking that this great, people on the bus that your frown is not because you lumbering teenager had just ruined his journey where he could have shuffled and scratched without Going it alone also creates other awkward anyone noticing. He looked so distressed that I situations. One of these is when you are travelling almost felt like saying, "It's O.K., I'm only going to Ngaruawahia".

When I did get off, I smiled to myself when I other people looking out the window, and especially thought of the relief he must have felt knowing that not with people who place their bags on the seat he didn't have to spend two hours squished against

However, amidst all of the non-communicators, They are probably so afraid of meeting someone that there are a few people who are very easy to talk to. I find these are the people such as mothers with Which brings us to the full bus situation, where children. They usually have already spoken to the sitting by someone is the only other option to child once or twice, so you don't get the impression that you have to pry their mouth open with a

My overall view is to do whatever you feel in the I had a young man around the age of 20 sit beside me mood to do. If you want a conversation when you are on your own, open up someone who looks like they might look at you as something other than a roads and grass was fascinating. After several creature from the swamp. If you want to look out the sideways glances, I realized how stupid I felt window, do it. But if awkward positions are not your

## MUSIC OF PLEASURE

Her slender fingers fiddle gently with his elongated body,

He now is vibrating with pleasure,

As a harsh but pleasurable scream of ecstasy shatters the silence,

She now is mesmerized by the enchanting tune, He is singing, singing a sweet tune of love to her, She becomes more frantic and begins to speed up, Her erratic movements worry the young instrument of pleasure,

And now an applause breaks out, She bows, holding the violin firmly in her hand.

David McConnell

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A person that can't pose for photos
All my cousins can, but you should know
My cousins are great, my cousins are fine
Their names are MANA and MOTU, yeah their
mine.

One is fantastic and the other is great The twins are massive and they are my mates People call us names, like Triplets for one Sometimes we fight but it's always for fun We share some secrets and what happens in class Talk about girls as the time goes past But most of all we like our songs The present ones and the ones just gone When we praise ourselves and think we're neat "Neat alright" as people say "Shucks" we reply and be on our way We play a lot of sports, yes we do Rugby, Volleyball and a thing or two But most of all we love our League We're tough, handsome and we play mean One's got skills and the other scores tries Slides across the line then points to the sky "Yeah" he says 4 points ahead Heads home for a shower then off to bed The skillful one, yes he's something else Chips it though and scores with a good bounce Well that's the cousins the twins and I Friends to the end, forever, goodbye.

By Leon Matthews

## Dead Love

As she sits by the river, With the sun in the hills. And the night in the sky, The trees slowly weeping as she lies down and dies. With grass in his hair. And mud on his shoes. He carries her limp form to a shrine, Made from the light of the moon, Her spirit is watching like one of the stars. As he lights the funeral pyre, And releases her from the world. Then he sits unaware and cries, She also weeps unheard, She watches him, Through his life, Resisting temptation she stays, Old he grows, He grows alone, Then life meets death. Theres no resistance, His life left him long ago, Time passes, Yet she waits, For never will they meet again, He changed, He hated, Sour grew his heart, For when time came for them to meet, He could not face her, And instead he did depart, Still she weeps unheard.



Lance Byran





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# THEGUTAR

The guitar.....

A beautiful form of art and a wonderous instrument and my prized posession. Maybe because it's about the only thing I own. It was the best Christmas present I got last year, because it was the only one I got. I started playing the guitar in Form Two, taught by teacher named Andrew Morgan. That was okay but he told me after a while that he couldn't teach me any more than he already had and said I needed to go somewhere else, but I didn't. I learnt on my own. Slowly picking up tunes. My two Uncles were a big help to me in learning the guitar. They taught me heaps. At parties there's me, Isaac, Julz on guitar, my Nana on the ukelele and my sisters on the spoons. The sound of the guitar is beautiful.

It's shape is something of great significance. Its a living,

breathing object. A strum is one breath in, a pluck is one breath out. Its good when you're in a mood. All you do is go home and strum hard out to a really aggressive song, but not to break a string. It's good when you keep getting into troubl, you can do all sorts of things with a guitar. Well not exactly all sorts, but it's a very unexplainable object. No word could possibly describe the beauty of an object such as this. I can't write anymore about the guitar but I've thought up a poem. Well I think I have.

"She sat in the corner of her stone cold chair and thought. Like Maui you are a deceiver. To you I gave my trust in return you gave me hurt. From you I was born from you I learned to love. But it was all just lies. The memories that you have left are nothing but illusions that

play like a broken record in my head. Why make me happy when your only purpose was to hurt me. Because of you my life been ruined and can never be fixed. The picture I have painted will never be finished it will forever lie incomplete. The memories play on, the words unforgettable. The tears begin to run."

Margo Clarke





## New Zealand

Through the Eyes of the Tourist

Peaceful echoes of bird cries ring through the valleys,

While high and free in the sky soars the White Heron,

Clean rivers drift peacefully past the tour bus,

Green paddocks stretch for acres on end,

Forests clean, green and filled with wildlife.

The Truth

Squawking shrill cries from those bloody birds,

White Heron struggling to survive,

Lumps of raw sewage float peacefully pass the tourist bus, Green paddocks sprayed with litres of chemicals,

And in our forests, a plague of possums attack our virgin hills.

-David McConnell





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# NEIGHBOURS

By Anna Campbell

he awoke to morning sounds. Sounds of birds beginning their daily business, sounds of people rising after their daily dose of sleep. She stretched, and was notified by a sharp shot of pain running up and down her spine that she had, once again, gone to sleep in a silly position. Mind you, she almost always woke up with a sore back these days. The bed was past its' prime - if it had ever had one.

She sighed and gently rolled herself over and out of bed. She stood up slowly, not wanting to hurt herself more than necessary. She stretched again, and heard her neighbour getting up. She'd arrived a few days ago, Leah something. Leah was a nasty piece of work, really. She cursed like a sailor, smelt like a dog, ate like a pig, and was more hateful than anyone she'd ever met before and that was saying a lot. Leah would have her reasons of course a didn't they all? But really, she went too far sometimes. She could hear Leah cursing as she dresses, cursing about the cold, cursing about the fact that it'd be scorching hot later on, cursing about her awful night. Cursing about her!

"What'd you say?"

Irately, I said, "I thought a train was coming through last night, you were snoring so loud." "What's your problem? Everyone else manages to survive without being so horrible. Why can't you?"

"Yeah, well they don't have a steam train living next door!"

"Just shut up, will ya!"

"Are you going to make me?"
"Oooh, I'm really scared. Please stop, I'll

have nightmares!!"

She was riled by Leah's undisguised sarcasm, muttering

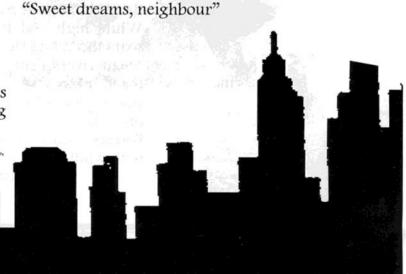
under her breath "Maybe you will, maybe you won't"

Her thoughts occupied her all morning, taking her mind off breakfast - which was a good thing. It was cold and tasteless, as usual. By the end of the meal, her mind was made up.

She returned to her room, cleaned it up, and left for the courtyard among friends but alone in her thoughts. She didn't normally exercise, but today she'd make an exception. She felt the need to release her energy, one way or the other. They were skipping today. The Government, she thought, is so very naive sometimes. She picked up a rope and began skipping. She moved to the main bunch, making her way through to the other side, nearer and nearer. Her resolve wavered momentarily - to act or not to act. Is it worth it? Only a few more months and she'd be out. But then she saw Leah, and remembered.

So she stopped, and bent down, pretending to tie an undone lace; instead, deftly tying a noose with the skipping rope. She stood, ran at Leah and pulled the noose over her head. She jerked the rope viciously with all her weight, cutting off Leah's cry for help.

Leah's neck snapped in two, and she noticed smugly that Leah's eyes, though now lifeless, still had a very satisfied look of terror in them. She dropped Leah's limp body which had fallen on her as the prison wardens arrived, handcuffing her, shoving her roughly, back towards the cell block that was her home.



# WA7CHMG 7.V.

Watching television, hey you know, it's the small black box in the corner of the lounge. It's amazing how much it influences the way you look at things, what you say and do, and your way of life.

Millions of people stare at the television box constantly as they wait patiently to discover if Jenny's going to find out about Johnny's love affair with Ellen in "Shortland Street"; or if Pippa and Michael will get a divorce on "Home and Away". It's like some sort of alien that abducts your brain, making you repeatedly watch T.V. as your bottom gets flat from sitting down on a "lazy-boy" chair.

Only small amounts of exercise take place. The regular lifting and taking your index finger off the remote control and return trips to the toilet or refrigerator.

If you sit too close to the television with the sound turned up extra loud you will eventually end up with thick glasses like goggles to help your square eyes, and a hearing aid turned up full bore. Also, radiation waves shoot out of the back of the television. They enter your body, causing your cells to break up and it turns into cancer. No lies either, well, that's what they say.

Television isn't all bad, it has it's good points, such as giving us information and the experiences of a lifetime. Like being right there at the Emmy Awards or being caught in the cross-fire of the

Bosnia War or the secret sex life of a plant caught on time lapse by David Attenborough.

Television is a good economical form of entertainment as not many people can head into town to watch the movies, so it is good to see the T.V. programming people are realising this and putting on some pretty good programmes. If there's not much to view you

flowers. Be careful here though, as if they fall over it will blow up the television.

But who knows, without a T.V. you might change your life. You might even do something or finish your pile of homework that was, like, due in last semester. Maybe you might actually talk to someone without saying, "Get your head out of the way", or "Shush, I want to hear what they're saying". And even the uncanny could happen. Reading a book, or that "couch potato" could turn into a "fitness freak". Elizabeth Surgenor

can always stand your trophies on it or a vase of

### ME, MYSELF AND I

The barking metal The rumbling wheel The grinding concrete The sliding steel

How much pleasure could a piece of wood bring I tell you my friend it invokes me to sing.

What could possess me, knowing I might die Maybe that's it, cheating death, being sly

Moving so fast that the wind cuts your face My legs pumping hard, to increase my pace

Soon I am airborne, frozen in time

And I'm alone, in this design.

No-one can help, no-one but me And in this way I am set free

If I don't make the perilous leap
From my lip no complaint you'll hear, not a peep.

'Cos it was me, who was in control And it is me who'll pay the toll.

It's no that I hate rugby or basketball That's not the truth, it's not that at all.

I enjoy a small game with my friends at the court But I'm afraid it's not me, I'm just not into team sport.

It must have started back in Primary School
I was the one, yeah I was the fool.

Who would drop the ball, or do something wrong It wasn't my fault, I'm just not that strong.

So I learnt to skate, where it's all up to me And I'm not gonna change, that's the way it must be.

Angus Huisken

# Driving Lesson

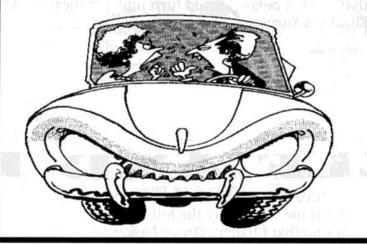
It was Sunday afternoon. I let my head fall onto the steering wheel. I heaved a sigh of relief. I was alive and in one piece. Amazing, I had survived my first driving lesson!

I swivelled my head to check how Dad was faring. His face was drenched in sweat, dripping from his unshaven chin onto his shirt collar. He hunched his shoulders to flex his strained muscles and raked a clammy hand through his mop of silvery hair.

"It wasn't't that bad Dad!" I said.
"Wasn't it?" he mumbled. Mum had nominated
Dad to be the driving instructor of our family and
he had taught both of my brothers.

Stalling three times before I even set tire on tar seal, set the scene for my first lesson, but I finally made it out onto the country roads around our home.

Dad advised me to accelerate more, especially



up hills, but I stated flatly that fifty-five kilometres/hour was fast enough and I would manage quite nicely thank you very much.

I approached my first intersection and oblivious to the fact that I should brake I carried right on round the corner just about swiping the side mirror off the car coming the opposite way, who honked quite loudly and rudely I thought.

The next intersection bore a 'Give Way' sign so I arrived at a snail's speed and stalled. We sat there for about thirty seconds trying to start the car and put it into gear. (Thirty seconds is quite a long time when you're holding up three cars behind you.)

The rest of the trip went somewhat uneventfully until I came to the steep hill leading down to our driveway. I thought that when changing gear I should accelerate, never thinking to apply the brake. The car hurtled down the hill, straight towards our new wooden fence...

Dad let out an almighty bellow to STOP and I realized that in this kind of predicament, it would be appropriate to apply the brake- which I did, stopping two centimetres short of the fence. I then bunny-hopped back, and resumed my leisurely pace down the driveway.

Dad and I both agree that it definitely was a character building experience.

Erin Pollard

## THE JOURNEY

She sat silently on the steps
Her eyes were sad, crying in hunger
Her mind lay in a slough of despondency
All she yearned for was love and care.

The voices grew louder and the music blared As the moon awoke into the sky The faces she saw Going in and coming out that door All seemed the same Her eyes lit up
When she saw her parents
Then her heart shattered
As she saw them stagger.

As the years went by
Disaffection grew within her
Until she could bear it no longer
So in desperation she rose from her steps
And began the lonely journey
Away from the tavern.
Paul Singh

#### **HOUR OF HEAVEN**

We made our way around the corner cautiously. This daily practise had become tedious but it still didnt stop myself or Beth from keeping our guard up. Without a whisper we had evaporated into the shadows that were east by the huge buildings that surrounded us. This place was known by many names but to us it was always prison.

We stood, catching our breath against the mossy wall that seemed almost as old as time. Beth searched the grounds for any signs of life and finally built up the courage to force the words out with a whisper. "You idiot. I told you we should have waited for Joe." Her quiet voice shook with resentment. Her statement caught me by surprise. Although I knew she was right, I knew we couldn't go back. "Beth, he was taking too long and you know it. If we had waited round for him any longer, the bells would have sounded and we would have been caught.

Beth's head dropped. "I know, but that doesn't help Joe." With that, the conversation ended. We slowly made our way past the old oak tree that had been standing ominously there for many years before us and would still be there many years after we left. The darkness of the clouds that filled the day, made the tree age 100 years over. An overwhelming panic filled my heart as sounds of life surfaced from behind the oak. I could feel Beth squeezing my arm which only succeeded in making my feeling of panic multiply. Our pace quickened and before we knew it we had made it around the corner.

A huge weight lifted from my shoulders as we escaped the searing heat of attraction. Finally our target was in sight - the carpark.



The cars sat empty in random placings. We avoided all sight until we finally got to the car. A wave of relief washed through every part of my body as I lifted the handle and felt the click as the door opened. Beth was already inside by the time I finally got seated and was able to talk without whispering. "Have you got them?" Her stressed face suddenly emptied into a blank stare. Without a whisper I knew the answer to my question. Together we tapped our pockets in search of the cigarettes. Beth turned to me annoyed, "I thought you had them! I've only got the lighter!"

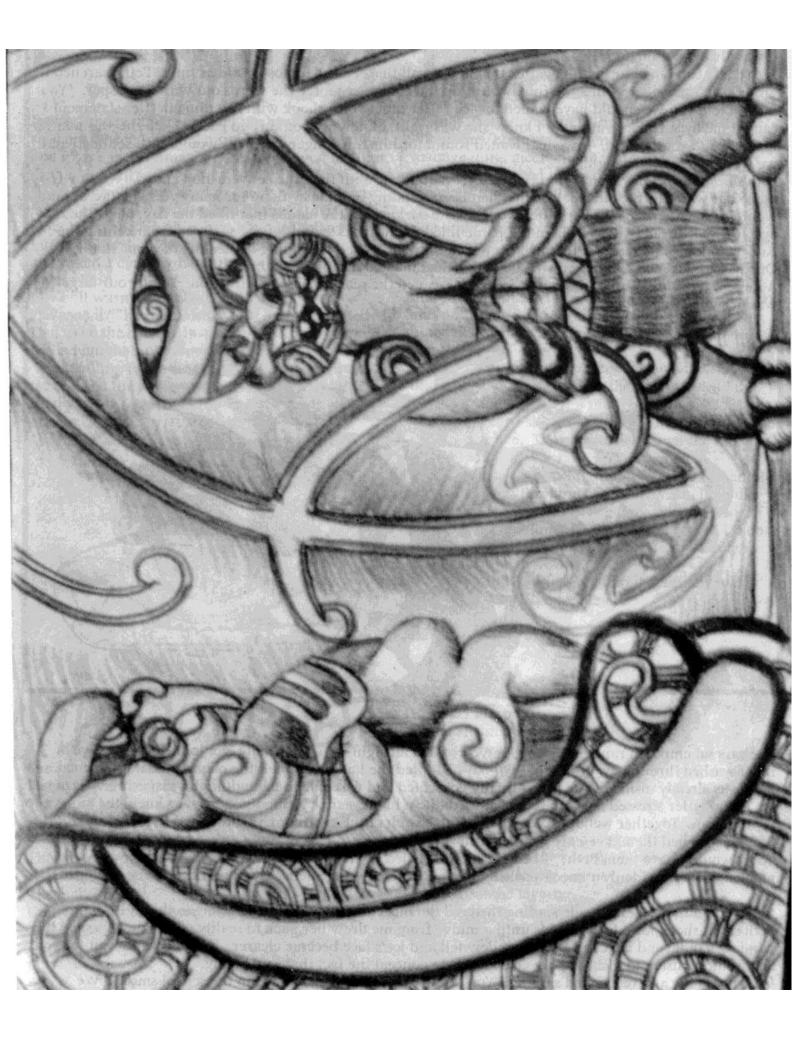
"Why would I have them Beth?" I became more agitated by the second but this only lasted for a few moments when suddenly a knock pushed through the deafening silence that had filled every corner of the

car.

Joe stood on the passenger side smiling through the misted window holding the cigarettes in his hand. Beth sat in shock for a few seconds until a nudge from me drew her back to reality. She slowly turned the window handle and watched as the window fell and Joe's face became clearer. "I told Beth to wait for you. She wouldn't listen to me!" I spoke confidently to conceal the fact that I was lying.

Joe ignored me and responded smiling, "You know Geoff, half the students in the school smoke. We shouldn't really have to hide the fact that we do too. I mean, we are teachers! With that, Joe climbed in and together we all pulled out of the pot-holed car park and drove off for our hour of heaven.

Anonymous



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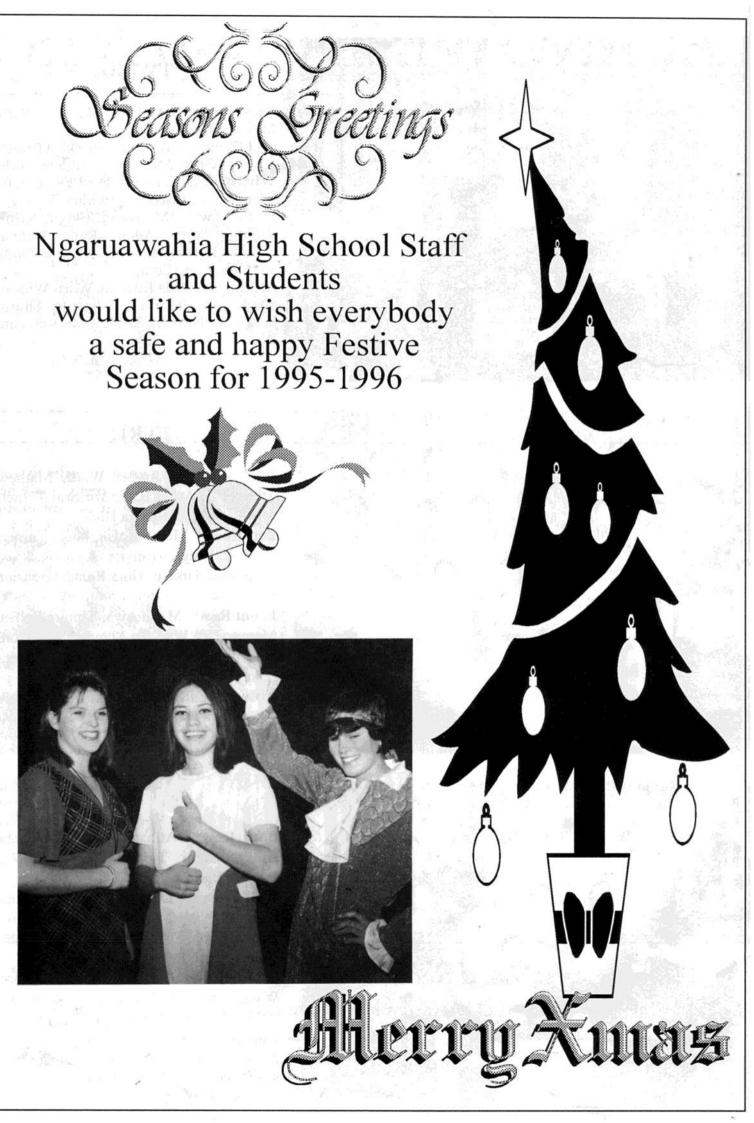
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My partners in crime have been are just impossible! being able to laugh at the more than a "massive" help. scary Shannin, David, Maria, Anna, congratulate the Editorial Board on massaging, suicidal jumps Deborah and Fleur were all really their effort this year which reads off the sides of cliffs and cool, if somewhat crazy to work well from cover to cover. Thanks to arguments about some of the with. We were also graced with the the contributors and advertisers more controversial topics the presence of Gale who decided that who have filled out these pages. Sixth Form experienced, typing would be a lot easier on the Particular thanks to Ms Middleton really eased the pain. Not body than sparring with Terry Hill for her experience when needed, to

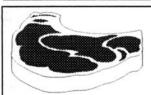
(big loss!) in a sometimes isn't a day at the beach, but it is her invaluable assistance with the vain effort to rally support quite a cool thing to do. So as every artwork. Thank you also to other for the strip advertising. All AFS student or sailing individual staff who proof-read and supported have to say is Mrs. would say, take the opportunity if the magazine for 1995 by relieving Mr. its offered to you.

-Murray Nathan

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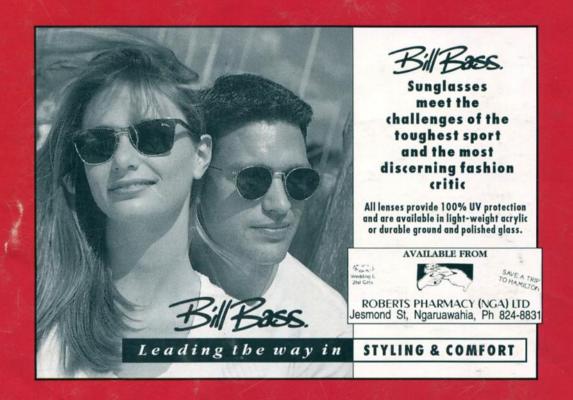
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