

NGAKU AWHIA HIGH SCHOOL 2000



Tara Lee Hansen

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PRODUCTION TEAM

Jacqui Pouaka
Candice Morunga
Jaimee Thorpe
Malana Grey
Kelly Faunch
Aaron Bird
Casey Sucich

Pamela Gray
Sandy MacDonald
Lorena Strother

STUDENT WRITERS

Isaac Royal	Rihi Mita Watene
Alicia Sunnex	Ryan Taylor
Mason Moana	Kelly Williamson
LJ Matenga	Jacqui Pouaka
Candice Morunga	Hannah Tobin
Vicki Crosby	

Sarah Vining

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Teacher - Linda Sabbage	

Brad Wharakura (page 12)

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Staff Unleashed







The year 2000, the new millennium - cellphones/e-mails/chatrooms/e-shopping/video conferencing/power point - new words are appearing every day heralding new and wondrous ways of communicating with each other. These are exciting times.

Where does Ngaruawahia High School stand in all of this? Well it certainly is a challenge for a small rural school which doesn't have access to huge amounts of money but I feel really excited that our students are getting a very good deal.

Sandy MacDonald and Joan Myles have taken a very strong lead in the school to support staff and students in their quest for technological competence. Students are producing work of very high quality and it is always amazing for us 'oldies' to see how easily and quickly the students take to new technological skills.

This magazine is produced right here on our own school computers - an amazing achievement. I sincerely invite all the parents to visit our facilities to see the developments for themselves.

I want to thank all our staff who continue to work hard to provide opportunities for our students. Our students continue to excel in all areas. The students at this school are very well served by

dedicated, committed and caring teachers.

I would like to especially thank our head students, Isaac, Riihi, Ryan and Alicia who have served us proudly this year and also Mason who has worked seriously and effectively as our Board of Trustees representative. I wish these students and all the students who are leaving us this year, success as they go on to tertiary study and to jobs.

Congratulations to all the students who have worked hard and achieved well.

The school has continued to shine in Stage Challenge. Over a hundred students join together in a wonderful team effort to produce a lively, polished, exciting performance. It is always a proud moment for the school when the students burst onto the stage at the Founders' Theatre.

There have been lots of other highlights too - all recorded here in this 2000 magazine so read on!

I'd like to wish everyone involved in the school, Board of Trustees, staff, students, parents, community a very peaceful and happy Christmas and New Year.

*Barbara Cavanagh
Principal
Ngaruawahia High School*

Jim Lichward

Chairman of the Board

The beginning of the millenium has been one of continued achievement for all of us at Ngaruawahia High School. This year has seen our students succeed in all activities. I congratulate students for rising to the challenges that are presented. These have not only been academic but social and cultural, giving a unique opportunity to you as students at Ngaruawahia High School.

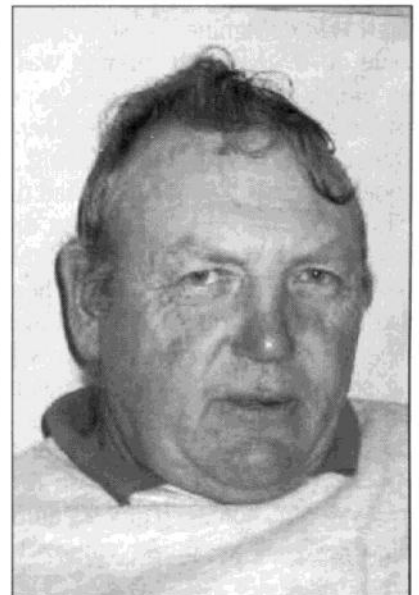
It is nice to see the continued commitment that you have all had to the Smokefree Stage Challenge. The calibre of your presentation was commendable. Viewing the presentation at the Founders theatre I personally found it entertaining and most enjoyable. I was proud to be associated with Ngaruawahia High School.

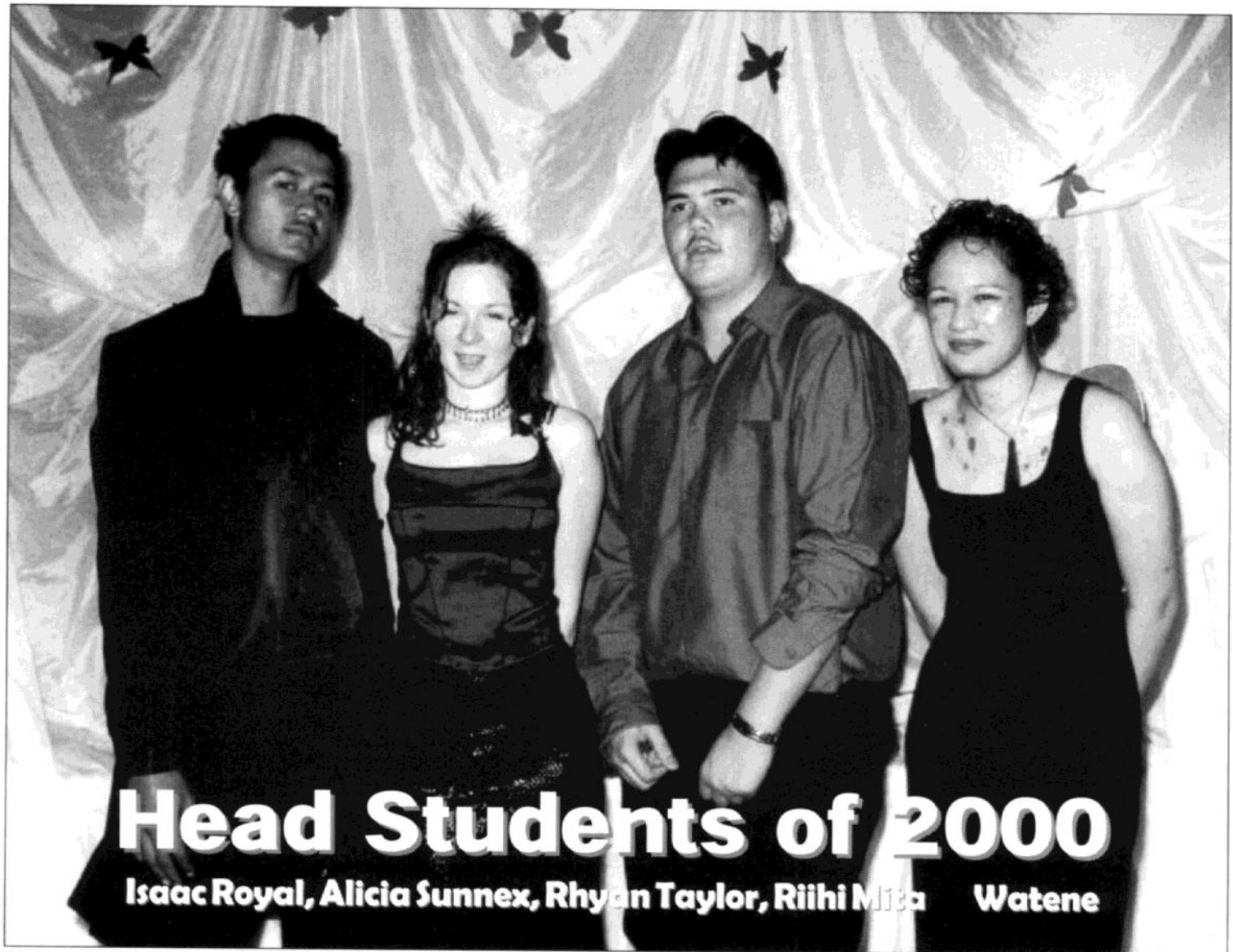
I would like to also congratulate the aerobic/dance teams for their commitment and dedication. The efforts of these groups are a credit to the students involed and they have reaped the rewards duly.

The success in these divers activities at Ngaruawahia High School show the talent and dedication of you all, as students, in the activities that you undertake. Academically we also have achievers amongst us. Ben Gilby Todd achieved a High Distinction in the Australian Mathematics Competition which places him in the top 2% of students in New Zealand. Ben and many other students who have participated in the academically based activities at school and in the public eye have done incredibly well.

To those students who will progress beyond our school we wish you all well in your future activity. Be proud of who you are, where you have come from and what you have and can achieve.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees I would like to covey to you our thanks for the warm reception that is received as we undertake our duties in your presence. We congratulate you all for your achievements and encourage you to set future goals for yourself. You all have talents which make our school unique in its attributes.





And so the year 2000 has come to an end, and so to have my high school years. They say 'the high school years are the best years of your life', well my high school years were awesome: Kaha Haka tour of the U.S.A., Smokefree Stage Challenges, and English with Mrs Strother. They also had their bad times with the death of my good friend Marley Kingi, rest in peace.

This year has been a great year for me. Being chosen as head student was a real honour. When I was presented with this role I was determined to show everyone I could do it. My first mission was to cut my dreads. It was also a new experience for me to be working with the other heads, Rhyen, Alicia and Tahlia. Being a head student also had it's good and bad times.

Taking lead in the Kapa Haka this year was not very hard because I had taken on that role in the previous year. There were also a few new things I wanted to have a go at this year, one of them was joining the school choir. Another challenge was joining the Dance team. That was a good move because in the end we got to perform in AUSTRALIA!

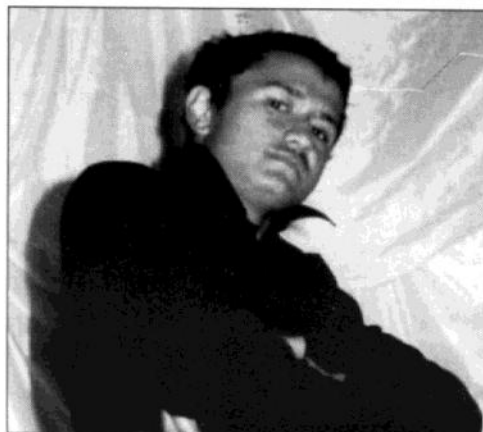
I have had some great adventures and misadventures, the misadventures I blame

on Josh. To all the boys: Joshua, Carl, Dane, Pokaia, Corrie, Rhyen, Maioha, Richard, Tahau, the years were great, the fritters were nice and may the good times always be remembered.

To all the staff that helped me get to where I am now, thanks you all! Here I stand, proud of who I am, what I am and what Ngaruawahia High School has made me. Thanks to my family, the old man who was a mug - and still is - but we all know he means well.

Next years seventh form enjoy your school years, they truly are the best. Be someone they will remember, like me, and be always be yourself.

Isaac Royal

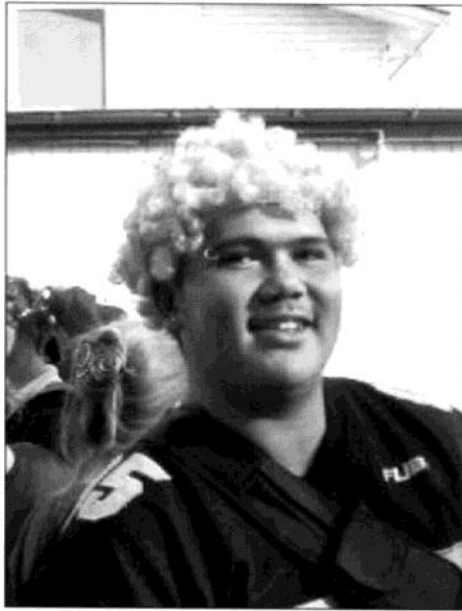


This year has been one of the biggest highlights of my school years. I have been able to participate in many unique activities which show the variety of talent here at Ngaruawahia High School: the Smokefree Stage Challenge, no one can dance like we can; aerobics, no one has our style; Kapa Haka; the Rock Quest; Choir; singing and playing instruments are just some of the things we excel at.

To the students and future head students; do not be afraid to ask for help. The staff at this school are very supportive. I would also like to thank all the teachers who have supported me.

I wish you all the very best for the years and remember to enjoy and make the most of your high school years.

Rihi Mita-Watene



The year 2000 is a year I'll always remember. A one of the four students chosen to represent the school I have had some excellent experiences. Throughout the year I have been able to attend many school functions which have encouraged me to interact with those around me.

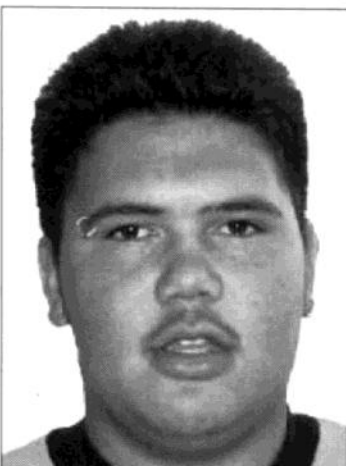
The position of Head-Boy has enabled me to stand up and be proud of what I have achieved and to act as a role model for the younger generation.

I try to do my best at everything I do, 100% effort. Following are some of the rules I try to live by which I would encourage you all to follow: treat people with respect, especially your elders and parents, these are the people that will pick you up when you are down, always care for your family, as family comes first. Throughout my final year my family have stuck by me and given me the confidence that I needed. My aunty has also helped me out at school, she pushed me to apply for this position.

I would also like to thank the fellow head students: Isaac Royal, Alicia Sunnex and Rihhi Mita-Watene. It was a great experience working with you all.

Last but not least, a big thank you to all the teachers I have had over the last five years. Thank you for helping me to achieve qualifications.

Rhyan Taylor



Ngaruawahia High School—a place to learn, a place to play, a place to grow.

Here we learn to learn, to understand, to question and answer what we are told by both books and by the people around us. Being a student at Ngaruawahia High presents unique challenges and learning experiences that may not arise in other schools. This gives us strength and individuality of character and mind—a priceless tool in the 'outside' world.

Ngaruawahia High has a distinct spirit that can be felt when our students and teachers come together and work for a common goal. It can be felt when our students get up on stage and compete, when the mighty sound of the Kapa Haka group reverberates through the hall—it's our school spirit that sends shivers down people's spines.

This is what I'm proud of, this is what I will take with me no matter where I go—the pride of being part of something as unique and powerful as the spirit of Ngaruawahia High School. This is something we all should hold onto and nurture, build up to great heights. The sky is the limit. There is no bounds to the success our school can achieve and we have proven it time and time again.

The people in our school should not be segregated by categories of Pakeha, Maori or exchange students—when we are in this school we are all Ngaruawahia High School students and that is something we should all be proud of.

Being part of the Head Student leadership team has given me a gift I cannot justly describe with words, but it has empowered me and helped me to grow. I feel prepared for anything life throws in my path.

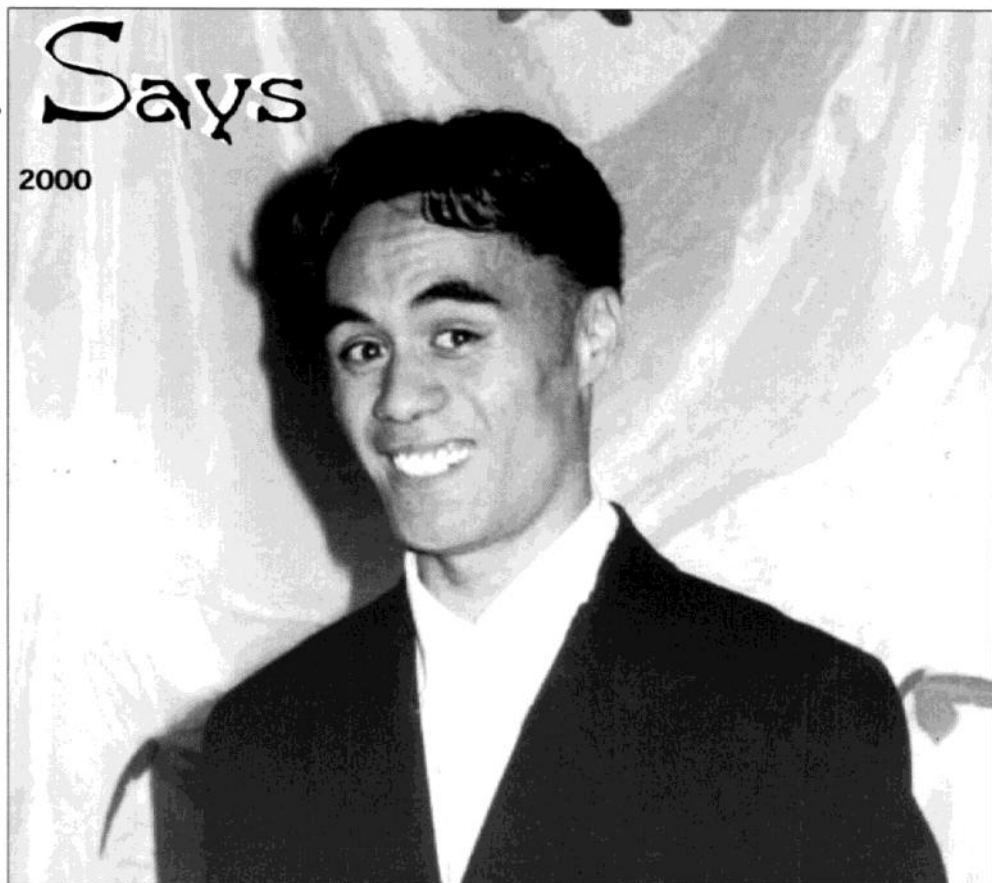
Good luck, Ngaruawahia High—keep reaching for the top, just don't be afraid to reach out for each other, we are stronger when we work together.

Alicia Sunnex



Mason Says

2000



When I got elected as Student representative it was one of the highlights of the year. It provided me with an experience of what to expect of life outside of the school. It also gave me an opportunity to strengthen the skills I already have.

Being the Student Representative for Ngaruawahia has been an enjoyable time for me, it has also given me many privileges. I have met a lot of new people, made heaps of friends and really enjoyed working with people who were always willing to listen, the members on the Board of Trustees.

This is my last year at Ngaruawahia High School and I wanted to leave something with the school. In 20 years time I will be able to come back with my friends and family and reminisce about our time here at Ngaruawahia High School.

It really amazes me how five years have gone by. I have enjoyed my time here, that is probably why my time here has gone so quickly.

I would like to thank many people; the 7th form for all the help and support they gave, the Board of Trustees for helping when I was in doubt, and last but not least, the teachers for actively working towards providing professional advice, expertise, and a determination to help others become as successful as they are. Thank-you!

Kelly, as the new student Board of Trustee member for 2001, enjoy the position because you will learn many things. Go with your instincts, believe in what you think and you'll be fine because you will always be surrounded by those who will listen. That is what it is all about, being heard.

Student Representative
Mason Moana



Kelly's Word



Being given the chance to be student representative for our school is wonderful. My friends have all been really supportive and nominated me as soon as the forms were out. I was interested in this position as I wanted to play a part in taking the student's ideas to the Board of Trustees and to give my ideas and thoughts during the decision making process.

The students of our school should be comfortable about coming up to me, talking to me and giving me their suggestions for the school. I think that this is really important. Everyone needs to realise that if they have something they want to express they can do it and not feel "Shame" about expressing their ideas. Students need to know that we are all equal, everybody has the right to voice their opinions, but it's also up to those people who feel strongly to act.

I'm willing to talk through and discuss new ideas as change can always be a good thing. So keep those ideas rolling and feel free to talk to me!

Student Representative
Kelly Williamson
2001

OFFICIAL VISITS

Mrs Nosima Balindlela Ministry of Sports, Arts and Culture Eastern Cape Province SOUTH AFRICA



Old schoolmates: Lalita Hari and Georgina Te Heuheu

Dr Paul Hutchison: MP, Port Waikato The Honorable Georgina Te Heuheu

In September Dr Paul Hutchison and the Hon Georgina Te Heuheu visited school. They received a brief powhiri and then were shown on a tour throughout the school. The highlight of their tour was the art room, they were most impressed by the energy and creativity that emanated from this room.

Lunch was served in the staff room where the MPs were able to socialise. Ms Hari and Ms Te Heuheu were able to renew old acquaintances and laugh over memories of their time together at school.

"It's always a pleasure to come to the school where your welcome is generous and sincere. We enjoyed meeting your staff and hearing at first hand about the school and the service it provides. I am very inspired by what you are doing."

"I have great admiration for Linda Sabbage's remarkable art talent and ask you to pass on my thanks for her contribution to our visit. It was wonderful to meet all the teachers at lunchtime. Please pass on my good wishes."



In late June we were privileged to receive a visit from Mrs Nosima Balindlela. She came at the invitation of our head girl, Alicia Sunnex, and Hannah Tobin.

"Your wonderful hospitality and the pride and integrity of the students shone through as they rose to the challenge of receiving us to well at such short notice. I am certain Mrs Balindlela and her party were most impressed and affected by the experience, as were we. It was a day I felt very proud to be a New Zealander in Aotearoa."

**Christina Reymer
Waikato Branch President, VSA**

"Thank you for the opportunity of meeting with you and your wonderful student. I came away feeling very enriched and honoured to see what the



students are achieving. Your students have a wonderful inner self confidence. It is clear they are communicating their cultural and spiritual sides, particularly through their art. Nosimo was very impressed at what is being produced."

**Jo Prestwood
Fundraiser, VSA**



Meeting of the Minds: Staff member and National PPTA representative Jessie Johnston chats with MP Paul Hutchison.
Below: Caroline Samson and Mrs Balindlela



Dear Corporal MacDonald

I am writing to extend my congratulations on your appointment as an Additional Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) in the Special East Timor list announced with The Queen's Birthday Honours 2000.

It is important that the honours list recognises the outstanding contributions made to New Zealand by citizens in a wide range of fields. Thank you for the contribution you made in East Timor.

Best wishes

Yours sincerely



Helen Clark
PRIME MINISTER

Dear Corporal MacDonald


I am delighted to inform you that Her Majesty The Queen has been pleased to appoint you an Additional Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) in recognition of your services in East Timor.

The honour will be announced in a Special East Timor list to be published with The Queen's Birthday Honours 2000 at 6.00am, Monday, 5 June 2000. I would be grateful if this information could remain confidential until then. However, the media are given advance copies of the list and you may be approached by them before the publication date for your comments or photographs.

My Official Secretary will advise you of the date of your investiture in due course.

Please accept my warmest congratulations.

Yours sincerely



Michael Hardie Boys
GOVERNOR GENERAL

Jacinda Cherie MacDonald MNZM

Past pupil Jacinda MacDonald was recognised this year in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in a special military section devoted to those serving in East Timor.

Jacinda's interest in the army commenced as a 4th former in the Ngaruawahia High School Cadets, run under the command of Noel Haworth, where she rose to the rank of sergeant.



Left — Jacinda (left) with a staff member of Government House, Wellington.



Jacinda receiving her medal from the Governor General.

SPECIAL HONOURS LIST FOR EAST TIMOR

To be an Additional Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM)

Corporal Jacinda Cherie MacDONALD (U991962)

Royal New Zealand Army Medical Corps

Address: c/- Army 6, RNZAF Base Auckland, Private Bag, Whenuapai

On 6 October 1999, an allied patrol operating in East Timor was escorting a group of East Timorese displaced persons towards the border when they came under fire from an unknown number of armed militia with semi and automatic weapons. Two troopers were hit in the initial burst of fire, one through the neck and the other through the lower leg and hand. Assistance from the patrol's base at Suai, approximately 5 kilometres away, was sought.

Whilst her colleagues engaged the attacking militia, Corporal MacDonald supervised the loading of the two casualties on to an Australian Light Armoured Vehicle (ASLAV). Throughout the incident and despite high tension and confusion, Corporal MacDonald acted in a professional and composed manner. In the fading light, she conducted her medical duties with skill and dexterity. This included the administration of an Intravenous line into one of the casualties in the back of a fast moving and cramped ASLAV, with the only light available being the small blue internal light. The line was administered first time from an IV and giving set she had set up in the vehicle prior to leaving the scene of the incident. After evacuating the casualties back to Suai, Corporal MacDonald continued to tend them with the assistance of another medical colleague. She worked swiftly and efficiently in the dark to prevent the patients' conditions from worsening. Her actions, in the crucial period between contact and subsequent helicopter evacuation, without doubt helped preserve the lives and promote the recovery of the injured troopers.

Corporal MacDonald ably demonstrated her skills, when called upon in the most extreme of situations, and that she could do so is testimony to her professional competence and commendable personal qualities.



Outside Government House, Wellington, after the investiture.

Graduates

Maehe COOPER

*Master of Management
Studies*

Jemina EDGECOMBE

Bachelor of Social Science

Heeni HOPE

*Bachelor of Science and Tech-
nology*

Amanda FARMILO

Diploma in Teaching

Kimai HUIRAMA

Diploma in Teaching

Susan JOLLEY

Master of Social Science

Grant LEE

Diploma in Teaching

Toni LEE

Bachelor of Social Science

Yvette MAC DONALD

Diploma in Commerce

Jamie MATENGA

Bachelor of Arts

Aroha PAEKAU

Diploma in Teaching

Netta POPE

Bachelor of Education

Whiro POUTAPU

Bachelor of Social Science

Matekohi TAMATI

Bachelor of Arts

Tere-Apii TEINAKORE

Bachelor of Technology

Kahurangi TAWERA(Kingi)

Diploma in Teaching

Barney WHARAKURA

Bachelor of Leisure Studies

Deborah WOOD

Bachelor of Technology

Senior Prize Giving 1999



Dux

Te Rena Wara

*Art Cup for Outstanding Contribution to Art
Distinction in Painting
Distinction in Biology
Distinction in English
Achievement in Mathematics*



Proxime Accessit to Dux

Brad Wharakura

*Felicity Young Cup for Distinction in Accounting
Distinction in all Aspects of Art: Set Design,
Performance Art and in Painting
Achievement in English
Progress in Mathematics*

Special Awards 1999

**The Te Rapa Rotary Club
Scholarship**

This is a \$1,000.00 grant awarded annually to students from Ngaruawahia High School to assist with the funding either at a university or a polytechnic. The Te Rapa Rotary Club Scholarship was awarded in 1999 to:

Brad Wharakura

A second grant from the Te Rapa Rotary Club of \$500.00 was also awarded to:

Kui - A - Rangi Paki

**The Kevin Cryer
Scholarship Award**

\$500.00 is awarded from the Ngaruawahia Lions Club and is to assist a student attending a tertiary institution. The Kevin Cryer Scholarship was awarded to:

Bruce Lim

**Violet Jolly Cup
for citizenship
Annmarie Spragg**

**Collins Cup
for citizenship
Glenn Murray**

**Erana Coulter
Memorial Award
for Maori Studies
Isaac Royal**

**Maori Trust Award
for leadership in the Cultural Group
Isaac Royal
Hariru Roa**

**Ngahia Gregory Award
for excellence in Te Reo Maori
Hariru Roa
Stone Cup
for Drama**

Brad Wharakura

**Dianne Harper Cup
for leadership in Music
Kylie Blade**

**Mozart Trophy
for contribution to school Music
George Moanaroa**

**Latta Cup
for special endeavour in Music
Jane Maipi**

**Whakatu Wahine Manu
Korero
Senior female
Te Aninwaniwa Kohu**

Year 12 Speech Contest Winner

Tuhonia Tihirahi

The Short Story Writing Trophy

*Donated in 1998 by Lorraine
Middleton*

Teiriinga Middleton

Te Rapa Rotary Award

Bruce Lim

Contribution To The School

Hariru Roa

Westpac Trust Trophy

Board Of Trustees Award
Bruce Lim

KT Footwear Trophy for Integrity

Illia Clay
Janie Gill

School Leaders Award

Nathaniel Middleton
Brad Wharakura
Kui-A-Rangi Paki
Annmarie Spragg

**Special Award for
Contribution and Participation
in the Smokefree Stage
Challenge**

from 1996 to 1999
Brad Wharakura

- National Honours -

T-Birds Aerobics Team

Nigel Hounuku
Tahauriki Paki
Carl Shepherd

Iroam Mix

Wikitoria Marshall
Ebony Tukiwaho
Erina Simon
Elizabeth Saunders
Katarana Te Koi
Tania Poutapu

**New Zealand Rugby League
Under 16 Team**

Joshua Cowan

**New Zealand Athletic
Development Squad**

Annmarie Spragg

- Year 13 Awards -

Illia Clay

Distinction in Computer Studies

Janie Gill

Distinction in Media Studies
Achievement in Home Economics
Achievement in Tourism

Joni Ia

Achievement in Tourism
Achievement in Geography
Progress in Biology
Progress in Economics
Effort in History

Glenn Murray

Design for Living Trophy
for Distinction in Home Economics
Progress in Computer Studies

Kui-A-Rangi Paki

Schwass Cup
for Distinction in Senior Economics
History Cup for
Distinction in History
Achievement in Accounting
Achievement in English

Kelly Pollard

Ives Cup for Distinction
in Mathematics & in Physics
McNamara Cup
for Distinction in Science
Achievement in Economics
Achievement in Biology

Hariru Roa

Distinction in Photography
Progress in Biology

Annmarie Spragg

Ian Brownlee Cup
for Distinction in Geography
Distinction in Physical Education
Achievement in Biology
Progress in History

- Year 12 Awards -

Jeremy Bennett

Templeton Award for Best Senior
Graphics Student
Distinction in Chemistry
Distinction in Physics
Distinction in Mathematics

James Harker

Distinction in English
Achievement in Geography
Effort in Mathematics

Michelle Jerome

Distinction in Biology
Distinction in Computer Studies
Achievement in Mathematics
Progress in Typing

Santana Mahara

Distinction in Physical Education
Effort in History

Whitu Mete

Distinction in Craft
Effort in Physical Education

Mason Moana

Waikato Geographical Society Cup
for Distinction in Maori

Isaac Royal

Best Maori Scholar
for Distinction in Maori
Effort in Chemistry

Steven Ruland

Silver Mallett
for The Best Senior
Technical Student
Fletchers Award
for The Best 6/7 Technical Student
Distinction in Motor Trades
Achievement in Computer Studies

Christian Scherffenberg

Distinction in Computer Studies

Jared Priestley

Hamilton Piano Co Cup
for Excellence in Music

Holly Smith

Distinction in Design for Living
Progress in Typing
Effort in Media Studies

Alicia Sunnex

Jan Plummer Trophy
for Distinction in English
Distinction in History
Achievement in Art

Hannah Tobin

Distinction in Art
Achievement in History
Achievement in English
Achievement in Graphics
Achievement in Computer Studies

Tracey Turuwhenua

Distinction in English
Distinction in Tourism
Progress in Typing
Progress in Geography

Richard Whare

Distinction in School Certificate
Mathematics

- Year 11 Awards -

Karleena Auvaa
Rachel Walker Trophy
for Distinction in Home Economics

Angela Billington
Distinction in Typing

Aaron Bird
White Cliffs Award for Best
5th Graphics & Design Student
Distinction in Workshop
Technology

Kylie Blade
Distinction in Music
Progress in Mathematics
Effort in Economics

Vicki Crosby
Form Five Geography Cup
for Distinction in Geography
Distinction in Mathematics
Achievement in Science

Debbie Hedges
Distinction in English

Rebecca Kana
Distinction in Health & Safety

Te Aomihi Kumeroa
Distinction in Maori

Kylie Matthews
Distinction in Waikato Science

Katie Montford
John Serjeant Award
for Best Girl in Form Five Science
Distinction in Accounting
Distinction in Economics
Distinction in English
Achievement in Mathematics

Megan Montford
Distinction in Mathematics
Distinction in English
Achievement in Accounting
Progress in Science
Effort in Graphics

Jacqueline Pouaka
Distinction in 6th Form Certificate
Maori
Progress in Typing

Rachel Robson
Distinction in Science
Achievement in Workshop Tech

Elizabeth Saunders
Distinction in History
Achievement in English
Achievement in Typing

Jaimee Thorpe
Distinction in English
Distinction in Graphics
Achievement in Art
Effort in Mathematics
Effort in Science

Danielle Walker
Distinction in Mathematics
with Application

Stuart Whitehouse
Prize for Best Boy in Form Five
Science
Progress in Workshop Technology

Piata Winitana-Murray
Distinction in 6th Form Certificate
Maori

- Adult Students -

Eric Gaastra
Distinction
in School Certificate Mathematics

Jane Kerr Bell
Achievement in Computer Studies

Waikato Matthews
Distinction in Te Reo Maori

Blair Rimaha
Achievement in
School Certificate Mathematics

Caroline Samson
Distinction in History
Achievement in English

Lauren Waters
Distinction in Mathematics
and in Graphics

Tracey Williamson
Distinction in School Certificate Art

- Sports Awards -

Davison Cup
for Best All Round Sports
Female
Vicki Crosby

Davison Cup
for Best All Around Sports Male
Carl Shepherd

- Athletics -

Grinter Trophy
Senior Boys Athletic Champion
Nathaniel Middleton

Senior Girls Athletic Champion
Annmarie Spragg

Intermediate Boys Athletic
Champion
Richard Whare

Intermediate Girls Athletic
Champion
Vicki Crosby

- Cross Country -

Comins Trophy Senior Boys
Cross Country
Bruce Lim

Senior Girls
Cross Country Champion
Annmarie Spragg

Intermediate Girls
Cross Country Champion
Vicki Crosby

- Netball -

Goodwill Cup Contribution To
Netball
Vicki Crosby

Most Improved Player
Te Aomihi Kumeroa

- Rugby -

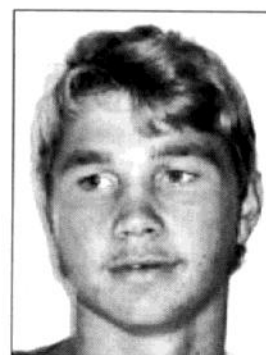
Best Team Player 2nd Xv Trophy
Drew Fletcher

Mcintosh Begbie & Brown
Top Try Scorer
Fred Mabbett

Daines Cup
Most Improved Rugby Player
Kevin Swann

Fijian School Rugby Trophy
Most Outstanding Player
Kurt Barakat

South East Asia Tour Trophy
Best Team Man
Drew Fletcher



- Girls Rugby -

Outstanding Girl Rugby Player
Talia Tupp

Most Improved Girl Rugby Player
Vicki Crosby

Best Forward in Girls Rugby
Talia Tupp

Best Team Player
Courtney Te Hira

Fairplay Award
Vicki Crosby

- Basketball -

**Anzus Cup
Excellence in Girls Basketball**
Kui-A-Rangi Paki

**Most Outstanding
Basketball Player Trophy**
Talia Tupp/Courtney Te Hira

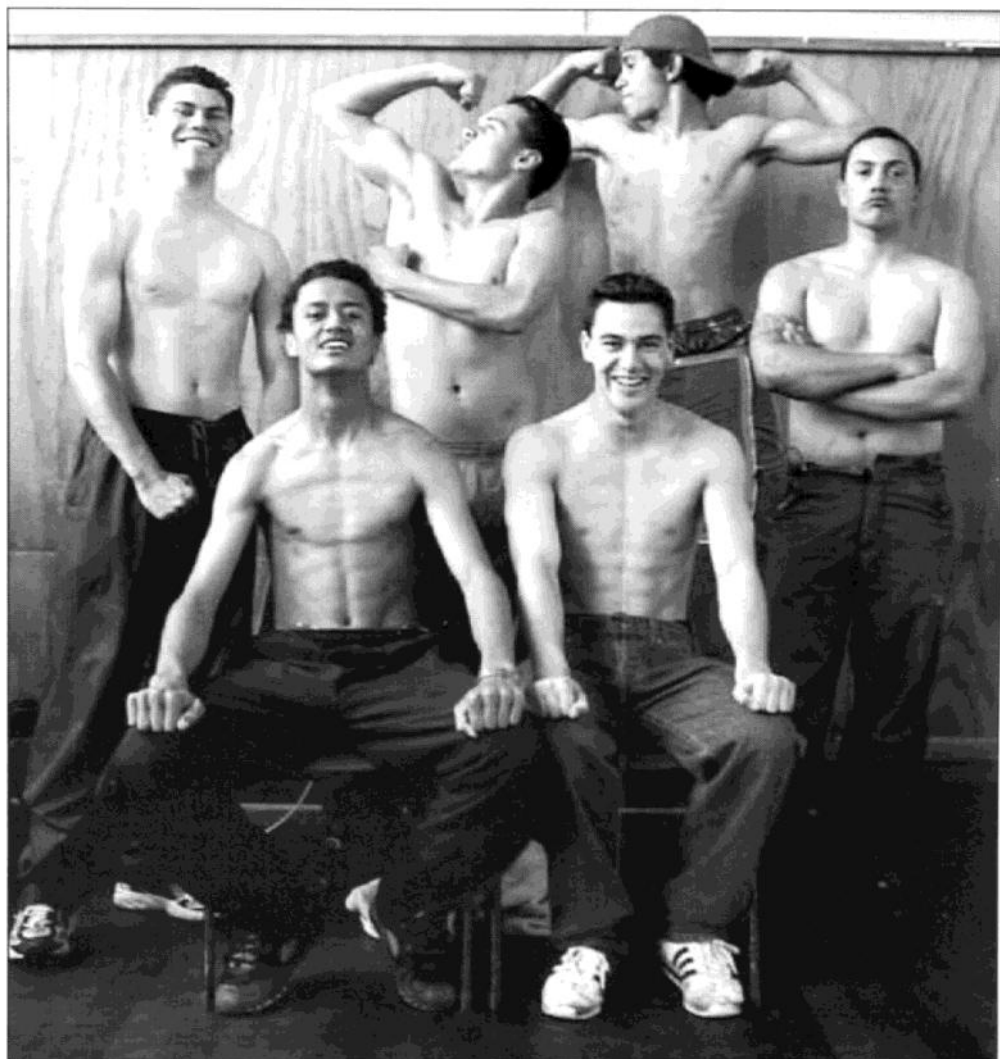
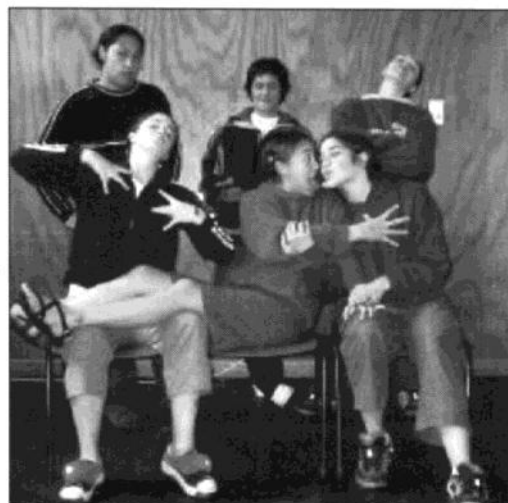
- Swimming -

**Senior Boys Swimming
Champion**
Santana Mahara

**Senior Girls Swimming
Champion**
Hoturoa McRoberts



GROW UP, PLEASE!



JANUARY

Holidays
Beach
Fun
Family
Sun
Return to school

APRIL

Easter
Holidays
Stage Challenge
Practise
Kapa Haka
Practise

FEBRUARY

Swimming
Athletics
Y13 Camp
Y9 Camp
Staff visit to
Turangawaewae
Art-A-Thon

MAY

Stage Challenge
Kapa Haka
Stage Challenge at
Turangawaewae
English Internal Exam

MARCH

Touch team in
Whakatane
Athletics at Porritt Stadium
Lion Nathan
Bio/geo field trip
Photos

JUNE

AAA
Cross Country
Fabian & Romulo
Mixed Touch
Nosima Bulindlela

JULY

Rock Quest
Australian Science
Australian Maths
Science & Technology-
Roadshow
A Midsummer Night's
Dream

OCTOBER

Aerobic/Dance Teams
In Australia
The Loop
Exams
Police Basketball Game
Halloween

AUGUST

Aerobic/Dance
Teams In Tauranga
Huntly Exchange
Maths Week
The Ball
Triathalon
Manu Korero

NOVEMBER

Guy Fawkes
Exams
Production of the
Magazine
Y12 Day Trip to mT
Prize Giving
Sports Dinner

SEPTEMBER

Variety Concert
Manu Korero—Ruatoria
Science Fair
Whanau Netball
Staff Mystery Trip
Dr Paul Hutchison
Hon Georgina TeHeuheu

DECEMBER

Y10 Camp to Auckland
Y9 Day Trips
Junior Prize Giving
END of SCHOOL
Christmas
Presents
Family



Michael Vining King of the Motor cross

Age: 14 Year: 10

Michael eats, drinks, sleeps and breathes motorbikes. Since being introduced to the sport of Motor cross. 5 years ago, motorbikes have gradually taken over his life. His love of racing means that much of Michael's weekends are spent travelling around the North Island competing in motorcycling events.

Michael is an all rounder who excels in all three different motorcycle disciplines - Motor cross, Super cross and Hare Scrambles. His favourite is Hare Scrambles as he likes the high speeds that he can get up to on the course.

In Motor cross Michael is currently **2nd in the North Island** and **4th in New Zealand** in the 13-16 year 85cc class. He is also **1st in New Zealand** in the 12-16 year under 250cc

class after winning the Four Stroke Thunder cross Championships at Easter.

Michael's talent and hard work have been recognised this year. He has been selected for the elite nine member NZ Castrol Honda Factory race team.

Michael will represent New Zealand in the coming 2000-01 Championship season. He will also race his 80cc motorbike in the 13-16 year 85cc class on the side.

He loves Motor cross as you make friends from all over New Zealand who have something in common with you-a passion for a relatively unknown sport.

Ben Gilby-Todd Mathematics

Age: 14 Year: 10

Year 10 student Benjamin Gilby-Todd went one better than a 1999 Distinction in this years Australian Maths Competition.

Last year Benjamin decided he would try to better his marks and from there he set his goal for the following year.

This year Ben fulfilled that goals and

Rebecca Van Houte Wrestling

Age:15 Year: 11



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Rebecca

has been involved in wrestling for the last 2 years. She has been competing on a regional and national level for 2 years. Rebecca became interested in wrestling when she was a little girl.

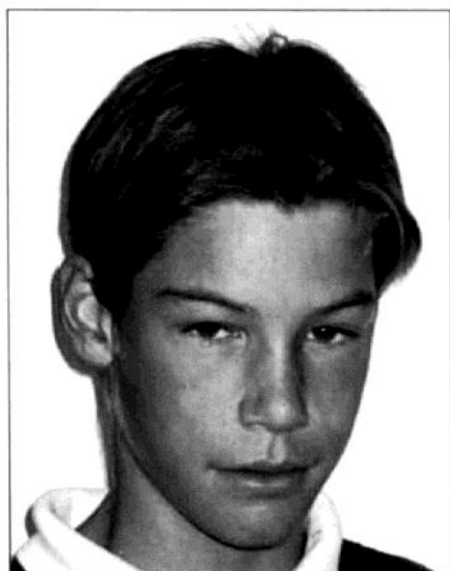
This year Rebecca was placed 2nd in the school competition in Wellington. Provincially she came 2nd in the under 65 kg. Cadet category. She also came 3rd in the under 63 kg, which is the Junior category.

Rebecca has also competed in the Nationals and at that level she got picked for the *New Zealand development squad for females.*

gained a *High Distinction Award* in the Australian Mathematics Competition. This places him in the top 2% of all students who sat this test in New Zealand.

Congratulations Ben, we shall stand with bated breath watching for your achievements in the year 2001.

Ben is also involved in stock car racing and enjoys running.



JOSHUA COWAN

RUGBY LEAGUE

AGE: 17

YEAR: 13

Joshua has played rugby league for 13 years. As a four year old he made his first tackle and scored his first try representing Huntly United under 6. Since this time he has progressed rapidly representing Turangawaewae, Ngaruawahia High School and Waikato.

In 1999 Joshua gained national honours by being selected for the Kiwi U16 rugby league team. This was followed by his selection this year to the U18 Kiwi rugby league team. Joshua cherishes the opportunities that he has had to represent his country.

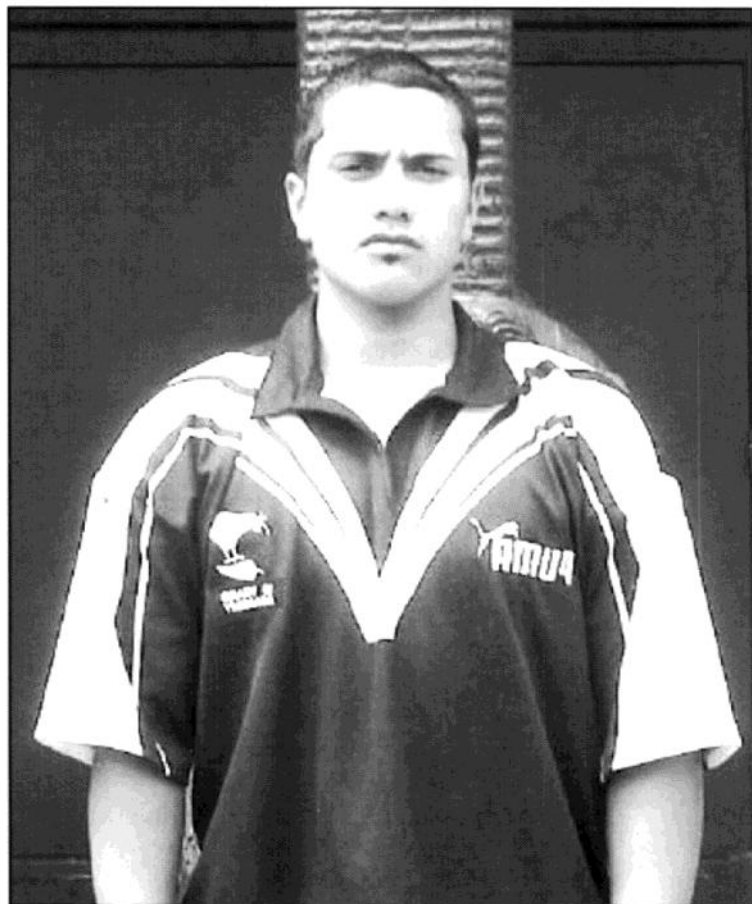
The back to back victories

against Australia, a successful tour of Tonga, and the honour that his selection brought to his family, the school, the club and the community of Ngaruawahia are his personal highlights.

A career in the army beckons but rugby league will continue to play an important part in his life. A trip to Australia this summer may provide Joshua with a launching pad to a career in the NRL. We will not be surprised if his dreams translate into reality.

Kia

Kaha



Vers



MATHEW SCOWN CYCLING

AGE: 16

YEAR: 12

Mathew has been cycling competitively for four years. It is a sport that he has excelled at. This year he was placed in the top 10 in the North Island Secondary School Championship. He was also placed in the top fifteen at the New Zealand Nationals.

Mathew has set the lofty goal of capturing the national junior road cycling championship. He still has another two years at this level.

He will travel overseas to gain important experience through regular international competition. This will propel him further toward his ultimate goal of a professional cycling career and a position on the 2008 Olympic team.

Mathew has secured a plumbing apprentice and will reluctantly leave Ngaruawahia High School at the end of the year. He is grateful for the special experience that a Ngaruawahia High School education was able to give him.

We wish him well and will follow his future cycling career with pride and interest.

Observatory and Zoo Visit

Forensics

10 MT and 10PH had the opportunity to visit the Observatory earlier this year for their science 'Astronomy' unit. It got put off several times, but when we finally got there, the weather was perfect.

The people at the observatory gave us a brief talk and then we looked through the telescopes at heaps of different constellations. A great time was had by all.

A conservation unit for science was the perfect opportunity for 10PH to go to the Zoo for the afternoon.

We had a quick talk about the role of Zoo's in research about species and breeding programmes for endangered animals. Then we walked around the Zoo in the sunshine looking at the exhibits, especially the new Rhino Exhibit. (Did you know they always go to the toilet in the same place?)

Year 11 New Zealand Certificate Science were studying forensics at exactly the right time this year. The Auckland museum had a special forensics "Who Dunit" exhibition, so we went along.

When we arrived we had an hour to look around the museum in general. The "Who Dunit" site was set up like a crime scene and we became the forensic scientists, sorting through all the evidence to solve the crime. This included blood samples, fabric, bullets, DNA, and even maggots!

The activity was a great success with all the students coming up with the same culprit. Look out world for the future forensic scientists from Ngaruawahia High School.

Science

Lake Te Areare

In term one 9PH went to Lake AreAre for a planting unit. We also had two supervisors from the department of conservation; one of them just so happened to be Miss Crutchley's flat-mate. It didn't rain like it did for 10PH last year, "phew". jFor lunch, we still got to enjoy our fish 'n' chips.

We managed to plant over 500 native trees.

L-Jay Matenga

science fair

Congratulation to **Julia Bennett** who grained two awards. The Conservation Department award for the best exhibit with a conservation theme and the Waikato Botanical society award for the exhibit involving native plants. Congratulations also to **Ben Gilby-Todd** for his investigation into petrol and **Stacey Cameron** for her research into rust. Although not placed, both exhibits were very high attended.



science 2000

The University of Waikato Maori Science Field trip. We were again fortunate to be able to take advantage of this initiative from the University. Thirty year 9 Maori students spent a nice fine day studying a steam. Discovering strange creepy crawlies hiding under rocks and measuring steam flow rates under the guidance of Maori University gradates proved to be an enjoyable experience, and we hope will encourage students to consider a future study in science.

national science and technology show

On the 28th of July a very large truck load of science and technology exhibits was unloaded into our school hall. Our Year 9 students and younger students from local primary schools were treated to science demonstrations and experienced the fun of science through 80 hands and exhibits. The road show travels the country to promote students interest in science and we were fortunate to host the show this year.

at work

australia science competition

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

JAMES DEAN

JESSICA GILBY TODD

NICHOLAS KERR BELL

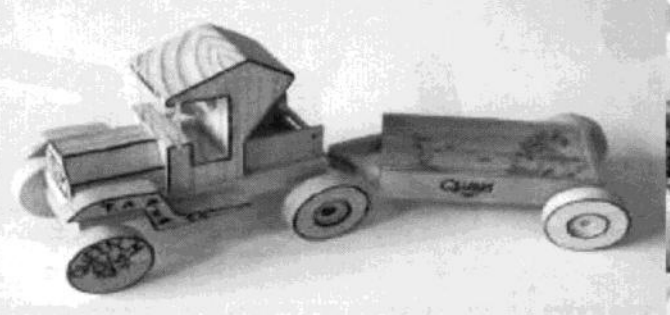
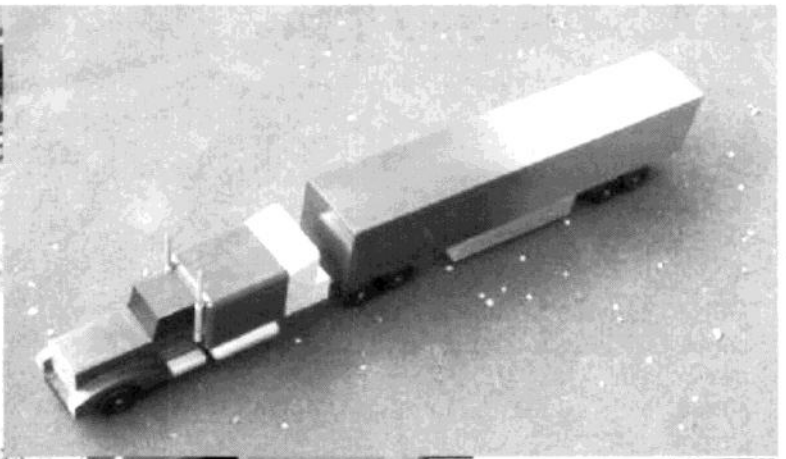
ROSEMARY SPRAGG

JONATHON DERECOURT

CREDIT

TOP 20 % OF STUDENTS WHO
ENTERED FROM NEW ZEALAND

BEN GILBY TODD



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Waimaths 2000

Ngaruawahia High School students gave it heaps at Waimaths 2000. Eight weeks of base training and preparation ensured two teams of students were ready to give it their all at this years Waikato's Regional Mathematics Competitions. The Year 9 team of Arepa Blake, Jessica Gilby-Todd and Stacey Robson performed particularly well and were placed in the top ten. Year 10 team members: Ben Gilby-Todd, Venita Robson and Sian MacIntosh worked very well together and gained valuable mathematical experience.

Thanks must go to the support team of: Kyle Sucich, Issac Huirama, Merenia Morgan, Clayton Kaukau, Julia Bennett, Basaly Tumai, Tony Wharakura and Ryan Timms who helped in the training sessions and supported the teams on the night—their input in helping and supporting our teams was an essential ingredient in the success of our competition teams.

Mathematicians Discovered at Ngaruawahia High School

Some say that there are three types of mathematicians—those who can count and those who can't...

Whoever 'some' are, they have never been to Ngaruawahia High School during Math's Week. Mathematicians have been oozing out of the woodwork as they counted, calculated, estimated and measured their way to find the solution of daily puzzles and problems—from counting all 729 window panes in B Block to identifying pen portraits of fellow students and teachers.

Lucky winners to be drawn out of a polygon were—Venita Robson, Mrs Foster???, Helen Symons, Elizabeth Saunders, Kaley Knuth, Tabitha Mes, Samantha Frankhouser and Rosina Wilson. Super Sleuth Scott Moir solved the Mystery Person Competition and received the major math's week prize. A career in this line of work may well be in store for this mathematician.



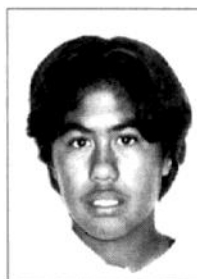
Ben Gilby-Todd



Arepa Blake



Rosemary Spragg



Ngati Te Ata Newport



Stacy Gilby-Todd

Poster Competition

This year, the Waimaths Poster Competition was well subscribed with contributions from Kyle Sucich, Julia Bennett and Heta Apiata being submitted to the regional finals. Many thanks to Ms Sabbage for judging the entries.

Australian Mathematics Competition 2000

High Distinction:

Benjamin Gilby -Todd
(this placed Ben in the top 2% in NZ)

Credit:

Rosemary Spragg
Kyle Sucich
Jessica Gilby - Todd
Arepa Blake

Participation:

Ngati Te Ata Tauroa Newport
Julia Bennett
Dini Schubert
Tyler Moeke
Tara-Lee Hansen
Arepa Blake
Ian Cameron



D West



R Crawford



M Maguire



M O'Neil

Make Mine Music



Oye Como Va! Another busy, groovy, fun filled year. No national competitions this year but a whole lot of good music being performed by good musicals. Some highlights were: Pepsi Smokefree Rockquest: "Pacifica Beats 2000" and "Shadez Of Brown".

Once again Hamilton felt the presence of our lyric busying wordsmiths doing battle in the Pacifica beats. No idea why we did not get to Wellington, as Dane Nikora, Ropata Adams, Ian Tahana, Teri Paki and Te

Whainoa Te Wiata rocked the socks off 1500 screaming teenagers at the Regional Finals at the Founders Theatre.

Ex "Jedi Masters" the "Shadez of Brown" continue to bust their lyrics at all available gigs. We look forward to their future conquests (sorry Te Whainoa, the babe next door's phone number as #100 on your Nokia, that does not quite count!).

May the force be with them, always!

NHS Gospel Choir

The heavens were opened and Mr. Igelese Ete appeared. Literally out of nowhere this multi talented, Opera writing, Hip Hop breaking musician has created a beautiful sound from 30 of NHS's finest singers.

Gripping performances at Rakaumanga and Ngaruawahia have paved the way for the choir to make waves in the Hamilton Music scene. The Choir will be working well into December and we're sure it will be "all good".



School Choir

Ngaruawahia continues to produce some awesome musical talents. Some things that were other highlights

- Katarana Te Koi song "When You Believe" and could soon put Whitney Houston out of a job.
- George Moanaroa did a great rendition of "Perfect Day", Lou would be proud. This does not mean Punk is on the comeback!
- Rosemary Spragg secretly admitted that she has accepted the offer to become the fourth member of the Beatles reunion.
- Raymond Bentley has the last video copy on the planet earth of the musical "Labyrinth". We heard he is to receive the Nobel Peace prize for preserving high art in Western Culture.
- If you are having a Barmitzva call the James Dean trio they do a brilliant version of "HAVA NAGILA".
- Te Whainoa Te Wiata and Hector Taukiri have changed their names and now want to be simply known as Miguel and D' Amoure. Beware, all young Spanish and Maori woman.

Thank you to all those who are the department teachers students, groupies, techno, roadies and C3PO. Have a cool break.



Shadez of Brown: Ian Tahana, Ropata Adams, Dane Nikora (standing) with Teri Paki and Te Whainoa Te Wiata in front.



Te Whainoa Te Wiata and Hector Taukiri.

Lion Nathan Business Course

Over a period of 3 days 6th form students were able to experience the business world.

Mixed in a group of 8 individuals we not only learned how to finance and market our product but also participate in an activity that let us mingle with people that were outside of our natural working environment, as you do so when you enter the real work force.

Over the 3 day period we were given a task to complete and then present our product of choice to a range of judges in a business seminar.

Given an object to start the ball rolling, we had to brain storm ideas about what items we could create and sell. Although we were given some weird items such as, a plastic bag, an apple, a koosh ball, a wand, a bulldog clip, a current conductor, a tea bag, a ball point pen and a rope, it seemed that everyone had some on-to-it ideas.

Thanks to **Whainoa, Megan and Lawrence's** group (the one's from Ngaruawahia) their item was consumed as some of the team members had no lunch or got hungry as the stress from the business world made them feel like they needed a touch of home.

We were given the task of firstly picking a CEO, a financial manager, marketing manager, and a SWOT analysis. This was the easy part and somewhat the only easy part.

The organizers who made the participation grow with their enthusiasm and the games for prizes, always seemed to have an

impact on the students.

Seminars were held and each group member that was present was given a \$1000.00 cheque to go towards their groups financial increase. The more members that attended the seminars the more money they would get for their business.

Each student was given a booklet to work from. If the first task was completed to the organizers approval the group was then rewarded with a \$50,000 cheque.

The whole experience was a fun one and although it was a change from school it has its own stressful moments, as time was a big factor. We had so much to do and so little time, if what you were to do wasn't done at that particular time you would get left behind.

Once our idea had been turned into a full business there was still a lot of organization to be done.

There was the auction that would determine the place where each group would present their business to the judges.

Now this was a confusing time. After walking in late because of a little loose end that needed to be tied up. I found that even waving to a friend meant I had bought a site. Picking your nose or scratching was out of the question too. Which was to say that we ended up with another site because **Jayden** gave into temptation and scratched the itch!!



Connie Turner



Jacqui Pouaka



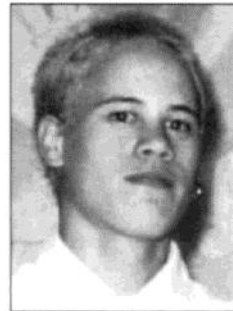
Jaimee Thorpe



Megan Nepia



Tabitha Mes



Laurence McDonald



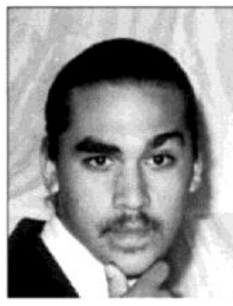
Jayden De Pina



Rachel Robson



Marcelle Waters



Te Whainoa Te Wiata

On the other hand **Rachel** from Ngaruawahia thought that spending all their money for the middle site was a great **bonus**. But unfortunately she was the only one who thought so.

A little hint for future business endeavors: Bankruptcy is not the way to start your business rolling!!

The presentation day was the day we got to show the judges and the organizers our hard work over the past 3 days. It let us show our newly found skills and the talents we already had. Each presentation took five minutes and everything had to be covered.

The groups had to present their business 5 times because their were 5 judges, this means that 5 groups were presenting at once, which suited us just fine.

As each member had a particular part to cover it not only took stress off other members but it also showed (not that everyone would have noticed) how much time, effort and hard work these 3 days took out of us.

The winning group who took the Lion Nathan Business Course held a large number of Ngaruawahia students, which just goes to show, how much we actually do pay attention.

The members were, **Jacqui, Jaimee, Marcelle, Tabitha and Connie.**

Overall it was exciting and fun! The Ngaruawahia one's acting how they usually do, started to mature (Hardly!!) and realized this could be the experience of a life time that will benefit their future look at life.

Jacqui & Candice

TOURISM

Packed into two vans we left school at 8.30 am heading for Rotorua. On the radio was Mrs Gray's favorite song, Say my name. Along the way Huff got sick and decorated the van and the car next door.

The first stop was at Fitzgerald Pass, here we received a lecture about the work we were going to be doing. In reality all that was really on our minds were the tourist attractions and food.

We visited the Aerodrome to see the sheep show. After that we went to the bungy and the jet boat - no one actually went on any rides as we all chickened out. Our stomachs were far more important and no one wanted to follow in Huff's steps.

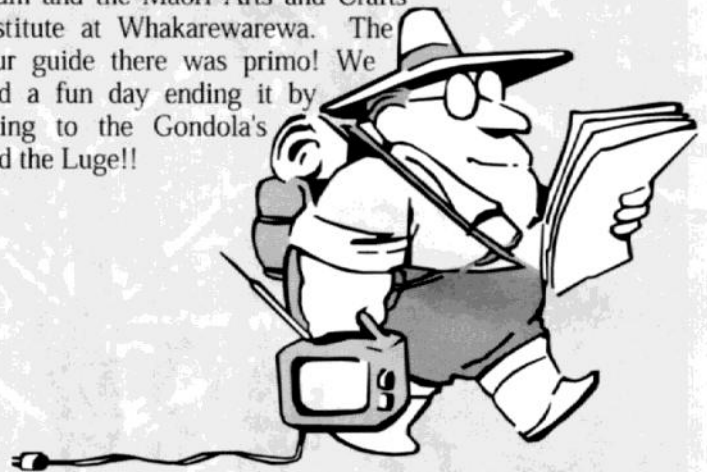
Lunch was at Mt Tarawera, then we headed off to the Buried Village and ran around like little kids. We especially

wanted to see the waterfall. Mrs Gray and Ms Cann wanted to go on a bush walk in the Redwood Forest, no one else followed - BORING!!

At 6pm we checked into Kiwipaka Lodge. It had approximately seven rooms so we settled in, played pool and had tea. Hardly anyone ate - as bread didn't come in our package. Thank goodness for Mcdonald's. After Mcdonald's we all relaxed in the pool along with a few other over-stayers.

Day 2

The two great spots were the museum and the Maori Arts and Crafts Institute at Whakarewarewa. The tour guide there was primo! We had a fun day ending it by going to the Gondola's and the Luge!!



CHIPS, CHIPS AND MORE CHIPS

Tuesday, 5 September, was miserably wet and cold, but it was the day we travelled to Manakau City to visit the ETA CHIPS FACTORY.

The purpose was to expose the Y11, Y12 Economics and Y12 Accounting students to the various mechanisms of production, technology, accounting and financial systems. For the most part this was achieved.

As it was a food manufacturing company we had to wear protective head, foot and body gear. White coats, white caps, these looked like shower cap, and enclosed foot wear. Moana and Honoiwi were our gumboot girls.

The best part however, was the factory tour. Students were divided into

five groups, each with a tour guide. Our tour guides were all line factory managers. The fun was that each of the groups got to EAT their way around the factory.

We saw raw potatoes turn into delicious kettel fries, salt 'n' vinegar, chicken and ready salted chips. We saw corn chips being made; peanuts, chocolate, honey glazed, salted peanuts and raisins. Wow! By the time we finished we all had pockets full of chocolate peanuts and chips, you name it - we ate it!

These people certainly know how to look after students. They provided us with tea/coffee, soft drink and boxes of chips to bring home. To top it all off we had lunch at Mcdonalds and Wendy's.

BIO/GEO FIELD TRIP

We all gathered outside the high school gates getting ready to embark on a trip filled with plants, mountains and nature. The trip was off to a good start until we got to Cambridge. That is when we realised we did not have our gear. They had fallen out in Flagstaff. We spent the next hour returning and retrieving our gear—everyone took advantage to the situation and slept. But where was Mono?.

We arrived at the National Park, unpacked organised ourselves. Some crazy people went for a swim in what we thought was a river, it turned out to be a stream!!!

That evening we spent the longest hour ever doing book work. The rest of

the time was free time. Music came on, the cards came out and laughter filled the air for the rest of the night. Not many people got a decent sleep that night—but that was about to change.

Day 2

We awoke to Shea's voice intruding on the wonderful silence. After breakfast and chores, we boarded the bus—half of us were still asleep.

Throughout the day we drew pictures of the wildlife on the mountain and measured the hillside. We went on an hour long trek up Mount Ngarahoe. Half-way up all the oxygen left our bodies, sweat was pouring off us and our gasps for air became increasingly louder. Most

of us had thought that this was going to be a holiday, two days away from the grind at school.

That night we had a big dinner, prepared by us of course. Aroha and Candice finished all the ice cream, they used the biggest bowl that they could find—an oven tray.

Thanks Mr. Rietema, Mrs. Johnston and Mr. Murphy the trip. It was full of laughs and a wonderful learning experience. To Mark, our bus driver, next time get your license from somewhere other than a Weetbix box! Oh and McDonalds! What was up with that!!

Ao Hou 2000

36 year 10 Maori students attended Te Ao Hou 2000 careers event at the Hamilton Gardens pavilion in June. Students from other schools in the Waikato and Bay of Plenty also attended.

The guest speaker, Lole, was a singer/songwriter and recording artist. She told us about her career and the different challenges she had faced.

We had a variety of workshops to learn about different tertiary courses and training available when we leave school. We were given lunch and a drink.

All the schools present put on an item. Some of us performed the Y2K dance from our Smokefree Stage Challenge Show. Everyone clapped and cheered. Huia Iwihora won top female performer for her ability and efforts in our dance.

Tasters

Taster days are run regularly at the Waikato Polytechnic for students. Students gain an idea of what it is really like on the tertiary course. It is also a chance to meet students from other schools.

Luke Walker thought the Catering course was choice. They made quiche, spaghetti carbonara and Swiss rolls: which they ate.

Year 12 science students attended a science in the work place day. They made hand cream, tasted sweets and drinks and also experimented with batteries and magnets. The hand cream turned out quite oily.

Madia Diamond attended the Nursing taster. They learnt about the different types of courses at the polytechnic. They took each others blood pressure and used medical equipment. Madia thought the course was cool and educational.

Other taster courses include hairdressing, tourism, carpentry, automotive and equine

Triple A Academy

This year saw the formation of a group that was designed to promote excellence in academic achievement.

The goal was to increase the number of A's in school certificate examination.

Perhaps subjects such as Art, Maori and Workshop the subjects that traditionally achieve A passes will welcome other subjects into their elite club.

Further more, we look forward to 2002 when we will have a greater number of students studying a full bursary load.

As a group and a school we promote a celebrate awesome academic achievement, hence the triple A academy.



"Guidance" is showing people the way or leading people forward: a student needs to be guided to assist them identify and meet their needs educationally, vocationally, emotionally and socially.

At NHS guidance is a shared responsibility and we are proud to offer an environment which responds appropriately to the changing needs of our students by encouraging, supporting and challenging them to make the most of the opportunities offered in this learning environment.

Some of the support programmes that were made available for the students this year were: the Senior 'Quit Smoking' group, Junior School: the 'Attitude' seminar - this offered the keys to mental health, how to handle stress, anxiety, anger and problem solving; sexual harassment identification and strategies, Drug and Alcohol education workshops; Rangatahi/Youth Waikato Safer Communities focus group, Sexuality and Health education.

I therefore acknowledge the dedication network of services and influences that work for the benefit of our students, staff and caregivers:

Deans:

Mokau - Lalita Hari,
Pare Waikato - Chris Jarnett,
Tamaki - Robyn Roa,
Pare Hauraki - Phil Reitema.

Careers:

Rosemarie Cann & Lena Mabbett

Transition:

Lovey O'Brien & Junelle Williams.

Special needs:

Lalita Hari & Helyn Huriama

Teacher aides:

Raewyn Rapana, Jane Kerr-Bell,
Penny Heu & Glenys Harker.

All tutor teachers and Senior administration.

Tu tangata and Attendance service:

Caroline Samson, Agnes Paul, Kaff Maru,
Rahui Simons, Joe Mahara, Morgan Kingi
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The Waahi Whanui trust:

Eruwera Pokaia & Riria Mahara.

Community Health Workers:

Gaye Andrews & Ku Tukere.

If we are unable to assist you then with your permission we can locate another appropriate agency and make a referral for you.

It is an honour to work amongst the awesome BOT and staff and people from the community, everyone has special strengths and talents. Best wishes for a healthy and interesting 2001.

Mareea Paitai
Guidance Counsellor

GUIDANCE NETWORK



Ngaruawahia High School entered this year's Manu Korero speech contest, the Regionals were held at Rakaumangamanga.

Schools from all over the Waikato came to compete in the contest. There were four speakers from Ngaruawahia High School:

- **Huia Iwihora**, who placed 2nd in the *Junior English* section.
- **Stevey Te Wai**, who placed 3rd in the *Junior Maori* section.
- **Mason Moana** who placed 1st in the *Senior English* section.
- **Rihi Mita-Watene** who placed 2nd in the *Senior Maori* section.

The competition consisted of two categories English and Maori. Within these categories there was a further two sections, junior and senior. The speakers had to speak from topics given by the regional organising committee. The speeches had the following time limits:

English Speeches

6 minutes

Maori Speeches

12 minutes

The senior speakers also had to deliver impromptu speeches and the topics were not given until the speakers went to perform. The English speeches were given 10 minutes to prepare and their speeches had to last three minutes. The Maori speeches were given five minutes to prepare and they also had to last three minutes.

Mason Moana placed third in the Senior English Improptu and Rihi Mita Watene also placed third in the Senior Maori Improptu speeches.

At prizegiving it was announced that those who placed first would represent the Waikato region in the National finals held in Ruatoria.

Overall the whole day was excellent and we, representatives of Ngaruawahia High School, came away with placings in all sections of the competition.

Mason Moana



MANU KORERO



Schools from all over the country came to compete in an event of prestige, the Secondary School Manu Korero National Speech Contest. This Year Ngaruawahia High School was represented by Mason Moana. He was also representing the Waikato Region and he, along with the following students, competed in this competition. The other students were Tamielle Monk from Tokoroa High School, Te Ingo Ngaia and Kiki Kihī from Rakaumangamanga.

The Nationals were held at Ruatoria on the East Coast. The event went from 20 - 22nd of September. It was an intense experience, the standard was high as were the expectations.

Those of us from Ngaruawahia High School stayed with those from Rakaumangamanga. They made our stay really worthwhile, they were supportive and very encouraging. We had a wonderful time and met a lot of new people.

Waikato came away with two placings in the competition from our Maori speakers. Te Ingo Ngaia came first in the Junior Maori section and Kiki Kihī came third in the Senior Maori section.

Manu Korero was an event of prestige, an event of competition and an event of enjoyment. This was a wonderful experience that I will always remember.

Although I was not placed in the competition or bought home a taonga, I think that the best placing was just to be there and to leave something in the hearts of those who listened and enjoyed my speech.

I wish all the best to those competing next year. GO HARD!

Mason Moana



TE WHAKATAETAE KAPA HAKA A ROHE MO NGA KURA TUARUA O TAINUI (Tainui Regional Secondary Schools Kapa Haka competition)

It was indeed a very humbling experience for Ngaruawahia High School to be the Inaugural Host School for the TAINUI REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS KAPA HAKA this year.

A lot of planning and work went into this event which was born out of an idea only last November. Seven short months later the Regional Festival was held with 12 schools competing and hundreds of visitors to the school. The event took off like nothing else.

For this huge effort I must thank from the school the Board of Trustees, Barbara Cavanagh, Richard Crawford, Sandy MacDonald, Gail Wharakura, Noel Howard and Staff, Jessie Johnson (with her PPTA hat on) Charis Rata, Mareea Paitai and last but by no means least, Whaea Poppy. The idea would have been hard to realise without your support Poppy.

The community has not buzzed like this in many years over such an event. Our Kaumatua and Kuia from the community, again were there for us, they are such wonderful and special people, especially Uncle Motu Katipa and our many Nannies from Turangawaewae. The Turangawaewae committee and the many organisations in the Tainui Community provided valuable assistance in the way of Sponsorship.

What made the whole idea



especially easy was the AWESOME 'A TEAM' I had to work with. People such as Rahui Papa (Rakaumanga), Yvonne Mita (Otorohanga), Ripeka Price (Te Kuit High), Michelle Ngatai (Hillcrest High), Melba Pakinga (Hauraki Plains), Karl Hakaria (Forest View High), Te Aroha

Reti-Cooper (Paeroa College) and of course Whaea Poppy.

The atmosphere when the 12 schools came into by Linda and her wonderful team of seniors and 4th formers who created the mural and the cloak was breathtaking. Many, many people commented how wonderful the venue looked.

Our biggest problem for the day was that the Gym was not big enough to take all!! However, people really did say that it was a fabulous day.

Of course our most precious resource for the entire time were our TUTORS. To Whaea Pare, Matt, Barney and Raukura-Without you our kids would not have had the awesome programme you put together, such talented people that you are.

A huge thank you to Tom Roa for the inspirational words and mentoring he provided.

My humblest congratulations to US ALL!!!

The next regionals will take place at Hauraki Plains College March 23-24 2001. See you all there to support Ngaruawahia make it to the top three again. We took out many prizes on the day, Our aim is to make the nationals.

Na Whaea Robyn Roa



INAUGURAL NATIONAL KAPA HAKA TAMAKI MAKURAU 2000

It was a privilege for Ngaruawahia High School to tautoko our two tainui regional Representatives at National Kapa Haka. They being Rakaumangamanga and Paeroa College.

The venue for the Nationals was the Aotea Centre, Queen Street, Auckland. It was an exciting event which began with the powhiri at Orakei Marae, Kohimarama. For those of us who don't know, the symbol on the Marae whareniui was that of Reipae/Reitu - our Tainui sisters who flew and became our connections to the Northern tribes. The hard work of the 1970's fight to keep Orakei Maori Land was truly remarkable. Especially when you stand on that Marae looking over Auckland in what can only be described as *million dollar views!*

The competition began after the powhiri. Paeroa College were the second group and did Tainui very proud. They sang beautifully and strongly. Rakaumangamanga were on the following day. They were **AWSOME** - their leaders:

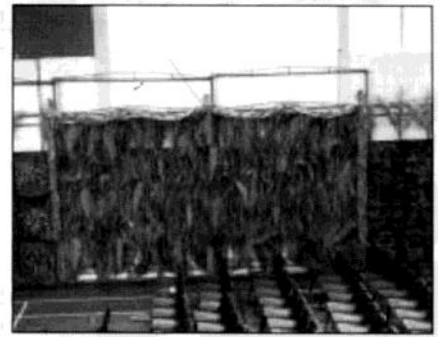
Kiki and Ranei blew everyone away. Their professionalism, pride and strength gained them the title of the **INAUGURAL NATIONAL WINNERS**. A proud day for TAINUI.

I was equally proud of Ngaruawahia for being there to support. We took two vans up both days to ensure our representatives knew they had our backing. In return Rakaumangamanga invited us to their concert and that evening gave us a **HUGE MIHI/WHAKATAU** as their way of saying thank you for being there at the Nationals.

It is our goal to make it to the Nationals in Christchurch next year. We are fortunate that Rakaumangamanga go through automatically leaving two spaces for Tainui groups. We want to work hard and be a part of that.

Once again I would like to thank Whaea Poppy, Whaea Pare, Mat, Raukura and Barney for their valuable contribution to our Ropu Haka.

Na Whaea Robyn Roa



Exchange Students

Hi everyone, Remember me? Inge, the exchange student from Belgium.

In nine days I'll be on the plane back to Belgium. Not that I want to go....but that's the way it has to be. Gee....I'll miss this place. I remember when my kiwi parents picked me up in Auckland, there was a kind of chemistry between us from the first second we saw each other. And my first day at school. People asked me if I was a new teacher "Yeah right.... Do I look like a teacher?" Nah, it was alright.

School was very different from my one at home. But that was fine. I got used to the laidback kiwi lifestyle. (The only problem now is to adjust to my own culture again. That'll be a mission.)

I got along pretty well with the students here (I think). The time to say goodbye to the 7th formers of 1999. That was a sad moment, but I got over it. I traveled a lot. I went to Taupo, Napier, Rotorua. My 'kiwi parents' took me up north and showed me Cape Reinga and all the



living in NZ and I needed to give people time to get used to me. I was really happy how school went, my second half of a year of my stay.

I loved being involved in Stage Challenge and Kapa Haka. It was a great experience and I'll never forget it.

I would like to thank everyone who supported me during my stay. Thanks to all my friends, the teachers, the school, AFS and everyone who I forgot. Especially my host family. I would never have made it without their love and support.

Ending up in Ngaruawahia "city" was the best thing that ever happened to me.

I will never ever forget anybody and I'll promise to come back.

Yeah.... I'll come back to my kiwi home. I just don't know when. See you later and good luck to all the other exchange students.

INGE—BELGIUM



I'm an exchange student from Sweden. Sweden is a country in the north of Europe, on the opposite side of the earth. Sweden is a very beautiful, peaceful and cold country. I have been here in New Zealand since January this year.

I came to New Zealand because I heard that New Zealand was such a cool and beautiful place. I have really enjoyed my year here and wouldn't mind staying one more. Of course it will be great to see my family and friends again but I will miss my family and friends from here.

I think Ngaruawahia High School is a great school with a lot

of very good teachers. It is so absolutely different from my school in Sweden. I think Swedes are much more serious. Worrying about school takes a lot of time and energy.

I have learned a lot during this year, about myself, what is important for me, it's just things you can't explain. You have to experience it for yourself.

Going on an exchange is something I really recommend to anyone who has the opportunity. I'm very thankful that I could do this. It is something I will never forget.

MARIA LINDSTORM - SWEDEN

Exchange Students



I'm Fabian Kalbskopf an exchange student from Germany. I have been here now for a bit longer than 3 months. I come from a town called Rodgau, which has approximately 50,000 inhabitants, that is quite small compared to other German towns. Frankfurt is about 40-45 kilometres away. Everyday life for a German teenager is maybe a bit different to how it is in New Zealand. School starts at 7.45 am and if you are lucky and don't have any lessons in the afternoon, you are home at 2 o'clock. When you come home, you have lunch (it's a hot meal, similar to kiwi-dinner) and then you do your homework, which usually takes two hours.

If it is summer, people go to the lake or meet in a friend's place to go

around town. They play badminton or Frisbee, hang around and smoke and talk. In the weekends, they often meet to go to a billiard pub, to the movies or they are having a "movie night" in someone's place. Sometimes there are parties outside with barbecues, campfires and beer.

In winter, they go to the Christmas markets, meet in someone's place and listen to music, play some kind of game and talk.

I hope you can gain an impression how the life of a German teenager. If you want to find out more contact AFS and sign up for a year in a foreign country.

FABIAN—GERMANY

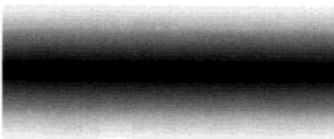
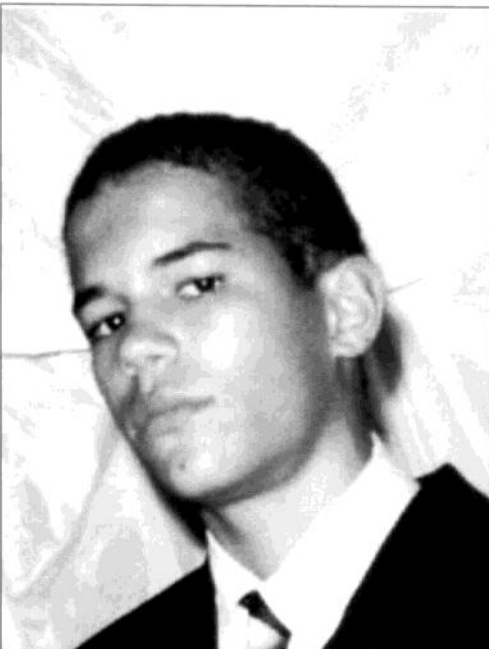
Hello Ngaruawahia

When you guys will read this, I will be in Brazil with my family and friends. I have enjoyed New Zealand so far, I learned heaps at Ngaruawahia high School. Thanks to everyone that has contributed to my experience, like my English teacher whose threats kept me on task. Thanks to all the other teachers and all my friends, Mason, Maui, Inge and heaps of others. At my school everyone is the same as everyone else and sometimes you don't even know if there are any exchange students because there are 3000 Students. We don't meet in the hall either.

One of the best things about New Zealand is the food, junk food is yummy, New Zealand is also beautiful and cold but I can handle it. I had heaps of neat experiences because my family is 100% kiwi. On the 27th of June I did a speech in front of the school, I didn't know it and was unprepared. I heard my name and I said what am I going to say? I said the truth but I didn't say thanks to everyone that I liked, the teachers, the school, my friends, my family and where I was from. I just want to say a big thank you to everyone I meet and will never forget.

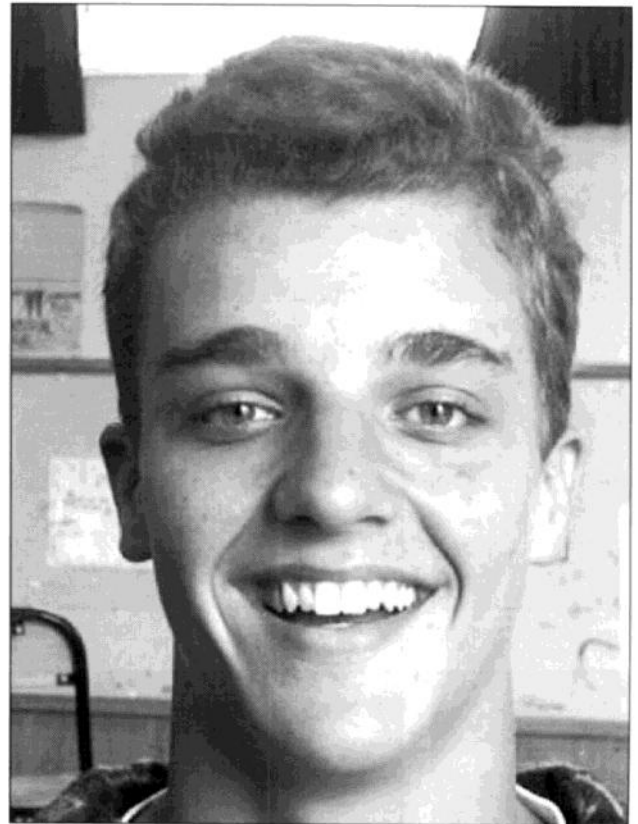
I will miss you N.Z see you soon

RAFAEL - BRAZIL



I am Rômulo Badet Souza. I am sixteen years old and I will stay in New Zealand for five months in an exchange program—lets talk more about me and my country.

I am from Brazil, it is a big and beautiful country in South America. Brazil has a population of approximately one hundred and eighty million people. It has lots of beautiful places to visit, a lot of rivers, mountains, beautiful cities and attractions. The people are very warm. Brazil is a country of a rich culture and has a lot of food. The weather in



Brazil is very good, we have sun all the year, the winter is okay and the summer has a lot of rain. The capital city is Brasilia. My city is Belo Horizonte, it is the third biggest and the population is approximately 3.5 million. I study in 'Pitagoras', a big school. I like to play football and riding my bike. I have one sister, her name is Maria and she is nineteen years old. My city is not a tourist city but it is a great city to live.

- Rômulo



Rosemary Cann



Barbara Cavanagh

STAFF



Julia Crutchley



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Vicky Gyde



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Noel Haworth



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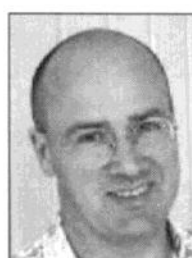
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Charis Rata



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Robyn Roa



Richard Robins



Linda Sabbage



Caroline Sampson



Trewyn Small



Lorena Strother



Mere Taha



Donna West



Mariana Whanga



Barney Wharakura



Gail Wharakura



Junelle Williams



Rangī Cooper



Richard Crawford



Jackie Crush

Staff Antics



Barney Wharakura (above) in the canoe leg of The Loop, the inaugural Hamilton competition that involved a 6km run, a 20km canoe journey, a road run of 12km, mountain biking and a lot of other painful stuff! To the right is Lorena Strother pounding the pavement in the Loop run.



The Mystery Trippers

On Thursday 14 September, immediately after school some daring staff chose to have some relaxing time together via a 'mystery trip tour.'

When Simpson's super coach pulled in, it was the tall, the short, the young, and the not so young who wearily but cheerfully embarked for the first destination.

Not long into the trip out came the entertainer supreme, Donna West and her trusty guitar. Soon she had the staff and bus singing and swaying to the beats and lyrics of many popular songs from the 1950's to 1970's era.

Presently after 40 minutes of yakking and singing we arrived at the Waikato Museum of Art & History. We followed the leaders to the Secondary School Art Exhibition. Where we all oohed and aahed at the creative talent of our youth but especially bursting with special pride at the contribution of art from Ngaruawahia High.

Soon we were bundled back onto the coach for destination No. 2. To everyone's delight it was soon most obvious,the Hamilton City Gardens. Afternoon tea was about to be served!! The

huge chilly bins of food and drink were hauled along to the Japanese Garden.

Next we were all highland dancing to the awesome sounds produced by our 'had-to-keep-still,' Scotsman, Chris Jarnet and his bad-pipes (bagpipes?). I'm certain many of the Japanese toured were quite confused about what garden they thought they had wondered into!!

Next we were all ushered (shoved) along to the English Gardens for games of Pentaque. It is a game similar to bowls but with a flick of the wrist, upwards.

Oh yes, we all concede that Pam and Julia are this years Perfect Pentaque Champions.

At approximately 6.30pm we boarded once again for our last and final destination. So back we meandered northwards, it was now dinner-time and presently we arrived at the award winning Te Rapa Quality Hotel restaurant for a delicious and sumptuous Smorgasborg.

With smiles on our dials, full pukus and recharged batteries we sauntered off home very content and satisfied with our afternoon. Many thanks to the organising committee we look forward to what you have install for us next year.

Ms Paitai

Och Aye The Noo

The star teacher volleyball team are instantly recognisable in their Ngaruawahia High School uniforms. Well known for their height and immense pleasure at getting any points

In the six week competition at the University Of Waikato gym, the style of glamour of Och Aye The Noo stood out so much that they were often asked to fill in for other teams.

Guest appearances by Mr Taylor and Mr Royal were to give them a taste of competition volleyball. Special mention must be given to Whaea Rata for actually knowing the rules and Mr Jarnet (if you've ever seen Jarny play sport you'll know why).

Staff Verses Mokau Basketball

The first challenge of the year. Mokau seniors put up a good fight but were not in the same league as the staff. The final score was too embarrassing to print, (staff lots, Mokau very little.) Great time had by all. Only injuries were Mokau's severed pride.

Love and Kisses

Chris Jarnet



The Loop team warming up.

incoming

Mariana Whanga

Subjects:
English, Maori &
Social Studies
Interests:
Netball & Kapa Haka

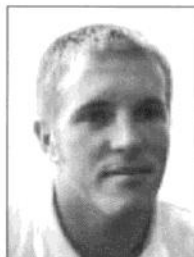
Mariana is an ex-pupil from Ngaruawahia High School. Her goals are to be a good role model, be a great teacher and to learn how to do art, the way Linda teaches it.



Richard Murphy

Subjects:
PE, Health &
Science
Interests:
Sport, trivia &
snowboarding

Richard is also an ex-pupil from Ngaruawahia High School and his goals are to keep fit, learn to kayak and improve his swimming.



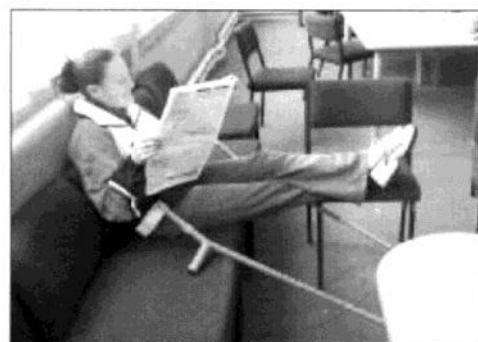
Barney Wharakura

Subjects:
PE & Health
Interests:
All sports, chess,
kapa haka & music

The name is familiar—yes, another ex-pupil from Ngaruawahia High School. Barney's goals are to further his education, keep fit and win the year 2001 grandfinal.

Barney will leave this year to return to Waikato's School of Education to complete his Diploma of Teaching.

Don't be a stranger Barney and we wish you all the best.



Richard Robyns

Subject:
English & History
Interests:
Running, keeping fit &
keeping up with his
kids.

Richard is on study leave this year at Waikato University. He will return to school at the end of the year 2000.



Trewyn Small

Subject:
Desktop publishing &
Typing.
Interests:
Outdoor pursuits—
skiing and tramping &
singing

Trewyn left this year to revisit a school she taught at in the Himalayas and to continue her pursuits of her outdoor interests. Luckily she keeps in touch and revisits Ngaruawahia High School to fill us in on 'life out of school.'



outgoing

Julia Crutchley

Subject:
Science &
Chemistry
Where:
Assistant Head of
Department—
Science
Forest View High
School
Tokoroa

Final Remarks:

"I love this school and find it very hard to leave. I have had a great three years here and am moving for promotional purposes. I will miss my awesome rugby girls and I want them to keep it up, I will be following their progress."

"I will miss the cheerful, enthusiastic faces of NHS students every morning and especially my stapler."



Lorena Strother

Subject:
English
Where:
Assistant Head of English &
House Matron
St Pauls
Hamilton

Final Remarks:

"I love Ngaruawahia High School, it is full of generous and incredible people. I have been very blessed to work in such an environment and I encourage you all to focus on the positive things that you want in life and go out and get it. Do not get discouraged by those who say you cannot do it, instead take up the challenge and stand tall."

"I will always treasure the things I have learnt here, the students I have befriended and my peers. Take care and work hard."



Staff Over-Broad



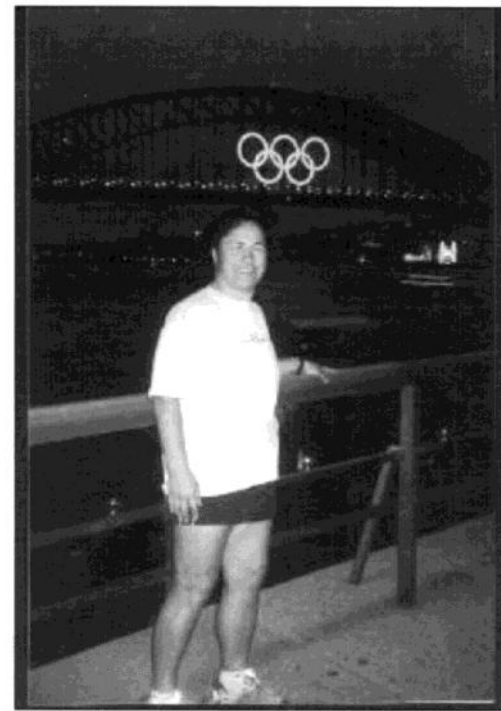
Sandy MacDonald making the most of his time at Hideaway Resort, Fiji, during the third week of Semester 4 (attending his daughter's wedding).



Yvonne Nikora and husband Kevin outside the Rovers Return, England (Semester 2).



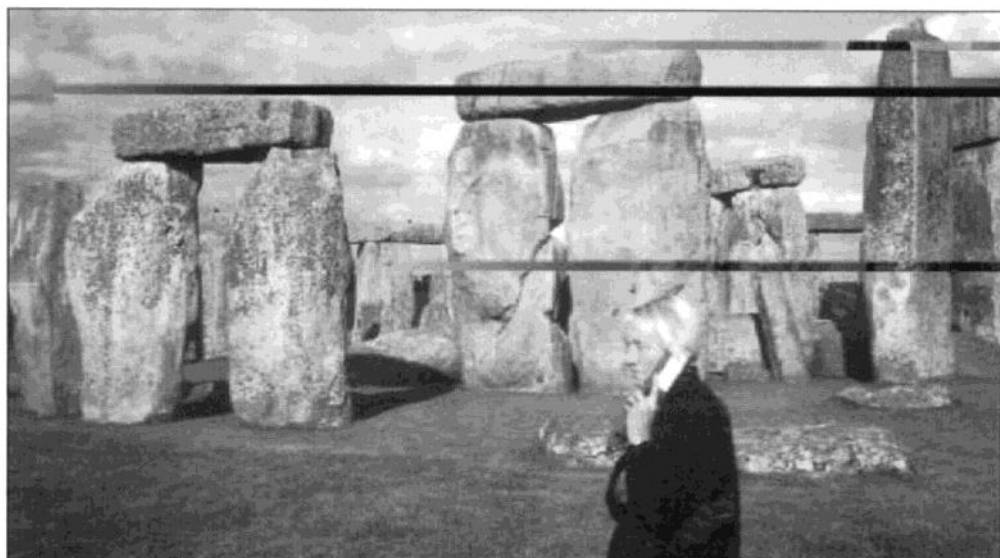
Charis Rata at the Wimbledon railway station in England, Semester 1.



Charis Rata posing in front of the Sydney Harbour Bridge during the Olympic Games.



Yvonne Nikora in France with friend and husband.



Yvonne at Stonehenge in Britain. "You will have to hang up now, Gail. This cell phone is causing funny lines to zap across the scene."



Masquerade Ball 2000

After weeks of stressful organisation and constant thinking and follow ups in our aim to make this the best ball ever, the last week before the big event came. It also went by in a mad rush of last minute ticket making and decoration buying. That Friday concluded with frustration as the venue was closed. That left only a few hours to decorate on Saturday as well as dress, a task requiring time and careful consideration in order to achieve the desired dazzling results. So when the guests started arriving, decorations were still going up. Many thanks to those in suits and tangled skirts who joined in. Thank must also go to Mrs Gyde who stepped in at the very last minute to provide these wonderful photographs.

Despite the problems it turned out an enjoyable and memorable evening for all.

Hannah Tobin





Year 13 Camp

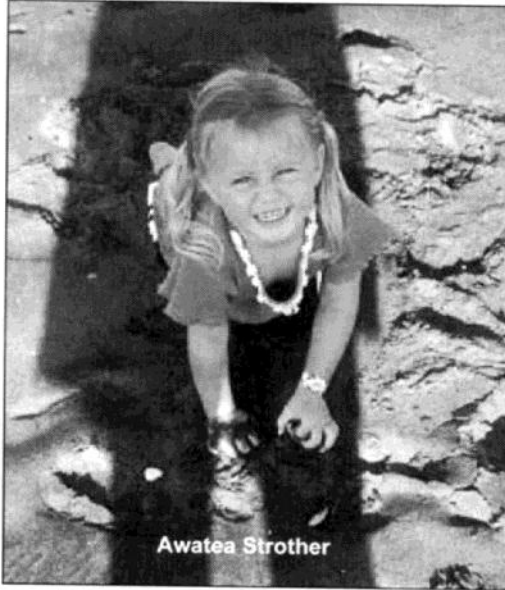
Whaingaroa was the venue for the Year 13 Camp. A beautiful marae overlooking the sea-what more could one ask for. It was a privilege for us to stay at a place that was so steeped in significant regional and national history.

To think of the sacrifice, the commitment, and the dedication of people such as Eva Rickard was indeed a humbling experience.

Indeed it was envisaged that we could bathe in the history of the area and become more informed and focused individuals as a result of it.

Learning of the history of the area at the feet of Mr. Tex Rickard was a special highlight of the camp.

The camp presented us with the ideal



opportunity to bond together and to clearly establish goals for the upcoming year.

We set a firm foundation on which to bane approaching year on. Focus, motivation, and effort were key themes. Year 13 is very much like a marathon. When, and if we encounter the much feared wall how will we respond. Ultimately it is up to us. But if it arrives hopefully we can lean on each other.

Moments playing touch on the beach, bombing off the bridge, surfing in the sea, and displaying our many theatrical talents will long be remembered after one chapter of our life closes. But as they say as one door closes another opens. Bring it on we say!!







Jeremy Bennett



Fabian Kalbskopf



Rihii Mita-Watene



Tania Tawhi



Santana Mahara



Ian Cameron



Joshua Cowan



Motiwha Kumeroa



Piripi Ranga



Hannah Tobin



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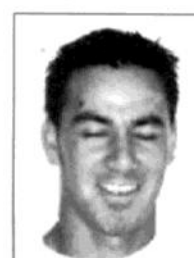
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Rhyan Taylor



Alicia Sunnix



Carl Shepherd



Mason I'a



Michelle Jerome



Maria Lindstorm



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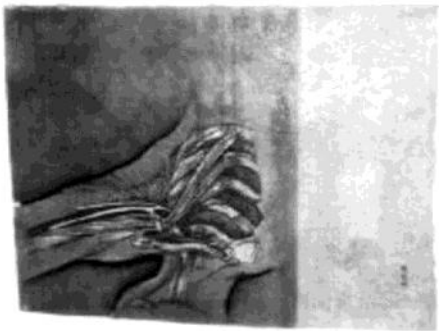


Matthew Gordon



David Hagen

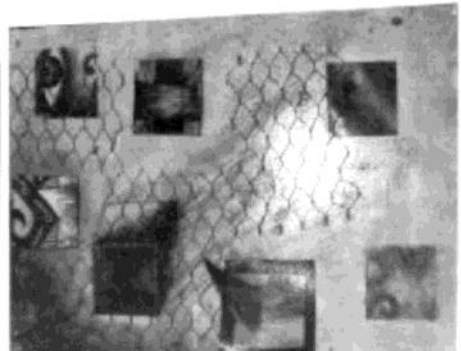
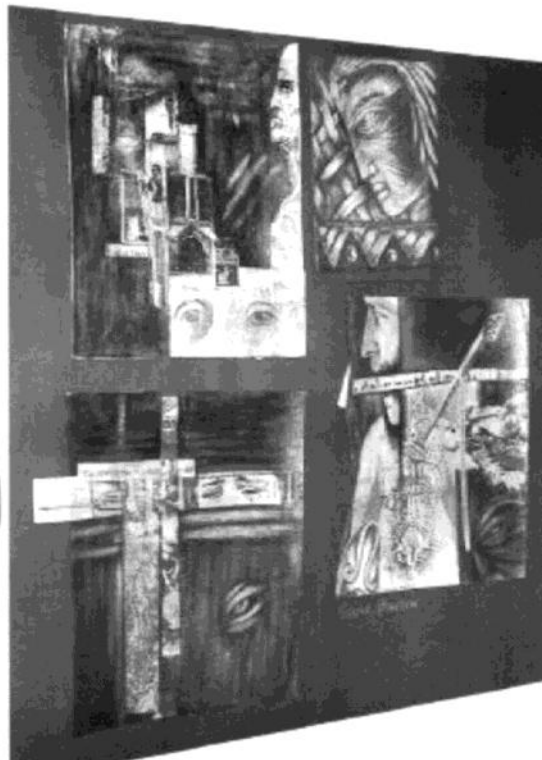
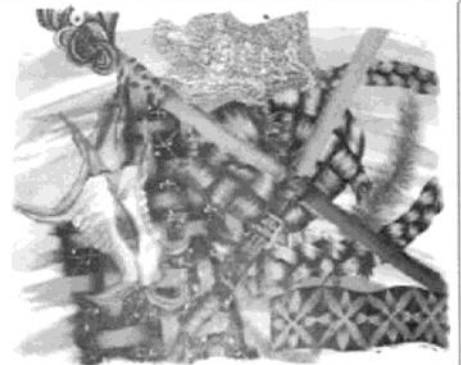
The Art-A-Thon



Stage Challenge came again and with a very interesting fund raising activity, the Art-A-Thon. The mission was to get corporate commissions for paintings and public sponsorship for a 24 hours non-stop art workshop at the Hamilton Lake. Just the first organizational headache of the year! We did a lot of the preparatory work prior and on the day we settled down to do 12 pieces of art.

The five gluttons for punishment - Alicia, Hannah, Isaac, Ian and Rachel, started out strong, as you do, and want to thank the support crew Mrs. Strother, Mr. McDonald, Michelle, Cassie, David and many others who came bearing food and ideas. Soon, eyes began to get sore and yawns increased as the night wore on, our artists were taking turns to have a sleep in the tent and dealing out coffee, not only to our group, but to the grateful members of other fund-a-thon teams. Competing music from our marquee and the main stage, and the drone of the generator for lights keep most of us awake. We also crowded around a jet engine heater in the cold early hours of the morning.

In the end we all looked the worse for wear, but the money was earned and paintings done. Not to mention the memorable experience.



Stage Challenge 2000



I remember it like it was yesterday. It was what we had been working towards for months. **THE SMOKE FREE STAGE CHALLENGE.**

We met at school at 8 am. The faces were anxious and excited about the day ahead. After a quick meeting and our last motivating cheers, we were on the buses—destination Founders Theatre, Hamilton.

The buses were packed with good vibes, the singing helped to kill time and the trip flew by. On arrival we piled out of the bus, 80 confident students, ready to make all the fundraising, training and sacrifice pay off.

Together as a school we entered Founders Theatre. The theatre was packed with performers all glaring at us. We had arrived and our reputation had preceded us. We held our heads high and with pride represented our school, Ngaruawahia High School.

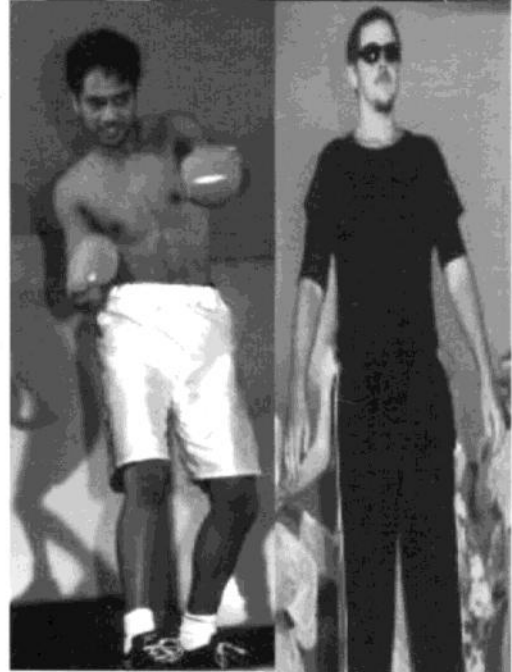
The day was jam packed with games, lots of cheering (led by Carl), laughing and meeting new people.

Finally our practice arrived, two performances to get our lighting and props organised. This was also one of the highlights of our day, it was our chance to psyche out the other performers.

We dazzled the other performers and by the time our second rehearsal came along there was not one person sitting. Everyone was rocking in the aisles.

The time came to pick the performance order. Mrs Strother did the job and with us all behind her, yelling, screaming and encouraging her she chose number seven, lucky last.

After a bit of growling and a quick practice we hit the town for dinner. Having only one hour to eat it was a quick meal and back to get prepared for the evening.



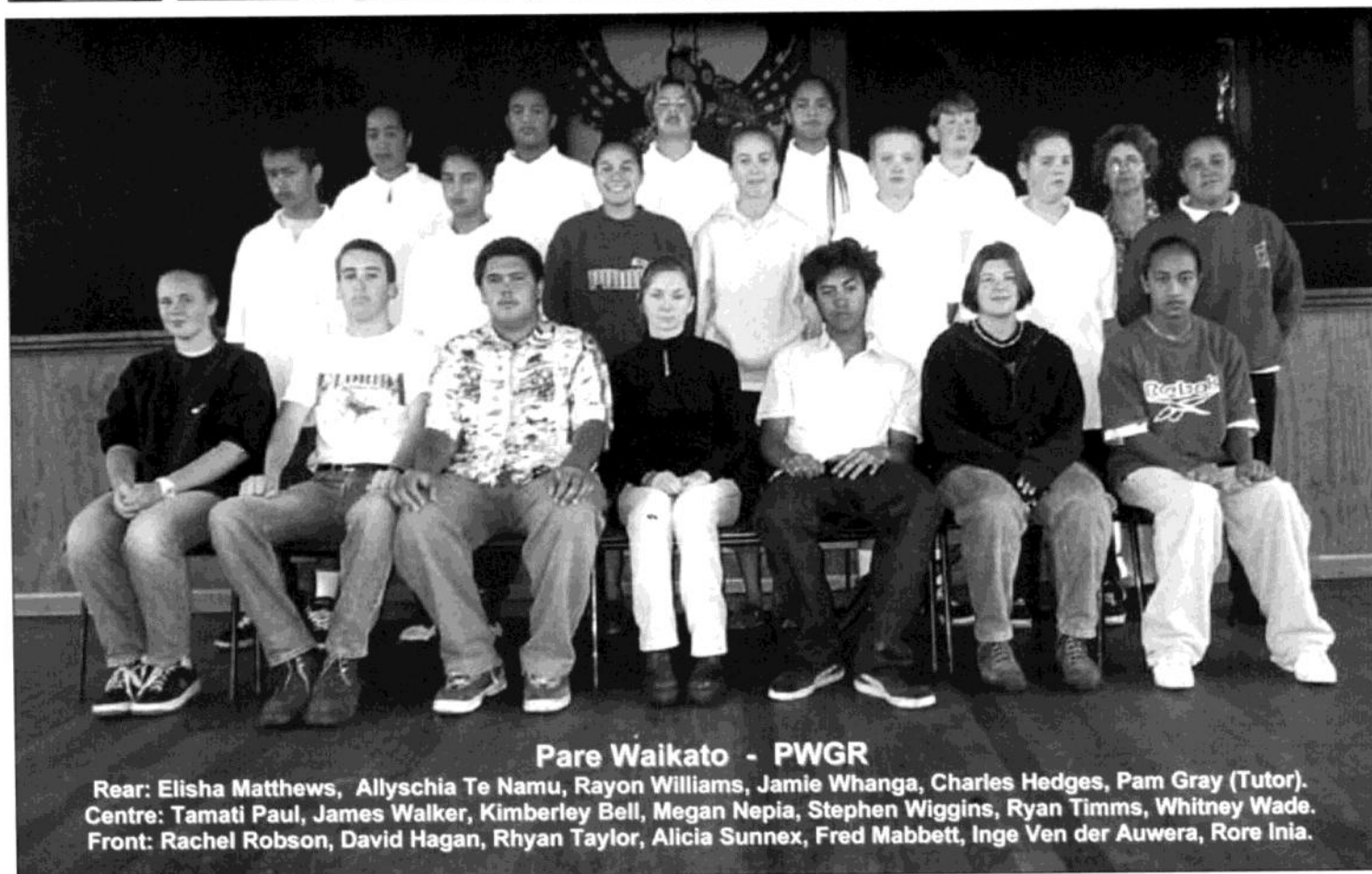
The next couple of hours were a mixture of stress, excitement and nerves from everyone, including the staff. After a lot of panic we were all dressed, make up on and ready for the show down. We could hear the crowd from out the back and we knew that there was a noisy Ngaruawahia crowd out there, anxiously waiting for us to come out. The time came when it was up to us. The props were setting up and we took our places.

The music played and we took the stage. The feeling was off this earth, all of us were sparkling with energy. The crowd was pumping and after eight minutes of glory it was all over. Waiting for the results was nerve racking, and to our surprise we were placed third and received many other awards including the coveted choreographer award. We all returned to the marquee for celebrations with our supporters and not long after that we were back on the buses. The trip home was full of singing, laughter and some exhausted bodies.

Stage Challenge was a highlight of this year, it is a great experience and a great day. Thank you to Mrs Strother who put a lot of time and organisation into it, as well as our financial manager Gail Wharakura—they were awesome.

Vicki Crosby





Pare Waikato - PWGR

Rear: Elisha Matthews, Allyschia Te Namu, Rayon Williams, Jamie Whanga, Charles Hedges, Pam Gray (Tutor).
 Centre: Tamati Paul, James Walker, Kimberley Bell, Megan Nepia, Stephen Wiggins, Ryan Timms, Whitney Wade.
 Front: Rachel Robson, David Hagan, Rhyan Taylor, Alicia Sunnex, Fred Mabbett, Inge Ven der Auwera, Rore Inia.

Pare Waikato



Pare Waikato have gone from strength to strength. We have participated and excelled in a wide range of activities. My thanks to the staff and students for their excellent effort.

Pare Waikato had a new initiative in 2000 by setting up a whanau council which contained 6th and 7th formers who were to assist our head students, Ryan Taylor, Alicia Sunnex, Piripi Ranga and Michelle Jerome. This committee has worked well and will provide the nucleus for our leadership in 2001. Each tutor group has at least one representative. The whanau council has worked on organising activities so that tutor time is more interesting for students.

We have achieved some outstanding successes. This commenced at the third form camp with WT taking out the top group. Our junior boys were the swimming champions and the junior girls won the relay. Both these teams also won the biathlon. Basalay Tumai, Piripi Ranga, Rachel Robson, Kimberley Bell, Inga Van der Auvaa, Leigh Taiari and Issac Huriama were also swimming champions.

On athletics day our whanau again excelled. Our junior girls were first in the relay with the Intermediate girls second. Areka Winikerei was second in the junior boys over all. In the senior boys, Piripi Ranga was second and Dane Nikora third. Melissa Mes was the champion Intermediate girl and Cheyenne Carroll was the 2nd placed senior girl.

Our junior and senior boys came second in the relay finals. As a whanau we ran a series of competitions to establish our best tutor Group.

- Touch Rugby was won by McD - Mr MacDonald
- Trivial Pursuit won by MN - Mr Mans
- Netball won by MR - Mr Marsh

Showing consistency we took out the Cross Country as the top whanau for a second consecutive year. We also had some individual stars

- Dane Nikora won the Senior Boys
- Anthony Pitman won the Junior Boys
- Melissa Mes won the Intermediate Girls

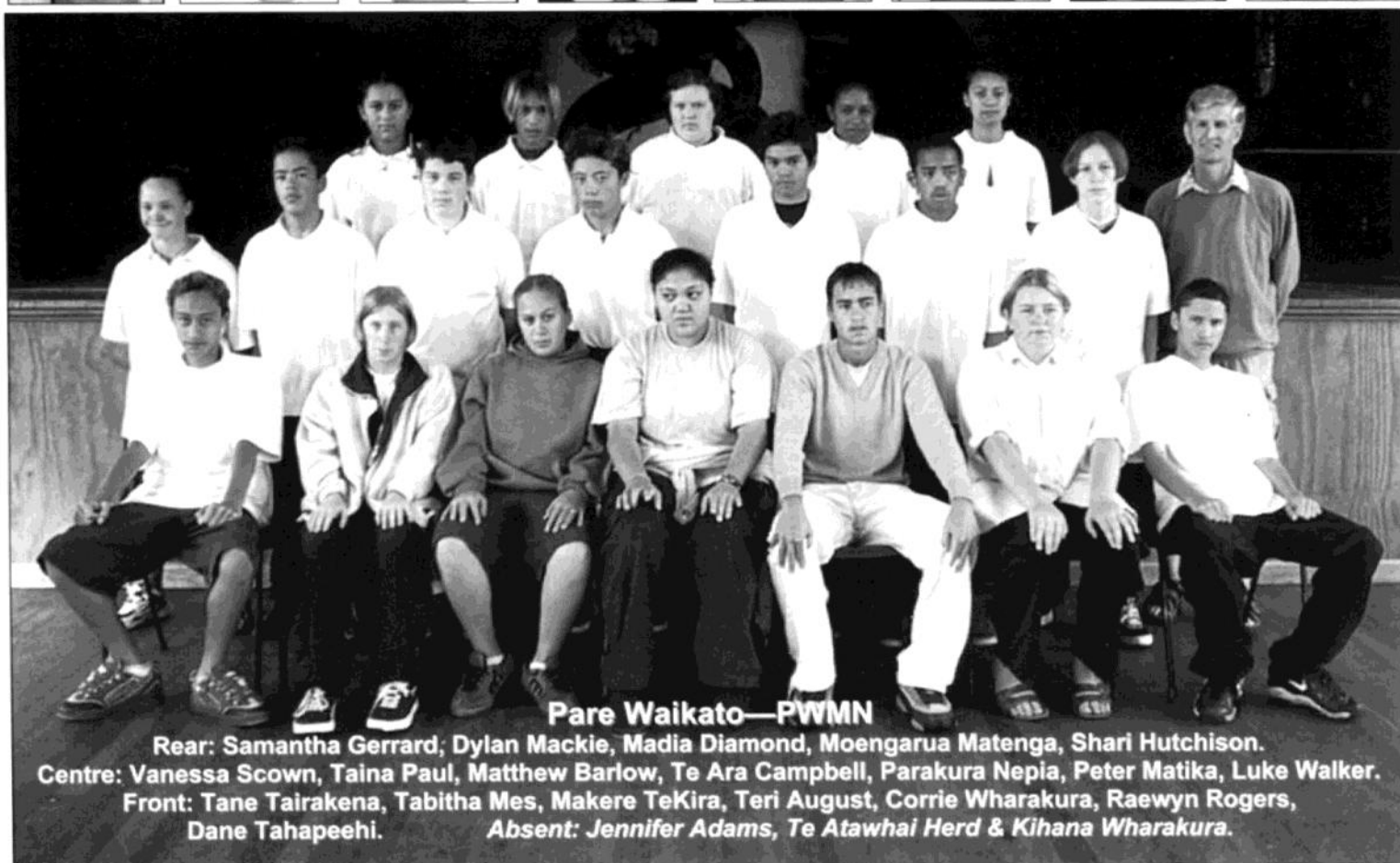
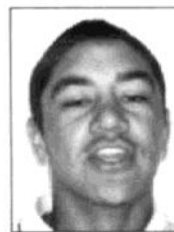
Pare Waikato has had an extremely successful and positive year, reflected in the choice of the Dragon as our symbol. It was great to see total involvement of students and staff.

C.W. JARNET
PARE WAIKATO DEAN



Pare Waikato - PWMR

Rear: Doug Marsh (Tutor), Tara-Lee Hansen, Anthony O'Halloran, Samantha Frankhouser, Amanda Taylor, Anthony Pitman.
 Centre: Jared Hunt, Craig Wiggins, Areka Winikerei, Mikaere Winikerei, Lakeyta Edgecombe, Basalay Tumai, Leigh Takiari.
 Front: Shea Brodrick, Jason Watkins, Candice Morunga, Kelly-anne Jackson, Piripi Ranga, Luke Matenga.



Pare Waikato—PWMN

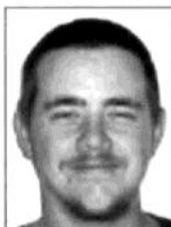
Rear: Samantha Gerrard, Dylan Mackie, Madia Diamond, Moengarua Matenga, Shari Hutchison.
 Centre: Vanessa Scown, Taina Paul, Matthew Barlow, Te Ara Campbell, Parakura Nepia, Peter Matika, Luke Walker.
 Front: Tane Tairakena, Tabitha Mes, Makere TeKira, Teri August, Corrie Wharakura, Raewyn Rogers, Dane Tahapehi.
 Absent: Jennifer Adams, Te Atawhai Herd & Kihana Wharakura.



Pare Waikato - PWGY

Rear: Sian McIntosh, Kylie Garlick, Aatanui Edwards, Venita Robson, Michael Starnes, William Turner, Vicki Gyde (Tutor).
Centre: Cheyenne Carroll, Stacey Robson, Arepa Blake, Rebecca Van Houtte, Hayden Noffke, John Simon, Isaac Huirama, Sharma Tahapehi.

Front: Malana Grey, Joanne Newell, Mathew Scown, Matthew Gordon, Tania Tawhi, Tukotahi Tengu, Hayley Osborne.



Pare Waikato PWMC

Rear: Sandy MacDonald (Tutor), Steven Boyer, Lisa Broughton, John Edwards, Renee Bentley, Whitney Wade, Melissa Mes.
Centre: Inu Salvation, Jessica White, Rau Katipa, Steven Grayson, Dallas Guymer.
Front: Joshua Tobin, Lois Ngatai, Dane Nikora, Michelle Jerome, Maurice Paul, David Tupp.

The Mighty Mokau Whanau

Take 100 students, including two from overseas—Maria Lindstorm and Romulo Souza. Separate five: Carl Shepherd, Santana Mahara, Talia Tupp, Hannah Tobin and Casey Sucich, and call them leaders. Reduce the number during the year as some in Year 13 take up positions on courses. Blend with six members of staff: Mr. Hill, Mr. Martell, Mr. Murphy, Mr. O'Neil, Mrs. Strother and Mrs. West. Finally top with one dean—Mrs. Hari. This is the Mokau recipe for.....

- Coming 1st in the swimming sports (again);
- Winning the athletics (again);
- Being worthy competitors in the other events;
- Getting involved in school activities, notably the Smokefree Stage Challenge;
- Organising a fun event called 'Capture the Flag';
- Trying out different activities in separate male and female groups.

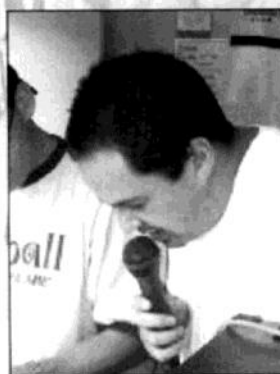
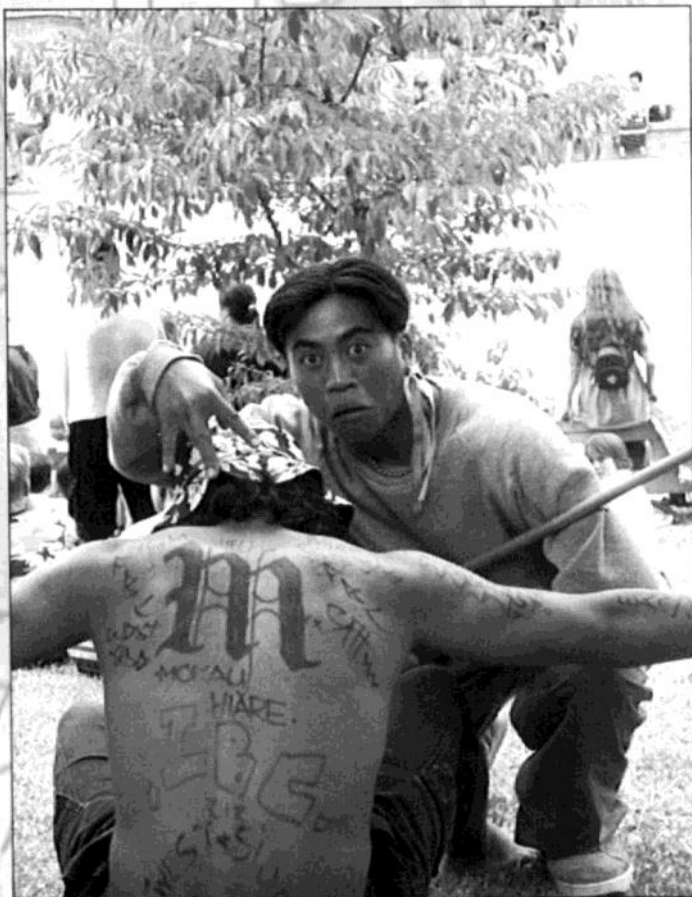
Also for providing successful individuals such as:

- Tahau Paki and Pokaia Mathews — winning aerobic/dance team Some Yum Guys.
- Carl Shepherd—aerobic/dance team Explicit Azz.
- Tahau Paki, Pokaia Matthews, Carl Shepher—Aerobic/dance competition in Australia.
- Pat Takiari—Rugby League.
- Michael Vining—Motor Cross Champion.
- Motiwha Kumeroa, Santana Mahara, Maioha Tukere—Waikato Under 18's Rugby League Representatives.
- Carl Shepherd—Waikato U20's Touch Rugby.

Finally last but not least:

- Hannah Tobin—AFS to Germany in 2001

These are just some of the achievements of the Mighty Mokau Whanau in 2000.





Mokau — MWE

Rear: Donna West (Tutor), Keri-Lee Joseph, Miriam Turner, Helen Symons, Craig Jarnet, Reco Tarawhiti, Nicholas Scown.
Front: Samuel Jaques, Natalie Pellow, Heta Apiata, Chantelle Simon, Tahauriki Paki, Maria Lindstrom, Huritau Simon, Jamaica Mahara.

Absent: Ariarne Smith, Vincent Kipa, Waka Kingi, Ingrid Rutene, Janine Ngakuru.



Mokau - MST

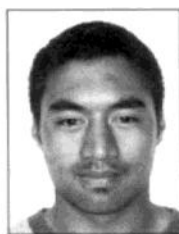
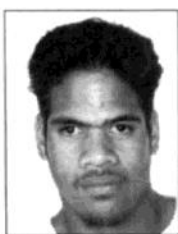
Rear: Lorena Strother (Tutor), Kayla Charlton, Dean Te Are, Anita Crosby, Lois Tipa, Karaka Paki.
Front: Christal Moki, Ruth Wood, Casey Sucich, Hannah Tobin, Maryes I'a, Hector Taukiri, Ashley Pearce, Kathryn Don.
Absent: Te Kau Lovey King, Daniel Hopa, Jacqui Martin, Rufa Pohe, Ricky Rawiri, Meretiana Rayner, Tikitaurangi Tana, Canaan Tairakena.



Mokau - MMU

Rear: Ruihi Herangi, Maera Gerrard, Waiata King, Damien Moana, Debbie Tumaki, Jed Todd, Joanne Heremaia, Sylvia Tipene, Richard Murphy (Tutor).

Front: Maioha Tukere, George Moanaroa, Jared Priestley, Nadine Te Are, Mason I'a, Daniel Waitere, Pokaia Matthews, Kelly Cookson-Holm.



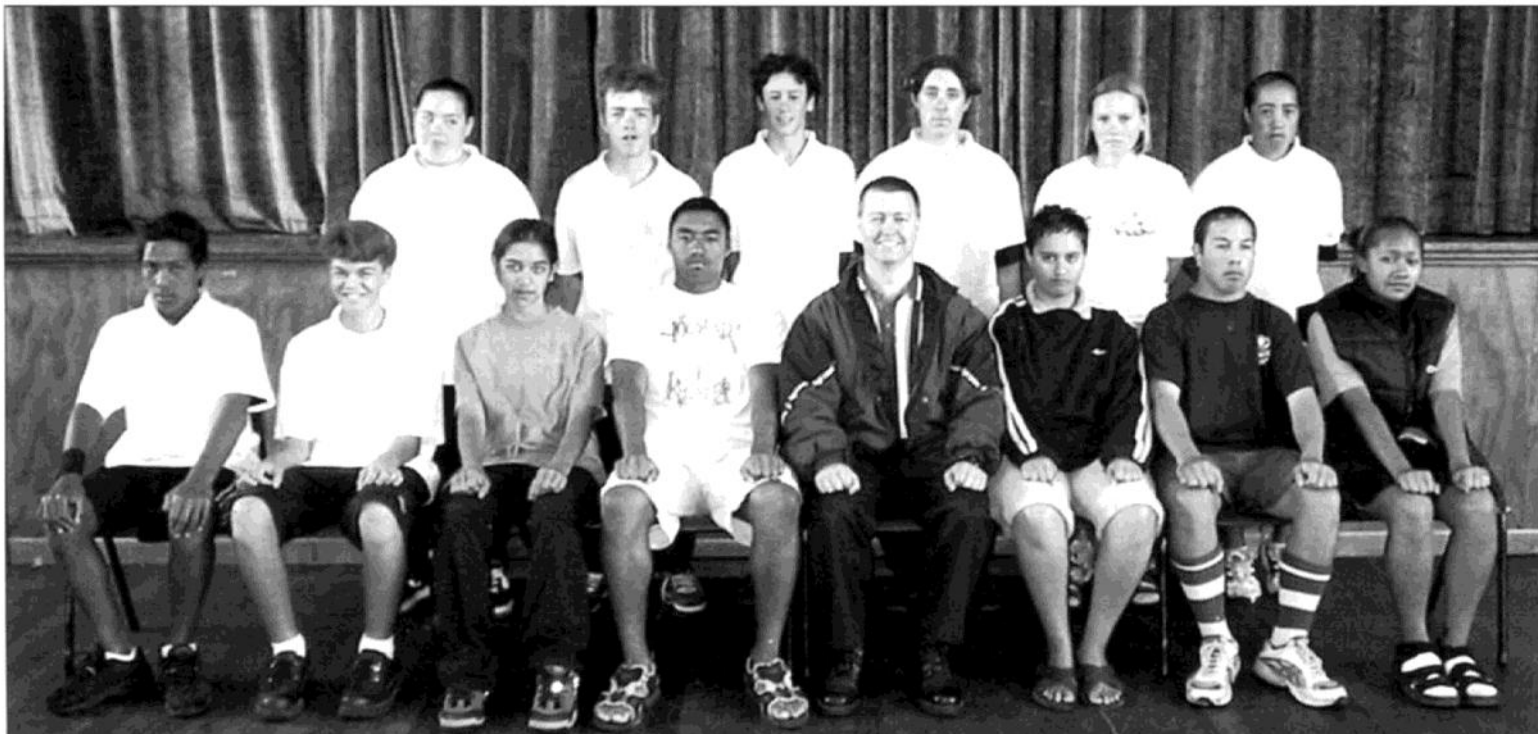
Mokau - MON

Rear: Kaley Knuth, Ria Murdoch-Huirama, Tini Bluegum, Te Aroha Tumai.

Centre: Maurie O'Neill (Tutor), Tennille Hill, Raymond Bentley, James Dean, Jarred Te Are, Ebony Tukiwaho.

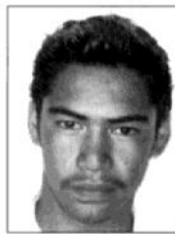
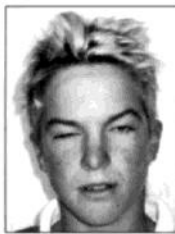
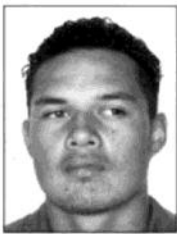
Front: Shayne Tukiwaho, Paul Tengu, Makiha Hose, Talia Tuppi, Tau Korea Moeke, Ian Tahana, Kylie Matthews, Gina Paul.

Absent: Clayton Green, Rory Whare.



Mokau - MHI

Rear: Tracy Lockyer, Scott Moir, Cameron Ramsay, Devon Baker, Catherine Lomas, Alicia Matthews.
Front: Aoterangi Herangi, Kyle Sucich, Marcelle Waters, Motiwha Kumeroa, Chris Hill (Tutor), Teri Simon, Luke Murray, Melissa Matthews.



Mokau—MML

Rear: James Martell (Tutor), Ruiha Stevens, Kayley Crown, Bryan Beckingsale, Samuel Arthur, Therrine Moana, Megan Parnwell, Merenia Morgan.
Front: Joseph Moana, Hikuwai Sutton, Morgan Henare, Santana Mahara, Carl Shepherd, Morgan Matthews, Jorel Daniels, Tony Wharakura.
Absent: Amy O'Hearn, Te Aomihi Kumeroa, Pat Takiari, Natalie Jackson.

Tamaki Whanau



Tamaki has had a mixed bag of all sorts this year - the year 2000. Some ups and some downs but always a good and strong spirit among the whanau.

A special thanks in particular to our whanau leaders in the shape of Riihi Mita-Watene and Issac Royal and to our seniors overall. Many of whom were inspirational at various points along the way for example - Issac, Josh, Riki, James, Riihi, Moana, Jacqui, Te Ngaru - the bomb netballers! In crash-touch the only whanau that beat the staff - Yeh!



Kapahaka - Issac, Te Whainoa, Riihi, Jacqui, Moana, Juanita always there, always contributing.

The support our whanau give to whatever fundraising event is going - whether for ourselves or for other tino kaupapa of the school.

Our participation in all the school sports activities - never came last once this year! On a more serious note however, I would like to talk about the future of the Rumaki.

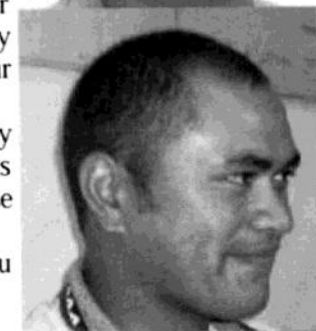
It is clear that as a Rumaki we should have more Te Reo in our whanau. With the shortage of Te Reo speaking teachers this is very difficult to achieve. However, I was very excited and privileged to be among community whanau when Ms Cavanagh and I spoke about our future.

We will be looking at sharing and utilising resources from Bernard Fergusson on a reciprocal basis - this means we can *tatou tatou* our resources. Where we lack in Maori we can share with B.F and where they lack resources they can share ours. The most exciting part is that our Community want their children to come to stay in our community - we need to ensure we provide the education they want for their children. This is of course being true Rumaki from years 7-10 and a quality mainstream from year 11-13.

Further more we want to extend this to include the other three secondary schools in our region - Rakaumanga, Huntly and Raglan. It will no longer be a competition between our schools, but an enhancement of each of our schools.

There is a lot of work to be done still, but what really excites me is the fact that we are hearing the community needs and are willing to look beyond what exists to address these needs.

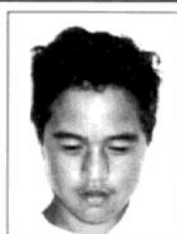
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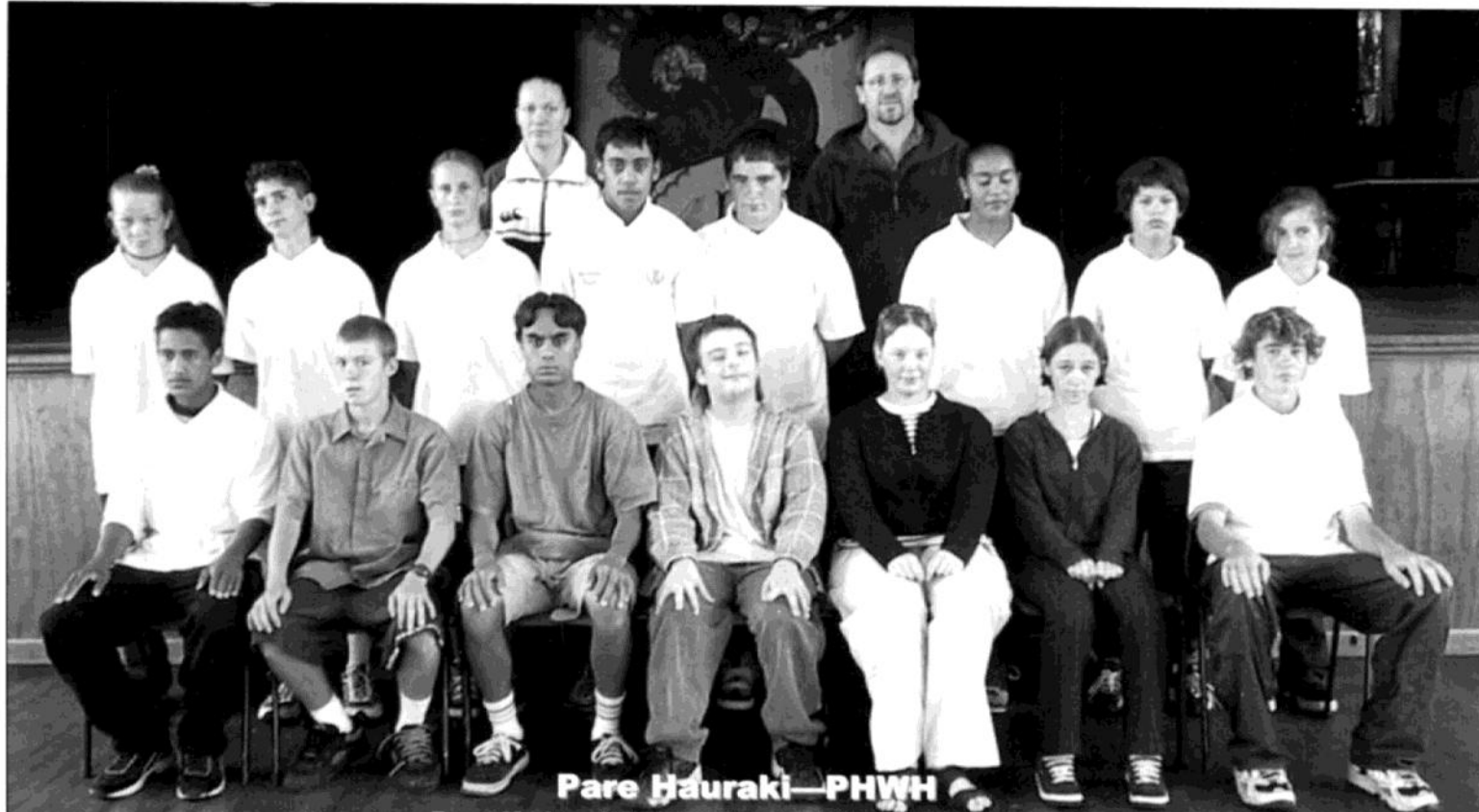
Tamaki - TRT

Rear: Stevye Te Wai, Awhina Paikea, Kirsty Matika, Huia Iwihora, Hanna Turner, Tamatea Wilson.
 Centre: Whaea Roa (Dean), Dennis Campbell, Tapui Clark, Pauline Mark, Ngati Te Ata Newport, Kasey Turner, Arihia Peakman, Anaru Williams, Whaea Rata (Tutor).
 Front: Kaya Huia, Te Waihuka Opetaila, Jaqueline Pouaka, Issac Royal, Taane Barlow, Riki Iwihora, Tyronne Matthews, Kamira Hona.



Tamaki - TRA

Rear: Tawera Te Koi, Eli Paul, Rua Cooper, Mr Barney Wharakura.
 Centre: Mrs Robyn Roa (Dean), Hikitia Enoka, Camellia Turner, Te Oti Kahuku, Pikia Tarawhiti, Mrs Poppy Ranga (Tutor).
 Front: James Turner, Tupuna Hona, Moana Turner, Teri Paki, Connie Turner, Jonson Nepia, Purewa Peakman.

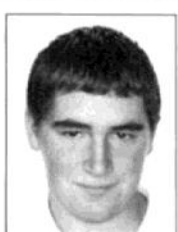


Pare Hauraki—PHWH

Rear: Mariana Whanga (Tutor), Phillip Rietema (Dean)

Middle: Karina Wilson, Jonathan Sunnex, Julia Bennett, Tuku Huirama, Bryan Cameron, Huia Hunapo, Cindy Strawbridge, Victoria Edwards.

Front: Pera Tumai, Jayden De Pina, Mason Moana, James Harker, Jaimee Thorpe, Kelly Williamson, Luke Jerome.



Pare Hauraki—PHSA

Rear: Tawera Mura, Kaya Rupapere, Peter Cameron, Waimaringi August, Karoria Bluegum, Ben Gilby-Todd, Rangiwhaia Mete, Rearna Taylor.

Seated: John Apiata, Stuart Whitehouse, Jonathan Derecourt, Linda Sabbage (Tutor), Megan Montford, Steven Dooley, Tane McGrath.

Front: Jessica Gilby-Todd Absent: Robyn Thom, Nat Henare-Lynch, Tiahuia Matenga, Cody Walker.



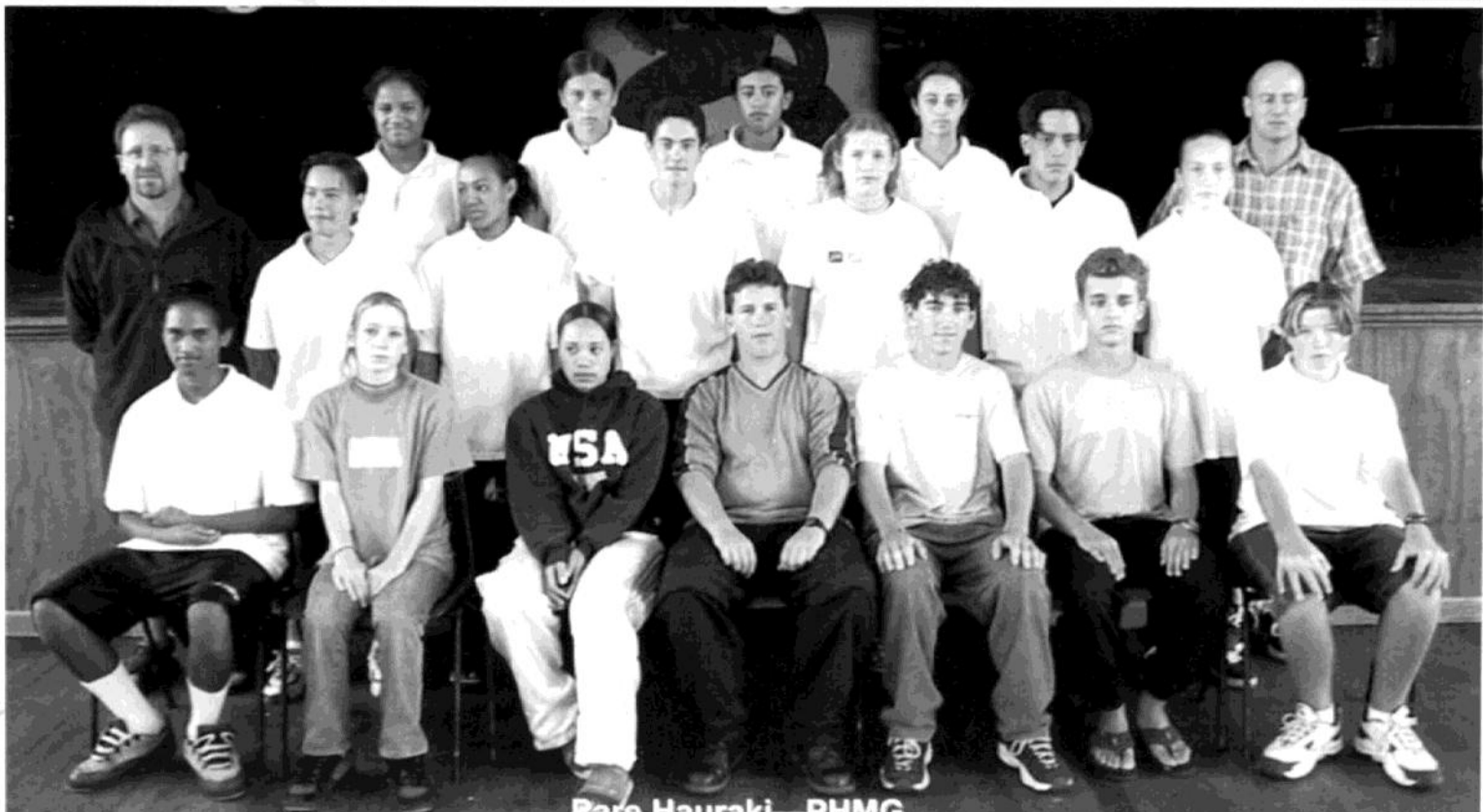
Pare Hauraki—PHMY

Rear: Phillip Rietema (Dean), Joan Myles (Tutor)

Centre: Nicholas Kerr-Bell, Rosina Wilson, Vincent Mete, Awhina Solomon, Daniel McLaughlin, Kawhena Moeke, Shani Harris.

Front: Laurence McDonald, Annamarie Manhire, Vicki Crosby, Fernanda Soares, Shea Elsbury, Steven Ruland, Ken Sila.

Absent: Kelly Faunch, Mitchell Te Hira.

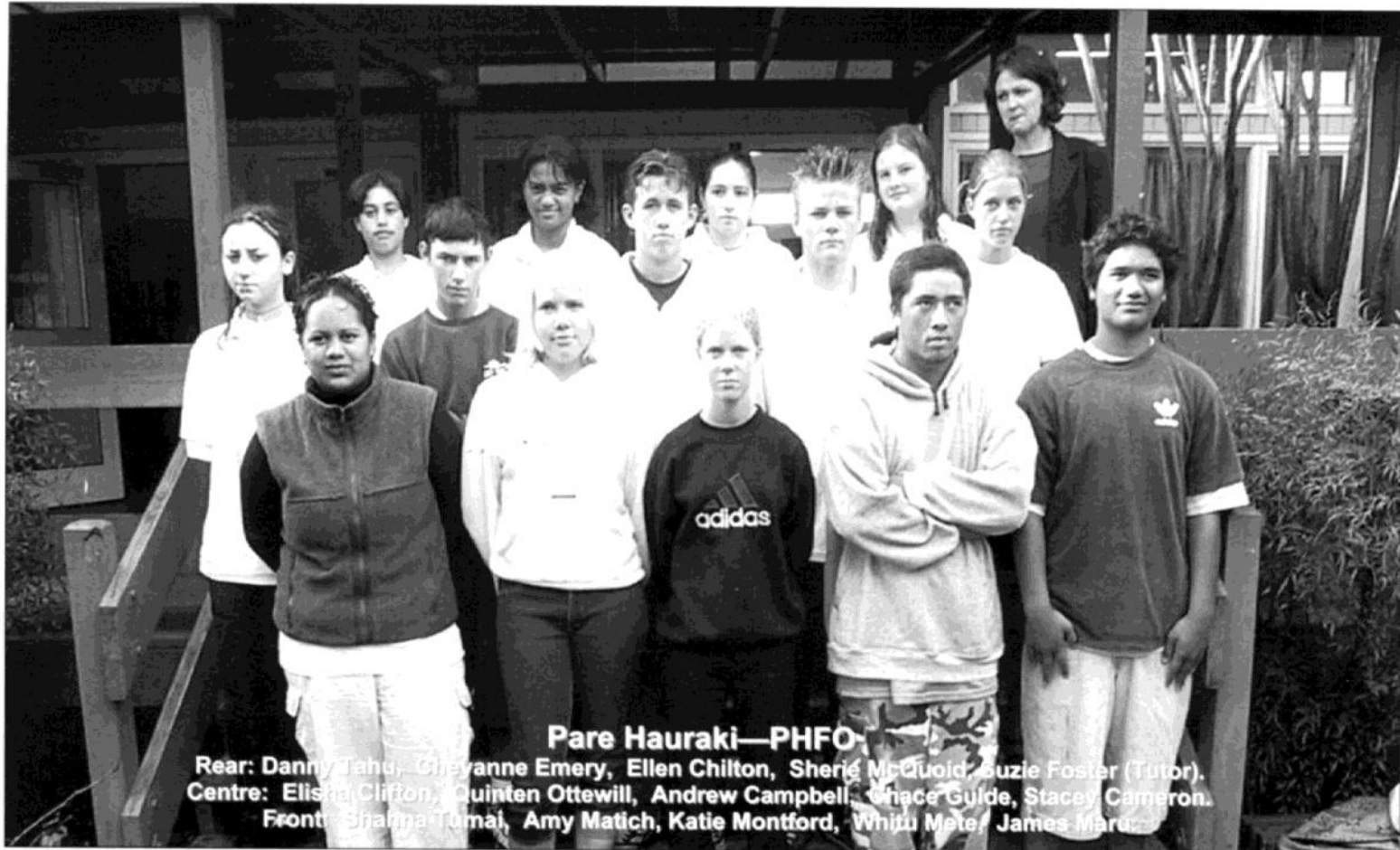


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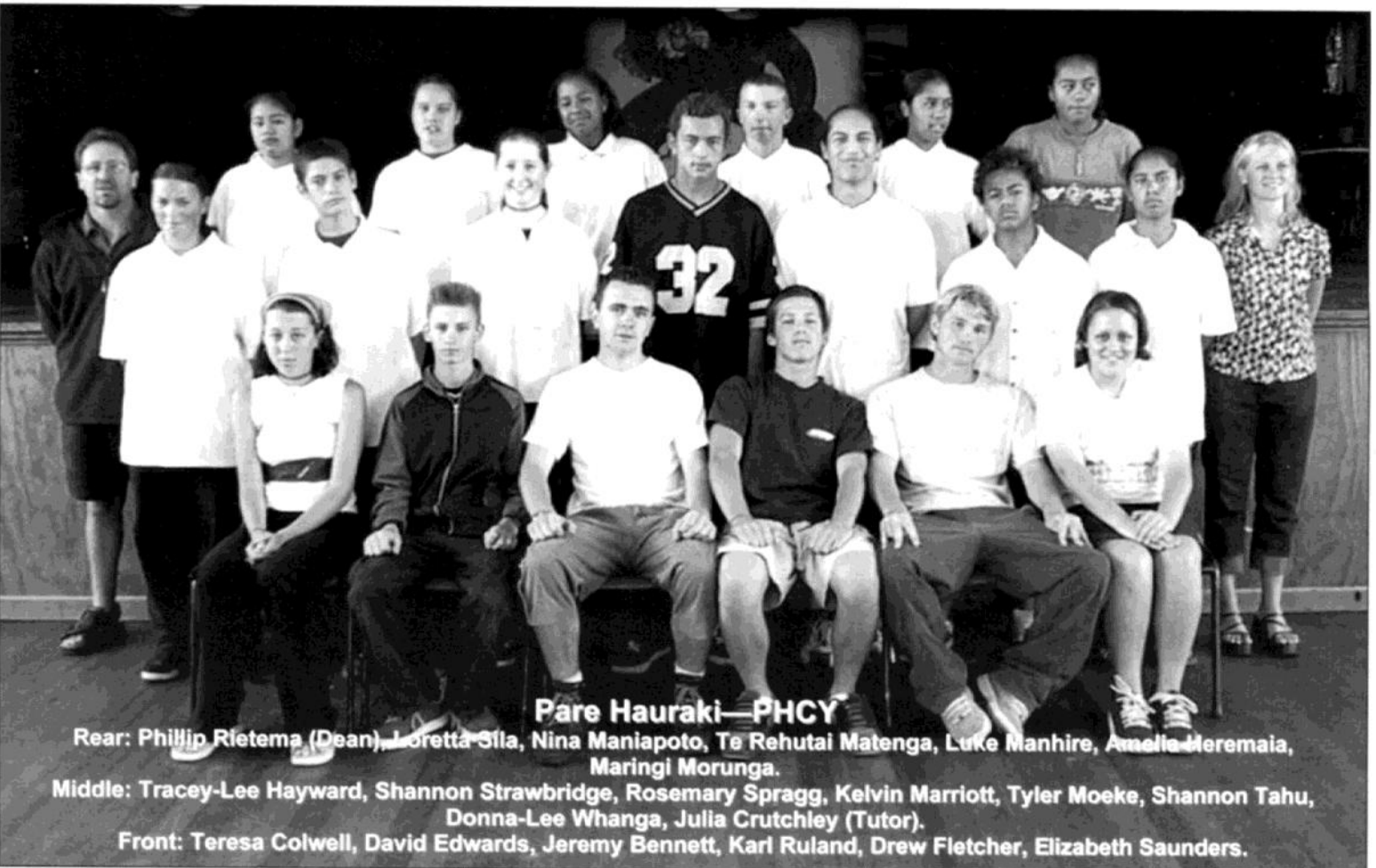
Centre: Teiriiringa Middleton, Renee Wilson, Jacob Walters, Hladini Schubert, Stephen Auvaa, Amy Hagan.

Front: Clayton Kaukau, Anna Walker, Aroha Hopa, Aaron Bird, Ian Cameron, Rafael Almeida, Richard Suhr.



Pare Hauraki—PHFO

Rear: Danny Tahu, Cheyanne Emery, Ellen Chilton, Sherie McQuoid, Suzie Foster (Tutor).
 Centre: Elisha Clifton, Quinten Ottewill, Andrew Campbell, Chase Guide, Stacey Cameron.
 Front: Shanna Tumai, Amy Matich, Katie Montford, Whitu Meter, James Maru.



Pare Hauraki—PHCY

Rear: Phillip Rietema (Dean), Loretta Slla, Nina Maniapoto, Te Rehutai Matenga, Luke Manhire, Amelle Heremaia, Maringi Morunga.
 Middle: Tracey-Lee Hayward, Shannon Strawbridge, Rosemary Spragg, Kelvin Marriott, Tyler Moeke, Shannon Tahu, Donna-Lee Whanga, Julia Crutchley (Tutor).
 Front: Teresa Colwell, David Edwards, Jeremy Bennett, Karl Ruland, Drew Fletcher, Elizabeth Saunders.

"Death of a Friend"

**KAY, my best friend , companion and mate,
Her brown eyes twinkle with delight,
A smile that lights up any room when she enters,
A STRONG woman with a personality to match,
Loving, bubbly, loud and opinionated.**

**A MOTHER of three, and WIFE to Graham.
Everything was right with the world,
KAY, had won a bit on Lotto,
A car and furniture were brought.
Then DEATH knocked on the door,
And nothing was right anymore.**

**The news hit me like a bullet to the heart,
DEATH of this GENTLE GIANT,
Made me vulnerable as a kitten,
Susceptible to GRIEF.**

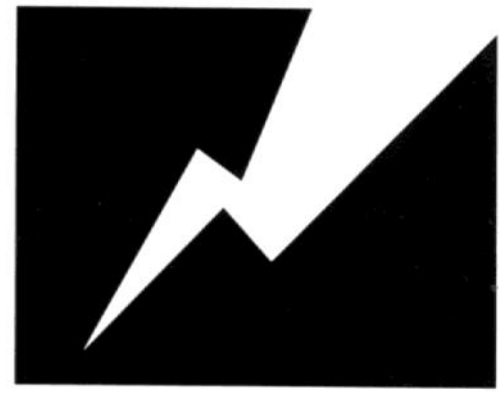
**To not hear his infectious laughter,
Or be the butt of his jokes,
To never again see his smile,
Through his graying bristly mustache.**

**KAY, with her daughter's hand in hers,
Sitting in a pew, reserved.
Her face sunken, eyes as empty as her soul.
Looking at the COFFIN, shining
With its cover of mahogany.
Every tear a wave goodbye.**

**KAY, my best friend, companion and mate,
Locked away, deep in grief,
My arms outstretched, like branches on a tree,
With deepest sympathy, my friend,
I miss him, I miss you,
Time will heal, and I WILL WAIT.**

By Jane Kerr-Bell

Christmas Holidays in Gizzy



Spending time with our family was important to my dad, so every year the two of us traveled back to Gisborne on the same old roads.

The long five hour journey was something that I always looked forward to. The views were of the thundering deep blue seas, and rolling hills surrounded by thick green bush and I always remember being really excited when we arrived into the small shanty town of Matawai. I knew that when we got there, we were only twenty minutes away from Gisborne.

Finally, twenty minutes has passed, My stiff legs were in need of some exercise. I saw a sign saying 'WELCOME TO GISBORNE—FIRST TO SEE THE LIGHT.'

Gizzy has it's own special charm, lots of sun, beautiful seas and landscapes and plenty of space.

As we headed down the roads of Gisborne to my nana's place, dad was continuously waving out to old school buddies walking down the roads. This is where dad grew up with twelve other brothers and sisters, all in the same little house. Dad loved coming home as much as I did. This is where his true heart is and will always be.

We got around the corner past the old rusty tin shed and at last we were there. We pulled up to the driveway and as we got out of the car we were both welcomed with lots of warm smiles along with plenty of hugs and kisses from the family.

Nana's house was only small but filled with lots of character and love. The entrance way was covered with score's of shoes, the brown kitchen cupboards that didn't match the décor and the family photos that camouflaged the old ripped wallpaper where memories of what went on in that home we're tucked away inside my head, never to forget.

At the back of nan's house was the maze paddock. It was calling for me to go and play. I didn't hesitate, I was away. I ran to the maze. The sounds of laughter and happiness coming from the maze was a joy to listen to. I played and played until I could play no more. This was the perfect ending to a most tremendous day.

As the sun set behind the distant hills, I watched the leaves of the maze roll themselves away, and I looked forward to another eventful day at my nana's.

Te Ngaru Brown



Crying Out In The Dark

I awoke suddenly from the sound of rain pounding on the roof. My body and face were saturated with sweat, and my throat was dry and raspy. I tried to wipe away my tears on my pillow, it made it damp and moist.

I yelled to my mum. "Mum! Mum!" There was no reply. The deafening sound of hail and thunder overpowered my trembling voice.

The flashing lightning made flickering images on my wall and shadows leered overhead. "Mum!" I screamed once more "Mum!"

I heard her open the lounge door and scurry down the hallway. Her slippers were scuffing on the cold floor. Her shadow reflected in the doorway as a black blob, but as she came closer my fears went away. She reached out her warm arms and held me close.

She said in a soft voice "what's wrong?" I told her I had a bad dream. She said she'd stay with me until I fell asleep. I felt safe and happy. I snuggled my face into her fluffy dressing gown. The sweet, lingering smell of her perfume drifted around my face. It was the smell of comfort.

I slowly drifted off to sleep while my mum listened to the pounding rain die down into pattering raindrops.

Elisha Clifton



It was the first real day of summer. The sun was streaming down and there was not a cloud in the sky. We arrived at the Auckland Zoo at about 10:00 am. Mum and I walked along the overgrown pavement to the main office. The lady at the office didn't say a word to us, she looked at me and handed me two bags of animal food. As we walked away I heard my mum say under her breath "you old stuck up cow".

Mum and I started our mission to get around the Zoo. The day was going fine. I was loving it. We walked up a very steep hill, from the top I could see everything. I took a deep breath through my nose and then it hit me, the putrid smell! I ran down the hill to the camels. They were a dirty brown. they just stood there and stared at me, I then realised that it was them who stunk.

I stood there with my hand over my nose, the huge camel also stood there. There was a sign stuck on the fence, it read DO NOT FEED THE CAMELS. the camel was looking at me as if it wanted to talk. Even though it was ugly and very stinky how could I not feed it.

I poured some of the animal food out of the bag and into my hands. holding my breath, the camel came towards me. I held out my hands and the camel reached for it. Before I knew it the camel's mouth was right up to my elbow. I yelled and yelled but the huge camel wasn't going to let go.

A zoo assistant, with a long beard and a large green hat, came running from the top of the hill. There were lots of people around me. My arm was really hurting and I couldn't get it out.

When the zoo assistant arrived he put the camel in a head lock and ripped it's mouth apart. my mum pulled my arm out of it's mouth.

My arm was very sore. It stunk like camel and was soaked with slimy spit. I couldn't feel it. My arm was numb.

I now know if the sign says DO NOT FEED you stay back and definitely do not feed. Remember the sign is for your own safety.



Amy O'Hearn

THE DAY AT THE ZOO

My One True Love

I began to ride my bike.

Peddling faster and faster, feeling the rush of wind through my hair. I felt powerful. I could do anything.

But then I felt something. It wasn't right. The unfamiliar movement of my bike scared me. I began to move oddly, swerving, going out of control. Before I fully realised what was happening to me, I began to cry. As the salty tears cascaded down my cheeks, I began to wonder how I had ended up lying in a tangled mess on the cold, damp grass.

Then I heard a familiar voice and saw a familiar face. My mother had come to my aid. She picked me up with her strong arms and comforted me. She left my side and gathered plasters and antiseptic cream to help heal my wounds. I stood crying, like a statue in the rain. I didn't know what to do. My arms and legs began to throb as they bled and I knew all too well what was coming next.

I smelt it coming. The thought of the sting made my cuts hurt even more. My mother washed my wounds with the dreaded Dettol and covered them with plasters. I let out huge gulping cries, gasping for air through my tears.

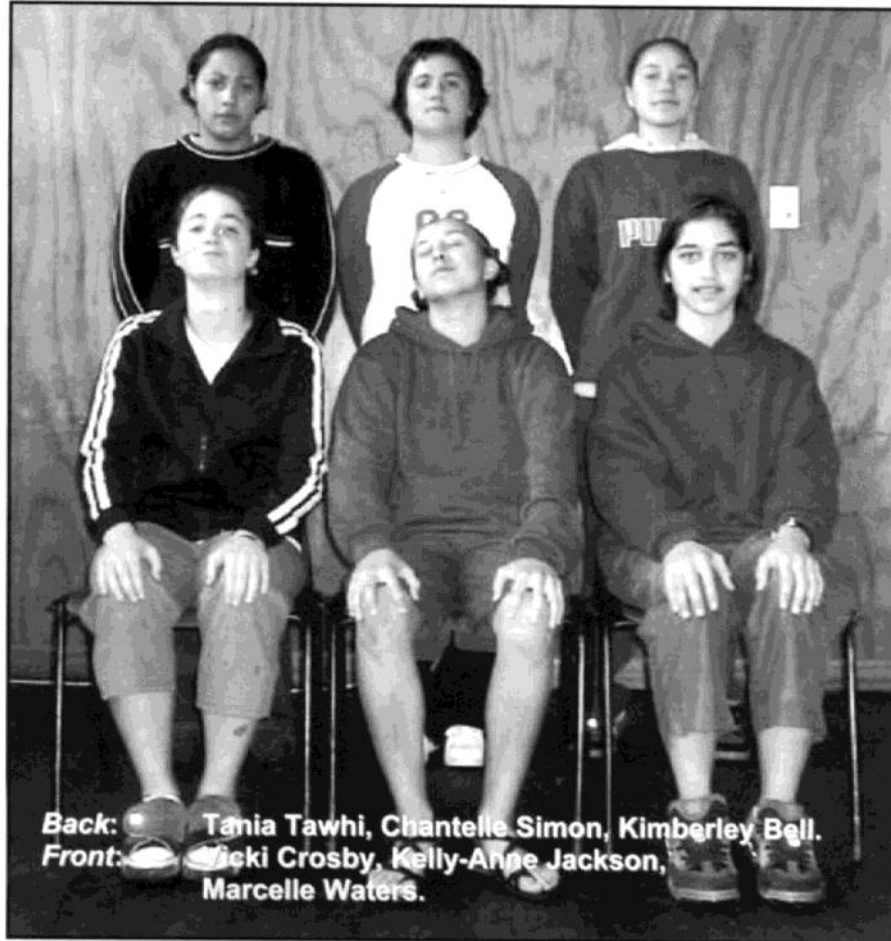
When she was finished she engulfed me in a huge hug. I loved my mother's hugs; she always made me feel better, no matter what was wrong. I felt safe in her arms and when she let me go I knew what I had to do. I got back to what I loved most.

I began to ride my bike.

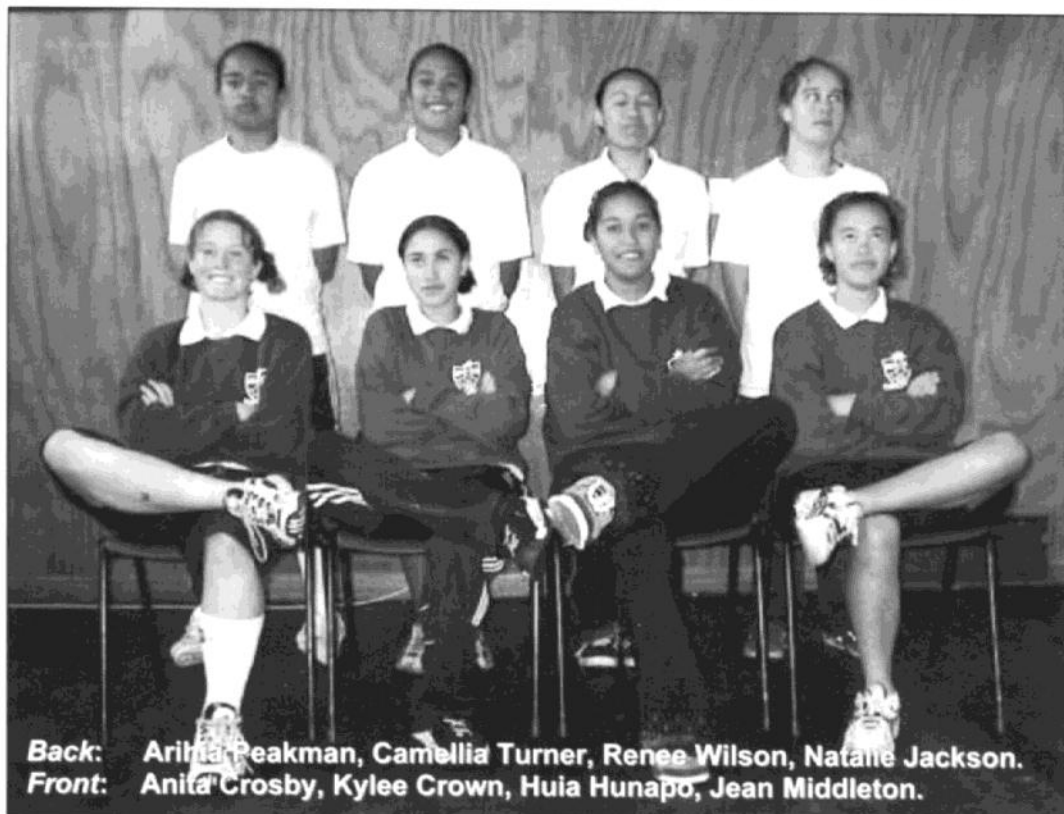
Rosemary Spragg

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Netball A



Netball B



Basketball



Dane Nikora

From bottom left: Motiwha Kumeroa, Piripi Ranga, Joshua Cowan, Isaac Royal, Richard Crawford (coach), Rhyon Taylor, Carl Shepherd, Richard Whare

the undefeated ones

Finally, in our last year we have done it, we have won the basketball league. Not only did we win but we were undefeated through out the whole season.

This year's team was coached by the great Richard "can't make practice boys" Crawford. This year the boy's finally learned a basketball move before the season was over. Once it was in motion no one could stop it.

In the finals we played Melville who seemed tough in the round robin, but when it came to the finals the boy's played as if they were playing in the N.B.A.

The team of 2000 had a lot of old faces, with the return of DANE "bring it on Nikora" who came back from CCNZ to play with the boys. He also came back with some mad dribbling and defence skills.

The team also had Rhyon Taylor with his huge hand span, and long arms, he was a great asset to the team for rebounds and shoving the opposition. Richard "he's nothing ah" scored some great goals with strong drives to the net, and also helped in rebounds.

We also had the great Piripi from setout who had great air time and always tried to score.

The big Motiwha "I'll mark 3 at once" Kumeroa was every where on defence but shined when it came to offence. Joshua "I'll fight him" Cowan had a strong defensive side which sometimes landed him in trouble, but also pulled out some great shots.

Carl "your all s!?! Boy" Shepherd always got the boys out of trouble with his reliable 3pt shooting, and worked well on

defence ending in run-away baskets.

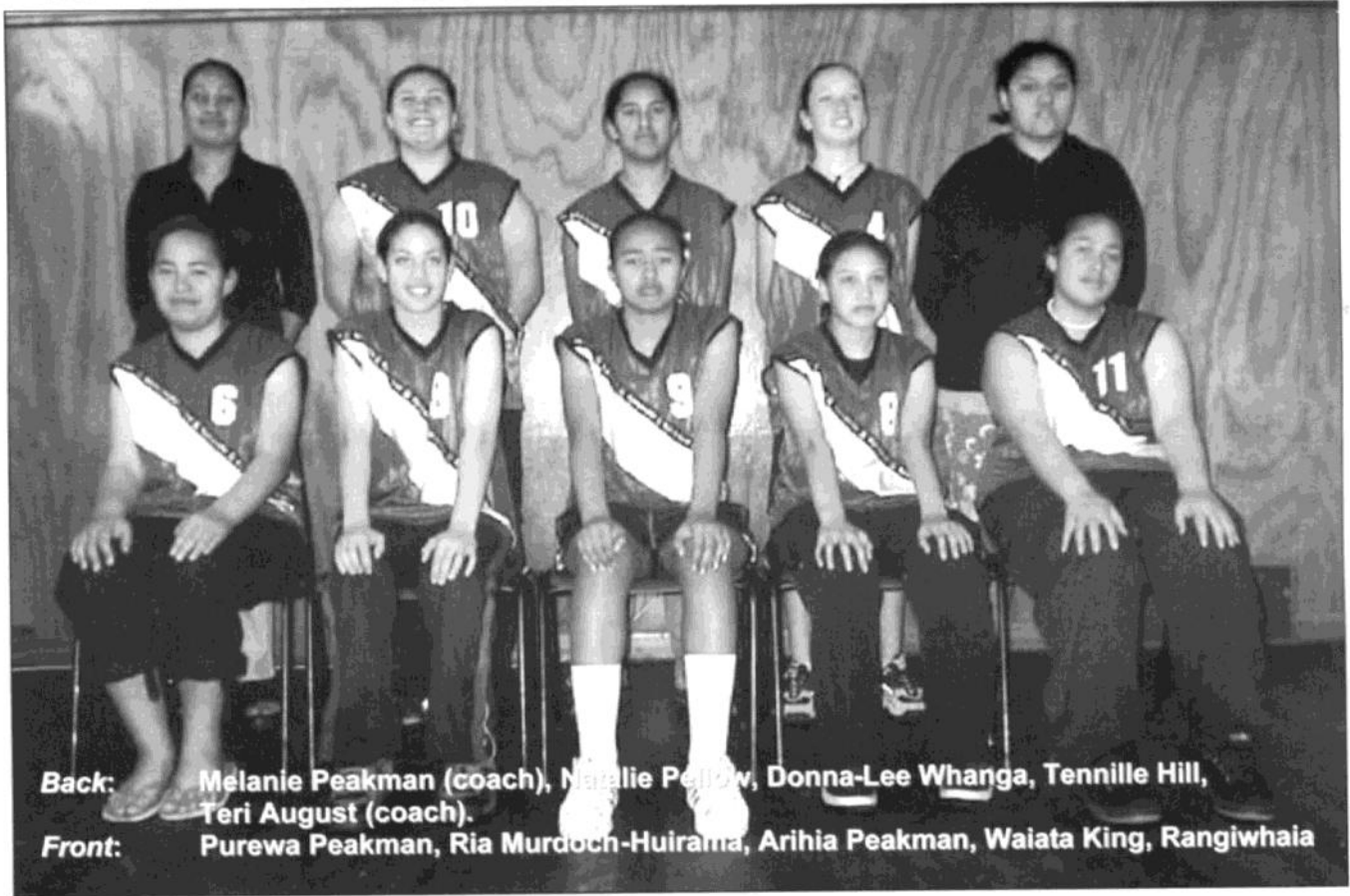
Isaac "this is my zone fool" Royal seemed to have averaged 2 blocks a game and with his height leap all over the opposition to grab reliable rebounds.

All the players had their strengths and combined made an awesome basketball team.

High-lights this year would have to be beating Huntly College and playing against the Waikato Police in which Carl and Isaac were successful dunking the ball on the cops (take that). I don't think this team could ever be replaced or the record being beaten

May the force be with you
Isaac Royal

Y11 Girls Basketball



Y11 Boys Basketball



Y10 Boys Basketball



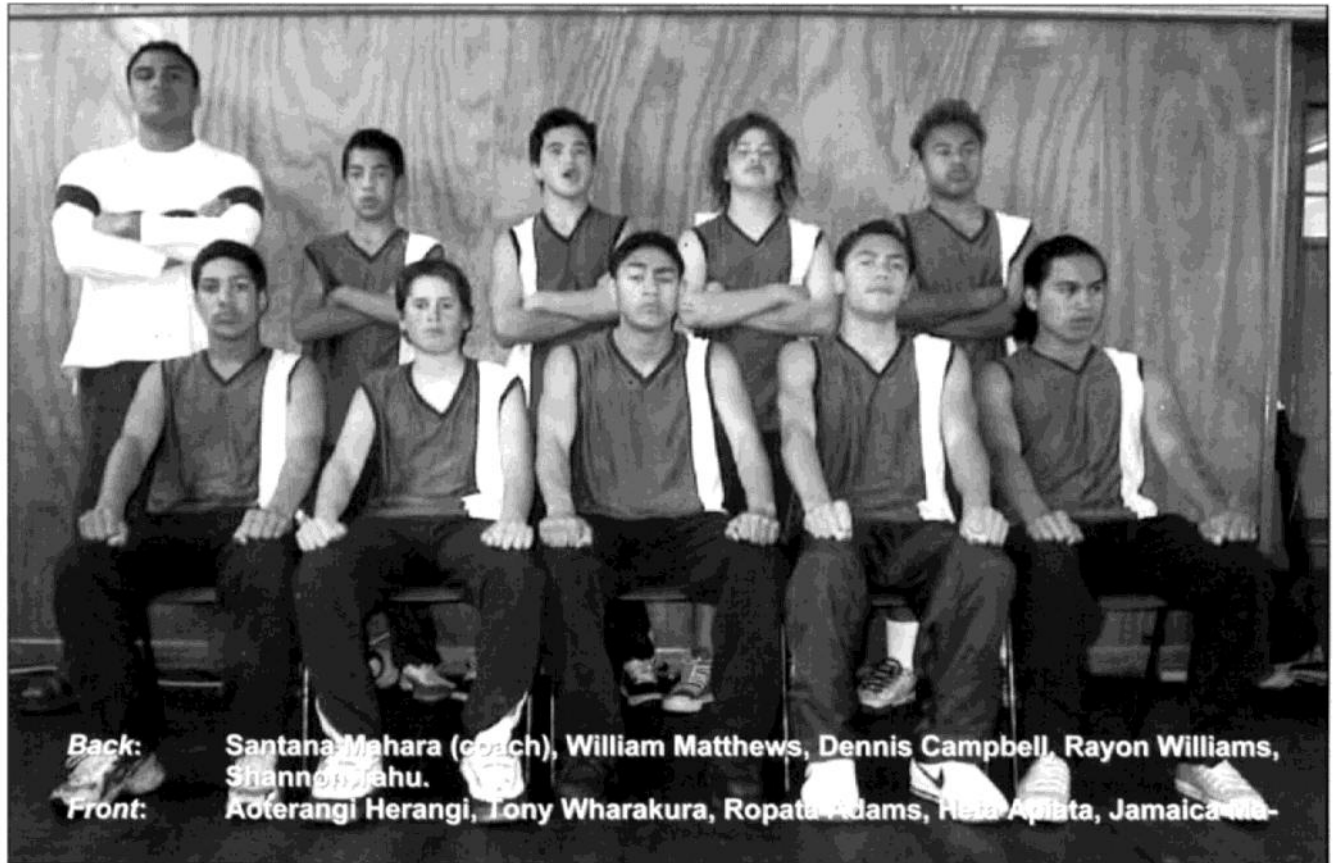
Y9 Boys Basketball



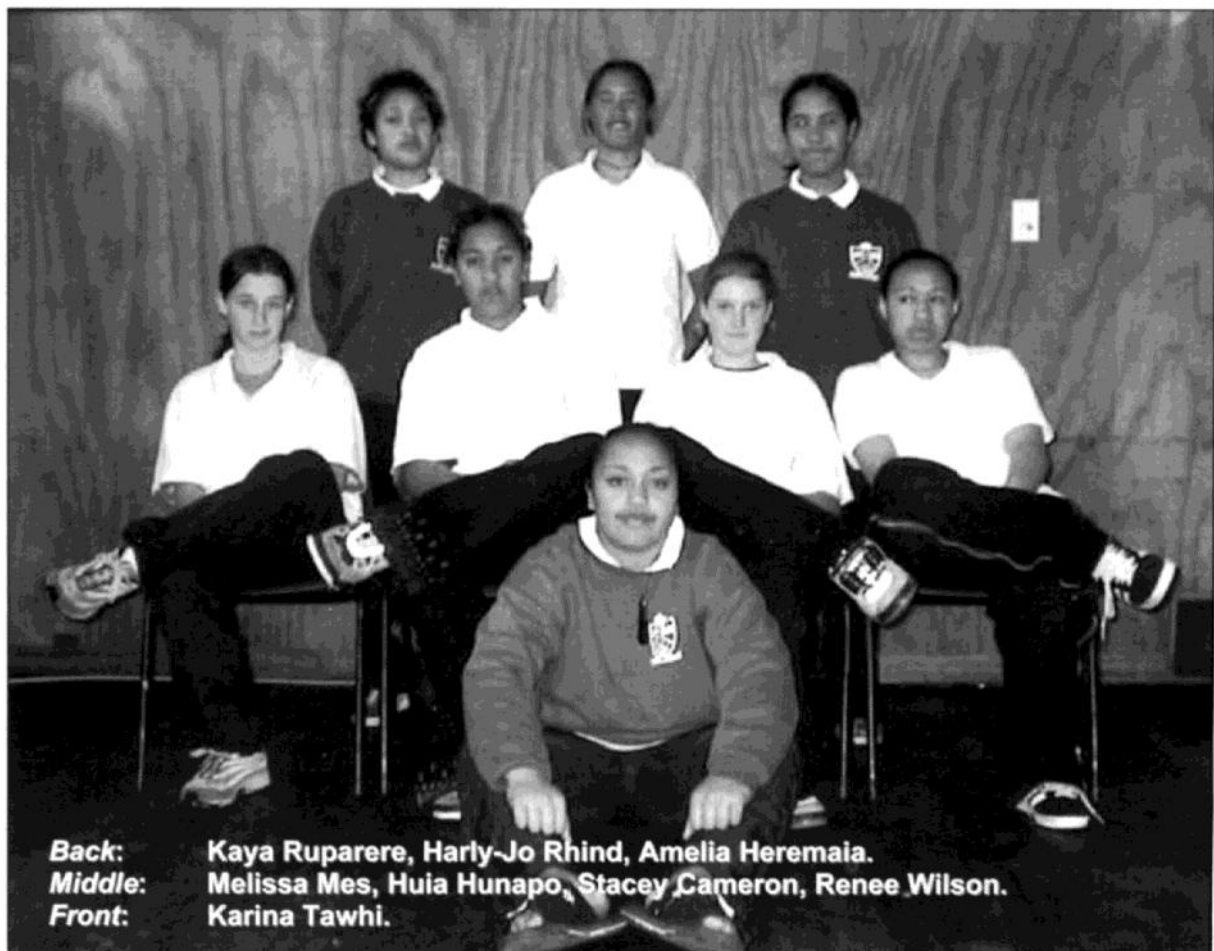
Mixed Touch Rugby



Junior Boys Touch Rugby



Junior Girls Touch Rugby



The Girls 1st XV

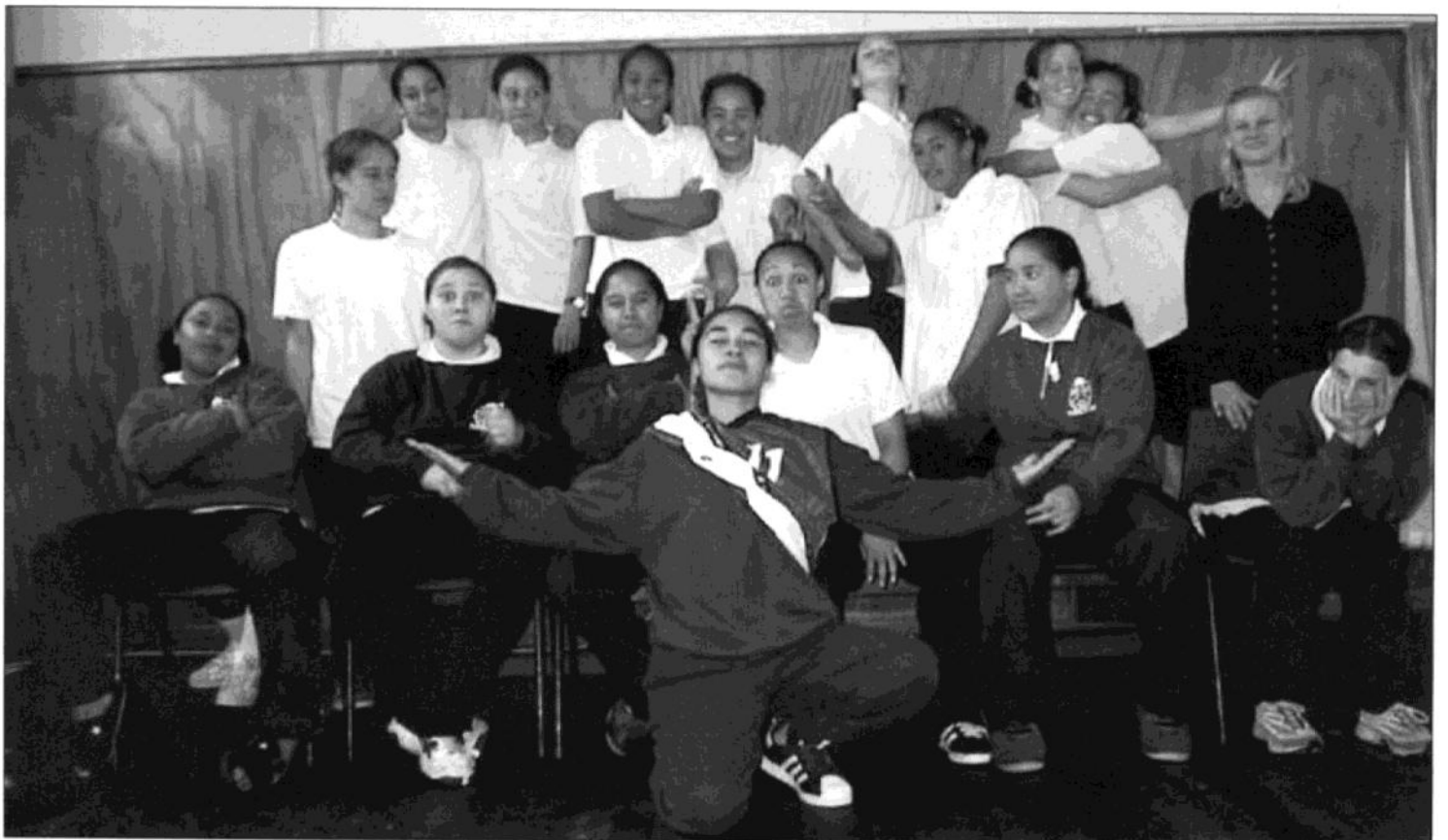


Back: Ebony Tukiwaho, Camellia Turner, Tennille Hill, Anita Crosby.

Middle: Arihia Peakman, Natalie Jackson, Waiata King, Purewa Peakman, Huia Hunapo, Jean Middleton, Julia Crutchley (manager)

Front: Karina Tawhi, Kirsty Matika, Huia Iwihora, Renee Wilson, Kaya Awa, Melissa Mes

Foreground: Tira Crosby.



The 1st XV



Y11 Girls Volleyball



Back: Ellen Chilton, Jeam Middleton, Tennille Hill, Sharee Ruland, Charis Rata (coach)
Front: Joy Charlton, Lois Tipa, Rangiwhaia Mete, Ria Murdoch-Huirama

Y11 Boys Volleyball



Back: Charis Rata (coach), Taane McGrath, Jorel Daniels, Tori Baker, Tyler Moeke, Jonathon Sunnex.
Front: Rhyan Taylor (coach), Luke Jerome, Tukuhiho Huirama, Vincent Mete, John Apiata.

Hockey





Wahanaū Competition Results



SWIMMING

- 1st Mokau
- 2nd Pare Waikato
- 3rd Tamaki
- 4th Pare Hauraki



ATHLETICS

- 1st Mokau
- 2nd Tamaki
- 3rd Pare Hauraki
- 4th Pare Waikato



CROSS COUNTRY

- 1st Pare Waikato
- 2nd Pare Hauraki
- 3rd Tamaki
- 4th Mokau



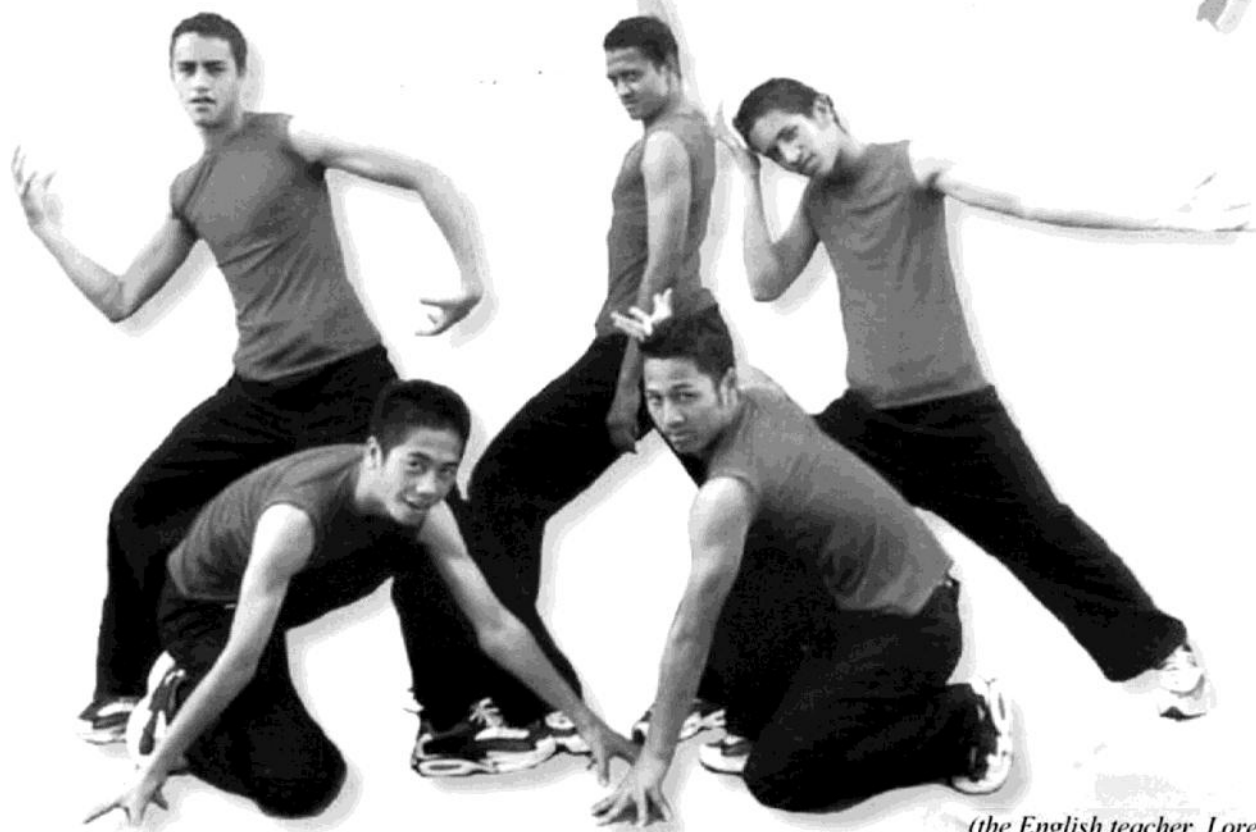
NETBALL

- 1st Pare Hauraki
- 2nd Tamaki
- 3rd equal Mokau & Pare Waikato



The Aerobics Teams

Some-Yum-Guys



*The story continues as some would say
We're not the T-Birds but we still know
the time of day*

*We're all in da van, and going to the
Mount
There's heaps of us, too many to count
So we're all off to dance, all 11 of us
Gail holds the keys to this here bus
With clouds overhead we make our way
there*

*Vicky's trying to read this with her animal
hair
She's the captain of our, wait here it is, so
alas
The one, the only, true, **Explicit Azz***

*The other group don't despise
It's the boys on the rise
It's the **SOME YUM GUYS***

*Hopefully, with the help of Barney and one
other*

*(the English teacher, Lorena Strother)
We'll be able to come away with the
win
But we'll still feel accomplished
If we put everything in
So I guess it's not whether we win or we
lose,
It's how we play the game
That's what we chose*

*No one's better than the other here, you
could say
We're all the same*

Carl Shepherd



Explicit Azz



The school entered two teams in the Regional Aerobics in Tauranga this year, both coached by past NHS aerobics medallist Brad Wharakura. They came 1st and 2nd and earned the right to enter the Australian competition.

Although unplaced they had a wild week in Surfers Paradise and did the school credit.



The Ski Trip

The trip started off with a lovely downpour of rain. We left Ngaruawahia after school in search of better weather but to our dismay it was just as wet at National Park. We arrived at National Park at about 9.00 pm. Our only stop had been at Otorohonga for a meal of fish 'n' chips from the best fish 'n' chip bar in the west. When we finally arrived at National Park it was absolutely freezing so it was a mad rush to get our clothes out of the vans and into our rooms. Lucky for the boys there was a pool table and a stereo which plagued us for most of the night.

All too soon we heard Mrs. Gray's cheery 'rise and shine everybody - it's a lovely day today'. Unfortunately, it wasn't. The weather was still grey and drizzly. Nonetheless, we were in the vans by 8 o'clock, well, the girls were. The boys were still having breakfast as well as having to make a detour to get Rhyen's size 16 snow boots—Big Foot.



Day one was spent falling over, getting up, falling over, getting up and falling over again. Finally the penny dropped and off we went, managing a whole turn until we fell over again. Joy for all, even if we couldn't really see where we were going. By the end of the day most of us were able to do what Mr Murphy and our instructor had patiently told us to do, at different levels of expertise of course. Rather wet and getting cold, we returned to our lodge to a hot shower, cooked our evening meals and went to bed early.

The weather on day two improved slightly. The brave and intrepid stayers were off up the mountain again with the dropouts playing slides in the snow and hanging off lifts half way up a slope.

All in all, we all improved our skills in the snow and are raring to go again next year.

