

Celebration of the Centenary of Newcastle Public High School, which commenced in this building on 5th June 1906 This plaque was unveiled by ex-students of the school 5th June 2006

Newcastle Girls High School Ex Students Union Newcastle Boys High School Old Boys Association





History

The first high school in Newcastle, Newcastle Public High School (generally known as Newcastle High School), commenced on this site in June 1906, and was the first co-educational high school in NSW. It developed a well deserved reputation for academic performance, and fostered excellence. The first headmaster was Charles Rattray Smith – known as Caesar because of his love of Latin. In 1930, this selective school divided into Newcastle Girls High School (Hamilton) and Newcastle Boys High School ("School on The Hill" until 1933, and then Waratah), which continued the culture, and academic and sporting performance established by the "School on The Hill". These schools continued until 1976 (last students 1978).

The archives and artefacts of these schools (1906-1976) have been collected by the ex students, and established as the Caesar Smith Collection, held in trust by Newcastle City Council.

Remis Velisque "With Oars and Sails"



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Three Sails, Three Schools, Remis Velisque.

CENTENARY PLAQUES

Newcastle East Public School From 11.00 am - Monday 5th June 2006

Program

Morning tea on arrival

Students Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus

Musical Interlude

All That's Left of Us (nee NBHS Jazz Band)

Introduction by Charles Rattray Smith, MA

God Save the King

all

Newcastle High School Song

all

Welcome by Principal Newcastle East Public School

John Beach

Address by Director-General of Education

Trevor Fletcher

Memories

Ex-Students of Newcastle High School

Unveiling of Commemorative Plague

Unveiling of History Plaque

National Anthem

all

Musical interlude

All That's Left of Us (nee NBHS Jazz Band)

Program concludes

All That's Left Of Us (nee NBHS Jazz Band)

The Newcastle Boys High jazz band was formed during the 1970s. It performed at many venues, including entertainment around Newcastle for sick and elderly people who were unable to get about.

Welcome back to : Warwick Alder, Michael Blaxland, Ian Bennet, Brian Donegan, Martin Hill and Shane Keys.

God Save The King

God save our gracious King, Long live our noble King God save the King Send him victorious, happy and glorious Long to reign over us God save the King

Newcastle High School Song

Words by R.G. Henderson Tune: "D'ye ken John Peel"

D'ye ken the school on the hill so high, Bravely facing the winds and the sky, While the waves sing their song to the beaches nigh As the bell goes for school in the morning.

Chorus:

Yes when we are gone in the years far ahead When the last game's played and the last lesson said The name of the school will awake from the dead The memories of many a morning.

Serving straight in a hard-fought match Sprinting for the tape or a puzzling catch. The 'blues' from the limit man to the scratch Will still do their best night and morning. (Chorus)

Remis Velisque's the motto for all And our hearts yet again will still hear it call When the muscles are stiff that once toed the ball, Or climbed up the hill in the morning. (Chorus)