

Baseball

1st GRADE BASEBALL

The team enjoyed a very successful season which finally culminated in the quarter-finals of the Proud Shield State knockout.

Prior to the Proud Shield, the team won the local round-robin competition. We entered the first game against Tech. High as a rather unknown quantity. Some big hitting by Liddell, Openshaw and Donnan saw us gain a promising victory. The next game was against Lambton High. A solid fielding effort, with the outfield of Moore, Arms and Donnan excelling, gave us a convincing victory. The last round of this local competition was played and won against Glendale. After leading by 13 runs going into the final innings, a slackening effort in the field saw Glendale get to within 3 runs of the lead. This victory gave us the local competition.

In the Proud Shield, a bye in the first round allowed N.B.H.S. to pass into the second round against Glendale. This time the team played at full pace for the entire game and thrashed the opposition by a huge 24 runs. A feature of the game was the home runs hit by Arms, Donnan and Openshaw. Another highlight was smart base running of first baseman, Grant Morton. In the third round we drew a strong Sydney side, Engadine High. Engadine were very confident and with two Australian schoolboy representatives, they had every reason to be. The game was very exciting and some very good baseball was played. We started slowly and after the third innings Engadine led by 3 runs. However, some good batting in the fourth innings reduced the leeway. This batting revival gave us the confidence necessary to hold the opposition scoreless for the rest of the game while we went on to score the winning runs. A pleasing feature of the game was the good fielding form shown by replacement, shortstop Tony Munro and also the improved batting of David Moore.

The quarter-final against Henry Kendall High proved to be a very close game. Both teams played great baseball in a game in which fielding errors were practically non-existent. Once again we started a little nervously and Henry Kendall led by two runs almost from the start. However, the team settled down and tight fielding from the infield kept the opposition scoreless for the remainder of the game. Unfortunately our batters were finding it equally difficult to score and it was not until the last innings that we started to string our hits together. With two out runners on first and second, John Pattey hit through centrefield. This enabled the first of the runners, Brad Dawson to score but Mark Stone, the equalising run, was given out at home.

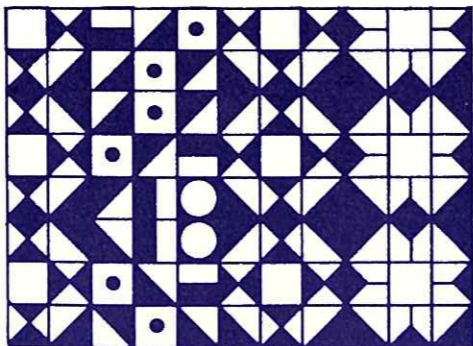
Despite being defeated, the team put up a magnificent effort against a team which had already demolished Lambton High by 16 runs. Going into this game we were already minus two regular players and a further loss was that of our coach, Mr. Cosola who had to be taken to hospital after suffering an injury in the pre-match warm-up. The team revelled in the now accustomed position of underdogs and players such as Dawson, Stone and Pattey giving their best displays of the competition. Morton took a number of spectacular running catches and on second base, Ian Liddell maintained the high standard he had set in previous games. Perhaps the highlight of a tremendous fielding game was the triple play involving Vero, Liddell and Morton which drew applause even from the opposition.

A lot of credit for the team's success this season must go to our coach, Peter Cosola who through his willingness to arrange and conduct training sessions transformed a reasonable bunch of players into an extremely good baseball side; one capable of worrying any side in the state. His enthusiasm and confidence spread throughout the team and this also helped us to go further than anyone had expected. A final word of thanks to those "talented" members of the 2nd Grade who gave us a break from regular training by providing valuable match practice and also for the vocal support they gave us during our home games.

T. Vero.



Back Row: M. Stone, D. Bell, I. Liddell.
Sitting: T. Munro, T. Vero, Mr. P. Cosola, D. Moore, G. Arms.
Absent: G. Morton, P. Donnan, J. Openshaw.



Basketball

Back Row: D. Hall, G. Pyke, D. Broad.
Sitting: Mr. J. Imrie, J. Hoyle, D. Moore, D. Basic, I. Iredale.

SHELL SHIELD, CRAIG SHIELD and GRADE BASKETBALL

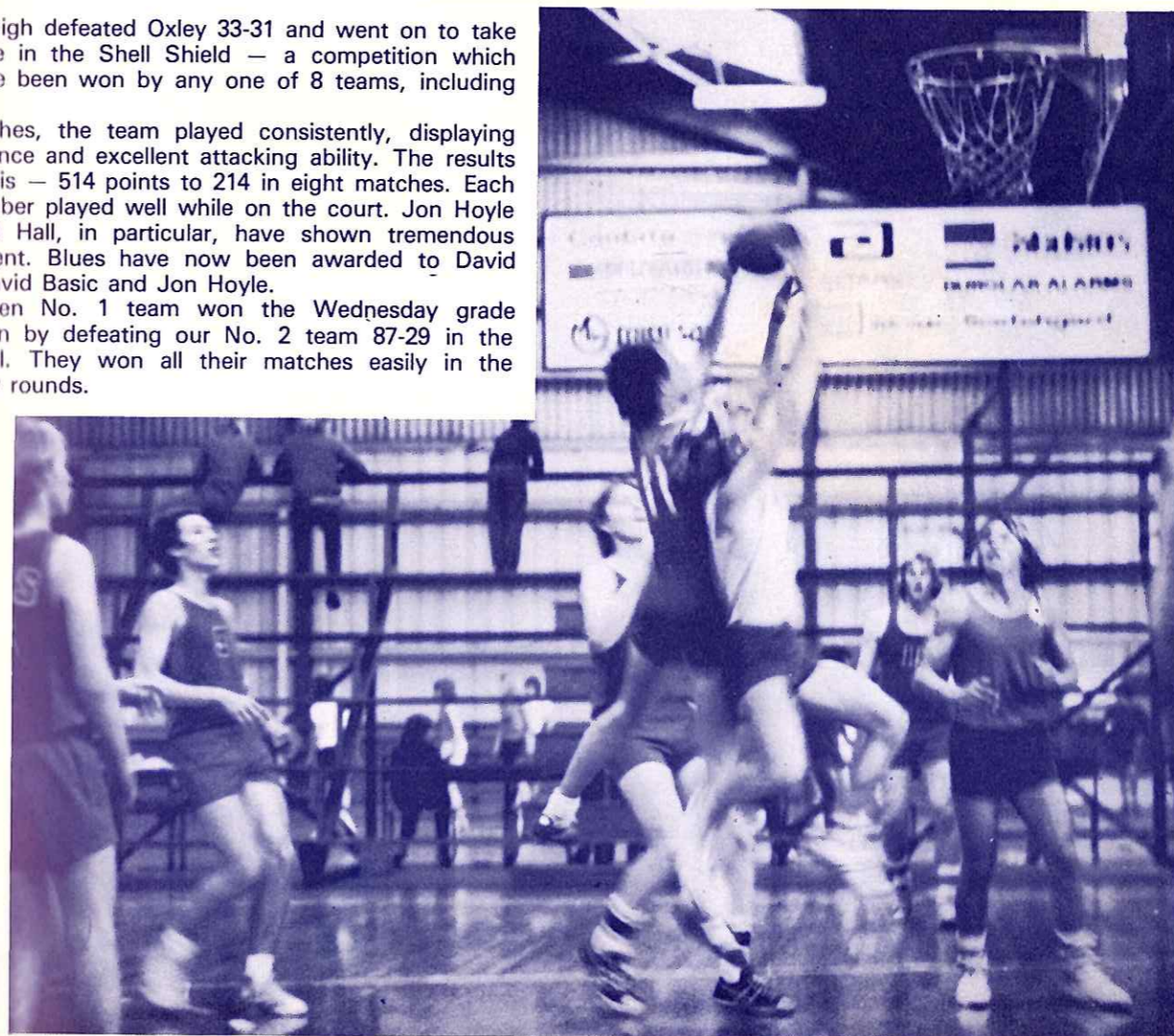
Results: Shell Shield. Defeated Booragul 99-20, Gateshead 62-24, Lambton 60-16, lost to Oxley 49-52.
Craig Shield. Defeated Marist 102-16, Wallsend 61-24, Kotara 38-23, Tech. High 43-39 [final].



Tech. High defeated Oxley 33-31 and went on to take third place in the Shell Shield — a competition which could have been won by any one of 8 teams, including N.B.H.S.

In matches, the team played consistently, displaying stout defence and excellent attacking ability. The results indicate this — 514 points to 214 in eight matches. Each team member played well while on the court. Jon Hoyle and David Hall, in particular, have shown tremendous improvement. Blues have now been awarded to David Moore, David Basic and Jon Hoyle.

The Open No. 1 team won the Wednesday grade competition by defeating our No. 2 team 87-29 in the grand final. They won all their matches easily in the preliminary rounds.



Hockey

SENIOR HOCKEY

The nucleus of the 1976 Wales Cup Hockey side was formed by the seven players, Bruce Cooper, David Walshe, John McQualter, Lindsay Kleeman, Peter Morris, Peter Hartigan and Bruce Jacobs, who with the assistance of juniors Rohan Brien and Brad Warren, played in the Zone B Wednesday competition.

These boys, sometimes playing as a team of only seven, and having to forfeit one match for shortage of players, battled on with true determination to win the Zone B Hockey competition. This effort is a fitting tribute to the enthusiasm of their Captain Bruce Cooper who really inspired the younger players.

It is very unfortunate that this team could not have had the regular support of seniors Lindsay Campbell, Stephen Buxton, Alan Logan and David Young, who were available only for Wales Cup knockout games.



Back Row: D. Young, P. Morris, B. Warren, S. Lucas, J. McQualter, Mr. A. Leask.
Sitting: S. Buxton, B. Cooper, P. Hartigan, B. Jacobs, R. Shield, D. Walshe, L. Campbell.

The Wales Cup side defeated Booragul [4-0] and Jesmond [2-1] in a really thrilling match, to be well beaten by Warners Bay High. Again, it is unfortunate that this side, with such a wealth of talent, lacked cohesion and the necessary co-ordination that comes only from consistent match practice and training together.

Outstanding individuals who will obviously develop into very good hockey players were Bruce Jacobs, Bruce Cooper, Lindsay Kleeman, Peter Morris and Lindsay Campbell.

A. M. Leask

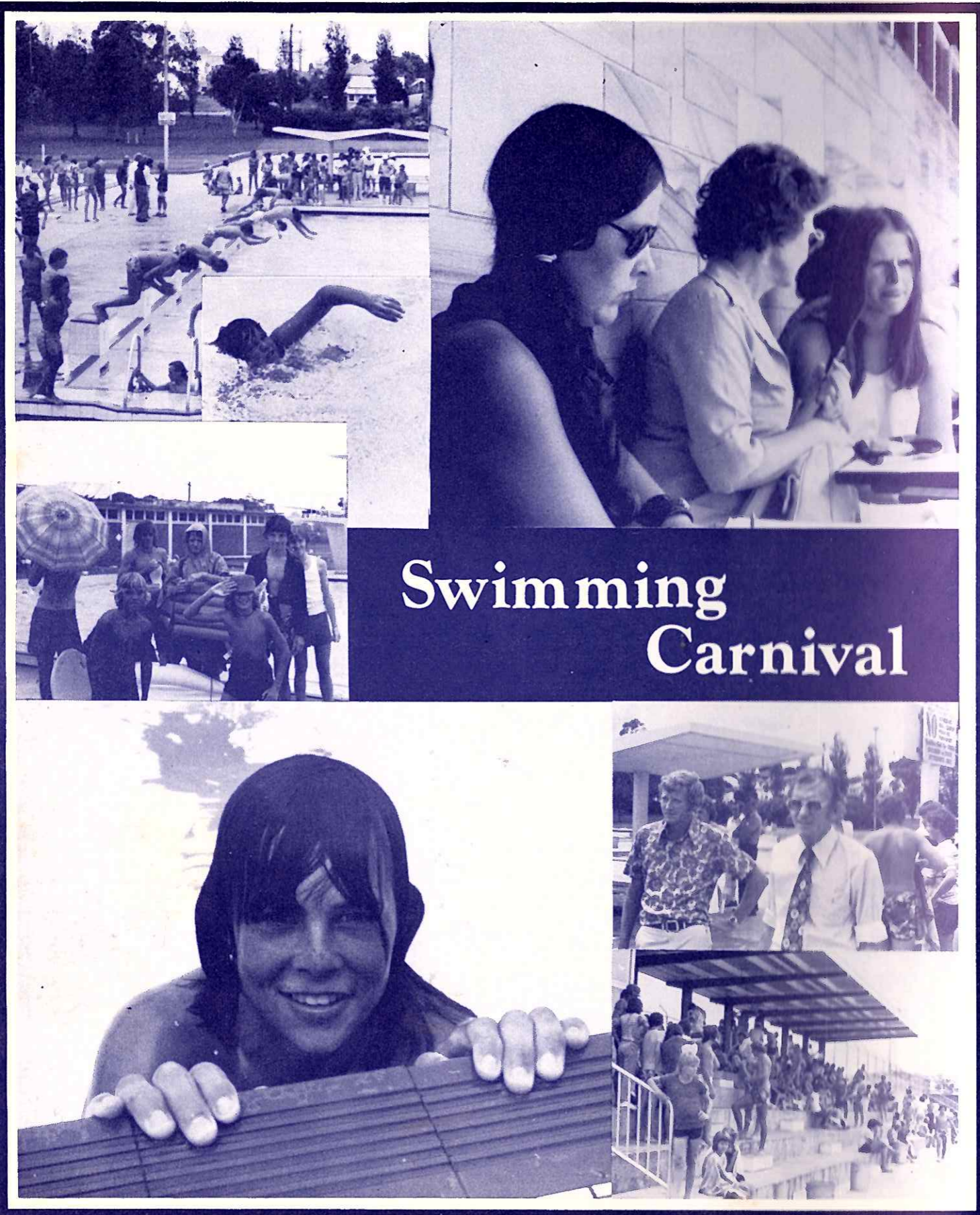
JUNIOR HOCKEY

Back Row: C. Muir, I. Miller, M. Skinner, M. Gray.
Sitting: R. Clark, D. Gray, B. Muir, T. Wilcox, G. Kouvarous, C. Brown.

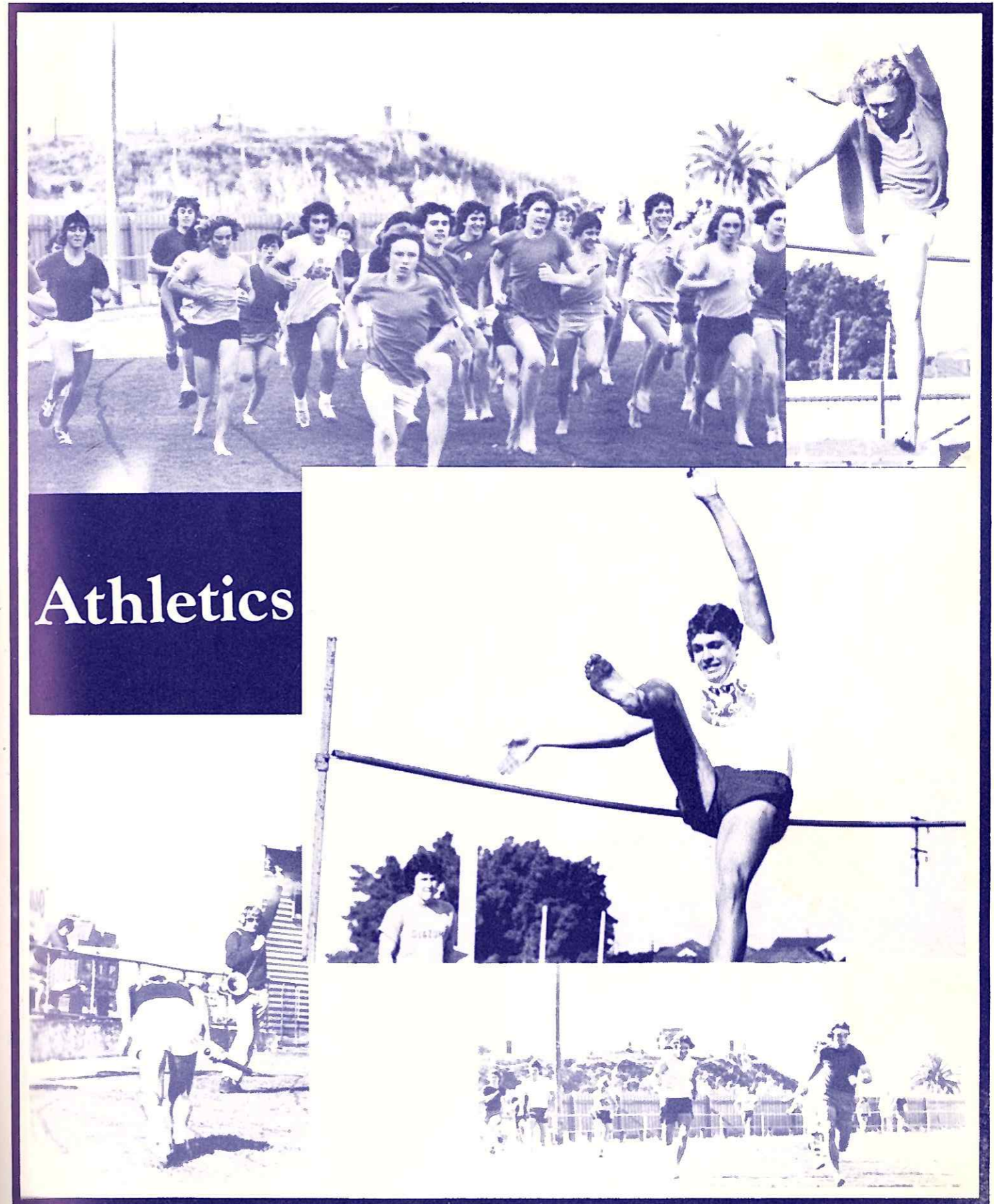


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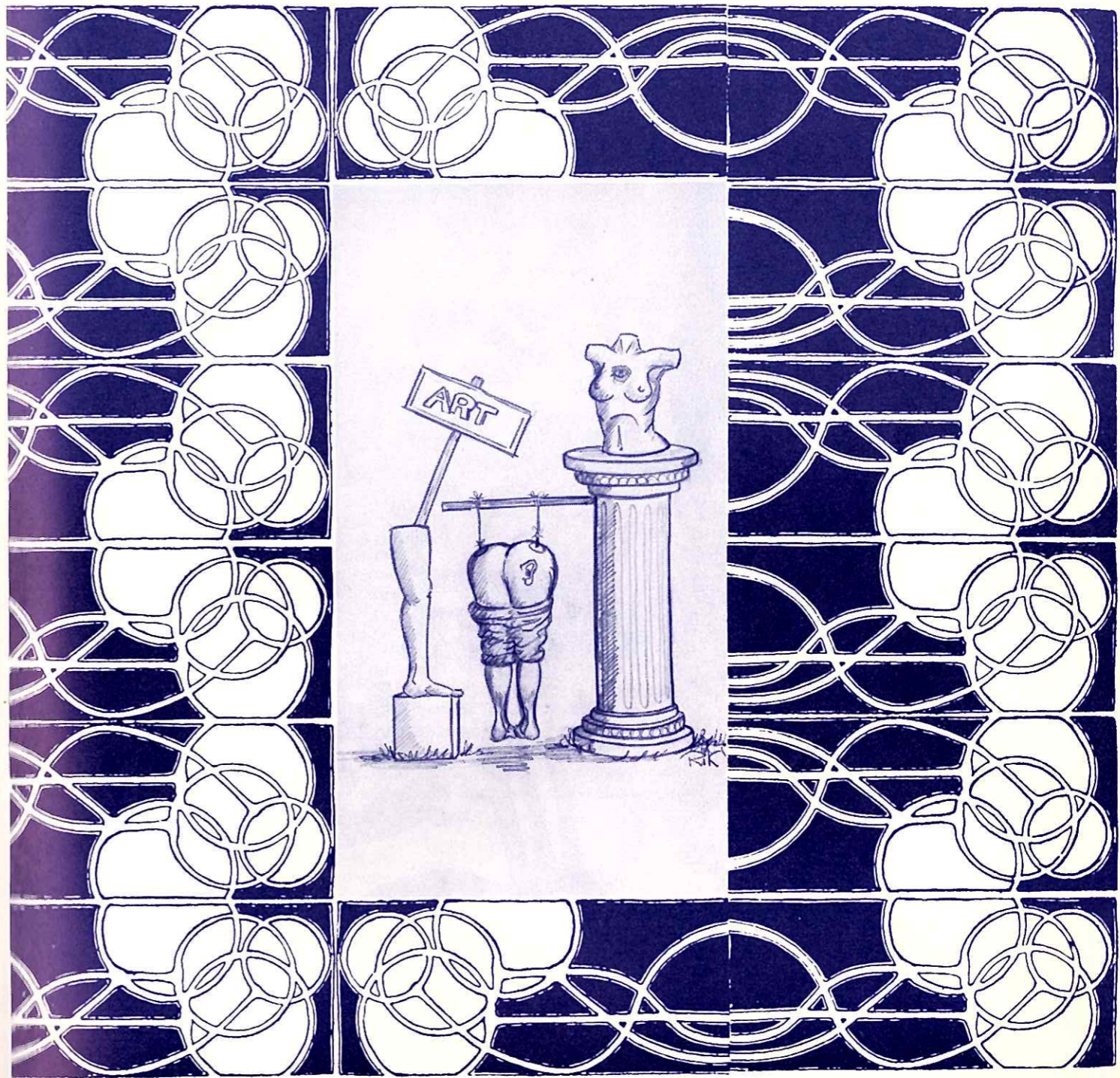
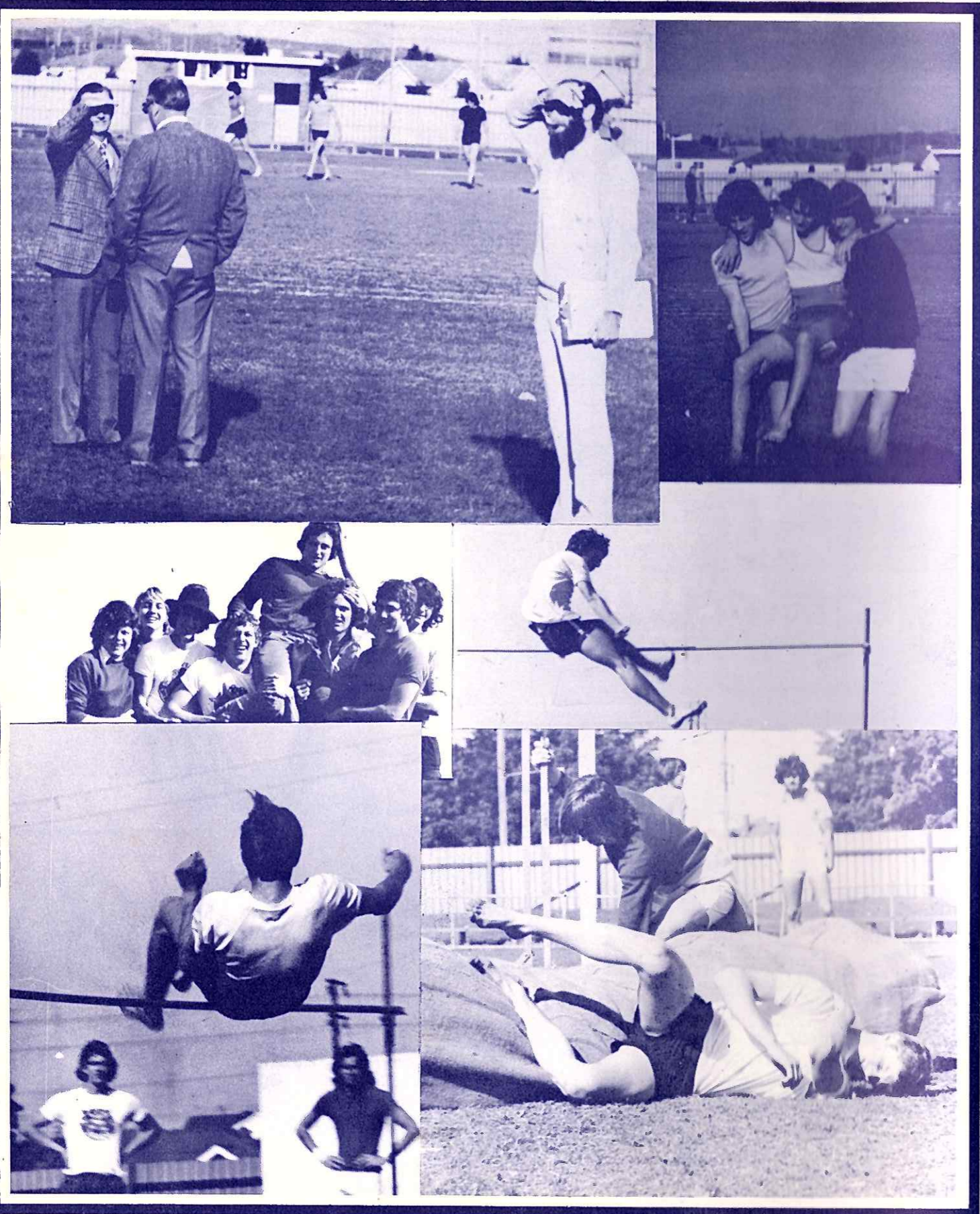




Swimming
Carnival



Athletics



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Allan McFadyen and Logan Beven Weaving.



Life goes by so fast. Stop for a moment and take a look at it.

ART REPORT

1976 has been a very disturbed year with building construction noises and the change of the art department to F block. However, we are proud of the efforts of many art students for their outstanding contributions to local exhibitions and general class work.

The following boys should be highly commended for the very high standard of work accepted for the High Schools' Exhibition, held in the Newcastle C.A.E. in August.

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| R. McClelland | R. Stott |
| D. Lucas | P. Donaldson |
| C. Catsicas | G. Kouvaros |
| R. Barker | T. Bryan |
| M. Costello | |
| H. Haskara | |
| I. Miller | T. DeSylva |
| D. Bell | S. Reid |
| M. Cinelli | G. Evans |
| M. Soper | M. Ireland |

Congratulations to Greg Price for winning a Highly Commended Award at the "Wild Flowers Competition" at the W.E.A. The artist who judged the entries spoke very highly of Greg's effort. Another fine effort was that of Mauro Cincelli's.

The Sun Art Show was well represented again this year with a reward of over forty certificates and we congratulate the following boys -

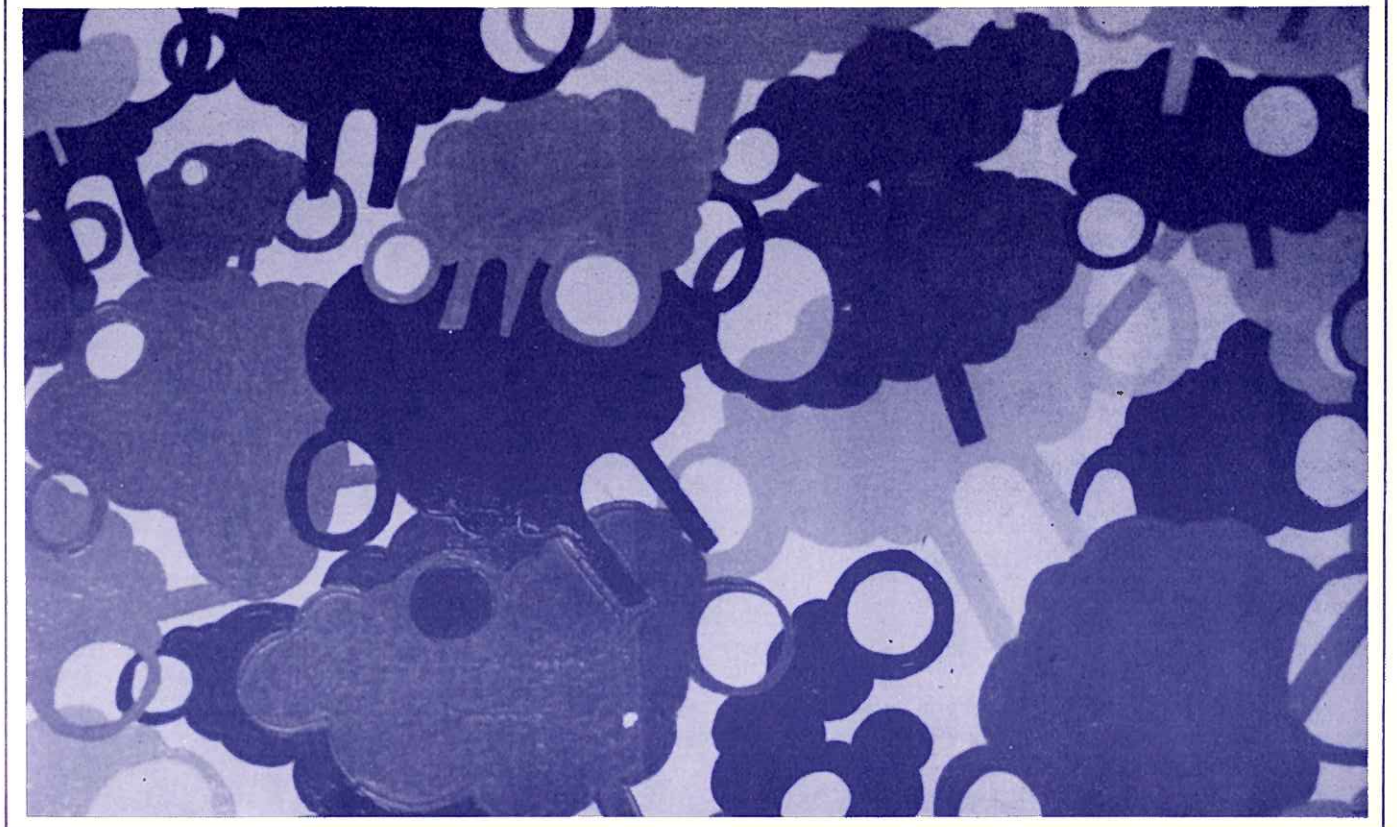
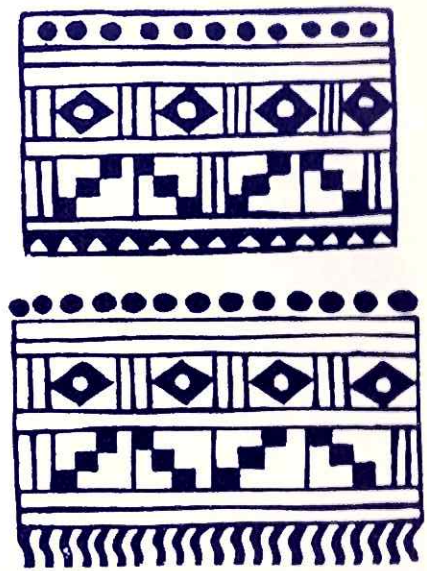
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| C. Thomas | R. De Giorgio | M. Hall |
| P. Ross | C. Fisher | R. Harges |
| M. Barnes | R. Gallimore | S. Pritchard |
| S. Sutton | G. Palmer | B. Hicks |
| J. Farmer | C. Foster | H. Haskara |
| S. Rusak | P. Dent | M. Grach |
| | M. Baldwin | J. Thomas |
| | R. Bennett | S. Pritchard |
| | T. Cosentino | Z. Ignjatovic |
| | T. Bryan | |
| | W. Hutchinson | |
| | I. Maxwell | Senior |
| | T. DeSylva | K. Digby |
| | S. Moore | T. Gough |
| | S. Brassington | W. Winsor |
| | C. Callen | M. Hanlon |
| | D. Packer | M. Cinelli |
| | D. Wade | I. Miller |
| | | E. Ziolkowski |

A welcome addition to the Art Staff this year is Miss Katharine Hird, whose energy and enthusiasm has inspired the boys to excel in many fields of art.

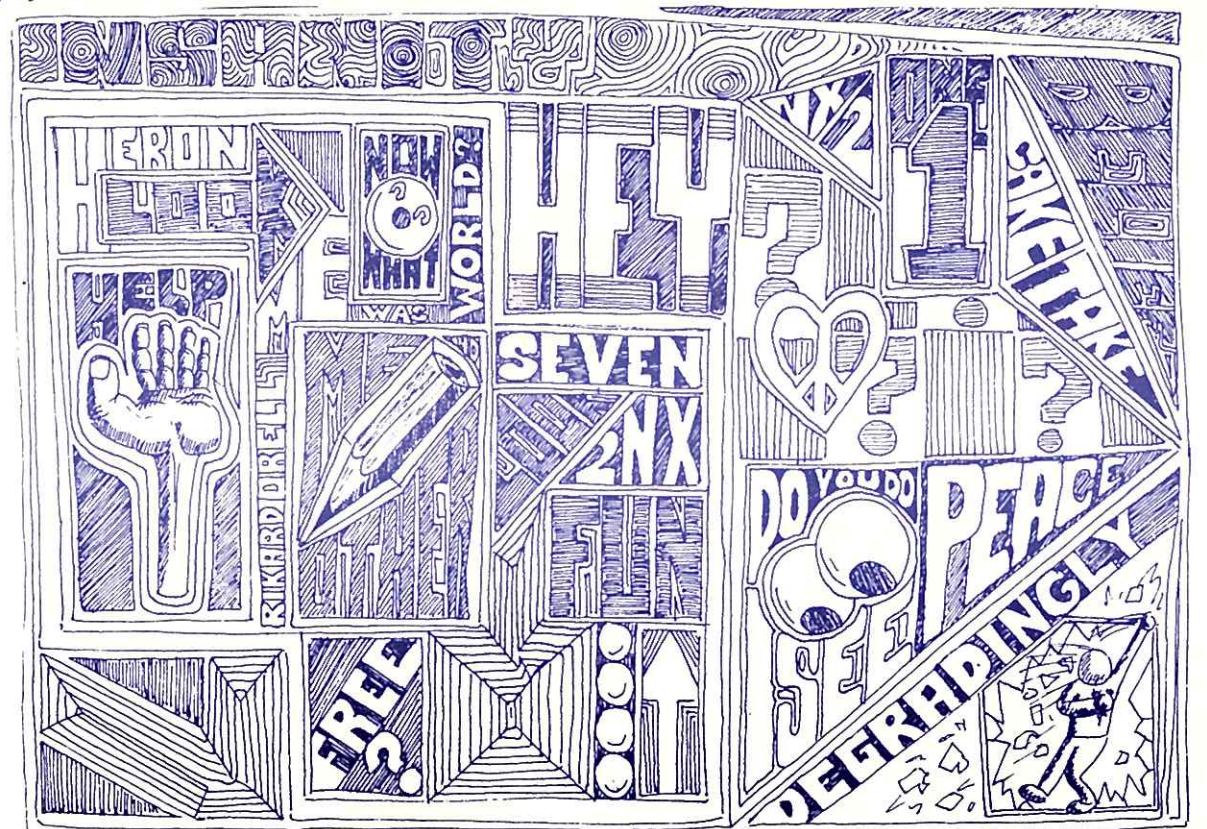
D. Shield.



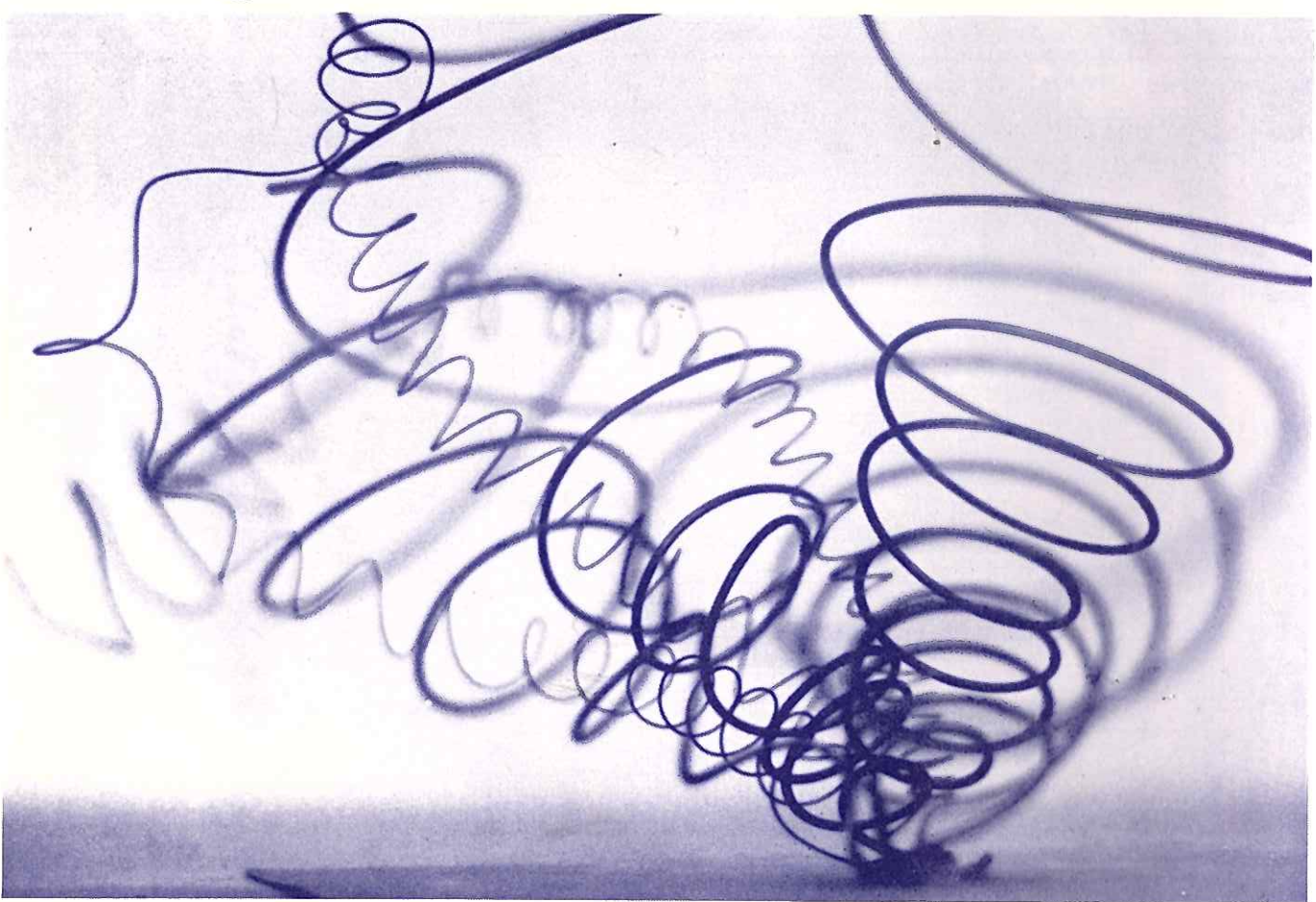
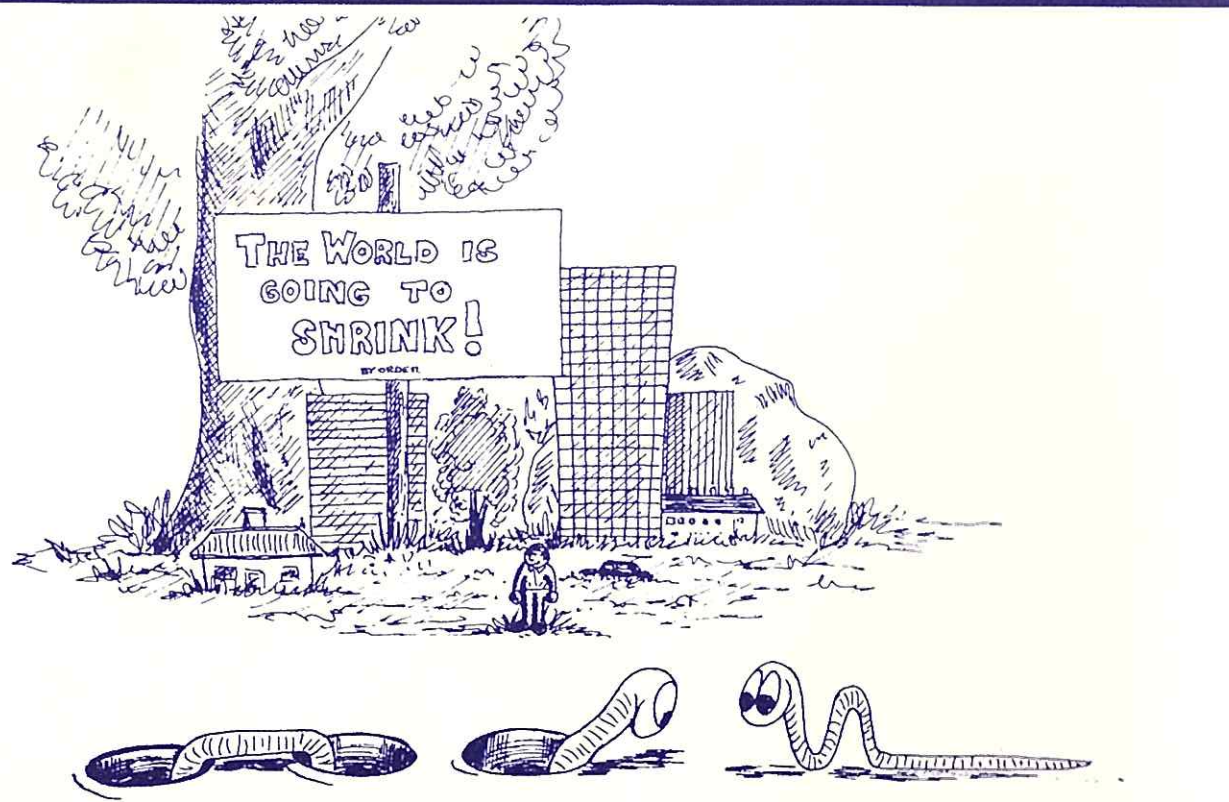
And where would we be without Len?



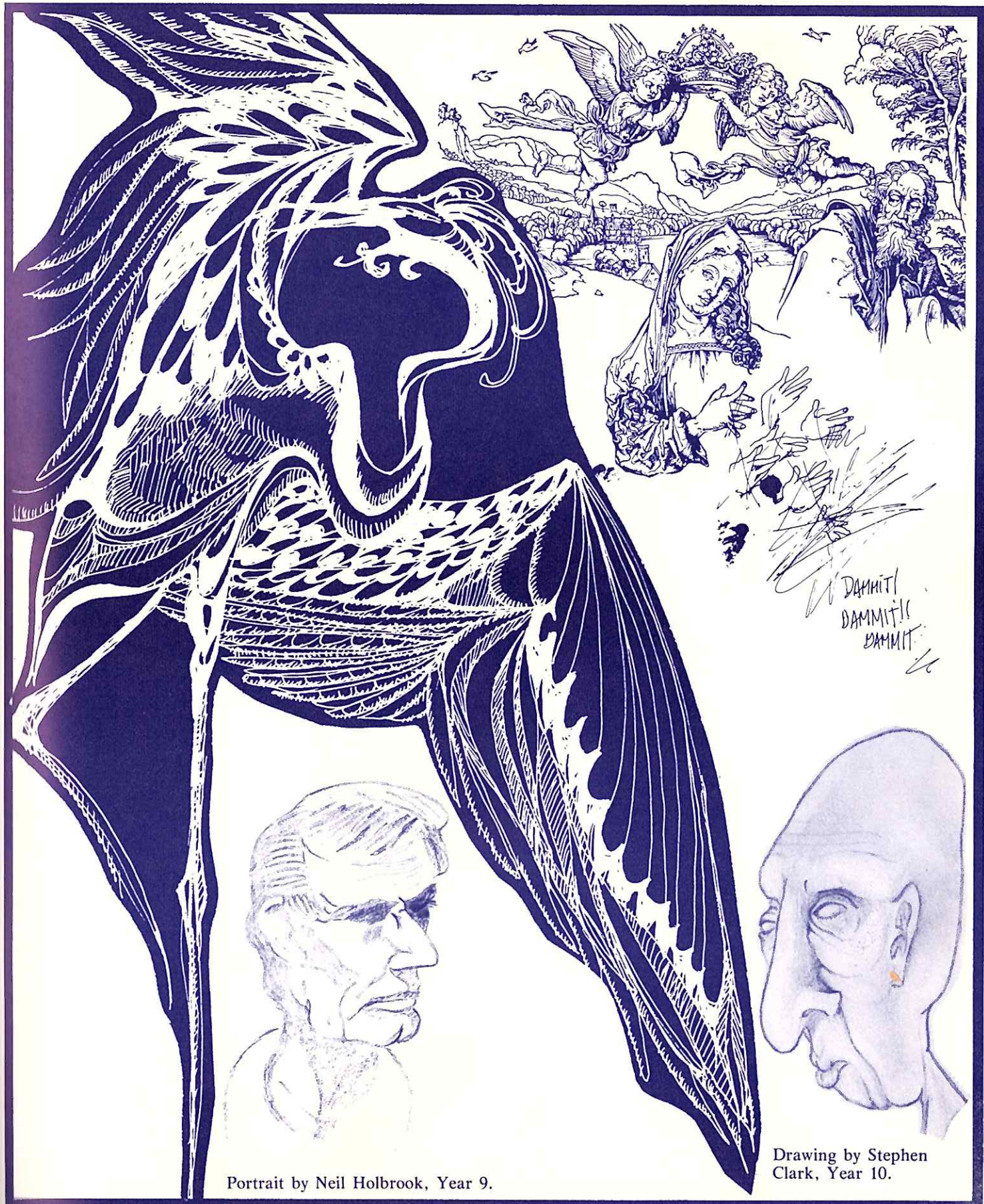
Painting by Con Catsicas, Year 12.



Drawing by Rikard Orell, Year 10.

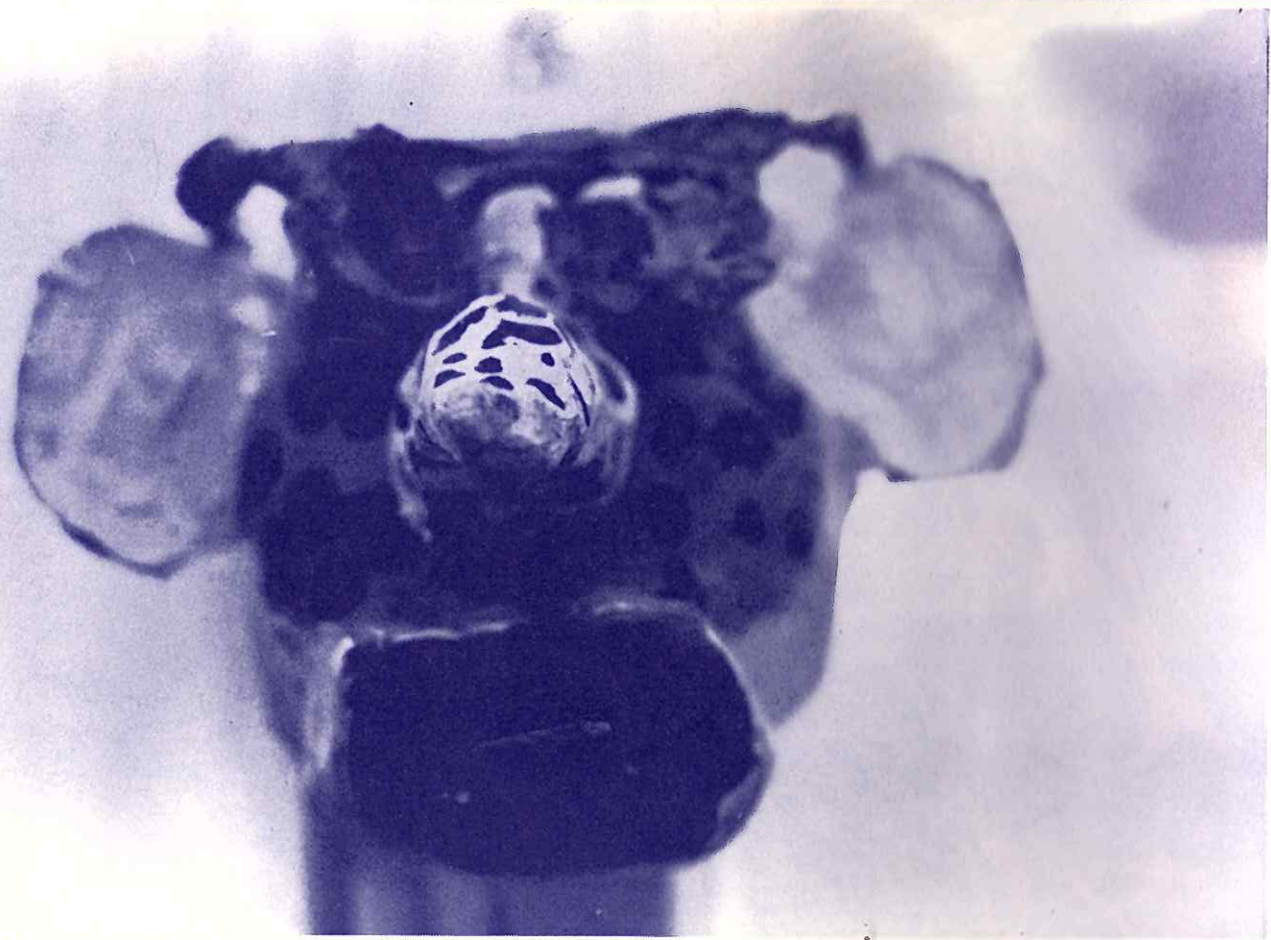


Wire sculpture by Robert Stott, Year 9.

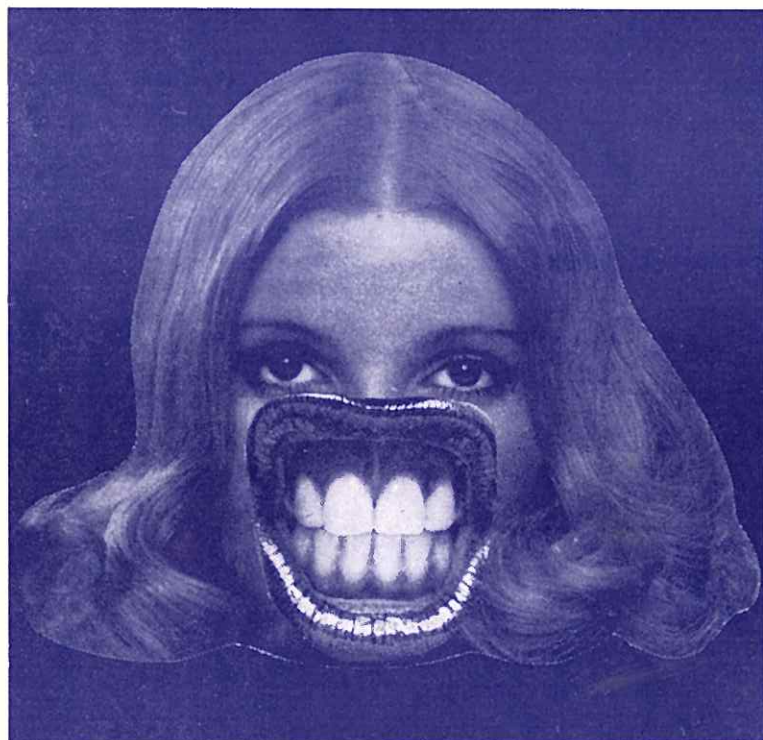


Portrait by Neil Holbrook, Year 9.

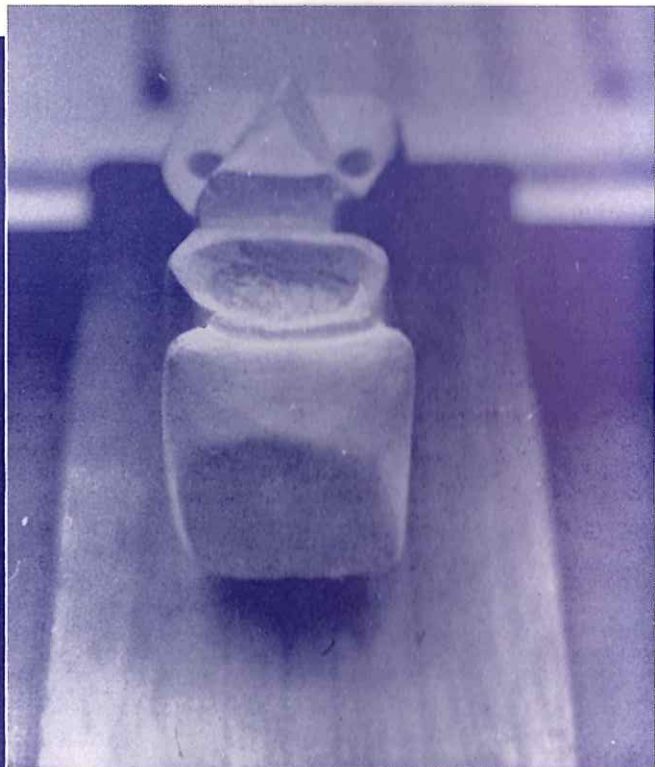
Drawing by Stephen Clark, Year 10.



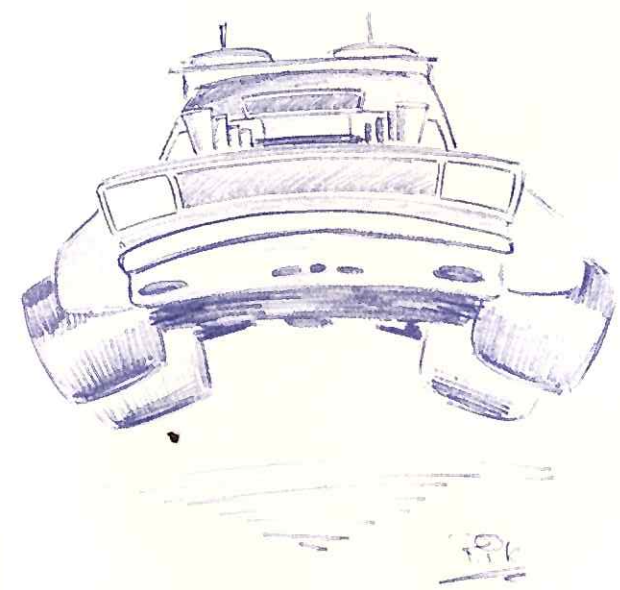
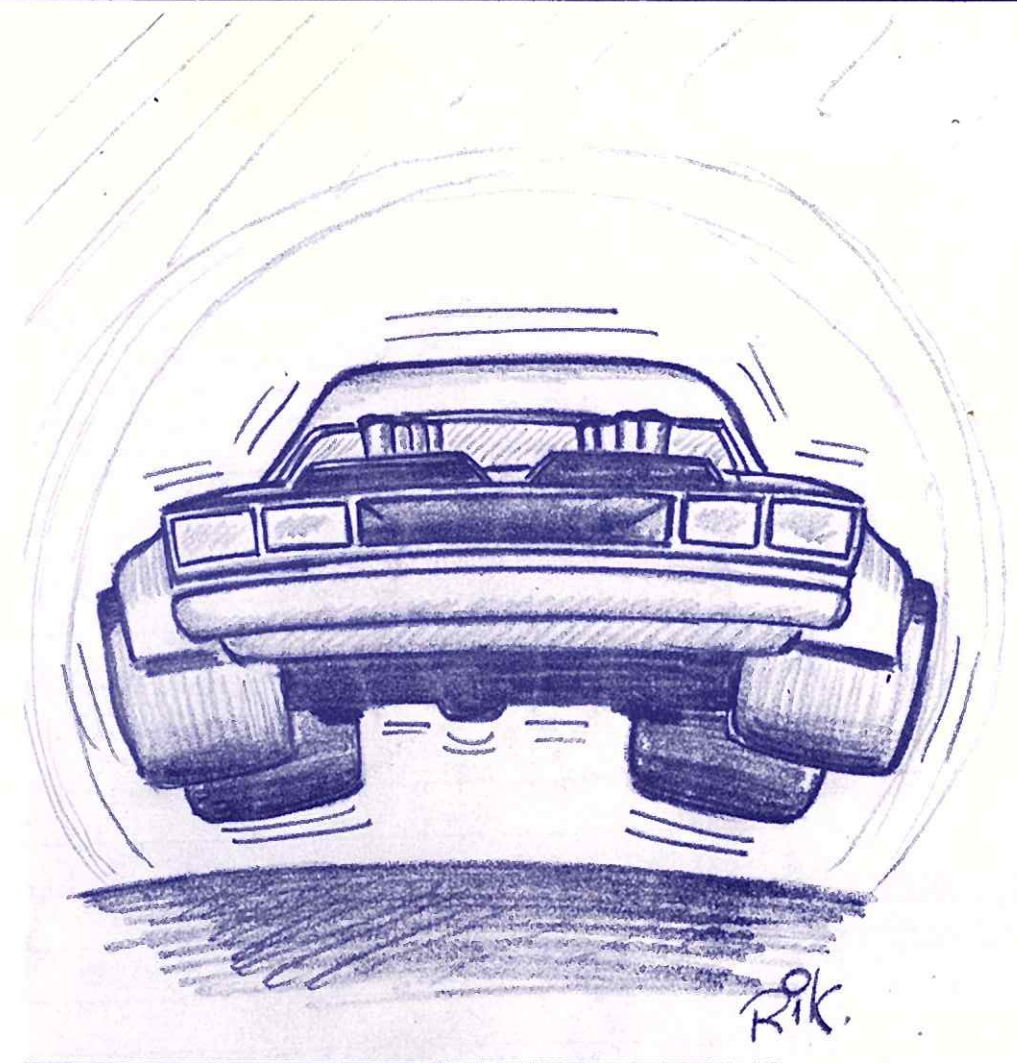
Mask by Robert Jones, Year 8.



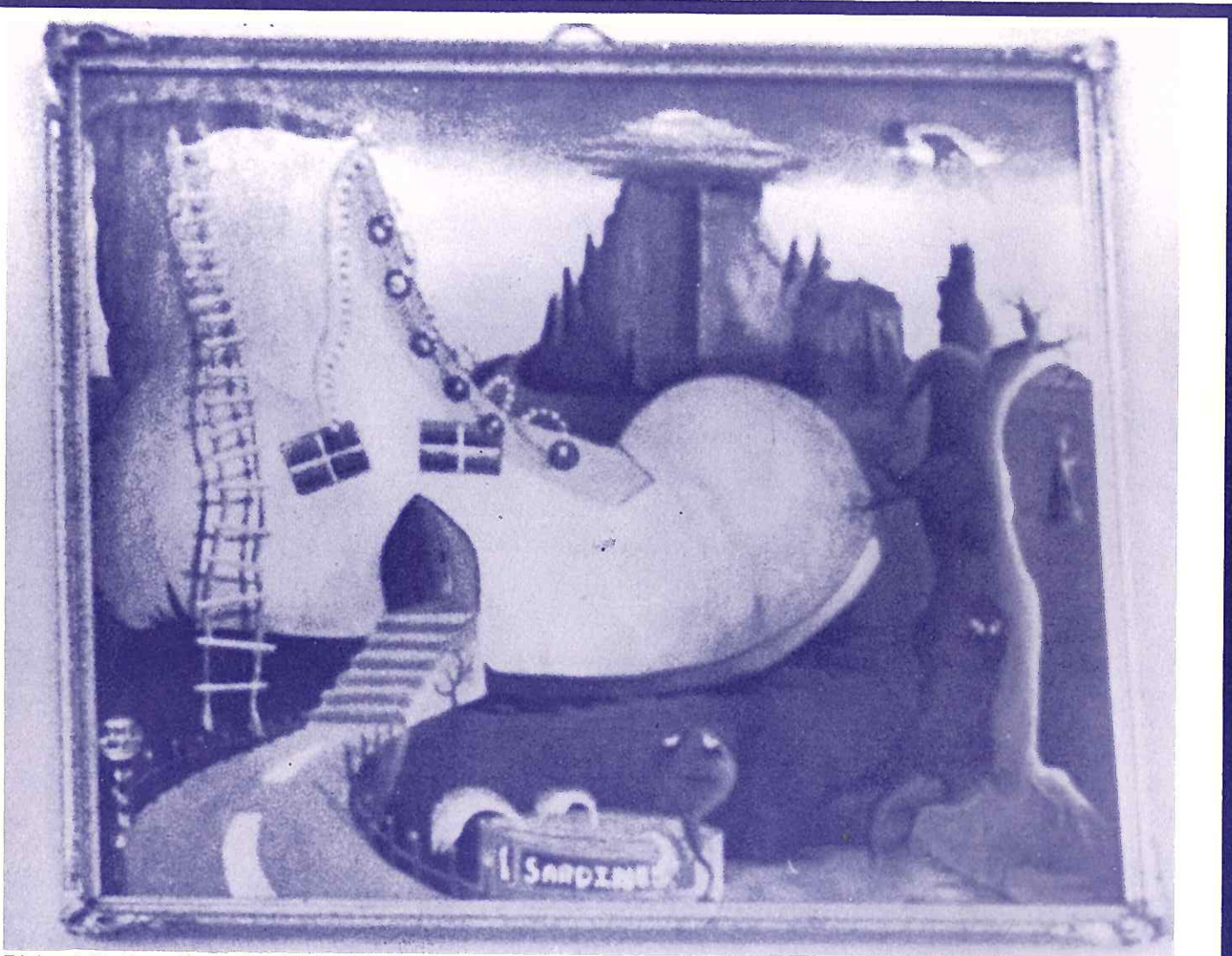
This creation by Shane Brassington and Mark Barnier, Year 8.



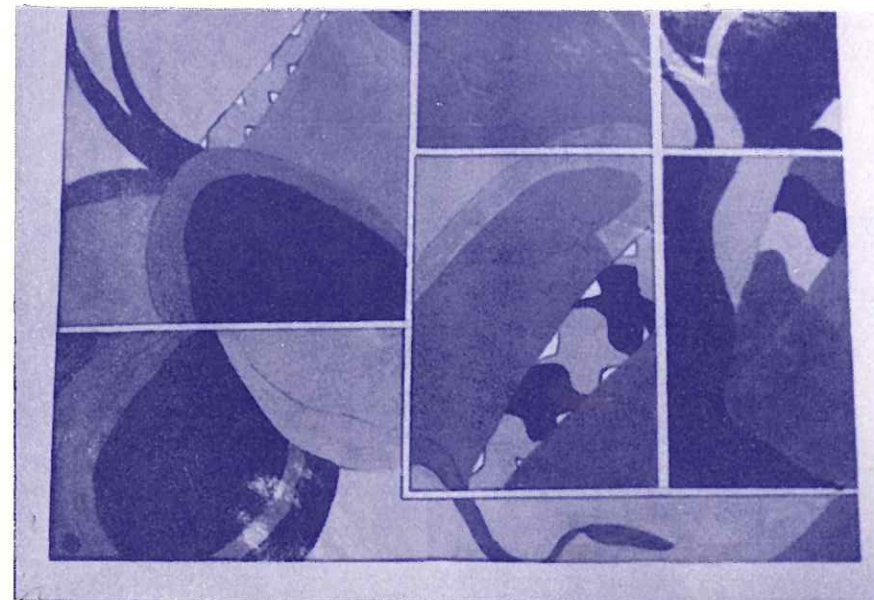
Sculptural Head by Mark Ireland, Year 8.



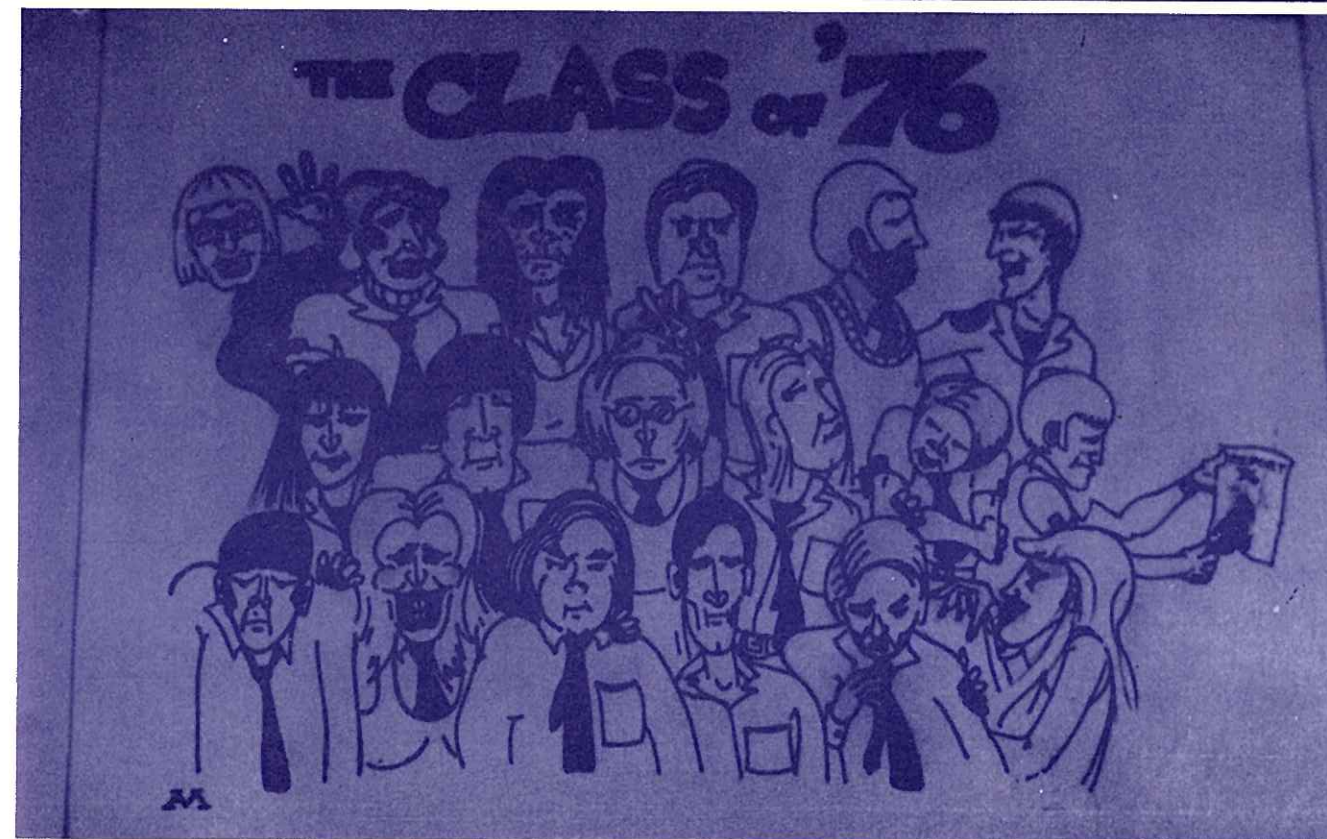
"Mechanization", Rikard Orell, Year 10.



Richard Barker, Year 12 - Major Work.



Painting by Hayden Reinish, Year 9.



Drawing by Ashley Morris, Year 12.



"Landscape" by Rikard Orell, Year 10.



Major Work - Ian Iredale, Year 12.



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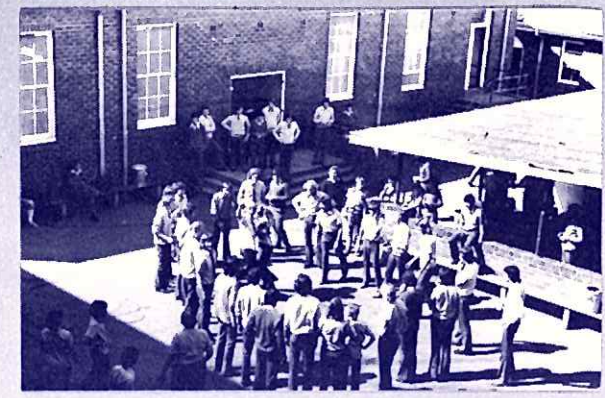
Lino Print by Terry Bryan, Year 8.



RB.

Portrait, Richard Barker, Year 12.

Hi-lites, happenings and home truths 76...



CANDID CAMERA



I go to Hayman Island for my holidays.



What's a nice boy like me doing in a place like this?



I'll drink to that.



Yes — I do prefer cream buns to vanilla slices.



No, I wont eat my salad! (Staff in-joke).



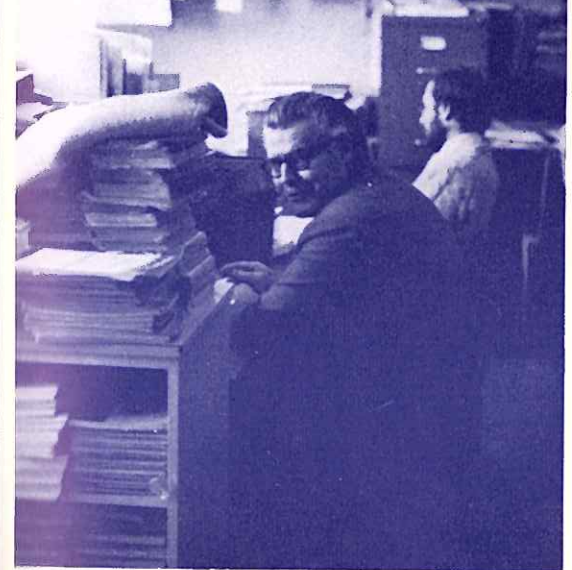
"How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable seem to me all the uses of this place".



These famous shots were taken before and after however they do not appear in that order.



Is the tea made yet? (another Staff in-joke).



"The average rainfall of Sumalia is 293 inches per annum".



Really ...

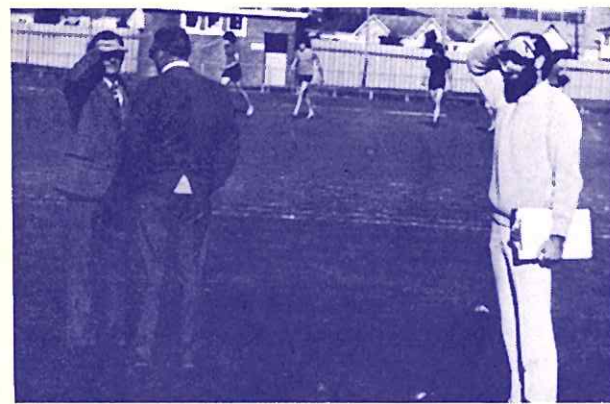
Our Venerable Staff



"I think I'll go and get another coke".



"Look here a minute...!"



Where are the boys?"



"We're going to Tahiti for our holidays".

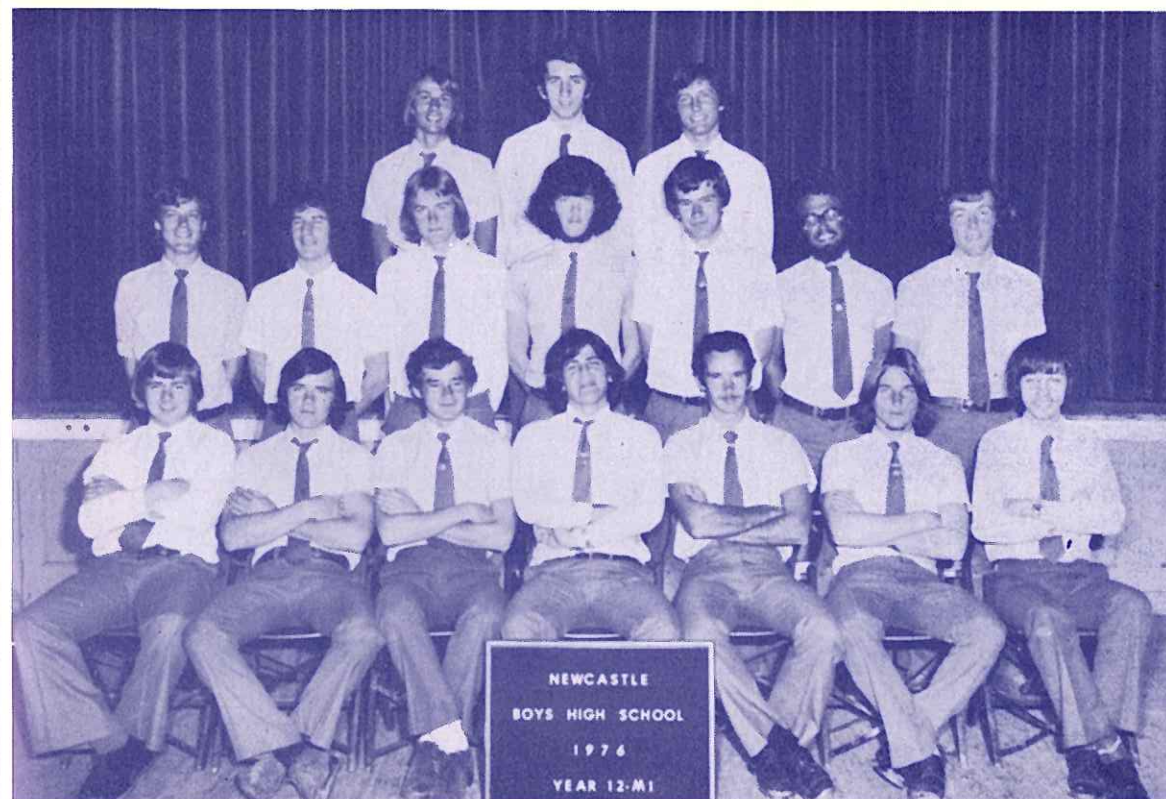


"Yes, where are the boys?"



"And now for my encore".

YEAR 12



Back Row: W. Smith, D. Basic, J. Stranger.
Middle Row: D. Neville, M. Colthorpe, S. Beath, A. Lewis, T. Vero, P. Ferris, J. McQueen.
Front Row: M. Bevan, J. Callaghan, A. Cameron, G. Markezenis, G. Burns, J. Saunders, R. Kelly



Back Row: I. Beale, R. French, S. Currow, R. Baldwin, P. Donnan, M. Collis, N. Farquharson.
2nd Row: P. Learoyd, A. Dederer, P. Hartigan, G. Marriot, D. Hunter, P. Capodistrias, G. Fraser.
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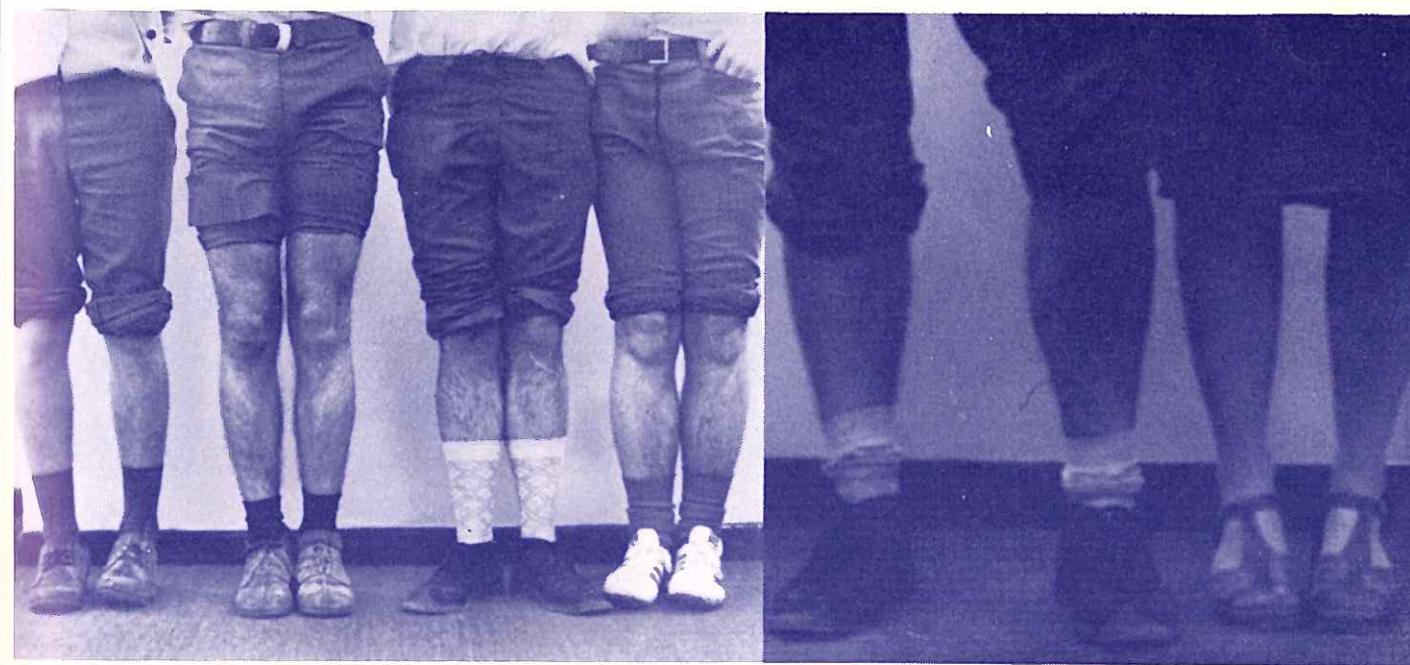
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 2nd Row: R. Boyle, D. Ross, G. Jones, J. Palfreyman, G. Heath, N. Rixon, P. Bevan.
 Front Row: J. Kottakis, P. Hunter, M. Neasey, J. Iuliano, D. Partridge, D. Lacey, L. Walker.



12M4: Back Row: F. Dobrowolski, H. Shaw, S. Hoyle, J. Besser, M. Taylor.
 Middle Row: J. Blaxland, N. Hepple, B. Terry, I. Iredale, B. Jacobs, C. Emslie, P. Thomas.
 Front Row: J. Parker, D. Wiseman, G. Evans, S. Buxton, A. Logan, B. Dipaolo, D. Upfold.



12M5: Back Row: G. Harvey, M. Halliday, G. Clayton, M. Mahon, M. Mitchell.
 Middle Row: J. Shearman, D. Thelfo, B. Elvidge, D. Moore, A. Dodd, R. Barker.
 Bottom Row: L. Campbell, C. Catsicas, R. Bird, I. Ross, G. Chambers, W. Deal, R. McClelland



Finalists in the "Lovely Legs Competition"

Guess Who Page



"The Queen of Australia is called a Prime Minister and is at present a man".



PK
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EVIL KARNEEVIL

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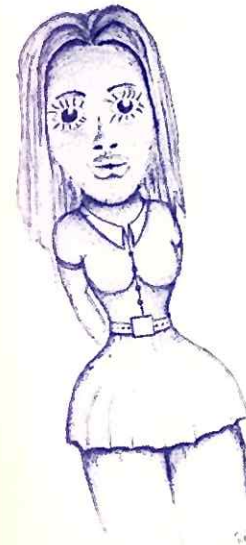


...."er um, boys, someone has stolen my tractor".

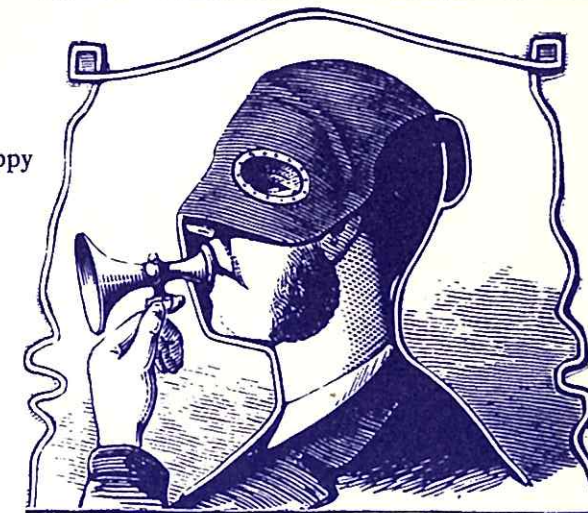
Who?



"Come HERE boy..."



"...it's superficial, stereotype, shallow, lacking depth..."



"I am unhappy about the tidyness of the school".



"COMRADE PHIL"

"I will resine!"



"Wop sport would you?"

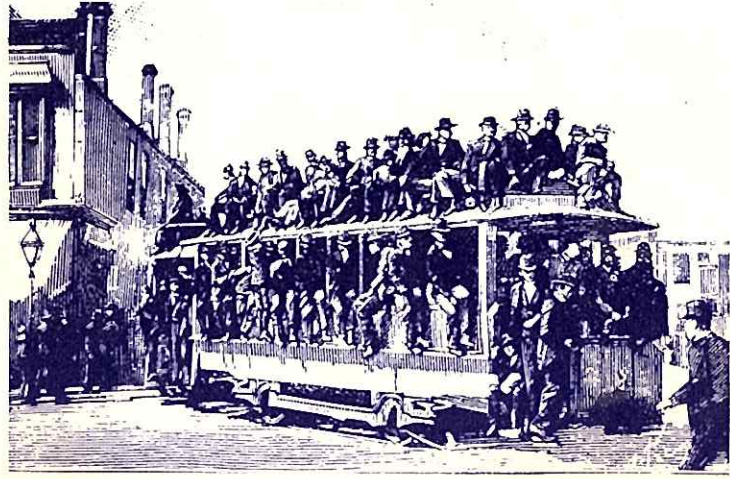
"Reeelly gentlemen"

"Jot this down boys"

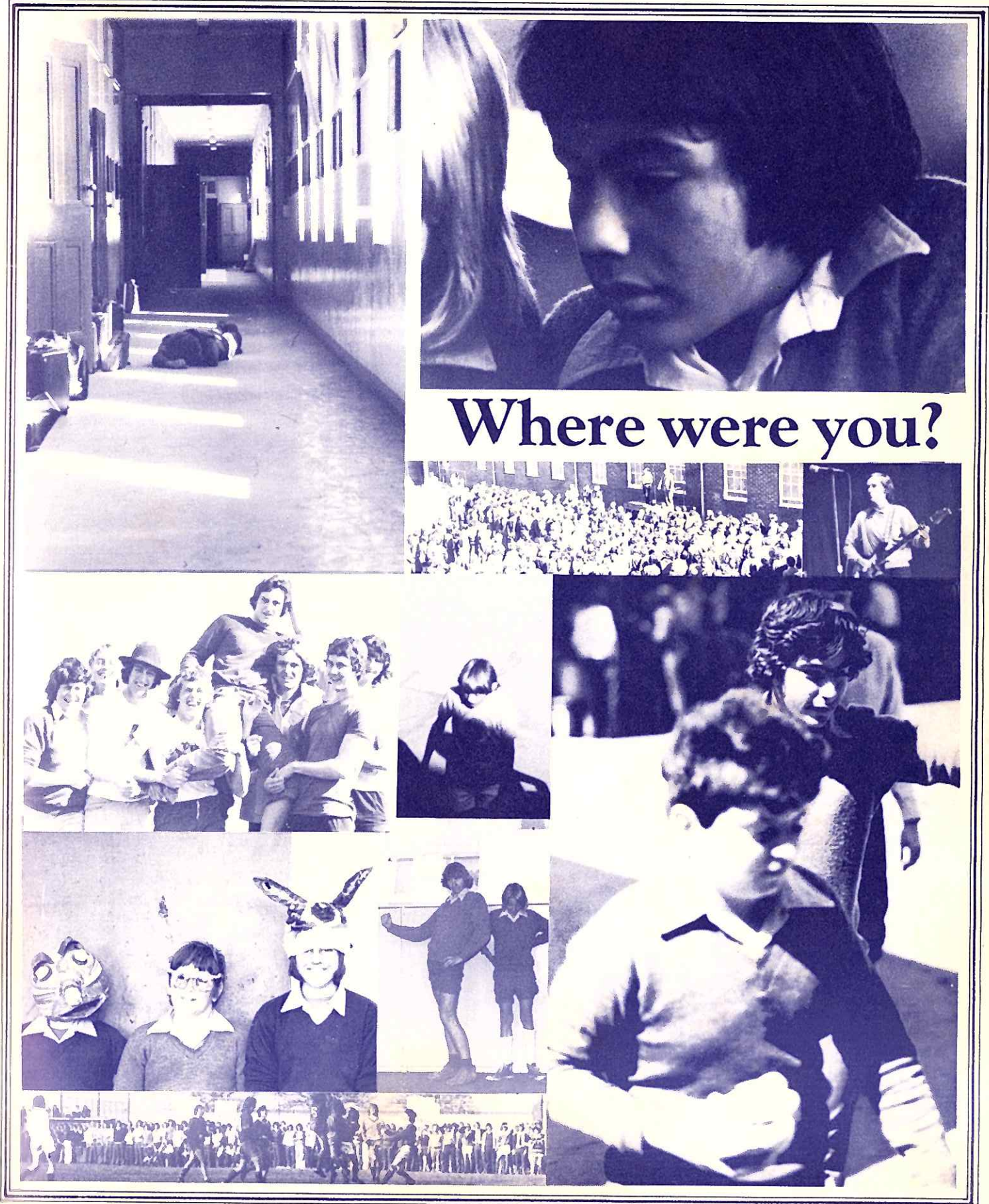
Richard Barker, Year 12 and Rikard Orell, Year 10, would like to thank the staff for their co-operation.

- OTHER FAMILIAR PHRASES:**
 "Get out of my Storeroom...!"
 "Tony and Stewart get out!"
 "SHUT UP sorry"
 "I have something in front of me that's distracting me"
 "You won't get any class marks if you misbehave"
 "Back in Kempsey ..."
 "Just shuv it in, turn the handle, and out it pops"
 "From now on there will be no more toilet paper"

"Food?.... OUT" Committee in-joke



Bus 781 to the Gully Line

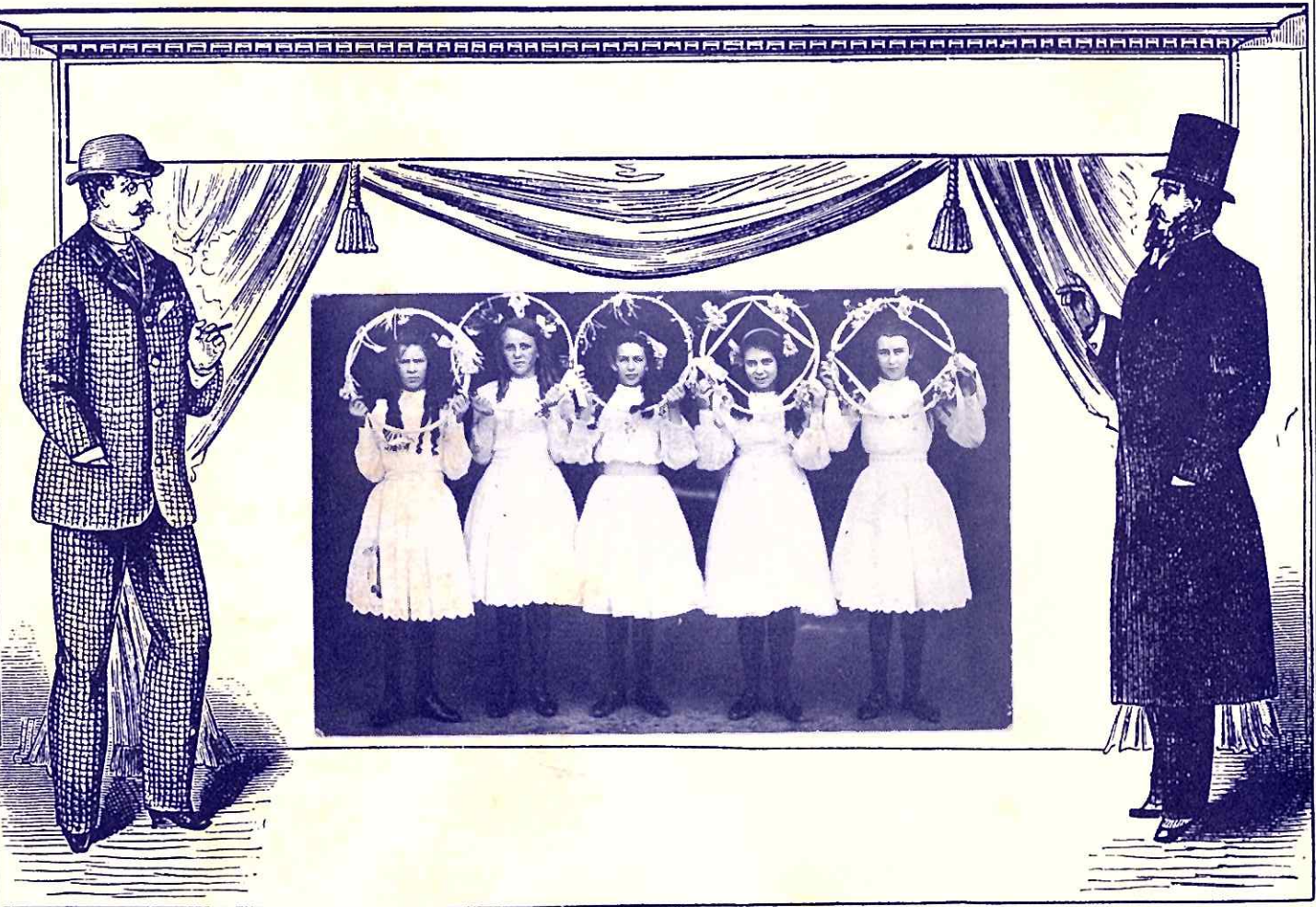


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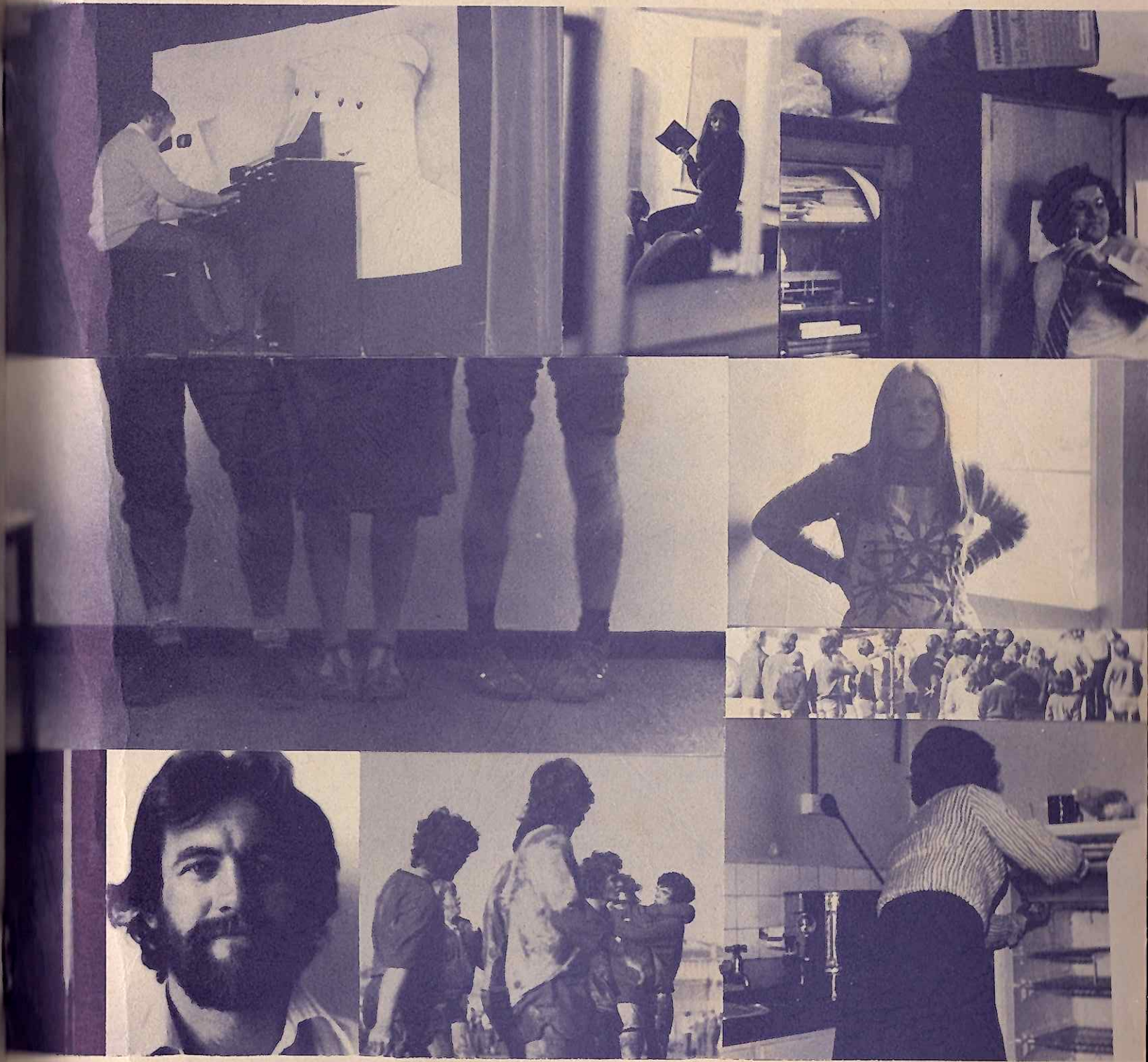
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and the girls are coming....



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