

THRONES

My one aim in life is that this great truth, the return and communion of the dead, shall be brought home to a material world which needs it so badly.

- Arthur Conan Doyle.

Miranda, Miranda!

Many a year ago it is
Since I first began
To dream of a perfect man,
And the young men on the decks,
And the waves that splash the side,
And the sun that floats overhead
From morning to eventide,
And the blue isles that lay hid
In the ocean's mighty foam,
And the snowy mounts and hills
Of the green isle I call home.

I dream of the perfect company we had,
Of many a beautiful thing we conjured up,
Of many a kind act that she did when sad
I sat beside the waters, pale with thought,
And dreamed of Life devoid of love and hope -
A haunt of chasmed fears divided not.

Paul Woodward, Year 11.



HE TELLS ME OF LIFE

The preacher stands on his soap-box
and tells me of life
And the things that should be of value to us all.
He tells me, Without them
Life would not be worth living
And says that I must be wary lest they be washed
away

To fight for these things
If somebody threatens my access to them:
Liberty, Justice and Freedom
These are the things that are precious to me
Even if I don't realise it.

He taught me to value those rights
He said they were the most important things I can
have.

Liberty, Justice and Freedom are Great Stuff:
Liberty - the right to do as one wishes
Justice, for all - one law for all
Freedom - of Speech, of Expression,
and most importantly of all,
of Thought.

Alan Hough, Year 11.



EMOTION

I could always
Understand the wind
But never see it
I could always
See the sun
But never understand it.
Strange.

Mark O'Brien, Year 12.

SMALL JOURNEYS

They board the one-man-assembly-line.
They pay, then stand or sit;
Two contemplating evil
One reads, two deftly knit.
One is because her love is not,
Because theirs are, there's two,
Four fidget, stir, then glance around,
One finds a better view.
Two are black, in a foreign land,
By tongue they isolate.
Five are silent, three are mute,
But two communicate.
Eleven are talking,
None are listening.

Paul Hunter, Year 12.

WAR

Whistling, screaming, down to the ground,
A thunderous Boom, and then not a sound,
Crescendoing tension covers the world,
Released by a hell through which it was hurled,
Atomic war, 'til now just a phrase,
Was now going wild, the world was ablaze,
While man pushed buttons, the buttons of death,
Thousands were breathing their very last breath,
Projectiles of fire, faster than sound,
And man is soon gone, not again to be found.

Ian Ritchie, Year 9.

IMPRESSION ON ENTERING A SUPERMARKET

I stood before the huge supermarket, looking at the automatic doors - two huge jaws ready to swallow me. I entered the stomach of the market, gazing at the sterile, new smelling entrails which lined the shelves, eagerly seized and purchased by scurrying housewives. They were as parasites within the living body of the supermarket, removing unwanted matter - all of which seemed to reappear in gigantic quantities as the customers removed it.

The gargantuan supermarket had aisles, escalators, staircases - numerous facilities for the sole purpose of the comfortable movement of these parasites, so that they could remove the matter with minimum difficulty. The walls of the supermarket watched the parasites, making painfully certain that none of the matter was removed without the supermarket's knowledge. Ah - a parasite trying to remove matter unpleasantly. The supermarket's brain reacts immediately and send out a pair of antibodies who remove the offending parasite, struggling, to the bowels of the store. This is warning enough. The others know the store is watching them. There is a hushed sound - the parasites can, quite obviously, communicate. The supermarket had been a cacophonous chamber of sound until then.

I proceed to the exit, wishing to leave the stomach of this monster. All round, the cacophony of a normal supermarket once again rose to ear-splitting proportions all round me.

As I reached the exit, I saw that the parasites frantically handing discs of metal and pieces of paper to others placed within small "fortresses" who placed the discs and the paper inside small, clattering receptacles. Ah, I thought - this must be how the machine feeds itself.

After depositing these small and seemingly insignificant items to the supermarket, the parasites departed, carrying various assortments of the material from the interior of the store.

I left through one of the narrow channels which permitted the parasites to leave. I deposited nothing, as I was not removing anything. I found myself before the huge supermarket once again, marvelling at the precise operations carried out within it and also glad to be outside.

Reijo Arola, Year 10



SCHOOL

CALLING OUT

There are many ways of calling out. You can call out in class. This is very rude and usually means trouble: sending out or even an essay at extremes. Most people call out at times especially in the Classroom but not all get in trouble for it. I am usually one of the ones that get in trouble even though I don't do it very often. Others, [referring to Hurfords] don't seem to get into trouble very often even though they are the main offenders.

Often one calls out in the classroom to get the attention of the teacher when they forget or just couldn't be bothered putting their hand up in the air.

Another variety is when a stranger walks into the room; [not counting teachers] many are tempted to make a comment and some quite often do. This is not usually appreciated by the teacher [nor the person being commented about] because they feel it is unnecessary and quite rude and it sometimes leads to punishment as I found out.

In the classroom when a person is being attacked or has been hit, they too often call out; usually as a scream of pain or "help". This also is not appreciated. I never get involved in such things.

BUT students aren't the only ones that call out. It has often been known for a teacher to call out or scream at someone who is doing something he shouldn't be, or not doing something he should be. Not all teachers use these tactics as students are not supposed to call out so they set the example by not calling out but saying what they want to in an angry tone.

Also, you often hear the boom of a teacher's voice from one end of the corridor to the other such as "Hey you" or "Don't run". So students aren't the only ones that call out.

"Calling out" can be used in the good sense as well as in the bad sense.

If you fall over a cliff and are at the bottom with many broken bones, you may call out. As far as I know this is not a crime and you shouldn't get an essay for doing so. But one would never know so "don't try it son" [as you often hear called out by a teacher].

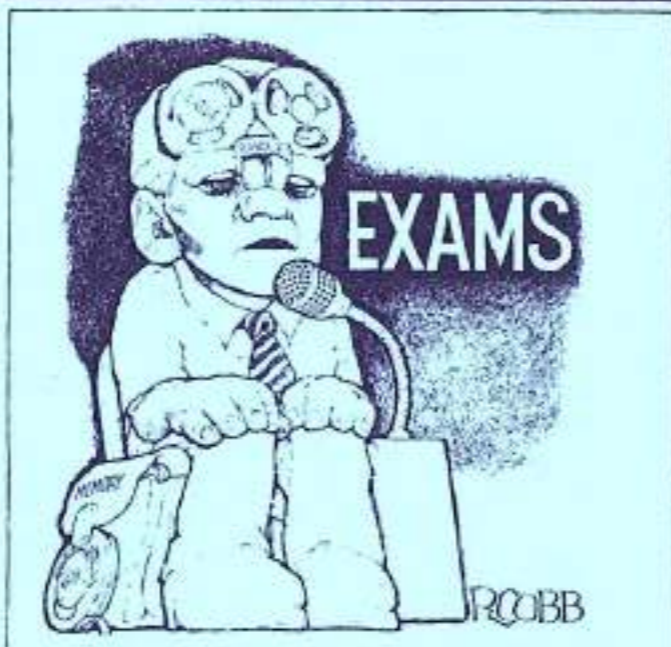
Also in a game of cricket, if the batsman hits the ball high in the air many fielders may run for it but one will call out "mine". I think this is quite legal - I've never seen an umpire dish out an essay for such, so don't be too concerned about this one.

So calling out has its good sides and its bad sides. I don't know which outweigh the other, so I'll leave the decision up to the reader of this passage.

Simon Tonkin, Year 10.

I don't like school much because the teachers hold a grudge.

John Smith, Year 9.



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SCHOOL

The School which is to become Waratah High is a problem. We are going to buildings which are not the school's property. We have to keep the school tidy and try to do the best in these conditions. The builders make a mess and we are told to keep the school tidy for visitors. The school is a problem now and the school will be the same for a long time yet.

Paul Burley, Year 9.

School is alright. It's not good, but alright. If we wasn't made to do this and that, we mightn't mind doing this and that. In fact I think school would be more enjoyable.

John Noon, Year 9

This school is alright because you can learn to read, write and do something rather than stay home, and get a better job when you leave school.

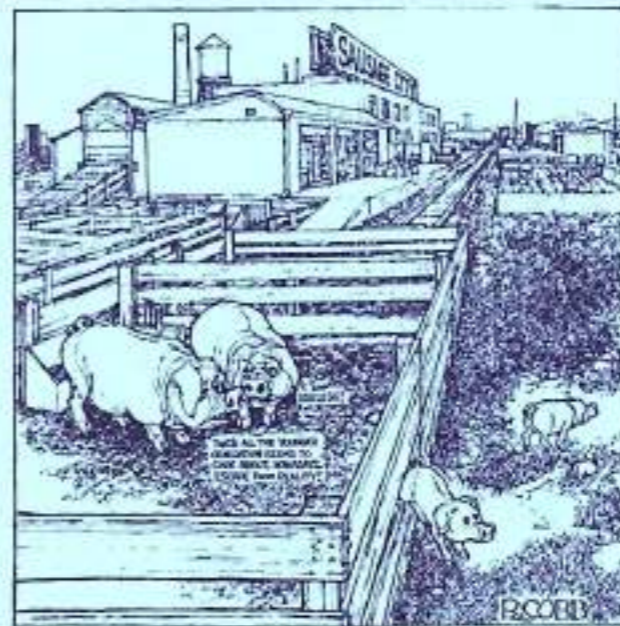
John Moy, Year 9.

I reckon school is terrible. I don't like any subjects. It's boring.

Wayne Winsor, Year 9.

I think all the teachers should be female. I think the only subjects should be English, Health and Science, there should only be three days of the week for school and the day should start at 10 o'clock and finish at 1 o'clock and also canning should be banned.

Daryl Oates, Year 7.



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SCHOOL

Six and a half hours every day,
We battle the elements without pay,
Fighting boredom, maths and fear,
Wishin that we could drink a beer.

Mr. Webber leads the mob,
That teaches us how to gain a job.
The canteen's staff our only friends,
We all look forward to buy at Ben's.

The hooter goes and the riot starts.
The buses are at the bottom of our hearts.
To reach home on good health and spirit,
'Cause we are always always "with it".

Jock Sutherland, Year 9.

I think school should have special classes on the thing you're going to do when you leave school, e.g. mechanic, fitting and turning classes.

Paul Threadingham, Year 9.

I think school is good because if we didn't have any schools man would not be where he is now in the 20th century. For example we all have modern homes, T.V., cars, electrical goods, electricity and gas. We all have seen the moon on T.V. and if it wasn't for education we wouldn't have seen a space ship on the moon. I hope one day I will be able to build a space ship, house or tower, so if I stay at school till sixth form I might be able to.

Wayne Simpson, Year 9.

THINGS ABOUT SCHOOL

I want girls. I want girls and boys in the same class.

And more sport gear.

And only one period of Math and English a day and only 30 min. each period and you can smoke as long as the teacher don't catch you.

Sebastiano Acquaro, Year 7.

I think it is good.

They should have indoor swimming pools for hot days, 4 days of school, 3 holidays.

Portable heaters on each-desk for cold days.

Scott Fuller, Year 7.

I hate teachers who make me write [hint, hint]. More recess time. 5 mins. a period and go home at 1 o'clock and start school at 11 o'clock.

Richard Joy, Year 7.

I hate school because I hate having to do work when I don't want to and all the nagging teachers.

I hate getting up early in the morning, I prefer to sleep in.

I think school is alright because of the carpet, new lights, fans, and in the new school there's new furniture.

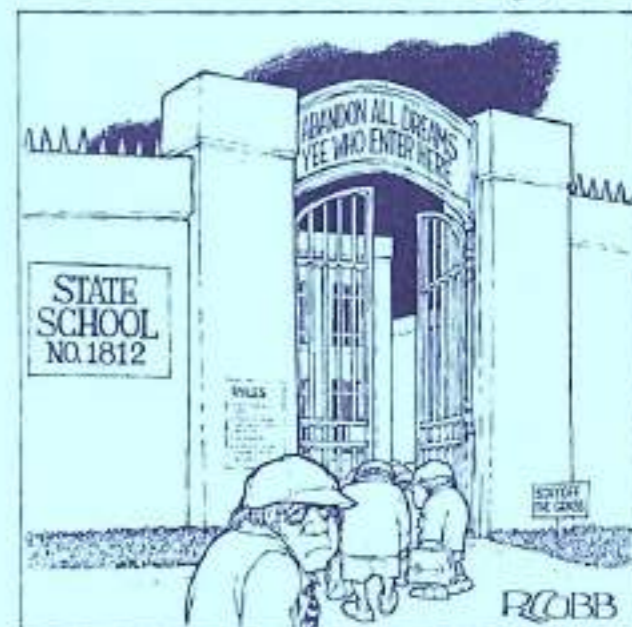
Peter Mavin, Year 9.

School would be alright if you didn't have to do a few periods that you don't like.

Art is my best period. Miss Hird is a good teacher.

Some of the teachers around the schools are not the best I ever seen.

Arthur Bridge, Year 7.



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RESURRECTION

I'm the one,
Life for me has just begun,
In years gone past
I've lived as a cow or a sheep,
And I knew I was heading
To the markets as meat.
All things I'd ever known
Formed a life that strangled my own,
But all things change,
And I know I won't be buried
By the new and the strange.

Mark O'Brien, Year 12.

DESTINY

The political solution
Is making bombs to kill your friends,
But I will try for absolution
And attempt to make amends.

The Holy Grail is near to sight
In Heaven's Utopian crypt;
St. Peter will decide tonight,
If I'm on his manuscript.

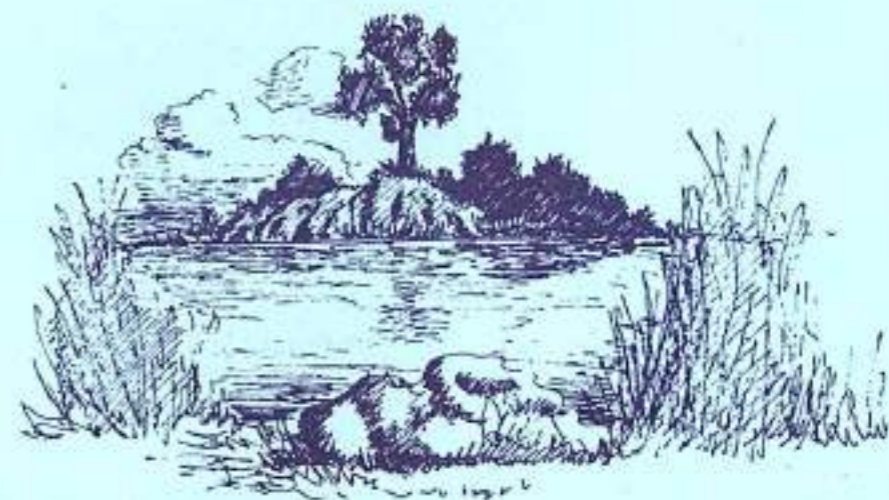
The chances are I won't be, and
My teeth shall gnash below.
I built my house upon the sand:
To Satan I now go.

I speculate on the location
Of the twelfth and long-lost tribe.
I wonder if, "for consultation",
St. Peter will take bribes.

Paul Hunter, Year 12.

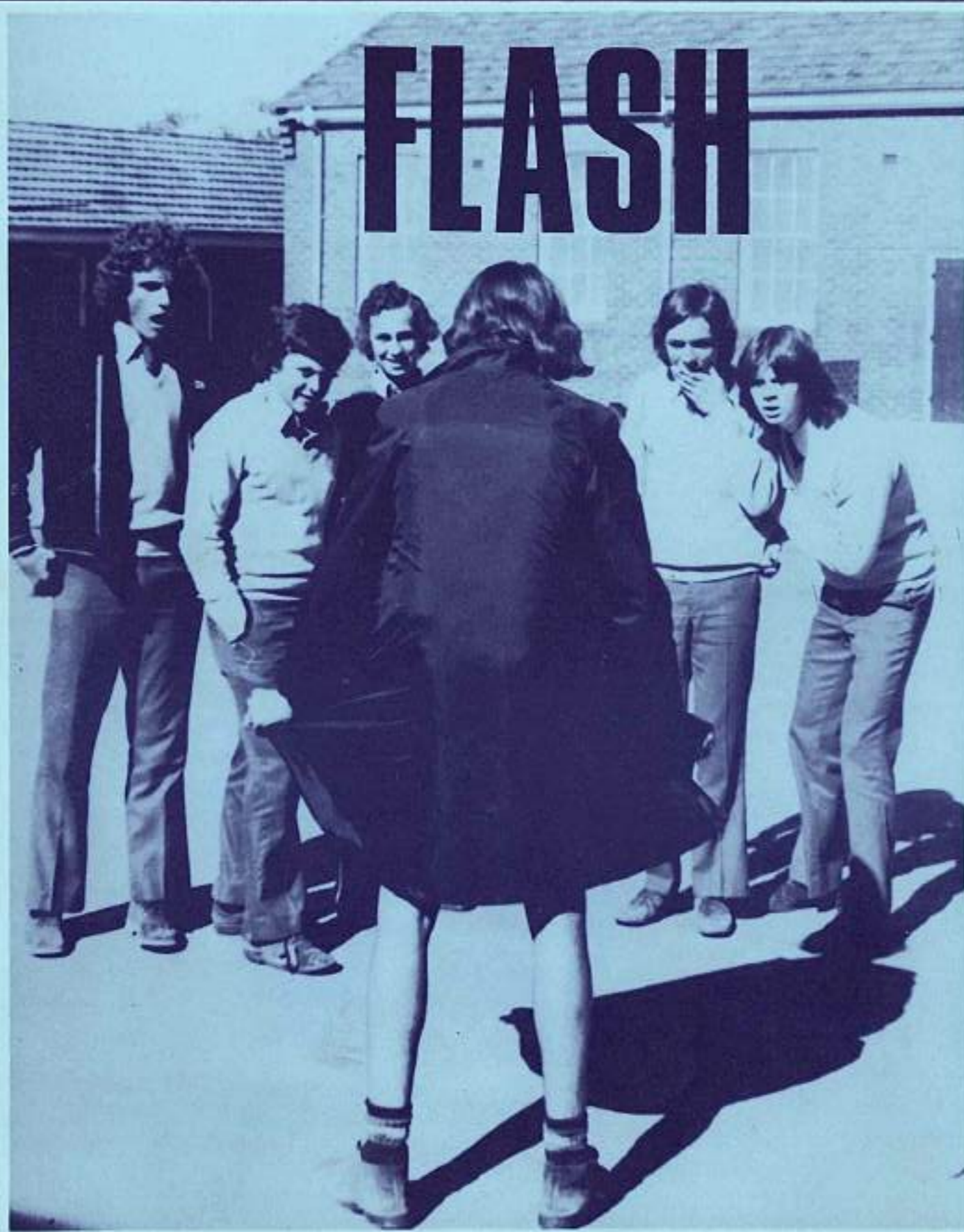
ONE IS ONE
NONE IS NONE
SO EVERY ONE
IS EITHER ONE

Paul Goodshaw, Year 7.



Landscapes by Rikard Orell, Year 10.

FLASH



Change

New buildings, workmen, bulldozers, mud, noise, lots of noise. Painters, electricians, yellow doors, new furniture, electric fans, pebbled cement and blue carpet in nearly every room!
Amid chaos which nobody seems to notice, schoolwork goes on, and on ... and on.



... and what subjects are you taking next year?



Science



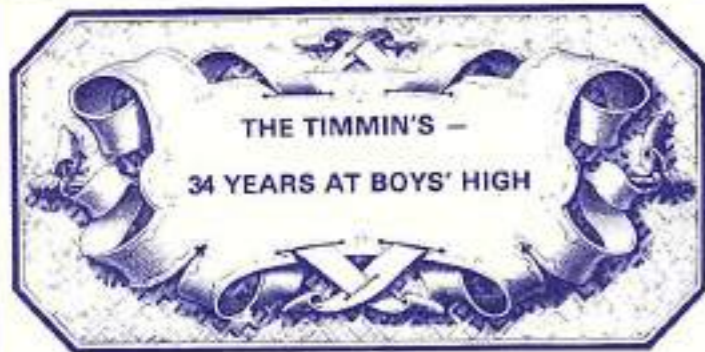
Industrial Arts



Art



P.E.



For thirty-four years, the names of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Timmins have been infamous with the staff and pupils of Newcastle Boys' High. Whether for coke, sausage roll or cream bun, they have fulfilled the shouted orders of thousands of boys, sold crate upon crate of coke, tray upon tray of cakes, thousands of bread rolls and tens of thousands of minties. And even now, they're not retiring, for the new canteen in the new building will still be manned by the same old staff, much to the relief and joy of the hundreds who frequent it.

The shift to the new premises will merely be another of the many changes that they have experienced at the school. The first canteen was situated in the change rooms, with no electricity, an old stove and an even older ice-box. The teachers, formal in the customary suits, used to eat their lunches in the canteen while the boys, short haired and neatly uniformed were served with penny pies, tuppenny rolls and penny glasses of cordial. In 1945 on Victory Day, the Timmins's arrived ready for the day only to discover that the boys had been given the day off. And so it was decided that the food would be given to the Woodland Boys' Home in Wallsend. Going back even further, Ben can remember the first time he came to Waratah. He'd been working with his mother and aunt in the old canteen up at the Hill High since he was fifteen and when the first forms came out to Waratah, Ben was given the management of the new canteen. Ben can still remember a lot of the old teachers and pupils: Snozz Davies, Spot Burrows, Snipper Ronns and Reg Trew, famous for his shark rescue. Then there were the teachers like Mr. Jacobs who never wore any teeth until the inspector came, or Miss Morrison the librarian, the only female teacher on the staff for years. And of course, Charlie Goffet, an unsurpassed legend in his own time.

Ben also remembers many past students who have gone on to make a name for themselves. Neville Begg, the horse trainer; top footballers, Brian Carison and Albert Paul are a few that come to mind. Occasionally Ben has the good fortune to share the company of past students over a small glass of refreshment and talk over old times. Ben would like to be remembered to all past students and hopes that they have found what they wanted in life.

On the whole, the school hasn't really changed. It's not so strict and formal now and the teachers are younger but there has always been that shouting, pushing line of students every recess and lunchtime. And Ben has really sold a lot, as these average show:



Pies	135,200
Rolls	465,000
Cokes	91,300
Ordered Lunches	190,700
Sausage rolls	115,900
Teacher lunches	28,500
Vanilla slices	20,600
Custard tarts	28,950
Sausage roll roll	80,100
Orchy's	78,400
Buzz bars	10,312
Chocolate milk	52,350
Cobbers	20,600
Vegemite rolls	160,000
Death adders	6,400
Peppermint Discos	600
Glugs	165,900
Cream Buns	20,000
Sunny boys	140,800
Minties	110,900
Jubes	18,600
Choco mates	7,500
and the famous Newcastle Boys' High egg roll	100,000

And that is just from the present canteen!

The Timmins's and the canteen staff (Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Wrightson) would surely have been missed if they left with the finish of Boys' High. They are a part of the school, a respected and admired institution and it is a well known fact in student circles that Ben's Bazaar is, and will remain, the best canteen a school could ever have.



THE TUCK SHOP — 1930



Canteen Staff: Mrs. Z. Cook, Ben, Mrs. M. Timmins, Mrs. M. Wrightson. Absent: Mrs. M. Morrow, Mrs. J. Kleine.



"Better hurry up and get this up to Mr. Walliss".

SPECIAL THANKS TO MRS. TIMMINS FROM THE STAFF:

From all the gossips, conversationalists, debaters and sophists who congregate in the common room at lunchtime to gorge, and, "After the cups,.....the tea,..... among some talk of you and me", to relax by the passing of innanities, a very special "thank you" to Mrs. Timmins who has made this form of escape so much more enjoyable. We thank her for the very personalized attention she has given us, especially in her preparation of salads and setting of tables, each of which gives something more civilized to our eating habits. And, even after the cyclonic devastation which inevitably appears at the end of the lunch hour, she returns on the reconstruction programme.

For all your time and effort, Mrs. Timmins, very many thanks from all the staff.

Sport



REPORTS



LIBRARY CLUB REPORT, 1976

Four new members have joined the Library club this year: Scott Ayerst, Andrew Johnstone, Raymond Stoddart and Michael Taylor. 700 new books have been added to the shelves this year.

New cassettes include Red on Blue — Monty Python — Queen — A night at the Opera — Abba.

After the retirement of our beloved librarian, Mr. Rigby, at the end of 1975, we have attempted to "break in" two new Librarians. The first of these "recruits", Mr. Pete McCormack, did not last long, he took up a position in Sydney at the conclusion of first term.

Mrs. Archer, our present Librarian, has settled into her position and seems to have adapted to our peculiar systems.

We would like to thank David Giles, of Year 12, for his devoted service behind the counter, and in the backroom, over the past six years.

Mrs. Hawkin is still Library Assistant and our patron, and we are happy to see her in the library again after six week's absence in Second Term.

Members of the Library club at present are: Barry Clarke, Peter Howden, Mark Skinner, David Durrant, Paul Whitla and the new members mentioned previously.

Paul Whitla, Year 10.



1976 RADIO CLUB REPORT

At the beginning of 1976 N.B.H.S. Radio Club was reformed. Officials elected were: Wayne Pickard, President; Paul Fuller, Secretary; Jeffrey Chilton, Treasurer.

At that time the Radio Club had very little money, only a few textbooks and not many components.

The Radio and TV repair shop at Georgetown donated approximately 30 radios to the club, some of which were scrapped due to lack of room and the others were sold. Many thanks must go to the following companies who donated components to the club.

- General Electronic Services
- Plessey Australia
- Texas Instruments
- Ferguson Transformers

These clubs donate many components, the estimated retail value to which is approximately \$200 to \$300.

It is unfortunate that the club has a membership of only 15. It is more unfortunate that only two members are in the senior years. It was originally hoped that more seniors, who do basic electronics in Physics, would further their knowledge of electronics.

Once again N.B.H.S. Radio Club wishes to thank everybody who helped the club in 1976.

Paul Fuller,
Secretary N.B.H.S. Radio Club.

Basketball

David Moore - Area and C.H.S. Teams; State and Country Un. 20 Teams

John Hoyle - Newcastle and Country Un. 20 Teams; Area Team

David Basic - Area Rep.; Newcastle Un. 19 Rep.

Craig Hobden - Newcastle and N.S.W. Rep. Teams

Bradley Warren - N.S.W. Country U16 Team

Steven Burns, Stephen Moore, Glen Thornton, Ncle. Un. 13 Rep. Team

Rugby Union

Symon Thompson - N.S.W. C.H.S. tour of New Zealand; N.S.W. Schoolboys; Newcastle Area Team

Peter McPherson - N.S.W. C.H.S. tour of New Zealand

Paul Burke - Newcastle Country, State, and Australia Un. 16 Teams

Tony Munro, Mark Watson, Bradley March, Colin Chapman, David Thompson, Paul Ferry - Un. 16 N.S.W. Country and Newcastle Area Teams

David Young, Peter Charge - Newcastle Un. 16 Team

Tony Parsons, Garth Steggles, Alexander Woodgate - Newcastle Un. 15 Team

Stephen Christie - Newcastle Un. 13 Rep. Team

Rugby League

Grant Morton - Newcastle Area and Northern N.S.W. 60 Kg. Team

Bill Deal - Newcastle Area 60 Kg. Team

Stephen Hardy - Newcastle Un. 13 Rep. Team

Peter Wrightson - Newcastle Un. 12 Rep. Team

Cross Country

Grahame Jones - Newcastle Area Team

Squash

Dermot Hurford - Newcastle Un. 19 Rep. Team; Zone B Champion

Soccer

Stephen Forbes, Craig Hobden - Northern N.S.W. Un. 15 Rep. Team

Gregory Hogan - Australian Un. 16 yrs. Schoolboys tour of West Germany

Results of Newcastle Area Swimming Carnival, 1976

Newcastle Boys' High.

14 years:

G. McDiarmid	100m Fr/St	- Fifth
	100m Br/St	- Third
	100m Bfly/St	- Seventh

The relay team was unplaced in the final.

15 years:

D. Wells	100m Br/St	- First
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The relay team was unplaced in the final.

17 years:

R. Taggart	100m Fr/St	- Fourth
	200m Fr/St	- Second
	400m Fr/St	- First
	800m Fr/St	- Fourth
	100m Bck/St	- First
	100m Bfly/St	- First
	400m Indiv.	
	Medley	- Third

M. Mitchell	100m Br/St	- Third
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R. Taggart, M. Mitchell, J. Stanger, G. Martine	4 x 100m Relay	- First
	40 x 50m Open Medley Relay	- Second

Ross Taggart won the 17+ years Age Championship and the team won the 17+ years Team Championship.



Back Row: G. Martine, C. Evans, D. Wells, M. Sutton.

3rd Row: B. Dawson, D. Finlay-Jones, D. Young, J. Stanger, B. Warren, S. Silcock, R. Scorer.

2nd Row: G. McDiarmid, R. Piddington, M. Webber, R. Taggart, P. Dallas, T. Walpole, P. Smiljenic.

Sitting: P. Ross, S. Sutton, B. Sbinovski, S. Thornton, R. Price, G. Julian, S. Denton.



School Blues and Gary Gilmour

Gary Gilmour ex-Newcastle Boys High student presented School blues this year.



Rugby League



Back Row: J. Argiris, I. Ryan, R. Mackie.
 Middle Row: Mr. K. McLelland, G. Evans, N. Farquharson, M. Colliss, J. Stanger, G. Martine, P. McPherson, J. Scarr, Mr. D. Delaney.
 Front Row: R. Madden, J. Callaghan, M. Johnston, P. Donnan (Capt), A. Dodd, P. Capodistrias, I. Ross.
 Inset: S. Thompson.



1st GRADE LEAGUE

This proved to be a most disappointing season. The team had great potential and performed very well in the University Shield matches and were unlucky to be defeated by Tech. High as some players were attending selection trials for the state team.

Ray Madden and Grant Morton were very consistent and showed great promise. Bob Mackie should develop into a very good prop. forward. Symon Thompson and Peter McPherson were top try scorers and Phil Donnan the captain always kept trying and played a lot of games hampered by injuries.

K. McLelland



Boys Haui! Boys Haui! Yai...Yai...Yai!!

2nd RUGBY LEAGUE

1976 was a very successful year for the 2nd Grade League Team. The team was the Major Premiers and Zone champions, defeating Marist Brothers 15-13 in the final.

The team was made up of boys who, for the most part, were relatively inexperienced in league. However, this inexperience was more than offset by natural ability, fitness and enthusiasm.

Find of the season was Michael Summers who played exceptionally well in every game this year. It is rumoured that Michael will be joining Woy Woy Workers Football Club next year. The team was also well served by Captain Norm [Jack] Madden who alternated between half-back and full-back.

Ross [The Enforcer] Taggart had a big year, with many telling bursts up the middle. Ross was eagerly supported by Mark Mitchell, John White, Julian Besser, Alan [Mr. Injury] Logan, David Wiseman and David [Ray] Ross. Mark Mitchell claims to be the only member of the team who nearly scored a try in every match. We're not sure about this but the records shall be closely checked.

Bruce Terry, Graeme Chambers and Tony Vero all played excellent football in the backline. They were well fed by halves Rick Barker and Billy Deal.

Perhaps the most impressive win of the season was against Maitland in the wet at Waratah Oval. Boys' High won 11-2. The forwards played particularly well in this match.

Special mention must be made of John Callaghan, a first grade footballer who through injury was able to play quite a few games with the Seconds. His ability and experience were invaluable to the team. Ian [the Professor] Ross also played a couple of games and he was of great help in directing forward play against Maitland.

Peter Capodistrias never played against Maitland but he won the warm-hearted respect of the crowd by the way he "took-on" giant Maitland forward Milton Cottrill in the grandstand after the match.

It was a great pleasure to be associated with the team this year and the boys readily admit it was the exhausting training runs that made the difference in the end. I would advise all team members to consider all offers of contracts very seriously before signing.

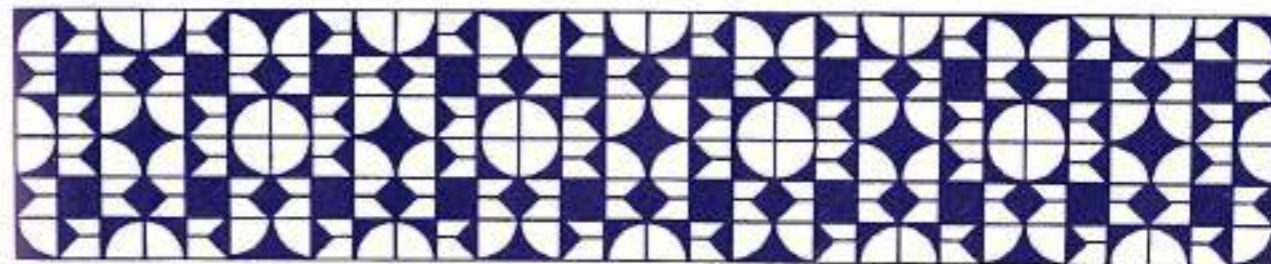
Finally, many thanks to all team members for the clock and the happy and cheerful way they re-arranged the rock-work in my back-yard.

Wayne Richards.

Back Row: B. Deal, D. Ross, J. Besser, J. White, T. Vero, G. Chambers.

Sitting: G. Burns, J. Callaghan, R. Taggart, N. Madden (Capt), B. Terry, D. Wiseman, W. Richards.

Absent: M. Summers, R. Barker, A. Logan, M. Mitchell.





16 YEARS LEAGUE

Back Row: M. Robinson, L. Whitehead, P. Ferry, G. Marks, S. O'Dell.
 Centre: Mr. M. Haasnoot, P. Speirs, P. Mewett, D. Young, P. Charge, P. Robson, K. Palmer, N. Diespecker.
 Front Row: P. Burke, D. Thompson, S. James, C. Chapman, B. March, R. Shield, G. Steggles.



16 YEARS RUGBY LEAGUE

1976 was a reasonably successful season for the 16 years League team. The team ran third and were unlucky not to make the final, being penalised four valuable competition points for inadvertently playing a suspended player.

Two of the teams more promising players, Keith Palmer and Paul Ferry had the misfortune of sustaining injuries during the season.

The team was able to defeat every team in the competition except for the strong Pius. However, we were able to hold Pius to a 9-5 win in the first round. This success was due to teamwork and great team spirit and perhaps with more practice this team would have been able to make the final and defeat Pius.

Most of the 16 years players will be moving up into Grade competition next season and it is expected that the team should do extremely well.

Special thanks must go to our coach Mr. Haasnoot who was our keenest supporter throughout the year and when needed, offered valuable criticism on the team's performance.

C. Chapman [Capt.]

U/14 LEAGUE

While not a successful year, competitively speaking, in the local competition, the team went well in the Buckley Shield, a state wide knockout for U/14 teams. After beating Toronto in the first round they were narrowly beaten by Kotara in the second round. Congratulations to those who trained and played to the best of their ability.

K. Walliss

Scrum packs down against Teah. Standing out of the scrum are Ian Ryan, Grant Morton and Phil Donnan.



Undefeated



Back Row: S. Christie, S. Hawke, P. Rochow.
 Middle Row: M. Murphy, P. Wrightson, S. Hardy, P. Nixon, J. Burns, Mr. M. Grogan.
 Front Row: B. Capararo, A. Malinowski, R. Joy, M. Knight, S. Moore, L. Carathanassis, M. Fishlock.



UNDER 13 RUGBY LEAGUE, 1976

The Under 13 Rugby League team had a very successful season by finishing the competition as undefeated Premiers.

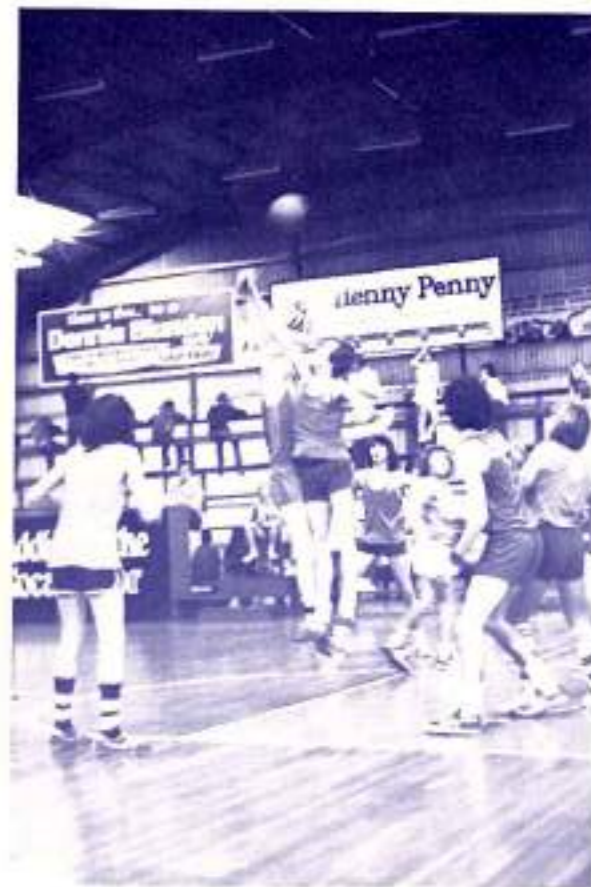
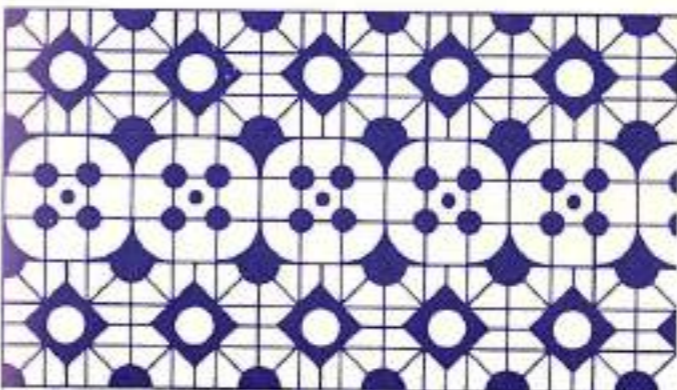
The boys are to be congratulated for their efforts as they played as a team throughout. The boys received most of their inspiration from half-back and captain Mitchell Knight. Mitchell often had the team in front with one brilliant dash, sometimes from half-way, to put the team's first score up.

We had a very good front row in Paul Nixon and Steven Hardy, with Brett Capararo, the hooker, winning a consistent share of the ball. Our other forwards Stephen Hawke, Peter Wrightson and Stephen Moore all played very well throughout the season.

In the backs, Stephen Burns and Phillip Rochow were big influences in our other backs gaining breaks. Stephen Burns was perhaps the most improved player in the side.

Other team members were: Richard Joy [fullback], Michael Murphy and Andrew Malinowski [wingers], Stephen Christie [centre]. Reserves were Larke Carathanassis, Peter Stace, Michael Fishlock and John Mehan.

M. Grogan



BASKETBALL

Final of local competition. Boys High No. 1 versus Boys High No. 2.

Rugby Union



Back Row: P. Burke, T. Munro, R. Mackie, B. March.
Middle Row: N. Farquharson, M. Colliss, J. Stanger, P. McPherson, J. Scarr, D. Thompson, Mr. D. Brinkley
Front Row: J. Callaghan, M. Johnson, P. Donnan, R. Madden (Capt), A. Dodd, P. Capodistrias, I. Ross.
Inset: S. Thompson.



WARATAH SHIELD RUGBY UNION

Newcastle Boys' High enjoyed an extremely successful year in the Rugby Union competition, the Waratah Shield. This contest is hotly contested by schools throughout the state and as usual the Sydney schools dominated.

Our first win was against the Sydney High School Narwee. We defeated them 33-6 in a very vigorous game of Rugby. Unfortunately the support from the school was not what we had hoped but this I am sure will be rectified now we have proved that Boys' High can field good Union teams.

Our next fixture was to play Scots College, Bathurst, at Bathurst. We had to organize transport and accommodation. Finance was the main problem and our saviour was found in Waratah Rugby Union Club who supplied not only our accommodation but graciously issued us a set of jumpers. We travelled by train with almost all suffering from travelling sickness and tiredness. Arriving at the motel everybody was keen to have an early night and I am told they did so. Waking fresh and energetic the following morning we prepared ourselves for a tough engagement by a light morning run.

Game time arrived and I must say we were a bit apprehensive when we saw the support the school gave its prospective victors. After a round first half with forwards getting ample ball for our backs we reached half time leading 24-0. The second half we really showed our merits and ended the game defeating Scots 58-4.

Unfortunately a series of rain sodden weeks resulted in postponement of our next game for an overlong time. During this break we seemed to soften for when we met North Sydney Boys' High our play lacked the spark and vigour that was a major fact of our past play. We were soundly defeated 21-4 but North Sydney did succeed in reaching the final.

I must conclude by thanking a few people who gave us enthusiastic support. Thank you, John Masters our coach who gave up many valuable moments of his time to impart his wide knowledge of the game to us; Milo for his excellent first aid attendance [it was reassuring to know that his capable hands were on the side line]; Wayne Richards who had shown keen interest in our team and accompanied us to Bathurst and thank you Mr. Brinkley who has been Rugby's keenest follower in the school. Most of all a special thanks must go to the players who attended training at all possible times and were always full of spirit.

Alan Dodd



Soccer

1976 TASMAN SUP SOCCER SQUAD LIST

- Graeme Chambers, 6th form
- Mark Neasey, 6th form
- Paul Thomas, 6th form
- Greg Arms, 5th form
- Tim Clucas (Capt), 5th form
- George Papadopoulos, 5th
- Michael Weber (V-Capt), 5th
- Gary Wells, 5th form
- Scott Whybin, 5th form
- Greg Wright, 5th form
- David Coote, 4th form
- Greg Coote, 4th form
- Stephen Forbes, 4th form
- Craig Hobden, 4th form
- Greg Hogan, 4th form
- Graham Luck, 4th form
- David Wells, 4th form



This year's venture into the State's Tasman Cup Soccer Competition was, as most people now know, disappointing, to say the least. We lost 4-0 to Kotara in our first game.

If reasons are being [or have been] accepted then we have two valid ones for our apparent poor showing:

- [a] The average age of our team was approximately 15.75 years [an older 4th former].
- [b] Our first game was against Kotara who ended up being knocked out in the semi-finals.

The squad this year included only three 6th Form players. Therefore, the squad lacked the valuable

experience of older players prevalent in other schools' teams.

One of the few valuable assets belonging to the team was our manager and trainer Mr. K. Hastie. He, I feel, put more into the team than everyone and received the least from it. Special thanks also go to Mr. Wells and Mr. Coote for their help in Managing and training the team.

Needless to say we will be back again next year and hope to do better.

Tim Clucas, Captain.



1st GRADE SOCCER TEAM

The 1st Grade Soccer Team did well this year considering the number of players that turned up. As a result of the lack of support shown by some students, the team had to forfeit three games. However, when the team was able to field a side, usually of eight boys, we did well. We managed to win one game on a forfeit, draw one game and unfortunately we lost four games. The team would like to thank Mr. Ross for his support throughout the season.

The 1st Grade Team

Back Row: G. Papadopoulos, G. Arms, T. Clucas, T. Munro.
Sitting: B. Hall, M. Webber, A. Tagaroulas, G. Markezinis, G. Wright, S. Whybin, M. Tyler.



UNDER 16's SOCCER

The under 16's had a reasonably good season despite a number of losses. We had a lot of individual talent but lacked team co-ordination and this was our major downfall.

With more dedication the team could look forward to a more successful season in the opens and could form the nucleus for our Tasman Cup squad in the coming years.

Graham Luck



Back Row: J. Learoyd, D. Johnson, J. Smith, M. Griffiths, D. Burns, I. Liddell.
Sitting: P. Nowland, Mr. K. Hastie, A. Lambert, G. Luck, P. Graham, A. Saunders, M. Lacey.

15A SOCCER REPORT

The 15 years "A" Soccer team continued the high standard of play and good results from past years. This is the fourth season this team has played with essentially the same core of players. During those four seasons and up to this years final, I do not ever remember the team losing a game. There has been the occasional draw, but this year saw the first defeat. Unfortunately this defeat was in the final.

The final was close with the Boys' High team controlling the major part of the game. However, games are won by goals and not shots at goal. St. Pius had fewer shots but made them count. We congratulate them on their success. This made Plus the Major Premiers and Boys' High the Minor Premiers as Boys' High won more games over the season.

15-A SOCCER

Back Row: J. Gleeson, G. Coote, D. Wells, T. East.
Front Row: J. Ylias, Z. Josevski, Mr. R. Davies, J. Masson, D. Coote, J. Tasevski, L. Kotevski.



This years captain was John Masson and he was well supported by Stephen Forbes, David and Greg Coote and David Wells. A team is a unit and in this team every boy was a vital part of it. The steady and reliable defence of Paul Taylor, John Gleeson, John Ylias, Terry East and Lupco Kotevski was the backbone which avoided some near defeats. Zlatco Josevski deserves special mention for his giving every ounce of determination. He and Michael Oakes fed the ball consistently to the centres. A newcomer to the team was Joe Tasevski and Joe fitted in well with the rest.

My congratulations to these boys, not for their splendid results, so much as their obvious support of each other and genuine enjoyment of the game.

Roly Davies



15-2 SOCCER

Back Row: M. Charlton, B. Hicks, S. Reid, W. Vernon, G. Paul.
Front Row: T. Durrant, S. Lynch, W. Winsor, K. deCourey, M. Cinnelli, M. Hanlon, G. Miosge.



14/1's SOCCER

Throughout the competition the 14/1's played well and with fine team spirit, capable leadership being given by their captain Mark Pepperall.

They remained undefeated until their last match of the competition and entered the finals against Marist Brothers, a team they had already defeated 3 goals to 1.

The final was played in blustery conditions and despite some good play, which resulted in hitting the cross bar on several occasions, Marist Brothers won 2 goals to 1.

The top goal scorer for the team was Wayne Arms with 15 goals.

C. Seabrook

Back Row: L. Necakowski, M. Hall, D. Cluff, G. Milton, Mr. C. Seabrook (Coach).
Sitting: R. Jones, J. Carraro, P. Smiljenic, M. Pepperall, S. Silcock, I. Sutherland, W. Arms.



13 YEARS GRADE SOCCER

We had a very enjoyable season this year with our wins equaling our losses. All members of the team played well — our most outstanding players were Leo Cinelli, Craig Reid and Peter Terry.

K. Hird.



Back Row: R. Price, D. Wright, P. Terry, K. Hird (Coach).
Front Row: C. Reid, C. Thomas, J. Cobeanou, P. Ross, D. Oates.
Absent: D. Wilson, L. Cinelli, D. White, M. Marinelli, N. Musson.

HOUSE SOCCER

This year has seen House Soccer organised on a competition basis. From the 92 pupils who participated, eight teams were formed on a House basis. Points were awarded for a win or draw, and the resulting point score was as follows:-

Hunter 1	13 points	Hunter 2	13 points
Hannell 1	9 points	Hannell 2	0 points
Smith 1	18 points	Smith 2	14 points
Shortland 1	3 points	Shortland 2	15 points

A final match was played between the two leading teams which resulted in a win for the Shortland 2 team. The match was a close one with the referee and linesman being occupied by house soccer players not in the final. Team members of the Competition winners were presented with a pennant at the special Sporting Assembly as a reward for their determined effort.

The competition has inspired pupils to participate with greater enthusiasm than is generally the case in any House Sport, and it was gratifying to see the efforts of organization fulfilled. The boys are to be congratulated on the manner in which they approached each game and it is hoped that this competition will be furthered next year in the same spirit.

P. Cottrill,
House Soccer Organizer.

TO THE SPORTS EDITOR

Dear Sir,

This article is about the unwillingness of certain people to appreciate genuine efforts made by representative sports teams. I would like to remind all school members that the essence of sport is to compete, NOT to win at all cost. Even if a team loses, it still deserves credit for making the effort in the highest school tradition.

The University Shield Team, Australian Rules Team and Tasman Cup members all put up outstanding efforts in their respective competitions, but no credit was given when they lost and were knocked out of their respective competitions. Too often a team's effort is played down because they lost or did not play up to expectations. Even the Australian Olympics Team were the victims of such malicious attacks on their character.

In conclusion, I would like to see a growing awareness of efforts made by teams as no team member goes into a race or game with the object of losing in their minds. Stinging attacks on their efforts will not lead to greater participation!!!

Yours truly,
Colin Shedden
Bob French
Kevin Aldridge
Grahame Jones
and other members of
Senior Australian Rules
Team.

Cricket



Back Row: D. Young, D. Burke,
P. Donnan, T. Munro, B. Deal,
Mr. N. Watt (Coach).
Front Row: C. Chapman, J.
Harrington, K. Palmer, C. Arms,
P. Hartigan, J. Vero, G. Hogan.

Undefeated

FIRST GRADE CRICKET 1976

It is fitting that the last Newcastle Boys' High School 1st 11 be one of the most successful teams the school has produced in its years of history in any code of sport.

This team, through ability, dedication and practice has won, undefeated, our Zone competition, the Newcastle Area competition and at time of publication of this magazine is in the final eight schools in the State wide Davidson Shield competition.

Quite an impressive record! The facts and figures of these competition show how convincingly the boys won.

Various games throughout the season have merit of mention, namely because of good sportsmanship and excellence of performance by team members. For instance Boys' High scored 6/191 against Broadmeadow early in the season, 161 of these runs put on Greg Arms, 97 and Colin Chapman 64.

St. Pius all out for 15 runs, Paul Burke 5-4, Phil Donnan 5-10 we scored 4/140 Keith Plamer 32 and Dave Young 34 both not out.

Tech High 63, Paul Burke 8-28 Boys' High 3-72 top scorer Tony Vero, not out 22. Raymond Terrace, all out 111, Boys' High 5-117. John Openshaw not out 32. Bill Deal 3-36.

Maitland Boys' High, last years State Winners were defeated by 3 wickets and 94 runs. Paul Burke 4-8, Phil Donnan 4-29 Greg Arms 74 not out, John Openshaw 21. Score M.B.H.S. all out 38 N.B.H.S. 7-132.

Whitebridge H.S. all out 57, Paul Burke 8-26, Colin Chapman 30, Greg Arms 28 both not out were defeated in the Area Final by 8 wickets.

Canberra High School, total 96 were defeated by Boys' High 7-144 Greg Arms 55 not out and John Openshaw 35, Bill Deal 4-48 and Paul Burke 3-39.

Obviously, not all team members are mentioned in the above report, since the depth of the team has never been put to the test, because of its great strength in all facets of the game.

The members not mentioned show their strength in fielding, backing up and returns to the keeper; overall a complete, unselfish team. In doing so this team leads the school both in dedication to a sport and to achievements in a particular sport.

Junior teams within the school should take note of the dedication and practice of their seniors so as to bring success to their teams in similar sporting events.

In order to achieve this enviable record, each member of the team gave his full support in every game, however small his contribution may have been. This effort from everyone ensured a team of closely knit players who know they could depend upon each other building team confidence and spirit which has led to their success.

I would like to add my personal congratulations to each member of the team not only for their cricketing prowess but for their exemplary behaviour both on the field and as ambassadors for Newcastle Boys' High School both at home and on trips away, in particular the trip to Canberra.

The School may be proud of you, boys.

Noel Watt

SECOND GRADE CRICKET

The 1975/76 season was an extremely satisfying and challenging one. While the team did not manage to win the laurels, we were an undefeated second, being beaten on total points. This record is indicative of the dedication and enthusiasm which the boys displayed in the competition, and I feel that while they were unfortunate enough to miss out on winning, they deserve our congratulations for a job well done!

Mr. J. Gebhardt



Back Row: N. Madden, G. Ashford, J. Besser, T. Clucas, G. Wright.
Sitting: R. Madden, M. Tyler, J. Argiris, G. Chambers, D. Ross, J. Saunders.

At the completion of the Grade Cricket competition the team finished first on points. The team played 5 matches:

1. v Marist. lost on the first innings
2. v Broadmeadow. draw
3. v Lambton. won by an innings and 45 runs
4. v Pius. draw
5. v Maitland. won by an innings and 30 runs

The season was highlighted by individual performances. In the bowling M. McDonald took 26 wickets and I. Liddell 22. There were also single bowling efforts by P. Nowland 4-7 and M. Lacey 4-15. Both of these bowlers were on hat tricks.

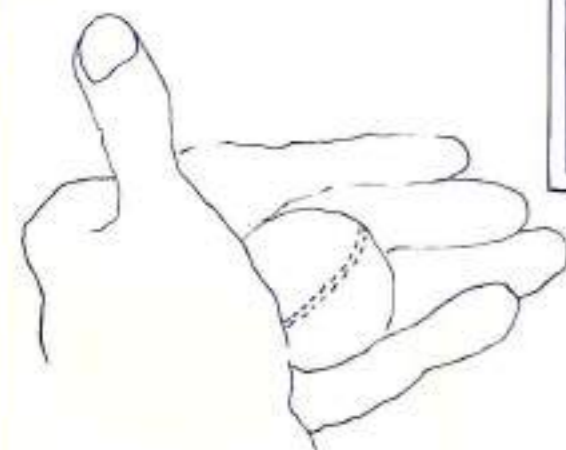
There were many good batting efforts during the season - M. McDonald 47 and 37; I. Liddell 76 and 32; G. Marks 44 and P. Nowland 27. All of these innings were at crucial times and helped our team into matchwinning positions.

The fielding of the team was also a feature. The team held some excellent catches and this again was highlighted by the wicket-keeping of G. Marks.

In all the team played very well all season and deserved to be on top at the end. I hope all the boys who were in this team will carry on with the game in their senior years.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank Mr. Richards for coaching the team and transporting us whenever it was needed.

Ian Liddell.



3rd GRADE CRICKET TEAM 1975-76

Back Row: D. Johnson, R. Robinson, M. McDonald, G. Marks, A. Kusnecov, M. Robinson, M. Lacey.
Sitting: A. Lambert, S. Lucas, J. Pattey, I. Liddell, P. Nowland, V. Frangos, M. Delaney.



14A CRICKET

After some very close matches, particularly against Hamilton Marist Brothers and Broadmeadow this team emerged as the Zone B Competition winners. The season was a frustrating one however, as a number of matches were half played or abandoned because of rain.

Outstanding performances came from Tony Parsons, an effective batsman and a confident team captain; David Wells, a leading run scorer, and a devastatingly accurate medium-fast bowler (with one hat-trick to his credit) and Glen Horne who shows considerable promise as a stylish batsman.

These three were well supported by allrounders Masson and Taylor and by a team of cricketers who enjoyed the game and played it in the appropriate spirit.

A. M. Leask



Back Row: D. Millard, D. Wells, N. Lembecke, Mr. A. Leask.
Sitting: J. Learoyd, D. Taggart, J. Masson, G. Horne, J. Peevey.



U/14B's CRICKET

Undefeated throughout the year the 14 B's were robbed of winning the competition by one lousy point. Such is life. Congratulations to all the team on their effort. Mark Stone and Simon Hurford warrant special mention for their consistent batting efforts, as do Lupco Kotevski and Terry Stevens in the bowling department.

K. Walliss



Back Row: L. Kotevski, B. Warren, A. Kaprilian, D. Millard, N. Lembecke.
Sitting: J. Peevey, Z. Josevski, G. Steggles, S. Hurford, G. Evans, M. Stone, C. Tagaroulas.





13-1 CRICKET

Back Row: D. Cook, N. Plater, B. Dawson, S. Christie.
Sitting: J. O'Brien, S. Burns, M. Ireland, C. Knight (Capt), P. Nixon, M. Pepperall, M. Knight.



13-2 CRICKET

Back Row: J. McGregor, M. Roach, J. Bristow, E. McFarlane.
Sitting: M. Fishlock, L. Bartlett, P. Smiljenic, S. Hardy, S. Knight, J. Connors, R. Jones.

ATHLETICS TEAM



Aust. Rules

SENIOR AUSTRALIAN RULES

The team this year consisted of M. Delaney, G. Marriott, D. Neville, M. Taylor, A. Cameron, S. Jonklaas, D. Partridge, G. Jones, C. Shedden, A. Lewis, K. Aldridge, M. Neasey, P. Learoyd, N. Hepple, P. Ferris, J. McQueen, J. Saunders, I. Wright, G. Chambers, B. Deal and captain R. French. The coach was N. Watt.

At the start of the season the team found itself with barely sufficient players for a team, the majority of whom had never played Rules before.

In the Zone competition, after a bad start, we beat Broadmeadow three times; Plus twice and Maitland twice. In the elimination for the final an excellent team effort destroyed Maitland 7.10.52 to 0.1.1.

In the final we beat Plus convincingly 6.7.37 to 0.4.4.

N.B.H.S. entered the inaugural "District 201D Lions Club Australian Rules Competition" and played Jesmond at Harker Oval. This was our only night match and the boys found difficulty in adjusting to the conditions. However, after a bruising match we ran out winners 8.11.69 to 5.3.33.

The second round was against an experienced Warners Bay team in blustery conditions at No. 1 Sportsground. Warners Bay were surprised by the strength and attack of our team. At the beginning of the final quarter N.B.H.S. led by four points but the strong wind favoured Warners Bay. We were beaten 56 to 33 which was the closest match played by the eventual winners of the competition.



Paul Ferris won a well deserved School Blue for his consistent brilliance at fullback. Other consistently good players were Mark Delaney and Alan Cameron in the forwards, Andrew Lewis, Kevin Aldridge and Mark Neasey in defence and Grahame Jones, John Saunders and Robert French as rovers.

The team as a whole should be thanked for continuous spirit and effort throughout the season.

N. Watt

JUNIOR AUSTRALIAN RULES

The team started the season with a good win against St. Plus, but were soon shaken by a loss to Broadmeadow. They lost the next few games in a competition which was affected by bad weather. However, they recovered well, and finished the season by winning the last few games in fine style, to finish third in the competition. I expect the experience gained this year will be of great benefit next year.

B. Melville

