

SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS—Welcome To Yr 9

Grey skies and rain greeted our Yr 9's for the first day of their secondary education.



The Yr 13 boys showed their young charges around the school and were also busy at lunch time (above) cooking up a barbequed sausage feast for the



Mr Shanks helps Yr 9 boys in SSK get their bearings on Day 1 of their High School career

HOUSE DAY HELD

One of the most popular days of the year took place this Tuesday as boys headed for various coastal sites in their Houses to take part in a day of learning names and faces and team building. For juniors it was a chance to get to know everyone in their Group and House, while ,for seniors, it was a chance to learn and display some leadership skills. boys soon learned that most Yr 9's aren't just pesky little



Above, Stuart House at Aramoana



Above, Dean, Mr McPherson instructs the troops while, below, boys enjoy some of the team building exercises.



MARAE VISIT FOR PREFECTS & INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



Prefects and international students visited Karitane marae this week as part of their orientation programme. It gave our prefects a wider appreciation of the community they live in and a chance for our international students to learn something of Maori life and culture. Left boys are welcomed



The boys take part in a pre-lunch spiritual exercise, very like Tai Chi.



A representative of each of the nationalities featured amongst our students spoke in his own language on their behalf. At left, Julian Kunder speaks for our German students. Head prefect, Kai Daniel, delivered his speech in Afrikaans.

EXCELLENT SPIRIT & HIGH PARTICIPATION AT ANNUAL SPORTS



SPEECH COMPETITION SUCCESS

This year was a great year for King's in public speaking, with Bede Robertson and Sam Brown, both Yr 13, finishing 1st and 2nd respectively in the annual Rotary Speech Competition.



Bede Robertson, left, and Sam Brown with Rotary Past President, Mr Ray Hay, at Tuesday's competition.

Both boys called on their own experiences to frame their speeches. Bede looked at the topic from in the context of Outward Bound and Sam referred to his trip to the Philippines as Youth Representative for New Zealand in 2007.

NZQA SCHOLARSHIPS ANNOUNCED

Congratulations to Philip Bennington, Dux of King's in 2007, Sam McCutcheon and Matthew McNaught who won scholarships after last year's NZQA examinations. Philip, left, achieved 3 scholarships, the most by any one King's boy since the new scholarship system was introduced. These were in: Mathematics with Statistics, Biology and Physics.

Sam McCutcheon was awarded a scholarship in Economics and Matthew McNaught won his in Visual Arts.



Yr 9 CAMPS AT HATHERLY POPULAR

Term 1 is Yr 9 Outdoor Education time with all classes getting a chance to experience life together for three days at King's Classroom By The Sea, The Hatherly, at Warrington. Initiative games, team building exercises, camping out, tramping, water skills and much more are covered. Below are some scenes from 9Pt's camp this week



Trampoline Jumps



Group initiative challenge



Orienteers



Warrington at its best.



Mr Paterson, outlines the camp objectives

GILLETTE CUP PLAY-OFF THRILLER - ALL TIED UP

The King's 1st cricket XI had a narrow squeak against John McGlashan College this week with their Gillette Cup play-off match ending in a tie. King's required 2 runs off the last ball of the match to win, after losing their way a little in the run chase. However, Simon Conrad could manage only to get his thigh in the way of the ball the batsmen scampered through for a leg bye, and the rare tied match. Because King's had lost fewer wickets than John McGlashan, King's was declared the winner.

SCORES

John McGlashan: 179/9 (Regan Flaws 3/60; Simon Conrad 2/22)

King's: 179/5 (Gifford Henry 66; Kai Daniel 63)



Good balance, foot-work and head position from Kai Daniel on left as he advances down the pitch, though the purist might question the angle of that back-lift towards gully.

Gifford Henry on right angles one in the direction of point as King's moves closer to its last ball tie with John McGlashan



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ENJOY BBQ WITH FAMILIES

It wouldn't be a King's week without a sausage being cooked somewhere. Last night our international students and their families gathered at the catering suite for a good kiwi barbecue with plenty of meat and smoke, and lots of salads



German students, Jacob Gundlach and Max Schiffler lend Mr Campbell a hand cooking up some good, German style sausages.



Gerrit Wilkens (Germany), a Vietnamese guest and Duc (Vietnam) get stuck in to some steak, kebabs and chicken.



‘How many sausages have you eaten, guys?’ From left, Junya Nagata, Ryohei Miyazaki (both Japan), Book and Gun (both Thailand) answer the photographer's question. Ryohei was obviously the hungriest.



Julian Kindinger (Germany), left, enjoys the meal with his host family, the McMillans.

SHIRLEY HAVE BETTER OF INTERSCHOOL

Shirley Boys' High School could claim bragging rights after this week's inter-school, winning softball, tennis and volleyball. Although poor weather saw both cricket matches abandoned as draws, Shirley had by far the better of both games.



**Tim Tolovae and Sam Griffin,
Jnr Volleyball**



Matt Batchelor



Matt McCutcheon



Regan Flaws, 5 for 50, 1st XI

RESULTS

SBHS 1st XI: 189 (Regan Flaws 5/50) and 146/6dec (Simon Conrad 2/10; Luke Johnston 2/18) drew with KHS 1st XI: 72 and 56/1 (Kai Daniel 44no)

Softball: KHS 2 SBHS 16 Tennis: KHS 0 SBHS 8

Touch: KHS 6 SBHS 3; KHS 5 SBHS 2

Volleyball: Snrs - KHS 1 SBHS 3; Jnrs - KHS 1 SBHS 3

OVERALL: KHS 2 SBHS 5

TOP PERFORMANCES AT ATHLETICS CHAMPS

Yr 13 pupil, Daniel Balchin and Yr 9 pupil, Jaydon Dovey, were King's outstanding performers at last weekend's Otago/Southland Athletics Champs in Dunedin, both winning two titles, as athletes sweltered in very hot, windless conditions.



Daniel takes the lead, 1500m



Jaydon Dovey



Jordan Seaward (left), 3rd, and Tim Tolovae (second from right),



Ben Richardson (*pictured above*): 1st WC shot put & discus



Ben Mackay, above, competing in the shot put (3rd place), won the U16 discus.

BON APPETIT!



Mrs Brook's and her Yr 11 French class dine out at *French Connection* one lunch time recently. The boys enjoyed the experience of French food and customs. Below, Josh Wright drools



SUCCESS FOR ORIENTEERS

King's came away from the Otago Secondary Schools' Orienteering Champs at the weekend with a number of excellent placings. Ryan Cambridge (Yr 12) won the senior boys' title from Vincent Pettinger (Yr 13) in second place.



From left: (standing) Myles Van Der Hue, Ryan Cambridge and Vincent Pettinger and (kneeling) Porourangi Templeton and Lane

Over Easter, Ryan Cambridge competed at the national orienteering champs in Masterton, with very good results:

4th long distance

4th middle distance

5th New Zealander, sprint distance



Ryan, left, heads off at the start of his event.

The School Cross Country Races



World Laser Radial Youth Championship 2008

Scott Rhodes raced in this world event held in Auckland recently. 20 countries competed with over 200 Laser yachts present. Many are like New Zealanders, and have a good sense of humor. I found the smile was an international language and valued the experience and many customs each country has.



Scott Rhodes, in King's colours, leading the Italians, USA and Japan

KING'S SCHOOLS' 7'S CHAMPIONS

King's won the 7's competition for schools from the whole of the Highlanders' franchise when they defeated OBHS 19-12 in the final.



Travis McIntosh, pictured at right off-loading in the tackle.

KING'S BOYS DO WELL AT NATIONAL SURF CHAMPS

King's boys, Geordi Dearn, Ben Bennett, Tom Bracegirdle, Jae Kilgour and Jordan Durst attended the 2008 National Scholastics Surfing Championships in Opunake.



BIOLOGY CAMP AT THE HATHERLY

Here boys are measuring sand and prodding things, while below, under the watchful eye of Mrs Jopson, they write up their findings.



GEOGRAPHY CAMP ON THE WEST COAST



Ben Spiers works at setting up a gold mining claim during Yr 11 Geography's field trip to the West Coast

KING'S 'PASSCHENDAELE' A TRIUMPH AT STAGE CHALLENGE

King's was runner-up to Otago Girls' High School with its production based on the World War 1 battle of Passchendaele, We have-a bunch of boys, who have again come out ahead of more fancied school girl opposition



King's was once again the only male school represented; but King's boys can do anything.

WAITAKI BOYS INTERSCHOOL

**King's - Waitaki 1st XV game,
won 25-22 by King's**



Above Joel Cambridge with perfect ball handling, has the defence in two minds, sells a dummy and takes the gap for King's 3rd try.

Left Kai Daniel breaks, leading to King's first try.

Below Teryn McLaren, with David Tep in support, heads for the corner and his second try.



Snr Basketball: KHS 27 - WBHS 98



Chess: KHS 3 - WBHS 5



1st XI Soccer: KHS 1 - WBHS 0



Hockey: KHS 2 - WBHS 3

CAVERSHAM RELAYS



The first event of the harrier season took place at King's with the annual 'King's Relays'. 44 teams from around Otago took part, with King's fielding 5. Our Senior A team of Daniel Balchin, Robert Brown, Royce Madigan and William Buchanan finished second, 18 seconds behind OBHS.

KING'S OF DUATHLON

King's duathletes Andrew Harper, Will Buchanan and Daniel Balchin all placed in the popular Otago Secondary Schools duathlon championships. 150 athletes from around Otago took part with the senior races featuring some very talented competitors, especially on the bike. Will finished a close 2nd and Daniel hung on to 3rd place.



Milton Cross Country Relays

The King's senior cross country team won its fifth consecutive Milton Relays Cross Country title on Wednesday, after a great battle with OBHS, John McGlashan and Gore High School.



Royce Madigan, watched by a trio of our juniors, heads for the end of lap 3 in the senior race in first place, with a small lead over JMC .



In the Senior B team, a mixture of junior and senior runners, Luke Johnston and Myles van der Heu were our top performers.

Senior Formal



TWO AWARDS FOR BIG KING’S CHOIR



The annual Big Sing competition for school choirs from throughout Otago and South Canterbury was a triumph for the King’s choir who won two of the awards presented. King's received „Commended” and shared the Isabel Chetwin Cup for Most Improved Choir with Craighead Diocesan from Timaru.

Otago Cross Country



Robert Brown heads for the finish.



Jaydon Dovey & Anthony Trainor near the fin-

LES MISÉRABLES

King's and Queen's major production, Les Misérables opened on Wednesday night in the Performing Arts Centre. Great show, great venue. .
Our latest Jean Valjean, Lima Manu, and all the cast carry on this proud tradition with aplomb



SWIMMING SPORTS



Kieran and Rhys Applegarth



SNR CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Rhys Applegarth (H) 56
2. Kieran Applegarth (H) 36
3. Conor Rourke (T) 28
4. Craig Somerville (W) 15

YR 10 CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Conor Daykin (S) 30;
2. Dylan Shaw (H) 30

YR 9 CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Fraser McKenzie (T) 34
2. Harley Brown (W) 18

INNOVATION CHALLENGE SUCCESS FOR KING'S TEAMS

King's recently sent two teams to the Innovation Challenge, run by the Department of Information Science at Otago University. The boys did particularly well and enjoyed the challenge of developing new products.



From left, above left, Matt Bradley, Scott Ward and Daniel Clarkson, who were second in their section, and, below, Matt Morris and Marc Gillan, who won theirs.

NATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPS



RESULTS

Yr 9: (189 finishers) Jaydon Dovey 20, Anthony Trainor 39, Mark Burnett 85, Adam Topping 106, Patrick Henderson 129

U16: (182 finishers) Andrew Harper 112, Dylan Shaw 162

U19: (218 finishers) Daniel Balchin 18, Robert Brown 50, Ben Anderson 75, Jarrod Williams 177

Above Patrick Henderson, Yr 9

Daniel Balchin, far right, our top runner, grinds it out on the steep hill at the back of the course.



TUDOR WINS HAKA COMPETITION



Tudor the winners



Stuart 3rd



Windsor 4th



Hanover 2nd

SUCCESSFUL GIFTED 'N TALENTED CAMP

23 year 9 and 10 students went to The Hatherly at Warrington for a special programme organised for 'Gifted and Talented' students. Students have been selected over the past two years for their noticeable ability in specific subject areas.



Lane Savell explains a geometric problem to Henry Morgan and Pat-



Professor Dave Gerrard relaxes with the boys on camp.

The camp was to encourage, support and challenge these students in areas of lateral thinking; problem solving activities and physical challenges were a part of this process. It was a privilege to have guest speakers, Professor David Gerrard and local professional artist, David Elliot share their career experiences. Both speakers encouraged the students to utilise whatever skills and opportunities they have in their possession at this time.

OBHS Interschool

Otago Boys' had the better of the competition, most games were close and eagerly contested. The 1st XV contest was one example where the final result didn't reflect the competitiveness of the game.



Taylor McCormack, 1st XI
1st XI Soccer: lost 0 - 2



Matt West
1st XI hockey: lost 0 - 11



Above, Ben Martin leads by example for King's as he takes the ball



Top tackle here as Thomas Mathias of the U13 Pumas makes sure his opponent is going nowhere fast. Henry Tagaloa ranges in support.

KAI & SAM - CLASS ACTS



For head boy Kai Daniel cricket and rugby fields are his home away from home".



Sam Brown has been able to achieve a black belt in taekwondo, a place in the 1st XV and is captain of the King's

***TANE PUPUKE* ROCKS POLYFEST**

***Tane Pupuke*, King's Kapa Haka group, shook the Edgar Centre up and captivated an enthralled audience yesterday at the Otago Polyfest. With a performance that was dramatic, intimidating, witty, cheeky and exuberant *Tane Pupuke* charmed their way into the hearts of the good-natured audience.**



PASIFIKA GROUP AT POLYFEST

Pictured above on stage at Polyfest 2008 is the King's Pasifika Group.

Coached by 2007 Pasifika Group member, Mike Mata'afa, the boys have been subjected to a very regimental approach and have responded superbly. Performing for King's were: Kenton Leiataua, Paul Tupai, Henry Tagaloa, Marcus Matipo, Amara and Jarome Foliomatama, Junior Mata'ia, Bruce Elisara, Misi-fosa Aleni, David Taua, Tim Tolovae, Junior Fa'avae, Nick Lipine and David Tep.



TUDOR TAKES SINGING CONTEST,



Tudor belt out the old Neil Diamond, hit ‘Cherry, Cherry’ to take first place.

Winsdor’s energetic rendition of ‘Lean on Me’ earned them 2nd place.



Hanover in third place with John Lennon’s ‘Imagine’.

Stuart took 4th place with ‘Rock the Boat’



RHYS APPELGARTH SALTER TROPHY WINNER 2008

Rhys Applegarth, almost certainly the best swimmer at King's for all of his five years at the school, was last night awarded the Salter Trophy for the top senior school sporting achievement of 2008.



Rhys was nominated for excellence in swimming, waterpolo and life saving. In 2008, Rhys received an Olympic trial where he made the A final of the 200m Freestyle and B final of the 400m Freestyle. He competed at the Australian Age Group championships. At the New Zealand Age Group Championships he was 4th in the 200m Freestyle, 5th in the 1500m Freestyle and 7th in the 100m and 400m Freestyle, all in personal bests.

Away from the swimming lanes, Rhys is a member of the King's waterpolo team, cross country team and a life guard at St Clair. Congratulations to Rhys on joining King's elite group of sportsmen.

OTHER SALTER TROPHY NOMINEES 2008

Daniel Balchin: athletics and cross country Kai Daniel: rugby, cricket, rugby league, athletics, waterpolo, canoe polo, tennis, multisport. Harrison King: ice hockey Scott Rhodes: yachting

BEDE ROBERTSON DUX OF KING'S



Bede received Special Prizes for Art Painting, Chemistry, Classical Studies, Physics, Excellence in two subjects and the Choir Trophy. Bede has had an outstanding five years at King's while remaining a pleasant, approachable and genial young man. His leadership skills saw him rewarded with the position of Deputy Head Boy; his musical ability is wonderful; he is a gifted actor and public speaker and even had time for orienteering and hockey.

WADE PEARSON - PROXIME ACCESSIT



Wade has had a stunning career at King's. His ability in languages has been almost unprecedented. Wade has achieved an A- pass in level 3 Spanish from Otago University, won a trip to Germany this year, gained the top mark in New Zealand in the Australian Writing Competition, won a Prestige Prize for Humanities, Excellences in Classical Studies and Professional Cooking and an award for services to catering. Wade, a prefect, is another who has been a great all-rounder. He is a

CHRIS FENNESSEY VISITS

King's Old Boy, and well-known singer/director, Chris Fennessey returned to school for a quick visit last week and a chance to meet some of the cast of Les Misérables. Chris is one of the most famous of Jean Valjean's, having played the role hundreds of times around the world.



Colin Aldis (1973-77) Visits the School



Colin left King's, graduated from Lincoln University and then went to Minnesota, USA on a Foreign Exchange Farm Programme. He is still there, as a financial adviser, is an American citizen now and was proud to vote for Obama.

Rochester Rochester where he lives has a population of only 100,000 but in its famous Mayo Clinic (annual budget \$7 billion) where his wife works, there are more operating theatres on one floor than in all of New Zealand and it employs 30,000 people.

MR BARR RETIRES AFTER 38 YEARS AT KING'S



Mr Barr's final Prize Giving, and the honour of presenting Yr 12 prizes, in this case, to Lima Manu.

The next two weeks will be Mr John Barr's last weeks at King's High School. 38 years as a teacher, five as a pupil-an incredible contribution to the school, a school he is very proud to have been a part of for so long.

He first began teaching here in 1971 and eventually became head of both Mathematics and then Computing. John had the major task, in 1975, of redeveloping a Maths Department that had become a bit run down and was without an HOD. He also started up Computing at King's from scratch, beginning in 1978 when the average computer was about the size of a dog kennel. The Computing "room" was just a converted storage room back then.

Basketball was always „my thing" and John remembers fondly the time his bunch of skinny white boys" (as reported in the local paper) came close to being New Zealand champions, finishing third and runners-up respectively, in 97 and 98, at the NZSS Basketball Champs. It was an amazing performance from a school like King's.

YEAR 10 CAMPS

