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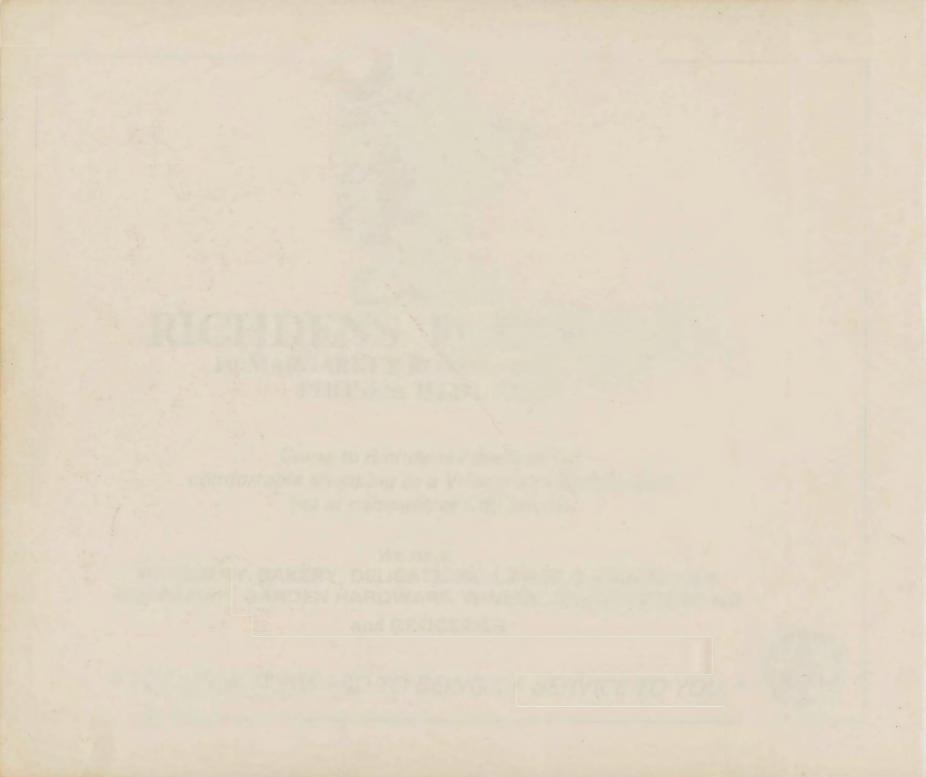
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# THE OUTLOOK 1985

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The hive of activities firmly bound into unity by the brickwork of the School.

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## Tenth Anniversary 1976 - 1985

Principal's Message



The pages which you are about to read or perhaps merely peruse, depict Hillcrest High School in its tenth anniversary year. The Editor and his staff, through the pages which follow, intend to convey that not only has 1985 been another busy year in the life and progress of Hillcrest High, but it has been one which has brought together and actively involved a large number of pupils and parents. Their endeavours, along with those of past pupils, have brought Hillcrest to the present.

Much of the growth and many of the changes we have seen during the past ten years have been predictable and painless. As we move into our second decade it is obvious that changes, both in education and out, promise to be rapid and dramatic. Hillcrest, along with other schools, has a vital role to play in this change. As in the past, I know that Hillcrest can be relied upon to play its part in building for the future.

M.C. GARRETT B.Sc. B.Ed.

## **EDITORIAL**

TX 7hen preparing the year book for the school we are faced with the problem of which aspects have been most indicative of the life of the school. The prowess of senior teams and achievements of individuals are the aspects most often reflected in school year-books. Contemplating the issue brought to mind the once famous Horse Memorial that stands on the Hill in Port Elizabeth, on which cynics have often commenced that Port Elizabeth was a one horse town and when the horse died the inhabitants built a memorial to it! It is not this attitude that causes the memorial to be thought of but the inscription beneath the horse: "The greatness of a nation consists not much in the number of its people or the extent of its territory as in the extent and justice of its compassion".

What has this to do with school life and the year-book, might be asked. The analogy is that the worth of a school is not determined by the accomplishments of some of its pupils, nor the number of pupils in teams nor in the school as the whole but by the overall involvement that a school can offer the pupils and their response to the opportunities.

It is for this reason that in this year-book we have not concentrated on the top ranks of pupils nor activities but on as wide a range of activities as possible. The endeavour has also been made to portray a wide selection of participants, of people who don't reach the top but who are as much part of the whole network that creates a school, as those who achieve greatness.

Finally we hope that you enjoy reading and keeping this year-book as much as we have enjoyed following and noting the various activities over the past year.



The Editor, Bernard Brown, and his Sub editor, Ronnie Wallace, select photographs for the year-book.

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Most people are familiar with conventional jigsaw puzzles where each piece has a unique position in the whole. A recent introduction to the novelty world is the Shmuzzle Puzzle where all the pieces are identical. These pieces are called tessallation shapes and can be pieced together in any order, irrespective of the picture they form.

School masters and mistresses are usually designed to be masters of some particular educational field yet are often expected to fill other positions within the school tessalation both in the classroom and out of it. This and the universal utterance from teachers that they are paid peanuts has given rise to the following Shmuzzle ® Puzzle representation of the 1985 Staff; our own Shmonkey Puzzle.

A round of applause, please for a staff that has accomplished much within the realms of education at Hillcrest High School during 1985.

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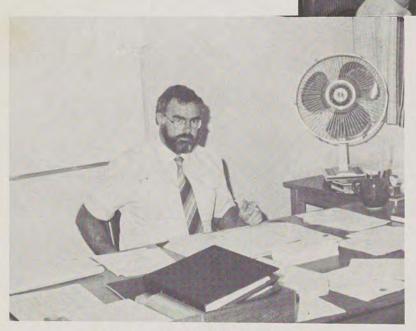


"Now to get down to some serious work". - Mr Gavin Kedian HOD





Mr Ian Smith, newly appointed Deputy Principal



"Yes boy!". Mr Clive Waddy, Deputy Principal



Four acting HOD's for 1985; Mr John Langford, Mr Trevor Jones, Mrs Lynn van Eldik and Mrs Jackie Stieger.

## SECRETARIAL STAFF



Secretaries, Mesdames, Georgie Robinson, Jenny Hardy, Denise Mare, Janet McDonald and Jackie Liebenberg.

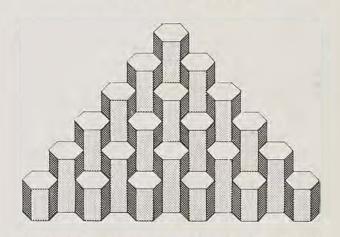


Mrs Florence Dlamini keeping the cogs well oiled.



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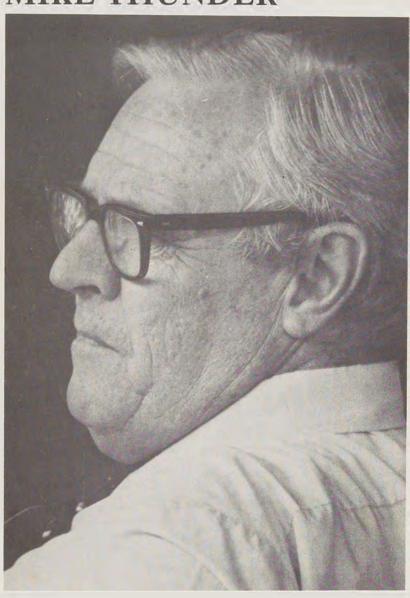
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## STAFF COMINGS AND GOINGS

## MIKE THUNDER



Wike Thunder retired from teaching at the end of the first term this year and it was with regret that we parted from one of our most interesting people at Hillcrest High. Mr Thunder was our only truly classical scholar who had been educated at Blackfriars in Northamptonshire and at London University. Blackfriars was founded at the time Van Riebeeck came to South Africa and was a Jesuit College which sadly has since closed down. Among his many subjects at school, 'Mike' Thunder learnt Greek and he was inspired by his own teachers to follow a teaching career. His teachers were Dominician Priests, all of whom were degreed, and wise and just men; he remembers with respect particularly his history teacher whose definition of a gentleman was "One who didn't put grease on his hair, who studied Greek and who played a straight bat!" The school was self-sufficient, set in beautiful surroundings and the farming was done by the priests and boys themselves. It is no wonder then that Mr Thunder feels that government education is textbook stuff, whereas private education offers so much more.

Mike Thunder studied at the London University from 1946 - 50, where he read 16th Century chronicles; he also studied Greek and French. His thesis "The History of the Relations between the Church and State in the reign of Henry II" would have been of invaluable assistance to our Std 9 pupils this year who studied Murder in the Cathedral by T.S. Eliot; both works concern themselves with the Becket/Henry conflict!

After leaving university, Mr Thunder's only opportunity to teach

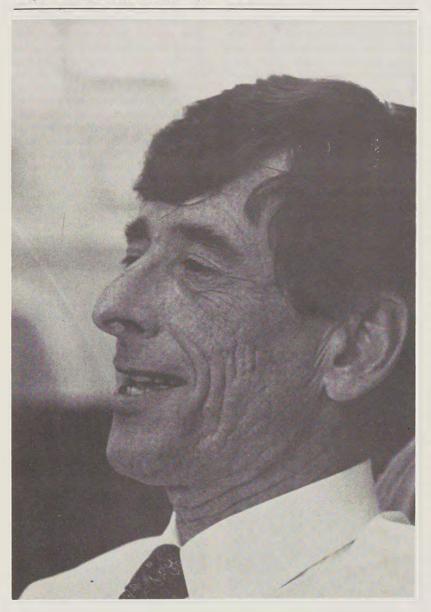
was in government schools as he was not a priest nor a member of the Anglican Church and so he decided to come out to Africa to Southern Rhodesia where he lived and taught for 10 years. Mr Thunder met his wife at a party in Salisbury where they shared a love of horse-riding. They have 2 sons, Adrian and Robin who schooled at Hillcrest High. After being unable to procure a transfer to the city, the Thunders returned to England where Mr Thunder worked as a PRO and edited an optical journal. They then returned to Southern Rhodesia and at the break up of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, they came to South Africa in 1963.

He taught at Bishops Diocesan College in Cape Town for a year, but opportunities for promotion in a private school are few and the Cape Winters are too harsh, so the Thunder family decided to move to Natal where Mr Thunder accepted a post at Westville Boys High from 1966 to 1968. Having built a house in Gillitts he applied for and was gented a transfer to Kloof High where a served from 1969 - 1976 and where he ran the History department. He joined the staff at Hillcrest High in 1977.

Throughout his teaching career Mr Thunder has coached a lot of rugby and produced a number of plays; he remembers particularly fondly a production of *Macbeth* produced under the adverse conditions of a 'flu epidemic at Kloof High. In his farewell speech and in his interview, Mr Thunder acknowledged his luck in having worked with lovely staffs in all schools in all the countries in which he has been privileged to teach.

All the nicknames with which he

has been inflicted throughout his teaching career have, to his knowledge, been associated with "thunder", though for us he had become our "Mr Chips" and we were sad to say goodbye to him. Mr Thunder has a number of projects he wishes to embark on during his retirement and he is at present re-decorating his home.



## JOHN CREESE

It was with regret that we wished Mr Creese farewell earlier this year. Mr Creese was posted to Hillcrest High in 1977 from which time he successfully headed the English Department at this school and was in the historic position of teaching our first Matriculants. Mr Creese left us to join the staff of St Andrew's College, Grahamstown, where he will be teaching English and History; the latter which particularly pleases him as he has not taught the subject since the outbreak of the Korean War; in his own words: "For some History is a subject. For me it is a living memory!"

Mr Creese was educated in Montreal, Canada and obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree and two teaching diplomas, later completing his Honours in English and obtaining a Bachelor of Education degree here at the University of Natal. He has taught at a number of schools in Montreal, Toronto and in England before his arrival in South Africa and his appointment to Hillcrest High School.

In his farewell message to us, Mr John Creese had this to say: "There are many aspects of my stay here that I have appreciated and enjoyed. I remember with happiness and affection the many staff members, pupils and parents with whom I have worked. In my time here I have taught more than a thousand pupils and I never met with one whom I did not like. There are some former pupils who continue to keep in touch and it is always interestig to hear how they are progressing in life and in their careers.

Teaching here has been for me a challenge and a pleasure. I wish all staff and pupils happiness and a sense of justifiable gratification in knowing they have gained success in work well done. Hillcrest is blessed with a high school which is good and which has the potential to become one of the great high schools of Natal. With selflessness, common sense, and the talent available, it will become great. I wish you all well in the years to come."

## DAVE ROSSLER

A fter matriculating from Northlands Boys' High Mr Rossler decided to study for a career in accountancy. He successfully completed a Bachelor of Commerce degree at the University of Natal in Pietermaritzburg. Shortly thereafter he decided to enter teaching. He obtained his Diploma in Education at the University of Cape Town.

His first teaching post was at Westville Boys' High School. He taught there for seven years coaching rugby, cricket and squash as well. Before joining the staff at Hillcrest he gained valuable experience in the commercial world. On arrival he was impressed by the friendliness of the pupils and the manner in which they expressed their school spirit.

Besides teaching Mr Rossler has been responsible for starting a boys' squash team.

In his short time at the school he has established himself as a popular teacher concerned with the welfare of his pupils.

## IAN SMITH

Mr Smith's impressions of Hill-crest High are: considerable care has been taken in the planning and layout of the school and the result is very attractive; both the staff and the pupils are very friendly and people are generally co-operative. Mr Smith feels Hillcrest High has a lot of potential.

Mr Ian Smith joined our school at the beginning of the year as a deputy principal in charge of administration. He has taught at various schools in the greater Durban area at Westville Boys High, D.H.S., Brettonwood and Kingsway, and his last position was at Edgewood Training College where he lectured in the department of History for four years.

Educated at D.H.S. and at Durban University, Mr Smith holds a History Honours degree and a Bachelor of Philosophy which is a junior doctorate, his thesis for which was "Jan Christiaan Smuts, his international role, with particular reference to the League of Nations and South West Africa." Our first literary celebrity, Mr Smith has written a Standard 6 History text book, much of which was written during his years at Edgewood and which was published this year.



# paper, "The Observer", she replied

## **CATHY MAGGS**

Miss Maggs, a very cheerful person, studied at the University of Natal, Durban. She studied for five years and got a Bachelor of Arts degree and gained honours in History, and an H.D.E. Miss Maggs previously taught at Northlands Girls' High before coming to Hillcrest High.

Miss Maggs considers it part of her job to help out with extra-mural activities although marking and preparation take up a lot of time. She enjoys training the netball girls and was proud of the fact that she passed the referee/umpire exam this year.

When Miss Maggs was asked what she thought of the bi-weekly newspaper, "The Observer", she replied that it was an excellent idea and that it deserved a great deal of support. She also said that the general opinion of the staff towards "The Observer" was quite positive. Miss Maggs thinks that the continual assessment programme does have the advantage of spreading the load of marking and also that each pupil gets more attention.

When asked what her first impressions of the school were she replied that it was very pleasant and the first voice she heard was that of Mrs McDonald who was cheerful and welcoming. I asked Miss Maggs what she thought of the atmosphere at the school and she answered that it was more relaxed than at other schools she has taught.

#### MARGARET SWAN

Mrs Swan was posted to Hillcrest High this year to teach English after being a housewife for a number of years. She was educated at G.H.S. in Pietermaritzburg and has a BA Honours degree in Psychology and an H.D.E. from the University of Natal in Durban.

Mrs Swan's impression of Hillcrest High is the staff is very friendly. She is happy to be here as she finds the academic stimulation enjoyable and a challenge after not working for some time, and she feels that building relationships with pupils can be very rewarding. The school has a nice atmosphere and is set in lovely grounds which will further improve as the trees grow. Within the organisation of the school, Mrs Swan appreciates the reasonable balance between teaching and non-teaching periods which allows for competent organisation and preparation.

## LYNNCORKE CRAIG IRVIN DAVID CATO DAVID GAY

Mrs Corke attended Dundee High School and then moved on to Pietermaritzburg University where she did a BA, majoring in Afrikaans, followed by a teaching diploma. Before joining the staff at Hillcrest High, Mrs Corke taught at Berea Girls' High School.

Mrs Corke is very enthusiastic about supervising tennis at this school; although she does not play very often herself; and she has some good ideas that will, hopefully, improve the standard of tennis here.

Aspects of Hillcrest High which Mrs Corke likes are the presentation of "The Outlook" and the printing of the fortnightly newspaper "The Observer", which adds a touch of humour to the school life.

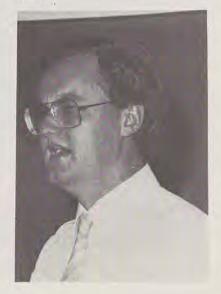
Mrs Corke and her husband enjoy mountaineering in the Drakensberg.



Mr Girvin went to Glenwood High School, where he matriculated in 1977. He then went to Natal University, where he obtained a B.Sc. (Hon.) Degree in Geography. He majored in Economics as well while his other teaching subject is Mathematics. He then went to the army for two years, which he spent at Oudtshoorn. This is his first year of teaching.

His impression of the school is one pleasant pupils, along with a pleasant staff. The atmosphere and environment are very nice.

The reason he became a teacher is that ever since the age of nine, he had wanted to be one; quite why, he doesn't know. Mr Girvin's primary interests are music and cricket. Because of this, he teaches the choir and coaches under-fifteen cricket with Mr Cato. He also assists with debating, organizes Interact and coaches boys' tennis.



This is the first school that Mr Cato has been assigned to. A few years ago he was a pupil at Hillcrest High and was our first head boy for three consecutive years in Std 8, 9 and 10. He says that the prefects' authority has increased and that the only other change is, of course, the blue shirts they wear.

Mr Cato is very happy with the running and basic functioning of the school and when asked how he felt about being a pupil and then a teacher at the same school, he replied that he felt quite comfortable in familiar surroundings where he had been happy as a pupil. According to Mr Cato, things have not changed much more here at Hillcrest High except for the school routine and the fact that so few of the original teachers remain.

After matriculating at Hillcrest High, Mr Cato studied for a Bachelor of Science degree, majoring in Mathematics and Computer Science, at the University of Natal in Durban. This was followed by a Higher Education Diploma and two years in the army. Mr Cato was posted to the Officers' Training School in Oudtshoorn where he rose to the rank of lieutenant and remained for a further year as an instructor there.

One of Mr Gay's first teaching experiences was at Estcourt High where he was thrown in at the deep end — having to teach science in Afrikaans — but he admits to having learnt to swim! Mr Gay was himself educated at Glenwood High and has an HDE from the University of Natal in Durban where he studied for a Chemical Engineering degree, having done his first year in Pietermaritzburg.

The country atmosphere, which is rather like that at Estcourt, is what Mr Gay enjoys about Hillcrest High. He thoroughly enjoys teaching, but prefers a boys-only environment at school. Mr Gay's extra-mural activities include assisting Miss Combrink in training Boys U13 and 14 Hockey. Their enthusiasm he appreciates and believes that more commitment and dedication come from the younger pupils.

An outdoor enthusiast, Mr Gay's personal interests include hiking, water-skiing, canoeing and sailing, wildlife and farming. His greatest achievement to date is in the field of flying; he flew solo in Matric at 17 years old before ever driving a car!

#### MARGARET WATRIDGE

Mrs Watridge came to our rescue in the second term when she took over from Mrs Skjolde. Having taught here in 1982 Mrs Watridge is not new to Hillcrest High, but she has found the school quite different this time round. Our numbers have grown considerably and this is particularly

apparent at our assemblies.

Mrs Watridge was educated in Southern Rhodesia and obtained her diploma in commercial subjects at the Technikon in Durban. We bid farewell and say thank you to Mrs Watridge who is moving to Durban and who will not be teaching here next year.

## **EDWARD WATTLEWORTH**

Mr Wattleworth was educated at school in Johannesburg and has a BA Honours degree in Geography and a UED from the University of Natal in Durban. He was posted here from Krugersdorp High and has also taught at Brettonwood High.

At Hillcrest High, Mr Wattleworth is involved with Musketry and the

organising of the audio-visual aids in the school.

"It has a lot of potential" is how Mr Wattleworth describes Hillcrest High and he thoroughly approves of some of the good ideas such as the wearing of colour blazers on a Friday. Having always taught at co-educational schools, Mr Wattleworth prefers them as he considers them a more natural situation.

## **NEVILLE JARMAN**

Although new to the school and fresh from university in Pietermaritzburg and the defence force, Mr Jarman has already involved himself in training the Drummies and editing "The Observer", our school newspaper. Mr Jarman has a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Higher Education Diploma and he teaches Economics—a profession he has always aspired to. Mr Jarman chose to teach Economics because he feels there is a lesson to be learnt from the bad state the world is in

After his four years at university, Mr Jarman spent two years in the army at posts in Oudtshoorn, Kimberley and Durban, and later he was posted to Hillcrest High where he enjoys the co-educational environment. When asked about Hillcrest High's testing system and our peripatetic system (where the teachers move around the school and the pupils stay in their classrooms), Mr Jarman said "Terrible!" for the latter as he had blisters for the first few weeks, but he admitted that our testing system is a good concept.

## CHRISTOPHER KEEP

Mr Keep has taught for four years: at Kloof High, Northlands Senior Primary, Kloof Primary and is now entering into his fifth year here at Hillcrest High. He was educated in Durban at Durban High School and he studied at Edgewood College, majoring in Physical Education and Geography, with Natural Science as a minor.

Mr Keep's impression of Hillcrest High: he likes the pupils and the staff, and has a positive feeling for the school. His ambitions for Hillcrest High include encouraging the love of sport and its enjoyment for its own sake, not only for the sake of winning.

Mr Keep's own ambitions include catching as many fish as possible and doing as much surfing as he can.

## **DEBBIE JENKINS**

Mrs Jenkins grew up in Pietermaritzburg and attended Pietermaritzburg Girls' High. After school she did a Bachelor of Arts degree, at the University of Natal and then did a one year teaching diploma. Mrs Jenkins can also teach English and take Vocational Guidance.

Mrs Jenkins first post was at Pietermaritzburg Girls' High where she taught for two years before coming to Hillcrest High. This is the first time she has taught at a co-educational school and when asked, her opinion was: "I think it is a good thing because the school is better balanced and the girls and boys grow up knowing each other." She said she enjoyed teaching a mixed class and that she prefers a co-educational school to an all-girls school.

The new teachers must have had first impressions of the school and when Mrs Jenkins was asked about her impressions, she replied, "The school is so different from a girls' school because there is so much noise." Mrs Jenkins also said that the staff were very friendly.

Mrs Jenkins thinks that the continuous assessment programme at the school is a good idea because it makes the pupils revise throughout the year and it also takes the load of examination marking off the teachers. She feels that half-year examinations, for instance, result in pupils learning their work only the night before.



## PETER WARD

Mr Ward has taught for one year at Newcastle High, venturing into his second at Hillcrest High. He was educated in Johannesburg at Rooseveldt High and studied for a Bachelor of Science in Pietermaritzburg at the University of Natal.

Mr Ward commented on the fact that our pupils are more receptive, less conservative, more fashion conscious and more impressionable than other pupils he has taught. He feels the older standards are more mature, but the younger standards are no more mature than at any other school.

Mr Ward's personal plans are to progress in education, to study further and to achieve a Master's degree in Zoology. His ambitions for our school: to ensure that general education is achieved — not only academic, and to encourage enthusiasm to learn and to let people know the value of learning.

## **DOUG FRIEDEMANN**



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Standard Dail

It was with a great sigh of relief and a slight twinge of remorse that we hand over to the 1986 Prefects. The year has certainly been valuable, and the lessons we have learnt are perhaps one of the greatest privileges of being a prefect. We found it very difficult and tempers flared at times yet the fact that we united now, speaks for itself.

At the beginning of the year we set two aims, to try to improve the school spirit by showing increased commitment ourselves and to do more than our fair share in improving the discipline and pride of the school. As head prefects, we would like to thank the eighteen prefects under us for their hard work and loyalty — because of their commitment each one deserves a special mention.

Cindie Fleming proved to be outstanding in all sports, as well as the school play and House play. She also fulfilled a responsible and demanding role as Deputy head girl. Likewise

Glennan Blackmore

# FROM THE HEAD BOY & GIRL

Rolf Henriksen was involved in sport and was swimming captain for Robinson, Sean Cardinaal and Darryl Horn broke the tradition that school plays are not for the 'machos'. Sean was captain of all boys' ball sports -a truly remarkable achievement and Darryl played cricket and rugby. Sharyn Simpson certainly showed her acting prowess in both the school play and House plays and was swimming captain as well as athletics captain for Escombe. Craig Mare was very involved in the Cadets as well as playing hockey. Sharon Lailvaux captained the first team girls hockey as well as Robinson House. It was her enthusiasm for sport that made Robinson House at least the champion in spirit if not in sport! Keith Hines

and Billy Bent played cricket and rugby as well as organizing chess and being involved in the Business Game. Tracey Crookes played hockey and tennis as well as being Sutton House Captain for this year. Tracey's superb qualities made her one of the more popular prefects. Tracey Morris has proved to be the model of efficiency this year, she captained the second team hockey as well as playing a large role in service. Kerry Done is one of the few girls to achieve full colours for service. Pierre Sapet and Peter Taylor both played cricket and rugby and Susan Houghton played hockey, swam for the school and acted in both the school and House plays. Craeg McLaren was involved in athletics, rugby and swimming as well as being Escombe House Captain. Craeg has brought credit to our school with his scouting achievements. Debbie Berkeljon played hockey, sang in the choir, acted in the house plays and was treasurer for Interact.

Shelly Broughton was involved in every conceivable cultural activity and truly showed her leadership qualities in this respect — our thanks also go to Shelley for spending hours of hard work and many of her own resources in redecorating the Prefects room.

We ended our term of office with a highly successful and enjoyable weekend at Royal Natal. Thanks go to Mr Waddy for his time and the frank and valuable assistance he has given us.

Finally we owe a big thank you to the Standard tens of 1985. Your FANTASTIC support and friendship helped us to achieve a lot more than we hoped.

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## Students Representative Council

The entire S.R.C. body announces a somewhat relatively inactive year. We feel that the neglect is purely because of disinterest by the students of Hillcrest High School, whom we do represent. Therefore we justify a short description on who and what we are and should be doing.

The S.R.C. is an organised and powerful body, responsible for up-

lifting and upgrading the school life. They represent the students in all kinds of problems in all aspects of school life. They also see to it that the School premises and atmosphere are respectable and tidy. This, however, is an awesome task and pressure can be relieved by co-operation of all pupils. Pupils should see to it that all their problems reach our agenda via the representatives of their standards.

When we use the word 'inactive', we don't mean a total disaster. There are a few projects which have managed to obtain the necessary prerequisite for success. Among these projects are 'The Drummie/S.R.C. Dance Competition', the 'Grand Fair' which was a great success and various matters concerning the 'Matric Dance' and the Matrics in general. Our next main project is the 'Christmas Fund' where we allocate certain funds for certain operators of our school system.

In these harsh times we feel we have not shaped so badly at all and there is a general consensus of opinion that "1986" will be a successful and actionpacked year.

We look forward to serving you again and do take to heart those

words and come and see us. We promise you we will do our best to serve you and make your school life a cheerful and happy one. After all, school days are supposed to be your best days.

At this point on behalf of the S.R.C. body we offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to Mr Waddy for liaising with us and helping us to help you, the pupils of Hillcrest High School.

Members: Std 10: Chairlady — Mandy Plumstead; Secretary — Ingrid le Tourneur, Dale Potgieter, Wayne Stoltz; Std 9: Wayne Reith, Adrian Thunder, Kevin Pickford; Std 8: Craig de la Mare, Solange Lailvaux; Std 7: Grant Lloyd, Dwayne Alexander; Std 6: S. Rae, T. Anderson; Supervisor: Mr Waddy.



It looks as if the talks between the SRC and the Headmaster have broken down.







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n overriding impression I was left with after the last curtain call was that the cast had enjoyed performing the play as much as we the audience had enjoyed and been entertained by their performance. Mr Cuttler's clever type-casting of a number of characters for example Lisa Ross as Lin and Cindy Fleming as Sharon, allowed the pupils the freedom to explore further concepts with which they are familiar and resulted in a number of convincing Viaracter studies. Conversely Michael Lloyd and Andrew Broughton, who play Al and And, the gravediggers, were not type-cast, yet their performances were superb and Michael Lloyd is to be commended on his commitment and control of his character and the raucous amusement which was the response to his very Conny part.

The contrast between the dedicatedto-their-cause personalities and those who had nowhere to go was amusing and convincingly portrayed; particularly the contrast between such characters as Madeleine, played by Sharyn Simpson and Sylveste, played by Sean Cardinaal. This contrast was particularly successful as it caused both an amused and a thoughtful response in the audience.

The group of 3rd form boys worked particularly well together and provided much of the humour; the serious character of Butcher, convincingly portrayed by Tim Smith, provided a perfect foil for the more boisterous, less committed characters of the group. It was pleasing to see that the highly comic situation of boys having to dress up as girls was not allowed to deteriorate into a farce and Craig de la Mare's performance in this situation was beautifully controlled and hugely funny.

The play was set in an old school all and the set construction provided

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an adequte setting for the cast who moved with confidence. The lighting too was very effective with clever use of black-out and spot lighting through windows. The costumes were colourful, modern and attractive. Mrs Moira Palmer designed and printed the posters and programmes and these were exceptionally eye-catching and well designed.

Under the guidance of Mr Gavin Cuttler, Hillcrest High School is rapidly building a reputation for producing polished and entertaining plays. "Spring Offensive" is no exception and while the serious message was a little subdued by the humour and enthusiasm of the cast, the end result was an enjoyable production.





# **OFFENSIVE**

## AN ACTOR SPEAKS

A cting in the play involved going to rehearsals in the evenings from half past five until half past eight almost every day of the week. Those with sport and cultural commitments were on the go continually from the

early morning, through school, straight to the extra-curricular activity, home for about an hour, then to rehearsal and home again at about 9 o'clock still to do homework for the following day, These seemingly in-

surmountable odds were overcome and the play turned out to be a wonderful success. Determination, dedication and self-sacrifice brought the play from a script-reading through a term of turmoil, depression, lack of sleep and jubilation to the final result: a rewarding three night run.

Everyone was important to the success of "Spring Offensive" and, like all plays, this one did have its worrying and disappointing moments. "We've only got a week. There's still a lot to do!" (to quote the play within the play). After a dreadful dress rehearsal the cast pulled together and presented three excellent performances. Because of the late nights, there was a lot of friction between the cast members and their parents and the message to those parents is: "Prepare yourselves for next year!"

As I have mentioned, without the contribution of all the people involved, the play would not have been successful. Most of its success however, is due to the director, Mr Cuttler, who was a pillar of strength and an inspiration to us all. "Thanks, Sir." The hotdogs and hot chocolate provided by the tuckshop and made by Miss Burn during the short break at every rehearsal were very much appreciated; they were also the source of energy for many cast and backstage crew members who had not yet had supper.

The cast party after the last performance was the culmination of weeks of hard work. Every play has its good moments and these are the ones that everyone likes to remember: the friends made and the experience gained, by cast and backstage crew alike, made all the hard work really worthwhile. My message to all those involved in this year's school play is: "See you all next year in the 1986 Hillcrest High School play!"







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## Students Christian Association

We are blessed this year with a number of teachers all geared up and ready to go, as well as a new, enthusiastic S.C.A. Committee.

One of our S.C.A. periods was filled by a discussion on whether Religious Education was valid in schools, and it certainly made one think. The enthusiastic teachers were there to share their views as well as Sharyn Simpson. In another talk Mr Cato really challenged us about spiritual warfare, and on yet another occasion Peter Rasmussen and Karen Tocknell fired us up to make a stand. Wise Mr Hoffman opened our eyes considerably with his well researched "talk" on art and man's way of thinking. We also had an evening at the Broughton's home which included a dash for chocolate with a knife and fork -

(you should see the photos!) "Spirit, Soul and Body" also shed light on Christian music and certainly proved it's not all hymns.

Scamp 85 — After an hour and a half we arrived at our three homely rondavels. Everyone tore around madly inspecting the terrain and unpacking. Supper started cooking, thanks to our cook, friend and musician, Judith Sheiby. After supper we got to know one another better in some of the most bizarre encounters. An evening stroll, Milo and we were ready to attempt miracles: fitting 17 square girls and Mrs Jenkins in one small rondavel.

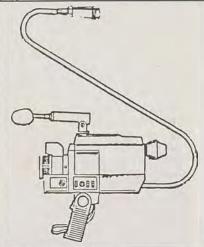
Saturday morning on the beach we built a 2 x 2 metre, magnificent sand castle with all the delicate details added by Mike and Roger, engineers extraordinary. Back at camp Ed Strong, our guest for the weekend, shared really down to earth facts about God being Father of our Spirit. His wife Heidi and their tiny, beautiful daughter were also a great testimony. We brought half the beach back with us when we came back from our beach stroll and there were no hot showers awaiting us!

Sunday morning we crawled out of bed, much too early, but at least a scrumptious breakfast awaited us. We had a last squizz at the sea but not before we were almost stopped dead by a train. We had another really alive meeting that rocked our soul and got our spirits jiving. After tea we had a winter clean that swept the camp from top to toe. We all arrived home exhausted but happy!!

We are looking forward to a blessed coming year and would like to extend a very big thanks to Mrs Jenkins, Mr Friedemann, Miss Maggs, Mrs Smallbones, the old and new S.C.A. committees, and the S.C.A. body, for the vital part they have played in Hillcrest High's S.C.A.



Louise Jackson at Scamp



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# MAIDENS IN UNIFORM

The start of the year saw 80 girls who were scarcely able to tell their left feet from their right. With a few exceptions there has been a vast improvement. The girls were able to prove quite conclusively that they were better than the boys in our internal drill competition. After dedicated practice during the C.R. period and lunch breaks, the girls squad polished their performance. The winning squad, led by Charmaine Hair, stunned everyone by doing a perfect about turn, something which the boys had not yet attempted.

This success generated some enthusiasm for the Group 10 Drill Squad competition. The girls came

together as a team and once again practiced at all opportunities to perfect their drill. At very short notice Nolene Seagreen ably took over the Squad and led the girls, in high spirits, into their competition. The Squad was placed third (out of 3) but the most important factor was that they had enjoyed themselves.

Earlier this year a group of 25 girl cadets were accompanied by Mr and Mrs Berry and Mr and Mrs Wood to a camp at Anerley. After their early morning drilling the rest of the day was left over for pleasure. On the Saturday the girls were given a talk on the use of an ESV-emergency service vehicle, by Mr Maher of the Port Shepstone Red Cross.

We have had an enjoyable year with our group numbering eighteen pupils in 1985. Our theme in the first term was the Arts, and Prof. Murgatroyd talked to us about "Peculiar Animals in the Ancient World". Mr D.L. Pike spoke on "Universal Issues in Greek Myths" and Dr Oehrle presented an audiovisual show on "Music through the Visual Arts".

In the 2nd term we turned to the Sciences and Prof. M. Laing discussed "Creation or Evolution"? Next we had a day at the Aquarium and Dolphinarium, first watching the



animals and later adjourning to the Lecture Room where Prof. Bowmaker spoke about sonar communication among sea mammals. This was illustrated with slides and we listened to many extraordinary whale songs and dolphin poetry! Mr Ross gave us a most interesting talk on Computers and their daily uses. One afternoon the visiting students entertained us hugely by playing various games demonstrating communication skills.

## ENRICHMENT GROUP

Professor Hunter revealed wonderfully interesting information in his lecture on "Continents Afloat" and

finally from the University, Mr Paige talked about "Terrestrial Ecosystems".



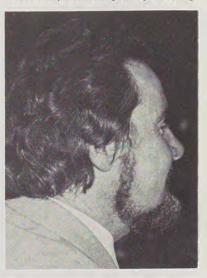
Mrs van Eldik and some of the pupils. (above) Two of the projects displayed (left and below). Mr Stuart Wallace, Education Planner enjoying the display and talks (right).



The following week Mr Freeman brought in part of his butterfly collection. Then we worked on our own on a translation exercise which left many of the group deciding how lucky they are to speak English!! Prof. Laing came and spoke to us about Röutgen and X-Rays which was an extremely enlightening hour's talk. And lastly Prof. Laing talked on "Quarks and the Early Moments of the Universe" — a fascinating insight into physics.

Our theme for parents' evening on September 11th was, "Survival in the Desert", in which pupils were free to explore any aspect of this theme.

We completed our year by working



through Edward de Bono's Thinking Programme, a course designed to teach specific thinking skills, both creative and logical (lateral and vertical) which has world-wide recognition and has been used successfully in both educational and business organisations.

A visit to the Museum for a guided tour of the exhibition "The Orient in Durban" was our final outing of a most enjoyable year.

## DEBUTANTES' FLOAT PROCESSION

On Saturday 2 March the Gillitts Lionesses Debutantes gathered at the Old Mutual grounds to put the last touches to their floats, which were later paraded through the streets of Pinetown. The main purpose of the parade, which was led by the Hillcrest High and Kloof High drum majorettes, was to make the public more aware of the Debutantes' function and their fund-raising activities in aid of needy causes.

The seven floats were financed by the public who donated money to the Debutantes and their helpers. 6 of the Debutantes present were from Hillcrest High School. On their return to the grounds, the floats were judged by the Mayor of Pinetown, Mr Michael Wheelwright. "Peter Pan", built by Wendy Lewis, came first; "What the Stork brought" by Lynn Pollock came second, and "The Witch Theme" by Elizabeth Holding came third.















## THE DEBATING SOCIETY



The interhouse debates were of a very high standard. Although the competition was very keen a spirit of friendliness pervaded, and this was most pleasing. Also most gratifying was the large increase in the size of the audience. This augurs well for the future of debating at Hillcrest High.

Escombe emerged the winners of the Interhouse Debates. Well done Escombe team! Special thanks to



those Staff members who gave up their lunch breaks to adjudicate, to Mr Smith for arranging a most complicated relief time-table, and to Mr Brown for his photographic masterpieces!

This year Hillcrest High once again entered four teams in the Junior Youth Council Debating Leagues — two senior and two junior. Our junior teams did very well considering that



none of them had ever debated before. The senior A team consisting of Tanya Hoffmann, Sean Gultig and Guy Morpuss reached the finals of the A league where they were defeated by Glenwood High School. The Senior B team consisting of Trevor Latimer, Allan Campbell and David Spurrett won the B league and were defeated in the league semi finals by Glenwood High, the winners of the A league.



A special word of thanks to Mr Morpuss, Mrs Clark, Mr Girvin and Mrs Phillips who have contributed so very much to the success of our teams this year. I must pay tribute to the hard work and enthusiasm of the entire Debating Society. Without fail they arrived every Wednesday afternoon to discuss forthcoming debates and prepare the teams fully. Thank you Debating Society — it has been a great pleasure working with you.







## **CHESS**

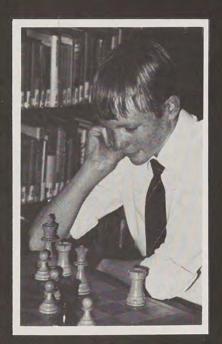
1985 has been an active and busy year for the Chess Club. During 1st term a Round Robin Tournament was organised and enabled the Club to establish a Chess ladder. Peter Comrie and Garth Thomas came first and second respectively.

Second and third terms we played in the Durban and Districts High School Chess League. We took part in the A and B leagues with a mixture of success and failure.

This was our first ever attempt at League Chess. We hope to improve on these efforts next year.

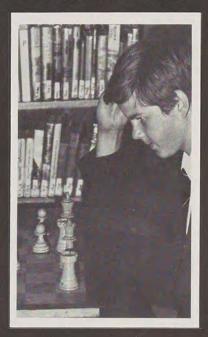
Our match v. staff was more successful as the staff was beaten 13 to 4.

In addition to these matches, many games take place daily helping to improve chess skills and also providing enjoyment at the same time.













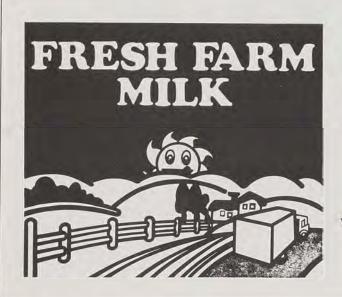
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#### THE BUSINESS GAME

The Business Game: The object of the game is reasonably simple; the team will strive for lower prices, substantial amounts of ready cash, low loan-rate, sufficient capital for marketing and research and the aim is to strive for maximum profit.

As most of the Hillcrest High pupils know, the Business Game Team of 1984 received high honours for the school by being successful in the finals in Johannesburg. This year, to our disappointment, the Business Game team was not selected to take part in the finals as we were knocked out in the last period of transaction. We did, however, obtain a profit, but owing to entrepreneurial inefficiency, this was not high enough to gain entry to the finals.

We, the Std 9's, are not discouraged by our lack of efficiency, but have learnt by our mistakes and we will start 1986 with a determination to improve management skills and success in the 1986 Business Game.

We wish our Matrics all the best of luck as they battle it out in their 'finals', and thank Mr Rossler for his help in organising and supervising this affair for our benefit!

#### INTERACT — SERVICE BEFORE SELF

Interact has had a most enjoyable and eventful year under the guldance of our President, Trevor Latimer, and four committee members, Jean Barlow (vice president), Barbara Davis (Treasurer).

Megan Butt (Secretary) and Carla Willan (Secretary) and Mr Girvin who took over from Mrs Young.

Interact has two main aims; To do an international project and a community project. For our international project this year we are corresponding with overseas Interacters. For our community project we visit Hillcrest Hospital every Friday and spend the afternoon chatting to the "oldies". Both they and we greatly enjoy our time spent together.

To date our major community project has been the "Kiddies Fun Day". It was a greatly enjoyed morning of fun and games for the children.

Amongst other things seven Interacters and Mr Girvin travelled up to Michaelhouse to attend a Rotary Conference. There they put on a very successful playlet to show the Rotarians the types of activities our Interact Club does.

#### WILDLIFE SOCIETY

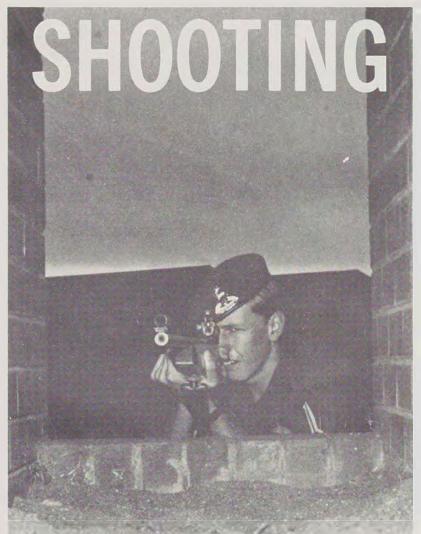
The Hillcrest High School Wildlife Society's first outing of the year was very successful. On Saturday 9 March, ten society members accompanied by Mr Len Freeman, Mrs Moira Palmer, Mrs Veronica Wallace and Mr Colin Fripp went to Shongweni Dam where they spent an enjoyable morning burrowing through tunnels, climbing krantzes, wading through knee-high grass, sliding down slopes, "falling" into the Dam and trekking for kilometres through the bush.

The bush itself was particularly lush and there was much evidence of washaways on the slopes; all indications of the good rains experienced this summer. The wild flowers were spectacular, but apart from dassies and insects, not much wildlife was observed because of the thick undergrowth.









Our shooting teams have shown a general improvement this year as a result of regular practice and sustained keeness on the part of most members. A healthy competitive spirit was engendered through a number of inter-school competitions. Our boys gave a good account of themselves and gained some valuable experience

to boot. The highlight of the year was The Natal Bisley and this year our teams were well placed in the senior and junior sections. D. Schreider shot particularly well on a number of occasions, maintained a high performance and consequently he was awarded school colours.







#### **FUNDRAISING**

In an effort to raise funds to build a swimming pool at Hillcrest High, 1985 was set aside as "fundraising year". The venture originated in 1984 and grew into a massive project involving every pupil and teacher at the school.

A mini market was held in the school grounds, concurrently with a compulsory rugby match. This was a successful venture and helped considerably to boost the fund. A delightful evening was spent reminiscing the past at the Anniversary Ball which also celebrated Hillcrest High's 10th Anniversary. Mrs Skjolde can be congratulated for this successful project.

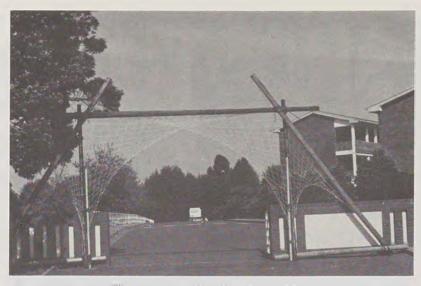
Living in a "horsey" part of the country, many people participated in the horse jumping show. This very popular event was well attended.

For those who preferred using their own legs, the Family Fun Run proved equally popular, even though many participants discovered that they were not as fit as they had hoped.

Civvies Day and the individual class cake sales were held. Although only small events in themselves, they were colourfully and enthusiastically supported, bringing in much needed money.

Another event which proved very popular amongst the mothers and daughters of the community was the Summer Fashion Show. They enjoyed a preview of the coming season's fashions and a delicious meal.

The summit of this great fundraising venture was of course the Grand Fête, held at the school on the same day as the Durban and District Athletic trials. The crowds of people who milled around the school on that day



The swimming pool in sight at the end of the long road through the Fête gates erected by local Scouts.

all commented favourably on the fête.

Congratulations go to all those who were involved in this impressive

historic venture — raising funds for the Hillcrest Community Swimming Pool.

Staff entering into the fête spirit.



#### FETE '85

Have you ever had an office totally submerged under material, wool, boxes, bits and pieces, buttons, lace and "things"? For weeks it was impossible to see the floor. The room was restored to some semblance of order, until the next C.R. lesson, when once again it became the 'gooi maar in' room!

At last the fête has come and gone. Plastic bags will no longer have control over me! Sugar, baked beans and popcorn packets will no longer leap out of classrooms to attack passers-by! Potatoes will no longer roll under our feet in an attempt to speed up body traffic. The carpet in front of the secretaries' office will once more be in sight! My poor classes will once more have a teacher in their midst!

I found this such a rewarding time in so many respects: rewarding for the ideas shared by so many; rewarding in the support by all concerned; rewarding in the active contribution of the diligent girls who did so much to help; rewarding in the fantastic contributions which just flowed into the office area every morning from the parents; and rewarding in that even under pressure, there were still smiles to help a girl through.

This was a fantastic experience to work through, and deserves a big "Well done" to all who worked so hard to produce such a successful Big Day.



## COMPUTER CLUB

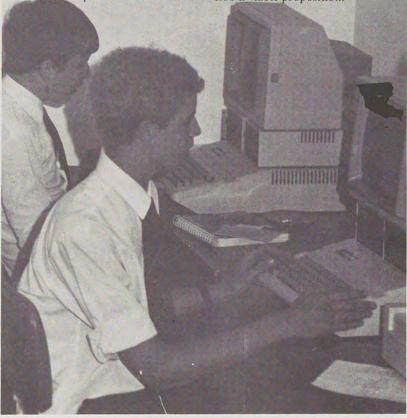
The main theme of computer club this year was robotics. At first it was intended that a robot be built purely for the experience which would be obtained from it, but, later it was decided to enter the robot in a competition being held at the Durban University in connection with the Expo '85.

After several months of testing and experimentation the robot 'Alfred' was finally completed, and although it was beset by last minute problems, nevertheless the robot was ready for the competition.

This took place on the 18th

September, and was attended by people from throughout the province. The robot was liked by many of the audience and judges, and the group obtained a second place. Those who participated in the project were Guy Morpuss, Wayne Lion-Cachet and David Spurrett; but, without the hours of work put into this by Mr Ross, and his invaluable instruction, it would never have been possible.

Finally, all the pupils who are part of Computer Club would like to thank Mr Ross for his help through the year, and the way in which he has made this club a viable proposition.



## EXCHANGE STUDENT COMMENTARY

Rotary Exchange is a tremendous experience, although it is not always an easy year. Hillcrest High has made my year a great deal easier and the experiences I have had here and the friends I have made will probably be the basis of my memories of South Africa.

I am from a place called Nambucca Heads (pronounced Nambuck-a), on the east coast of New South Wales, Australia. It is a little country town of about four thousand people — about the size of Hillcrest on its own. It is about six hundred kilometres north of Sydney and is halfway to Brisbane.

The South African way of life is very similar to ours. We very much enjoy the outdoor life, our beaches and bar-b-ques (the same as a braai but of course no boerewors). We have no maids in our homes though, and

not nearly as many Mercedes because the cheapest is about sixty thousand rand.

By the time I leave in January, I will have seen the Eastern Transvaal, Kruger Park, Umfolozi, both ends of the 'berg, the Karoo, the Cape, the Garden Route and Swaziland. I don't think I could wish for more than that.

Hillcrest High has given me so much. Thanks so much to Mr Garrett, all my teachers, who have tolerated my disruption of their classes, the friends I have made here for accepting me and making me feel so welcome and thanks especially to 10A2. My year in South Africa has been lekker and Hillcrest High has been a great part of that.

Thank you all.

Maree James



Maree James and her Hostess Mrs Lynn Lang at the inter house choir competition.

#### In the first term the choir concentrated on the inter-house choir competition. The songs were chosen and the choirs conducted and trained by senior pupils. Each choir sang the set piece, "Speed Bonnie Boat" and another song of their own choice. Mrs. Boulle, the adjudicator, was most enthusiastic about the high standard achieved by the choirs. Mr Hawkins, a music enthusiast and past Headmaster, presented the new Hawkins trophy to the winning house, Robinson, conducted by Maree James our Australian Rotary exchange student. Maree certainly showed her ability in conducting the winning choir which sang "Sunrise-sunset". Shelley Broughton of Escombe and Tanya Jansen of Sutton House chose "Scarborough Fair" and "Climb every Mountain"

The inter-house competition was so favourably received that an evening soirée was arranged at which the choirs again performed their pieces, this time for their parents. The choral items were interspersed with instrumental interludes which made for a most enjoyable evening's entertainment.

During May the choir participated in the Queensburgh Festival. Both a senior choir (conducted by Mrs



# **CHOIR**



Smallbones) and a junior choir (conducted by Mr Girvin) were entered and, whilst neither choir nor its section, the adjudicator, Mr J. Harper

of Kearsney, was most encouraging stating that both choirs showed great promise. The senior choir was awarded an A- for their performance





of works by Purcell and Mendelssohn whilst the junior choir were awarded a B+ for its performance of the Barcarolle from 'The Tales of Hoffman' by Offenbach, and 'Fairings' by Martin. The choirs were accompanied by Mrs Baverstock.

During October the combined choirs participated in a multi-racial concert entitled "Music in Harmony" schools from within each of the race groups participating, each presenting items typical of their culture. We performed 3 items as well as presenting a rather vigorous barn dance.

As usual, the year ended ceremonially with the Speech Day performance. As the academic procession entered the hall we sang Gaudeamus Igitur (that universal academic hymn) and during the course of the proceedings entertained the assembled guests with 2 songs — John Denver's 'Perhaps Love' and a modern arrangement of Ps. 121.

Mention must be made of the invaluable assistance rendered by Lillimore Elliot who bears the brunt of the accompanying duties. These she carried out with characteristic dignity and aplomb. It was on the rare occasion that she was away that we realized how much we really needed her!











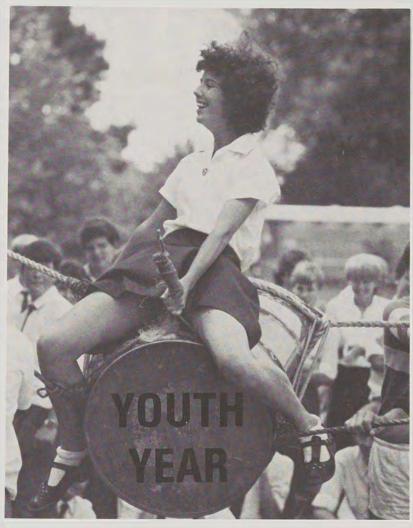


The Youth Year emblem is a representation of youth on the path to a better, happier future with the laurel wreath suggesting peace. The national slogan is "Participation, Development and Peace".

The pupil Youth day celebration on Friday 15 March commenced with an interesting talk by Rev Roy Light who focused on the development of youth in all aspects. He highlighted the fact that the youth of today need an adult (preferably our parents) on whom we can model our lives.

The school was then divided into Juniors and Seniors with the Juniors viewing the items on the field. The senior part of the school was then entertained for about two hours in the hall where the programme included a "mock" trial presented by the Debating Society; "War Images"—a dramatic theme presentation which left us thinking about the futility of war; radio plays which added a humorous touch to the morning's





entertainment, and "Forever Young", another theme programme which was brought alive by verse and dance. The House choirs then sang two songs each and were adjudicated by Mrs Bernadette Boulle. Robinson took top honours by gaining an A+ and both Sutton and Escombe achieved A's.

The field events included a demonstration by the school's gym-

nasts, the usual good display by the Drum Majorettes, despite the heat; and then the very exciting Tug-o-War which Sutton won convincingly. Those girls who were particularly inspired by the Tug-o-War and who did not want to be outdone formed teams and also tried their hand and Sutton won again. We then moved on to view the "Bucking Bronco"

organised by the Scouts. The highlights were seeing Mr Jarman, Mr Keep, Mr Cato, Mr Friedemann and Mr Ward being "bucked" off. This ended an interesting and wellorganised day.

Saturday 16 March was an eventful and funfilled day on which we continued our Youth Year celebrations. Unfortunately owing to bad weather, the day's activities had to be shortened. Cricket was the main attraction in which the schoolboys tried to show their fathers and teachers how the game is played, but sadly a final score was not reached.

Soccer was the other attraction which involved about seven seven-a-side teams. Everyone played with great talent and it was certainly a surprise to see our girls coping so well on the soccer field. There is definitely great talent hidden there, and the girls prefect team did exceptionally well. All in all it was a successful day.



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Non-book material, including newspaper cuttings, pamphlets, maps, tapes, records as well as tape/slide and slide programmes, have also increased. The latter has been added to quite considerably and now includes programmes to cover English literature, Geography, History, Maths and a comprehensive collection of Art slides.



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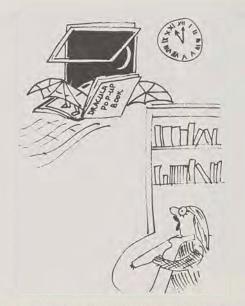
A major growth area has been in video education. Video as a medium is an important educational aid providing greater reality, visual as well as audio effects. This supplements the pupil's background knowledge and creates effects, experiments and illusions that add value to already comprehensive teacher lessons.

This year the library was fortunate in having the assistance of a band of mothers who provided invaluable additional help in the organisation of the library.

The Monitors, or Library Assistants, are a great asset to the Resource Centre which could not operate without them. Thank you all for your hard work, loyalty and interest. A special word of thanks to our Seniors who will be leaving us this year: Shona Richards, Liz Luis, Susan Baillie and Sandy Barrett.







Sometimes a study of the occult helps to achieve certain aims.



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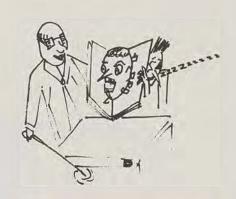
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The pupils have ingenious methods of sneaking books out of the library.



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This year's drummie team has achieved much since the first competition at Pinetown High where they were placed last in the B section. With a lot of hard work and dedication the team went on to become B section Champions and were quickly promoted to the A section. Here they beat a number of schools. They eventually finished fifth at the Natal Championships and were then invited to compete at the South African Drummie Championships in Cape Town at the end of September - much to the surprise of their trainer, Mr Jarman.

The drummies raised enough money in the three weeks prior to the National Championships to finance the trip. The girls, accompanied by parents and trainers left for Cape Town by coach via Bloemfontein - a trip which lasted twenty hours of almost non-stop driving. Most occupants of the bus had great pleasure in deriving rather "different" sleeping positions in a semi-luxury coach, with the emphasis, definitely



on "semi". Mrs Lorna Boyd. Drummie Treasurer is going to write a book entitled "49 ways to sleep in a bus" and the sequel will be "How to order coffee at 2 a.m. in the middle of the Karoo". All proceeds will go towards drummie funds,

The Good Hope Centre is a magnificent architectural masterpiece and once the audience is seated in this huge dome, the atmosphere can be

electrifying. It was! Unfortunately, due to the very stiff competition they were unplaced in the top eight but were however placed thirteenth best squad in South Africa.

Brett Boyd - a most determined and popular 'drummie' - gave an





and competition this year and has brought high honour not only to himself but also to the School.

It was sad to leave the Cape on Sunday and after another lengthy trip they arrived back on Monday 30 September - very tired, but much the wiser and 1986 should be the year to look out for! They have an extremely experienced squad and should improve their position at national level next year.

A big thank you to Mr Hallot who finished training at the start of this year and handed over to Mr Jarman and Miss Airth. Without his help, the team would not have achieved as much as they did.

Wherever they went the Hillcrest drummies left favourable impressions and are commonly known as the team with incredible spirit. They have made such good friends from Dundee (who will forget Dundee?) to Cape Town and everywhere in between - and Hillcrest High will benefit accordingly.



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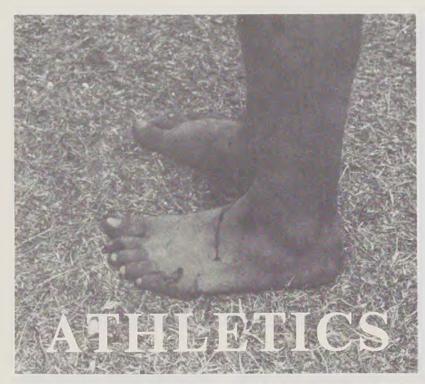


"Oh dear I've lost my head!"









The season was short and hectic—training, heats, interhouse, Durban and District in the space of 5 weeks. Thanks must go to staff and pupils who came out to officiate and compete.

To those competitors who competed in the Durban and District, well done, it was a good meeting which

complemented the fête and statistically ended the fact that for the past eight years the last two weekends in August had been wet and miserable.

Congratulations to those selected for the Prestige meetings, and safe in the knowledge of correct age groupings, it was rewarding to beat our local rivals into sixth place.

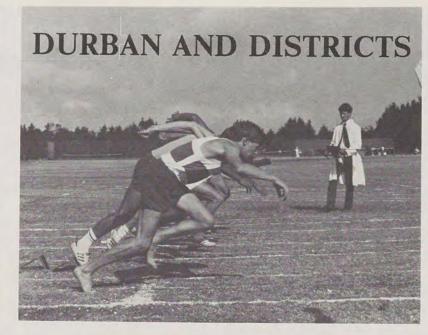






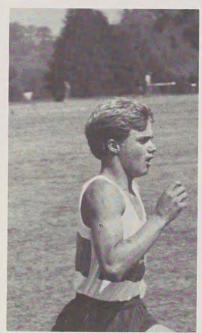














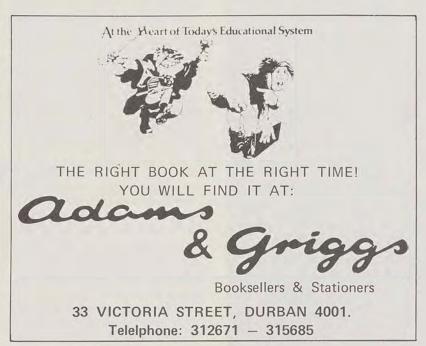




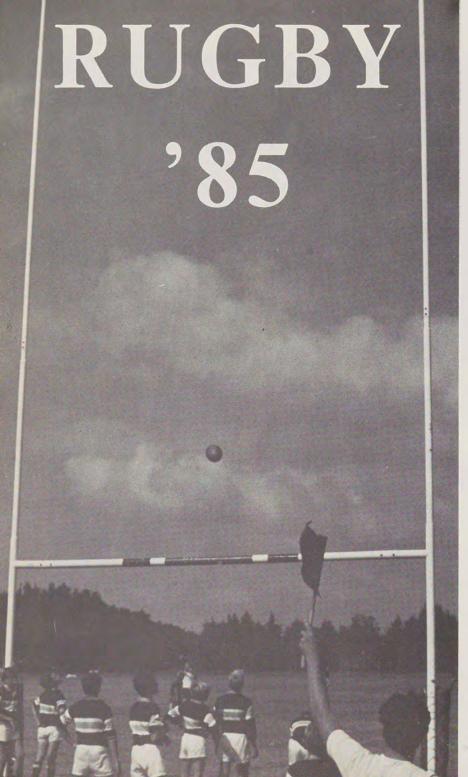


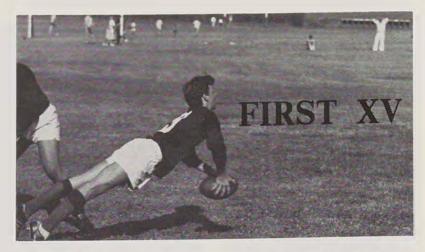












The first XV had a difficult season in which they managed to win three of their local fixtures. The reasons for this "below average" performance are varied and they have been debated for many an hour during the term.

However there were encouraging aspects. It was pleasing to see how many of the younger and inexperienced players adapted to this level of rugby. Particular mention must be made of the vice-captain Paul Finlayson, Adrian Thunder and Andrew Mitchell. Sean Cardinaal continued to play fine rugby and developed into a respected captain.

Also encouraging was the spirit in which the Hillcrest team played their games. Although the players were often on the 'receiving end' they continued to play the game and frayed tempers were rare. No one was sent to the cooler or off the field during the season.

Injuries were minimal — the most serious was probably a fractured wrist. On only two occasions did injuries prevent a player taking to the field for a fixture.

Finally the boys enjoyed the season and enjoyed playing the game and that must surely be the criteria for a successful season.

#### 2ND XV

The Second XV had great potential. Throughout the season there were many players who could have adequately filled positions in the First XV and must be considered unfortunate not to have won the striped jersey.

As far as circumstances allow the second team should not be allowed to become a reserve team for the first XV. The members of the 1985 team although often treated in this fashion continue to play their games with spirit and enthusiasm. Special mention must be made of David Skjolde whose dedication was a sound example for all in the team. He was, however, fortunate to lead players, the majority of whom, could give of their best for the duration of the game.

### 3RD AND 4TH TEAMS

These two teams played a most I important role in building up rugby at Hillcrest in the open age group. The advent of a 4th team is indicative of the increasing depth of rugby at school. The 3rd XV played more games than the 4ths and probably enjoyed the best record of the open teams. Besides supplying many players for the 2nd XV on different occasions, these teams acted as an important nursery to many skilful players who should do well next season. If this pattern continues in the years to come the future can only be bright.

The captain of the 3rd XV was usually C. McLaren and that of the 4th C. Hanley. Regular members of the teams were: A. Broughton, R. Huber, M. Lloyd, D. Littlejohn, P. Sapet, S. Gilder, G. Thomas, B. Waddy, P. Salvage, K. Byre, W. Lion-Cachet, G. Butt, E. Rossler, G. Morpuss, S. Giltex, G. Scott, A. Groves, D. Botha, W. Goslett, T. Latimer, K. Pickford, L. le Brasse, D. Horn, C. Mare, R. Hill, D. Ryan, K. Perry, D. Tocknell, D. Maher, M. Steenhuisen, B. Cromack, T. Ponquet, A. Cooper.

#### UNDER 15

Ours was a challenging season which wavered between ecstatic victory and disappointing losses, like a convincing victory over New Forest, then losing to Scottburgh. A few unrealised stars were born, like "Horror" Houareau and "Scotty" Sutton.

Continuing the team work of the U14 year, the A team moved from strength to strength, with individual and team skills becoming more and more refined. Many of the team only started realising their true potential half way through the season - like Luke Williamson who suddenly started ploughing through and scoring tries. Alan Bartholomew, besides showing some amazing flights down the wing, clinched many a game with some excellent boot work. But it was not the individual skills, but the team work of each member that made the season. The scrum especially did some good forward work under the able captaincy of Craig de la Mare.

The highlight of the year was surely the DHS challenge: two tries against in the first five minutes seemed only to shake the team out of various visions of doom, and then strengthen the resolve to do as well as possible. The team then settled down to hold the powerful DHS. Only the score indicated a loss.

The B team, like many B teams, constantly experienced swops and team changes, but seemed to weld together despite this. Clinton Seager must be pointed out as a star who saved many a game in his vital fullback position. Often at a size disadvantage, the smaller boys showed that they had bigger hearts, and much more to give. The pack here also did some good work against larger teams, but emerged without losing face. Scotty's enthusiastic play, despite it being his first year of rugby, was an encouragement to us all.

Two promising teams with plenty of potential — there will be some upsets in the opens next year! Many thanks to Garth Ward for his invaluable coaching experience, and to the parents who turned out every week and supported us so enthusiastically.

#### UNDER 14

The under 14 "A and B" teams had a very successful year with few upsets. Fortunately, both teams had only minor injuries and all who substituted for absent players gave of their best. These teams will offer much promise for the next couple of years, as in both teams, forward and three quarter play is exciting. Often the

opposing teams were much larger per man than our teams, but not as equally balanced so our strike force came from the dedication and talent from all who played. Both teams showed enormous enthusiasm which resulted in a really appealing team spirit that hopefully will stay with the teams throughout their rugby career.



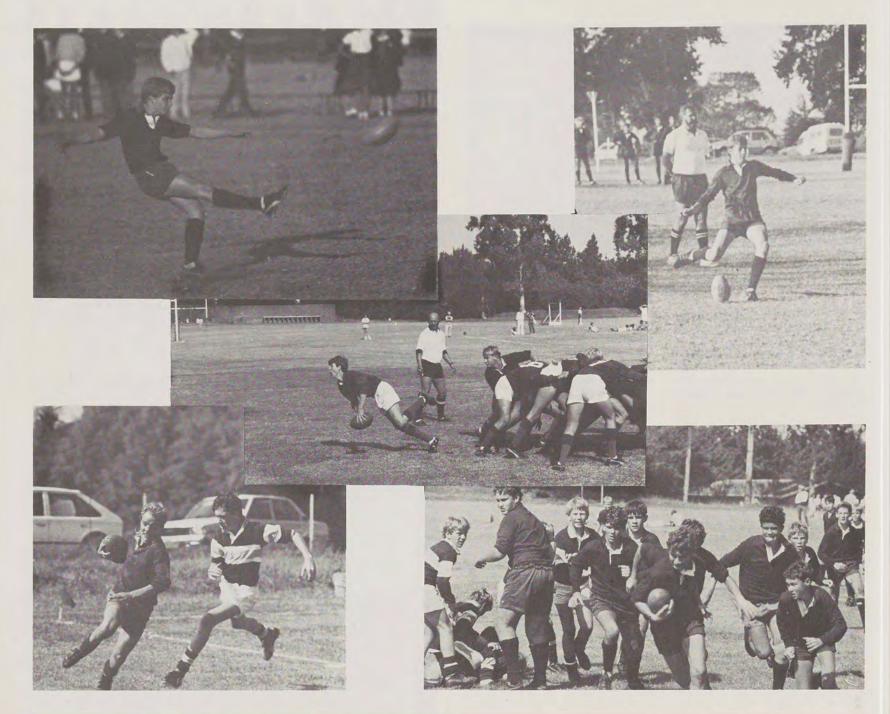
#### U/13 A

This team got off to a slow start to the season, losing two out of their first three games. By the end of the season they proved themselves to be one of the best teams in the school.

The high point of the season was an excellent win over Kloof by 50 points to nil. The team was ably led by Craig Shearer who improved in leaps and bounds as the season progressed. His leadership qualities and 'terrier' like play makes him a player to be watched in the future. The scrum played very well as a unit winning the ball at will against all opposition. The line suffering from a lack of size battled a little, although they did improve as the season progressed. This team has been a pleasure to coach throughout the season and if they show the same kind of commitment and dedication in the future then rugby at this school will be in good hands.

#### U/13 B

was really proud of this team. After I the first few shaky practices and matches, in which they studiously avoided the ball or handled it like a primed grenade, the players settled down to play determined, open rugby. There was a dramatic improvement through the season, and one could see a steadily developing understanding of the rich possibilities of the game. Most important, the boys thoroughly enjoyed their matches. Players particularly to watch in the future include Alfred Berliner a tremendously determined forward, Paul Thornley, who runs and side-steps beautifully, Sean van den Berg who worked so hard in loose play and Paul Broughton, whose safe handling and kicking made him a key man. There was a high degree of sportsmanship throughout. Whoever coaches this team at U14 level next year will have a most worthwhile season.



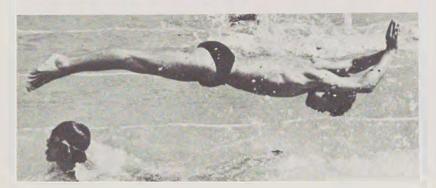
The swimming season opened with a gala at Queensburgh against Queensburgh, Scottburgh and Kloof. This was an important function as it introduced the junior members to the competition that they would be up against during the season. We fared fairly well considering we were the only school without our own swimming pool, and the outcome was Queensburgh 1st, Kloof 2nd, Hillcrest 3rd and Scottburgh 4th.

The gala against Carmel College and Thomas More was the highlight of the inter-school galas and Hillcrest turned out in full force. The competition was tough and Carmel and Hillcrest were neck-and-neck all the way. Carmel led by about only 2 points for most of the day with Hillcrest emerging finally triumphant. At Kingsway we swam the last interschool gala before the inter-house and Durban and District galas. We competed against their A and B teams and also a team fielded by Kloof. Kingsway A and Kloof showed their expertise and surged ahead to take first and second places respectively









and we were left to battle it out with Kingsway B. Hillcrest were the victors taking third place.

The inter-house gala on 27 February was a memorable one. Everyone swam competitively and the highlight of the day was the Prefects' Race when the prefects of Hillcrest High showed off their numerous aquatic talents. The team support from the non-swimmers was remarkable; team spirit at Hillcrest High reached an all-time high this year with the battle of the voices raging all day between Escombe, Robinson and Sutton. The rewards for hard training and superb swimming went to Ashleigh Spiller, who received the Victrix Ludorum and the trophy for the boys' 100 Freestyle, Grant Lloyd and Leanne Lennon who received Junior Victor and Junior Victrix Ludorum respectively. Grant Lloyd succeeded in breaking the longest standing record which has stood since 1978. Including this, Grant broke three records, Garth broke three and Leanne broke two records. A total of 16 records in all were broken.



















The Durban and District gala on 7 March was the culmination of many weeks of dedication and hard work. The team chosen to represent Hillcrest High at this gala was based on the results of the inter-house gala. We competed against ten other schools including Carmel College, Maris Stella and Queensburgh to name but three. Hillcrest put on a tremendous show with the swimmers fighting against stiff opposition. The boys did

exceptionally well and broke three records. It was also very pleasing to see so many Hillcrest supporters. Our swimmers did very well and we were placed second in both the boys' and girls' sections.

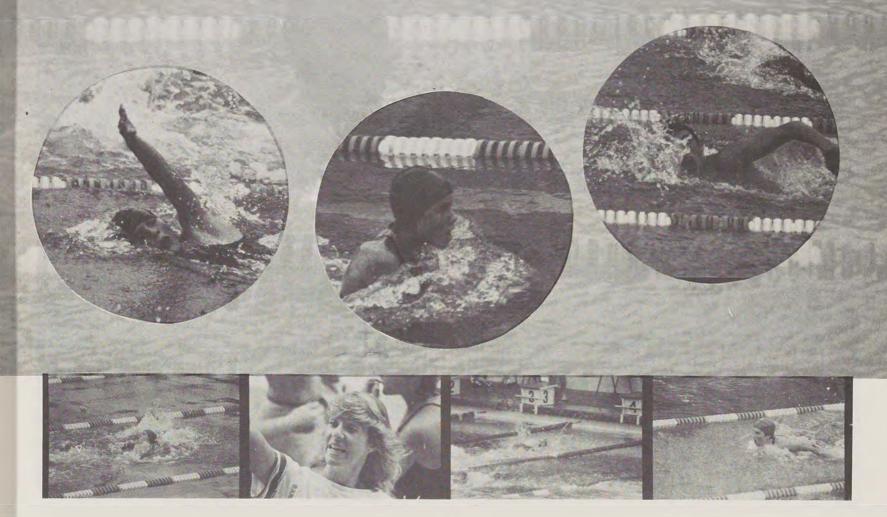
The final results were, in the girls' sections: Maris Stella first with 109 points, followed closely by Hillcrest with 105 points; and in the boys' section: Carmel boys took first place with 63 points and Hillcrest was close

behind with 61 points.

By the way — we were the ONLY school competing who did not have their own swimming pool so an especially big pat on the back to our swimmers for doing so well and to Tracey Ward, Sean Gilder and Sean Cardinaal for leading the team so successfully.

We also had a strong contingent of Hillcrest swimmers in the Midmar Mile and although the emphasis is on fun, some of our swimmers did extremely well. Congratulations especially to Grant Lloyd who came 97th in his age-group. I strongly suggest more of you swim the Midmar Mile next year — its great fun and will give you a strong sense of achievement.

Swimming is such a natural and healthy sport, it is important to keep the school involved in this aspect of outdoor life.

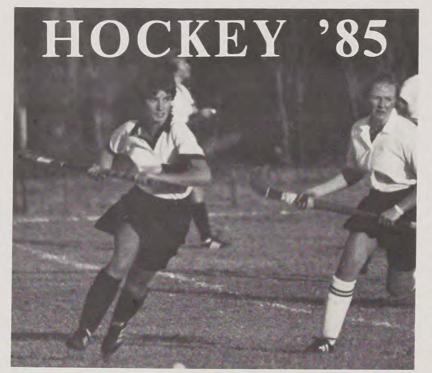


### GIRL'S

This year our season was fantastic. It started off well with pre-season training organised by Sharon Lailvaux and Cindie Fleming. General skills were practised and mini-games organised every Friday, while the swimming season was still in full swing. These practices were well supported by all age-groups and a lot of talent was very much in evidence.

Matches started off on a very good note when we beat St Mary's in the first league match of the season. This was the start of a dynamic winning spree throughout the season which produced some very fine hockey and made other schools aware that Hillcrest was certainly a force to be reckoned with. We did very well in the pre-season 7-a-side hockey tournaments and the Durban and District tournaments.

A happy team is a successful team and this fact was very much in evidence throughout the season in all teams. Of major importance in the Senior teams is the selection for the



#### HOCKEY

Natal Schools teams and 8 out of the 11 first team players were invited to go through to the zonal trials. From there Winsome Jackson, Sue Mitchell and Alyson Wrigley were selected to attend the Natal Schools Trials and Winsome and Sue were chosen to represent Natal A and B teams respectively. Winsome played a magnificent tournament in Kimberley during July and was the only Natal player selected to represent South Africa in a match against an interprovincial women's team and later in a South African tournament.

The captains of all our 6 teams did a sterling job in creating a wonderful team spirit amongst all our players and special mention should be made of them:- To: Sharon Lailvaux (1st), Cindie Fleming (1st vice-captain), Tracey Morris (2nd), Kim Scott-Wilson (U16A), Tracey Zeiss (U16B), Cindy Hyde (U14A), Cathy Hall (U14B), a special word of thanks to you for your support and special attention you paid every member of





your team. Well done! No less important than the players are the coaches and Mrs Berry, Mrs Wood and Mr Keep were of invaluable assistance with all the junior teams, putting them through their paces and achieving such fine results.

To all hockey players and would-be players: This fine sport is gaining in popularity and with all teams winning their leagues, next year's matches promise to be even more exciting and challenging — so, keep up the good work.







#### BOYS' HOCKEY

B oys Hockey at Hillcrest High enjoyed a very successful 1985 season. Although the season was long, involving many fixtures, the players remained enthusiastic and motivated and produced very positive, entertaining hockey.

Each team enjoyed several victories, but the highlight of the season for the 1st team (under the captaincy of Sean Cardinaal) was their convincing 4 - 1 victory over Northlands Boys High.

With improved stickwork, and an ever-increasing knowledge of the game, the players at all levels matured as the season progressed. With the existing talent and dedication, the future of boys' hockey at Hillcrest High looks a very bright one.

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### CRICKET

This year saw an increase in enthusiasm towards cricket and thus the school benefitted. There was always a consistent turn out to practises which ran every Tuesday, Thursday and Monday and Wednesday for juniors. A certain commitment was evident throughout the practices and these set the foundations for a number of victories on Saturdays. Although catches were not always held where they should have been the fielding was always lively with Greg Knox doing an excellent job behind the wicket. The bowling was opened by Sean Cardinaal and either Rolf Henriksen, Gordon Knowles or





Roland Hill. These pace bowlers were ably supported by Andrew Cooper who developed into an extremely useful spin bowler. It was a common sight to see him tying various batsmen in knots. The batting although shaky at times, was opened by Keith Hines and Stanley Phipps who both were usually at the crease long enough to see the shine off the new ball; Paul Finlayson and Dale Potgieter too both had good innings.

Towards the end of the 1st term Sean Cardinaal and Andrew Cooper were selected to play for the Highway Schools side against the Pinetown mens side and both accounted very well for themselves.

#### KLOOF CRICKET FESTIVAL

For the second consecutive year Hillcrest High School were the victors in the Kloof Cricket Festival, played at Kloof High School.

The run-away victory team consisting of members from different age groups, defeated not only Kloof, Pinetown and Queensburgh, but also the cold, rainy weather, to win by a convincing 70 points. A memorable highlight was Dale Potgieter's four consecutive sixes against Queensburgh. Another impressive batsman was Hill who made 32 not out against Kloof. The most prominent bowlers were Daryle Orn who took three

wickets for seven runs against archrivals Kloof. Roland Hill took two for nine and Sean Cardinaal took two for 10.

Although all the players played hard, the most consistent players were Keith Hines and Roland Hill. Special mention must be made of U14 player Jonathan Robertson, who held his own against the senior, more experienced players.

The side ably captained by Sean Cardinaal, was well turned out and made a good impression on players and spectators alike.

Hillcrest won the festival, followed by Kloof, Queensburgh and Pinetown.



#### **UNDER-15 CRICKET**

The U15 team had a season of mixed fortunes, but the ultimate victory was the enjoyment they derived from the game of cricket.

Some of the players initially lacked confidence, but with a more disciplined approach to the game many produced some fine performances toward the end of the season. All the players, without exception found that the vital ingredient for success on the cricket field is concentration. This was confirmed with an excellent victory over Kearsney College at the end of the season.

#### **UNDER-14 CRICKET**

Genuine enthusiasm and genuine ability added interest to a season in which two games were lost through inclement weather.

Lots of ability amongst the U14 players suggests that we should have a fine season in the last term of 1985 when matches will be played against Kloof, Werda, Gelofte, Mansfield and Kearsney.

The U14 Squad were: C. Ryan (Captain), J. Robertson, S. Campbell, C. Phipps, D. Patterson, D. Goslett, D. Howse, W. Schefferman, R. Kirkpatrick, R. McDonald, G. Lloyd, L. Kohne, D. Meier, A. Harley, J. Harley, M. Robertson, D. van Gelder, A. Strydom, J. Henning, W. Wolmorans and M. Bardeleben.

#### **UNDER-13A CRICKET**

This team played well throughout the season, always giving of their best. There are players with potential and here one should mention Stephen Nielson whose spin bowling has improved dramatically. Justin Vincent has shown that he has the concentration and dedication to become an excellent batsman. Tobic Henderson,

although not taking as many wickets as he should has shown that he too has the ability to do well.

The team as a whole lacks depth and a problem was that the batsmen never came off at the same time and all the bowlers never bowled well at the same time. I feel, that with a little more practise, this could develop into a useful side.

#### **UNDER-13B CRICKET**

The U13B cricket side did very well winning three out of their four games. Although this team is not blessed with any outstanding player they did play very well together as a team. Greg Johnson with his 'Mike Proctor' style of bowling managed to shake a few batsmen into surrendering their wickets. Karl Hoffmann's height had batsmen quivering in their boots. Brian Green despite his unorthodox batting style managed to whack a few runs (Brian, it appears only believes in fours and sixes). The keeness and enthusiasm of this team made them a pleasure to coach and a revelation to umpire!



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was the best of seasons, it was the age of victories, it was the age of victories, it was the age of defeats, it was the epoch of joys, it was the epoch of sorrows, it was the spring for goals, it was the winter for defence, we had no one before us, we had the whole opposition before us, we were all going direct for goals, we were all going direct the other way in defence in short this season was so much like any other season that some of our noisiest supporters insisted on its being

received as the greatest that we have ever had.

There was a coach with much heart sitting on the first team and a coach from the periodicals' shelf sitting on the second team; there was a coach of the bark of Quercus suber and another fond of making dates sitting on the juniors. Between them they produced teams that enjoyed the practising, the playing, the winning, the losing, and the team spirit of netball.

The season ended with a match against a combined parents and teachers team (as though teachers can't be parents!). This game bore very little resemblance to the game of netball, as besides bringing along their own referee the adults brought along a unique set of rules especially designed to suite the inadequacies that a team might display in terms of lack of

ability, training, fitness or stamina. Needless to say the school team won convincingly and both parties had a most enjoyable time followed by a third party with generous helpings of juice and cakes.

A hearty thanks to all the teachers, parents and grandparents who made this season one that fulfilled all the aims set out for in a sport.











### TENNIS

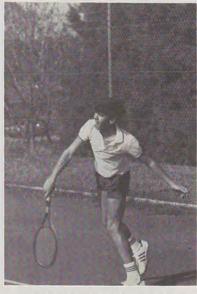
## BOYS' TENNIS

1985 has not been a particularly busy year as far as boys tennis is concerned. None of our teams had been entered into the league this year and so matches were limited to those which could be arranged against other schools in the Highway area. But overall these teams have achieved a measure of success. Particularly noteworthy are the 1st team draws with Kearsney College and Pinetown, the latter being one of the strongest schools in the greater Durban area.

During the July holidays, two of our 1st team members, Warren and Denton Goslett, were selected to play



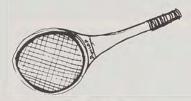
for the Highway Schools team (selected from representatives of 7 schools in the Highway area) which participated in the Beacon Natal Schools Tennis Week at Westridge Park. Both were selected to play trial matches for the Natal teams and at the conclusion of the proceedings Warren was selected as a member of the Natal Schools B team thereby placing him amongst the top 14 boys in Natal. This achievement was rewarded with the



award of an honours blazer. A future Wimbledon finalist perhaps??

The plan is now to re-enter at least a 1st and 2nd team into the D & D League in 1986, for it is only in this way that our boys can gain the experience of playing the larger (and stronger!) schools in the Durban area, most important for their own personal development as well as for that of tennis at Hillcrest High.





### GIRLS TENNIS

1985 has been an interesting year regarding matches and Hillcrest participated in all the major events. Winsome Jackson, as captain, Tessa Jackson, Kim Scott-Wilson, Tracey Crookes, Cindy Fleming and Heather Batterson played for the first team this year and

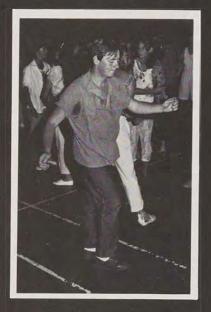
all played extremely well, winning five of the eight matches played. The morale of the team was always high and the highlights of the season were beating Kloof High School and narrowly losing to Queensburgh by the last game. In the Natal Schools Week Tennis Tournament held during the July holidays, Winsome, Tessa, Louise and Heather participated and gained a lot in experience as well as their fair share of matches, lost and won, and were seeded 15th out of 28 participating schools.

Two teams were entered in the senior friendly singles league and one in the junior section. The senior B section consisting of Winsome, Tessa and Louise did exceptionally well. The junior section were all Std 6 girls: Nikki Nortje, Nicola Frickel and Nicolette Holst who did well considering that they are such a young team. The senior C section: Heather, Kim and Sue-Ann Donne held their own and gained valuable experience.

Winsome and Tessa won the Youngleson's Trophy at the D & D tournament. This was the first time Hillcrest has won it and this was especially gratifying as this is the year of our tenth anniversary. A big thank you goes to Mrs Skjolde and Mrs Corke for organising the tennis this year.

During the year we accommodated quite a few touring teams, the most notable being Hudson Park High School, who had the misfortune of visiting on April 1st! A pupil with a sadistic sense of humour brought along a curry cake for the staff and this, of course, landed up in the tennis eats! Hudson Park had a memorable tea, and Hillcrest certainly had a good laugh at their expense.

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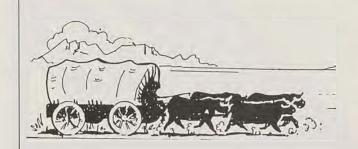
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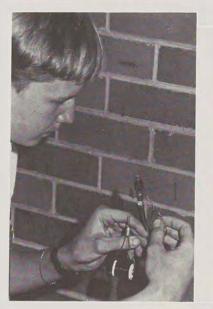
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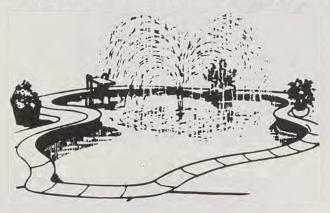


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6P

Helga: Please tell Trevor to stop kicking my chair! Please can I leave early to Lvnn: get ready for my hockey match? Lisa: 'Shut up' everybody, I'm gonna miss the bus. Please can I have a drink? Sean: (Water of course!) Linda: Just gives a big smile. Elsa: I'm just going to do this

and then . . . .
Sharene: Leann, how do you do number four?

Alfred: I'm really ripping that!
Shelly: I can't find my Maths book.

I haven't got my homework here but my mother can bring it at lunchtime.

Elaine: Please can I hand out the books?

Trevor: Must we write the answer in our books?

Debbie: Can I draw a picture in this space?

Neil:

Marc C: It's a real pleasure to have a fixed desk.

Joshua: What homework?

Kerry Ai: Can I also help hand out

the books? Must we?

Roger: Must we?
Anthony: But I haven't got a pen!

Donna: Giggle, giggle.

Leanne: Please can I move to the other side of the class-

room? (I wonder why?)

Kerry Ar: Please will you stand in

Dean: I dunno

Robyn: Grumble, grumble.

Morag: Lynn, show me how to do

number six?

Portia: ) The silent majority.

Mark B: But how does that work?
Ruth P: I also want to help hand

out the books.

Andre: Sean, let's wait until the

rush is over.

Andrew: But I just don't get that.

6C

Many pupils in Standard 6C made a significant contribution to school life in 1985.

Carina, Jackie, Sarah and Katherine formed part of the Drummie squad chosen to represent the school at the National Drummie Championships in Cape Town in September.

Kevin, Peter, Elizabeth, Cherizan, Megan and Theresa were active members of the Choir which participated in the Queensburgh Festival.

John, Steve, Craig and Crawford

were members of the school drill squad and Steve was also a member of the Junior Musketry Team. Crawford was one of the few pupils who finished the Midmar Mile.

Brett was selected to represent the school in the Durban and District Prestige Athletics meeting, and Justin was chosen as one of the members of the Durban Country U14 Soccer Team.

Sean, who took part in the school play, also holds the dubious record of having been jacked 16 times!!

Std 6B have more than a handful of sportsmen and women as well as a large number of academics who have all achieved greatly during the course of 1985.

Louise Jackson played in the Natal Schools Tennis Week and also played Tennis for Durban and District. Craig Shearer captained the very successful U.13A rugby team which won the trophy for Team of the Year. Debbie Dean came top of the class in all the Mark Orders and June exams.

The whole class has fitted in to life

at high school exceptionally well, but still remember the fear of initiation at the beginning of the year. Says Peter Long, "I've never been so scared as when I had to push a coin across the hall floor with my nose!"

6B have put everything into life at school. They raised the most money at the Charity cake sales, they got 2 days off Afrikaans homework for bringing items for the school fête, and all their subject teachers, without exception, have commented on what a pleasure it is to teach 6B.

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### 6W

E very class has a mixture of characters and 6W is no exception. The leader of the class is identified by his badge, and is elected by vote. Fortunately he has the responsible group of the class to support him; without them his job would be pretty tough—handling the irresponsible element.

A day at school would be unbearable without the clown. I really don't know how the teachers put up with him. Take for instance the first day of term, when the floor had been newly polished. We were all told not to swing on our chairs. But what did the clown do? . . . It was considered the trick of the day.

We have a fair share of sports stars in our class. Karl, Tobie, Margaret, Gary and Dean were all invited into the D & D athletics team. Richard is a surfer in the school team, and Helen, Kelly, John D, Dean, Gary and Tobie play hockey. Rugby and cricket stars include Brent, Shawn, Richard, Karl, Gary.

And don't forget our potential soccer superstar, Brent, who has been invited to try out for Manchester United. Our three drummies, Cindy and Sally, and Brigette are off to Cape Town for the S.A. Championships. Our sole choir member is Caryn.

Our class has put a lot of time and effort to make our classroom look the best especially with all the posters, pictures, drawings and other paraphernalia.

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### 6P

Tammy Boonzaier, Coral Scott, Joanne Dowell and Candice Strauss were chosen to represent the school at the S.A. Drummie Championships in Cape Town.

Jacqueline Calverley received her Senior Diploma in Modelling in July.

Stompie (Grant) Dent, Graham Arntzen and Stephen Anderson have been acclaimed as "highly avantgarde" since they all pierced their left ears.

Mark de la Mare tried for the long service award; he went out with Lynn Baverstock for 8 months. Sean Hay and Greg Jessop are the school's Junior Musketry team. Craig Wrigley and Billy Kruger-Rothquel are in the Junior Cricket Team.

Andrew Nesom, apart from taking a long week-end most week-ends, came first in the Under 14 Discus and broke the Under 14 Shotput record. In her first show on her new horse John II Siobhan O'Connor came 6th in the Novice Precision and Time event. Debbie Caddow claimed the even higher honour by taking third place in the same event. Alan Playford is one of the élite members of the Astronomy Club at the Natal Centre of Astronomy in Durban. Kerry Ross dislikes riding in Daddy's little red sports car.

Craig Wrigley received a merit certificate for water-skiing. During practices, Craig had the misfortune of "wiping out" and upon regaining his balance, found he was without his baggy shorts. He is known as the 'Ski-Streaker'.

Helen Floyd is an orange belt at the Karate Club and has a reputation as the "class bully"!







M.J. Smallbones



K. Connolly



W.B. Blore



J.L. Haines



R.B. Pronk



N.D. Scrooby



J.B. Bent



A.J. Walker



C.J. Rawlinson



S.J. Rae



C.M. Dumbel



M.H. Milne



R.G. Clarke



J.M. Bardone



T.M. Sauer



B.J. McDaniel



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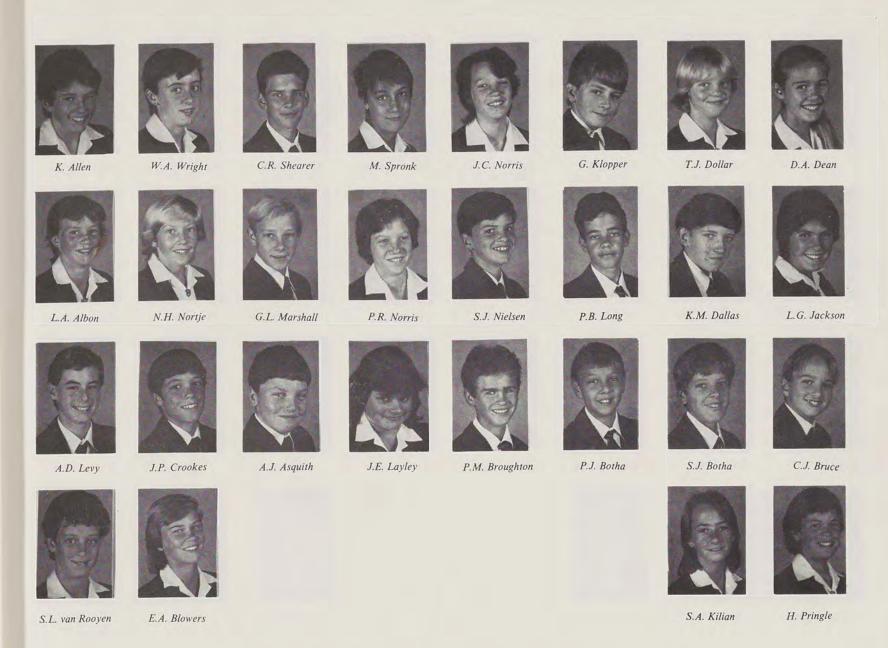
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K.M. Bentz



P.J. Bosman



J.H. Cato



M.G. Chamberlain



S.J. Davis



S.A. Handley



K. Howarth



C.T. Beck



C. Smith



S.M. Vandenberg



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C. Rathie



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C.G. Peacock



G.R. Paget



B.L. Lezar



K-A. Wright



S. McGee



T.G. Henderson



C.J. Dobson



R.J. Lindon



L.J. Upton



G.E. McKerr



M.A. Willcock



L.L. Sillence



N. Lamprecht



E. Howard



A. Hughes



S.A. Dutton



M.P. Cox



L.J. Braham



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T.D. Zeiss



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M. Collins



A. Cruickshank



P.L. Jackson



R.J. Thomas



D. Crimes



E.A. Stone



S.G. Lyndon



A.J. Viljoen



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G.B. Arntzen



J.V. Dowell



S.G. Hay



G.R. Dent



T.D. Boonazier



K-A. Ross

Standard 7A is one of the two nomadic classes of Hillcrest High School. We may be seen on any day of the week searching frantically for the vacant classrooms in which we are to have our lessons. 7A is also one of the biggest classes in the school, with 33 pupils. This may be a reason for our being one of the noisiest classes as well!

We have all sorts of people in our class; noisy people, quiet people, the sportsmen and the boffins. One of the sportsmen is our class captain Grant Lloyd. He has done extremely well at provincial level at Biathalon (swimming and running) events. And then of course we have our sportswoman, Natalie Lange, who has her colours

for horseriding. Natalie was also in this year's school play and is currently part of her house-play cast.

Every class has a "deluxe boffin". My vote goes to Nicolaus Harvard. Caroline Dawson is our budding author and the musician of the year award goes to pianist Robyn Haynes. Our enrichment group members have ensured by their inventions (from solar power to camels' feet for humans) that we could survive in any desert.

We are a very argumentative class—and proud of it! We have to be like that with some of the teachers we have; they say they are teaching us to think! Let me end with a quotable quote about 7A: "5% of us think, 10% of us would rather die than think". Makes you think, doesn't it?

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#### **7C**

E ach daily session began with 7C—
a combination of tramps and a
jumble sale lining up for routine
uniform inspection, a dull session
followed by eight time-consuming
lessons. It was during this daily
schedule that many young scholars
displayed their various talents.
Lindsay, Paul and Steven were blissfully peaceful in their own quiet way.
The intellectual and sophisticated
category belongs overwhelmingly to
Michael and David, who strive against
all odds to uphold the academic

dignity of 'the tribe'.

Many a member of 7C could be mentioned including: Bubble or Henning, Mighty Milne, Chatter Coates, punk Pibernik with dyed hair, Savage Schefermann and mad McDonald. For those honoured members not mentioned "Screw your courage to the sticking place and you will not fail" (W. Shakespeare) in bringing a little decorum into this motley bunch. On the whole for 7C, 1985 was a wonderful year.

#### **7W**

As with any community 7W displays widely varying interests and abilities. Some of us are achievers, some of us are the stalwarts who keep the wheels turning, almost smoothly, every day.

In a magnificent effort 7W raised R100 towards the swimming pool by selling fudge and raffling a huge pink panther. Second prize was fudge.

Our talented members include: Ingrid and Susan who did very well in hockey. Ian and Stacey are in the drummies squad. Sean and Mark (Jannieson) belong to the boys' hockey team. Jackey and Susan and Ingrid took part in inter-house athletics. Garth, Ingrid and Susan swam in the inter-house gala. Christopher and Mark (Koekemoer) belong to the school computer club. Garth, Dennis and Robert (Simms) are keen and successful trout fishermen

7K

We'll start off by saying what's best about our class. All the teachers like us!! If one of our classmates comes to school in a bad mood, by the fourth lesson we have put them right. (The teachers can't even hold back the grins.) We're just like one big happy family.

We even have our little squabbles. Remember, Phipps, when you lost your desk in the middle of your own classroom! One day when Louise opened her pencil case, she found that

> Round the rugged passages The ragged rascals run They climb the walls and Crunch the chalk In number C.21.

If you come to 7R you will see the Bubble of society in 30 persons. We're the pain of the staff, we definitely don't make them laugh, and it's not unusual to see a teacher in a frenzy. Mr Gay loves us because we can't line up in a straight line!

There is something amazing about our Class, every time a guy walks past there is a certain young blue eyed lady who sprints to the door with eyes on Phipps had put a blob of horse manure inside, saying "It's only grass!"

We are also a very clever class. Whenever a teacher asks a question, she gets a prompt answer, "I don't know". Mrs Phillips enjoys being our teacher because there is a lot of team spirit in the class. Also when someone cracks a joke everyone finds it funny, even the teacher. The girls in the corner just won't keep quiet. We even have our own Hitler in the class.

stalks. Guess who? Anton Strydom, the class captain is a boffin, others are D.S. and J.M. Miles, the street fighter who makes all the girls' hearts beat faster. Greg Larmour has twenty five lines on the red strip on his tie, the number of times he has been jacked this year!

But at the heart of 7R there is pure gold. When Trevor is rushed to hospital, Clinton, Miles, Jay and Greg are absolute bricks and Belinde de Swardt and Carmen keep all his books up to date.

Yes, they are Reliable, Right, Real Rascals — all in 7R.

#### 7P

Having arrived on top of the Hill and been told that 7P was mine, I walked into the class, a co-ed class, and had a class captain appoint herself, explain proceedings and then run the class administration admirably.

With the passing of time they became people; rough, noisy, irritating, likeable and honest. Not all teachers pets or cups-of-tea but capable of understanding boundaries invaluable in athletics preparation; brutally honest in asking students when their real teacher is coming back to teach them, and then call me Dad when I refer to them as children.

Who tells the story of Ferdinand the Bull

Who eats Rose petal and mayonnaise sandwiches

Who arrived as a gift to the girls from New Forest

Who gave up drinking so that six bars went broke

Who puts mascara on before school

then washes it off again when taking down the registration slip

Who brings her fluffy toys to school to ward off the evil spirit of Maths

Who sits passively as her friends "spit bubbles": burst on her notes

Who has X-ray vision to see through her fringe

Who squeaks when the Std 9 T.D. boys walk past

Who proved that NOOKIE was not a corner

Who sulks when reprimanded then does the same thing again five minutes later

Who is unconvinced that roaches are O.K.

Who sat on so many drawing pins he no longer flinches

Who can take off her jersey and hold all the boys attention

Who has a different hair brush for each lesson and with a little help from her friends is small enough to fit into the rubbish bin





M.J. McReynolds



G. Lloyd



P.H. Machen



N. Lange



J.R. Legg



V-L. Ross



L.A. Riley



C.P. Parker



S. Sutherland



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C.D. Williamson



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M.M. van Bakel



T.M. Buckingham



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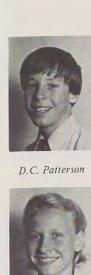
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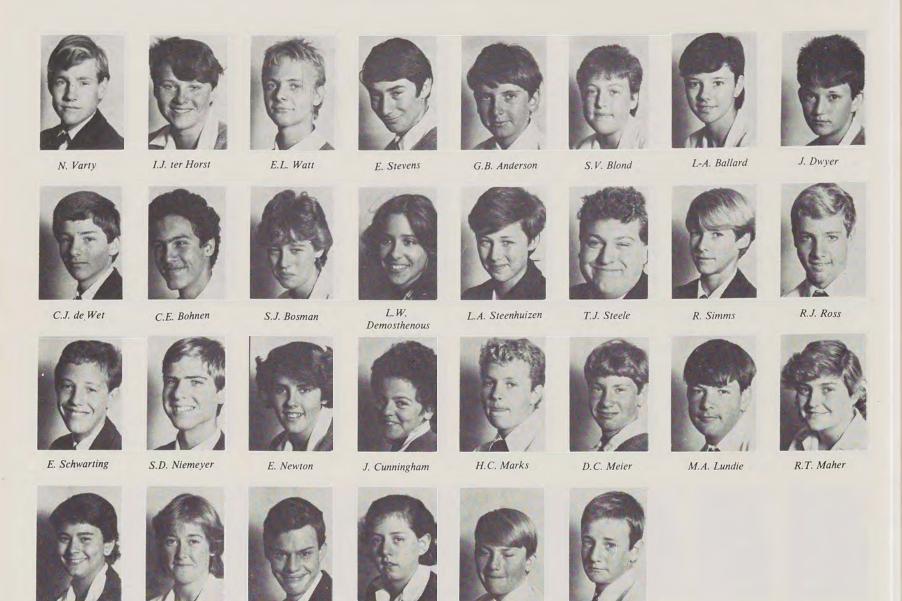
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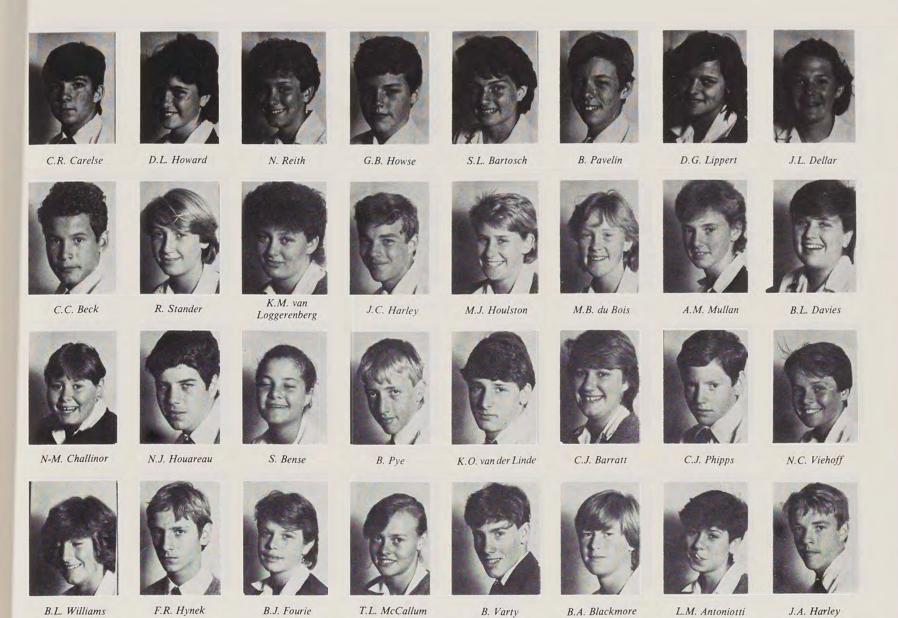
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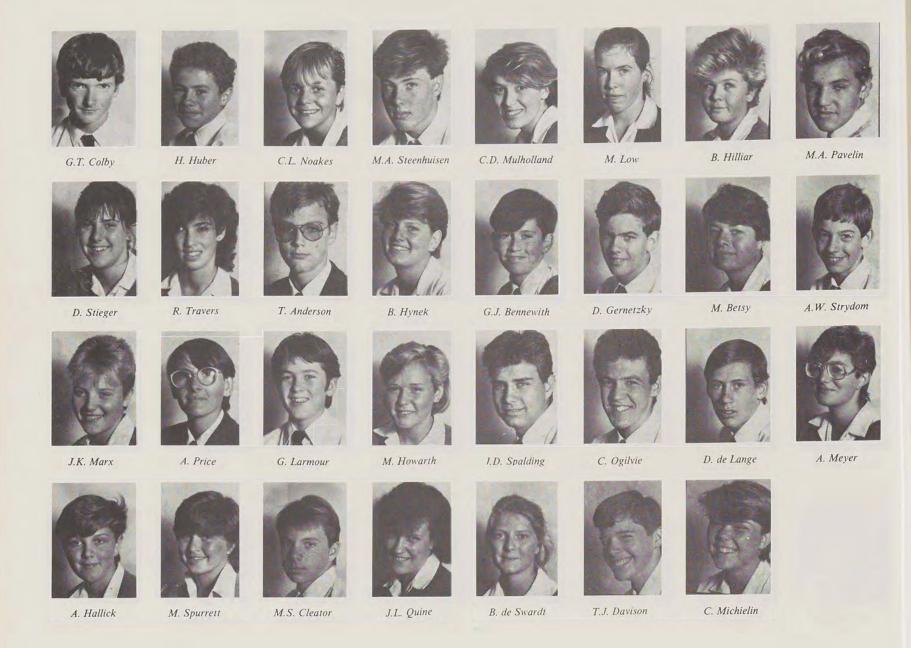
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has been a really great class this year. We have all got on extremely well even though the ratio of boys to girls was unbalanced, though come to think of it, we received no complaints from the boys! 8 A1 is also bubbling over with talent and there are a number of aspects in which we have excelled. On the athletics scene we were well represented by Sarah, Charmaine, Tessa, Michael, Wendy and Noreen. Pupils in our class have also participated in netball, tennis, hockey, swimming, choir, S.C.A., S.R.C. and drummies.

8 Al have a number of other talents too. We have a fantastic flair for making and eating popcorn, as well as having an enthusiastic approach to the making of herb ropes, especially when we are supposed to be working!! We're also very good at making a noise, but Kim deaf-nitely outclasses us all! Under Mrs Ferguson's watchful eyes and through her "encouragement", we all do credit to the keeping

up of homework books.

Our class has also responded fairly well to the cleaning of the classroom. Unfortunately, some of us "forget" to check the duty roster drawn up by Alison. We handled the sweeping vigorously and enthusiastically until the strain became too much for the broom. Anyone have a spare one?

Participation during lessons is very good, especially when there is a point to be argued. The girls in Mr Dalais's History class certainly put this point into practice. At least once a week, we have a full scale argument against the chauvinists. The two quotations "Women have many faults, but men have only two, everything they say and everything they do", and "a woman is an idol thing" are frequently sent flying across the room in defence. The Science pupils from Mrs Palmers' class have learnt a thing or two this year - as far as we can tell. The main point is that when confronted by a question the answer is most likely to be "It's obvious!"

### 8 B2

1985 has been an interesting and productive year for Std 8 B2. Ross Ronaldson, the hero of the class, was selected to play lock in the Rugby 1st team, and Mandy Motto-Ros was selected to play as Wing Attack in the Netball 1st team.

At the beginning of the year Mrs Skjolde was our Registrar but she decided to resign during the second term to fulfil her task as a mother, not to us but to the latest addition to the family. Mrs Watridge then became our Registrar.

We, as a class, also contributed a considerable amount towards the school fête and made many donations of food, books, stationery and various appliances.

A very fortunate pupil in our class was Brenda Ward who won a prize of R250 from one of the school competitions. Congratulations Brenda!

Our thanks go to Kari Janssen, who was elected as class captain, for doing a very good job in controlling the class.

#### 8 A4

You will be sure With 8 A4 They're always in a flap! "We'll miss our bus" Oh, what a fuss . . . Are they going on a tour?

In the morning
Bright and early
Caplin chimes a note!
While others are punctual
Scheiby strolls in
He is always late!

Cleaning classrooms
They do love
Their classroom's spick and span
Watch for Farmer
He's into stardom
With his broom in hand!

Gerard Sutton

The Scottish lad
Drama is his key
Hands in pocket
What's he searching for?
Could it be some haggis?

Then there's Captain Sue "Efficient Sue" some say. Always right, always tidy Sue-Anne slaves away.

First in class is Howell
"Please call me Allison, sir!"
Plants and pictures she doth bring
The classroom is a wonderful thing.

8 A4 — I know
It will be sad to go
You are all special
Warm and cheerful
I'll miss you — You'll miss me!

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1985 has brought with it both success and failures for the members of 8 B1. First team representatives were Barbara Davis (netball), Paul Bardeleben (Chess), Darryl Schreiber (Musketry) and Dean Mitchell (Hockey) whilst Kevin Parr was chosen to sail for S.A. at the World Junior Yachting Championships in Europe and Ian Marx was placed fifth in the Natal Radiocontrolled Aeroplane Championships.

Distinctive characteristics of D11 include the noticeable change in atmosphere from subdued to eruptive between the Monday morning and Friday afternoon registrations, the constant reminders delivered from the front of the classroom to close windows, put chairs on desks etc., and the never ending complaint about the way in which 7B persisted in deposit-

ing their litter on the classroom floor — 8 B1 were, naturally, above such behaviour!

Colin McLaren's singularly successful attempt at parachuting and his subsequent arrival at school one Monday morning with one leg encased in plaster of paris provided some amusement to his (less daring) colleagues. George Swart (gorgeous) enjoyed the dubious honour of being the smallest member of the class and was frequently subjected to various treatments usually reserved for the smaller members of society - it was amazing how often he seemed to be on the ground! Cupid also put in an appearance and the mention of Jenny and Clive, Barbara and Trevor (or was it Derek or Stephen?), Charmaine and Ian will revive amusing memories for some and embarrassing memories for others.

### 8 A3

Grant and Craig, the famous two Who would like to raise hell but never do!

They leave that to the other well known TRIO,

Namely, Andrew and Gordon and naughty Keith.

And then we have Nicholas and Garth combined

Our sombre two, of that we're of a mind.

But to lighten the mood, along comes Terence

Who loves all the girls and never tells And out to maturity, we finally reach To meet Grant and Victor, maybe future teachers!

And to close it all off we have Anton our friend,

Whose fun and good humour never ends.

Our sympathies teachers, one and all Your work is cut out, oh boy! thats for sure.

From here we now go and visit the dolls

Who for raising all hell, take the odds.
We have Lorna and Delia and Nickie combined

Who without one another, would

become untwined.

Then sitting alone is our loner Michelle Wondering why Cheenen is doing the same.

They probably wish they were more like Adela

Who with Debbie and Anthea show care and feeling.

Now we have Vickie who gets rather uptight

friendly with Natasha, who tries to make things right.

But coming along with a cheeky smile, we have Mandy with her pals Shona Susan and Sharon behind. Let's not forget Tracy, a lively one Who with her friend Nickie is always on the run.

And then we have Siobhan who seldom

stays put, but with her friend Wendy maybe they'll have some luck.

To teachers all over, you are a brave lot To devote your lives to these horrible brats.

Your reward is coming, though not at Hillcrest High.

Its much farther up, like somewhere in the sky. (Hang in there).

#### 8 A2

8A2 the best in view Can be seen in our school supreme.

There is true friendship too in 8 A2 And talent and personality come through.

Our team has mischief, who:

Andrew, Nicky, Bruce, Rowan and the other Rowan too.

Of Lesley, Nicholas and Paul The quiet quick wit

Fills our classroom with warmth through and through.

From Julie, Nancy, Debbie and Ghislaine there are giggles galore, When Afrikaans takes the floor.

In our class centre we have

Janette, Jessica, Sandra, Jocelyn and Clare

Who add life and air.

The Athletes shine and here we find Christopher, Annelies, Rowan and Samantha

They seem to fidget all the time.

We have Drummies: Mandy and Candi

And when they march, they look real dandy.

The brains of our bunch: Sandra, Jocelyn and Paul,

Seem to achieve in all.

Some, like Heather, Zelia, Deborah and Cindy

are quiet yet cheerful. The short and the tall

With Samantha; Michael, Luke then little Lorraine

are a joke to all.

To conclude I'd like to say

8 A2 enjoy most of school life in every way,

Even though our teachers perhaps would prefer us to stay away.

A grand bunch Who? 8 A2.

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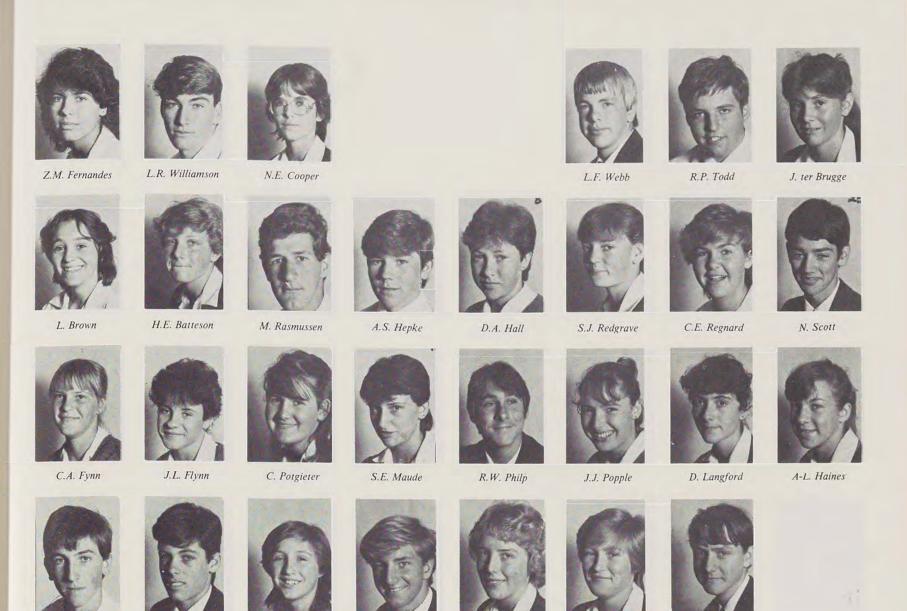
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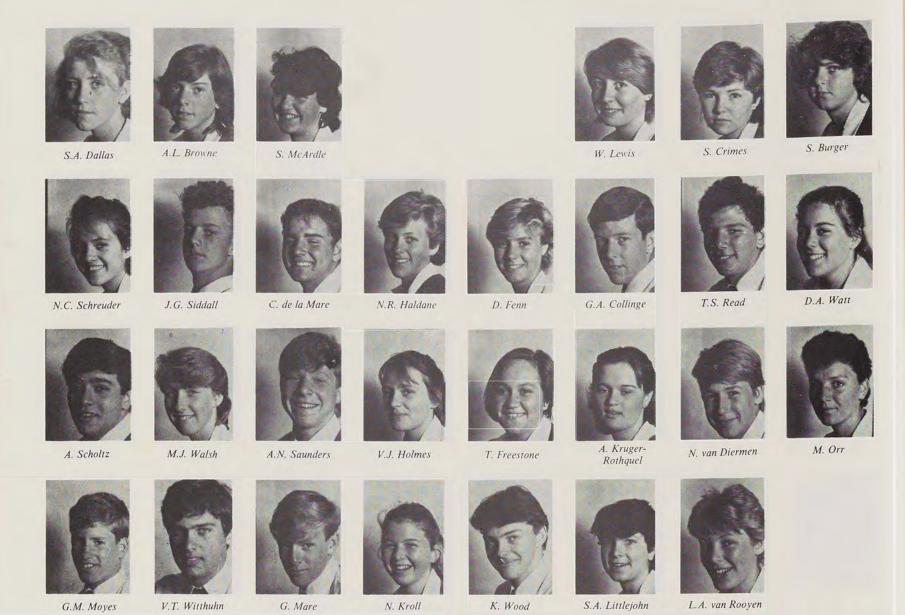
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No-one hesitates to get free time or a break, but they do more-or-less get all their work done. Our class ranges from clever to really stupid.

We are like a happy family sharing and helping each other, even sticking up for each other when in desperate need.

For swimming Garth Thomas received full colours. Helen Boyd,

Tessa Fourie and Zsussa Sxücs do modelling. Tania Flemix takes guitar lessons at Edgewood College and Douglas Wilson contributes to troutfishing. I'd say that other talent is present, but it still has to be recognised. All the other members of the class are the 'city-type' who prefer to surround themselves in disco-lights and modern music.

#### 9 B3

Our day begins with an eggs and milk concoction to restore energy and then the dealing and swapping of sandwiches. We suspect the guys of 9 B3 have a contract with Bakers Bread. Our class captain, Trevor Densham, is very forgetful, but when reminded does double to compensate. Mr Gay has a problem counting us—it's like counting a swarm of human fleas.

Our "love bugs" are Tracey and Richard. Tracey is also interested in hockey and plays for the Hillcrest Club, while Richard plays in the school's first hockey team. Other first team players are: Brett (rugby), Michelle F (netball), Alyson (hockey — she plays in the zonal team) and Gary (hockey). Guy and Paul B, do fly fishing and our maniacs of the road are Craig and Peter B — so beware!

At the end of the day — chaos — it takes our class ages to be seated for registration. Mr Gay has to be a doorman.

#### 9 B1

We had many representatives in the various extra-curricular activities. Paul Finlayson was Vice-Captain of the first teams for Rugby, Cricket and Hockey. He was selected for the zonal hockey trials and received half-colours in each sport. David Skjolde was Captain of the second Rugby team. He also participated in Athletics and was selected to represent Durban and District where he will throw the Javelin. Louise Germaine was often on the sidelines, as a Cheerleader, supporting these teams.

On the swimming front the girls

came out tops and Charmaine Wentworth and Ashleigh Spiller were our most noteworthy representatives. Ashleigh won the cups for the winner of the Girls 100m Freestyle and also the coveted Victrix Ludorum at the Interhouse Swimming Gala. She was awarded half-colours for swimming, but excelled in various other sports, too. Helen Chenery proved her worth when she was awarded fourth place in the Interschool "A" showjumping team and also did very well in the dressage section. Carmen Pronk received a service award for her unfailing loyalty as the first team

Cricket scorer and Janine Gower-Winter was a worthy debutante.

Our most able Class-Captain was Clive Handley who proved to be both responsible and reliable. Adrian Thunder was our Std 9 Student's Representative member and he filled this post admirably.

In the cultural field Trevor Latimer took the honours as he was President of the Interact Club and a member of the debating society where he was, on several occasions, awarded best speaker. He also received full-colours for his role in the school play.

This is only a brief summary of the achievements of 9 B1, a lively bunch, who were always ready to miss a lesson, and who had a finger in almost every pie and we are quite sure that without our class the school would not have functioned properly!



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9A3 enjoyed an eventful, and on the whole, successful 1985. Their success has been largely attributed to the sometimes controversial leadership of their class Captain, Carlos Fernandes, better known as "Captain Carly".

9 A3 maintained the proverbial "low profile" throughout the year, but on one occasion rose to notoriety when, on account of Captain Carly's absent-mindedness, the entire school stood waiting for the final bell to ring. He did, however, learn his lesson, and from then on was always the first to collect any school notices.

On the academic front, 9 A3 was known as the class that "quietly got on with it", but few teachers really knew exactly what they got on with. Those (not so deaf) teachers who did know often had to silence conversations about "how's your boney?" or "how was Nella's on Friday night?"

On the sporting scene, 9 A3 were well represented. Sharon Mulholland played goalkeeper for the 2nd hockey team and represented the school in the athletics team. Lionel Crow was a member of the schools 1st Musketry team. Glen Mathews played second

team cricket and Evan Rossler, rugby for the 3rd team.

It was unfortunate that Malcolm Schefermann (also known as Zola Budd) failed to rise to the great athletic heights expected of one with such an honourable nickname. 9 A3 was not totally devoid of cultural talent either. Karen Dreyer was a regular member of the school choir together with Christine (Garfield) Fletcher who also represented the school in the swimming team.

When it came to classroom cleanliness, 9 A3 were "streaks ahead". Under the strict supervision of Captain Carly, the classroom never missed its daily sweeping. Any fears of the broom being stolen were dispelled by the presence of 9 A3's own security force; Peter (Sid Vicious) Bennewith and Robert (muscle-bound) Kesterton. Not only was a clean floor a feature, but the air was regularly "refreshed" with the exotic fragrance of "6th sense" or "Body Mist"; the result of attempts to neutralise the after-effects of a strenuous P.E. lesson.

With a successful year behind them, we all wish Captain Curly and his "crew" all the best for the climax of their school career in 1986.

### 9 A2

A lthough we have much Leveridge in the school, being seniors, our class has taken some Knox this year—although nothing too Groves. We've all been a little Gultig, and some us have come off Scott-(Wilson) free, but Maher of that anon. The Russell of spring Phipp-ed Bye our classroom this year. Of course, we have a Bosman who Maggs us to raise money; we tell her we don't have Le

Brasse to spend on Fripp-eries. Whilst Houlding onto this view, and Demosthenousing our unwillingness to Kendal flames of enthusiasm, we nevertheless produced a Sample recipe book; this caused a great Dent in our bad reputation and we may have to Hyde until its all over. In Jenny case, we don't usually Siebels ringing when we arrive on the scene. Marc you, that's taking Asquith look at Morris-

less a sMartin class. Glen again, whether its winter and you're Duncan your rusk in your coffee, or its summer and the Teresa green, you've Scott to have 9 A2.

### 9 A1

In the sporting sphere both Winsome I Jackson and Susan Mitchell did extremely well. Winsome was chosen to represent the school in the South African Schools team, for hockey, and this is definitely a very high achievement for any school. Susan was selected to play for Natal, and both these pupils were awarded honours for their success. Susan was also chosen to run for the school in the Prestige Athletics meeting after her excellent 200 metre sprint in the D & D meeting. In another sporting area Jean Barlow was chosen as Captain of the First Netball Team, and was awarded half-colours for netball.

On the cultural side David Spurrett

and Allan Campbell were chosen for the Senior B debating team, and Guy Morpuss represented the Senior A. Both these teams reached the finals of their respective leagues.

Many other members of the class participated in group activities such as Choir, Drummies, Cricket, Tennis and Rugby, and the pupils are also to be thanked for the active part which they played in the School Fcte.

The class would like to thank Mr Rossler for the help which he has given to all pupils throughout the year, and would also like to thank the Class Captain Wayne Reith, for the invaluable service which he has provided.

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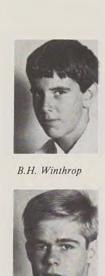
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It would seem that Mr Dickens wrote these words in 1985 rather than one hundred and thirty one years earlier for often this is what educational institutions are continually being asked to do by John Public.

Over the past five or six years the

staff of Hillcrest High have endeavoured to follow the dictates of education and the mandates handed over by parents to produce a product acceptable to society. South Africans pride themselves in being able to relish their own gastronomic delicacy, boerewors, a delicacy consisting of varying proportions of sawdust, suet, crushed bone, minced offal and occasionally some read meat. It is thus with interest that we await to see how the South African Society, with its refined tastes, accepts the products that we have manufactured for this years market.

Whatever the outcome we wish our departing Matriculants all the best for the forthcoming years in the wild jungles of society and that they each achieve whatever they have aimed for.

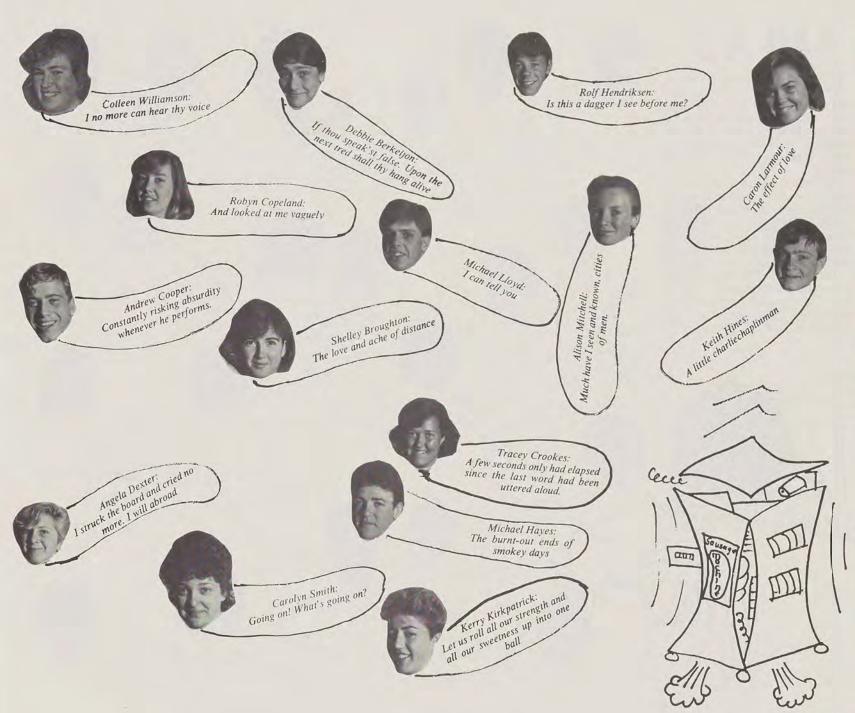
lways top scorer in the class, A Susan B. deserves mention first. Don't underestimate her, she has a hidden sense of humour. Tanya is off to Australia - a better ambassador we can't wish for and at least Murray will be able to enjoy his own lunch with her out of his way. 10 A1, is not 10 A1 without Andrew, our tabletennis star with Natal Colours. This probably explains his warped sense of humour. Shelley has found an interest in PMB Boys College. Have you noticed the broader smile lately? Michael and Rolf are competing for "Gigolo of the year" award. Michael is handsome but Rolf might win by a

nose. Bev and Keith (Hotstuff) are our own fairy tale - Bev, keep kissing, he might turn into a prince vet. Her sleek new hairstyle has given Shona more speed on her turbo-charged sewing machine. Tracey Crookes (Kaatjie) defies the law of children being seen and not heard. Patrick objects to being known as The Devout Jew. Alison and Colleen M. are the two freckles on the face of our otherwise unblemished class. Our local left-wing terrorist, Debbie, will flatten all opposition with her new driver's licence. Anthea's track record this year hasn't been good, resulting in vampire attacks. Mandy W. and

Carolyn, Yâchad orientated, are not always seen but can always be heard. Kerry is the liontamer of the class and that's a Cardinaal fact. If ever in need of a face-lift, our beauty consultant, Colleen W. would be most helpful. Robyn leaves much to be desired when it comes to tact, but gains full-marks for honesty. Susan H., her antagonistic attitude towards males never allows them to get a word in edgeways. Angela, our black widow, is now looking for greener pastures, then comes Caron, quiet as a mouse, but beware, still waters run deep. Last. but not least, Mandy P. our class rebel, is always first to complain, and heaven help the one who disagrees.





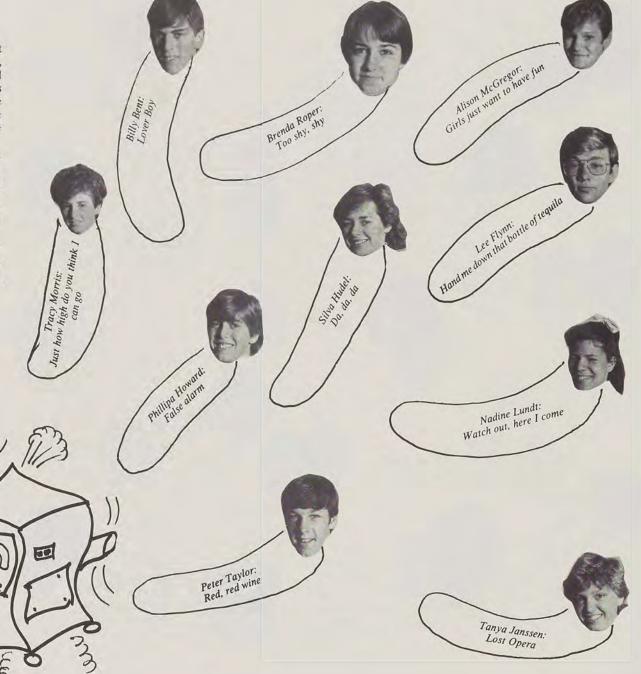


We are the class with the greatest reputation for friendship, caring and recognition of those special days that happen once a year. In this way we have earned ourselves a name for being the class to come to when the smell of birthday cake wafts along the corridor.

We are very well behaved because we have so many prefects to control us. We have the best teachers because they know the best class to choose. We have the talented people in our class: artists, actors, actresses, and musicians abound.

They gave us one of the exchange students because they knew where she would be best cared for and after all, they did want to show her the best of Hillcrest High, didn't they?

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#### 10 A3>

It is only fitting that our annual report should begin by documenting the decline and demise of our beloved Maiden Hair Fern, Herman, After a long and arid July vacation, devoid of sustenance and stimulation, our beloved Herman passed on peacefully to that great Green-House in the sky. Herman will long be remembered as the only intelligent and responsive form of life in our midst. His eagerness and comprehension, his sense of school spirit and his unparalleled understanding of the English language were a guiding light for all inhabitants of our dismal, mortal domain. It was with a heavy heart and many a tearful

between the Hall and C Block.

It is always sad to say farewell to another year, another class, and the groups that constitute that class. Life will seem strange (and incomplete) without being called 'Darling' or 'Precious' by the MIGHTY MUSCULAR ONE. The wrench away from school will mean the disappearance of the SWEATY ARMPIT-RUGBY PLAYING-BROOM WRESTLING BRIGADE, whose every attempt to clean the class left it dirtier than before. It is 'Adios' as well to the two valiant ladies who daily wobbled/hobbled their way around 'Good Riddance' to the PHILI-

STINES who were never able to appreciate the beauties of poetry and who preferred to eat the cake that was supplied in copious quantities on innumerable birthdays. It spells 'Liberation' to the band who plastered the walls with odd looking men from odd sounding groups and their compatriots the OH WE'RE IN LOVE LEGION who saw the class as a daytime lovers' lane - may you have success in the great manhunt which lies ahead. And finally it means 'Better Luck Next Time' to those who enjoyed 10 A3 so much that they want to do it all again.

Where being stander and waits

It is not necessary to name anyone, O.K. and not always BORING.





10B1 consists of a rather varied assortment who have succeeded in being the bane of many a teacher's life.

The class has an absentee club chief members being Trevor Ponquett and Garth Mekisich with the latest member being Shaun van Rooyen (he's still on trial until he makes 4 absent days a week).

We have two award winners. The first being Kenneth Baker who won the 'Daddy of the year award' for the arrival of his pet bricks: Chi and Brutus, the second is Thomas Fischer 'Criminal of the Year'; who has, according to rumour (The Great Nose) broken every rule in the book (for further info. ask Mrs Mann).

We have our own built-in stable:run by Suzi, Berry, Cathy, Sandy and Jenny. The only member of the Old Boys' Club is our own Greg Marais.

A prominent member of the class states: "Afrikaans gives me a pain in the proverbial" (names omitted for obvious reasons).

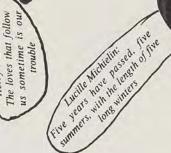
Debbie de Billot "How small we are, how little we know."

A word of warning: If a red streak is seen anywhere in the vicinity - Duck - its Liz Luiz. Women drivers - no survivors says a reliable source -Trevor Ponquett.

To all the teachers we've had this year: Thanks, we hope you don't find life too boring next year.







Helen Buxton: Oriental Boy

Debbie de Billot: And eat three pounds of sausages at a go

Sandy Barratt: My unconquerable soul

When will the bell ring and end this weariness



1985 seemed to be another year with just another set of Matrics. But that was the end of the similarity, nobody accounted for a group known as 10 B2 "mafia". This class was the domain of 24 male Chauvinistic racist pigs. This group had their own Godfather, J.D. "Bumstead" Arnot.

In most matric groups the average age is 17; in 10 B2 it is "19". This class is made up of a variety of misfits and has-beens: ranging from a monkey named Curious George to an elephant named Nelly. Though we are short on intellectual talent, we have more than made up for this lack on the sports

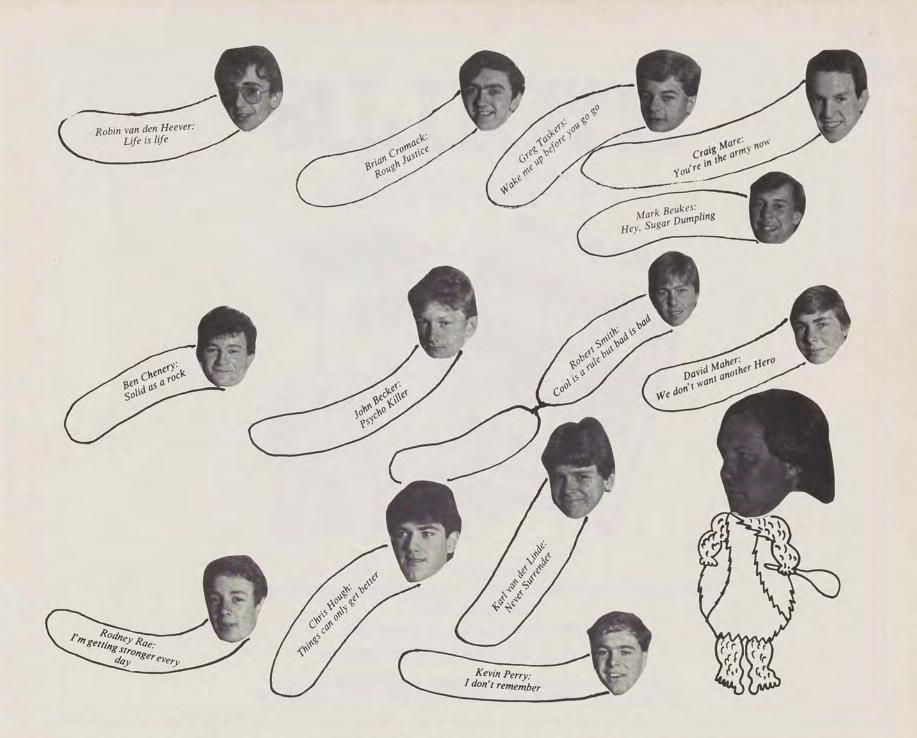
fields: Sean Cardinaal: 1st team Cricket, Rugby and Hockey, is also captain of these teams; Dale Potgieter: 1st Cricket, Rugby and Hockey; Andrew Haldane: 1st Cricket and Rugby; Rodney Rae: 1st Hockey. Other outstanding achievements are those of Nicky Louw who has his Natal colours for road-racing and Robby Smith who is one of the top 5 schoolboy Moto X riders in S.A.

It should be noted that Sean Cardinaal also participated in the School Play "Spring Offensive", and 10 B2 were the best turned out class in the school this year.

Andrew Haddane: Walk like a man

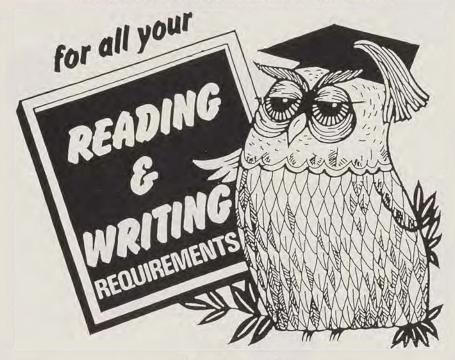


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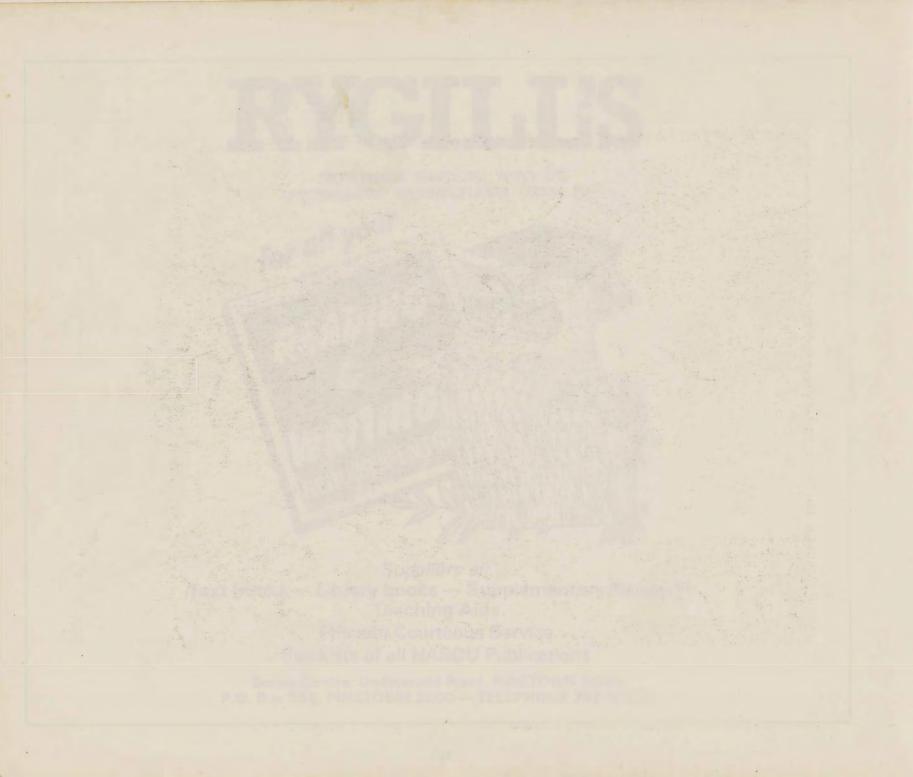
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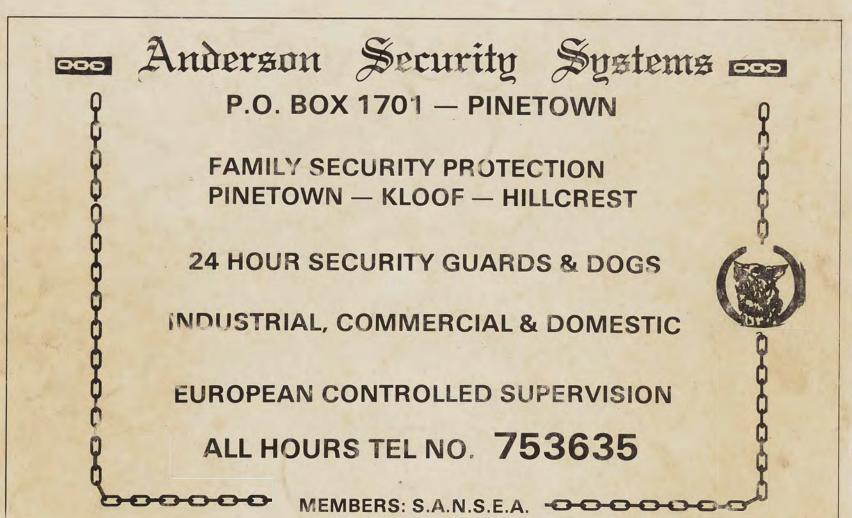
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