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The 2017 edition of the Hiltonian is, once again, a comprehensive chronicle of the busy life of a great institution and reflects, hopefully accurately, the variety of facets which comprise its excellence. 2017 saw the arrival of George Harris the 15th headmaster who wasted no time in making his mark both in appointments, changes to the Grade 8 and 9 curricula and a host of others including the

Professional development slot on Tuesday mornings whist the pupils have a welcome sleep in.

The school had an exceptional year on the sports arena and produced two more internationals; Lungisani Truman Ngidi for the Proteas and Tom Currin for England. The 7s Rugby Team, invited

to Rugby School's 700th anniversary festival, returned with the trophy and excellent accolades about how they conducted themselves and brought honour to the school.

The school produced some excellent Matric results including two candidates who attained 9 A-symbols each. Culturally Hilton continues to produce outstanding musicians, artists and performers across all realms. Hilton also bade farewell to two longstanding members of staff those being the editor himself and Sue Smythe the remedial teacher through whom a host of boys were guided and mentored through Hilton College over two decades.

In conclusion, it is to be hoped that many Hitonians will opt for an electronic copy of The Hiltonian as postage and production costs are prohibitive.

Ant Durnford



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Hilton College Cattle Project

The Hilton College Cattle Scheme was started by me as a bursary fund for farmers' sons in 1991 in the Underberg district, by what was called OHC Underberg/Himeville Branch. I borrowed the money from Hilton and bought cattle, which I gave to interested farmers to keep and grow out. I felt that a few head of cattle could be run by farmers and would go unnoticed and all expenses and deaths would be absorbed by the farmer. Meetings were held with the Board representatives at that time, Chris Hathorn, Roger don Wauchope and Tony Clucas. They were supportive and assisted with the starting of the scheme and the lending of the original money.

A sum of R22 000 was lent to the OHC Underberg/Himeville Branch and 16 cattle were purchased and given out to 6 interested farmers to care for. These were then sold about a year later and the amount was doubled. About 50% of this was kept to purchase more cattle and the rest went towards paying the fees of a local student attending Hilton. Therefore, the scheme went on benefitting five boys over the next 14 years. The total amount paid towards fees was R308 700 and at its peak, we had 50 cattle out on farms.

We tried to start up similar schemes in Zululand and East Griqualand; the one in Zululand failed due to disease but the E.G scheme is still going.

I was then appointed to the Board and began to think that the whole scheme should be run on the Hilton Estate as I could see great potential. A meeting was organized at Hilton with Mike Nicholson, Iain McMillan and Alistair Patterson, a beef advisor, and the carrying capacity of the Estate was thought to be between 800 and 1000 head of cattle.

The Underberg/Himeville scheme was closed and it was decided to keep the cattle at Hilton. They would be run by the Estate manager and the bookkeeping done by the Old Hiltonian Club staff. This system ran for a number of years.

After meeting Tim Gibson after a Hilton/Michaelhouse match at the Notties pub, we discussed a new scheme. Tim suggested that old boys be encouraged to "buy" their own oxen and then there would be a competition for the best ox and a prize. This was started and organized by Tim and has been most successful.

Pat Eustace

Tim Gibson continues the story

Following our discussion at the Notties pub, Pat and I organized another meeting at the pub and invited local Old Boys as well as lain McMillan to discuss the project we envisaged. Having been involved with back-grounding on our own farms in the area, I suggested this would be the best model for us to follow on the estate. Capital was a limiting factor and I suggested we could get Old Boys and friends to sponsor oxen and this would get the ball rolling. With Pat's blessing, and with the support of the local Old Boys and lain and his development office, I was given the go ahead to get the project going.

At the next meeting of the Old Boys' committee meeting I was given the opportunity to present what I felt would work as a model and the financial implications for the Old Boys and the School. This was well received, and I got the go ahead from the National committee at that time, chaired by Murray Moxham. Sir Roger don Wauchope was also at the meeting and he also enthusiastically supported the idea. An unintended consequence of this meeting was my election to the National Committee and my appointment as treasurer that I was unable to vacate for the next 7 years.

Our next challenge was to find our initial sponsors. Iain McMillan was a great help in getting things going and produced a one-page brochure, and Guy Bastard from EG contributed by sending us a picture of one of his prime oxen which we added to the brochure. I presented the brochure and concept to the Old Boys and friends of Hilton at the prize giving of the Maritzburg Old Boys golf day in 2009. With some follow up calls, we made a start with our first batch of 50 oxen!

Management of the cattle was the responsibility of Estate Managers Sax Solomon and Rowan Welsford, with Rowan overseeing this project on a day-to-day basis. Rowan read a book I suggested would be helpful and Rowan and Sax came out to the Farm St John's (Howick) where I was running our back-grounding operation of about 750 oxen. This gave us the opportunity to discuss the methods we were using on St John's which gave guidance to the best way to implement the strategy on the Hilton Estate.

With Sax's support, Rowan took the bull by the horns and has been a highly efficient and effective stockman and he and his team have been a key ingredient to the success of the project.

Being treasurer, I became aware that the Old Boys, in a flourish of generosity, had committed fairly hefty annual contributions to the

bursary fund! This necessitated some deft foot work in the allocation of resources and required the cattle project to grow substantially rather quickly! We realised that pastures would become a limiting factor shortly. We managed to persuade the treasurer to allocate funds to the re-establishment of pastures on the old maize lands. This strategic investment would allow us to ultimately run 800 to 1000 oxen as had been envisaged. Our initial planting was done with kikuyu seed. My manager and I took some of our equipment across from our farm to help with the planting. It was, however, found that using runners was more effective and the rest of the pastures were established using this method.

Considering the capital and time involved in establishing the pastures we entered into an agreement with our neighbour, Mr Haldane. He established kikuyu on certain lands with the understanding that he could graze those lands for 5 years. We had a clause that enabled us to shorten the lease should we have need for the extra grazing and we did so 4 years into the lease. This worked well in the overall strategy and is bearing fruit for us now.

To continually attract "new investors" Troy Rowlands helped us design a website which he called "Vleisbook". This worked well in attracting new participants but as the project grew, we found fewer people accessing the website and the administration of it became difficult. It was however a key tool in growing the project. In addition to this, I have produced a quarterly "Vleisbook" newsletter, which updates individuals on how the project is going and hopefully entices new participants.

In trying to keep the participants involved and interested in the project, we decided to run an annual competition for the "best performing ox", based on the best average daily gain. At a committee meeting of the Old Boys I proposed a trophy and suggested we name the trophy the "Pat Eustace Trophy" for the best performing ox. I felt it appropriate in recognition of the pioneering work Pat had done. There was unanimous agreement. Farmers' Livestock Auctioneers donated the trophy and had it engraved. In addition to the trophy, the winner gets 1kg of biltong. I started this as a bit of a joke in the first year (the trophy was not yet ready, so I used an ornamental cow from our side board much to Pat's amusement!). The recipient, Gary Fyvie, joked at having received the "Gibson prize" which is a very ordinary looking brownpacket of biltong! Nonetheless, the tradition has stuck, and I sponsor the kg of biltong, which is presented with the trophy at our annual AGM.

To keep up with the capital requirements of the project we needed to continually coerce new investors. I landed up presenting the project in many venues to Old Boys, from the Inanda Club in Johannesburg to the Underberg club in KZN. This has meant that we have a diverse range of participants including Old Boys from the USA, UAE, and the UK and obviously throughout South Africa. Parents and "friends of Hilton" have also been great supporters and the "Ballies" have been particularly enthusiastic.

We have not always been able to finance all the oxen through donations and the funds within the Old Boys club have had to take up the slack to insure we were always fully stocked. We were fortunate that we had these funds available thanks in part to some initial wise investment by Mr Gilfillan and the committees of old but mainly thanks to the investments we built up during the time of the "investment club" initiative which was initiated by Peter Clarke, Keith Rosenbaum, Peter Feuilherade and others .Fortunately, as Old Boys we have been able to meet all our commitments with regard to bursaries and grow our investments, thanks in no small part to the contributions of the cattle project.

Since inception we have managed to grow the project to over 600 oxen with total contributions to bursaries beyond R3 million. We should be running over 800 oxen next year (2018) if we have favourable rains.

Over the years as treasurer, I worked under four Chairmen, Murray Moxham, Justin Platt, Andrew Johnstone and Jonathan Clark. Each were great supporters of the project. As the project has grown and we have needed to change the structure, Jonathan has put in enormous time and effort ensuring it is done in a manner that is beyond reproach and ensures that it will continue to grow in a sustainable way.

This has been an enormous team effort and although I have championed the project, it would never have worked without the input from so many. Besides all those previously mentioned Denise Venter has worked tirelessly in the Development office with the admin over the years and with the re-structuring. The bursar, Brett South and deputy bursar Kim Martin have been very helpful and understanding, as we have trundled along! Rowan Welsford and his team on the estate are also unsung heroes.

I believe we can all be proud of what we have achieved so far with the project and in many ways; it embodies "Hilton" and what we love about our College. From a post Hilton/Michaelhouse meeting in the Notties Pub between two farmers in different generations, to Old Boys, the Development office, friends of Hilton, Estate managers, bursars and accountants we have a project that has made a significant contribution to the wellbeing of Hilton and will hopefully continue to do so!

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Speech Day

Address by the Chairman of the Board - Mr Alistair Franklin

Welcome to Hilton College Speech Day, a pivotal occasion in a very packed calendar of events, as we gather to congratulate the boys on their achievements, and to reflect on what 2017 has brought to each of us who participates in the life of this great school.



May I thank so many parents for being present and our honoured guests for accepting the invitation to join us. I hope all of you will leave Speech Day with your spirits buoyed by the sheer delight of being part of Hilton College. Our Guest Speaker, Paul Galatis, will be as pleased as anyone to return to his old school. We eagerly await hearing what one of Hilton's former Head Boys, and now a famous entrepreneur, has to say about his time here and his advice to our Matrics who are on the brink of heading out into the world.

Talking about Matrics, you will know that each year Old Boys reunions are held at the School based upon the year that one matriculated. Yesterday, we hosted a rather unique reunion because assembled here we had Old Hiltonians who wrote Matric 75 years ago. They are the Class of 1942. They were at school when World War II was still raging and all of Europe was still in Hitler's grip. One of them recalled the whole school gathering together in 1939 under the bell tower to listen to Chamberlain's declaration of war. How proud I was to welcome this cohort of gentlemen from that distant era. Think how special

it is, boys of today, that these men played sport on the same fields as you do, roamed the same estate as you do, and proudly wore the same Fleur-de-Lys as you have on your chests. Now that's what I call boss, okes!

Our pleasure in welcoming this group is tempered by the absence of a leading member of the Class of 1942, Mr John Hodgson, who passed away last Wednesday. At the age of 92, John missed his 75th reunion by a week. John was a highly esteemed former Chairman of the Board who made an immense contribution during his tenure. I am ever grateful that I was able to have a drink with John only a few days before he died. We sat together in his study for an hour and a half and just talked Hilton. A bright flame of enthusiasm still burnt in him as he animatedly inquired about everything that was happening at this place. I was pleased to report that his beloved Hilton is thriving and felt comforted that John Hodgson died knowing that this is so. As a mark of respect to Mr Hodgson and the Class of 1942 may I ask you all to please stand.

Many people contemplate the Chairman's Report on Speech Day with the same degree of enthusiasm as they might regard a visit to the dentist, and this without the benefit of anaesthetic! However, we have had an exciting year and I would like to canvas a few highlights.

Undoubtedly, the major event of the past year has been the appointment of a new Headmaster to succeed Peter Ducasse. We looked worldwide but found our man in South Africa. After unearthing 440 candidates, we chose George Harris. When I phoned George to tell him that he had been selected his first reaction was to say: "Wow" and now, 8 months into the tenure of Hilton's 17th Headmaster, we say: "Wow", because George has had an outstanding start. Being Headmaster of Hilton is a role he relishes and fulfils with admirable expertise. Already, George's insightful newsletters are eagerly awaited by all in the Hilton community. Please welcome our new Headmaster to his first Speech Day at Hilton.



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As a leading educationalist, George has focussed immediately on Academics. His professional development programme for our staff members has been extremely beneficial. The fact is that when teachers feel enthusiastic about learning, this rubs off on the pupils. As a consequence, a number of excellent academic initiatives are now underway.

So too, the highly motivated Sports Department has delivered simply superb sports results. Our rankings in Rugby, Cricket, Hockey and Water-Polo are frankly, very gratifying. We intend now increasing our focus on other sports which are enjoying growing popularity, particularly Basketball and Soccer. It may interest you to know that our 1st Soccer Team reached the finals in 3 tournaments this year. The teamwork between the Sports Department and the boys is clearly evident and certainly paying dividends.

As always, may I thank the men and women sitting in these front rows, our highly valued members of staff, for their dedicated teaching and their continued attention to the wellbeing of our boys.

On the building side, all of the Boarding Houses have now been renovated and their day to day functioning has been greatly strengthened by the appointment of Deputy Housemasters and Assistants to the Housemasters. Our new Hockey Astroturf is a real asset and now boasts a very handsome pavilion, thanks to the continued generosity of the Haynes family. The Vula Lodge has enhanced Hilton's outreach programmes and the Campbell Block now boasts a new staff room and specially designed teaching spaces capable of accommodating an entire grade.

We are very proud of all these achievements but for me, the greatest barometer of success is the mood which exists in a School. I think it is true to say that there is currently a great spirit at Hilton, a pride and a passion and a feel-good factor that is tangible. For this I commend not only the Headmaster and the staff, but you boys. At the forefront, we have Chizembi

Sakulanda and Vaughn Williams, Head Boy and Vice Head Boy, who have set such an impressive tone, and instilled a sense of integrity and respect in their "Boys of Hilton" Facebook posts, and their talks to the School. How good it was at the Rugby School Sevens in England, to not only win the tournament but to be singled out by the Rugby School Headmaster for the exemplary conduct of our boys. Well done to you!

As I close, there is a final, special mention I wish to make. It is a remarkable fact that there are only 7 all-boys, all-boarding schools in the world and 2 of these are situated 27km apart. The real strength of our more than a century long bond with Michaelhouse, has been much in evidence over the last few weeks of turmoil and tragedy, as we jointly reeled in the wake of the terrible bus tragedy. What we saw from this incident was that famous rivalries create great friendships, and that great friends feel grief, together. The sight of our boys dressed in the red jersey moved many a man to tears.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I think it is appropriate to end with a few words penned by Mr John Hodgson, aimed at Hilton boys.

Mr Hodgson wrote (edited):

"Take time to discover who you are and be true to yourself. Strive to be honest, respectful and happy. Be careful not to wrap your identity in possessions. Remember you are not alone: you have your family, your friends, your guardian angel and God. Remember that simple acts of kindness can make an enormous difference and that you can change the world. Remember to believe in yourself and in miracles. And finally, thank you boys. You are the cornerstone of the School and the real reason why the rest of us are here in the first place."

Thank you all very much.



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Address by the Headmaster Mr George Harris

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invited guests, members of staff, parents, grandparents, and gentlemen of Hilton.

The first thing I need to do today is the following: Babatofunmi Adgayigbe - It is very important that as adults we recognize when we are wrong and that we correct our mistakes. I hope this sets the record straight.

Today is World Rhino day and we commend those who are active in the fight against those whose actions endanger their future existence.

It is a profound experience to stand before you this morning to celebrate this great school and these young people who all have the privilege of growing up here, as a part of the enduring story that is Hilton College.

At the outset, may I say a few words about Mr Paul Galatis, today's guest speaker. A mark of a true entrepreneur must be the number and variety of ventures he or she has embarked upon. You will have heard about Yuppie Chef and Names and Faces perhaps, but I am not sure whether you will have heard about Paul the barber? While Paul was a student at Hilton he made a name for himself (and a pretty tidy sum apparently) by becoming the preferred barber for boys. I'm not sure whether he had any staff members lined up for a trim but perhaps he will divulge some of those secrets in time. I look forward to your address this morning, thank you for being here with us.

At the end of this year we bid farewell to a few members of staff who have served Hilton College with distinction.

Mr Trevor van Niekerk has, most recently, served as HOD of Science and previously also Housemaster of Ellis House. Mr van Niekerk has accepted a post as Director of Academics at St Anne's College, to begin in 2018. His days of begging boys to hand in assignments on time will soon be a thing of the past as he will be managing the fairer sex who never miss a deadline and who always arrive on time; he'll be one step closer to utopia. So, the overused phrase "COME ON MENEERE" will have to change somewhat...

We will miss Mr van Niekerk's wry wit, his professionalism, his commitment to the boys, his passion for his subject and his innate ability to find solutions to problems in a humble and professional way. Go well, Mr van Niekerk.

Mr Anthony Durnford will retire at the end of this year. As mist is ubiquitous to Hilton, so is Mr Durnford. Mr Durnford has served Hilton College most recently as Director of Culture, from which he successfully relaunched the Clubs and Societies programme, but previously, in his more handsome years, as Housemaster of Newnham, Director of Sport, Junior IsiZulu teacher, English teacher and long-serving sports coach. In all, Mr Durnford has served Hilton for 30 years.

Mr Durnford fostered a passion for teaching boys and this is summed up in his oft used phrase: "You guys are not just Matrics, you guys are LEGENDS!" His name reverberates through many an old boy gathering and there is genuine respect for how he dealt with those in his charge. Mr Durnford often



stood up for boys who may have been misunderstood by others, he spent hours on the cricket field deliberating LBW decisions, hours of convincing boys that reading is really a life-skill worth mastering, and hours of commitment to friendships with the team of staff members whom he has seen come and go.

I wish Mr Durnford everything of the best in his future endeavours, wherever these may lead. Hilton, and many boys, is the richer for your contribution. Hamba gahle U'baba.

In his absence, Mr Greg Theron, the Rector of Michaelhouse, ends his term of office this year. Greg, I was looking forward to a few more opportunities to share war stories but you'll have to send me a postcard from wherever you may be in the future. Thank you for what you have done during your tenure at Michaelhouse. Your contribution will be remembered for years to come. We know that the midlands needs a strong Michaelhouse and a strong Hilton - we feed off each other. Thanks for keeping Michaelhouse strong and especially through this tough time.

My thanks to the Board of Governors who give me superb support and wise counsel; the Executive team and to Manco with whom I work closely, the members of which continue to put Hilton before self and who serve wholeheartedly and with professionalism. To the Housemasters and their teams who ensure the smooth running of this place and who have to deal with a multitude of requests and challenges daily - you are invaluable. To the Academic staff who have embarked on a journey towards a far stronger narrative around learning in the classroom. I am delighted that we are journeying together along this road. To the sport and music staff who add richness to our experience here. To the Admin staff who keep the engine of this place running, as much is done behind the scenes. To the San who keep us all alive and well. I am grateful. The staff of Broll, Spectrum, Red Alert and Royal Mnandi make our lives so much easier - your professionalism and service is noteworthy. To Mrs Paula Kontominas, my PA, who absorbs much and helps me look organized; my sincere thanks.

Thank you all for your generosity of spirit which is akin to building and maintaining a great institution.

And finally, to my family who have supported me in many invisible ways. I AM, only because of you. Thank you.

In the 1960s a Psychologist by the name of Walter Mischel developed a 'test' widely known as the "Marshmallow Test" to study the way children exercise self-control.

A team of researchers, under the guidance of Mischel, studied children's responses to being offered and eating one single marshmallow immediately, or two marshmallows if they would delay eating for ten to twenty minutes or so. They were careful to instill trust by making it quite clear that the doubled reward was absolutely guaranteed, to ensure the children did not use that as an excuse. 30 years later they tracked down a large number of the participants and evaluated what they had achieved in life and if this achievement correlated in any way with whether they had exercised self-control when they were offered the double reward as a child.

The correlation between achieving success and exercising selfcontrol is quite striking in a significant number of cases. It seems that the ability to exercise self-control pointed to a number of other defining characteristics that determine a degree of grit and perseverance in many of the participants.

The researchers further documented a fascinating finding that suggests that for both adults and children, self-control or the ability to exercise it, is like a muscle: one can choose to flex it or not; one can also develop it.

This is significant in the world of education and of developing young adults to take their place in society, and indeed to shape society in the future. In our world of INSTANT and IMMEDIATE, the notions of DELAYED and SELF-CONTROL are awkwardly counter culture. With this in mind, how do we ensure that our programme at Hilton creates opportunities for boys to struggle a little and not to get an immediate answer to a problem nor an immediate supply of comfort when the going gets tough. We do our sons a dis-service when we do too much for them at these critical moments.

I am reading an interesting book entitled, ANTI-FRAGILE by Nassim Nicholas Taleb who also authored The Black Swan. In this work he sets out to define "Anti-Fragile" and begins by suggesting that:

"Anti-fragility is beyond resilience or robustness. The resilient resists shocks and stays the same; the antifragile gets better. This property is behind everything that has changed with time: evolution, culture, ideas, revolutions, political systems, technological innovations, cultural and economic success, even good recipes!

The Antifragile loves randomness and uncertainty, which also means - crucially - a love of errors, a certain class of errors.

We can simplify the relationships between fragility, errors, and anti-fragility as follows. When you are fragile, you depend on things following the exact planned course, with as little deviation as possible - for deviations are more harmful than helpful. This is why the fragile needs to be very predictive in its approach, and, conversely predictive systems cause fragility. When you want deviations, and you don't care about the possible dispersion of outcomes that the future can bring, since most will be helpful, you are anti-fragile.

Further, the random element in trial and error is not quite random, if it is carried out rationally, using error as a source of information. If every trial provides you with information about what DOES NOT work, you start zooming in on a solution - so every attempt becomes more valuable, more like an expense than an error. And of course you make discoveries along the way.

How then do we combine these two ideas: Self-control and learning to be anti-fragile? I would suggest that they are mutually beneficial. Our learning construct must incorporate a measure of struggle and discomfort such that growth towards being ANTI-FRAGILE is deliberate. Boarding gives young men a terrific start at this challenge. I am, however, concerned that we revert too quickly to cotton-woolling our sons on many occasions.

Great education makes room for error. It leaves room for discovery. Great education depends on struggle and dissonance. Great education creates deliberate opportunity to wrestle with self and difficulty. Great education demands of young people to be uncomfortable at times. Great students embrace this struggle in the hope of flexing their muscle of self-control and patience. Sport is a great educator in this exercise, as is learning a musical instrument, rehearsing a part for a drama production, attempting to complete a maths problem successfully, or writing and rewriting a piece of prose or poetry.

Thank you for entrusting your sons to us as we, together, seek to make them Anti-Fragile and able to exercise self-control as markers of future success.

2017 saw us introduce a slightly different model to our Leadership structure at Hilton College. This construct is made up of Heads of Houses, Portfolio Heads, a Deputy Head of School and a Head of School. In discussion with Grade 11s, current Grade 12s and staff we believe this construct is serving us well at the moment. I would like to thank the Leadership team of 2017 who have acquitted themselves well to the task of leading and guiding. In particular, Chizembi and Vaughn led as a team and set a new standard for those who follow them. Thank you for assisting in leading your peers so superbly, this year.

The young men who have been selected to fulfill these roles for 2018 are the following: beginning with the Portfolio Heads:

Head of Spirituality:	Za Ndebele
Head of Academics:	Niaan Taljaard
Head of Estate:	Michael Makris
Head of Community:	Douglas Dorward
Head of Sport:	Grant Cousins
Head of Culture:	Jacob Chidawaya
Heads of Houses:	
Churchill:	Guy Gillham
Ellis:	Bryce Trodd
Falcon:	Marcus Montague-Mofumi
Lucas:	Olav Aadnesgaard

Newnham:

Pearce:

The Deputy Head of School for 2018 is Luyanda Cingo and the Head of School for 2018 is Stuart Roy.

Jonty Weideman

Brandon Matambo

Please will Luyanda and Stuart come forward to receive our congratulations.

I look forward to a terrific 2018. We will continue to explore the place of education for the foreign country that is tomorrow. What a privilege to be a part of this significant place at this particular time.

Thank you for your continued support. I am deeply appreciative.



Outgoing and incoming Head and Deputy Head Boys

From left to right – Deputy Head Boy 2018 Luyanda Cingo, Deputy Head Boy 2017 Vaughn Williams, Head Boy 2018 Stuart Roy, Head Boy 2017 Chizembe Sakulanda

Address by Guest of Honour -Mr Paul Galatis



Good morning ladies and gentlemen, members the Board, Mr Chairman, Mr Harris, parents and Hilton Boys.

> It's a great honor to be here again. Thank you for inviting me.

To the boys here this morning, many people in this audience have made significant sacrifices to give you the opportunity to be at Hilton. Many staff and friends of the extended Hilton College community have contributed immeasurably to your journeys, just as they did to mine. Those of you leaving this year will find that these people will continue watching you from a distance and will keep cheering you on from the sidelines, as they have done for me.

So don't think you're special. You're not. You are simply the sum of all the kindnesses, lessons, experiences and opportunities that the people you've crossed paths with in your life have shared with you. Thank those people. They are who have made you who you are today.

I have a daughter. She is 3 years old. Her name is Hannah. A few weeks ago she crawled into our bed at 6.30 a.m. picked up my wife's iPhone and begged her to, "Press the buttons," which is her way of saying, "please unlock the iPhone". My wife refused "it's still sleeping time". After more begging by my daughter, more refusing by my wife, and more pretending to be asleep by me, my daughter said, "Mom, if you don't press the buttons I am going to leave this family." After a pause she followed up with the line, "The choice is yours."

I was grateful she gave us the choice... But we miss her dearly.

The dilemma we experienced with Hannah is not unusual. Millions of parents around the world grapple with it; but it is relatively new. It is not one generations of parents before mine experienced. It's not one my parents dealt with. Or even the parents of older children here.

Now I was born in 1980. Those of you familiar with generational theory will know that Generation X babies were born roughly between 1960 - 1980 and Millennials were born between 1980 - 2000. So I sit on the cusp of these two generations, which makes me a bit of an anomaly. I'm old enough to remember well, the world before the internet revolution of the late 1990s, but I am

young enough to feel like I've actively participated in and paid attention to its cutting edge since it began.

So today I'm going to make the claim that my age and the fact that much of my working life has been in the technology space, gives me a somewhat unique perspective on technology and its presence in our lives today.

A famous American physicist called Richard Feynman used to tell a true story he titled Cargo Cult Science. In the Second World War the Americans set up a base on an island in the South Pacific. When they arrived, they made friends with the local tribal people by sharing their cargo. These people had never encountered anyone from off the island before. The Americans dug runways, put lights down the runways, built airport towers and for the duration of the war, planes came and went, bringing cargo.

After the war, the Americans left. 20 years later, researchers visited the island. They discovered that the local people had dug runways. They'd lit fires down the side of those runways. They'd built airport towers out of bamboo. They even had a guy standing on the runway with coconuts on his ears and sticks in his hands. But no planes were landing.

They were doing everything right. The form was perfect. It looked exactly the way it looked when the Americans did it. But it didn't work because they were missing something essential.

I love this story. I love it because it illustrates how easily we're able to fool ourselves when we don't understand the essential bits of a system.

I also love it because it is the best analogy I've come across to describe how I feel about the world of technology we're all trying to navigate today.

We're not yet sure which parts of the system are essential and which are not.

In some ways it feels like we're frantically digging runways and lighting fires. We even have the little guy with the coconuts out there ready to do his thing. But it's all too new and our experience too limited to know if any of it really counts.

So I'd like to invite you to join me in exploring what I think might, at the end of the day, be the essential ingredients required to succeed in this changed and changing world.

That's what I look forward to doing with you all today.

Use some of what I say, or use none of it. The choice is yours...

Oh how this world has changed ...

Twenty years ago in 1997 I was privileged to spend the first three months of my Grade 11 year on a school exchange at King's School Canterbury.

Kings was the oldest school in the world - in the year I was there it was going to be turning 1400. Now let me tell you where things were technologically in 1997.

Email had just been introduced at King's and the school had one email address: info@kings-school-canterbury.ac.uk. To send an email, you had to write your email on a word processor, save it to a stiffy disk (who here knows what a stiffy disk is?) and drop the disk into a pigeon hole in the computer centre. The computer teacher would then copy and paste your note and send the email on your behalf from info@kings. Receiving email was an even more spectacular a process. It would involve going to the computer center and looking in the same pigeon hole where there would be perhaps five or six A4 pages, folded and stapled closed with a name scribbled on the back. These were incoming emails printed by the computer teacher and if the scribbled name was yours, you had mail!

10 years after my time at King's (and nearly 10 years ago) we saw the introduction of the iPhone. Can I have a show of hands to see how many of us here own an iPhone or anything similar? If you have a Microsoft device please don't raise your hand. Isn't that incredible?

And how many of us here today remember the day the iPhone was released? (That's one way to feel old.) I remember that day very well. I was living in London at the time and had waited in great anticipation for its launch. My friend Rob and I queued for 4 hours to get ours. We rushed home to open these rare, mystical devices and sat showing them off to a number our mates who had come over to swoon.

You would not believe the reactions we inspired that evening. We sat zooming photos with our fingers, in and out, over and over again. We were all in complete awe at features everyone in this room takes completely for granted today.

When that iPhone came out you couldn't choose your apps because the App Store had not yet been invented. The phone shipped with a fixed set of utility apps: calculator, calendar, maps, photos, weather, notes, email, music and a web browser. These were apps that you used only when you needed them rather than when they needed you. That first iPhone didn't have 3G (edge was as fast as your data connection got); you couldn't copy and paste; and you couldn't forward an SMS. We are talking about the dark ages, people.

Fast forward another 10 years and every person in the room now has one of these devices.

Such change. great progress? Well yes, in some ways. The challenge we face is that we're great at recognising the benefits new technology brings - and there are many, very many - but we are terrible when it comes to measuring the things it takes away.

Let's talk about two of these things. One that reflects on the impact technology is having at a very personal level and one at a global level.

There is a computer scientist at Georgetown University called Cal Newport. He has written a book called 'Deep Work' that I'd highly recommend.

In his book, he describes how modern technology has brought about what he calls, "a thousand pinpricks of daily obligation, each of which appear completely harmless, but which as a group obliterate our capacity to do deep work." Just one more WhatsApp message, just one more Facebook message, just one more email, just one more Instagram notification. And before we know it, the day is over and we have done nothing of any depth.

THE INSTAGRAM NIRVANA

In a recent article on inequality by the renowned British Physicist Stephen Hawking, he points out that the exponential growth of communication technology means, to quote from the article, "that the lives of the richest people in the most prosperous parts of the world are now agonisingly visible to anyone, however poor, who has access to a phone. And since there are now more people with a telephone than access to clean water in sub-Saharan Africa, this will shortly mean nearly everyone on our increasingly crowded planet will not be able to escape the inequality.

The consequences of this are plain to see: the rural poor flock to cities, to shanty towns, driven by hope. And then often, finding

that the Instagram Nirvana is not available there, they seek it overseas, placing new demands on the economies of the countries in which they arrive, undermining tolerance and further fueling political populism."

It's pretty heavy stuff.

But these technological changes are here to stay so we must learn how to succeed in this world. Fortunately Cal Newport and Stephen Hawking begin to provide answers which I'll come back to later.

So what have I learnt on my own journey hand in hand with technology? From that first email address at King's, back to Hilton as Head of School and into my life at Yuppiechef and now at Names & Faces.

Well let me return to Kings...

One of the classes I took while there was Art. I had arrived half way through my class's 3 month project and I was going to be leaving half way through their next. So the teacher recommended I sit at a new PC they had just installed in the classroom. He proposed I make my project for the term designing the logo for the school's upcoming 1400 year anniversary celebrations.

Having no idea what I was doing, I spent the term teaching myself how to use some of the earliest versions of Photoshop and CorelDraw and hacked my way to creating a logo. The logo was terrible, but the school liked it and indicated this by using it prominently across all their celebration materials, giving me a great sense of confidence in my ability to design.

I returned to South Africa with a unique, new found skill that felt to me like a super power. The more I designed, the more positive feedback I received, the more I kept designing, and the better I got.

Since returning from that term away design has played a central role in almost everything I have done.

I didn't know it at the time - but what I spent my time at King's and subsequently doing was what Cal Newport describes as 'Deep Work'. The broad premise of Newport's book is that most people who have risen to the top of their games, regardless of their field of expertise, have done so by developing the capacity to spend 2-3 hours a day, uninterrupted, focussed on the same body of work and over again. They have ignored the 1,000 pinpricks and have found a conviction to focus.

I was lucky in 1997. I didn't have the technological distractions of today but the premise is the same. Time and concentrated effort in the face of distraction.

Which leads me to my second story...

Six months after I returned from King's, on this day in 1997, it was announced I would be Head of School in 1998. I had always made an effort to know people within the school, but now more than ever, I was struck by how the juniors in the school knew all the seniors while few of the seniors knew the juniors. We walked past the same people every day on the same paths, both pupils and staff, and we were all part of the same school, but if you weren't in the same house, class or sports team, it was difficult to get to know who was who.

I also became increasingly aware of the difference it made to a junior when I greeted him by name. I needed a solution for myself as I was adamant I'd know every person in the school in my coming Matric year.

So I went to my Headmaster, Mike Nicholson, and asked if I could make a book that displayed a photograph of every pupil in the school and every staff member in the school. Not a leaver's book or a year book - a Names & Faces book featuring a photo, basic info and contact details. We never had individual school photos back then, so when Mr Nicholson asked how I was going to get everyone's picture, I explained I was going to walk around the school with a check list and the first digital camera any of us had ever seen and photograph every pupil and staff member wherever I could find them. He said I sounded crazy, but he liked the idea and agreed to pay for the printing if I managed to pull it off. The digital camera I used had recently been imported by our Geography department. It was a Casio QV-700. It was a 350,000 pixel camera with 2MB of onboard memory. I could take 14 pictures before I had to download the photos to my computer. Armed with this and my recently acquired design skills from my exchange, I started walking around the school with my check list and I photographed people wherever I could find them: in their dorms, in the dining room, in the staff room, at sports practice. It didn't matter. I then spent three weeks typing and laying the book out in Word Perfect (a programme which some of you may remember) and we printed a copy for every parent, every staff member and every pupil. And to my delight, everyone loved it.

In the following year, as I was headed to University, a number of schools in the Midlands asked me to make Names & Faces books for them. I spent hundreds of hours taking photographs and laying out those books. My family has vivid memories of walking into my room at 6.30 am on several occasions to find me still awake from the night before, working on Names & Faces.

As I got older and moved further away from school, Names & Faces was not a business idea I actively pursued. But every year a handful of schools would get in touch to confirm we were on for the production of the following year's Names & Faces books, keeping the idea very much alive. The Hilton College Names & Faces book (which is now the app) is in its 20th year.

On leaving University, I worked at Standard Bank for a year. I remember walking into their Simmonds Street Head Office in Johannesburg where there were 50 people on my floor and thinking, "Wow, a Names & Faces book would be useful here." But soon I discovered how quickly things change in a business environment compared to a school environment and realized a book would be out of date in a week.

The people I mentioned my frustration to told me to use the people directory on the intranet. But I soon discovered the intranet was terrible. It was badly out of date, information and photographs were missing and I could only access it while sitting at my desk. But most significantly, I could only use it to find people whose names I knew. I couldn't browse it to get to know the names of people I didn't yet know.

As I worked and studied in different environments, I noticed this problem over and over again. Until one day, when our Yuppiechef team had grown from 3 to 15 to 50 people, I walked into work and thought to myself, "Who is that customer service person we hired three weeks ago? I interviewed her, I know her husband's name, I know her background, but I can't remember her name!" All I wanted was a quick list of my people so I could start a real life conversation. Our intranet didn't help, WhatsApp didn't help, Facebook groups didn't help. What I wanted was a Names & Faces book.

So after stepping back into a non-executive role at Yuppiechef, I called Pete Ducasse and asked if he would allow me to run a trial of a digital version of Names & Faces at the school. He said yes and so once again, almost 20 years on, Hilton College gave me the opportunity and the platform, to solve my own problem and start my next business.

Today we are a team of six at Names & Faces at the start of an exciting journey and I am finally giving this fledgling idea my full attention. Our technology is used by you all at Hilton, by your friends at Michaelhouse and St Anne's and now by more than 100 companies around the world.

The journey of Names & Faces which is still very much a work in progress has taught me of the need to have courage in your own convictions and values. I believe very deeply in the power of personal connection and personal relationships - increasingly so as the world becomes more virtual.

As my team and I share our very simple idea with organisations around the world we're excited and encouraged by how many of them share our values and ideals. It has been fascinating to see an idea that began at Hilton 20 years ago meander patiently through the Midlands before finding its momentum around the world today.

Which leads me onto my third and final story about Yuppiechef.

Yuppiechef was started by my two partners, Andrew Smith & Shane Dryden in 2006. Andrew was at Hilton with me and was the smartest guy in our class. After school we both headed down to UCT. Andrew was going to study Computer Science and I was going to study Business Science. But after three months, like all good techies, Andrew decided he was wasting his time and left University to return to Maritzburg to join a web development company.

Over the years we kept in touch and worked on a handful of projects together. Andrew would build the backend technology and I would look after the front end interface design.

I was aware that Shane and Andrew had started Yuppiechef in 2006 but had not heard much about the business from them. Then one day in 2007, while living in London, I received an SMS from Andrew saying, "We've just had a fairly large order from your mom." So I sent a cheeky message to my mom saying, "Easy on the spending on Yuppiechef..." Within seconds she asked, "How do you know where I have just used my credit card!"

I explained that my friends ran the website and they had let me know, to which she replied, "What other websites do your friends run which we should know about before we choose to transact on them?"

Over the early part of 2008, Andrew asked me to help with Yuppiechef's design and marketing efforts. Then one day Andrew called me and said, "This business is tiny, we are doing about 5 orders a day, but we're excited about it and believe that with the right people onboard we can do great things. We have no money to pay you and we can't draw salaries for at least 18 months, but if you give us blood, sweat and tears we'll give you an equal piece of the pie." And that is how we became a team of three.

But the best part of the Yuppiechef story and the part that convinced me that what Andrew & Shane were doing was special was something they did right from the start.

In August 2006 after making the Yuppiechef site live for the first time, Shane sent an email to as many people as he could announcing its launch. The site featured just one brand and thirty products. After a few days the guys received an order from Bevan Dryden. Shane's surname is Dryden. Bevan is Shane's Dad. The next person to order a few weeks later was a family friend of Andrew's. The person after that was more family of Shane's. In November of that year, a woman called Denise Gunner ordered a cheese grater from us.

Shane looked at the order and said, "It's no one from my family. It must be someone from yours." Andrew then looked at the order and said, "It's no one from my family." They looked at each other and realized it was their first real stranger! But Shane said he couldn't just put the product in a box and send it off. He had to write her a note to say thank you. So he wrote, "Dear Denise, thank you so much for shopping with us. Enjoy your cheese grater. Shane & the Yuppiechef team," which was Shane and Andrew, sitting in their lounge in Plumstead waiting for the next order to trickle in.



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And when it finally did a few weeks later, Shane wrote another thank you note. After five or six orders, each of which included a handwritten note, we received a response from a customer saying, "Wow, I can't believe my parcel arrived in 24 hours and I can't believe it arrived with a handwritten note! You guys must be so busy. How do you find the time to hand write cards?"

At Yuppiechef it took us a year to get 200 customers. Today on a busy day we'll do more than 200 orders in an hour. And if you visit our offices you'll find the names of those first 200 customers frosted on a wall of glass in the entrance.

Today, anyone who joins our team, whether they join as a box packer or as the financial director, spends the first hour of their first day learning how to write cards and helps write cards when our customer service team, who do most of the writing, are swamped with orders.

Because ever since the day Denise Gunner first shopped with us in 2006, every parcel that has ever left our building on its way to a first time customer has been shipped with a handwritten card from someone on our team.

We could never have predicted the growth of Yuppiechef at the beginning. All we could do and all we've ever been able to do is start small and put one foot in front of another and trust our gut along the way.

In today's age of celebrity obsession, instant gratification and the constant fear of missing out, it feels unfashionable to simply keep your head down and chip away slowly at the same thing. But for us this has been important and essential aspect of our journey.

Stephen Hawking ends his piece talking of the Instagram Nirvana - let me explore that a moment.

THE HERO'S RIDGE

Since reading his article a few months ago a picture has been developing in my mind that I am intent on having an artist paint for me. It is a painting of a landscape. In the far distance is a great ridge and standing on this ridge are 4 or 5 hero-like figures. These heroes can be whoever or whatever you choose, but they are typically people or companies who garner mass admiration today. In the world of tech startups, these heroes might be Google, Apple, Facebook and Amazon - darlings of the tech world.

These figures are the picture's main focal point. They're gloriously silhouetted by golden light that radiates towards you, the viewer. After admiring these heroes for a few moments, you lower your gaze and notice, for the first time, a massive expanse of desert between you and the ridge. As you look a little closer, you notice the desert has tens of thousands of people trying to cross it, but the conditions are terrible and many appear to have perished on the journey towards to the light.

Then you shift your focus and you notice what looks like a small green field on the far right of the picture. It's not entirely clear what is going on inside the field, but there are a bunch of people in there, too, and each of them is doing something different. Because the painting lacks the necessary detail, you can't make out exactly what they're up to but that part of the picture looks lush and has a good energy so you can tell that whatever it is they're doing, they're doing with focus, dedication and delight. And then you notice one last thing.

You notice a path leading out the back of the field. You can't be sure, but it crosses your mind that it might be a completely different route to the ridge. You follow the path as best you can but it quickly meanders off the right edge of the canvas, into the wilderness and out of sight. For me this picture tells a tale of many of the misperceptions we suffer from that are brought about by how we're using technology today. Misperceptions about start-ups and what it takes to build one, misperceptions about a good life and what it takes to live one, misperceptions about people and how we think they're feeling, and misperceptions about ourselves and what we're truly capable of.

It is my view that in 15 years' time we will look back at how we are using technology today in a similar way to how today we look back at sugar and tobacco.

Don't get me wrong, hundreds of millions of us will still be using tech in similar ways, but the more informed perspective will be, "What were we thinking and how could we not have known how bad it all was for us?"

But herein lies the opportunity:

It is my contention that now more than ever, if you are one of the few individuals who is able to minimise the distractions of technology in your life while consciously developing your capacity to focus on one thing uninterrupted, for extended periods of time, (something that was far easier to do in the late 1990s and the early 2000s), you will make extraordinary progress.

I want to relate once again to my daughter Hannah, who by this point in the story you'll be glad to know, has re-joined our family.

We do our best to minimize the time Hannah spends on devices. We don't do this because we think the device itself is bad for her. We do it because we can see that the alternatives are so much better for her. Playing with her friends, negotiating toys, having conversations with her parents, reading books, climbing and falling out of trees, fighting with her brother, and potentially being so bored that she has no choice but to develop her own imagination rather than staring catatonically mesmerized by a screen.

So don't be paralyzed by the light. And don't be drawn in its direction. The path you need to start down is the unexpected and meandering one somewhere off to the right, that neither you nor I can see from where we stand today.

There will be difficult times. Don't shy away from these. It is often during our hardest times that we learn life's greatest lessons.

And depending on how you start, the people around you are likely to think you're crazy.

If it's 1997, they will certainly think you're crazy if you tell them your start involves solving a small problem by finding 500 people scattered across a 1,200 hectare estate and photographing them using a 350,000 pixel camera.

If it's 2008, they'll think you've taken your crazy up a notch if you tell them your start involves joining your two friends who have built a website with 1 brand and 30 products to sell kitchen tools to people over the internet.

And they'll know you've finally lost your marbles if in 2017 you tell them that your start involves doing exactly what you did 20 years ago, only slightly modified now, to suit the iPhone.

People thinking that you're crazy really doesn't matter. Because they don't know where your path might lead and the truth is, neither do you.

All that actually matters in the end is that you find the courage to walk your own path, that you find the conviction to focus and that you get out there and START.



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Address by Head of School - Chizembe Sakulanda

On behalf of everyone present, I would like to thank Mr Galatis for his insightful speech. It was 19 years ago that you were standing in the same place as I am now thanking that year's guest speaker Mr Mavor, the then Headmaster of Rugby School, but here you are now on the receiving end of our gratitude. That is a true point of inspiration. So please accept this token of our appreciation.

On my behalf, good morning ladies and gentlemen, and thank you very much for having joined us today for the 2017 Speech Day. Good morning to our Guest of Honour, Mr Paul Galatis, the Chairman of the Board Mr Alistair Franklin and all special invited guests.

"Time may change me, but I can't trace time"

When the late great David Bowie sang this lyric in his 1971 classic "Changes", he did so as a young man recognising the fact that time is indeed successful at changing people. However, it was to be during this same time that he would refuse to copy any premade outline on life that will be handed his way. For the rest of his career he continued in the fashion of allowing time to change him for the better, all the while not copying the trends of the time and it is that which has left us, and more importantly Mr Venter, to regard him as a legend. And it is this same sentiment that I believe translates itself into where Hilton College is as a school.

So, as you picked up by my subtle brag in musical knowledge, today I will be talking to you all about change. How a school like Hilton College has changed in its hundred plus years. How I, as a boy, have changed during my time at this school. And how the work we, as leadership committee, completed with the hope of planting roots for change.

Founded in 1872, Hilton began as a small and humble farm school situated in the grand and lush midlands of KwaZulu-Natal. Not too long after its creation, this school situated itself in pole position as this country's leading secondary school. With William Orde Newnham, our first headmaster, stating that the first thing a Hilton boy should be upon his exit is a gentleman, our school soon became a revered breeding ground for the British Empire's upper-class males. At one point this school even boasted the best cadet squadron in the entire commonwealth.

But, unfortunately the problem with the winning formula that Hilton possessed was that it produced a single type of boy. A fine boy, but a single type of boy nonetheless. And this single type soon became too out of touch with the direction this country took as the last century began to near its end. As the popular African author Chimamanda Ngozi Adiche said "The single story creates stereotypes, and the problem with stereotypes is not that they are untrue, but that they are incomplete. They make one story become the only story." But as I look up at all of the faces here today I see multiple stories. I see eyes that hold unique desires and dreams. And as this school embarks on its journey to not only solidify its standing as the continent's leading school, but a worldwide one too, what more could be a better sign of hope for that journey than to know that it will be of multiple voices, perspectives and beliefs.

When I arrived in 2013 I was definitely a bit out of touch with the school. My mother, though I prefer to call her my manager, was adamant that my enrolment here would be to my benefit but I had begged to differ. Unfortunately, I stand here today with the horrible task of accepting that she was right. Mum, you are an incredible woman; all that I have done would not have been possible if it were not for your single-handed drive, passion and love. Thank you. But why was I not able to see her long-term vision for my future. Some might simply call it mother's intuition



but to deny her any further credit I will say it was because I needed to grow, and that was never going to be easy when everything around me was already comfortable.

Many things threw me off my comfortable high-horse. Growing up I was quite used to having my own space and my enjoyment for working alone was evident in my inclination towards solo sports. So, this lone-wolf lifestyle was thrown into a head-spin when I was required to live in a house with 65 other boys. Another sharp turn for me was transitioning from the pedantries of a female only environment, bar myself, to the laissez-faire living of boys. All you have to do is ask my dorm about my declaration of inhumanity to get a full understanding of where I was. These are just a few examples of the changes I underwent during my time at Hilton. Changes I am now thankful that took place. I believe each experience that I endured while at this school has allowed me to deepen my thinking, broaden my perspective and all the while feeling confident in the young man I have turned into and who will be setting foot into the big world soon.

As I look forward to the future of this school when I look back at the work I, with the help of Matrics, the leadership group and Vaughn completed this year. Guys, thank you for your hard work and support and do not forget that we are the Matric year that scored 2.2 million views. When I had just been announced as Head of School, I immediately started to think about what my focus would be. I had so many ideas and it was quite difficult to settle on a few. But there was one thing that I knew I had to do, and that was to try and do what had never been done before. I know, for the 143rd Head of School, my aim was not easy. This is where I extend my gratitude to Vaughn for his support and ability to ensure a laser light focus was applied to my imaginative solutions. But our pairing would not have been possible if it were not for Mr Harris. Thank you for believing in our vision for the school and giving us the freedom to work in the best way we could. Thank you too to the staff for your warm reception in whatever we did, whether that be interrupting lunch for an impromptu war-cry practice in the dining hall or invading your staff room for filming.

You see, many before me have followed the same formula that I have just mentioned. With it, I found room for originality was quite small. But I also had to ask myself "if it's not broken, why fix it?" The thing is, there was something I could sense at the end of last year, and it was that this school was in a way yearning for reinvigoration. Again, how could that be? I see it as that what we had always done might have bred great success, but it is also began to breed a level of stagnation. And as this school embarks on writing its next chapter, stagnation is the last thing it needs.



From left to right: Vaughn Williams (Deputy Head Boy), Chizembe Sakulanda (Head Boy), Mr Alistair Franklin (Chairman of the Board of Governors), Mr Paul Galatis (Guest of Honour), Mr George Harris (Headmaster), Stuart Roy (2018 Head Boy), Luyanda Cingo (2018 Deputy Head Boy).

The first thing we aimed for was boys to become more selfaware. None of us are perfect, but in making a concentrated effort in becoming better people in a fractured world, what more is needed. We also tried to promote the notion of diversity in every possible aspect. Our globalised world means boys will be more likely to encounter and work with people from every corner of the planet, and these people will bring their different ideas, perspectives and cultures. The ability to appreciate that difference and engage with it is now priceless. And lastly, we attempted at getting boys to often understand the bigger picture. As fantastic as it is, the little world that is Hilton College is just that, little. If we can produce boys who are able to holistically benefit and change the bigger world, then we can undoubtedly call the work we have a done a success.

So now as I stand here today, do I consider the year of 2017 a success? Yes. As I look at each of the boys faces I see a different story that enriches our grand narrative. I look at myself and I see a self-aware and conscious young man. I also feel the excitement of the ideas that linger in the minds of boys seeking to bring good to the world. I am deeply honoured to have been a part of this success. And I am, with great anticipation, ready to see this success continued.



Buhle with Mum Nolubabalo, sister and Dad Nkosinathi

This school is forging a new path and to Stuart and Luyanda, I am looking forward to what you will bring because the only way is up from here. It has been the greatest honour to serve as your Head of School and I want to thank you for believing in me to bring change just as much as I believe in change itself.

God Bless Hilton College.



Vaughan Williams (Deputy Head Boy 2017)



Robbie Knoop received the Richard Johnstone Memorial Prize


Prize List

GRADE 12

John Lewis Prize for Accounting Buhle Solomon; Nicholas Fowler

Paul Bestel Memorial Prize for French Mitchell Green

Rahmani Prize for Commitment to French Lawrence Umunna

R F J Hayward VC Memorial Prize for Geography Tristan Warren

J E Nisbet Prize for History Buhle Solomon

Mervyn Lloyd Prize for Life Sciences Gordon Cook

Nicholas Arthur Memorial Prize for Mathematics Mitchell Green

D V Ducasse Prize for Physical Science Sheldon Bishop

Kenneth Beghin Memorial Prize for Visual Arts Theory - Murray Short Practical - Tim Presbury

Advanced Programme English Nthato Padi

Advanced Programme Mathematics Mitchell Green

Afrikaans MJ Grobler

Dramatic Arts. Nthato Padi

Economics James Wood; Lawrence Umunna

English Buhle Solomon

Information Technology. Jarid Kolver

i**siZulu** Thanduxolo Gcaba

Life Orientation Sheldon Bishop

Music Mitchell Green

GRADE 11

Rahmani Prize for Commitment to French Cedric Tsai

Afrikaans Niaan Taljaard

Accounting Niaan Taljaard

Advanced Programme Mathematics Matthew Karlson Dramatic Arts Dylan Davies

Economics Matthew Karlson; Michael Makris

English Niaan Taljaard

Extended Essay Douglas Dorward; Thomas Grubb

French Keigo Nagai

Geography Nicholas Bennett

History James Hickinbotham

Information Technology Matthew Karlson

isiZulu Lwandilulwazi Ndlovu

Life Sciences Nicholas Bennett

Mathematics Michael Makris

Music Jacob Chidawaya

Physical Science Niaan Taljaard

Visual Arts Theory - Douglas Dorwar Practical - Nathan Rűegg

GRADE 10

Derek Veenstra Prize for Creative Writing Kutloano Modisaesi

Rahmani Prize for Commitment to French Thomas Macleod-Henderson

Afrikaans Thomas de Beer

Accounting Michael Booth; Kyle Steenberg

Dramatic Arts S'bonelo Phungula

Economics Kutloano Modisaesi

English Thomas Hamlin

French Rory Plunket

Geography Singatha Jolwana

History Thomas Hamlin Information Technology Campbell Walley

isiZulu Zelwande Phenyane

Life Sciences Bokang Mafora

Mathematics Thomas de Beer; Shingai Mushonga

Music Lengana Mashaphu

Physical Sciences Mpumi Sibeko

Visual Arts Theory - Thomas Hamlin Practical - Ben Mason

GRADE 9

Griffin Memorial Prize Avumile Mcunu

Top pupils in Grade 9 Hlumelo Notshe Murray Dorward Stephan Liebenberg Chabala Kaunda

GRADE 8

AA J Cook Prize Richard Karlson

Top Pupils in Grade 8 Luke Hitchings Jonathan Le Roux David Kitsoff Gus Herridge

Commendation Prizes

GRADE 11

Nic Bennett Jacob Chidawaya Matthew Karlson Niaan Taljaard

GRADE 10

Thomas de Beer Lengana Mashaphu Kutloano Modisaesi Rory Plunket

GRADE 9

Avumile Mcunu Ross Minter-Brown Hlumelo Notshe Hylton Royden-Turner

GRADE 8

Sebastian Guimaraens Richard Karlson Joubert Smit Leevan Vather

SPEECH DAY

Special Prizes

L A B Sharpe Memorial Prize for English E P Chapman Memorial Prize for Debating Senior Verse Prize Vera Burke Memorial Prize for Dramatic Arts Richard Haines Memorial Prize Frederic Tatham Memorial Essay Prize for History

Bassett-Smith Memorial Prize for Science Normand Dunn Prize for Visual Arts Band Prize Choral Prize Chaplain's Prize The Drimie Scholarship UKZN Trophy and Sir Henry Strakosch Scholarship (for excellence in Mathematics and Science) Derek Veenstra Memorial Scholarship D'Urban Armstrong Memorial Prize (best 2016 IEB results) Doris Essery Memorial Prize (traditionally to the Head of School) Richard Johnston Memorial Prize Philia Prize in recognition of integrity and moral courage Noel Freebody Memorial Prize for Fellowship 1942 Matric Class Award Karl Klingenberg Memorial Prize (best all-rounder in Grade 12)

Chairman's Prize (to a top academic who has contributed significantly) Dick Graham Memorial Prize (best Trials Results: Dux) Paul Harrison Scholar Ross Osborn Scholar Stuart Roy (Cordwalles) Sheldon Bishop (St Peter's Prep) Gordon Cook (Highbury) James Booth (St John's College, Harare) Nthato Padi (Drakensberg Boys' Choir) Buhle Solomon (The Ridge); Alexander Hopkins (Pridwin) Gordon Cook (Highbury) Tim Presbury (The Ridge) Mitchell Green (Highbury) Nthato Padi (Drakensberg Boys' Choir) Tofi Adejuyigbe (Crawford Prep, Benmore) Buhle Luthuli (Crawford Prep, Sandton)

Kudzayi Chigwaja (Crawford Prep, La Lucia) John Giessing (Udhaijiyah School Aramco) Andrea Tonelli (The Ridge) Chizembi Sakulanda (St David's Marist, Inanda) Robbie Knoop (Cordwalles) Chizembi Sakulanda (St David's Marist, Inanda) Stuart Roy (Cordwalles) Thomas Fraser (Clifton Durban) James Booth (St. John's College, Harare); Alexander Roy (Pridwin) Vaughn Williams (St. Dunstan's) Buhle Solomon (The Ridge) Luyanda Cingo Stuart Roy

Commendation Certificates

Grade 11

Christopher Bryant; Brendan Doyle; Nicholas Freemantle; James Hickinbotham; Fayaz Ismail; Marcus Montague-Mfuni; Stuart Roy; Connor Russell; Cedric Tsai

Grade 10

Kudzayi Chigwaja; Cameron Coley; Thomas Hamlin; Jacob Kethro; Mpumi Sibeko; Wium Smit; Kyle Steenberg; Daniël Swart; John Turner; Joshua Watt

Grade 9

Costi Christodoulou; Thabiso Dlamini; Murray Dorward; Brett Geyser; Connor Holdsworth; Chabala Kaunda; Stephan Liebenberg; Akil Ramcharrun; William Raw; Reece Valentine

Grade 8

Aedan Dicks; Nick Hatton; Gus Herridge; Jaypi Jordaan; David Kitshoff; Jonathan le Roux; Michael Mackenzie; Andrew Meyer; Jannes Potgieter; Khalil Sacranie

Leadership Awards

Headmaster Award for Outstanding Leadership 2017

The Headmaster's Leadership award is awarded to Matrics who, in the opinion of the Headmaster after consultation with senior members of staff, have demonstrated the following:

- He adds value to the school in his areas of responsibility and leaves a valuable legacy.
- He develops and values people through encouragement and affirmation.
- He builds the community through strong personal relationships.
- He maintains integrity and trust by being open, accountable to others and by serving others' needs before his own.
- He is strongly committed to the school, its values, mission and well-being.
- He is a significant and positive influence within the school.

In recognition of their strong leadership, the following boys received their Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Leadership.

Luke Alcock Sheldon Bishop James Booth Graham Curtis Thomas Fraser Mitchell Greene MJ Grobler Alexander Hopkins Mhlanguli Jadezweni Junior Gcaba Lwazi Mkhwanazi Sam Nicol Nthato Padi Timothy Presbury Alexander Roy

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Chizembi Sakulanda Lawrence Umunna Buhle Solomon Jordan Twiss Tristan Warren Vaughn Williams

Administration and Support



Hilton College is much more than just a school -Hilton truly is a nurturing community for our pupils, which needs the hard work and dedication of the valuable members of the support staff in assisting our academic colleagues to achieve success. The contribution of the support staff is crucial to the overall efficiency of the running of the school. I would like to, once again, thank you all for your constant diligence in ensuring that the high

standards of this prestigious school are upheld.

This year has brought about many changes, a new Headmaster, and the addition of the Advancement Office. Our new Headmaster, Mr George Harris, has typified Hilton's motto; "Deeply Traditional, Refreshingly Contemporary". He has brought a breath of fresh air to the school and the future holds some exciting opportunities for all of us.

Linda van Wyk was appointed in January to head up the Advancement Office, and Esti Lindner and Amanda Roos, who joined during the year, and who assists Linda in alumni, fundraising efforts and related matters, now ably support her. Thanks to all the College support staff who have assisted them during this process. This department has already made a significant contribution to the school and the Society. In addition to the Advancement Office staff, we also welcomed Diane Pillay in the Cashier's Office, Samantha Etzel as Payroll Administrator and Kathy Acutt as Academic Secretary.

Sadly, we bade farewell to Ann Greenwood who retired after 22 years of service. We wish Ann well and extend sincere and grateful thanks to her for many years of excellent and loyal service to Hilton.

We also said a sad goodbye to a fellow staff member in the Finance Department. Khetiwe Mwelase, our Accounts Controller passed away in April after a short illness. She served Hilton College in various capacities for 17 years and is sorely missed.

It is important for me to comment on our financial situation. We are appreciative of families who are invested in this school, who continue to support this institution, and all it stands for, despite the prevailing challenging economic situation. Our 2016 audit returned, once again, a clean audit report and for that, I must extend sincere thanks to our exceptionally competent and dedicated finance department, under the leadership of the Deputy Bursar, Kim Martin.

For this school to run efficiently, we not only rely on our committed staff, but also on our dedicated and reliable subcontractors who deliver consistent and excellent service and who often go well beyond what is expected. Thank you to Basil Kundalram of Broll, Marina Miller of Spectrum Services and Ugashnie Moodley of Royal Mnandi.

Brett South

Director of Resources and Bursar



The Development Centre

GWENS STREAM ESTATES (PTY) LTD

In several respects, 2017 was a watershed year for Gwens Stream Estates. It saw the first development, The Gates at Hilton, maturing into a fully-functioning, vibrant community; it included significant progress towards the commencement of the next project, The Dairy at Hilton; and 2017 witnessed the first real evidence of the tangible advantages to The Hiltonian Society of the activities of Gwens Stream Estates.

Gwens Stream Estates (Pty) Ltd was established in 2008 to undertake the development of residential properties on the Hilton College Estate. The Integrated Development Plan for the Estate, first adopted in 2007 and which included a comprehensive investigation of strategic land use, had identified areas, largely superfluous to the educational, agricultural or conservation needs of the Estate, but which held considerable potential for residential development. With the support of the membership of The Hiltonian Society, the Board resolved to release up to 100ha of the Estate for this purpose. At the core of the intention was the intention to channel the funds generated into The Hilton College Endowment Foundation.

Gwens Stream Estates (Pty) Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Hilton College Endowment Foundation. Its Directors are Mick Hyatt, Iain McMillan and Chris Tod.

The Gates at Hilton

The first estate to be developed was The Gates at Hilton, set on 44ha along the western boundary of the Estate, between Hilton College Road and the Gwens Stream above the first waterfall. It consists of 81 sites of a minimum size of 1800m² and with an overall density of two homes per hectare.



The Gates was developed in two phases. The first, consisting of fifty plots on the north-facing slopes, was launched in April 2013 and all plots were sold in about eighteen months. Phase 2 was launched in May 2016 and was sold out within a few months.

The Gates has emerged as a highly regarded estate. With excellent infrastructure and remarkable landscaping, there are upwards of 30 completed homes contributing to a fast-developing community. 2018 saw the effective transfer of responsibility from the developer (Gwens Stream Estates) to a fully functioning Home Owners' Association. The MOI of the Association perpetuates, however with The Hiltonian Society's ongoing involvement in the development through its appointment of two members of the Board of Directors, one of whom serves as Chairman.

The extraordinary success of "The Gates at Hilton" has resulted in property sales of some R84 million since 2013. The significant infrastructure costs incurred to convert vacant land to serviced sites were carefully managed within budget. Also included in the cost of sales is the land cost which results in The Society receiving R25 million for the land used to develop "The Gates". The first tranche of around R15 million was paid to The Society by GSE

during 2017; the balance will flow in subsequent years.



All cash generated from the land realization process ultimately flows to The Hilton College Endowment Foundation, to be invested and held in trust for the benefit of future generations of Hiltonians.

The Dairy at Hilton

A major focus of the activities of Gwens Stream Estates in 2017 has been laying the foundations for the second development, to be known as "The Dairy at Hilton". This too will be a secure residential village consisting of 81 homes set on 42,1ha along the southern boundary of the Hilton College Estate, with access off D494. As in The Gates, The Dairy property offers a generous layout of sites set amongst expansive commonage areas and with stunning views across Hilton grasslands towards the mountains.

The release of this property, together with the other areas identified for development, was secured from the National Department of Agriculture in 2010, and this was followed by their rezoning to rural residential and approval for subdivision by the uMngeni Municipality. The Basic Assessment Report for The Dairy is currently being considered by the KZN Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs, following which the application to develop will be submitted to uMngeni. The intention remains to commence the infrastructure at The Dairy in the second half of 2018.



Nyala Bull



A highlight of 2017 was the gathering held at The Gates to welcome the statue of an Nyala bull, a generous gift from Mick Hyatt, the pioneer of the developments on the Hilton Estate. The function was attended by Home Owners together with Hiltonian Society Board and sub-committee members, Foundation Trustees and people from Hilton College. It provided an appropriate opportunity to thank Mick Hyatt, not only for the magnificent Nyala, but also equally for his remarkable influence on Hilton College.

As indicated at the start of this report, 2017 was year of great progress within Gwens Stream Estates. We look forward to building on that in significant ways during the year ahead.

lain McMillan Executive Director

Extracts from Iain McMillan's speech at the Nyala Ceremony

We have gathered here this afternoon to welcome this beautiful young Nyala bull and to take the opportunity to thank Mick Hyatt, firstly for this splendid gift, but equally for his sustained vision and passion in support of Hilton College. As for the Nyala, I am sure that you all share my enthusiasm for the way in which this alert fellow now guards the entry to this estate, adding a finishing touch to the care taken to make this a beautiful place.

In 2003 the Board of The Hiltonian Society completed a major strategic planning exercise, the result of much thought and wide consultation within the Hilton community. Very predictably, that strategic planning process identified the Estate as a major and distinguishing asset of Hilton College, but, surprisingly to some, it identified that same Estate as a potential threat. If not properly and carefully managed, the costs of the Estate could become a burden, and an economic drain on the future of the organization. The 2003 strategy resolved, "to formulate an aggressive, integrated development plan, with the objective of establishing the Estate as an income generating, strategic asset."

It was against this background that the Chairman of the Board at that time, John Hodgson, approached Mick to join the Board and to take on the role of Chairman of the Estate committee. Mick brought to his position on the Board a lifetime's experience in property, and a profound understanding of the need for careful and strategic planning. His joining the Board led almost immediately to the appointment of a planning consultant to oversee the production of a thoroughly researched and all-embracing Integrated Development Plan for the Estate. The IDP, first adopted in 2007, and regularly reviewed, included a land use plan which set aside areas of the Estate for education, agriculture and conservation and, at Mick's insistence, some areas for residential development, which would allow the conversion of low-value, relatively unproductive farmlands to high value residential property. Mick's vision was clear: to release some of the value embedded in the Estate in support of Hilton's Endowment.

Armed with the findings of the IDP, Mick and I set off on a road show, aimed at persuading Old Hiltonians, the members of The Hiltonian Society, to sanction the sale of up to 100ha of the 1700ha Estate for this project. Surprisingly to many, we met with almost no resistance: the story was compelling, and the wisdom of the narrator clear. Even the most pessimistic found it difficult to articulate resistance.

It is now ten years since the IDP first arrived on the Hilton scene, and the process of moving the concept of residential estates from idea to reality has provided its inevitable challenges, but we stand here today, in the middle of a beautiful and highly regarded development. I can tell you that the process of getting here has been led with real urgency by Mick, and it has been an extraordinary privilege for Chris Tod and me, Mick's fellow Gwens Stream Estates Directors, to have shared this experience with him.

We stand now on the threshold of launching the next development, The Dairy at Hilton. Unlike the somewhat tentative steps, which accompanied the advent of The Gates, we can now stride with some real confidence. The Gates has been an unqualified success on so many fronts. I recall standing on this site more than ten years ago and feeling Mick's enthusiasm for the potential he saw in this piece of land, and how right he was. It is now home to a growing community of happy residents. And from The Hiltonian Society's point of view, Mick's early vision of the potential to meet the strategic imperative of finding a way to make the Hilton Estate an income generating strategic asset, has certainly matured into a material reality.

And we all know what that reality is. All the funds generated from this and future developments are headed for the Hilton College Endowment Foundation, the trust which stands behind the school, and, most importantly, is the major source of bursary funding which enables the impact of a Hilton education to be shared beyond the ranks of the very affluent. That is the invaluable legacy which Mick Hyatt has championed here.



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Marketing

The Director of Marketing position was vacant for much of 2017, but thanks to the commitment of many in the Hilton College community, much was achieved. The school is particularly appreciative of the efforts of Maralyn Atkins (Marketing and Admissions Administrator), Trish Davidson (Admissions Secretary), the Headmaster and Dale Tomlinson (Chairperson, Marketing Sub-Committee) for taking on significantly more work over the year.

The continued strength of the Hilton brand is a testament to the efforts of these individuals, but also serves as a reminder of the powerful role of boys, parents, old boys, and teaching staff in marketing the school. The way that these people represent the school is more important than the role of any marketing professional.

Visits to prep schools, tours of the campus for prospective pupils (and their families), Grandparents day, Open Day, and New Boys' Weekend all went ahead successfully in 2017 - with much of the positive feedback attributed to how well the boys and staff, specifically, conducted themselves.

A new Director of Marketing, Pete Storrar, has now been appointed and he will continue to draw on the entire school community to help develop and execute the marketing strategy. Central to this strategy will be ensuring the Hilton 'brand purpose' is consistently and authentically expressed in all school activities.



The 'Lungi' Buzz

There was much public excitement in Lungi Ngidi's selection for the Proteas T20 and Test squads. Lungi's excellence as a cricketer was noted, but Lungi's inspiring story – from a humble background to a global sporting superstar drove most of the interest. Both eNCA and SABC sent film crews to Hilton College to cover the school's

important part of the story. With cricket being the second most watched sport in the world, Hilton College was briefly a global news story as well. BBC World Service, ESPNcricinfo (largest single-sport website in the world) and the Hindustan Times all did interviews with Hilton Staff members who had worked with Lungi in his time at the school.



Social Media

Both the official Hilton College Facebook page, and the official Instagram account provided an excellent day to day account of all the events taking place at the school. The unofficial Facebook page (Boys of Hilton - managed by the boys themselves) continues to go from strength to strength, with the "Mask Off: Hilton Edition" video attracting over two million views.

New Hilton College Video

A new Hilton College video was produced to showcase the Hilton experience. The final video was set to the Rudyard Kipling poem 'If', and was well received by the school community - with over 50,000 views in the first week that it was placed on Facebook.

Third Party Agreements

Hilton College has entered into partnerships with other brands, with the proviso being that there needed to be a clear benefit to the school and any partnership would need to remain true to Hilton College's values.

Cell C and Hilton have entered into a three-year agreement whereby significant financial assistance is given to Hilton for the school's development. Hilton can use the funding for whatever purpose it chooses, including academic initiatives. Because of the sponsorship, a number of additional boys are now able to attend Hilton on bursaries. Provision has been made for discreet branding of 1st team kit and certain sports equipment in rugby, hockey, cricket and waterpolo.

The Hellman's food truck visited Hilton College, and burgers were served to the boys. The video to celebrate the event showcased Hilton's approach to catering and expose people to the beauty of the campus, and was shared on various social media platforms.

The Profile Of The School Roll

Total Boys	567	Race		
Sons of old boys	88	Black 190)	
Sons of farmers	36	Coloured		
South African residents	502	Indian 25	5	
Overseas residents	65	Other 5		
	00	White 345	-	
South African Provinces		Out of Country		
Gauteng	241	Zimbabwe 15	5	
KwaZulu-Natal	227	Botswana 10)	
Mpumalanga	18	Zambia 10)	
The Eastern Cape	8	Malawi 6	5	
Western Cape	3	Swaziland 4	ł	
North West	3	United Arab Emirates 4	ł	
The Free State	2	Lesotho 2)	
		Nigeria 2		
		Tanzania 2)	
		Switzerland 2)	
		Kenya 1		
		Mozambique 1		
		Namibia 1		
		Uganda 1		
		Japan 1		
		Malaysia 1		
		Saudi Arabia 1		
		Singapore 1		
		United States of America 1		
		Pete Storrar		
		Director of Marketing	9	

Vula Programme 2017

During 2017 the Vula Programme continued with its goal of working to improve Mathematics and Physical Science teaching in under-resourced township and rural schools in KwaZulu-Natal.



Vula Lodge

With the Vula Lodge in full use during the year, we were continually reminded how important it had become in adding value to the training opportunities offered by Vula, providing, as it does, comfortable on-campus accommodation for teachers from further afield in KwaZulu-Natal who cannot commute to and from Hilton College each day.

In the first six months of the year the Lodge accommodated the VuMA 7 and VuMA 8 intakes of teachers into the Vula Mathematics Academy (VuMA) during the school holidays and the third and fourth terms it housed groups of teachers, subject advisers and pupils attending workshops ranging in length from two days to two weeks.

In the limited times throughout the year when Vula did not require on-campus accommodation, the facility was rented out to the Sunfoil Dolphins Cricket Week, the Hilton Festival and Cecchetti Ballet. Non-Vula usage generated income which was put towards the maintenance and upkeep of the building.



Vula Mathematics Project

The Vula Mathematics Project had another exceptionally busy and productive year. The project's main activities were the two VuMA intakes in the first two school terms of 2017. These were made up of sixteen teachers in the first term (VuMA 7) and fourteen in the second term (VuMA 8). Since 2014 a total of 104 teachers have attended the Academy. The VuMA teachers teach Mathematics to more than 20 000 pupils.

Each VuMA intake spent a full school term of eleven weeks at Hilton College, being exposed to new and exciting ways of teaching Mathematics. This specialised in-service training takes place with the full approval and blessing of the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education.

This year's VuMA intakes included thirteen teachers from the Pinetown district – this being part of the strategy to include teachers from beyond the Umgungundlovu district. The King Cetshwayo district has also indicated that it is also keen to be included in the future.

During the year a VuMA teacher from 2016 sent the following email which clearly indicates the impact of the training he had received while at VuMA:

Good morning Sue

I truly hope you're still well and in good spirit, I know you're very busy with VuMA 8 right now and can only imagine how great that must be for them to learn from one of the best. I just wanted to say Hi and let you know that I personally still carry everything you taught me into my Maths classroom every day. Today I'm teaching GET's geometry (construction of geometry figures and geometry of shapes). I'm using one of your sketchpads along with a powerpoint of my own. Thank you so much for all that you and everyone at Vula did for us last year. I truly miss my time there.

Kind regards, Mpumelelo (VuMA6)

The Vula Mathematics Project also continued with its other regular activities during the year:

- Thirteen teachers in the outlying Bergville and Pholela districts make up the Vula Laptop Project: These teachers have a laptop and projector provided for use in their everyday teaching of Mathematics. The members of the Laptop Project attended two days of training each term at Hilton College.
- Two Saturdays per term of teaching of 120 Grade 12 pupils from up to 20 schools in the greater Pholela and Mpendle district: These lessons were taught at Pholela High School by Ms Nosiso Sosibo and Ms Borni Mtangayi, who are members of the Vula Laptop Project.
- The annual Bergville Grade 11 Mathematics Olympiad took place in May for 95 pupils from schools in the Uthukela district.
- Two Grade 11 and Grade 12 groups from the Bergville district attended four-day Mathematics workshops at Hilton College. The groups were made up of the top pupils identified in the annual Bergville Mathematics Olympiad.
- Regular visits were made to teachers from previous VuMA intakes.
- Four-day residential workshops were held at Hilton College during the April and July school holidays for 50 teachers from the King Cetshwayo and Zululand districts.
- Two three- day workshops were attended by the FET (Grades 7, 8 and 9) Mathematics subject advisers from the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education.
- A two-day workshop was held for40 third year education students from the local campus of the Durban University of Technology (DUT).



Vula Science Project

he Vula Science Project continued with its work with Science teachers, assisting with all aspects related to the teaching of Physical Science. As in the past, this work focused on assisting the teachers to develop the skills and confidence required to incorporate practical work (experiments) into their everyday teaching, as is required by the syllabus. During the year the project worked with groups of teachers in the Mpendle and Wartburg districts.



The project also undertook the following during the year:

- Teaching and revision materials (Grade 12 study guides) were provided to 500 pupils and teachers at rural schools where these were most needed.
- A four-day residential workshop for 35 Science teachers took place at Hilton College during the April school holidays.
- Seventeen Science projects from Vula schools were entered in the local Science Expo. Of these, eleven were selected to exhibit at the regional Science Expo in Durban during August.
- Regular visits continued to schools to assist with practical work and revision.
- Mr Noel Robert of Hilton College undertook the teaching of groups of Grade 12 pupils from schools in Estcourt and Wartburg.
- Science equipment was loaned to teachers at more than twenty schools.
- The Science Laptop Group, is made up of fourteen teachers who use loaned laptops loaded with appropriate scientific materials and resources.

Vula Careers Day 2017

The 16th Annual Vula Careers Day took place on Friday, 17th February 2017. The day was attended by 520 Grade 12 pupils and teachers from eleven Vula schools. The day once again focused on career and training options which require above-average Grade 12 results in Mathematics and Science.



PROTEC Mathematics and Science Week

During the winter school holidays Vula hosted the PROTEC Grade 12 class for four days of intensive tuition and revision. Teaching of the group was undertaken by college staff members Mr Noel Robert and Mr Trevor Van Niekerk (Physical Science) and Mrs Charmaine Padayachee and Mr Tim Mills (Mathematics). Two of the PROTEC pupils wrote the following at the end of the week:

I most enjoyed being in the laboratories and doing practical work. At my school this is not always happening. We do not get the opportunity to wear lab coats and safety glasses to do practical work like we did here – which made me feel like a true scientist.

Thank you for contributing to my life's journey to success, you have helped build my confidence and you have given me the desire to work hard and study hard.

Vula Staffing

Ms Ann McLoughlin, who had been with the Vula Mathematics Project from 2014, stepped down at the end of 2017. Ann was the main Vula contact person with the teachers once they had returned to their schools after a term at VuMA and she will be sorely missed by everyone. We wish her well with her travels. Ann's replacement is Mrs Elaine Smallbones who is a highly experienced Mathematics teacher.

Strategic Planning

During the year the Vula Programme completed a strategic planning and review exercise which looked ahead, and planned for, the next three years. The planning process re-affirmed Vula's main academic focus areas (Mathematics and Physical Science), but also provided for the option to add additional subjects, depending on the availability of long-term sustainable funding for the expansion.

It was further agreed that a second Vula Lodge was urgently needed, and that sourcing the required funding for this facility was an immediate priority.

It was recognised that finding the right staff for Vula was crucial and plans were put in place to deal with Vula's future staffing and succession requirements.

Independent Evaluation

The Vula Programme greatly values the opinions and comments obtained from several independent project evaluations which were conducted on aspects of its work since 2008.

The latest evaluation, on the impact of the Vula Mathematics Academy, was conducted by Dr Sharon Grussendorff during 2017. Dr Grussendorff's report can be downloaded from the Vula website – www.hiltonvula.com – click on About Us, and then on Annual Reports.

Vula website and video

During the year a new Vula website was developed. The new site is fully operational and easily accessible at www.hiltonvula.com

A first-ever Vula video was also completed and uploaded to both the Hilton College and the Vula websites. The video, which tells the story of the Vula journey of a Maths teacher from an outlying rural area, was particularly well received. It is intended to film a further video or two during 2018. These were some of the responses received to the Vula video:

 "I watched the video which was great! Well done! Very moving."

- "I love the video it certainly does put everything in context and shows the impact of Vula on one teacher and her motivation to teach and the impact on her students"
- "Really enjoyed the video and the website looks great! Well done."
- "I also had a look at your video. A great start. Why not add a call to action at the end?"
- "Great! So good to see Nosisa doing wonderfully well. Thanks for sharing. Good for her to keep at it. We need many more teachers like her."
- "This is so heart-warming! Just beautiful! "I watched it again and want to repeat how excellent it is in capturing the lifechanging impact that Vula is having."

Thanks

None of the above would be possible without the support and encouragement received from many people, organisations and businesses – locally, nationally and internationally. To each one who supports us, we owe an enormous debt of thanks. Thank you for making it all possible ...

Lloyd Smuts

Director of Outreach Vula Programme at Hilton College



Hilton's Gwens 2 waterfall



Conservation and Estate

Six boys went on a Wilderness trail in uMfolozi Game reserve, which was a major highlight. Here is a reflection on the experience from one of the boys:



Wilderness leadership school trail in uMfolozi. From left: S. Mtetwa (Guide), A. Morrisson, D. Hawksworth, J. Giessing, H. Notshe, L. Mphephu, A. Seopa, A. Gqwetha (Guide)

"For the last night of the hike I was given the last nightshift. While everyone was deep in their sleep I took the opportunity to watch the sun break the darkness of the night, and rise from the horizon. Sitting on the edge of a cliff with the Umfolozi River flowing right beneath me. I noticed a big male elephant making its way to the river. However, it was in no rush to get there, it regularly stopped and ate from the trees surrounding it. And when it finally reached the river, it took its time to first wash itself off before drinking the water. After drinking the water, it gently strolled away and disappeared into the thick bush continuing with its life. Just experiencing that... reminded me to not rush through life and to appreciate life itself and what it has to offer. Most of us rush through life, first it's exams then it's holidays then back to school, the cycle just repeats itself and one can't really think back to memorable things that happened because of that. And it's not our fault that we live in such a society where everything is on the go. But we can take a bit of time just to appreciate and reflect on the little things and not let time be your dictator."

John Giessing

Sustainability conferences

Cameron Coley, Jacques Monokoane and Stefan Tiaden participated in a regional conference on sustainability in schools; they were later selected to attend a national conference on the same theme.



Khalid Thomas (USA) and a Grade eleven English class at the Point

Environmental Education in the curriculum

Mr Roff joined a Grade 10 poetry outing to Injisuthi Game reserve in the Drakensberg, and enhanced this experience through his knowledge of landscape and creative writing.

He also partnered with Mr Kingsley to team-teach several poetry lessons, on one occasion taking the class to the Point for an outdoor poetry experience, for the benefit of Khalid Thomas, an exchange student from the USA.

Game Viewer

Karkloof Spa donated a Land Cruiser Game viewer. Boys and staff have enjoyed many trips in this vehicle. Many thanks to Fred Worner for this generous gift.

Estate Opts



Oliver Fraser and Stefan Tiaden with cycads at Gwen's One

An enthusiastic group of boys from Grades 8 to 11 chose Estate as their sport opt for one or more terms this year. Stefan Tiaden has been choosing this for several years, and this year decided to make a study of the Cycads on the property.



Estate Tie

An Estate tie was awarded this year to William Clark, whose interest in the Estate, and in particular in sharing his interest with younger boys, earned him the award.

Basil Crookes Memorial Prize

Duncan Hawksworth, in Grade 8, received this award for his unfailing interest in exploring the Estate and using his considerable photographic skills to investigate birds closely.

William Clark with his Estate tie

Hilton Daisy

Though named after the school, and once common here, Hilton Daisies became locally extinct many years ago. In 2006, 10 Hilton Daisy plants were replanted in a section of grassland. This year, 3 of these plants were found flowering – a great conservation success story. scientific description of the species.



Duncan Hawksworth and Oliver Fraser with Hilton Daisy

Falconry

Cameron Coley, in Grade 10, kept an African Goshawk at school for several months, under the supervision of the Natal Falconry Club. This became a great way for other boys to discover more of the wonder of the natural world, and many thanks go to Cameron for his dedicated care of his bird, and willingness to share his experience with other boys.



Cameron Coley with his African Goshawk

Recycling

In 2016 the school recycled 40 tons of waste, the most of any school in the greater Pietermaritzburg area. There is a greater awareness amongst the boys of the need for recycling and more of the Houses have put the necessary steps in place.

Recycling at major events has improved significantly.

A major challenge is to reduce our use of plastic, particularly plastic bottles. Whilst we do everything we can to ensure that they are recycled, we need to find alternatives.

Aviary

A number of boys have shown an interest and assisted with the maintenance of the aviary.

Three new species were introduced - Pygmy doves, Star Finches and Java Sparrows. All have settled well.

Adventure Series

There were 4 legs of the series, mountain biking, trail running, fishing and an adventure race; In terms of getting boys on the Estate this series was again successful.

Ellis maintained their dominance, and next year we hope to include more events.

I would like to thank Mike Mill for his support, and his efficient running of the recycling programme, aviary and Estate Adventure Series, and Victor Mchunu for his hard work supporting recycling and helping maintain the Conservation Centre. Many thanks also to Deren Coetzer, and Nhlanhla Shelembe and his team, for their efficient management of the Nature Reserve.

John Roff

Head: Environmental Education and Conservation



Hilton Estate/Farm

What a relief to experience normal rainfall patterns, even though spring and early summer was much cooler than usual.

Under our immediate management we now have about thirty hectares of flourishing kikuyu pasture, and a further fifty-seven in the process of establishment. Coupled with the tenant's portion, The Society will benefit from a total of about one hundred and twenty-six hectares in the foreseeable future.

Cattle



Oxen grazing on newly opened strip of Kikuyu

620 weaners were purchased in autumn last year. They arrived by the truckload in varying numbers from farms and sale yards ranging from Cedarville in the West to Dundee in North. Having just been weaned from their mothers and traumatised by the truck trip, they are offloaded bellowing, frightened and rather scrawny. Over the next 7 months, through firm but gentle handling techniques, and managed grazing, they are transformed into well-behaved goodlooking individuals (just like a Hilton College schoolboy). It is a highlight of my day, in the cool of the early summer mornings, to watch these young shiny oxen eagerly running to the day's allocation of kikuyu, as the electric fence is rolled back. I am always saddened when these docile, inquisitive animals are once again loaded onto trucks, to be taken to a feedlot.

Timber

Driving out towards the Point (rolling stones) the landscape is suddenly altered. A 13ha compartment on the left of the crest road overlooking Gwens 1 is in the process of being harvested. The peace and serenity is disturbed by the revving of chainsaws and crashing of mature trees. The view not seen for 9 years reappears. Within a few days, the harvested trees will be manually stripped of their bark, cross cut into 2.4m logs, moved by tractor and trailer to a designated area to be re-loaded onto trucks to make up a 30-ton load, and transported to Durban harbour. There the logs will be cut into chips (size of a R5 coin) and exported by ship to Japan. The manually stripped bark is gathered into 25kg bundles and transported to Dalton where it is



processed and shipped to India to be used to soften leather. The left-over branches are stacked in rows for burning and the remaining trunk is cut up and used for staff firewood. 30 ha is harvested annually. Within a year, the newly planted trees are head height and the view is once again lost.

Farewells

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In December last year, we bade farewell to two long serving employees.

Sbongile Shelembe worked for the society for 50 years. She started as a cleaner at Ellis, Churchill and Pearce Houses. Her mother worked for the Slaters at the time, and she would help out there at times too. When Mrs Slater started the Valley Crèche, she took Sbongile with her. Sbongile has worked there ever since. At her farewell, the mothers of now current pre-schoolers spoke fondly of how she had looked after them too. Many funny stories were



shared with lots of laughter. She will be missed and we wish her well on her retirement.

Julius Lekena has also worked for the Hiltonian Society for 50 years. He joined the staff when he was 15 years old as a general worker. He worked his way up to Foreman of the school grounds until the grounds were contracted out to Spectrum Services. He then moved across in the position of Maintenance Supervisor of the Teapots Village and other surrounding houses, which he did until his retirement.

Rowan Welsford Estate General Manager



Museum and Archives

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The Museum was at the centre of some activity at the end of 2017 and now shows a changed colour. The walls of the Display Room are a light blue from ceiling to floor and around the top of the walls at roughly 'ceiling' height, a visitor will see a timeline in black with a number of events recorded between 1872 and 2022, a total of 150 years. The activity has been carried out as a first step in preparation for the 150th Anniversary of the founding of Hilton College.

Acquisitions during the year has aroused some interest:

The trunk had been lying in the Macrorie House Museum, which has closed down and had been given to the Museum at Hilton College, as it had belonged to Richard Mellor Robinson, a former pupil of Hilton College. Richard came to the school in 1938 and left in December 1941, having been in Pearce House, awarded 1st XV Rugby colours, appointed CSM in the Cadets and was a member of the School Shooting team. What is interesting about the trunk is the hand-written list posted on the inside of the trunk's cover: it is a list of clothing that Richard needed for Hilton College – "3 blazers, 3 trousers (Grey flannel), 8 white shirts, 4 vests, 1 Grey Pullover, 2 School Ties (Broad Stripes), 6 Grey Socks, 1 Grey Stocking, 2 shoes (Black) 1 House shoes, 2 Grey felt Hats (with bands), 9 Handkerchiefs, 1 Mackintosh, 3 Pyjamas, 1 Dressing Gown, 4 Large Towels, 1 Rug, 1 Blanket, 2 Collars." Thereafter there are lists for cricket, Gym and 'Leave'.

Another acquisition, considered but not yet accepted, is a case of lead toys used by members of the Henderson family, probably John Wilfred Lys Henderson, who attended Hilton College in 1943-1948 living as he did, next to the school. The toys were made in the USA by Tootsie Toys, reputedly the oldest toy manufactory. What is interesting and tempting is that nearly all the toys are of military subjects: Aircraft carriers, battle ships, a submarine, uniformed British soldiers, a parachutist, machinegunner (British), all these definitely of WW2. The case of toys is being retained until professional advice about them has been obtained. Until then if any enthusiast is interested, inspection will be possible in the Museum.



Documentation is a vital part of an archivist's work and categorizing a tool to ease research. When documenting the Museum Library I came across a number of books with a printed note inside the front covers, "Hilton College Library, The Chapman Collection." That would be an interesting category. DA Chapman was a Hilton Old Boy who died in a Prisoner of War Camp during the Second WW and is recorded in the Roll of Honour. He was a Governor of the College and is remembered on a plaque in the Chapel. The collection is clearly a memorial to him. A particular feature of the collection is 50 volumes of The Van Riebeeck Society publications. A visitor to the Museum may browse the Chapman Collection.

> Bev Davidge Curator and Archivist

School News



Our new Headmaster - Mr George Harris

Hilton College Headmaster

George Julian Harris was

inducted at a Ceremony in the chapel at the school on

morning Friday (10 February).

As part of the Ceremony, the

17th Headmaster at the

private school received a bugle that was first used at the

school when it was founded in

1872, from the previous

Harris was appointed to the

position after going up against

441 other applicants.

Headmaster Peter Ducasse.

Article from the Natal Witness 13 February



Mr George Harris

Harris' appointment was first announced in June last year, but he began his tenure at the school with effect from 1 January.

Chairperson of Governors Alistair Franklin said he was "extremely pleased" with Harris' appointment.

"We are fortunate to have selected him from a group of outstanding candidates from around the world who were attracted to the opportunity of leading Hilton, several of whom would have made an excellent head", said Franklin.

"In Mr Harris, we believe we have found a visionary leader who can build purposefully on Hilton's many strengths and secure its position as one of the best schools in the world" said Franklin.

Harris' educational background includes a BA in English and Economics from the University of Pretoria and a BA Honours in African Literature from the University of Witwatersrand. His teaching experience includes tenures at Tshwane Christian School, St Stithians Boys' College and finally at Lebone II College as Housemaster and English teacher.

Harris' managerial positions include that of Chief Executive of the Royal Bafokeng Institute.

Married to an Architect, Vicky-Ann, with two children, Harris expressed enthusiasm at joining the Hilton Community.

"The task of educating young boys so that they mature into men of principle, passion and promise to make their mark in our complex world is a worthwhile challenge I am keen to embrace", said Harris.

In his first address to Hilton parents Harris assured them that he would preserve Hilton's "deeply traditional and refreshingly contemporary" goals.

"The world has become a fast-changing place and young men of the future will need to be grounded in their person, with enduring values firmly established, such that they are in a position to embrace and conquer the challenges of the future," said Harris.

Edward West and Omega Moag



Headmaster's House

TERM 1

General news in short

The new staff room was opened. It includes the staff diningroom and a new meeting room as well. It has become a very popular area for staff to relax, catch up on work and hold meetings.

Linda van Wyk joined us as our new Advancement Officer. Later on in the year Amanda Roos joined the Advancement Office as a Researcher and Database Manager. Esti Lindner also joined the Advancement Office as the Alumni and Fundraiser Events Coordinator.

Pam Nel joined us as the Sports Secretary and also serves as a Secretary to Mark Perrett.

Nick Pereira joined us as our new Physio and has significant experience in sports medicine, having previously worked with Maritzburg United and SA Hockey.

Kathy Acutt joined us as the Academic Secretary.

Jason Sileno joined our staff as the Director of Waterpolo.

Nic Hughes was appointed as a Theatre Assistant.

Burger Nel was appointed as Deputy House Master of Ellis House and Devon van der Merwe was appointed as Deputy House Master of Lucas House.

Peter Storrar was appointed as the Director of Marketing.

Paul Venter has been appointed as Executive Director of Culture in 2018. He will continue as Housemaster of McKenzie for the immediate future alongside this new role.

Congratulations to Ernie Steenkamp and James Quibell who outperformed the boys and won gold medals at the SA Rowing Championships.

Other news

Our receptionist Vuyi Gwala got engaged to a very brave Terence who proposed in front of all the staff at a staff meeting. We wish Vuyi and Terence all the best with their upcoming marriage.

Lionel, Taryn and Oliver Randall added to their family with the birth of their son and brother Alistair.

Hilton College congratulates Dale Benkenstein

Hilton College would like to congratulate Dale Benkenstein on his secondment to the Proteas, as part of a partnership agreement between Hilton College and Cricket South Africa (CSA).

Benkenstein will remain employed by Hilton College, but will now also be the batting coach for the national side. As part of the partnership arrangement, CSA have committed to supporting Hilton College cricket in a number of areas – including fund raising events.

"We regard Hilton College as a national asset, so we're delighted that we could be of assistance to the Proteas" commented Hilton Headmaster George Harris. "We're happy for Dale too, as this experience will make him an even better coach, further improving Hilton's very successful cricket set up. CSA's commitment to provide support to Hilton College cricket makes this a win-winwin development"

Hilton College is in the process of finalising a deal with county cricketer, Tim Groenewald, to cover for periods when Benkenstein is working with the Proteas. Groenewald has played for Warwickshire and Derbyshire, and currently represents Somerset in Division 1 of the County Championship. He has completed his level 3 coaching badge in the UK. Groenewald will be based in Hilton during the South African summers.

VULA pupil, now VULA teacher



Gift Zwezwe writing the Pholela Maths Olympiad in 2008

In 2008 a young man called Gift Zwezwe was a Grade 11 pupil at Dumabeswe, a rural school in the Sisonke district beyond Bulwer.

During that year, Gift was selected by his school to compete in the Pholela Mathematics Olympiad, an enrichment activity initiated by Mrs Sue Southwood, co-ordinator of the Vula Mathematics Project.

Gift shone in the Olympiad, and of the more than 100 pupils who wrote, he ended second and was awarded a scientific calculator.

Gift remembers this achievement with great fondness and he also recalls Mrs Southwood's visit to his school as this was the first



Gift Zwezwe attending the Vula Mathematics Academy, first term 2017

time he had seen a computer being used to teach Mathematics.

These events had a profound impact on Gift, and he decided to become a teacher.

Nine years later, and Gift is now a qualified teacher of Mathematics at Emzamweni School near Henley Dam.

He is also one of the 16 teachers selected by the provincial education department to attend the Vula Mathematics Academy (VuMA) during the first term of 2017.

Gift and his fellow VuMA teachers have spent the term discovering new and different ways to teach Mathematics. Gift was also one of the teachers accommodated for the term in the Vula Lodge.

There have been seven intakes of Maths teachers totalling ninety teachers into VuMA since the start of 2014. A further intake, VuMA 8, was with us for the second term of the year.

In Gift's case, we see the impact of an activity in 2008 coming to fruition in a way which was never planned or expected. Such is the nature of the work of the Vula Programme.

We hope for many similar heart-warming stories in the years to come \ldots

Lloyd Smuts Vula Programme at Hilton College

Hilton College Golf Club



The Hilton College Golf Club has, with the assistance of the school and donors, embarked on an upgrade of the various facilities at the driving range. This has been undertaken to ensure that the boys have a practice facility which compares with the best. Phase 1 incorporated the building of a covered area for driving which helps especially in inclement weather as well as two chipping areas which have concrete bases with astro mats.



Phase 2 was undertaken to skim and level out the raised tee box. New grass has also been laid. This has created a larger area for boys to tee off. The bunkers have also been reshaped and the sand revived. The plan for phase 3 is to upgrade the putting green – to create separate chipping greens as well as to ensure that the boys have a proper putting green. This will mean that the current grass will have to be replaced.

PK Ramnarain

Human Rights Day - 21 March 2017



Today, on Human Rights Day, we as a school signed our Anti-Racism Pledge. We believe that this is one of the many steps in bringing about change in not only our Hilton society, but South Africa as well

This term we have spoken about a number of challenging issues that befall our country and society at large. I spoke to boys about the frightening reality of genocide and that anthropologists have articulated the behaviors that lead to genocide, with much recent study being focussed on the Rwandan genocide where close on one million people were massacred in a month.

Anthropologists argue that the first error in human judgment in these cases is when we begin with classification, highlighting our differences. A group of senior boys have been particularly concerned with some examples of classification at Hilton. Given the timing of Human Rights Day, and the reason for its commemoration, we decided to use it to conduct discussions around prejudice at our school. We also raised the matter of a dominant culture and that of a sub-dominant one, and that we should always be aware of those who feel marginalized by a dominant way of being.

To this end, a group of boys drafted an Anti-Racism pledge for boys to sign voluntarily, in order to raise awareness about this matter, so that we can all be more aware and conscious about how we treat those who appear and behave differently to the way we might. This signing we followed up with group discussions. Although there was robust debate in some groups, I believe the conversations have brought aspects of discontent to the fore and on the whole the boys engaged with honesty in a way that affords us the opportunity to move forward in openness and transparency.

Our South Africa remains fraught with contention around race and class and, as such, this initiative was a step in alerting our boys to the very real challenge that continues to be a blight upon our world.

I am firmly of the belief that as our boys live, work and play together, any issues of difference are challenged in the moment and our boys live in harmony. Great thinkers have always maintained that the more we do together, the more we solve the philosophical challenges of our day.

Our boys are first and foremost Hilton boys - their identity is couched in this construct while they develop their adult personas. At Hilton we amalgamate our varied backgrounds and we celebrate our individual unique attributes, within the construct of our school. Boys are boys and we will continue to celebrate each other equally.

Our commemoration of Human Rights day reminded us of the equality of all and as a community we took an active stand against any form of classification and committed ourselves to equality and dignity for all, anew. Each boy at Hilton has his place and each boy should be free to celebrate the gift of Hilton, free of any fear of discrimination. We are all committed to this ideal.



End of First Term

First term is over and on Friday 24th March, the boys were ready to pack up and head off for a much-deserved holiday with their family and friends.

TERM 2

Winter warmth for the valley children



Kristyn Horstmann sent these photographs and reported on the delightful morning spent at the school in the valley to hand out jerseys and beanies to all the kids. This was thanks to Mary South, who has spent the entire year knitting 15 sets, so that each child could have their own and be warm for the winter. She also thanked Tracey Welsford for doing such an amazing job at the school – the children were so well behaved and thankful.



Opening of the new hockey pavillion -6th May 2017

Amidst the excitement of the anticipated battle with the Michaelhouse First Hockey Team, a very small and understated event marked the

opening of the new Hockey Pavilion, a gift of the Haynes Family. The event was attended by members of the Haynes family as well as Alistair Franklin (Chairman of the Board), several Board members, the Headmaster and the Captain of the First XI, James Beart, who delivered an inspiring vote of thanks to the Haynes family for their continued generosity towards Hilton College.



TERM 3

Advocate Thuli Madonsela

It was an incredible privilege to have Advocate Thuli Madonsela address the Hilton College community as a Guest Speaker on Friday, 25th August. She brought a message of hope for young and old South Africans, and challenged us to embrace our privilege and be intentional, even in a small way, to make a difference in our wonderful rainbow nation. Her wisdom, humility and reconciliatory message changed our lives and made a lasting impact.



Advocate Thuli Madonsela

Grandparents' Day

It was a great pleasure to welcome our very special Grandparents to our school for Grandparents Day on Saturday, 2nd September.



Kabelo Makwane with his Grandfather



William Crowe with his Grandmother

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Patrick McVeigh with his Grandmother



Oleabetsoe Mokoena with his Grandfather

A "Pens Down Spring Lunch" was held on 1st September for the Matrics in the Campbell Hall to celebrate the end of exams.



TERM 4

On 11th October, the Matrics last day of school a special Chapel Service was held. After the Chapel Service all the boys in Grades 8-11 and the staff formed a tunnel from the Chapel to the bell. The matrics walked down the tunnel saying farewell, with each of them ringing the bell once before forming a circle on the front lawn. The rest of the boys then gathered around them to sing "O Boys of Hilton".



Matric final tea

The Matric Art Exhibition was held on the1st November, 2017 in the Normand Dunn Gallery & Theatre Foyer.

Shoe Drive

On 23 rd of November a large group of our Matric boys finished their last exam. We encouraged them to



donate their shoes at the McKenzie Gates as they walked through them for the last time, as they wouldn't be needing them anymore, so that they can be given to someone who needs them the most. It was really touching to see so many boys supporting this worthy initiative. We also challenged our Old Boys to match the pairs of "preloved" shoes with a donation of B70 or more for a

new pair of shoes, which became part of our donation.

In South Africa, over 7 million children have never owned or worn a pair of brand new school shoes. These children have become accustomed to walking barefoot though our rough African terrain. At its core, Soul 2 Sole is simply about providing a pair of school shoes to as many of these under-privileged children as possible.

The hope is that this small and simple gesture can have a ripple effect, bringing hope, pride and dignity to our future leaders. Soul 2 Sole works to connect individuals and groups with under privileged schools to provide footwear. funds or other resources needed by the school and its community.

105 pairs in total! They were collected on 4th December! So proud of our community and what we have achieved!



Joslyn Anderson

CONDOLENCES



Khetiwe Mwelase

It is with deep sadness that we need to inform you of the passing of Khetiwe Mwelase, our Accounts Controller in the Finance Department. Khetiwe served Hilton College in various capacities for 17 years. She is survived by two adult children, a son (S'Phesihle) and a daughter (Thembeka). Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and loved ones.

Richard Todd (Headmaster 1981 - 1984)

We wish to inform members of the Hilton College community of the passing, in Somerset West on 11th of November, 2017, of Hilton's 10th Headmaster, Richard Todd.



While Mr Todd's tenure as Headmaster was short (1981 to 1983), evidence of the innovations of his time at the helm remain. It was he who appointed Hilton's first full-time Chaplain; he converted Falcon House from a junior House to the sixth full House and remodelled the Houses to provide every Matric student with a bed-sitter study. The first students of colour arrived at Hilton in Richard Todd's time, and he introduced girls into the Sixth Form, a practice which continued until the closing of Post Matric at the beginning of this century. He also appointed the first woman to the teaching staff in very many years. Another of his lasting legacies is the Fleur-de-Lys Club.

Richard Todd was an innovative, visionary educator. He had a profound sense of the power of education to release human potential. After leaving Hilton, having created the conditions for the establishment of the Leadership Education and Advancement Foundation (LEAF), he was instrumental in starting All Saints College, outside King William's Town, a project supported by the Anglo American Chairman's Fund and the Ciskei Government.

On behalf of the school, we offer our condolences to Judith and their children, Derek, Christopher, Duncan and Alexa at this sad time.

> Kind Regards, George Harris

Staff Leavers

Staff who left us ...

Kath Anderson left to take up a position at Cordwalles Preparatory after many years of service to Hilton College.

Mr Dali Ndebele resigned to accept a position as Director of Rugby at Burnside High school in Christchurch, New Zealand.



Farewell to Dali Ndebele

The last math's teacher that I bade farewell to, was Leon Lombard in 2013. So what do Leon and Dali have in common

Unintentional deconstruction – polite way of saying destruction - of office chairs. With a score of 3-2 to Dali.

It was about 5½ years ago when Gavin Thomson called me into his office to discuss the prospect of training Dali Ndebele as a Mathematics teacher.

I remember vividly his words: The sky's the limit for this guy ... with his strong rugby background, his academic qualifications, business acumen ... and with some Mathematics training – there is a recipe for success – for the man and the College.

Being me

I scrutinised his CV which, I must say was quite impressive, having completed a BSc Computational & Applied Mathematics degree at Wits University. Being Director of the Soweto Schools Rugby Project, Founder and Managing Director of Rugby 101 saw him coach and administer rugby at: Wits University, Soweto Rugby Club, Golden Lions, Spartans Rugby, St David's College, Redhill School, St John's College, Bryanston Prep, CBC Boksburg, St Martins High, FNB Classic Clashes, Eye of the Tiger Rugby Academy. He also had in his possession some rugby certification: SA Rugby level 3; IRB Level 2; IRB 7s. (International Rugby Board)

What was intriguing was that he was also a journalist and commentator: Appearing as a Rugby guest on BBC World Service; Talk Sports Radio (UK); SA FM; Soweto TV; SABC International; BBC Africa; Metro FM, Lesedi FM, Power FM, Jozi FM; E-TV.

If that is not enough ... He had published articles in: Insider Magazine (Australia) Rugby World SA Magazine Our Youth for life Publication Brand Magazine and Destiny Magazine.

Dali also held positions in marketing: Tyzac Marketing (Botswana), Airpic Ltd (UK) and Skyview SA

So after all that The 41-year-old with 4 lovely children arrives at Hilton College to begin his teaching career...

Dali studied for his PGCE in 2012 while teaching 2 Mathematics classes. He then took on a full-time position in 2013. His responsibilities included designing our Thinking Math's Strategies, ISASA Mentoring, Vula-teacher Trainer, MIC Basketball and rugby and athletics coach. During his time with us, he has been accredited as a Thinking Schools SA Trainer. In his time here, he has presented at 14 math's conferences since 2012.

So, who are we saying goodbye to:

A progressive thinker, a coach, a motivator, a math's teacher... a non-conformist.

As John Roff aptly put it: Dali has an infectious generosity – he welcomes people into his circle and makes them feel at home and special. This has made him a deeply important part of the social fabric of Hilton during his time here.

Five years later, Dali's multifaceted approach to self-development has come to fruition. His appointment at Burnside High School as Mathematics Teacher and Director of Rugby is a dream come true for him. Together with his invitation from the Canterbury Rugby Football Union to offer training and be involved with the Crusaders through their school rugby programme Life for him will be great.

Dali: Do you remember -

- all those inconsequential conversations
- all that casual banter
- the sound of a gunshot when your back tyre burst on our bicycle ride to Bennies,
- heavy breakfast.
- those strange decisions
- all that infectious laughter the Baulderdash games,
- those never ending coffee breaks and 'quick chats' ... actually never quick which we thought made us smarter

I will miss those moments. If we ever get a chance to work together again, let's do the same \ldots

Farewell, my friend. I leave you with this final thought:

Whenever you find yourself doubting how far you can go, Just remember how far you have come. Remember everything you have faced, All the battles you have won, And all the fears you have overcome.

Praveshen lyer

Mr Keith Fairweather resigned in order to take up the position of a Geography teacher at Michaelhouse.

Mrs Ann Greenwood retired after 22 dedicated years of service at Hilton College.

Mr Anthony Durnford, who has served Hilton College for 30 years, retired this year. Mr Durnford's contribution has been profound. I am sure his departing this place will leave a gap that is difficult to fill demonstrated by the wealth of memories he carries with him.

Farewell to Anthony Durnford

There is little that is predictable about Ant Durnford and I mean

that in a positive sense, but I was as surprised as anyone when I was asked by Ant to speak at this farewell. With a room full of English teachers it is only Durnford who would ask the Geography teacher to say a few words. But as long as I have known Ant he has never been inclined to go with the flow. I heard this quote by Mark Twain on the radio recently "Whenever you find



yourself on the side of the majority, it is time to reflect". In my view, this is what Ant is about. He thinks things through and is not afraid to have an alternate view. The other thing about Ant is that he believes in people and he helps to instil self-belief in them. I will talk about this a little later but for the moment I would like to thank Ant for this opportunity to say a few words about him. I not sure that anyone can really do justice to the 30 years' service that you have given to Hilton but I will give a shot.

Compared to Ant I have been here a relatively short period of time, although according to our class photo we did do our HDE's together. He was a rather woolly looking character and I have to admit I never really got to know him, and besides with this bushy hair and his somewhat left wing political views he was the type of character that my mother warned me not to be seen to be associating with. Mandy's Mom might well have given her the same advice but she knew better.

Our paths were to cross many times in our teaching years and I think that I have got to know him reasonably well although he always managed to convey a certain air of mystery which has kept me guessing. There are staff here this evening that were here at Hilton when Ant started back in 1987. I tried to get information out of them about Ant's early days but as much as they would like to have helped they don't seem to be able to remember much. The years have not always been kind to them. I have heard that Ant had a pony-tail when he first started but this is unconfirmed, not even Mandy could help me here.

Ant matriculated from Michaelhouse. He then spent a year in the South African Air Force, where he successfully served out his time without being officially charged or found guilty of any major offence. He then returned to start at The University of Natal in Pietermaritzburg were he did a BA degree majoring in English and something else which I was meant to find and have slipped up on.

As I have said Ant and I did our HDE years together. Although it might seem obvious now that Ant was always likely to be a teacher he wasn't that convinced and after completing his BA degree spent a few years drifting around Maritzburg and its various student digs and watering holes. Places with interesting names like 'The Establishment' and 'Pistol Dawn' before moving to Cape Town where he did a couple of things including climbing the mountain but good work was hard to come by. He never managed to find the job that he was looking for. He spent some time in Johannesburg working for Thompson's Publications but apparently his heart wasn't in it because he had met this wonderful young girl (and Mandy you must have been quite young). She was like himself, of good farming stock and he spent most of his weekends travelling back to the Midlands to see her. Ant then returned to Natal and began teaching at King's School in Nottingham Road. I am not too sure exactly when they met but the two of them were married in 1982. They spent a bit of time overseas but Mandy couldn't wait to get back and Ant knew what was good for him and he joined her. He then registered to do his HDE the following year.

Ant did his teaching prac at Hilton College so when he got a job here a few years later the Headmaster knew what he was getting. Before this was to happen Ant got a post at Hoër School Gert Maritz in Maritzburg. It would be fair to say that Gert Maritz was a rather conservative Afrikaans institution, so one would have expected Ant to have slotted in easily.

No it was a culture shock for both Ant and the school and whilst Ant has continued on to have a long and successful career, Gert Maritz closed its doors a few years later.

The first time that I really got to know Ant was when I was coaching cricket at Alex. As Alex coaches, and I think the same could have been said about the boys, we loved coming up to Hilton. In those days we played all day cricket not 50 overs. Alex were all too happy to let Hilton bat first set a target and then block out the afternoon or to win the toss and bat until afternoon tea

and leave Hilton 45 minutes plus 20 overs to get our score. The games often fizzled out and we would return down the hill with a creditable draw. It was often on these long days that you got to know your opposite number well. Ant was always so hospitable and has this ability to make you and your team feel as if Hilton have been looking forward to this game all week and that they really appreciated you coming up to play them. For the Alex players there was of course the food. The mood on the field was always positive, not quiet but enjoyable and no unnecessary noise or animosity. More often than not against Ant's team the draw that we were aiming for didn't materialise and we would get bowled out in the last few overs. After some years I realized that although the players changed from year to year the common factor in their success was Ant. He had a real ability to inspire and instil confidence in players. He got boys to really perform and often to play above themselves. His cricket results, whatever team he had coached, have been remarkable and so nobody, not even Paul Guthrie would challenge him on his selection. At one time the Hilton 2nd XI under Ant's guidance had no fewer than 6 Newnham boys excluding the Captain and Vice-Captain who were also in his C dorm meeting. You can imagine the form that the team talk would have taken.

'Listen men the Boks are playing 3pm so we need to wrap this up before then. I have had a look at the DHS warm up and I think that they are worth about 80 runs, 110 at the most. Crouse you need to rotate your bowlers and by the way, Mrs Hess has phoned and asked that you return her son's tuckbox with the tuck asap. Tasker we need a good opening spell from you and don't forget to organise the fires for tomorrow's Family day', and so it would go on.

There was a season a few years ago where Ant and I travelled together to 7 away fixtures in a row. Ant was coaching the 2nd XI. And I was with one of the junior B teams. The reason for the away games was at that stage our 1st team could not get a win so the then Director of sport (It might even have been Ant?) ensured that the 1st XI at least had home ground advantage. What was interesting about these away games is that I got a glimpse into how Ant worked with his team.

I remember once when we were at Glenwood, (this must have been a few years ago before Glenwood did the unthinkable and went professional in terms of their sport). The hosts had won the toss and elected to bat and were going quite well at 45 for 1 at morning tea. I said to Ant "it looks like you are in for a long day" and he replied "no" he thought that Glenwood were worth no more than 110 runs. At lunch Hilton were already batting and by 2 o'clock they had won and were waiting for the 15B to get finished. Ant was right about the opposition and more importantly he convinced the Hilton boys that he was right.

I have spoken about his cricket coaching. I haven't mentioned his rugby coaching and I don't think that I have watched his teams play that often but if you take the time to look in school magazines his results particularly when he coached the 16Bs were very good indeed and he wouldn't have been able to hide players from Andy van der Watt as he did from 1st team cricket coach.

This year Ant has had a bowler who took 6 wickets in a row in two overs; a double hat trick, 5 of them bowled but somehow Ant convinced the new Proteas Batting Coach (who I would assume knows something about bowling) that John Turner wasn't ready for the 1st XI and so ended another excellent season for the 2nd XI.

Our paths also crossed whilst I was Alex, as Mandy came across, I think from GHS, as the Librarian. She took over from a very nice woman who had been in charge probably since the school started so there was work to be done and she really transformed the place and we were once again allowed to take books out. I can clearly remember Mandy commenting that with Ant's recent promotion to Housemaster at Hilton she hardly saw him in the evening anymore. But the way she said it I wasn't too sure whether she felt this was altogether a bad thing or not.

Ant was a regular in the Umgeni cricket team. He played for them even before he started teaching here. There are many stories about his exploits mainly with the ball. There is a story about him struggling with sunstroke on a tour up the North coast and becoming very ill. I know that Pete Jubber has his own version of this, however, I am more inclined to believe the story that Ant told Mandy; that he simply underestimated the effects of the Zululand heat. He rightly says that Pete and some of the more experienced tourists in the team should have warned him about effects of dehydration.

In the mid 1980's Ant, whilst working at Kings School in Nottingham road, turned out for the Michaelhouse United Cricket team one of the few multi-racial teams in KZN and later he played for The Atlantis Cricket Club in Maritzburg. Their team saying was; "It may be a drowned city but not a lost cause." It sounds like something that Ant might have thought up and initiated. He went on to be selected for the Natal Cricket Board provincial team. These were tough times in South Africa and I sure that it wasn't easy to play in the non-racial setup. I can remember watching cricket at Collegians Club in Maritzburg at about this time, and a non-white team was playing against the hosts and the families of the players were not being allowed to use the club facilities. These were still dark apartheid days so it does give us a little insight into Ant and reinforces the notion that he is not afraid to have an alternate opinion and to act on it.

Other than cricket the other area that I have got to know Ant well is as a Housemaster where I took over Newnham from him. The Durnford's had lived there for 14 years, five as an assistant and nine as Housemaster. In order to allow time for the painters to come in and for the kitchen and bathrooms to be revamped (something which Mandy had been asking for so, so long that she had given up and now they were doing it for the new Housemaster!) The Durnfords moved out into their new home at the bottom of Laundry Lane which honestly looked like a building site. The only entrance to the House for both the Durnfords and the workmen was through the main bedroom. Ant realized that the Housemaster needed to be in his new residence before the boys returned in January and was therefore prepared to move. I am not too sure that this would happen today and I was always very grateful for their unselfishness.

Newnham was a friendly laidback House. The boys were quite playful but very importantly, the interaction between the boys of all grades and across grades was really positive. Ant had spent $9 \ensuremath{^{1\!/_2}}$ years developing an attitude of tolerance amongst them. He had taken over the House when it had been quite rebellious and slowly settled the boys down. Equally noticeable to me was the sense of empowerment which he had given the boys. In my first few weeks at Newnham I met the Chairman of various internal House committees run by the boys which I never knew existed. They had Maths support lessons operating long before our Maths Dept. came up with the idea but probably the committee I remember the best had Kirk Anderson as the Chairman of what one could have called the Common Room Committee. Kirk asked if he could build a braai outside the Matric common room and when he saw me hesitate he assured me that Mr Durnford would have encouraged him, so I let him go ahead. In my mind I was confident that nothing would come of it. Two days later a load of second hand bricks arrived at Newnham, no doubt it had something to do with the construction of the new science block. But Kirk had convinced the driver to take them to Newnham. Unfortunately Basil put a stop to Kirk's plans but he had showed great initiative.

Ant left me with a really good group of Matrics in my first year. Christopher Rule was the head of House and they got on with things. Initially I knew that they thought that I was a bit of pain, but as Ant had taught them, they tolerated me. Under Ant, Newnham had an award which they called thr Glass rattle, I think it was originally Alice's rattle and the idea behind it was that anyone who made a stupid or ridiculous comment during the week would be awarded the rattle in House prayers. I never knew the history or tradition but I did find myself on the receiving end of the award a few times before I realized what was going on.

For whatever reason, but probably because the parents realized that their boys would be happiest in Newnham, there were quite a few Kenyans in the House. Ant genuinely welcomed them and understood their relaxed attitude and for a long time Newnham was the Kenyan House. These boys in the vast majority of cases were such decent kids that they really brought something special to the House and helped encourage that attitude of tolerance that Ant had the boys working so hard to develop. They really did add value. I am not suggesting that they weren't naughty. It was two Kenyans after all who hot wired the marketing golf cart and went rabbit chasing.

As I have said, Ant has a real ability of instilling belief in the boys. I have seen the same in the way in which he works with the Matric Cultural Reps and how they successfully pulled off the Youth Day Event year after year and how the Clubs and Societies programme which he, with the help of the boys, has reinstated. One of the senior boys that I tutor was the co-ordinator of the Fly Tying Club. He spent months organising a weekend away for the boys. I genuinely thought that it would never happen but it did and Ant needs to take a lot of credit for this. He kept the boy positive and kept encouraging him.

I saw the following quote in the 2016 Matric Leadership and Mentor Guide. (Unfortunately, Mandy you will be appalled at the fact that there is no reference but I thought that I would use it). 'Treat someone as they appear and you'll make them worse. Treat them as if they are what they can potentially be and you'll help them to be all they should be'. To me this is what Ant is about.

The one change that the boys of Newnham had to get used to when I took over from Ant was that I was a non-smoker. The change of Housemaster also coincided with the installation of whirly bird air extractors in the attic. So they quickly had to find another venue for their habit which they managed to keep secret for almost a decade until Mark Perrett recently got wind of it.

One person at Hilton who Ant may not have empowered, but certainly kept in business was the mechanic Jock, who used to operate his small business from the workshop. In those days we all drove old cars, not just the Perrett's, and so Jock had a good client base. Ant's cars suffered under his ownership. He has never quite understood the concept of speedbumps and Jock did all he could to keep Ant mobile. Ant's car was more than a means of getting around the campus, it was his mobile briefcase and sports bag, so it had to stay on the road. I don't think that he ever locks his car and except when he leaves the campus he never takes the keys out of the ignition. He once had his car 'stolen' at the Midlands Mall. Fortunately Mandy was with him and with the help of CCVTV she was able to help him remember where he had parked. When his cars reach the point where they really needed to be upgraded he always had a ready source of buyers amongst the kitchen staff. I think that in some cases he used pay them to come and collect the vehicle.

The place that I probably got to know Ant best was on the Grade 8 Outward Bound weekend. He was obviously a real asset as a group leader and facilitator where he could convince boys that the obstacles were perfectly safe. And that the pole bridging two thorn trees 4 metres above the ground over which they had to climb, and that was secured in place by only a faded piece of nylon twine, was perfectly safe. And that Nhlanla had checked it only a few hours earlier. By the end of the first day Ant was always of the opinion that he the best group and would suggest that we needed to make things a little more competitive as his team made up of 12 legends in the making would definitely come out on top. They probably would have but we always managed to talk him out of it.

The evening feedback sessions that we had around the fire at the Lapa on the Outward Bound were generally chaired by Ant. I know that a few years ago Mandy also stayed over on one evening and Ant was sent home to look after the dogs. But I am sorry Mandy it wasn't the same and that is why you have not been invited to stay again. Ant loved to entertain us will stories about his experiences in the military which, considering that these were so unremarkable was remarkable. Soon after his basic training in the Air Force he wrote an aptitude test which to this day he claims he must have got a distinction for. He was either destined to be a pilot or at the very least, an air traffic controller and most importantly an officer. The results came back and Ant was soon packed off to a military airport in the operational area where his official status was Brandweerman. His impersonations of the South African permanent force members kept us laughing year after year. In the last few years of what is now the OLE, Ant has, amongst other things assisted with the preparation of the staff meals. He had at least 2 years as Jaco's assistant and this year he actually put on the apron. We all agreed that even when Mandy was not there, the food was excellent and we were all careful to compliment him on it and to assure him that we really weren't missing Jaco and anyway Jaco's melktert wasn't that good!

We have had a few cooks down at the Lapa and probably the most well-known was Ant's good friend Derek. Ant along with Dave White always gave him a hard time about his food. We all miss Derek but I think that Ant might have felt his loss more than most. They were colleagues in the English dept., fellow Housemasters and cricket and rugby coaches together. I am sure that if Derek was still with us he would be the one standing hear talking about Ant and he would have a lot more stories. One of the things that Ant and Derek had in common is that I felt that I daren't look at either of them in a staff meeting, particularly in those meetings that were held in the early afternoons. Derek couldn't keep his eyes open and I found this infectious. Ant until recently was perhaps not really as guilty of this, but having sat in well over 150 such meetings you can excuse him for losing focus.

Ant's assessment of boys in these meeting is always insightful but lately, although he still gets it right, we have often moved on and are were now discussing another boy whose name is two or three places further down the list. Ant is very encouraging with the boys but they didn't take chances. I inherited a boy from Ant in Newnham who in the early days of lap-tops made the error of telling Ant who was his English teacher, that he had done his essay but that his computer had crashed and he couldn't find it. Ant despite not being a digital native did a little investigating and found that James had in fact misled him and that the work hadn't been done on the date that he said it had and as a result spent two weeks on Headmaster's Gating. This was the same Newnhamite who I found with 11 empty guart beer bottles in his fridge. When I asked him where the 12th bottle was he answered something to the effect "that there were only so many pockets in a greatcoat." For the record this boy arrived in Newnham after Ant had stepped down.

The Durnfords have lived in no fewer than 8 different homes (I was meant to confirm this with Mandy so it is a guestimate). The fact is that they have moved around a lot at Hilton. Alice was born here and Ben was very young when Ant and Mandy arrived at Hilton.

Alice was the only staff member's child who had her own horse and stable where the Vula Lodge is now situated. When Shiraz was unfortunately knocked down on the Hilton College Road the next Newnham House prayers meeting began with a minute's silence. Alice was not often seen walking around the school. Whilst Mr Durnford really believed in the boys when it came to his daughter none of them were good enough. I can remember my daughters who were a little below Alice at St John's, coming home and commenting that Alice seemed to know everything and she had again won most of the prizes at Speech Day. They thought it was unfair since her mother was a Librarian and knew everything. I said no, that it was just that Alice was so bright although I did agree that I had once or twice heard Ant comment that he would ask Mandy because she knew everything. Ben has lived most of his life at Hilton and at one time had the misfortune of being one of my tutees. I remember how he tolerated me, resisting the temptation to tell me to get stuffed and let me believe that I was doing a reasonable job.

One of things that I found odd when we moved into Newnham is that the staircase had wooden gates at both the top and the bottom. Apparently to keep Ben and Alice from falling down the stairs but I suspect later it might well have had something to do with the domestic routine on Ant's night off, where Alice and Ben were not allowed upstairs and were encouraged to watch the new acquisition, a VCR.

Despite his Michaelhouse education and 30 years at Hilton, there is nothing pretentious about Ant. The Hilton staff have a whiskey connoisseurs club and Ant does enjoy a whiskey from time to time so I assumed that he would be a regular at their meeting but he said not. He has attended a few and at one, where an expert had been brought in to educate the group they were all enjoying one particular bottle and were trying to determine where it came from. Some said Ireland, others said that they tasted the peat soils of Scotland and of course Ant didn't have a clue but in any event he was the most correct as it turned out to be rum.

Although not flashy, Ant does enjoy a degree of formality and I can remember my first few Leaver's dinners at Newnham where all the Dads arrived in suits some in dress suits and I realized that the invitation which I was using had originally been designed by Ant and it said formal on the invitation and I have seen photographs of Ant at these dinners in his rather eccentric bow ties. I have never really thanked Ant for the fact that he left digital copies of all the old Housemaster reports and boys' testimonials. In my first few years writing the Housemaster's comments, I foundit a really tough task, so it was great to have these well- written reports as a guide. I know that in some case there might even have been a case for plagiarism. Thank goodness there was no turnitin in those days. What I found really interesting is that when I told the report checkers, whether it was Kathleen or Nick, that I was using Ant's reports to guide me they went out of their way to find fault with them. I think that it is an English teacher thing.

Ant has occupied almost every position on management other that Headmaster or Deputy Headmaster. He was the Housemaster's Representative on Management, Deputy Director of Academics, Acting Director of Sport and more recently Director of Co-curricular activities I believe that in his early days he was also in charge of the Sixth Form Programme.

I know that Ant really enjoyed his days as a Housemaster but I would think that these last few years where he has been in charge of the co-curricular programme have probably been some of his most fulfilling. In both cases I think it has been the close interaction with the boys that he has found most satisfying.

Ant I wish you well! I know that you have plans to go and teach in Kenya and I hope this works out. We would probably prefer it if

you left Mandy behind for the moment. At least your departure will sort out the ongoing problem with the Durnford initials. For the record it is APD who is leaving and AJD who will stay on. I know that you unselfishly gave up your classroom this year or perhaps it was last year so we have got used to seeing you drifting around the Crookes Block looking for a venue. I have resisted the temptation to join the smokers in the quad at tea or before school but it will be odd to look down from the Geography corridor and to see Kathleen and Nick sitting on a bench solving the problems of the English department and every other department without your input.

Ant once again thank you for the opportunity to talk at this function and all the best to you and your family. I mentioned to Mandy yesterday that I thought that you were too young to be retiring and she answered that I obviously hadn't watched last Saturday's cricket match because if I had I would have realized that there were a whole lot of others who should be retiring with you.

Mike Mills

Mr Trevor van Niekerk is leaving us to take up the position of Director of Academics at St Annes. Although we will all miss his witty humour alongside his passion for, and expertise in Science, we recognize that our loss is St Anne's gain and we wish him everything of the best in this new endeavour.

Mr Shaun van Wyk is leaving us to take up a Science teaching post at Reddam House Umhlanga. We will miss Mr van Wyk's left field thinking and his strong relational approach to his teaching. We wish him and his family well in his new challenge.

Mr Pieter van der Schyff is leaving Hilton at the end of the year to explore other opportunities. Mr van der Schyff has been a ball of energy, demonstrating the art of enthusiasm in all he has tackled while here at Hilton. We wish him everything of the very best in the next part of his life's journey.

Ms Lara Williams has accepted an HOD post in Cape Town at Reddam House Constantia. This is an exciting prospect for Ms Williams who has served Hilton in the French and English departments for five years with distinction.

Ms Tina Mashobane has accepted a post at Pridwin Preparatory in Johannesburg. We wish her all the best in her new position.

Ms Anne McLouglin has worked at Hilton for several years, most recently at VULA. Ms McLouglin is re-retiring and will be exploring a few life dreams in the next chapter of her life.

Ms Sue Smythe, who has been a part-time employee for many years, has decided to retire formally at the end of the year. Ms Smythe has a passion for learning and for assisting boys to learn. We will miss her and wish her everything of the best for her future endeavours.

Mr Dave Watson is also leaving us after standing in for a while this year.

Ms Krusekopf has been with us for several months since Mr Ndebele left us. Thank you for standing in so ably. We wish you everything of the best.



Farewell to Pete de Lysle

I have a cousin who, even though he has owned and driven three Ford bakkies over the past seventeen years, claims that he is not really a "Ford person". He says he identifies more closely with the Hiluxes I have driven over the same period and he somehow sees himself as a Toyota man! I feel very privileged to have the opportunity to pay tribute to Peter de Lisle this evening. I hope that I can do this full justice and honour him in the way he so richly deserves to be honoured.

Peter was educated at St Alban's College in Pretoria. He did a BA degree in English & Psychology at Rhodes University which he followed up with an Honours in Psychology and then a Masters in Critical Psychology. He then did a second Masters in Sociology and Religious Studies through Lancaster University in the UK. In 2000 he completed, believe it or not, a third Master's Degree in Computer Assisted Education through Pretoria University. His dissertation was entitled "Information and Communication Technologies for supporting cross-curricular teaching in secondary schools" and the degree was conferred cum laude.

Education is in Peter's blood. He is the son of a teacher. His dad was a highly regarded headmaster of St Martin's and WHPS. He was part of a great legion of South African headmasters which included the likes of Raymond Slater. Peter had the privilege of growing up in a liberal home with excellent role models and it is little surprise that he chose to seek a life of significance by giving of himself to others. He chose to do this, as his father had before him, in education.

Peter's first post was a 3 month contract teaching English at Langa Comprehensive School. From there he taught briefly at Crestway Senior Secondary School, also in Cape Town before spending 1989 on the staff of St Mary's School in Mafikeng. He spent the next ten years at Mmabatho High School in Mafikeng. During this time he headed the Pastoral Care and then the IT Department.

I met Peter for the first time in 1999 when I was involved in his appointment as my replacement to head up Hilton's then nascent IT Department. I remember Ant Lovell and I being very excited at Peter's appointment and I remember feeling sad that I would not be at Hilton to work with Peter. He started at Hilton in January 2000 and ran the IT Department at Hilton College from 2000 to 2010 before being appointed to run the newly formed Curriculum Support Unit in 2011. Happily, this was the year I re-joined the Hilton College staff so I did get to work with Peter after all.

On Peter's watch the IT department grew from a few dozen computers in one or two buildings to a campus wide network supporting a device in every boy and every staff member's hands.

While he was involved in much of the strategic thinking about hardware acquisitions, his real contribution came in developing and assisting his colleagues in the meaningful application of technology to learning. In the same way that my cousin doesn't really see himself as a Ford man, I have never really seen Peter as an IT man – such a definition would be limiting. For Peter it has always been about the learning and his real talents are in designing curricula for deep learning, exploiting technology where relevant.

Peter is a deep thinker about teaching and learning. He reads voraciously and has spent his whole life developing himself. He has become a self-taught Access, Code Charge and Moodle Guru and has developed dozens of applications to promote efficiencies in our organisation. He is highly analytical and logical to go along with his love of language and the arts. Without wishing to cause offence, let me say that it is normally the Maths teachers who do school timetables!

Peter built and maintained our school internet and intranet sites.

In addition to his three Masters' degrees Peter is certified as an:

- Intel Master Trainer for Essentials and Thinking with Technology courses;
- Senior Trainer for Microsoft Partners in Learning, Webquests
- SACE Evaluator of Teacher Development Projects

He has published and presented widely. He attended the founding conference of SchoolNet South Africa in 1999 and he has made significant contributions to this organisation ever since. In addition he has presented twice at the International Boys' Schools' Coalition Conference – in Boston in 2007 and in Virginia in 2013. He has twice been a finalist in the International Microsoft Innovative Education Forum and earlier this year he was selected as a Microsoft Innovative Educator Expert which saw him as part of the winning project team in Toronto. Peter's list of papers and presentations is far too long to read out this evening.

Peter knows the Microsoft Office Suite better than anyone else I know. He is also a self-taught PhotoShop guru.

There is nobody I can think of who better embodies the virtue of lifelong learning that we espouse to as a learning community than Peter.

Peter served on the Staff Advisory Committee, the Transformation Committee and the Academic and Outreach sub-committees of the Hilton College Board. He also made significant contributions to our Vula Programme.

For several years Peter helped run the Intern Programme. In this role he was adamant that interns needed to be given rich exposure to a wide variety of learning opportunities and not to simply be abused as a source of cheap and willing labour. He also worked hard at bringing to Hilton those interns for whom such an opportunity would be life changing.

He made significant contributions to the Arts at Hilton College through his involvement in the Arts Festival and Theatre websites. This involvement is typical of much of Peter's work at Hilton – much of it has been behind the scenes, backstage, out of the limelight and has all too often gone unheralded. Because of who he is, I don't believe that this lack of fanfare ever mattered to Peter. It is only since Peter has left us that we have fully appreciated the scope of his involvement in so many different areas.

As Hilton grappled with our new strategy I was fortunate to be involved in many strategic discussions with Peter. He is a strategic thinker second to none and I have appreciated not only his ability to think clearly and objectively, without bias but equally his ability to communicate this thinking.

Throughout his time here Peter has stayed true to himself and he has lived a life of complete integrity and humility. He is entirely comfortable with who he is and he has never done anything to compromise that. He has been a significant example and role model to many of us. I personally feel a huge debt of gratitude for all that I have learnt from you, Peter.

When he is not busy working Peter enjoys music and he has sung in various choirs and music groups. He also loves hiking, trail running, mountain biking, photography, videography, reading novels and current affairs, gadgets, watching movies, travel and 4X4 adventuring.

Peter has been an amazing father to Ben, Thato and now to Marjorie. He and Danielle are both characterised by their generosity of spirit and their lives of service to others. Danielle was instrumental in setting up the Health and Development Facility in the valley village which, amongst its other good work, raised awareness of HIV and Aids. Danielle we want to take this opportunity to thank you too for the support you have given Peter and for the loyal friend you have been to so many in our community.

There is this common notion that a prophet is often considered without wisdom in his own land. Many times over the years people from other schools have said to me, "You guys are so lucky to have Peter de Lisle at Hilton – one of the country's preeminent thinkers about teaching and learning". Peter, while you have achieved so much here, I think that the place has, at times, frustrated you with its somewhat contrived construct, its intermittent insularity, its sporadic resistance to change and its occasional failure to do the blindingly obvious.

Last year when George became involved in driving some conversations about learning, it was clear that we were getting a transformational leader. I asked Peter if I couldn't persuade him to change his mind and stay to help transform Hilton. Interestingly, he said, "If I am true to himself, I don't think I will ever really feel fully at home at Hilton".

I believe that Peter was always set to return to work with a community much less privileged than this one. Like the story of my cousin and his bakkies, 17 years has not really made Peter a "Hilton man" in the typical sense of the word! I see this as a credit to him and to his adherence to what matters most to him.

Peter, we want to thank you and your family for the many ways you have enriched our school and our community and we want to wish you everything of the best for your exciting future. There is no doubt that Inanda Seminary will be richly blessed by you and we look forward to staying in touch.

Paul de Wet



Farewell to Silva Pillay

Ladies and gentlemen, it is an honour for me this evening to reflect on Mr Pillay's life and contributions at Hilton College and education in general. Please indulge me in my reference to the honoured guest tonight when I refer to him as Mr Pillay, Pillay or Pills. I find it very difficult to address him by his first name because of the utmost respect I have for him. Maybe the following information will explain why.

Mr Pillay studied at the University of Durban Westville and started teaching Mathematics at Woodlands Secondary School in Northdale Pietermaritzburg in 1977. He was headhunted by the Department of Education, promoted to Head of Maths and asked to establish the Maths department of a new school – Heather Secondary School. My wife and I were very fortunate to have been appointed to the same school in 1985. My association with Pillay thus began in 1985. He was a mentor to both of us and his guidance and advice helped shape our careers as teachers. Although he did not teach Charmaine Padayachee, who was a pupil at Heather Secondary, he played a role in shaping her Mathematical future. During his tenure at Heather, the school achieved many milestones:

 In 1990 not only did the top pupil in SA come from Heather Secondary, but the school also achieved 3rd and 4th as well. The top student was later offered a post at NASA.

Pillay was appointed as a national examiner for Maths from 1992 – 1995 for the then House of Delegates. People still remember him very fondly from the marking sessions with Pillay at the helm. When he joined the IEB later when he was appointed at Hilton College, he quickly moved up to the rank of Senior Marker for 15 years.

I always considered Mr Mike Nicholson to be a wise man. In 1994 Mr Pillay was invited to Hilton College as a visitor teacher. The Headmaster realised that Mr Pillay would make a valuable contribution to Hilton College and subsequently offered him a permanent post as a teacher of Mathematics in 1997. During his tenure of 20 years at Hilton, Mr Pillay had many memorable years, but the one that sticks out is the year when in his grade 12 class of 24 boys, 22 of them achieved distinctions.

He started soccer in 1997 with 3 teams and helped it grow to 28 teams. He also coached the 1st team for 13 years. That is how he was given the nickname 'Silver Fox'. This was due to his tactical substitutions and sly playing patterns.

Pillay also enjoyed coaching cricket for many years building relations with opposition coaches.

During his time at Hilton, he served on many committees:

- Exchange committee
- Transformation committee
- Games committee

He served on all these committees with diligence.

Mr Pillay has also been a valuable member of the Vula programme for many years and was also in charge of the Johannesburg buses. Mr Pillay always took care of everybody.

Outside of school:

- Secretary / Treasurer Technicals Football Club
- Chairman of Technicals Football Club
- Executive Committee PADSA Selector and Manager
- USSASA Soccer and Athletics Committee

Many will agree with me that Mr Pillay is a kind, quiet, gentle human who always put the needs of others before his own.

Here are a few of the many testimonials which the boys have written about him:

- Mr Pillay always knew how to make us laugh and he always brought a fun manner into learning Maths
- I always looked forward to my maths lessons with Mr Pillay, although I don't like Maths. Mr Pillay is a brilliant and witty

man. He has helped many boys with Maths at Hilton in a fashion that the boys actually enjoyed it and for that we are extremely grateful.

 Normally Maths was a drag but somehow Mr Pillay would help that time fly by. He really made the lessons enjoyable.

Maths is Mr Pillay's life. Unfortunately when sickness reared its ugly head, Mr Pillay felt that in the interest of the boys he should give someone else the opportunity to take over from what he had built. It was not an easy decision to make, but he realised it was time to take care of himself.

To conclude:

Astronauts, physicists, programmers, musicians, technologists, doctors, engineers, lawyers and all the other professions that make the world go around have one thing in common – a good teacher who gave light to their dreams. Farewell, to one such teacher.

SERVICE TIES

Several Hilton College boys give many hours of their time in service to the school in various areas. This is always appreciated

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service to the school in various areas. This is always appreciated and the Service Tie is awarded in recognition of this. We congratulate the following boys who have been awarded their ties for service in the following areas:

First Aid

Sampa Chikwanda, Nicholas Fowler, Zanesizwe Ndebele, Ryan Ramoni, Keegan Raves

Basketball coaching, refereeing and administration

Alexander Hopkins, Lwazi Mkhwanazi, Lawrence Umunna

Library service

Marcus Montague-Mfuni, Sipho-Sakhe Nzalo



Sanatorium



We had 12 boys qualify for Level Two First-Aid at the beginning of this year, taking our valid certificate practicing first-aiders to 37. These boys put their well learned skills in First-Aid into practice, serving their fellow pupils on the side of the sports field. Our awards dinner was a great evening out with a dinner and movie. At our First-Aider dinner we announced the First-Aider of the year. This year the award was shared by two worthy recipients. Christopher Abraham and Lwazi Malinga shared the trophy. They



Wendy Allen, Yvette McDonald and Bianca Smith

both gave in excess of 40 hours in service over three years, showing commitment and perseverance. They are to be commended on their humble service. Both qualified in Level Two First-Aid in 2015 and they received their service ties this year.



Our Strapping Cup Award went to Ryan Ramoni. Ryan qualified in strapping this year completing a course run by Nick Pereira our new physiotherapist. Rvan has remained committed to offering service in both First-Aid and Strapping and he completed the First-Aid Level Two course this year. Ryan has worked closely with Mrs Melanie Carey our Biokineticist and she has appreciated his support.

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We introduced a strapping gazebo at home matches and away games where boys that require strapping can be strapped at the gazebo before matches. Mel continues to offer a phenomenal service to the boys in strapping and biokinetic rehabilitation on site.

We ran two blood donation clinics in the first and second terms and had 30 and 42 donations given respectively. This is a great improvement on previous years and boys compete within their Houses to give the most donations. As a reward, the winning House gets pizza and coke to enjoy between prep sessions. This year Pearce was the winning House at both donor clinics.

We look forward to training our new first aid recruits next year. We are running a course this term and have 10 boys attending the course. First-Aid offers the opportunity of getting a service tie with regulated hours of service in First-Aid. First-Aid Service counts 10% toward University entrance and community service. Letters of reference are given for the boy's portfolios on request. It is a valuable life skill, helping boys grow in responsibility and confidence. We are putting our list out for recruits to sign up for next year and hope for some keen recruits.



We have seen some challenging times with a busy rugby and hockey season. This year we have only had three confirmed cases of mumps but no measles or chicken pox. Some other local schools were not as lucky with some having as many as 40 cases of mumps. I think we can attribute our escape in part to our boys being vaccinated with the MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccine. The MMR vaccine is not part of the EPI (expanded program for immunisation) put out by the Government. We seriously recommend that you have your son's vaccinated with this vaccine to prevent them getting Mumps. Mumps can result in sterility in teenage boys. For this reason we firmly recommend that your son's have two MMR vaccines, one at once and the second a month later, in order to confer enough immunity to prevent the disease. If your son has not had Chicken Pox or been vaccinated previously against the disease then I would recommend that he be given the Varicella Vaccine. Taking this vaccine will prevent the vaccinated boys from getting Shingles as an adult, there is a cross association between the diseases.



Dr Thomas is our registered school GP, and this year we have finalized our clinic licence and also taken Dr Thomas on board in regular consultation in San matters. We are very blessed to have him help us. Dr Frank and Dr Morrish our local Orthopaedic Surgeons helped us in the Gilfillan First-Aid Room during the home matches this year. We enjoyed having their expertise at initial assessments immediately following injury. Next winter sports season they have offered to do an hour clinic on a Monday following Saturday matches to help in the diagnosis and treatment of sports injuries.

We now have two physios. Nick Pereira has brought in Kent to help him manage the demand we have. This year has seen some valuable protocols established where Nick has developed a plan in management of injuries. Along with Dr Thomas we have also worked on a standardized protocol for the management of concussion and it is aligned with the requirements of SARU (South African Rugby Union). We have started the baseline testing of our Impact Test Programme for 2018 and have had 301 boys sign up. This program is an invaluable tool in the assessment of brain healing following concussion.

We look forward to a great year in 2018! Yours in Health

Yvette McDonald (Sr. McDonald)



Remembrance Day - 12 November 2017

We were privileged this year to have John Conyngham speak to the boys at Remembrance Day. His extensive knowledge of the History of the school and of of Hiltonians whose names appear on the roll of honour made for a moving address. What follows is his address on the 12 November 2017.

Remembrance Day service address by John Conyngham in the Hilton College Chapel

EVERY year at this Remembrance Day service, it is entirely appropriate for us to remember those Old Hiltonians who died in the line of duty. However, as we carry out this traditional ceremony we need to make sure that we really understand its significance. In other words, to remind ourselves that those whom we are remembering today were once people like us, seeking to live lives of their own choosing, but who, unlike us, were caught up in extraordinary events, and died for causes greater than their ownHowever, it would be wrong if we only remembered our own dead. We should also spare a thought for men, women and children everywhere who have lost their lives in, or had them destroyed by, conflicts over which they had no control.

What started this tradition of Remembrance Days, or Armistice Days, or Poppy Days was a feeling of collective horror at the slaughter in the First World War, specifically in the Battle of the Somme.

The Somme is a river in northern France that normally flows through peaceful countryside, but a hundred years ago, it was at the heart of the biggest conflict the world had ever known. Afterwards, when red poppies began growing on the devastated landscape, they were adopted as symbols of the blood that had been shed, and so replicas of them are worn nowadays as reminders of the sacrifices that were made.

The Battle of the Somme, which lasted for five months, started at precisely 7.30 on the morning of the first of July 1916 – a century ago last year – when after a heavy bombardment many thousands of men from Britain and its allies clambered out of their trenches with their bayonets fixed and charged towards barbed-wire entanglements behind which the enemy was waiting for them.

Very few of those men were professional soldiers. The vast majority were ordinary civilians, like university students and farmers and shopkeepers and postmen and manual workers, who had interrupted their lives to fight because their country needed them.

On a battlefront, that was about 30 kilometres long – say from Hilton College to between Ashburton and Camperdown, on the road to Durban – on that first day nearly 20 thousand men were killed. It is hard to appreciate the numbers. If you take all the boys at Hilton, that is the equivalent of 36 Hilton Colleges. In addition, there were a further 38 thousand wounded, many terribly, losing limbs or being blinded, and that is the equivalent of a further 69 Hilton Colleges. Together, the dead and wounded numbered 105 Hilton Colleges. And that was just on the first day.

So you can understand why in Commonwealth countries there is a tradition to remember and respect the fallen, and specifically, in our case in that war, the 52 Old Hiltonians from faraway South Africa.

Prominent among the Old Hiltonians in the First World War were William Tanner and Reginald Hayward. Tanner, who also attended Maritzburg College, commanded the 1st South African Infantry Brigade at the Battle of Delville Wood on the Somme, which suffered nearly 80 percent casualties but held out over five days until reinforcements arrived. That battle is seen as South Africa's most heroic contribution to the war. After winning two Military Crosses, East Griqualand-born Hayward, as a young captain in the Wiltshire Regiment, was awarded the Victoria Cross for exceptional endurance, leadership and valour in an engagement near Frenicourt in France. Both men were wounded, but unlike those whom we remember today, they survived.

As I come from a family that has had four generations at Hilton, I have a personal interest in how conflict has affected Hiltonians at various times in the school's history.

My grandfather Lewis left Hilton in the late 1890s, just in time for the Anglo-Boer War. As he was a farm boy, a fluent Zulu speaker, and a good horseman, he was chosen to be a galloper, or despatch rider, as part of the bodyguard of British general Redvers Buller during the Natal Campaign. Historians tell us that the Anglo-Boer War took place primarily because the British wanted the Witwatersrand goldfields. Natal and the Cape, being colonies, sided with the British against the Boer republics of the Transvaal and Orange Free State. However, among the Boer forces were also Hiltonians.

There is a story, which you may well have heard, that when the war broke out and the Afrikaans boys left to join the commandos, they were given a rousing send-off by their schoolfellows, and urged to fight like hell. One of them was named Thys Uys, who after the war contributed to The Hiltonian magazine a gripping account of his experiences with the Republican forces, and who became an enthusiastic member of the Old Boys' Club. Correctly, friendship came first.

Six Old Hiltonians died in that war, and appropriately, we remember them.

Several years later, my grandfather was caught up in another conflict - the Bhambatha, or Natal, or Zulu rebellion, or Natal Uprising, depending on which name you prefer to use. This too was a sad affair, fuelled largely by settler arrogance and fear. Driven to fight by intolerable circumstances, a section of the Zulu people under an inkosi named Bhambatha kaMancinza Zondi rose up and were mercilessly crushed.

Commander of the settler forces was Brigadier General Duncan McKenzie, an Old Hiltonian, who was a hero to his community but whose ruthlessly efficient methods have been questioned in more recent, democratic times. Among the dead in the settler militia was Old Hiltonian V.J.W. Christopher, whom we remember.

My grandfather lived to the age of 94 - and before his death in 1972, my last year at Hilton, he was the oldest living Old Hiltonian.

When my father Dennis - or Mick, as he was known - left Hilton in 1937 his departure was perfectly timed for the Second World War. Although he had spent his childhood in rural Zululand, at Ngutu and Ingwavuma, he immediately left for Britain to join the Royal Air Force. After training, he flew torpedo bombers over the North Sea in search of German battleships and cruisers, and later led a squadron of Mosquitoes and Spitfires, taking aerial photographs of enemy positions around the Mediterranean.

I have a photograph of him and his two cousins - Gough and Ralph Chaplin, both also Old Hiltonians - having a drink at the Gezira Sporting Club in Cairo during the war. Not long afterwards Ralph was dead, shot down while leading a flight of Spitfires in an attack on an enemy supply depot in Italy. His name is number 78 on the Roll of Honour that has just been read out.

Although my father survived, he was seriously injured when he had to land a crippled plane in an English field. While he always seemed When I left Hilton in 1972, apartheid was firmly entrenched, and like all white male South Africans, I had to do my national service. Deferring my commitment, I decided to go to university first, only to have the one year of service increased to two years while I was studying. When my final call-up came, I had three options: to serve, or go to prison, or go into exile. This was further complicated for me because I was studying at university overseas, and my parents had sold our sugar farm and were living overseas themselves. After much thought, I decided to come home and do my two years in the army, in the hope that I was not going to be compelled to harm anyone or to be harmed myself. Luckily, this was the case, although I sometimes found myself in difficult circumstances.

Some of my Hilton friends and fellows were not so lucky. Ken Beghin, a Churchill boy, with whom I went on a Wilderness Trail in Umfolozi Game Reserve, and with whom I spent a Sunday with his family on their farm near Cedara, was killed in South West Africa, as Namibia was then called. Also killed there was Tim Chadwick, from Pearce, who lived in Estcourt. He was a tower of strength among the first fifteen forwards where he looked after me when the going got tough. Killed there too was Chris Robin, a Newnham boy who was a good hockey player. His parents and sister had hosted us when we went on a sixth-form trip to Johannesburg. I remember The Natal Witness billboard on a lamppost in Pietermaritzburg: 'Hilton old boy killed on border'. We must certainly remember them, as we must Billy Dunn, another Pearce boy of that vintage, who was captured and killed by insurgents while managing a farm in the Rhodesian Bush War, as it was called, but whose name is not on the list.

However, in remembering them we must insist on sparing a thought for everyone else who died, or suffered, on all sides, during those troubled times. When my son Richard left Hilton in 2001, South Africa was a democracy, Hilton was truly a South African school, and there was no longer a military commitment. Nelson Mandela was the guest speaker at Speech Day, and the head boy's father, like the guest speaker, had been imprisoned on Robben Island. In his speech, Nelson Mandela urged Hilton boys not to leave the country but to make their futures here, to help to build a great South Africa.

Therefore, if all of you have been spared a military obligation, you must remember that you still have great responsibilities. Just as Nelson Mandela 'cherished the ideal of a democratic and free society in which all persons live in harmony and with equal opportunities', and was prepared to die for it, each of us has a responsibility to ensure that his ideal doesn't fade.

This means that we should not live purely for ourselves, but - like the 148 Old Hiltonians on the Roll of Honour - commit ourselves, each in our own way, to strive for a better world.





Rev. Susan Valiquette was our guest speaker at this year's Leavers' Service. Her son, Micah was also in the congregation as a leaver himself. Shortly after this chapel service, they returned to the USA after having been in South Africa for 17 years. What follows is her address to our matrics.

Thank you for asking me to preach this evening. It is an honour to be with you on your last Hilton chapel service.

You have come a long way since you started at Hilton and for most of you that was 5 years ago. You have experienced a bit of change at Hilton during your time, including 3 Heads. How many of you still have the card that Gavin Thomson gave you when you were interviewed and he enquired about your room at home?

You have changed in size and stature, physically. Internally, you have a greater sense of your beliefs and values, better self-awareness through StrengthFinder of who you are and, I trust, a healthier understanding of yourself in relation to others.

Most of you probably can't wait to leave. Some of you are doubting if you are ready for the big world and its pressures and most likely all of you are wondering how the next chapter of life will unfold. How will the story continue? What and who is in the next chapter?

There is much pressure on you. What are you planning to do next? Where are you going to school? What career path do you plan to follow? You haven't really even had time to catch your breath after exams which aren't yet finished.

Some of you are feeling very certain, others not so sure and with confidence I can say that not one of you can predict how it will all turn out. Even our best laid plans can change and we have to learn to find acceptance and contentment in Plan B or C or D.

As we consider what new script God is writing for your future, I want to share a quote with you. I have already shared it with a few Hilton boys (calling you boys seems wrong, I am looking at men) who have had some time to consider what it means.

The most painful state of living is remembering the future. – Soren Kierkegaard

Strange to remember the future. Isn't it? How is that even possible?

Depending on how you are remembering the future could cause you to miss out on the now.

Is it the pressure of the world telling you to strive for possessions, power and prestige? Is that it? Is that the goal? Is that the purpose? Is that the future we have been taught to remember?

Push to the top. Get ahead of everyone else. Make money. Get rich.

There is inherently nothing wrong with possessions, power and prestige. Many of you will live a future with all three. However, the truth is that it will never end and the fulfilment of possessions, power and prestige is temporary. You can never do enough or achieve enough and the ego is never satisfied and forever hungry.

We do seem to be wired to be looking ahead and dreaming of what is to come. This kind of looking doesn't seem to create pain but rather excitement and anticipation of the future which can motivate us to prepare and perform well.

Dreaming positively about the future does not bring pain. The pain of the future comes from filling it with the wrong things (possessions, power and prestige for the self-aggrandisement) and being gripped with fear about it. There is something important that Kierkegaard is wanting to reveal to us about being in the present.

Let's turn the statement around. The most fulfilled state of living is being in the present.

What are you going to do? What are you going to produce? What are you going to achieve? These are not inherently bad and they are even necessary to some extent. You will do and produce and achieve.

However, consider someone in business. You can never make enough business deals. You can never make enough money. Consider a surgeon - you can never save enough lives, perform enough surgeries. What about a pastor/priest - you can never preach enough sermons, or a teacher - you can never teach enough students.

You are certainly going to forget what I have said, but I pray you will remember how you felt.



Doing never ends and maybe no one remembers it anyway and if you are doing to feed your ego, it will never be content.

But being is enough and being is who you already are. Being is how God has called you.

We are called to be present. Present for others, present for the creation. We are human beings, not human doings.

Being is present, available. Being is who I am. Being is who you are.

Whereas, doing is action. What I produce. What I perform. What I make. What I sell. What I achieve.

Let me explain the difference by comparing them.

Cast your eyes on the next two comparisons, pay attention to what words your eyes rest on.

A human doing: how can I get ahead? Who can I use to get what I want? What is your usefulness to me? I am my possessions. I am my position.

A human being: how can I help? How can I add value? What do you need? How can we solve the problem? I am available. I am here.

Jesus was a human being and we are called to be human beings.

Fulfilment, purpose, and remembering a beautiful future lies within you and in the now, the present. It can't be achieved or bought and you already possess it.

Possessions, power and prestige might be the result of your doing/work, but it is not who you are, it is not your purpose and you won't find lasting fulfilment in it.

The most fulfilled state of living is being in the present.



What is your calling and how is it different from a career? We often confuse a calling and a career. Your calling is who you are, your career is what you do. They are not the same. Your calling is from God and will always remain. It is linked to your top five Strengths. It is the place you derive the most energy and pleasure. It is who you are.

You may have the same career or change careers. You may have the same type of job or change jobs, but your calling remains, who you are as a human being remains.

If you are not certain of your calling, you will soon discover it on the journey. Spend time asking God to reveal it to you. Spend time re-reading and meditating on your top five Strengths.

The emphasis on this scripture reading is on the HOW you are called to be.

DOING	BEING	Human	Human
1111 111	selfaware	Doing	Being
accomplishing	insightful	Active	Receptive
reacting	values driver	Talking	Listening
behaviour servers	unconscious .	Achieving	Present
Conscious	not ahaid to fail	Control	Trust
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Answer to them	Para and	Expenditure	Income

"with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love"

How are you called to be? Humble, gentle, patient, bearing with others in love.

The how is revealed through what an encounter with you is like. Do you add value or subtract from others and creation? How do you make another person feel (Maya Angelou)?

Do you see others as they are? Are you able to put yourself as best as possible in their shoes? The ability to really see others will change this country. We are currently so blind to the reality of the clear majority of the population and even more so if you have enjoyed white privilege and economic privilege.

Do you notice injustice and racism and consider how you could be contributing, how you could enact change with humility, gentleness, patience and bearing with one another in love?

Part of our disconnect from each other lies in looking out for ourselves. Getting ahead while leaving others behind. Remembering a future by pursuing possessions, power and prestige for the sake of possessions, power and prestige.

Seek difference. Expose yourself to people who are not like you. Who don't look like you, don't talk like you, don't eat what you eat, don't have the same background, have different ideas and stories. And don't decide or judge the person or the situation on the circumstances. Engage, lean in, find out, ask questions...

Present yourself as human beings. How? Be humble, gentle, patient and bearing with each other in love.

Jesus went to the margins. He looked for those side-lined and benched. Those who were never allowed to play the game of life. Denied the opportunity to use their calling and strengths. Jesus was a human being. Yes, he did stuff...but he never forgot who he was called to be. He never took his eyes off God and his calling. He saw others, he was always fully present.

If he had stopped to remember the future, he might have abandoned his calling.

The holidays are coming soon. It is that time of year when you start annoying your parents again and you have to adjust to moving back home. When your parents are riding you to do something, just remind them that you are a human being, not a human doing.

The most painful state of living is remembering the future. -SK

The most fulfilled state of living is being in the present.

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Reverend Susan Valiquette

Confirmation Service - 21 September 2017

This year we had Bishop Tsietsi join us from Ladysmith to conduct the confirmation service. He spoke from Matthew 9:9-13, which tells the story of Matthew the tax collector leaving what was a controversial job in his time to follow Jesus. Matthew had to change both his career and his way of life to follow Jesus. The bishop spoke about the fact that at times we the importance of the decision the boys were making in publicly confessing their faith as Matthew did.

The following boys were confirmed at the ceremony:

- Onyebuchi Adirika Mark Armstrong Matthew Barrett Michael Booth Nick Burn Michael Carter Thomas Dixon Brandon Dry Ben Fowler Duncan Fyvie Wezo Gqiba Christian Hall
- Nzuzo Hardy Shawn Johnson Singatha Jolwana Matt Loots Tanaka Matsa Kutloano Modisaesi Jacques Monokoane Emmanuel Mphafudi Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe Mambo Munawa Tim Mundell Mbeki Ngubane
- Jimi Ogunyemi Zelwande Phenyane Patrick Plunket Rory Plunket Chris Prettejohn Jean-Marc Rey Joshua Roberts Stuart Roy Jack Short Ulrich Spies Kyle Steenberg Craig Stokes
- Thomas Talmage Nicholas Teichmann Michael Teichmann Keane Theron Michael Thupayagale Mangaliso Thwala Luke Udal Joshua Watt Ruan Wilmans Andrew Winskill Joshua Winter Leftheri Zigiriadis



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Guest Speaker Programme



Jean Craven (www.madswimmer.com) was our guest speaker on Monday, 16th October. He was supported by Matthew Robinson and Giles Hedley (both Hilton Old boys) as he delivered his message, "Stepping out of our comfort zones to make a positive difference". They have very kindly paid their own way here and given up their time to share their challenge of helping others!

As he is a mad swimmer, we too will share a moment of madness and have a swimming/informal lunch/braai at the pool on Monday for all pupils from 14:00 - 15:00. Neither sport nor academics should be affected. In brief, pupils and staff are challenged to complete a minimum of 4 lengths each, with our top swimmers swimming many more. This is to help raise awareness for the charities he supports (He will elaborate on these more in his talk). Juniors will be tasked to go first so they can go onto their afternoon sports from 15:15. Staff are also encouraged to support this initiative if they are able... and willing (Please leave your speedos at home though and only bring decent swimming attire)!

Kind regards The LO Team

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Jean Craven - a man with a heart of gold

Jean gave a powerful talk at our 2015 Old Boys Day and comes highly recommended, as a department we are delighted to have secured him as a guest speaker and are confident that he will leave us feeling inspired, motivated and driven toward building the future of our great country by looking after those less fortunate than ourselves.

Profession:

Director/Shareholder at Barak Fund Management and Export Trading Group. Founder of Madswimmer. Com

Background:

After studying accounting at the University of Stellenbosch Jean started his own business with friends. Later on in his career he worked for Rand Merchant Bank and Standard Bank. In 2008 he started up the Barak Fund and acquired a stake in the Export Trading Group, both companies are in the agricultural market space. Jean is a proud husband to Christine and father of Gabbi & Bella.

Madswimmer background:

The proudly South African non-profit organisation Madswimmer was founded by Jean in 2009 after he won a R100 000 wager to swim across the Strait of Gibraltar, connecting Europe to Africa. Jean completed that swim with friend, Tim Zhiel. However, feeling sorry for taking betting monies from their friends, they decided to rather donate the money to charity and as a result, Madswimmer was born. Since then Madswimmer has completed 6 recognised intercontinental swims.

Achievements:

Guinness World Record for the HIGHEST SWIM in the WORLD.

LOWEST Swim in the world - Dead Sea Israel

Pan American Swim - USA to Mexico,

Latest swim English Channel completed in 11hrs in Aug 2017

Schooled at Grey College, Jean obtained provincial colours for Swimming, Water Polo and Biathlon. Jean has also completed his Navy diving course with The Diver of the Year accolade. He became the first person ever to put all 6 intercontinental swims under his belt. He was also nominated as Adventurer of the Year by Nightjar Travel Awards 2015.



I cannot believe that 2 of my 3 boys have already finished their schooling at Hilton College !! Time has flown, with only my youngest left and in Grade 10 ! Being a Hilton mom, I understand that things change and so do your property needs. Maybe you need to downscale now that your children are leaving home? You may need a home away from home to be closer to your children? Get in touch so that we can chat about how I can help you find what you are looking for.

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Hilton Arts Festival

25 years of greatness!





Hilton College: 15 - 17 September 2017

KZN's premier arts festival, the Hilton Arts Festival, celebrated its 25th birthday with a bumper weekend of phenomenal art, music and theatre.

In true festival style, the weekend saw a full kaleidoscope of haphazard weather patterns - from baking heat, to gale force winds, to pea-soup mist, biting cold and intermittent drizzle.

The festival started with a successful Jongosi Youth Day on Friday – with a bespoke range of youth-appropriate events, shows and exhibitions for the first time playing to 100% capacity.

Family-friendly fare was high on the agenda, with the festival's affiliation with youth theatre experts, Assitej (International Association of Theatre for Children and Young People), who offered a range of productions, workshops and a free children's fantasy play-area: The Power of Play. The intention is to increase the involvement of Assitej next year to become an integral part of the Jongosi youth day as well.

There was a range of carefully-curated art exhibitions this year: portraits of festival participants by photographer Harry Lock entitled Out of Character; A Life Less Ordinary images of Nelson Mandela by Matthew Willman; Africa Media Online which established a strong presence this year, hosting both the World Press Photo Exhibition 2017 and nine presentations by some of South Africa's foremost documentary photographers and curators of significant archives, under the banner of DocuFest Africa. There was a showcase of the work of legendary Italian film director and screenwriter, Federico Fellini and his focus on food and the Living Art Exhibition hosted by Grant Wood and Tony Durrheim making art in-front of an audience.





Auction experts Strauss & Co were at the festival for the first time, sharing tips with visitors about online buying of art, art as investment, and doing on-site evaluations. They also hosted a lecture on the life, work and times of J H Pierneef – which was so popular that extra seats had to be brought into the lecture venue to accommodate the demand. Strauss & Co are already putting their programme together for the festival next year.

N3 Gateway is a collective of arts, crafts and cultural activities to be found along the N3 from Pretoria to Durban, Lesotho to the KZN battlefields, co-ordinated by the N3 Gateway Tourism Association. This was their first presence at Hilton, and they look forward to coming back next year.

Festival Director, Sue Clarence commented: "We are delighted that we had such a successful festival again, especially as we were celebrating our 25th year of existence. I wish to extend a heartfelt thank you firstly to the entire creative, management and technical team for their dedication, good humour and hard work; and secondly to our sponsors and partners who made the festival possible.

"We are delighted that the youth component of the festival was so well received – having 100% attendance at Jongosi is hugely affirming. We prioritise the need to grow the youth component of the festival and have great ideas to extend this vision next year, and have thoughts around extending the music programme for next year too.

"Among the highlights for me this year were a range of curated exhibitions, and our relationship with the Baxter Theatre in Cape Town. The Baxter Theatre had a strong presence this year with two major productions directed by Lara Foot Karoo Moose and The Inconvenience of Wings, both of which are multi awardwinning productions and have just returned triumphant from the Edinburgh Festival. We are hoping to duplicate this next year and have two exciting productions in mind. Also new was the Bistro restaurant experience which was hosted by Jackie Cameron which offered people an alternative dining opportunity in an atmosphere more conducive to conversation and quiet than the more boisterous main tent.

The festival would not be possible without the generous support of Hilton College, Tiso Black Star, Grindrod Bank, Black Coffee, DWR, PWC, Bidvest Car Rental, Indwe Risk Services, Assitej South Africa, Loud Crowd, Sappi, Redlands Hotel, Zultrans, KZN Dept of Arts & Culture, BASA, Castle Lite, Maritzburg Sun, Caxton.







The Hilton Arts Festival 2018 will be held from 14 - 16 September.

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Arts and Culture



Ant Durnford

2017 was a good year in the cultural space of the school. As you will read, Music, Drama, Visual Arts and Debating had an extremely pleasing and successful year. Clubs and Societies were operational on a Friday afternoon and it was gratifying to walk around the campus observing diverse and fun-filled activities taking place ranging from the cooking of spaghetti bolognaise to seeing a squadron of remotecontrolled planes and drones decorating the skv over Weightman-Smith.

2018 will, hopefully see these activities flourish in a new, manageable time table which will occur within the academic day. There are, potentially as many as 17 different clubs and societies on offer and I believe that the benefits to the boys' school week will be enhanced. It is gratifying to be able to state that the Cooking Club were the caterers at the Cultural Dinner this year and that the Drone society was very useful from a sporting and marketing point of view. The success of these activities lies in the hands of the club leaders and their enthusiasm and organizational skills.

The group of Grade 11s who organised and staged the Riki Rik concert need special mention. This was a mammoth task and included co-ordinating with the artist himself and all the ramifications involved in putting on an open-air concert. A large stage and appropriate lighting and PA systems and supplying power to the many food stalls was another hurdle. Arranging for online ticket sales plus supporting artists accommodation was all handled with aplomb and was a real opportunity to allow the boys to stage a massive event all in aid of The Lunchbox Fund and Buhle Luthuli. James Ritchie, Conor MaCrae and Brandon Matambo need to be commended on their courage and expertise.

Another marvellous venture for the Ingane Yami school was the concert held by the Music Department and an amount of R100000.00 rand was raised which came from ticket sales and an amusing auction in which the head George Harris also played his part auction a night in 'his' guest wing with breakfast thrown in. The highest bid, more than R6000.00, came from a couple from Richards Bay who had not previously visited the school. They intend visiting the school in the rugby season and I am sure that by that time the head will have honed his culinary skills.

One of the highlights of the cultural year is the annual Cultural Dinner, attended by all Grade 11 and 12 boys who have achieved colours or honours in a cultural sphere. Entertainment was provided by the boys including a superb rendition on the piano by Avumile Mchunu and excerpts from a duo comprising Dominic Johnston and James Booth from a matric set work written by Greg Coezee which was singularly appropriate since the guest speaker was none other than Peter Mitchell, the curator of the Hexagon Theatre who can be credited with having nurtured the playwright in his career. The Art Block, a singularly appropriate venue, was set up in such a way that Mitchell was seated on a raised stage and fielded questions from one of his ex-students, Jos Cox also on the platform. What message did he leave the audience with? Work hard, practice harder, perspire because thespian success is 1% talent and 99% effort.

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Cultural Awards

New Awards

HONOURS:

LM Alexander (Music) LT Cingo (Debating) KR Makwane (Music) T G Moagi (Music) KL Moloi (Music) S Moloi (Music) ML Pule (Music) TN Shupinyeng (Music) LO Umunna (Music)

COLOURS:

CJ Bass (Debating) KGL Dandala (Music) X Gqiba (Music) J A Hickinbotham (Debating) LE Malinga (Music) T Prestbury (Art)

HALF COLOURS:

CJ Bass (Drama) D Kwaramba (Drama) M Short (Art)

So, what does the future in the cultural realm hold? The school is blessed to have dedicated professionals who take great pride in teaching, coaching, nurturing and encouraging those boys within their ambit. The school has an accomplished musician as its headmaster and so the future looks sound. The new Director of Culture, the enigmatic Paul Venter will definitely inspire participation from the school. I would like to thank the school for appointing me its helmsmen in this sphere for the past 7 years and for those marvellous people who comprised the Cultural Committee. Although our meetings were often unstructured and unruly, there is no doubt that the individuals themselves all had their hearts, if not their brains, supporting the cultural sphere and I wish these special people great success in the future.

Anthony Durnford

Director: Co-Curricular




Theatre

Our Theatre calendar is always a busy one and 2017 was no exception.

Being primarily a school venue, the theatre takes great pride in hosting conferences, guest speakers, conferences, academic and marketing events and other school related events throughout the year. Amidst the busy school calendar, we also book commercial productions and are host to the annual Hilton Arts Festival.

Hilton College Theatre and Think Theatre jointly produced the Governments Schools' set work productions of Othello and Hamlet in February. Almost 5 000 pupils attended the performances over one week and it is incredibly rewarding hosting what can only be best described as an essential learning tool for Matric pupils. We look forward to many more collaborative productions in the years to come.

The Caucasian Chalk Circle was our main drama production of 2017. Cal Bray and Joslyn Anderson directed and produced the show. Angela Salamon and the Art Department assisted with set design. We had over 80 Hilton boys and Epworth girls involved in the production and had great support from local visiting schools. The run was enormously successful and we are proud of all who were involved.

The second term saw the return of Cornelia Puler's School of Ballet with their studio show Peter Pan. Following this was the Pietermaritzburg City Orchestra concert Cinema Sounds, which was a wonderful evening of classical music. In July the Cape Town City Ballet and the Midlands Youth Ballet, directed by Robin van Wyk, performed The Ugly Duckling. We were very proud to be associated with The Royal Academy of Dance in August. A Bouquet of Dance, a tribute to Denise Caro played to a sell-out audience. Hilton College staged a comedy production The Loathsome Lady in August. This show was directed by Carolyn van Zuydam and had a small but vibrant cast of grade 8 to 11 Hilton boys. The show was extremely well-received and the light-hearted content brought a smile to the faces of all who attended. The Hilton Arts Festival celebrated its 25th Anniversary this year. The rainy, cold weather did not dampen the celebrations and continued to awe our Midlands audiences.

Matthew Ribnick, the well-known TV personality and South African stage actor, returned to the Theatre in November, to perform his one-man comedy HOOT! Matthew again worked with our grade 10 & 11 Drama boys in a physical theatre workshop. Matthew engages with all who work with him, and the boys responded enthusiastically to both his performance and workshop.

Little Kids Academy and The Pietermaritzburg City Orchestra ended the 4th term activities in November and The Cecchetti Ballet Summer School, an international conference, finished off our calendar of events in December.

In May we welcomed Nicolas Hughes as resident theatre technician to the theatre team, however, unfortunately said farewell to Su Huggett, the Hilton Arts Festival Manager at the end of September. We wish Su all the very best in her new position as Marketing Manager at Treverton College. Thank you for your dedication and support, we will all miss you in this creative space.

Final cue for 2017:

"I regard the theatre as the greatest of all art forms, the most immediate way in which a human being can share with another the sense of what it is to be a human being." - Oscar Wilde

> Black out. Curtains close

A venue such as ours does not function without the support of many dedicated people. Thank you to Gary Holder, Sue Clarence, Nicolas Hughes, The Hilton College Cultural Committee, Spectrum, Broll, Royal Mnandi, Hilton IT department, Hilton Accounting department, reception staff, freelance technicians, directors and casts! Your invaluable support, commitment and dedication to the Arts in KZN is no small feat – Thank You! It has been a privilege to work with you all.

Sheryl Hodkin Manager - Hilton College Theatre









Activities

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History Dinner Speech

Nial Ferguson, in his first volume biography of Henry Kissinger, entitled The Idealist suggests that many current key decision makers in the governments of the world suffer from "a history deficit", in other words they know almost nothing of their country's past and worse yet, they often do not see what is wrong with their ignorance. Worst of all, they know just enough history to have confidence but not enough to have understanding. This concept is linked to the fact that we are currently living in a time when fake news rules and factual truth is under siege.

In France, Turkey, Britain, Russia and now in the United States we are witnessing the re-emergence of nationalism which was the scourge of the 20th Century. This history deficit was seen in the 45th President's inaugural address which pushed home the message "America First". That was the name of a virulently anti-Semitic and isolationist America movement of the 1930s which attempted, and thankfully failed, at keeping America out of WWII.

Brexit, the rise of the far right in France and the Netherlands, Russian militarism, an increase in Holocaust denialism and the fact that one of the first documents Trump signed as president was to order the creation of a new national day known as Patriotic day are worrying signs. I am attempting to suggest to you that the role of the historian, and you young men are historians-in-training, is to chip away at the coal face of evidence and unearth the diamonds of truth to hold up to an uncertain world because in the long run, in the words of Martin Luther King, "the moral arch of the universe is long" and truth and with it goodness will ultimately prevail.

Which brings us to this evening, which is the 138th and 1 day Anniversary of the Battle of Isandlwana which was a consequence of the British invasion of Zululand, an invasion which ultimately saw the destruction of the Zulu Kingdom. An invasion that saw Hilton College lose its first old boy on the field of battle namely J Whitelaw. As a point of interest the British between 1815 and 1914 waged more Colonial campaigns overseas than any other European power besides the French. The most successful Colonial campaigns were those in which the army was best prepared for local conditions of warfare. The heavy defeat inflicted upon the British column at Isandlwana showed that Chelmsford was far from prepared and far too secure in his Darwinian belief of the superiority of British military might over the Zulu army. At the end of that bloody and searingly-hot day, the British had lost 52 officers, and 1198 white and black troops. How many Zulu dead were there? The Zulu considered Isandlwana the worst battle of the war as far as casualties went. There were certainly not less than 1000 dead, and there was a far greater number of warriors who were not badly wounded, but who succumbed, at home, to their injuries due to a lack of medical treatment. For many years British historians treated the Battle of Isandlwana as a tragic but stirring chapter in British history. The truth of the matter is that the best-equipped standing army in the world, made up largely of the British proletariat who took the King's shilling to escape growing poverty in the rural areas of the United Kingdom, was defeated by an army consisting of the African peasantry. Little wonder that writers tried to describe the event in a glorious narrative rather than expose it for the squalid and grubby episode it really was.

Two months after the battle the Bishop of Natal, John William Colenso, preached a sermon at the Memorial Service held in St Peter's Cathedral, Pietermaritzburg while the Anglo-Zulu war was still raging. At the time he gave the sermon, Bishop Colenso was already a controversial figure. His experiences in Natal influenced his development as a theologian. His biblical criticism and his abhorrence of the way black Natalians were being treated by the colonial authorities, created alarm and opposition within the hierarchy of the Church of England. There was an attempt to excommunicate him, which he defeated in a court case. Colenso's work revealed the racist foundations underpinning the colonial regime in Natal.

Bishop Colenso was linked to Hilton College in two ways. Firstly, it was he who had invited the Reverend Orde Newnham to come

to Pietermaritzburg in the mid-1850s to be a schoolmaster at the Pietermaritzburg Grammar School. When in the city, Newnham befriended the district adjutant, one Arthur Gould Lucas, who was we well-known. A number of years later he impressed upon his friend Newnham to open a school on Lucas's farm. Secondly, the biography of Colenso published in 1983 and entitled, The Heretic, was written by the towering historian of KwaZulu-Natal history, the late professor Jeff Guy. Professor Guy is one of Hilton College's most famous sons. As a historian, he believed that history was relevant as a humanistic project, relevant as a means of engaging with and understanding the present. Guy describes Colenso as a principled and courageous man who may not have been able to see the injustice which was at the essence of imperialism but he did attempt to expose the duplicity, brutality and violence of racial oppression.

In his sermon of March 1879. Colenso preached "what doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly, and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God. Wherein in our invasion of Zululand have we shown that we are men who love mercy? Did we not lay upon the Zulu people heavily from the very moment we crossed their border, the terrible scourge of war? It is true that in that dreadful disaster we ourselves have lost very many precious lives and widows and orphans, parents, brothers, sisters and friends are mourning bitterly their sad bereavements. But are there no griefs, no relatives that mourn their dead in Zululand? Have we not heard how the wail has gone up in all parts of the country for those who have bravely and nobly died in repelling the invader and fighting for their Zulu King and country? And shall we kill 10 000 more to avenge our losses on that dreadful day? Will that restore to us those that we lost? Above all will that please God who requires of us that we do justly and love mercy. Will such vengeance be anything else but loathsome and abominable in his sight?"

Colenso ended by reading from the scriptures, "For thus saith the Lord, let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, but let him that glorieth glory in this, that I am the Lord who exercises loving kindness and judgement and righteous in the earth and in these things I delight." (Jeremiah 9:23)

Bishop Colenso spoke truth to power and worked tirelessly for peace. As a consequence he was vilified by his colonial peers. When we, as students of history, are surrounded by half-truths, propaganda and downright lies, we often encounter hostility when we use our craft to point out that indeed the emperor has no clothes. Yet boys, that is what you are called to do. If you are to lead, then the freedom and independence you learnt here at Hilton College, must mean for you that equality for everyone means more than domination by anyone. As your obvious intellects are nourished and developed by this school, you are urged to recognize that you cannot live to get the approval of whatever system you might find yourself in, rather you must live to save the soul of it.

Paul Venter

"Academic 7s" Extension Dinners



With guest speaker Patrick Harty

The termly "Academic 7s" dinners during 2017 once again provided the intended "food-for-thought" for the top seven boys from each grade from the previous Mark Order. This is a "first team game" for Hilton's academic stars, a chance to give them well-deserved accolades and some visibility during the year. After four years of running these dinners, an invitation is deservedly being recognized as a noteworthy achievement, especially given that academics are Hilton's core purpose as a school. The competition is fierce so a core group of "regulars" are joined by a varying combination of other boys.

In the first term Professor Mbongeni Malaba, head of the English Studies Department of the University of KwaZulu-Natal. addressed us on "The crisis in South African Higher Education". From his vantage point on the local campus, he was well-placed to share his insights on a topic of critical importance for our boys as they make decisions about their future tertiary studies. In the second term Patrick Harty, a former Director of Music at Hilton and currently teaching at The Wykeham-Collegiate, chose to structure his talk around an eclectic mixture of current world issues (such as the place of Russia in global affairs), going into their deep historical roots. In the third term, Michael Lambert, a former Latin, Greek and Classics lecturer on the local campus and now a research associate at Rhodes, delved into the characteristics of "narcissism", taking the classical stories of Narcissus and Oedipus as a point of departure. Our last speaker for the year was a very familiar face for those of us who have been part of the Hilton family for a long time, and even for current boys who eat beneath his portrait in the dining room: former headmaster Mike Nicholson. With characteristic thoroughness and a lifetime of teaching experience, as well as the help of two of his current TWC pupils, he engaged the boys in mathematical concepts, stressing the importance of always asking the question "What if ... ?" - a good credo for anyone wishing to continue to achieve top academic results.

Heather Peel

Hilton College Cycling 2017



Mountain Biking

This has been an exciting year for mountain biking at Hilton College on several fronts. The past 2 years saw a focus on establishing the trail at the school, which is now a 25km loop on both sides of the estate following yellow and black markers.

This year Hilton hosted the first PSG Mountain bike challenge with 300 entrants across the age categories. The race will now run for a further 4 years and we hope to grow it as time goes by. The race features an Old Boys' trophy for the first old boy across the line, and we would welcome entrants to the race in the New Year. Further information can be found on the roag.co.za website.

The mountain biking club had a good season this past year with several cyclists moving up the rankings in the local XCO and

Marathon formats. Most notably was Jordan Wisdom who, as the underdog won the KZN XCO series after having missed the first race of the season. It was nail-biting watching the points tally up over the season and in the end, it came down to the last race. Jordan was also crowned the ROAG marathon series winner for 2017 and obtained his KZN colours for the sport. In 2018 he will go on to race U19 semi-professionally and hopefully pick up some sponsors along the way. Other promising mountain bikers to keep an eye on in the next few years are James Coull, Nic Teichman and Matt Armstrong, who have incredible skill and presence on the bike.

Every year we do several out-rides on our weekday training afternoons, and on some Saturdays too. These rides allow boys to sample the incredible trails in and around the Midlands, including the Karkloof, Howick and of course, Cedara trails. Boys also participated in several external races which included the Eston, Tour de Krantz and Mandela Races, where riders were able to choose distances that best suited them ... 20 / 40 or even 60km's.

In addition to the normal XCO and Marathon race formats, we entered several boys in the Spur series. However, the timing of these races made it difficult to complete the series as they happened outside of the traditional sports times. We will continue to encourage boys to participate in this series in the New Year.

Another highlight of the season was our ride along the Wild Coast during the July holidays. Five of our boys, along with their dads, signed up for this exciting adventure as part of a group of 12 riders, with two-support crew. We cycled from Port St John's northwards to the Wild Coast Sun, over a period of 4 days. The terrain was awesome with incredible views out over the ocean. We were treated to whale sightings, dolphins frolicking in the waves and beautiful stretches of unspoilt beaches.

One should not get the impression that this was a picnic, as it certainly had its fair share of challenges. Due to the ruggedness of the terrain, we had to walk part of the route on the first couple of days, which involved loading bikes onto and off our support vehicles on a few occasions. On day two, we lugged bikes up several steep and uneven slopes, which were never meant for cycling! Nevertheless, it was hugely successful and enjoyed by all who participated in it, even if some of the dads were pushed outside of their comfort zones! This event led perfectly into the school-cycling season and hopefully is something that we can continue to do in the future.

Every year we invite our riders to a mountain bike camp during the season and this past year we based ourselves at the Tugela River Lodge near Spioenkop for a weekend of riding. This is not far from the site of the iconic Berg 'n Bush race held at Emseni camp in Winterton. The boys had great fun riding the freshly cut trails along the Garden of Eden and up and down the Spioenkop Mountain and surrounds. A fantastic weekend was had by both dads and lads, and we would encourage others to join us in 2018 for our next camp.

On reflection, this has been a busy and very enjoyable season. The club has grown in terms of numbers and in the number of events that we have been able to offer our boys. We have also benefitted from the increased involvement of some of our Dads. We hope to continue growing the club and encourage anyone to join us on our rides, be it on a mid-week afternoon or on some of our longer outings.

Look forward to seeing you on the trails ...

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Richard Wyngaard & Mike Green

Catholic Society

It was most pleasing to see the large number of boys who regularly attended catechism classes at St Joseph's, Cedara on a Wednesday evening. The classes are run by the seminarian students and they engage the boys in conversations about their Catholic faith. The culmination of the boys' instruction was when the Sacrament of Confirmation was bestowed upon a number of senior students in the fourth term. In November, it was with profound sadness that we heard of the death of Fr Zaba OMI. Fr Zaba was the parish priest at St Joseph's, and played an important role in catechetical instruction. He was a man of searing intellect who lectured at the St Joseph's Seminary. Bishop Barry Wood OMI, who was the Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Durban for many years, was also called to his eternal rest earlier this year. We thank God for the example and service these two men of faith gave.

Paul Venter



Hilton College Choir 2017

At the World Symposium of Choral Music in Barcelona in July 2017, Mr. Dippenaar attended an insightful lecture on research done on the involvement of boys in boys' schools from different countries in choral activities. The study indicated, amongst other things, that boys are drawn to choral singing when they are able to form strong friendships in the choir and when they experience growth through the acquisition of skills that would empower them to make a significant contribution. The research confirmed the necessity for introducing a choral skills training programme to all members of the Hilton College Choir launched already at the start of 2017. With the departure of the outstanding 2016 matric group from the choir, and the upcoming World Choir Games in Tshwane in July 2018, it has become necessary for a choral skills training programme to be introduced to all members of the Hilton College Choir. The aim of this was to ensure that each choir boy would acquire a minimum skillset to empower them during rehearsals and in performances. Voice teachers Mr. PJ Dippenaar, Mr. MH Tonkin, and Mrs. E Oosthuizen saw choir boys on a weekly basis to work through a workbook designed by Mr. Dippenaar based on the principles advocated by Norwegian Ear Training specialist, Prof Gro Shetelig Kruse. The value of the training soon became increasingly apparent in rehearsals and performances and was added to the Cultural Awards criteria as an indication of proficiency and contribution.

Within this growth mindset, several highlights deserve a mention throughout the year 2017. The first was a performance at the induction service of newly appointed Headmaster, George Harris, in February 2017, where the choir sang the Gloria from The Saviour's Mass by Hilton College Old Boy, Motshwane Pege (Class of 2016). The Lenten Service in the Memorial Hall featuring readings of the Seven Last Words of Christ, the singing and improvisation on selected Taizé hymns, as well as an unforgettable arrangement of Nearer my God to Thee set for vocal ensemble, choir and soloist (Mr Tonkin). 'Two Schools in Concert' with St Mary's School for Girls in May 2017 and Michaelhouse in June 2017 celebrated all ensembles in the Music Department and much fun was had by the audience and the performers.

At the annual South African Society of Music Teachers' (SASMT) Eisteddfod the choir led by Head of Choir, Nthato Padi, presented a folklore programme of works for which they received a Gold certificate for the work uThando. Three of the choir members, Nthato Padi, Lengana Mashaphu, and Jacob Chidiwaya presented solo programmes in the category Vocal Recital and all three were awarded gold certificates for receiving an A+ Symbol for each of their programmes. Another memorable performance was by the Voices of Hilton vocal ensemble at the Confirmation Service where the complete Saviour's Mass was performed as part of the service. Motshwane Pege composed the mass as a thank you gift to Hilton College when he left the school after he matriculated in 2016, and it has become a favourite work of the vocal ensemble.

The choir year ended with mass performances by the combined choir and orchestra at the Hilton Arts Festival benefit concert, Speech Day, and an Al fresco Carol Service on the Theatre lawn.

Jaco Dippenaar



Hilton College Orchestra 2017



Hilton College Vocal Ensemble 2017



Hilton College Competition Marimba 2017



Debating Society

The Hilton College Debating Society had a good year in 2017. Ably chaired and led by Sheldon Bishop, our Senior 1 team did very well to go through to the semi-finals losing to Epworth Senior 1 which in fact was the only team that never lost a single debate to any team in 2017, so that it being beaten at this level although disappointing was no disgrace to this team. Regular members of Hilton Senior 1 were Sheldon Bishop, Luyanda Cingo, Chris Bass, James Hickinbotham and Pravir Valloo, and this team did particularly well.

Both Hilton Junior teams, Hilton 1 and 2 did well in the Round Robin section of the Pietermaritzburg and District Inter-school League and went through to the quarter-finals rounds, and both teams showed a lot of growth and improvement during the course of the year.

Five of our boys were invited to the Provincial Debating Tournament in 2017 these being Chris Bass, Cameron Coley, Luyanda Cingo, James Hickinbotham and Hlumelo Notshe and Luyanda Cingo was chosen to represent the KwaZulu-Natal Debating team which attended the National Tournament at the end of 2017.

Regular team members (Senior and Junior) were: Onye Adarika, Chris Bass, Menzi Cele, Jacob Chidawaya, Luyanda Cingo, Cameron Coley, Brett Geyser, Thomas Grubb, James Hickinbotham, Luke Holtzhauzen, Tom Little, Brandon Matambo, Marcus Montague- Mfuni, Shingai Mushonga, Zanesizwe Ndebele, Hlumelo Notshe, William Raw, Kaliwe Sindazi and Tally Tshekiso.

In addition, the following Grade 8 boys represented Hilton in the Grade 8 League that Pietermaritzburg Schools Debating runs. These were: Miles Driman, Matt Liao, Sagwahdi Mangolete, Joshua Ribeiro, Khalil Sacranie, James te Riele, Leevan Vather and Liam Zocchi- Damon.

There has been some encouraging growth in interest and commitment to debating at Hilton over the past few years and as it is a very demanding and time- consuming activity, I am grateful to all the boys for their enthusiasm and willingness to take part in a cultural activity which really adds tremendous value to all those who participate in the "sport" of debating.

As Master-in-Charge of Debating at Hilton, I would also like to thank my fellow coaches and adjudicators, Mr Graeme Roberts for his invaluable contribution to Debating, in particular for his support and coaching of the Grade 8's and also Ms Tina Mashabane who helped out with adjudication. (She certainly added something to the whole issue of gender debating.)

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John McMichael

Master-in-Charge: Hilton College Debating Socie



Enrolments and completions:

At the time of writing, there are just over 187 boys currently enrolled in the programme at the various levels, namely, Bronze, Silver or Gold. This is roughly 45% higher than the enrolment status at the same time last year. What is particularly pleasing is that our completions have improved by 50% to date, but this figure is due to go up as we have another eight assessments pending. This places us far above the national averages for completion rates and this is all due to the boys' dedication and diligence in completing and recording the required activities.

The following boys have earned the Gold:

Tofi Adgayigbe, Nicholas Fowler, Ryan Griesel, Thomas Grubb, Ryan Ramoni, Keegan Raves, Murray Short, Jonathan Steenfeldt-Kristensen (Class of 2016), James Wood.

The following boys have earned the Silver standard:

Thomas de Beer, Michael Harding, Nzuzo Hardy, Fayaz Ismail, Ali Mussa, Rhys Sauter, Jack Short, Freddie Steenfeldt-Kristensen, Joshua Watt, Ben Williams.

The following boys have earned the Bronze standard:

Nicholas Bennett, Nicholas Burn, Justin Dent (Class of 2016), John Giessing, Nzuzo Hardy, Thomas Little, Matthew Loots, Matthew Karlson, Monthati Mahura, Youseof Mayet, Ross Minter-Brown, Boitumelo Mokoka, Neo Morathi, Lutendo Mphephu, Hlumelo Notshe, Sakhe Nzalo, Timothy Presbury, Rhys Sauter, Abang Seopa, Christopher Strauss, Michael Thupayagale, Cedric Tsai, Luke Udal.

Activities:

Service

Boys have continued to find many and varied service opportunities including both service to their school and others in need.

Grade 10s are including the compulsory service hours for the school into their tally. Other activities around the college include 1st Aid, sports coaching, refereeing or administration, Estate work parties, support during, or cleaning up after functions, etc.

We have maintained our weekly visits to the Little Stars Crèche and the children have continued to charm us. Their clear anticipation of our visits are also very gratifying. This year Murray Pinnell arranged the donation of knitted teddy bears from 'The Care Bear Project' and we ended the year with a small Christmas party with the children. Once again they surprised us with a beautiful cake to thank us for the time spent with them.





Adventurous journeys

This year bronze adventurous journeys were completed on the Estate over four alternative weekends during the school year. I would like to thank Mr Shelembe for offering his services in very ably leading these hikes, and affording the boys the opportunity to complete this particular activity.

The grade 8 OLE included a Junior Journey which met the requirements of a bronze adventurous journey and so the nearly 30 Grade 8s who enrolled prior to participating in the OLE in August were able to sign off their hike activity.

In addition to the bronze hikes, we completed a silver hike in the Drakensberg over the first term, half-term weekend and as well as a lifechanging experience on the Wild Coast in June to meet



the requirements of a gold adventurous journey. The Drakensberg was challenging in that the area had received excessive amounts of rain both prior to, and for the first part of, our hike. But once it cleared, the 'Berg' was particularly lovely and green. The Wild Coast hike saw us spending each night being hosted in the villages of the Pondo people and we were blessed and humbled to receive such a heart-warming welcome by each community with whom we spent time.











Skills

The skills that boys are learning to complete in this activity are also varied with extra lessons and extra subjects; Music, Debating, Scuba-diving being just a few.

Physical recreation

Sports is probably the easiest activity for the boys to get signed off as they are all actively involved in sports every term of the year and it is therefore just a matter of obtaining a coach's signature to endorse their participation in the activity.

Residential projects

This particular activity is only required at the gold level and once again, those boys lucky

enough to be selected for Exchange were able to use this experience as their Residential Project.

Two boys completed their residential project for gold at Moholoholo Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre near Hoedspruit over the half-term weekend in the first term. They had a fantastic time working with the animals and other young volunteers from all over the



world. They were, in fact, the only South African volunteers in the group.

A few boys spent five days working with WESSA at uMngeni Valley in September to complete their residential. Work completed over those five days included:

- Preparation of mountain bike trails
- Fire-break burning
- Wilderness First Aid training
- Day wilderness camp assistance and preparation
- Reserve and maintenance work
- Education programming and preparation work

Award leader Indaba

In August we were privileged to host Award Leaders from across the country at an Award Leader Indaba. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to meet as peers, rolling out the award to the youth of South Africa; and to network and share ideas. The Indaba culminated with a hike down to the Lapa and an evening braai with much festivity and delight. I was once again humbled at the challenges and obstacles faced by both the Award Leaders and the youth enrolled in the programme from less privileged backgrounds and the tenacity they demonstrate in completing the required activities.

Meet and greet

Early in the third term, we once again hosted an annual Meet & Greet for participants from local schools. This is a good opportunity for the boys to meet other boys and girls who are enrolled in the programme for a bit of fun and interaction.

Youth committee

This year we also saw the launch of the Pietermartizburg area Youth Committee and four boys participated in the meetings with interest and enthusiasm.

I am very pleased with the overall success and achievements of the boys who are participating and completing this worthwhile programme. The advantages are significant not only in the practical benefit of University and job applications but also in the personal growth of any boy who completes his award.

Teresa Whitfield











Matric Dance 2017

The Class of 2017 was totally enamoured by the Moroccan ambiance as they entered the Memorial Hall for their Matric Dance. The foyer had been transformed into a desert wonderland with Moroccan features and artefacts. The hall looked identical to what one would expect to see if one visited Marrakesh. Scents of various spices and candles infused the hall with glorious aromas. The food was decadent and the matrics and their partners loved dancing in "Club Marrakesh" between the golden pillars on the stage. The night will definitely be imprinted on the minds of those who attended for many years to come.

Carolyn van Zuydam (Matric Dance Co-ordinator)













Grade 11 Dance 2017 "Tropical Paradise"

Opal The Grade 11s and their partners were riveted by the warm and inviting atmosphere as they stepped in the Memorial Hall. A Greek Food Truck stationed in the foyer held decadent delights for the attendees. The table décor emulated the modern Greek Restaurant trends. The dance floor was placed in the centre of the Hall and great delight was taken in breaking plates and doing traditional Greek dancing. Photos of the evening prove how wonderful the dance was. Carolyn van Zuydam (MIC of Functions)









Grade 10 Outreach

The intention of the programme is to expose the pupils to an opportunity to develop the necessary skills required to ensure that they are responsible, participating citizens in the community in which they live.

It is also a requirement for all Grade 10 pupils to complete a minimum of 18 hours. At least 6 of those hours have to be Outreach and the remainder can be community service. Boys could join in activities arranged by the school or they could arrange their own activities during the holidays.

Definition of Outreach: "To provide charitable services to less fortunate communities".

Definition of Community Service: "Voluntary work intended to help people in a particular area'.

Many valuable hours have been spent helping less fortunate communities as well as the broader Hilton Community.

Some of the projects which the pupils have been involved in have included:

- Helping out at the Sunfield Home Sports Day
- Building educational tools from recycled waste for some of the Singakwenza Crèches
- Weekly visits to play soccer at Pmb Children's Home
- Weekly visits to help the pupils with their homework at Pmb Children's Home
- Putting together Santa bags and goodie bags for Angel's Care Centre.

My thanks go to some of the House Masters and Matric Leaders who organized activities for the boys in their Houses and various other departments who have organised activities in their disciplines.



Boys packing Santa bags for Angel's Care Centre

It is pleasing to see that many boys have signed up for The President's Award and have therefore gone beyond the requirement

of 18 hours; giving up more of their time to help others. It is important that the Grade 10 pupils complete their required number of hours so that they can be awarded their certificate to go into their Matric Life Orientation Portfolio. I encourage next year's Grade 10s to get started early in the year and embrace this opportunity to help others. I would like to thank Mrs Wisdom and Mrs projects.



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Karen Koopman



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Exchange Programme



HILTON COLLEGE EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

FIRST TERM

Eton College (England) Framlingham College (England) Harrow (England) Strathallan (Scotland)

Scots College (Australia)

Woodberry Forest (U.S.A) Charlotte-Latin (U.S.A.) Gordonstoun (Scotland) Wrekin College (England)

King William's College (Isle of Man) Canberra Grammar (Australia)

Eton College (England) Framlingham College (England) Harrow (England) Strathallan (Scotland)

Jacob Chidawaya Luyanda Cingo Matthew Karlson Thomas Grubb

THIRD TERM 2017 Thomas Macleod-Henderson John Turner

FOURTH TERM 2017

Cameron Coley Oliver Newell Thomas Hamlin Jacob Kethro Shaswath Rangaswamy Jono Alcock Jack Short Mambo Munawa

FIRST TERM 2018

Lengana Mashaphu Rory Duffy Thomas de Beer Thomas Little Jan-March Jan-March Jan-March Jan-March

July-Sept

Sept-Dec Oct-Dec late Aug-Dec Sept-Dec

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Jan-March Jan-March Jan-March Jan-March

Outdoor Leadership Exercises

Grade 8 Outdoor Leadership

This year the Grade 8 OLE was once again held on the Hilton College Estate. The weather co-operated during the four days and allowed us to complete the entire programme without too many hitches.

The programme is geared toward developing teamwork and a good appreciation of the strengths and weaknesses of oneself and those of the others in the group.

This year we were able to expand the programme slightly to include a two-day hike on the Estate. All the boys therefore had the opportunity to stay one night at a satellite camp away from the Lapa. This involved hiking for two days with at least six hours of walking on each day. The thinking behind this being that it would prepare boys for next year's OLE, which will involves a hike in the Drakensberg.

For many of the group the hike and the opportunity to cook their own food were new and rewarding experiences. This year, as has been the case for the past few years, they were directions on how to go about preparing meals in the bush and this will hopefully stand them in good stead in the future. A great camaraderie was built up in all the groups and hopefully a genuine appreciation for the Hilton estate and what it has to offer.

Grade 9 Outdoor Leadership

On Sunday 13 August all the Grade 9 boys set off on their annual OLE experience to Spirit of Adventure at Ntshongweni dam. On arrival they were split up randomly into ten groups and each group was assigned an instructor and a staff member, who stayed with them throughout the four days. The weather was good for this time of the year and the majority of the pupils were very motivated and positive about the outing and the staff of Spirit of Adventure were top-class.

The boys were pushed hard, physically and mentally, and there was a good balance of competition and teamwork in a very structured environment. I was impressed with the way our boys tackled the challenges and with the close bonding which took place within the groups. The next 3 days were filled with mind-munchers, abseiling, rock-climbing, obstacle-courses, rope traverses, raft building and negotiating a 600m tunnel through a mountain, once in daylight and the second time in pitch darkness.

The main aims of the course were to develop teamwork and leadership and they were taught about Action- Centred Leadership and how to implement these strategies in everyday situations using the Task/team/individual model and they were constantly evaluated by their peers and by the staff. The climax of the course was the adventure race on the dam on the final morning, the competition was fierce and it became obvious that the boys had learnt a lot about implementing strategies before tackling tasks and most teams did themselves proud in this activity.

We returned to school on Wednesday afternoon, tired but smarter and very ready for a relaxing long weekend at home!

Evan Brown

Mike Mill

Churchill House



Row 6: Hamish Lovemore, Guy Gillham, Max Elvin, Ciaran Hyslop, Lorenzo Palacio Apez, Duncan Fyvie, Michael Richards, Nicholas Tillim, Heinrich Marx, Patrick Mcveigh, Douglas Dorward, Tirhani Mkansi

Row 5: Nic Teichmann, Thanduxolo Gcaba, James Harvey, Lorenzo Meaker, Michael Booth, Dominic Johnston, Timothy Prettejohn, Costi Christodoulou, Sagwadhi Malongete, Charles Vickers, Thomas Hamlin, Murray Ross, Luke Tillim, William Crowe, Thabiso Dlamini, Timothy Mundell, Jack Spence

Row 4: Tebalo Lephoto, Jonathan Mitchell, Oliver Fraser, Nhlanhla Gcaba, Amren Naidoo, Lucciano Palacio Apez, Nicholas Leahy, Luke Edmondson, Noah Lapin, Greg Harvey, Sean O'Flaherty, Thomas Talmage, Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe, Omolemo Sehole, Ulrich Spies, Chris Prettejohn

Row 3: Tk Kamanga, Mathew Allwood, Reece Valentine, Rory Duffy, Ntuthuko Senamela, Euan Fraser, Craig Yammin, Murray Dorward, Luke Grove, Jono Smit, Murray Greene, Sam Black, Callum Bell, Tanaka Matsa, Mosa Mabena, Duncan Hawksworth, Kabelo Makwane

Row 2: Gus Herridge, James Coull, Keabetswe Makwane, Taddeo Sithole, George Ellis, Benjamin Kamuta, Jean-Marc Rey, Craig Stokes, Joe Hill, Jack Gillham, Motheo Makwana, Mpumi Sibeko, Dominik Von Hšne, Brett Jarvie, Liteboho Lethole, James Sweeney

Row 1: Tim Mills, Thomas Fraser, Michael Tonkin, Kyle Venter, Beth Wisdom, James Booth, Leana Steenkamp, Ernie Steenkamp, Lionel Julius, Taryn Randall, Nick Holtzhauzen, Simbi Zondi, Nicholas Winskill, Paul De Wet, Dali Ndebele

The Churchill House flag has been flown proudly in 2017, and this year has been remarkable. The year started off smoothly with there being a minimum number of hiccups with the new Grade 8 boys. They settled in fast and learnt all about this institution very quickly, which was aided by the good example the Matric boys of Churchill have set this year. They have run Churchill House soundly with there being many highs and very few lows. We, as a House, have achieved in many different areas, which shows the diverse nature of Churchill House. But the reason why Churchill House has been successful this year is because of the atmosphere which has been created, there is a sense of brotherhood within the House, and the bonds formed between different grades have been truly special.

From a sporting point of view, Churchill has had many KZN and National representatives which is extremely good.

Here is a list below:

Tennis: Sam Black (U15 KZN A), Joe Hill (U15 KZN B).

Cricket: Michael Booth and Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe (KZN U17 A Inland).

Waterpolo: Nicholas Tillim (U19 KZN A), Patrick McVeigh (U19 KZN B), Timothy Mundell (U16 KZN A), Luke Tillim (U15 KZN A).

Hockey: Luke Grove (U18 KZN A Inland and SA U17 A), Duncan Fyvie (U18 KZN A Inland), Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe (U16 KZN A Inland and SA U16 High Performance Squad)

Rugby: Nicholas Winskill (U18 Academy Week Side).

Canoeing: Hamish Lovemore (Sprints: KZN 1000m Champion, SA U18 1000m, 5000m K1 Champion, 200m K2 Champion U18; Marathons, KZN K1 and K2 Champion and SA K2 Champion; World Champs K2 6th)

The academic successes in Churchill are on the rise. Boys are now wanting to do the best they can and the amount of hard work which Mr Steenkamp has put in to ensure boys are working to their full potential is truly commendable. We had several boys attend the Top 7 academic dinner which was good to see. The cultural aspect of Churchill is on the up and there have been more and more boys joining the choir, auditioning for a play and other cultural events which I believe is important in the development of a young man. It helps to highlight the importance and beauty of diversity. The tutors of Churchill House have been helpful; they have been there for the boys and are always there to offer assistance when it is needed. Boys have realized the importance of their tutors and with the mentor system being in use, this has helped younger boys to build bonds with older boys within their respective tutor groups. I believe that this is also a reason for the atmosphere which Churchill has had this year. Mr Steenkamp and Mr Julius have put hours of time and effort into the boys, and this is remarkable. Mrs Randall has been special to us all, and we congratulate her on the birth of her second child, Alistair, who was born in February this year. Mrs Richter took over from Mrs Randall during this time and was welcomed into Churchill with open arms. We thank Mrs Richter for the hours she put into the smooth running of Churchill and we thank her for her constant joy that radiated throughout the House.

Churchill has had a good atmosphere this year, and the Matrics of 2017 have done an outstanding job under the leadership of Mr Steenkamp. We thank you Sir. I wish the Matrics of 2018 all the best, and congratulations to the new Head of House, Guy Gillham and to Douglas Dorward for being awarded a portfolio head position. I wish them all the best. Keep the Churchill flag flying high.

James Booth

Ellis House



Row 6: Mitchell Cumming, Gabriel Becerra, Stuart Roy, Luke Holtzhauzen, Christian Deare, Jared Venter, Blake Basson, Michael Terblanche, Murray Schnell, Nathan Bushnell, Robert Mattison, Tim Presbury, Emanuele Scammacca

Row 5: William Raw, Roger Ellis, Mitchell Green, Nikolaj Boorman, Jordan Wisdom, Ben Mason, Robert Knoop, John Turner, William Hayne, Bryce Trodd, Nic Weinberg, Hylton Royden-Turner, Mbeki Ngubane, Nick Barocas, Matthew ten Hope, Michael Teichmann, Akil Ramcharrun

Row 4: Nicholas Sjoberg, Shawn Johnson, Nic Bennett, David Earl, Duncan McDonald, Chris Sjoberg, Rikki Sichinga, Connor Holdsworth, Michael Makris, Matthew Boast, Ethan Bonamour, Oliver Christodoulou, Jonty Alexander, Viwe Moloto, Keegan McDonald, Murray Short

Row 3: Lusanda Mdlalose, Luyanda Mashanda, Lungile Mazabane, Thomas Dixon, Tom Lewis, Bokang Mafora, Rhys Barnes, Ryan Jenkins, Inam Mlawu, Jack Mackenzie, Melusi Gumede, Nzuzo Hardy, Tyron Anderson, Alex Warren, Michael Mackenzie, James Presbury, Nick Haynes

Row 2: Howard Diulisa, Matt Bray, Jason Crouch, Stefan Tiaden, Robert Haynes, Anthony Harris, Amir Dildar, Travis Holdsworth, Ewan Gibbs, James Weinberg, Matthew Millar, Leatile Molebatsi, Kgosi Pule, Qadeer Ahmed, Jack Short, Andile Khumalo

Row 1: James Quibell, Heather Peel, David Rodseth, Hanlie Dry, Thulani Mhlongo, Keshni Peters, Lawrence Umunna, Tony Richter, Pieter van der Schyff, Bongi Mthalane, James Beart, Mike Green, Turnelo Moaqi, Mike Mill, John McMichael

2017 has been a year in which Ellis House has succeeded in all aspects of school life. At the start of the year, as a group of Ellis Matrics, we posed this question to the House, "Would the boy you were yesterday be proud of the man you are today?" Our goal was not only to take Ellis House to new heights, but also allow every single boy to explore his own talents in a safe, caring environment. I think it is safe to say that Ellis boys have achieved their personal goals and as a House we have accomplished our goals.

This was an exciting year for Ellis House in many aspects. On the academic front, many boys earned commendation certificates and several boys were invited to academic dinners for their hard work (Andile Khumalo, Robert Haynes, Nic Bennett, Michael Makris, Mitchell Green, Lawrence Umunna). On the cultural side, many boys were involved in various school bands, ensembles and theatre productions. Tim Presbury and Murray Short had their superb artworks displayed at the Tatham Art Gallery in Pietermaritzburg, with the best art from other schools in the area. Mitchell Green was once again selected to participate in the Standard Bank National Youth Jazz Festival in Grahamstown this year. In terms of sport, many of our boys played A-teams and first teams and some of our boys really excelled at competitive levels:

KZN Inland Hockey (A): Matt Bray (U14), Oliver Christodoulou (U15), Rob Haynes (U15), Tom Dixon (U16), John Turner (U16), Alex Warren (U16), Nikolaj Boorman (U19)

KZN Inland Hockey (B): James Beart (U19), Tumelo Moagi (U19)

KZN Goff (A): Michael Makris (U19), Michael Terblanche (U19) KZN Waterpolo (A): Jonty Alexander (U14), Akil Ramccharun (U15), Murray Schell (U16)

Currie Cup Waterpolo: Christian Deare (U18)

KZN Midlands Waterpolo: Ryan Jenkins (U14), David Earl (U14), Tyron Anderson (U14)

Sharks Academy Rugby: Akil Ramccharun (U15) KZN Cycling (A): Jordan Wisdom (U19) KZN Soccer (B): Nick Weinberg (U15) KZN Midlands Soccer (A): William Raw (U15)

We put in our best effort when competing in inter-house events and we came home with trophies which were a testament to the hard work and determination that every boy put into the events. We won the inter-house Relay Competition, inter-house Longest Drive (junior age-group and overall), inter-house senior hockey (2nd consecutive year), inter-house Estate Series (for the 4th consecutive year) and many more. However, our proudest moment was being crowned inter-house Athletics Champions for the 2nd consecutive year. The reason why this was so special for us is because everyone participated, and hearing the boys' enthusiastic cheers when we were declared winners is something I will never forget. Two of our runners (Viwe Moloto and Rob Mattison) were in the Hilton Relay Team (4 by100m) that day and although they didn't break the record they did extremely well.

Our boys' hard academic work throughout the year really shone through at Speech Day and we were also excited to hear the news that our very own Ellis boy, Stuart Roy, was to be Head of School for 2018. There is no doubt that he will lead the school to new heights. Our congratulations also go to Bryce Trodd who will be the Head of Ellis House in 2018 and Michael Makris who was announced as a Portfolio Head (Head of Environment). Ellis House is in good hands with these boys and they will keep Ellis as Hilton's flagship House.

I would like to thank Mr Van der Schyff for his devotion to Ellis House. As Mr Nel takes over the role of deputy housemaster, I wish him the best of luck and I am sure he will do an amazing job. Mr Richter, Mrs Peters and Mrs Mthalane have continued to guide our boys, so a big thank you goes to them for their extremely hard work.

Ellis will always remain in my heart and I would like to thank everyone for their support and love – 2017 has been magical

Lawrence Umunna Head of House 2017



Row 6: Rory Tait, Brandon Kriel, Daniel Barnard, Patrick Plunket, John Giessing, Marcus Montague-Mfuni, Ryland Dewberry, George Putter, Niaan Taljaard, Andrew James, Chris Woollam, Nick Burn, Riyaadh Arab, Lwazi Ndlovu, Henty Beukes, William Clark

Row 5: Tim Wilmot, James Levell, Andrew Winskill, Bafana Ngwenya, Craig James, Leftheri Zigiriadis, Brandon Mcmullen, Timi Animashahun, Luke Eales, Tj Joubert, Mirzad Aziz, Paul Norris, Tally Tshekiso, Lwazi Mkhwanazi, Luke Udal, Onye Adirika, Tshepiso Keaikitse

Row 4: Kutloano Moloi, Daniel Da Costa, Nikhil Patel, Sefenya Moloi, Scott Whyte, Ryan Lee, Benjamin Duggan, Jamie Evans, Michael Frost, Latica Nela, Micah Valiquette, Yousoef Mayet, Keane Theron, Sakhe Nzalo, Daryl Kwaramba, Monde Mnyaka

Row 3: Nkosi Dlamini, Ricardo Cipriano, Sabelo Moshesh, Thuthuka Oesi, Nqobile Gumede, Sibonelo Buthelezi, Matt Willis, Kgosi Molefe, Gary Goldring, More Akinola, Chungu Katayi, Mukaii Mhaka, Richard Muir, Sethu Myende, Alexander Nyagah

Row 2: Motheo Molefe, Josh Goodwin, Mikael Arab, Dylan Thomson, Jack Hindle, Sa-Ad Mayet, Shaswath Rangaswamy, Taurin Craze, Avumile Mcunu, Kgothatso Selepe, Manxoba Mngomezulu, Oliver Levell, Lwazi Matiwaza, Christopher Pistorius, Bahle Vilakazi, Kgwanti Bilankulu

Row 1: Tony Shuttleworth, Mandy Durnford, Buhle Solomon, James Robey, Inma Guillot Montaner, Mandy Nene, Richard Wyngaard, Oscar Horstmann, Vee van Staden, Nthato Padi, Tina Mashobane, Lara Williams, Jaco Dippenaar, Andrew Duncan, Simanga Mbelu

Falcon House

2017 was a special year for Falcon House. A talented grade 8 dorm entered the House at the beginning of the year and it was a pleasure to see them achieve so much as they grew and developed. Through the leadership of their dorm cops, William Clark and Benjamin Duggan alongside the individual guidance of each of their Matric mentors, they went on to do great things. Among other achievements, notably, Chris Pistorius (in partnership with Nick Hatton of Pearce) broke the school record for most runs scored in a single innings by a pair playing for the U14A cricket team in term 1. Also on the sport side, Brandon McMullen captained the First XI cricket team which, after a long unbeaten streak, became the number 1 ranked schools cricket side in the country in term 4.

Culturally, it was another strong year for our House with many boys enthusiastic and involved. The Dramatic Arts Department put on The Caucasian Chalk Circle in term 1 and many Falcon boys were involved. Myself and Buhle Solomon were also lucky enough to have lead roles in this play and we were supported by the whole House at our first performance of the play in the theatre. The Competition Marimba Band toured to Johannesburg for an international competition where they came 1st overall in the competition making them the best Marimba Band in the world for 2017 of which Kutloano Moloi, Kgothatso Selepe and Sefenya Moloi were integral parts.

Academically, our House also performed particularly well this year. Avumile Mchunu, Patrick Plunket, Jacob Chidawaya, Niaan Taljaard, myself and Buhle Solomon all managed to place in the top 7 academic aggregates in our respective grades during at least one term this year. The most notable academic achievement was that Buhle Solomon received the highest results for his Matric trial examinations and was therefore the Dux Scholar for 2017.

All these achievements are a culmination of a growing culture of discipline and focus towards achieving excellence within the House. Boys push themselves and each other to do more than just that which is required, the Falcon way has always been to be an ambassador for the House anywhere you go and this year all the boys did their utmost to maintain this tradition. Falcon is a unique and diverse House where we all are not only treated with respect, but embrace each other's different backgrounds and it is heartening to note that even though we experienced our first full year in the newly renovated House, while the paint and furniture may have been replaced, these values with the House have remained. I wish next year's Matrics Godspeed, as they become the next custodians of this great House. To Jacob Chidawaya and Niaan Taljaard, I wish all the best in their relevant portfolio head appointments (Arts & Culture and Academic respectively). To Marcus Montague-Mfuni, I would like to extend congratulations on his appointment as Head of House for 2018 and wish him all of the best for next year. Falcon House is in capable hands and the 2017 Matric body and myself are grateful for the support and camaraderie we experienced while walking the Falconian road through our Hilton careers. We sincerely hope that we served you well.

Nthato Busang Padi



Row 6: Olav Aadnesgaard, Evan Van Der Meijden, Jarid Kolver, Rhett Tomlinson, Brendan Naude, Aidan Schroeder, Christopher D'Oliveira, James Hickinbotham, Thomas De Beer, Singatha Jolwana, Campbell Wilmot, Nicholas Freemantle

Row 5: Thando Msane, Jonathan Tlhagoane, Damon Wheals, Wium Smit, Daniel Swart, Thato Mothobi, Jamie Allan, Jarrell Padayachee

Row 4: Lwazi Malinga, Chipo Mupeso, Shamiso Mujakachi, Simi Bhembe, Jono Alcock, Dillon Van Der Merwe, Siyabonga Xulu, Jannes Potgieter, Jared Martin, Joubert Smit, Alex Jeon, Darrel Nkomo, Adam Osborne, Andrew Geyser, Dylan Thomas, Freddie Steenfeldt-Kristensen

Row 3: Zanesizwe Ndebele, Brett Geyser, Tshepang Shupinyaneng, Jack Osborne, Brett Sibanda, Khomotso Senamela, Lebo Letlaka, Dyllan Hope, Daniel Cavalieri, Christian Cullen, Kinyanjui Gitau, Sampa Chikwanda, Jaypi Jordaan, Sameer Panday, Hlumelo Notshe

Row 2: Riyaadh Mahomed, Oleabetsoe Mokoena, Nhlaka Mntambo, Zazi Ndebele, Theodore Mokake, Campbell Walley, Avuyile Zondi, Gary Lubisi, Jake Cavalieri, Wihan Joubert, Thando Norvane, Yenziwa Nzuza, Imran Karsan, Ross Minter-Brown, Kutullo Senamela, Tinashe Murvawarara

Row 1: Senzo Mtshali, Celo Mbanjwa, Charmaine Padayachee, Ndurniso Zwane, Chris Kingsley, Vaughn Williams, Rosemary Mwelase, Graeme Roberts, Ac Blume, Inga Rautenbach, Luke Alcock, Debbie Veenstra, Rasikan Moodley, Peter De Lisle, Evan Brown, Teresa Whitfield, Wessel Theron

Lucas House

As clichéd as it sounds, the year has flown by and looking back on 2017, one can only admire the continuous involvement of the boys not only in the House, but also in the school. These efforts are truly reflected through the achievements of both the House and individual achievements of those that call Lucas home. These achievements have arisen in various spheres such as academics, sports and culture and this emphasizes the diversity that is nurtured in Lucas House.

Academically the House has continued to strive once again, as we have had numerous boys feature in the top seven in their respective grades showing the individuals that have exceeded in the academic area. As a whole House we have prospered in academics as our House average has placed us in second position, relative to the other Houses, with the grade 10s being top in their grade, which we can really be proud of as it has taken a combined and concentrated effort.

On the sporting front we have had a successful year as we have had various boys represent school first teams in Basketball, Hockey, Rugby, Soccer, Shooting and Waterpolo. A number of Lucas boys also performed on a provincial and national level namely, Vaughn Williams and Chipo Mupeso (KZN Sharks U18 Academy Week Rugby), Daimon Wheals (KZN Inland U18A Hockey and SA U18B), Ross Minter-Brown (KZN Inland U16B), Simi Bhembe (KZN U16 Basketball), Aiden Shroeder (KZN Colours for Shooting) and Christian Cullen (Zimbabwe Swimming), Dylan Thomas (KZN U16A Waterpolo and KZN U19B Waterpolo), Jamie Allan (KZN U16 Non-travelling reserve Waterpolo). These achievements are extraordinary and it is great to see their hard training paid off.

Culture has become a large part of the House and we are proud to have had numerous members involved in the different cultural fields ranging from dramatic productions to the Marimba Band. The House has enjoyed a number of occasions where we were fortunate enough to watch concerts and plays that featured Lucas boys, all of them being outstanding performances. Lwazi Malinga, Lebo Letlaka and Tshepang Shupinyaneng formed part of the much-admired Marimba Band that won best band performance at the international competition. This achievement is exceptional for the school and to have some of our own boys participating makes it even more commendable.

The House, in 2017, has reached several corners of the world. Hlumelo Notshe attended an Oxford University summer school, which is a unique experience. We were fortunate enough to hear about his time in the UK. Equally interesting was Joubert Smits' experience of climbing Mont Blanc and his tireless efforts to accomplish such a task. Three of our boys Thomas De Beer, Jonathan Alcock and Wium Smit were selected for the school exchange programme and we trust their time overseas will be well spent, representing Hilton and Lucas, in the most positive light.

The year has brought much change for the House, in the sense that there has been the introduction of the values to each dorm. These are implemented in order to focus on a specific value each year so that by the time you have reached Matric you have fully engaged with each value such as unity, respect, humility, integrity and honour. It has been a great success in its initiating process and the dorm cops and especially the values council have expressed their views and guided the various dorms through the year.

Along with 2017s changes we unfortunately saw the departure of Mr Roberts from the House. We trust he will enjoy his ventures outside the House. In his place we welcomed Mr Van Der Merwe. Lucas House is shaped through many people and on behalf of the House I would like to thank Mr Blume, Mr Roberts, Mrs Rautenbach, Ms Mwelase and the tutors who have all played a major role in the lives of the boys as well as the progress and development of the House throughout the year.

2017 has been a wonderful year for the school and House and I am fully convinced that next year's Matrics will take Lucas to new heights. I wish Olav Aadnesgaard and the Matrics all the best for 2018.

Luke Alcock



Row 6: Nicolas Hohls, Josh Mckenzie, Lubonwe Phenyane, Fadzai Mushonga, Christian Claassen, Matt Hildebrand, Desmond Meyer, Daniel Morrison, Chris Hoole, Josh Robertson, Matthew Grieveson, Joseph Elphick, Grant Cousins, Sakhile Malinga

Row 5: Brandon Dix, Chris Strauss, Lehumo Seopa, Khuma Ratone, Cameron Coley, Kelvin Robertson, Chris Meyer, Mandla Chavarika, Tristan Mckenzie, David Robinson, Tristan Bagley, Keenan Vargues, Liam Zocchi-Dommann, Ryan Ramoni, Murray Pinnell, Ofentse Kelobonye, Cameron Pearce

Row 4: Abang Seopa, Nic Campbell, Wezo Gqiba, Stuart Forbes, Andrew Morrison, Connor Russell, Lesedi Maphatiane, Zelwande Phenyane, Jonathan Hohls, Lengana Mashaphu, Matt Loots, Kopano Segoale, Thomas Little, George Gearing, Okuhle Mjiyako, Johan Van Der Merwe

 Row 3: S'Bonelo Phungula, Sam Crookes, Lalu Lewane, Emmanuel Mphafudi, Muhammad Laher, Bradley Dix, Rorisang Kedijang, Connor Tonks, Jonathan Le Roux, Myles Driman, Andrew Stern, Cullum Kilmartin, Mitchell Thornton, Monthati Mahura, Kapiwa Xanti Gqiba, Monthati Mahura, Tapiwa Mushonga, Lesedi Mokernane
 Row 2: Amile Gumede, Tebogo Mvelase, Andrew Meyer, Josh Ribeiro, Muhammad Girdhurparsadh, Craig Musaemura, Tshiamo Magasa, Amo Ferguson-Salbany, Ezhan Kassam, Neo Morathi, Shingai Mushonga, Matt Morrison, Chabala Kaunda, Matthew Dalrymple, Josh Wingfield, Boitumelo Mokoka

Row 1: Claire Franklin, Carolyn Van Zuydam, Michael Werth, Brad Anderson, Sheldon Bishop, Rosey Kalipersad, Ross Forder, Paul Venter, Alex Roy, David Look, Alexander Hopkins, Ant Durnford, Ashleigh Askew, Angela Salamon, Matholi Mthalane, Brett Udal, Anne Kriel Brown

McKenzie House

My time here at Hilton College and more specifically in McKenzie House has been nothing short of incredible. The last 5 years has not only given me memories that will undoubtedly last a lifetime, but it has also taught me things that I could not have learnt anywhere else. I speak on behalf of the McKenzie Matrics of 2017, when I say that we have all come to truly love this House and we thank all those with whom we have shared our time and for making it so truly remarkable.

This year, the Matrics' main goal was to create an environment in which there were no barriers between the dorms of different age groups, so that friendships could be formed regardless of age or position amongst the boys and we believe that we have succeeded in doing so. Mr Venter and Mr Look implemented this system before the Matrics of this year had even arrived, and consequently in the years that followed up until today, the boys thrive in McKenzie House – a House in which they can truly call their home away from home. Thank you to Pravir Valloo and Ross Forder who have developed the new grades 8s into dedicated McKenzie and Hilton members. I am encouraged to believe that in 5 years, the House will be in capable hands.

This year we saw the McKenzie House boys performing outstandingly. I offer special mention of Alexander Hopkins, who was the Captain of 1st team Basketball, Alexander Roy who represented three first team sports: rugby, cricket and soccer and also won the All Rounder of the year award. Lastly, congratulations to Fadzai Mushonga, who played 1st team for rugby, soccer, basketball and athletics and also represented the KZN Rugby Academy of 2017. We had 21 McKenzie representatives across all first team sports this year, which is one of the highest this House has ever had. Sheldon Bishop and Alexander Hopkins achieved Academic Honours, which is an immense achievement and we are extremely proud of them. This achievement was indexical of the academic progress throughout the House as many other boys also achieved academic awards, which shows that to be a Hiltonian requires excelling in much more than just on the sports field. Culturally, Sheldon Bishop was the Chairman of the Debating Society and Alexander Roy was Deputy Head of the Jazz band. At speech day McKenzie boys claimed over 40 prizes, which speaks highly of what the boys have done during the year and I hope that these numbers will increase in the following years.

To the boys of McKenzie House, thank you for making our final year, as Matrics, so memorable, you will all, forever, be our brothers. To Rosie, our Housemother, you have done an incredible job in ensuring that we have thoroughly enjoyed our time here, thank you for everything. To Mr Venter and Mr Look, our fathers for the last five years, we cannot truly express our gratitude for all that you have done for us. Gentlemen, you will always hold a special place in our hearts, thank you! Lastly to the boys of 2018, you are in capable hands with Joe Elphick as the new Head of House and his fellow Matrics. A special mention is deserved by Grant Cousins as the new Head of Sport and to Luyanda Cingo for his role as Deputy Head of School, we know that you two will go on to do great things. I wish you all the best in the future and implore you all to remember that McKenzie is a special place and we know that you will treat our home away from home like true Hiltonians. I hope to see you all soon.

Alex Roy

Newnham House



Row 6: Luke van Ryswyk, Jean-Luc Krause, Kyle Steenberg, Thomas Macleod-Henderson, Liam Rodwell, Ben Williams, James Wood, Tristan Warren, Ryan Griesel, Brendan Doyle, Michael Carter, Brandon Dry

Row 5: Joshua Roberts, Toby Jenkins, Ethan Bain, Kamogelo Selane, Sthabiso Zuma, Reece MacEwan, Jimi Ogunyemi, Sebastian Guimaraens, Ali Moshin Mussa, Nicholas Fowler, Mhlanguli Jadezweni, Darian Chite, Oliver Newell, Gareth Schreuder

Row 4: Joe Camilleri, Chris Bass, William van der Spuy, Josh Mansour, Liam Botha, Kanya Dandala, Kwanda Mkize, Losika Setlhomo, Vuyo Zungu, Jonty Weidemann, William Hoole, Letu Dandala, Luke Schreuder, Kudzayi Chigwaja, Nathan Ruegg, James te Riele

Row 3: Tinashe Mtetwa, Lwazi Mkatshana, Sibusiso Nyoni, Matt Barrett, Luca van der Merwe, Lwazi Zungu, Joshua Barradas, Matthew Wilson, Menzi Cele, Lebogang Seabi, Jacques Monokoane, Adebayo Okesola, Thoriso Taukobong, Robbie Ross, Christopher Bryant, Motheo Taukobong, Sebego Seabi
 Row 2: Zenzo Cele, Colby Dyer, Alunga Madala, Faizaan Wazar, Aedan Dicks, Vuyo Malinga, Kaliwe Sindazi, Matt Liao, Sicelo Mahlangu, Michael Thupayagale,

Chae Van Den Berg, Max Mukami, Mbongeni Malinga, Konke Nzimande, Duane Chite, Khalil Sacranie

Row 1: Noel Roberts, James Webb, Tracey Mackenzie, Francios Morgan, MJ Grobler, Doris Ngcobo, Andrew Douglas, Jordan Twiss, Christopher Carey, Sarah Bien, Joshua Winter, Mark Perrett, Kathleen Schroeder, Siya Mpulelelo, Trevor Van Niekerk

2017 has proven to be a great year of growth for Newnham House as a whole. Our goal was to make Newnham a home filled with determined, happy, young pupils, and I believe that this was achieved across the board from the grade 8s right through to the grade 11s. I feel like this success can be attributed to Matrics who promoted a greater level of inter-dorm interactions and ensured that the House was a safe and comfortable environment. Through this, each dorm has managed to improve on their respective weaknesses particularly the grade 9s, who have shown great progress this year.

One major improvement for Newnham is the academic progress - especially from the grade 10s and the outstanding results throughout the year. Special mention also deserves to go to MJ Grobler, the Portfolio Head of Academics, who applied many rules and procedures for the prep room to achieve these results and a greater number of commendations.

In terms of sport, Newnham was unfortunately not able to hold its reputation of winning the majority of the inter-house events. However, Newnham did come off victorious in the swimming, shooting and squash competitions. Similarly, individuals definitely kept the Newnham name intact by achieving outstanding provincial selections for their respective sports, as well as first team representation.

The mentor system with each Matric being allocated a grade 8 pupil has definitely been a success this year. Each Matric has not only guided their grade 8 on how to survive high school, but to show them how it is done – this showed that Matrics were mature

and capable of making this a success. This has allowed the grade 8s to settle in, knowing they have a "big brother" to fall back on for some advice or even a friendly conversation.

I would like to highlight the Newnham boys' involvement in cultural activities this year – in particular the juniors. Some of our boys were involved in the international marimba champs, in which the band were the winners of this competition. It was great to see so many Newnham faces perform in the exceptional school play this year.

Student council is a newly introduced leadership format that gives Hilton boys recognition for upholding Hilton's core values. Nicholas Fowler, William van der Spuy, Kamogelo Selane, Wiza Jadazweni, Tristan Warren, Joshua Winter and James Wood were awarded their student council position, which brought great delight as this was a high representation of boys in comparison to the rest of the Houses. With the standard set, I have confidence in next year's Matrics upholding the Newnham name under the leadership of Jonty Weideman, Head of House for 2018.

To sum up, 2017 has been a great year for Newnham. We have had our highs and lows, but as a collective, there was nothing we could not overcome. Newnham House will continue to produce humble and determined young men who are equipped to take on anything life throws at us. Newnham boys will forever be known for their unique character.

Jordan Twiss Head of House 2017



Row 6: Kelvin Swanepoel, Rory Plunket, Kashan Padayachee, Christopher Swanepoel, Gordon Cook, Joshua Chandler, Connor Mccrae, Lex Pienaar, Nick Hatton, Josh Kethro, Ben Fowler, Luke Lourenco

Row 5: Brandon Matambo, Gregory Spear, Brendan Beukes, Joshua Cox, Mambo Munawa, Michael Harding, Guy Harding, Joshua Watt, Mark Armstrong, Fayaz Ismail, Lebo Moleleki, James Ritchie

Row 4: Jacob Kethro, Christopher Abraham, Michael Sclanders, Keegan Raves, Thomas Lugard, Ruan Wilmans, Matthew Shumba, Dylan Davies, Jonathan Harel, Kutloano Modisaesi, Chad Enslin, Timothy Densham, Ryan Taylor, Stephan Liebenberg, Mangaliso Thwala, Bradley Henderson

Row 3: Owethu Luthuli, Vuyo Mpofu, Matt Armstrong, Lesedi Alexander, Greg Armstrong, Robert McGaw, Robert Attwood, Daniel Spear, Lutendo Mphephu, Buhle Luthuli, Sicelo N Mahlangu, Luke Hitchings, Aphelele Chonco, Liam Steyn, William Henfrey, Thato Modise, Samuel Quibell

Row 2: Mvelo Mageba, Michael Attwood, David Kitshoff, Aliferni Tshiilio, Jack Peattie, Tsepo Masuku, Jack Youens, Jaden Terblanche, Chad Uys, Amika Jjuuko, Josh Miller, Leevan Vather, Richard Karlson, Joshua Matambo, Wandile Zulu, Guy Barnard

Row 1: Vuyo Mondi, Ninga Mohlabe, Graham Curtis, James Bullough, Joslyn Anderson, Bruce Maclachlan, Lionel Randall, Sam Nicol, Sean Carlisle, Chizembi Sakulanda, Kerry Carlisle, Precious Mwelase P, PK Ramnarain, Cal Bray, Tofi Adejuyigbe, Praveshen Iyer , Shaun Van Wyk

Pearce House

2017 was yet another successful year for Pearce House. We got off to a great start setting ourselves attainable goals, which we desired to achieve as a House. The Grade 8s settled in smoothly and their entire dormitory was a great asset to the House.

We, in Pearce House, consider ourselves to be an all-round House achieving in all aspects offered at Hilton College. Pearce House has been the top Academic House for a few years now, and we once again were able to achieve this by having the top aggregate in the school throughout the year. To add to this wonderful achievement, the Matric dormitory achieved the top dormitory aggregate amongst the school. These achievements were reflected at the annual Hilton College Speech Day at the end of Term 3.

Inter-house events are something in which we, as a House, always pride ourselves in giving of our best. We achieved second place in junior public speaking, athletics, and swimming. Due to a huge effort put in by the boys we managed to bring home the trophy in the trail run, junior water-polo, tennis and golf. Although finishing second at inter-house swimming we managed to win the spirit cup, which speaks directly to the atmosphere amongst the boys and within the House.

Pearce House held its annual charity golf day, which was once again a huge success. It took place at Bosch Hoek Golf Club, which was a change in venue from Victoria Country Club the previous year. Due to many families participating and other forms of donations we were able to raise a significant amount of money, which was raised for the Joseph Bayne's Children's Home in Pietermaritzburg. In the December holidays of 2016 Pearce House was repainted inside. This added to the wonderful state of the House and gave the boys an even more homely feeling. The garden in the courtyard is in the process of being redone, which will be a great aspect to the House for 2018.

There have been two notable changes to the routine within the House that have been gradually introduced. Firstly the number of bells being rung throughout the day has decreased a significant amount. This allows boys to be more independent and made more aware of their time. Secondly, the daily inspections have been moved to before class as opposed to the evening. This is great as it ensures boys are looking their best and their areas are at the standard we expect them to be throughout the day.

I would like to wish Mr van Wyk farewell as he leaves us this year. He has been with us for a number of years now being one of the tutors in the House. Whenever Mr van Wyk is on duty he makes an effort to walk around the House and visit every individual. This speaks directly to the type of person he is and why the boys always speak so highly of him.

To conclude I would like to wish Brandon Matambo as Head of House for 2018 along with his fellow Matric leaders all the best for 2018. There is no doubt in my mind that they will take Pearce House to a new level and make the most of their opportunity. I look forward to hearing and seeing all the great things they will achieve next year.

Sam Nicol



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Academic Overview

The 2017 Matric Results

We entered a total of 112 candidates, 106 of them met the requirements for Bachelor's Degree Studies. This is 94.6% of the candidates, which is very similar to the 95% of last year. Five of the balance qualified for Diploma Studies with four of these granted the right to write supplementary examinations with the possibility of upgrading the pass to Bachelor's Degree. One boy achieved a Higher Certificate Pass but he too has been given the opportunity to write supplementary examinations in order to try to upgrade to a higher level of pass. None of our boys failed.



Paul de Wet

trials and it was disappointing to see that some fared worse. We wonder if the relatively long gap between Trials and Finals when compared with other schools caused them to go off the boil?

As has been the case in the past, we are excited by what some of our less academically capable boys managed to achieve. It is gratifying that we managed to reduce the number of boys not achieving Bachelor's Degree Passes from 13 in Trials to just six in the Final Examinations.

Excellent matric results are the culmination of five years of hard work and excellent process from both boys and teachers and we are on a guest for continuous improvement at every

stage of a boy's journey.

On Monday 9th October,

we hosted our annual Academic Dinner at the Fleur-de-Lys Club. This dinner seeks to celebrate the academic successes of our senior boys. Boys holding Colours or Honours awards in Grades 11 and 12 are invited to the dinner, which is also attended by teachers representing each of the different departments. This year our Guest and After Dinner Speaker was



Mitchell Green and Buhle Solomon with Professor David Spurrett

Professor David Spurrett, Dean and Head of School, School of Religion, Philosophy and Classics, University of KwaZulu-Natal. His talk, entitled, "Inner Conflict" talk was fascinating.

Professional development in a brand new facility

Our new headmaster introduced a professional development slot for all academic staff every Tuesday morning. These sessions were held in the newly created Campbell Teaching Space and were dedicated to collaborating around best practice in teaching and learning. They proved to be inspiring and challenging and sowed the seeds for some exciting innovations in 2018. The PD sessions were especially well received by the boys who enjoyed the opportunity to catch up on some sleep with a later start.

We are privileged to have a considerable budget for professional development. As is always the case, we sent many teachers to the Regional and National IEB User Group Conferences. In addition to this, we sent several teachers to many other conferences locally, covering a broad range of topics and disciplines.

The 24th International Boys' Schools' Coalition Conference was held in Maryland, USA. Pieter van der Schyff and Carolyn van Zuydam attended and presented.

Many our teachers continue to be involved in the IEB in a variety of roles (examiners, moderators and markers). I am grateful to them for their involvement as there is no doubt that they grow themselves through the process while also making a valuable contribution to education in South Africa.

Scholar of the year

Our Scholar of the year is Mitchell Green and the Proxime Accessit, Buhle Solomon.

Distinctions

We achieved a total of 198 distinctions for an average of 1.77 per candidate.

Boys earning four or more distinctions

In all 19 of our boys achieved four or more distinctions.

Two boys achieved nine distinctions each:

Mitchell Green Buhle Solomon

Six boys achieved six distinctions each:

Christopher Abraham Sheldon Bishop Gordon Cook MJ Grobler Lex Pienaar Vaughn Williams

Seven boys achieved five distinctions each:

Alexander Hopkins Nthato Padi Lawrence Umunna James Wood Jamie Beetar Jarid Kolver Chizembi Sakulanda

Four boys achieved four distinctions each:

Nicholas Fowler Guy Harding Murray Ross Emanuele Scammacca

78% of all symbols achieved were a C or better.

Top 1% of subject

The following subjects featured boys who finished in the top 1% of the subject nationally:

French Life Orientation

Mitchell Green
Gordon Cook
Buhle Solomon
Lawrence Umunna

Despite a number of interventions with our Matric group of 2017: weekend classes, study sessions, and some evening classes, we did not achieve the results we had hoped for from this group, taken collectively. We did not enjoy great gains from

A new staff room

Along with a new collaborative teaching space, the staff are enjoying the use of a new staff room. This modern, comfortable facility offers space for work, collaboration and relaxation and is conveniently situated on the West end of the Campbell Block in close proximity to the Crookes Block. The staff have felt affirmed and appreciated by this investment in our wellbeing.

Staffing changes

At the start of the year we welcomed the following staff:

Mr George Harris as Headmaster from the Royal Bafokeng Institute.

Mr James Bullough joined the Maths Department from Michaelhouse.

Mrs Hanlie Dry joined the Economics Department as HOD from Curro Aurora.

Ms Tina Mashobane joined the Afrikaans Department from Parktown Boys' High School.

Mr James Robey joined the Life Sciences Department after travelling in South America.

Mr Wessel Theron joined the Afrikaans Department as Head of Department.

Mr James Webb joined the Economics Department from Kingham Hill School in the U.K.

Mrs Kathy Acutt joined us as Academic Secretary from UKZN.

All of them have already made significant contributions to our school.

The following staff left during or at the end of the year

Mr Dali Ndebele left the Maths Department to pursue an opportunity in New Zealand.

Mr Trevor van Niekerk left the Science Department to become the Director of Academics at St Anne's.

Mr Peter de Lisle left the Curriculum Support Unit to become the Director of Academics at Inanda Seminary.

Mr Anthony Durnford retired after more than 30 years of outstanding service in the English Department.

Mr Pieter van der Schyff left the Afrikaans Department.

Mrs Ann Greenwood left after many years of loyal and committed service, most recently as Academic Secretary.

We want to thank them for the significant contributions they made to our school.

Mark Perrett stepped out of his academic leadership role and we appointed the following curriculum coordinators

Grade 8:	Mrs Ashleigh Askew
Grade 9:	Mrs Tracey Mackenzie
Grade 10:	Mr Brad Anderson
Grade 11&12:	Mrs Hanlie Dry

Mr Bruce Maclachlan continues to handle all of our academic administration with great efficiency and effectiveness.

In conclusion, I believe that 2017 has been a successful year, one in which we laid the foundation for some exciting innovations in 2018. I look forward to bringing you news of those in the 2018 Hiltonian.

Paul de Wet

Executive Director of Academics

Grade 11 Academic Tour to Johannesburg



The grade 11 boys thoroughly valued and enjoyed this year's Academic Tour to Johannesburg where they were exposed to the highly competitive and fast- moving corporate environment, as well as to a variety of different career opportunities. They returned with a far better understanding of South African society, its history and culture and its economy.

The tour, from the 13th to the 16th August, was divided into three, 2-hour sessions a day. Boys were allowed boys to choose which sessions to attend, based on their personal interests, subjectchoices and future career preferences. Below is the table of visits we had arranged

MONDAY

Session 1	Bowman Gilfillan,	Radio 702,	PWC,	Stortech
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- Session 2 DRS, Investec, Peregrine
- Session 3 CAVI Brands, Maharishi Institute, Constitutional Hill

TUESDAY

Session 1	Soweto	Tour,	Vision	24
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- Session 2 CNC Studio-engineering, Panavision studio
- **Session 3** DRA-mining engineers, Waterfall Property
 - Development, Aspire Art Auction House

WEDNESDAY

- Session 1 High Performance Centre at TUKS, Lilies Lief, Artist Marco Gianfanelli, Steyn City
- Session 2 Wits Art Gallery-Andy Warhol, Times Media, TBWA, JHB Theatre



I am hugely indebted to the business owners and business contacts that made these visits possible, many of whom are past and present old boys and parents. They went out of their way to put together outstanding programmes for our boys, giving up their time to share their experiences with us and for allowing a group of boys to invade their working environment.



Without the generosity and hard work of the Hilton College Johannesburg parents, this tour would not be possible. I want to thank you all so much for feeding, entertaining and transporting the boys during our time in Johannesburg.

Lastly, I would like to thank my hard-working and enthusiastic



team of teachers that helped make this tour possible. Trevor van Niekerk, Chris Kingsley, Angela Salamon, Hanlie Dry, Brad Anderson, David Look and Siya Mzolo.

Anne Kriel-Brown HOD Accounting



Independent Examinations Board results



NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE

(Subject) indicates distinction

BACHELOR DEGREE

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(Accounting Economics) (English Home Language, History, Life Orientation, Mathematics, Physical Sciences)

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ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

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	History, Life Orientation, Mathematics,	Twiss, JK	(Geography, Mathematics)
	Physical Sciences)		()
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Department Reports

Accounting



The Accounting Department continued to link our teaching more closely to the real world by using South African case studies, the Annual Integrated Reports of South African and International Companies and integrating current accounting and economic trends in our teaching and assessing. We use games and



simulations to help pupils understand and apply accounting concepts in a realistic situation and to understand the importance of making good financial decisions. Wherever feasible we have also tried to take them into the workplace to see how different businesses control their assets and audits and report on their financial results and position.



As part of their matric portfolio the Matric boys did an audit of the control systems at Mc Donald's

The Johannesburg School of Business ran a business simulation and called for our Grade 12 classes to participate. Here they learnt to report on and analyze the financial results of a simulated business. Girls from St Johns joined us for the day.

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Colour Accounting is still used very successfully to introduce our junior classes to Accounting. This amazing interactive programme uses colour and activities to explain accounting concepts and record and report on transactions.



Playing cash flow, a game that teaches investing skills



The Grade 9 boys went on a combined LO and Accounting tour to Durban where they visited the Mr Price factory and the Hardy Boys Advertising Agency

Next year we will be introducing a more integrated curriculum for the grade 8s where we will be looking at the 21st century skills needed by our boys. The Accounting and Economics Departments have started working together towards developing material and activities for the learning area called "Investing in the 21st Century". The course will focus on learning financial and economic literacy, understanding financial and economic data and on developing investing skills. Part of the course will involve learning to work with others and using technology to access information and market business ideas and products. The boys will also be involved in setting up an entrepreneurial venture.

I would like to congratulate Buhle Solomon, Nicholas Fowler, Vaughn Williams, Christopher Abraham, Keegan Raves, MJ Grobler, Guy Harding and Dylan Hope who achieved an "A" symbol in the final NSC Examination.

The following pupils are to be congratulated for winning prizes at Speech Day:

Grade 12:Buhle Solomon and Nicholas FowlerGrade 11:Niaan TaljaardGrade 10:Kyle Steenberg and Michael Booth

Once again, I would like to thank my two enthusiastic colleagues in the department, Teresa Whitfield and Bradley Anderson. Thank you for all your support and hard work.

> Anne Kriel-Brown HOD Accounting

Afrikaans

Nelson Mandela said, "If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, it goes to his heart." I firmly believe in the beauty and importance of diversity and multilingualism. Language is a bridge between cultures and improves general language skills. Learning a second language offers proven benefits for intelligence, memory and concentration. Boys tend to forget that language is complex; speaking or learning a new language therefore gives your brain a good workout. Cummins stated, "Learning a second language enhances children's understanding of how language itself works and their ability to manipulate language in the service of thinking and problem- solving." We all must therefore remind ourselves of the significance of learning a second language."



Grade 12E on their last academic day

2017 has proven to be a busy year. We have attempted to incorporate more technology in the classroom to enhance teaching and make learning Afrikaans more fun. The IEB curriculum has high expectations, and we, as teachers, have thus emphasised the importance of a good work ethic and building vocabulary on a daily and weekly basis. We are excited about incorporating more of a communicative approach next year as part of the renewed junior curriculum. On 23rd May we welcomed the theatre-in-education company "PIT Produksies" to Hilton and they took our boys and neighbouring schools through a visual journey of our prescribed book and poems. This was a wonderful and entertaining event which definitely helped students grasp a better understanding of their prescribed works.

Congratulations to Wium Smit who came 2nd in KZN in the 2016 Junior Olympiad with an average of 89%. ATKV-Spelathon is an Afrikaans National Spelling Bee Competition. This year Hilton took part for the first time since its inception. A group of Grade 9 and 10s were coached by Ms Mashobane and the KZN provincial finals were held at Michaelhouse on 25th August. Schools from all over the province participated. The grade 9s had to learn 800 Afrikaans words and grade 10s, 1000. Brendan Beukes from Pearce House came first in the grade 10 category. He beat 21 other spellers in the province. He represented KZN at the National Final which was held on 28th October at Leeuwenhof Akademie in Bedfordview. He came 10th overall and we congratulate him on his persistence and hard work.

Sadly, we have to say goodbye to Mr Pieter van der Schyff and Ms Tina Mashobane. We thank them for their commitment to the department and wish them everything of the best on their future endeavours. We look forward to 2018 and know we can only go from strength to strength.

HOD Afrikaans

Counselling

Relationships are the essence of psychological well-being. We cannot exist in isolation and therefore we all need to guard rigorously against the over use of the internet and social media, especially amongst our teens. It is a contradiction that the more we engage in social media, the more socially isolated we become. A research study focused on the effects of technology revealed that there was a drop in research participant's interaction with their family, a drop in the size of their social circle and increases in depression and loneliness, the more time that participants spent on using the internet. (APA PsycINFO Database Record 2016 -Internet paradox: A social technology that reduces social involvement and psychological well-being). Therefore, whilst technology is an amazing creation, balance is the key. Hilton College's boarding establishment is the ideal setting for boys to engage in deep, meaningful relationships. The idea of starting in grade 8 without one's cellphone can be a terrifying thought. This void gives room for boys to strike up and experience real friendships with dorm mates and other new boys and the impact thereof is often lasting. It is wonderful to see how well many boys have bonded by the time they reach matric. The counselling department plays a key role in fostering healthy relationships amongst our boys and staff. We delight in every opportunity we can to make a meaningful difference. The grade 11 leadership programme is one such opportunity. We focused on finding strength in our uniqueness by using the Strength Finders instrument and did a fun practical exercise using Lego and leadership styles.

> Lizelle van Niekerk School Counsellor

Dramatic Arts

Do not criticise another until you have walked a mile in his moccasins"

(American Indian Proverb)

South Africa is a richly diverse and multi-cultural society and it is important that we learn to understand and celebrate each other's viewpoints. As the proverb above states, we cannot judge others until we have understood the world through their eyes.

Dramatic Arts as a subject is intent on challenging students' perceptions about themselves and the world around them. This is achieved through the study and practical exploration of the various play texts that the boys study throughout the year. The practical component of the subject also allows the boys to engage in activities that encourage collaboration, co-operation, critical thinking and creativity.

Highlights of the year

In Grade 8, Dramatic Arts, once again, formed part of the Learning Journey in which we worked on storytelling through the use of tableaux. This was further developed so that the pupils read their own stories and created a poster which included background research to the story, a summarised breakdown and illustrations.

On one of the Heartbeat days, the pupils participated in two Drama workshops, watched a Trulife dramatization about the dangers of alcohol abuse, were entertained to Music from around the World by John Roff our resident conservationist and had a tour of the Hilton College Theatre.

In Grade 9, we introduced the idea of Stop Motion Videos in which the boys, in small groups, had to create a Stop Motion Video Clip which highlighted challenges that they as adolescents experienced. Topics ranged from dealing with issues of identity, self-esteem, bullying, friendship, loss and environmental concerns.



Grade 10 and 11 Dramatic Arts boys participate in a Flatfoot Dance Company workshop with St Anne's Drama pupils.

Our Dramatist in residence this year was Francis Mennigke a Drama Masters student from the University of Pietermaritzburg. He worked on group rituals with our Grade 10s which resulted in a night time performance around the fire at the Henley Lapa.

Funk, a collective school dance programme in which our Grade 11 boys participate every year, is always a memorable experience. Mrs Joslyn Anderson and the Grade 11 boys choreographed a dance piece together for the production and the boys are to be commended on the commitment and creative energy with which they tackled the task.

The Grade 10's and 11's boys were also afforded the opportunity to partake in a Movement and Dance Workshop with the St Anne's Drama pupils. This was run by the Durban based Flatfoot Dance Company and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

A Hilton College and Epworth School for Girls Dramatic Arts Production of *Caucasian Chalk Circle* by Bertolt Brecht

The Caucasian Chalk Circle is currently the compulsory Grade 12 IEB Dramatic Arts set work. Plays are not really meant to be read; they are meant to be performed. It was with this in mind that I decided to produce this play. Directing it has been one of the best experiences of my life and I would direct it again in a heartbeat. Brecht is a theatrical genius. He cleverly interweaves humour, gestus, narratives and his many alienation techniques to challenge the way we respond to the story, and its message of social responsibility and justice. His play is as relevant to all of us today as it would have been when it was first performed in 1948.

Working, once again, with a huge cast of approximately 50 actors and actresses was a challenging but ultimately rewarding experience. The story was episodic in structure and the various scenes were linked together by a band of musicians/narrators who added a lyrical dimension to the performance. All of the performers acquitted themselves well and contributed collaboratively to the pace, precision and pizzazz of the production. My thanks go to the following people who contributed to the production. My friend and colleague, Joslyn Anderson, for her unwavering support throughout and for being a very important sounding board as I grappled to transform the words on paper onto the stage.

Claire Franklin, our very able drama intern, for supporting me during the rehearsal process and working tirelessly backstage.

Ange Salamon for her amazing set design and the effort she put into the painting and decoration of the set, as well as the masks

Sheryl Hodkin, for her administration assistance and passionate commitment to the Arts at Hilton College.

My husband, Bill, who literally built the whole set and gave up his free time and energy to do so.

My daughter, Hannah, for sharing her unique artistic talent with us by making the puppets and helping with the set construction design, as well as doing the foyer display.

Anthony Durnford and the Hilton College Arts and Culture team for their support in this endeavour.

The Grade 12s, apart from working on their Final Dramatic Arts programme which is a culmination of all the practical work they have been involved in over three years, also participated in a Dramatised prose workshop facilitated by Francis Mennigke. Their performances, which were based on Gerald Durrell's *My Family and Other Animals*, Trevor Noah's *Born a Crime* and John Van de Ruit's *Spud* were most imaginatively conceived and performed.

Dramatic Arts continues to be a subject where boys can grow in confidence in their ability to perform, build effective and positive relationships with each other and partake in the discussion of issues and challenges affecting our society today.

Cal Bray HOD Dramatic Arts

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Economics

Goals for the Department

To be nationally recognized for excellence in teaching, for innovative programmes, and for providing a top-class Economics education.

To deliver competent, creative, responsible and productive citizens – the "Thought Leaders" of Hilton College.

To be a Department known for its collegial atmosphere and supportive work environment.

I completed my first academic year as Department Head of Economics at Hilton College and I believe it has been an exciting and productive year for this Department. Mr James Webb also joined Hilton College and the Economics Department at the beginning of 2017 and together with Messrs Oscar Horstmann and Lionel Randall contributed immensely to the successes this department has seen during the academic year.

Adding value to our academic offering

- The grade 8s were introduced to domestic and international contemporary economic issues and the impact on South African consumers, business owners and investors. Via various news Apps and newspapers, these aspiring economists were exposed to the world of markets, trade and finance and geo-political happenings that impact on each one of us.
- The grade 9s visited the sugar terminals in Durban to gain greater insight into the production process as well as economic concepts like competitor exports, general international trade and competition. We also explored the industrial harbour area, the Point development initiative and had a harbour tour by boat. This exposure allowed our students to experience industrial innovation, tourism and investment opportunities.
- The Economics Department was invited to participate in the Allan Gray National Entrepreneurship competition and we enrolled all our grade 9s alongside 3300 participants from across the country from other invited schools. We were one of only two schools who enrolled junior students – all other students from the rest of the country were grades 10-12. Hilton's grade 9s received a Gold Certificate for outstanding effort and finishing in the top 5 schools. Our top achiever was Brett Geyser.
- The grade 10s went on an operational morning tour of McDonald's to enhance theoretical concepts that were examined in class. The students gained valuable information on strategies to achieve and improve sales targets, the impact of recessionary economic conditions on South African companies and labour laws that govern domestic enterprises.
- The CEO of Pangaea Investment visited our two Grade 11 classes with a presentation to provide insight into the emerging and current crypto currencies, specifically Bitcoin, and a career as a financial markets trader. The Grade 11s also visited various businesses like Investec, Peregrine and the Waterfall development zone during the Johannesburg tour. These visits exposed our Economics students to the world of business and finance and provided them with a more informed opinion on certain careers and workplace expectations.

The Department takes pride in the accomplishments of its Grade 12 Economics students in the 2017 IEB Final Examinations

Year	No. of students	No. of distinctions	Distinctions as a %	Hilton average %	National average %
2016	41	11	26.8	68	60
2017	55	21	38	71	61

Top achievers

•	Luke Alcock	93%
٠	Matt Hildebrand	92%
٠	James Wood	92%
٠	MJ Grobler	91%
٠	Nthato Padi	91%
٠	Murray Ross	91%
٠	Nathan Bushnell	90%
٠	Jarid Kolver	90%
٠	Tristan Warren	90%

The Economics Department will consistently strive to achieve in our vision that is embodied in what our subject stands for:

- * Enterprising students
- * Critical thinkers
- * Optimistic solutions to global problems
- * Never naive
- * Open to possibility
- * Mindful of the needs of others
- * Interesting students to converse with
- * Confident at dinner table discussions
- Seeing and analysing the big picture

'The love of Economics is the root of all virtue.' George Bernard Shaw

Hanlie Dry HOD: Economics Department

English

German writer Goethe pronounced that "The limits of my language are the limits of my universe." That may have been true in the eighteenth century but contemporary society has a far broader universe than Goethe could have imagined possible; communication within our world requires speed and quantity rather than depth and quality of expression. Hilton boys, like most young people today, are very adept at communicating in this domain but, I believe, what makes a person stand out is the ability to communicate with precision and flair. It is this that the English Department strives to achieve; sometimes with great difficulty considering the immense range of distractions and the pressures of what are seen as "more important" subjects, like the sciences.

We have been fortunate in 2017 to have some Matric leaders who have set a wonderful example for their peers by balancing their cultural and sporting commitments with a real investment in their academics, including English. At the end of the year Buhle Solomon, a committed sportsman and active participant in plays and musical events, won the Matric English prize. Nthato Padi, who is one of the busiest boys I have ever encountered at Hilton College, was awarded the Advanced Programme English prize. What these young men have demonstrated is how it is possible to achieve high standards and maintain a balanced programme.

While the seniors did not have an opportunity to withdraw from the frenetic school life, they produced some excellent writing too and I was most impressed with the sophisticated beauty of Gordon Cook's poetry. It is apparent that his craftsmanship has improved over the years and he was a worthy winner of the Senior Verse Prize on Speech Day. Similarly, Stuart Roy's portfolio of creative writing demonstrates that he is a writer with much potential and someone to watch. He received the LAB Sharpe Memorial Prize for his collection of poetry and prose. Our boys performed admirably in the Douglas Livingstone Creative Writing Competition. Interestingly enough, they were the only boys, among many girls, who received awards at the prize giving at Westville Girls' High School. Luyanda Cingo was placed third for his short story and Gordon Cook received a Highly Commended for his. Kutloano Modisaesi tied for second place in the Grade 10 Poetry. Douglas Dorwood received a Highly Commended in the Grade 11 Poetry, as did Nthato Padi in the Grade 12 Poetry. I am very pleased with this outcome.

The interhouse public speaking competitions were, once again, ably put together by John McMichael. The standard of the speeches is always high and demonstrate the boys' skills in both prepared speech delivery and the ability to think on their feet in the impromptu section. This year the senior winner was Douglas Dorwood of Churchill, second and third places went to Jacob Chidawaya and Chris Bass, respectively. The junior competition is always hotly contested and I am always impressed with the confidence and enthusiasm of these youngsters. This year's winner was Hlumelo Notsche of Lucas, followed by Joshua Cox and Luke Holtzhauzen.

This year saw sixteen boys writing the Advanced Programme English examination, ten of whom accompanied myself and Joslyn Anderson to the Franschhoek Literary Festival during the May midterm break. This was an exceptional experience and they were able to attend several interesting and thoughtprovoking talks and panel discussions. It was an excellent opportunity for us to interact with them in this context and I enjoyed having time to spend with such a mature, reliable group of boys. One of the highlights of the weekend was the Hilton College team coming second in the pub quiz at the Fireman's Arms on our first evening in Cape Town. I was most impressed with the boys' general knowledge.

I would like to thank the teachers of the English Department – Ant Durnford, John McMichael, Graeme Roberts, Carolyn van Zuydam, Nick Holtzhauzen, Chris Kingsley, Ashleigh Askew, Lara Williams and Joslyn Anderson. I would like, especially, to thank Ant Durnford for his years of service in the English Department. He certainly has added a great deal to the team and we shall miss him. Lara Williams also leaves at the end of the year and has been an able part-timer in the English Department. A number of English teachers will be spending a week of their December holiday in Johannesburg doing matric marking, which adds valuable experience and knowledge to the department.

I look forward to working with the boys and staff next year, with a view to expanding our achievements.

Kathleen Schroeder HOD English

French

Another year, another report. Although each year seems very similar when looking back superficially, any teacher knows that each is unique in the detail and human interactions. For instance, the French Department's IEB results were once again very good, with Mitchell Green deserving particular Félicitations for making the top 1% of all South African Matrics studying French, hence disproving the bizarre idea that French is "a girls' subject". (He achieved 99%!) As usual, Hilton hosted a number of activities for other schools offering French, fortunately for our boys, nearly all girls' schools (but another sad indictment on many schools' limited



vision for boys' education in the ever more international "global village" where our boys will live out their adult lives). Most of these events involve covering targeted competencies in lessons prior to them, with the thought of interacting with girls a strong motivating factor, but on the day a strong underlying intention is to provide structured socialisation. The Grade 8s used their basic introductory and table conversation skills at a French petit déjeuner. The Fleurde-Lys Club was bursting at the seams with about 80 Hilton boys and about 120 girls from St Anne's, St John's, The Wykeham-Collegiate and Epworth. Many were too excited even to eat all the croissants, much to the delight of senior French classes later in the day! The 76 Hilton boys still doing French in Grade 9 wrote and produced little plays for our soirée-théâtre. With the same four local girls' schools in attendance, the boys provided the entertainment between courses, with the Memorial Hall abuzz with excited interaction at candle-lit tables decked out in bleu-blanc-rouge in the Memorial Hall. The Grade 9s also later attended an activity afternoon for all KZN schools (hosted by St Anne's). This year's Grade 10s made stunning masks for the speed-dating evening, held in a Hilton French classroom. The combination of masks and candlelight made it essential to glean as much information as possible from the girl opposite before the bell rang and they faced a new femme de mystère. There were prizes for those who successfully identified the most "partners". (Who would have suspected they were practising the "interrogative"?). Unfortunately, sport commitments prevented our Grade 11s from participating in an afternoon activity focusing on human rights at the Durban Alliance Française. Since Hilton hosts the KZN Matric French Dinner, we fortunately did not miss that and, as always, our hospitality and grounds impressed all the other schools - a real marketing coup, as are all the large events we organize annually. At the end of the year, the French Department also once again collected the mountains of clothing, stationery, etc. left behind in six of the seven Houses, filling two school vehicles and trailers, then taking it to the French-speaking nuns at Pomeroy for distribution to their local community (apparently the second poorest in the country according to statistics). The Hilton French Department also continued to play a leading role in the IEB, with Heather Peel still the Internal Moderator for both national Matric written examinations and an oral moderator. We also hosted KZN French Teachers' Association meetings, as usual.

Another unchanging aspect of 2017: Hilton is still the only school in South Africa to be an international DELF-DALF examination centre, qualified to examine from A1 right up to the tertiary levels of C1 and C2. This means that all local students of French, from those at school to those at university to those studying independently as adults, all do their examinations at Hilton College. While this is an honour, it does imply a lot of extra work for the staff, but advantages our boys, as they would otherwise probably have to travel to the Alliance Française in Durban for both the written and oral papers, making the time commitment away from school almost impossible. More and more boys write back years after leaving school, asking for proof of these



qualifications when they realize the career advantages of having such an international qualification. Perhaps of increasing immediate relevance, given the current crisis in higher education in South Africa, it is possible, with a B2 level, to gain entry into a French university, and the cost is surprisingly almost lower than studying locally as foreign students receive the same state subsidy as French students. (France has long been a country where education is a national priority.) Knowledge of the French language can therefore open the door to tertiary study in any discipline, from economics to engineering to medicine... Those who become conversant in this international language have a valuable advantage, a distinguishing factor, a means to other ends (especially on our continent, given that there now are more French speakers in Africa than in France). The Hilton DELF results for 2017 were as follows:

B2 (Independent Users-Vantage): Christopher Abraham; Jamie Beetar; Mitchell Green; Pravir Valloo

B1 (Independent Users-Threshold): Babatofunmi Adejuyigbe; Lesedi Alexander; Sheldon Bishop; Chizembi Sakulanda; Lawrence Umunna; Benjamin Williams

A2 (Basic users-Waystage): Christopher Bass; Gabriel Becerra; Sampa Chikwanda (*distinction*); Luyanda Cingo (*distinction*); Douglas Dorward; Joseph Elphick; Lorenzo Meaker; Marcus Montague-Mfuni; Zanesizwe Ndebele (*distinction*); Ryan Ramoni (*distinction*); Nathan Ruegg (*distinction*); Cedric Tsai (distinction).

A1 (Basic Users-Breakthrough): Tuyamba Akwaake; James Allan; Riyaadh Arab; Nzuzo Hardy; Alex Jeon (*distinction*); Oliver Newell; Patrick Plunket (*distinction*); Rory Plunket (distinction); Losika Setlhomo; Luke Udal (*distinction*); Alex Warren (*distinction*).

Another example of a recurring theme in an annual report, the well-deserving prizewinners who are always new and therefore unique for the current year:

Grade 12: Paul Bestel Memorial Prize for French: Mitchell Green; Rahmani Prize for Commitment to French: Lawrence Umunna

Grade 11: 1st Prize: Keigo Nagai; Rahmani Prize: Cedric Tsai

Grade 10: 1st Prize: Rory Plunket; Rahmani Prize: Thomas Macleod-Henderson



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While none of the above activities of the Hilton French Department was unique to 2017, others were. For the first time, a French Club functioned for several terms under the Matric leadership of Emanuele Scammacca and Chris Abraham - merci for this initiative. As part of a wider partnership between KZN schools offering French and the Loire region of France, some classes corresponded with French students and in May, a young man called Malo Delanoë spent two weeks on exchange with us. This programme could have huge potential for our boys. In the same month, a group of senior boys chose to travel to Durban on a Friday night to see a production of the classic French dramatist Molière's play Tartuffe, and were rewarded with an amazing production very different in theatrical style from anything they would normally be exposed to, yet familiar in its universal theme of hypocrisy. The literature prescribed for the current Matric cycle includes short stories from a collection recently published in France to benefit the food charity Les Restos du Cœur. In an exciting initiative, the authors agreed to allow South African Matric students to study photocopies of their stories, on the understanding that donations would be made to local food charities. The Hilton money helped to fund the Christmas party for the orphans supervised by the Pomeroy nuns. One of the three authors, Agnès Ledig, toured South Africa to speak directly to



students studying French about the universal experience of being a writer and specifically about the creation of her story on the Matric syllabus. Fortunately, a small group of Hilton boys managed to free themselves to attend this enriching seminar held at Kloof High. Also, not in the category of recurring events, Heather Peel was honoured to be made a Chevalier de l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques by the French government, with the French Ambassador coming to pin on the medal, an award first instituted by Napoleon.

So, in broader educational terms, 2017 was another good year for the Hilton French Department. The only shadow was that of the guillotine of curriculum choices, forcing us to fight annually for "a stay of execution", the main "charge" seeming to be that we are one of the few boys' schools to continue offering the second international language of Africa to both "immigrants" and South Africans. From our admittedly prejudiced point of view, this would seem to be an advantage! We support the growth of indigenous languages in a context of multilingualism, including languages from the wider world. It seems appropriate to end by expressing my heartfelt thanks to my colleagues and friends, Inma Guillot Montaner and Lara Williams. Through their professionalism, conscientiousness and concern for every individual boy in their care, they have both remained passionately focused on contributing constructively to the excellent education that Hilton College endeavours to offer. After three years of working together as a team, we shall miss Lara in 2018 but wish her well as she pursues her French teaching career in Cape Town. Vive le français!

> Heather Peel HOD French

Geography

The Geography department has again had another busy and productive year. The development of relevant skills, and at the same time, imparting knowledge and understanding of the relevance of Geography in an ever- changing world, continues to be the main focus in this department. Problem solving, thinking skills, enquiry, values and decision making, flexible thinking, spatial understanding and social, environmental and economic awareness, are but some of the focus areas this past year.

Our 2017 matriculants produced a pleasing set of results. What was particularly comforting was the manner in which those boys who were at risk were able to significantly improve their final mark. Furthermore, those boys who consistently applied themselves to their studies throughout the year, were rewarded for their efforts. It is also pleasing to see how the majority of the boys improved their mark from a generally disappointing set of marks in the Trial Examination! It again proves that, through sustained effort and a positive work ethic, it is possible to achieve to your potential!

The following is a summary of the NSC results:

Aggregate: 70% (IEB ave = 66%) Symbols: A = 12 B = 16 C = 18 D = 7 E=2

84% of candidates achieved an A, B or C

As in the previous years, time was allocated towards professional development during the academic day. This again was both positive and beneficial. With the pace at which information technology is changing, it is a constant challenge to remain at the forefront of new developments that enhances the learning process for our boys.

The amalgamation of Geography and Life Sciences at Grade 8 level into one subject, Environmental Science, has continued to be successful. As a department, it has been a pleasure working with our colleagues in the Life Sciences department. Field trips continue to be a critical part of our curriculum. These enhance the learning process in the classroom. These out of classroom experiences undoubtedly benefit our boys in the understanding of subject matter and content.

Karen Koopman returned to the department at the start of term 3 after the birth of Jessica. I thank Andrew Duncan for filling in and teaching Karen's classes while she was away.

During the course of the year a significant amount of time was spent looking at the Grade 8 and 9 syllabi, with the view to implementing changes in 2018. I would like to thank Karen Koopman for her significant input in this regard.

I would also like to thank Karen Koopman, Mike Mill, Mark Perrett and Andrew Duncan for their significant contribution this year.

> Francois Morgan HOD Geography

History

The department was delighted by the 2017 IEB Final results. Having built on the success of 2016, the department achieved an excellent set of results. Impressively, of the 46 pupils who sat the IEB Final Examination, 30% of them achieved a distinction, whilst 90% of our pupils achieved either an A, B or C symbol with a final Grade 12 average of 75%. Each achievement comfortably exceeds IEB norms and is a huge credit to the effort of both the staff and boys. Our 2017 results are the best we have achieved since 2010. However, it is concerning to reflect







that 23 of the 46 pupils achieved B's, 7 of which were between 78-79%. The department is committed to improving our teaching and learning strategies to ensure future candidates are even better- prepared and able to exceed the 80% mark. I would like to credit the efforts of Mr Paul Venter and Sean Carlisle for their efforts with last year's year group. I am optimistic about the introduction of more collaborative teaching approaches that address areas of concern within our programme and look forward to next year's results.

As usual, our Grade 8s enjoyed the field trip to Babanango and the battlefields of Northern KwaZulu-Natal. It is always an enriching experience and greatly contributes to the historical and cultural knowledge of our pupils. It was exciting to watch the boys explore sites such as Isandlwana, having been first introduced to it in the classroom. The Battle of Isandlwana, was the first major encounter in the Anglo–Zulu War between the British Empire and the Zulu Kingdom and resulted in one of the greatest victories "ever achieved by a native force over the British". Many boys personally enjoyed the climb to the summit. Our Grade 9s visited the Durban Holocaust Museum in September. It was an enriching and sombre experience. Our boys contributed well to the workshop and were greatly affected by the displays.

On the 23rd of January the History department hosted a dinner in the Fleur de Lys Club to commemorate the Battle of Isandlwana and Bishop Colenso's response to it. It was a fantastic evening, my thanks to Paul Venter for his insight and reflections around this event.

The History Department commends our 2017 Subject Prize Winners: Grade 12, JE Nisbet Prize for History: BN Solomon; Grade 11, JA Hickinbotham; Grade 10, TRP Hamlin. The Frederic Tatham Memorial Essay Prize for History was shared between BN Solomon and ABM Hopkins.

I would like to commend my colleagues, namely; Sean Carlisle, Andrew Douglas, Paul Venter and Burger Nel (Intern) for their professionalism and commitment. It is extremely comforting to be able to rely on their vast experience. Their passion and willingness to adapt to the changing demands of our profession has made the management of the department much easier. Finally, a sincere and heartfelt thank you to Paul Venter for managing the department with such aplomb from 2014-2016.

> David Look HOD History

Information Technology

The matriculation class of 2017 was an eclectic group from the start. As a result of a number of unrelated events, the size of the class dwindled but the energy and determination didn't! I thoroughly enjoyed teaching and working with the group over the three-year period, as well as having the opportunity to set their final examination paper. I was pleased with the overall results at the end of the year.

Technical Services Department

The department continues to work and maintain a world-class network with very little downtime. Staffing has remained the same for a number of years now, although this is inadequate for the needs of the organization. I hope that in due course action will be taken in this regard so as to align the staffing of the department with the accepted technician : user/device ratios.

We were fortunate to be able to increase the incoming speed of our fibre connection at no extra cost, making more bandwidth available to pupils and staff. There is a greater need for education on the part of boys about using their bandwidth allocation: spending the night watching movies on Netflix and then complaining about there being no bandwidth allocation left for work doesn't cut it!

General network expansion was limited by finances in the past year, although we were able to increase wireless penetration further as well as boost some other basic network resources. Towards the end of the year, we were able to purchase a new server ahead of the ITSI e-Book implementation in 2018, which will be reported on further in the next edition.

Security on campus is always a concern and we could implement a new platform for IP Security Cameras in the year. This will provide a solid base to work from in years to come, allowing us to "bolt on" further controllers and cameras as the needs of the College change. The new system includes many tracking facilities not part of the previous system we used.

> Bruce MacLachlan HOD Information Technology

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Raymond Slater Library

2017 was a year of changes and challenges. Mr Pete de Lisle, our IT guru and curriculum developer, left Hilton College after term 1, and as he had had his 'office' in the library for many years he had become an invaluable colleague to all the library staff and has been greatly missed. Nevertheless, his seat was barely cold before we took advantage of the vacated space to move the library around. All biographies were retrieved from the general non-fiction section and shelved in a separate section nearer the fiction books. It is hoped that this will make access to this 'readable' non-fiction easier, although it has also caused a little confusion to all! The library was further enhanced with 2 large bright-green tables with sorely needed embedded power points, supporting dozens of boys all wanting access to power points which has remained a challenge in a library designed in the 1970s when all that was needed was a few plugs for the vacuum. Additional wi-fi points and security cameras were also installed during the year.

As part of the revived 'Clubs and Societies' endeavour, senior and junior reading clubs were formed. The junior reading club saw the year through with a small group of committed boys who seemed to enjoy the experience. The staff 'kids' book club' has been in existence for many years and is well attended. Indeed, Father Christmas almost needed reviving after our final meeting at which dozens of children waited eagerly for their gifts. Our pupil



orientated reading projects were augmented by weekly lucky draws and cake for the Grade 8 dormitory, which read the most; this was won by a late reading drive by Falcon. The Gnome Nation, guided by Mr Gary Holder, was created to assist boys with IT problems and a small core of boys fulfilled their duties very responsibly by being available every afternoon in the library to help any boy who had an IT problem.

Unfortunately, it was also a year which saw the postponement, again, of several years of planning towards a new Learning Hub. The IEB One Research Task will no longer be offered to our Grade 12 boys in the hope that this would afford them additional time to concentrate more closely on their examinations and with the understanding that the alternate tasks may be more accessible. It is hoped that this may only be temporary as an old boy survey undertaken by the library had extremely positive replies as to how well Hilton had prepared them for university by exposing them to 2 years of research essays. The Learning Journey, a grade 8 subject aimed at teaching research and IT skills was also cancelled as the grade 8 curriculum was altered for 2018 and it is hoped that these skills will be taught within the various subject areas.

The biennial South African National School Librarians' Conference took place at Highbury Preparatory School in July 2017. Mrs Durnford was involved in both organizing and presenting at this conference which was well supported and seemed to be enjoyed by the many librarians, including Mrs Nonxuba, who attended.



The library bade farewell to several matric library monitors who had served the library for many years and in so doing had earned their school service ties. We thank Ole Mokoena, Guy Harding, Gordon Cook and Nicholas Fowler and wish them well in their university endeavours.

Mandy Durnford, Refilee Nonxuba & Kim du Plessis Library staff
Life Orientation

Life Orientation continues to use Achieve Careers anti-textbook and online resources. These are available on Moodle and are the foundation of our lessons during the course of the year. Watching appropriate clips, which include Tedtalks, encouraging our boys to participate in real-time online surveys about topics such as bullying, racism, pornography etc. are just some of the methods that support the inclusive and robust discussions in the classes as we look closely at what is going on around us. We continue to use the responsibility of the Guest Speakers' programme to link the topics of our content to excellent real-life stories from a diverse range of very influential people. This continues to support our vision as a department of being relevant, visible and valuable to all our boys. Inviting regular guest speakers to speak to our boys affords them with the opportunity of listening to multiple perspectives on several topics, which helps our boys make well-informed, responsible decisions. These included, in no particular order: Adv. Thuli Madonsela on hope for young South Africans and making a difference, Dr Taddy Blecher on social responsibility through using one's privilege wisely, Dr Graeme Codrington on the future of work and education, Dr Andrew Pickford on the dangers of pornography, TruLife Drama Productions on Sex Education, Identity and Human Trafficking, Mr Carey and Rev. Wyngaard on drug addiction, Joanne Wood on Personal Branding and Interview Skills, Liesel Schoonraad on bullying, the Red Frogs on responsible Matric partying, Old Boy Lysle Turner on climbing Mount Everest for Huntington's disease, Jean Craven from Madswimmer.com on the incredible work that they do for several charities by swimming in crazy places and, finally, showing the inspiring film Beyond the River based on the lives of Siseko Ntondini and Piers Cruickshanks, who also spoke to the boys.

Without shoes

Furthermore, we are proud of our department's involvement in several social outreach initiatives that form a major part of what we want to model to our boys. Being aware of the privilege that surrounds us, gives us a responsibility to get involved in helping others as much as we can. The #withoutshoes day for the whole school to create awareness for people who cannot afford shoes, saw our boys donate shoes to those less privileged and take off their shoes for the day to open up conversations around poverty. The cut/spray for cancer day organised by Jonty Weideman and



the St John's girls was another big success with over R11 000 raised for CANSA PMB. We also had the madswimmer.com swimathon where the whole school swam lengths for charity and, lastly, the Adv. Thuli Madonsela charity dinner that raised over R25 000, which was split between her THUMA Foundation as well as Old Boy Xilombe Tlakula's Limitless Foundation. There is little doubt that LO has made a powerful impact in many areas of the boys' lives this year. As a department, it is indeed a privilege to have a platform to speak into our young men's lives and address the many challenges that they face as well as encourage them to be young men of character.

Our main aim is not focused on churning out marks; however, we can be proud of our 2017 Matric class as they achieved 39 A-symbols and 40 B-symbols. We hope that besides attaining a mark at the end of their period at Hilton College, all our boys would have gained so much more than that. This is where the influence of our LO department members is so valuable as they are on the ground, daily facilitating discussions, building relationships with the learners and being outstanding examples, which the boys so dearly need.

Special thanks to Mr Randall, Mr Carey and Mr Quibell who worked closely together, ensuring our boys really benefitted from a most relevant programme for the junior grades. Most lessons were divided into small group discussions, which really added an opportunity to listen to and care for each boy. The grade eights were led by Mr Randall who did a superb job in developing a relevant curriculum linked to learning about the lives of Old Hiltonians in the book "Boys of Hilton". Many insightful discussions around topics such as perseverance, bullying, relationships and social responsibility, amongst others, were explored. Mr Carey did an excellent job once again by heading up the grade nine programme. The grade 9 curriculum included dealing with topics such as healthy choices, sex education, leadership, subject choices, goal setting, career development, citizenship, Camp Ubuntu values, which, have all given the boys the knowledge to make educated decisions about themselves, especially as they negotiated and finalised their important subject choices for their senior years. Many of these were covered in the Achieve Careers e-book. One of the highlights of the year was during a Heartbeat Day where we, once again, collaborated with St John's DSG Life Orientation department, with our boys travelling to St John's, to workshop discussions on Sexual Ethics. The boys learnt a lot from the maturity of the girls and were great ambassadors for the school. A second Heartbeat Day included an incredible visit to Hardy Boys Advertising Agency, Mr Price and the Durban Surf Lifesaving Club for a talk on lifesaving by some top lifeguards. Boys competed in fun lifesaving races and then each boy contributed to a beach clean-up.

Additionally, for grades 10 and 11 - the latter ably headed by Mr Quibell - the interactive e-'anti-textbooks', allowed the boys to have access to the latest information and media from around the world in relation to the most relevant topics that they face, including career and tertiary education opportunities. We are very excited about this cutting-edge learning experience for our boys and are encouraged by how well the boys have embraced our endeavour to go paperless. Some of the topics looked at this year included: Bullying, Racism, Substance Abuse, Social and Environmental Responsibility, Anti-pornography, Human Trafficking, Sexual Ethics, Gender Discrimination, Healthy Relationships, Leadership, Work Contracts and Ethics, Human Rights, Study Skills, Career Opportunities, CV Writing, Interview Skills, Job Shadowing, Social Media Etiquette, Citizenship, Personal Branding, League of Gentleman, Emotional Intelligence and many more. Both grades also enjoyed a short yet valuable section on becoming a great father and husband, where boys discussed this topic in various small groups and heard stories from a variety of diverse people. Our final module for grade tens was entitled 'Gender Bias'. This included a challenging yet hugely beneficial workshop with the girls from St John's DSG where boys were asked to consider society's bias towards men and their own beliefs concerning gender equality - this really made an impact on all of them. The grade tens also benefitted from a fun day out on the Estate on a Heartbeat Day, where each dormitory had to complete a range of tasks and document the morning through a fun video, the winners (Ellis and Pearce) enjoyed pizzas as the prize. The Physical Education (PE) module, once again, proved to be a big success, under the careful watch of our resident sports conditioning specialist, Mr Chris Carey. PE is a compulsory section of our syllabus and provides a good outlet for our boys to learn the basics of having a healthy body and mind. This section continues to benefit the entire school, reducing injuries and helping prepare the boys for the sporting year, which are just some of the added benefits. We are also most grateful to our school counsellor, Mrs van Niekerk, who continues to bring in a range of tertiary institutions as well as a variety of organisations to help with boys making the most-informed and correct choices for their respective futures. She leads this vital part of our subject with care and wisdom, always on hand to offer wise counsel to boys seeking advice.

Lastly, most importantly, thanks must go to the entire team comprising of Mr Quibell, Mr Randall, Mr Carey, Mr de Lisle, Mr Duncan, Mr Robey, Mr Webb, Mr Mbanjwa and Rev. Wyngaard who, in each of their passionate, sincere, unique and talented ways, contributed to the success of the department this year. Their energy and fun, especially during meetings and the teaching of the boys, creates the soul of the department, something for which I am most thankful. The prospect of positively impacting each of the boys in our care in 2018 remains such a privilege and we cannot wait to, once again, meaningfully change our boys' lives.

Chris Kingsley HOD: Life Orientation

Life Sciences

Our 2017 matriculants are to be congratulated on their very pleasing performance in Life Science. 26% achieved a distinction, 85 % of them got a C-symbol and above.

We welcomed Mr James Robey into the department and are appreciative of his enthusiasm, commitment and new ideas.

Our congratulations go to Gordon Cook who came tie 12th in the Life Sciences component of the National Science Olympiad. He was invited to attend the Youth Science Focus Week in Pretoria. This is a fantastic achievement.

Christopher Abraham, Nicholas Sjoberg and Connor Russell were also acknowledged in the result booklet. Our grade 10's did their annual ecology study on the estate and I would like to thank Mr Robey, Mr Steenkamp and Mr Roff for their assistance with that field trip.

Our grade 8 Environmental Science course, which involves the combined collaboration of the Geography and Life Science departments, continues to be successful. It focuses on studying "Our Space here at Hilton College". Each class had a Geography and Life Science teacher and throughout the year, I.T. and research skills are incorporated into the course. We had a most successful Wetland Field trip on the estate, which culminated in some very creative and informative posters being produced by the grade 8's. Thank you to Mr Coetzer for explaining the role of the plantations on our Estate and how we as a school manage these alien species in a sustainable manner, as well as the Hilton College cattle programme.

We are looking forward to collaborating with the Geography, Art and LO departments in a new initiative for next year. I would like to thank Mrs Koopman for collating all the new information for this course called "WOW" "Window on our World".

I would like to thank C Ragubeer, J Kunene, Z Mthalane and my teaching colleagues for all their hard work, dedication and support throughout the year.

Tracey Mackenzie HOD Life Sciences

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Mathematics

EVENTS AND FUNCTIONS

Hilton Mathematics Conference 2017



Our Mathematics Department hosted its inaugural Conference in June 2017 with the theme: "Mathematics as a Platform facilitating 21st Century Skills Development".

It was well supported by over 300 delegates from schools across South Africa. The plenary sessions addressed the following:

- 1. "Mathematics as a platform facilitating 21st Century skills development" by Praveshen lyer
- 2. "Critical Thinking" by Tim Mills
- "If you want to teach Thinking, you have to assess Thinking" by Paul de Wet
- 4. "Creating a Culture of Problem Solving" by Eugene Stolk and Marc Ancillotti

The workshops addressed the following:

- 1. Geogebra Dynamic Geometry by Paul de Wet
- 2. Creating APPS to solve quadratic equations by Marc Ancillotti
- 3. Grade 8 Teaching Strategies: A 21st Century approach by
- Charmaine Padayachee and James Bullough
- 4. Using Moodle to assess Mathematics by Orateng Motsoe
- 5. Classroom Strategies by Lionel Julius
- 6. Using GeoGebra to teach Euclidean Geometry by Jorge Ruiz-Mesa
- 7. NBTs by Praveshen lyer

Day 2 of the Conference involved a leisurely walk to the Hilton College Nature Reserve Networking and an en route Treasure Hunt.



Mathematics Olympiad 2017

Over 100 000 Southern African high school pupils participated in the Maths Olympiad and we were proud to announce that 122 of our Junior Boys (Grade 8 and 9) and 95 of our Senior Boys (Grade 10, 11 and 12) were awarded a qualification into the second Round of the Olympiad.

In Round 1, Our Top achievers in the Senior Category were Jono Smit who obtained 95%, Matt Hildebrand (90%) and Guy Harding (90%). In the Junior Category, Andrew Stern obtained 90% in the Grade 9 Paper and Richard Karlson obtained 100% in the Grade 8 Paper. They were congratulated on this outstanding achievement.

Matric Results 2017

Our Grade 12 pupils performed exceptionally well in the IEB National Mathematics Examination with 29 of our pupils obtaining distinctions, all of our pupils obtaining a pass and the grade average of 70% was very pleasing.

Special commendation must be offered to the following boys:

Mitchell Green	(95%)	Vaughn Williams	(93%)
Sheldon Bishop	(94%)	Alexander Hopkins	(92%)
Gordon Cook	(93%)	Buhle Solomon	(92%)
Jarid Kolver	(93%)	Alexis Pienaar	(91%)

Our Mathematical Literacy pupils also did exceptionally well with 15 pupils obtaining distinctions.

Nicholas Tillim and Ryland Dewberry must be congratulated on achieving over 90%.

Farewell

Dali Ndebele studied his PGCE in 2012 while teaching 2 mathematics classes at Hilton College. He then took on a full-time position in 2013. His responsibilities included designing our Thinking Maths Strategies, ISASA Mentoring, Vula-teacher Trainer, Head of Basketball and Rugby and Athletics coach.

During his time with us, he has been accredited as a Thinking Schools SA Trainer and he has presented at 14 mathematics conference since 2012.

So, who are we saying goodbye to:

A progressive thinker, a coach, a motivator, a Maths teacher... a non-conformist.



As John Roff aptly put it: "Dali has an infectious generosity – he welcomes people into his circle and makes them feel at home and special. This has made him a deeply important part of the social fabric of Hilton during his time here."

Five years later, Dali's multifaceted approach to self-development has come to fruition.

His appointment at Burnside High School as Mathematics Teacher and Director of Rugby is a dream come true for him. We wish him well.

New staff

Mr Orateng Motsoe has joined the Mathematics Department. We also welcomed a Mathematics Intern, Sibusiso Nhleko.

Praveshen lyer

HOD Mathematics

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Music Department

The music department had a very active and fruitful year in, ranging from three 'Two School Concerts' series, performances at New Boys' Weekend, Grandparents Day, Speech Day and Open Day; a Benefit Concert held at the Arts festival in aid of "Ingane Yami" Children's Village; achieving first place at the International Marimba Festival; eight boys represented at the Standard Bank National Youth Jazz Festival held in Grahamstown; Avumile Mcunu (piano) and Ryan Lee (Violin) representing the school at National level and lastly, individual boys achieving outstanding results in both the SASMT eisteddfod and the various external music examination boards.

Music Weekend Workshop

During the New Boys Weekend in March, the music department ran a workshop for the choir and orchestra. The aim of the workshop was to fast-track the repertoire to be performed during year. This proved to be very successful as an entire extra term's work was completed in one weekend and gave the choir and orchestra added confidence on stage. The weekend was also integrated into the New Boys' Weekend activities so time for relaxation and socializing was made.

Two schools in concert

The 'Two Schools in Concert' series has become an important and well-supported brand for the department. This year, the school performed with St. Mary's DSG (Kloof) in May and with Michaelhouse in June. Both concerts were held in the Memorial Hall and recorded to be available on the school's YouTube channel. Highlights of each evening were combined performances by the choir and orchestra singing 'September' by the 70s funk band 'Earth, Wind & Fire; 'Supremacy' by the British Rock band: Muse. The marimbas also performed on stage with their own version of Lindsey Stirling's 'Brave Enough'.

Benefit Concert: Ingane Yami Children's Village

The music department's social responsibility project for this year was to raise funds for Ingane Yami Children's Village in Dassenhoek near Shongweni. Although the aim was to raise money for the village, however, the principle objective was to meet the children in their home environment and to build lasting relationships. In July, the members of the choir and orchestra travelled on a Sunday to Ingane Yami to meet the children and be shown around the school, the children's homes and to meet the mothers. The boys enjoyed playing fun games with the children on the soccer field and at the end of the day; the choir gave a short performance to the children and their adopted mothers.

Later in September at the Hilton Arts Festival, the Ingane Yami children came to the school and were treated to a morning game drive on the estate and a tour of the school. In the evening, they joined the Hilton boys on stage and performed their own dance routine. Auctioned prizes, sponsored by Pearly Grey Resorts in the Canary Islands, Karkloof Safari Spa and The Hilton Bush Lodge, raised R80 000 towards the village. The competition marimba band also donated a keyboard and a pair of conga drums which they recently won at the International Marimba Festival. The department's objective for 2018 is to raise over R100 000 towards Ingane Yami!

International Marimba Festival

For the first time ever, the 2017 Competition Marimba band won the 'Best Overall Marimba Band', competing against the best international marimba bands at the festival. The band also won all three open large ensemble categories for:

- Battle of the Bands: 'Drag me Down'
- In the Mix: 'Brave Enough'
- Strictly Classical: 'Mendelssohn Mix'

In the **Prestige Open Category**, the band came second overall. These are the best results ever for the band in the ten years of competing at the competition.

Marimbas to the Max



Straight after the successful 2017 Marimba Championships, Hilton College performed at Marimbas to the Max at Epworth on the 5th August, along with Durban Girls' College, Epworth, St. Anne's and St. Johns' DSG. The evening was incredibly vibrant and entertaining, each school trying to outplay the other, and with Hilton College performing a full programme by both the junior and competition bands.

Standard Bank National Youth Jazz Festival

The following 8 boys represented Hilton College at the 2017 Standard Bank National Youth Jazz Festival in Grahamstown:

- 1. Mitchell Green
- 2. Nthato Padi
- 3. Lehumo Seopa
- 4. Monthati Mahura
- 5. Kabelo Makwane
- 6. Luke Udal
- 7. Kopano Segoale
- 8. Lengana Mashapu

Nthato Padi is to be congratulated for being selected as the vocal soloist in the National Schools' Big Band.

South African National Youth Orchestra

The music department is proud to congratulate Ryan Lee (violin) on being chosen for the 2017 South African National Youth Orchestra. The youth orchestra comprises of the best and most talented classical musicians South Africa has to offer from the ages 14 to 26 from various schools, music centres and universities. The course was held in Johannesburg in December 2017 and their programme included a performance of Tchaikowsky's Symphony no. 6 at the Theo van Wyk Auditorium (UNISA campus) and the SABC Auditorium.

Philip Moore National Music Competition

The music department is proud to congratulate Avumile Mcunu (piano) for being selected as a semifinalist in the Philip Moore National Music competition which was held at Jeppe Girls' High, Johannesburg during July and August. Avumile was placed third overall in his age category.

2017 Music Appointments

Competition Marimba Band

Head of Marimbas: Lex Pienaar

Jazz Band

Head of Jazz band: Mitchell Green

String Ensemble

Head of Ensemble: Ryan Lee

Choir

Head of Choir: Nthato Padi

External Music Examination Results (October 2016-August 2017):

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Ryan Lee Chizembi Sakulanda Avumile Mcunu Ryan Lee Chizembi Sakulanda Keigo Nagai	Violin Piano Theory Theory Theory Piano	Grade 7 Grade 7 Grade 5 Grade 5 Grade 5 Grade 3	Merit Pass Distinction Pass Merit Merit
Trinity Guildhall	/Rock and F	ор	
Mitchell Green Luke Udal Gordon Cook Lehumo Seopa Amika Jjuuko Boitumelo Mokoka	Jazz Saxophone Saxophone Piano Saxophone Clarinet Guitar	Grade 8 Grade 7 Grade 6 Grade 6 Grade 4 Initial	Distinction Pass Merit Merit Merit Distinction
Rockschool			
Ntatho Padi Thomas Fraser Keegan Raves Jamie Beetar Oliver Fraser Kutloano Modisaesi Keegan Raves Ross Minter-Brown Andrew Meyer Kabelo Makwane Luyanda Mushanda Liteboho Lethole Nkosi Dlamini Michael Thupayagale Adam Osborne Sibonelo Buthelezi	Voice Vocals Vocals Drums Drums Vocals Vocals Drums Guitar Vocals Drums Drums Drums Bass Drums	Grade 8 Grade 8 Grade 8 Grade 6 Grade 6 Grade 6 Grade 4 Grade 4 Grade 4 Grade 2 Grade 2 Grade 2 Grade 1 Grade 1	Merit Merit Merit Distinction Merit Distinction Distinction Merit Distinction Pass Distinction Distinction

Sasmt Music Eisteddfod Results

This year, the Music Department entered 44 solo and ensemble performance items and received 20 Gold Awards (85-100%), 19 Silver Awards (75-84%) and 5 Red Awards (65-74%). The following boys were invited to perform at this year's 'Best of the Eisteddfod Concert':

Ryan Lee, Jacob Chidawaya, Kgosi Pule, Daryl Kwaramba, Kutloano Modisaesi, Avumile Mcunu, Ntatho Padi and Mitchell Green.

The top 10 solo or group performances from and above music grade 6 level are:

1. Ryan Lee	Grade 7	Violin	91% Gold
2. Avumile Mcunu	Grade 7	Classical Piano	90% Gold
3. Ntatho Padi	Grade 8	Classical Voice	88% Gold
4. Avumile Mcunu	Grade 7	Classical Piano	88% Gold
5. Lengana Mashaphu	Grade 6	Classical Voice	88% Gold
6. Lengana Mashaphu	Grade 6	Classical Voice	87% Gold
7. Ntatho Padi	Grade 8	Classical Voice	87% Gold
8. School Choir	Recital	Choir	86% Gold
9. Avumile Mcunu	Grade 7	Classical Piano	86% Gold
10. Ntatho Padi	Grade 8	Classical Voice	85% Gold

Physical Sciences



2017 proved another busy, eventful and fruitful year for many of our boys. One of the goals of the Science Department is to provide opportunities for pupils to be extended beyond the formal curriculum. With this goal in mind, a number of pupils were entered into various competitions and festivals. We continued to provide enrichment activities to the boys in the form of Science Olympiads, Bridge Building and Steam Car construction and the Royal Society Science Essay Competition. The Science staff have also offered several holiday workshops as part of the Vula initiative.



IEB NSC Examination: Of the 55 boys who wrote the Physical Science examinations, eight achieved subject distinctions and a further 26 achieving above 70%. At the end of 2017, the Physical Science Department bid farewell to Shaun van Wyk and Trevor van Niekerk. Both Trevor and Shaun started at Hilton College in January 2009 and together with Noel Robert and Mike Green have forged a close working

relationship. Shaun moves closer to the coast to take up a post at Reddam Umhlanga while Trevor moves further up the road to St Anne's Diocesan College.



My sincere thanks to the members of the Physical Science Department for the amazing team camaraderie and diligence placed in to the smooth running of the department. The boys are blessed with amazing facilities and wonderful support staff and teachers.

> Trevor van Niekerk HOD Science

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Visual Arts Matric tour to Durban



Matric Art students at the Hardy Boys in an editing suite

This year the Grade 12 boys began their artistic year spending the day in Durban visiting both galleries and the studios of working artists. We began at The Hardy Boy's Advertising Agency. Dale Tomlinson, CEO of the company (and father of Matric art student Rhett), along with members of his creative team, spoke to the boys about the structure of an agency. It was a fascinating and varied morning as the boys were shown different campaigns and how products are developed and marketed. We then visited the

Station Road artistic precinct and the studios at 'The MakerSpace'. This is a business that deals with laser cutting materials or 3D printing in any design, to spec. The boys found this quite intriguing! From there it was onto Umcebo Trust & Design and owner Robin Opperman and his incredibly talented team. This is home of bespoke mixed-media creations, from lampshades to sculptures, in which a combination of recycled / reclaimed materials, wire, beads, crystals are used to create craft decor items inspired by mostly flora



Micah Valiquette and Nick Winskill at the KZNSA member's exhibition

and fauna themes. Finally, we ended our day at the KZNSA gallery where we viewed the annual members' exhibition where the boys viewed a cross-section of art forms from painting and photography through to sculpture and ceramics. It was an artistically varied and successful day.



Hanging out at Station Road Precinct

Grade 10 art tour to the Midlands Meander





Grade 10 Art students in front of art Gallery Zulu Lulu and at the Nelson Mandela Capture Monument

The Grade 10 Art students went on a tour of the Midlands Meander to visit businesses involved in Visual Arts. We began the tour at the Balgowan studio of renowned sculptor Sarah Richards. She talked through the process of bronze and cement/mixed media sculpture, from inception through to completion. Thereafter, we then visited Ardmore Ceramics, where the boys could visit the studios and follow the step-by-step process that is undertaken to create these astonishing works of art. The tour guide explained the process of handmade or thrown items made with raw (green) clay. This is then bisque fired in the kiln. Thereafter, the work is

Grade 11 art camp

In preparation for the Matric Visual Arts syllabus, the Art Department organized a Grade 11 Art Camp. This is to assist pupils and make them aware of their commitments and responsibilities in their Matric year. As part of this, we discuss current art making practice, including the making of additive sculptures. The boys participated in a workshop with Debbie and painted/glazed and returned to the kiln for a further firing. The boys were amazed with the level of precision and detail that is applied to every piece of work. We then visited Caversham Press and owner Malcolm Christian (ex-University of the Witwatersland Printmaking lecturer), explained and showed the boys examples of various printing processes from intaglio to etching as well as fabric screen printing. We had lunch at Piggly Wiggly and visited the Zulu Lulu Art Gallery. We completed the tour by visiting the Nelson Mandela Capture monument. It was a busy, productive day and much enjoyed by all.

Bruce Morgan from Panda paints. In this workshop, they were tasked to create a 3D sculpture inspired by sea-life. They had to construct a wire maquette, attach binding, and apply and mould papier-mâché to form their creature. Once dry, they painted and embellished their pieces. It was a very busy and enjoyable day resulting in some fine work.







Combined Matric Hilton and St Anne's Exhibition



Nicholas Winskill and fellow artists from St Anne's

Our annual exhibition with the St Anne's Matric Art pupils was held in the recently renovated St Anne's Art Department. Ms Joy Preiss, HOD Visual Art at St. Anne's, opened the exhibition. There was a wide variety of work displayed and the quality of work was of a high standard.

Tatham Gallery Matric Exhibition

Annually the Tatham Art Gallery in Pietermaritzburg curates and exhibits Matric artwork from schools in and around Pietermaritzburg. Schools represented are both government and private institutions. The work of two 2017 Matric Art boys, Tim Presbury and Murray Short and four 2016 Matric Art boys: Nick Bass, Jeremy Braithwaite, Giulio Beltramo and Campbell Crowe was selected. This is certainly recognition of the high standard of work they have produced. The boys have done themselves and Hilton College proud. Unfortunately, the Tatham Gallery had a devastating flood in their basement and the exhibition was cancelled. However, in order that our boys are recognised for this achievement, we hung a smaller collaborative exhibition with St Anne's Diocesan College and Russell High School in the Hilton College Theatre foyer and adjoining Normand Dunn Gallery.

As part of the Grade 11 Academic Tour to Johannesburg, boys visited art-making businesses (advertising agencies, media and film production companies). One of the highlights was Aspire auction house where the boys were made aware of fine art as an investment commodity, which they found fascinating. We also visited the studio of working artist Marco Cianfanelli (Nelson Mandela Capture Monument) who talked through the process of creating work essentially for public spaces. The boys also viewed an exhibition of work by Pop Art Andy Warhol at the Wits Art Museum (WAM). This was not only a treat for the eyes, but enabled the Visual Arts students to see work that they will study in their Matric Theory syllabus.

In the third term, the Art Department organised our annual exhibition for art students in Grades 8-11, to exhibit their work in the Normand Dunn Gallery and Theatre foyer. This year the theme was "Ocean Awareness". Each grade was tasked to create an artwork/sculpture inspired by the ocean. The emphasis was on the devastation and depletion of our oceans essentially through plastic pollution. As part of the exhibition. Mr Gary Holder and Ms. Angela Salamon compiled a film with clips, artworks, inventions and interviews inspired by the ocean and ways that we can make a difference to saving our seas. The boys' artworks displayed a wide variety of mediums and they produced thought provoking, interesting and imaginative pieces.

The Matric Art Exhibition in the fourth term is the culmination of the Practical portfolio that the students work on for their Matric year. This year the work shown used a varied range of mediums, graphite pencil, and collage, painting through to printmaking, as well as two-dimensional pieces and three-dimensional sculptures.



Murray Short



Tim Presbury

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Each student created a collection of work that displayed his individual style of art making and communicated his personal ideas. In a change from tradition, this year the Exhibition was introduced by Tim Presbury and Murray Short.



Ange Salomon, Murray Short, Tim Prestbury, Ant Durnford



Ryan and Ingrid Griessel



The Hoole Family

Top Schools Matric Art Exhibition

The work of the following pupils was selected and exhibited:

Two 2017 Matric Art boys, Tim Presbury and Murray Short and four 2016 Matric Art boys: Nick Bass, Jeremy Braithwaite, Giulio Beltramo, Campbell Crowe.

The recipients of Art prizes at Speech Day

Tim Presbury: Murray Short: Tim Presbury: Grade 11 Practical Prize: Grade 12 Practical Prize Grade 12 Theory Prize Normand Dunn Special Prize Nathan Rüegg

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Grade 11 Theory Prize: Grade 10 Practical Prize: Grade 10 Theory Prize: Douglas Dorward Ben Mason Thomas Hamlin

I thank both Debbie Veenstra and Herbert Mncwabe for their continued support and assistance this year. It is a team effort and boys at Hilton College are encouraged to explore their creative abilities, and hone and fine-tune the skills acquired. This was evidenced by the overall equality of work produced. Well done boys!

> Angela Salamon HOD Visual Arts

isiZULU

Teachers:

- 1. Mr E Brown
- 2. Mr T Mhlongo
- 3. Mr S Mtshali (internship student)

The IsiZulu department is growing at Hilton College. We have divided all our classes into two groups from grade 8 to grade 12. We have the A – set and the B – set. We also have isiZulu second language in grade 8 and 9. The boys who take isiZulu second language in grade 8 and 9 are the boys who do not have a good background of isiZulu but they want to take it when they are in grade 10 as First Additional Language.

The IsiZulu department had a very good year in 2017. Grade 12 boys achieved good results but the number of As dropped from six to four. Our goal was to get 6 As or more. Two of our boys only managed to get 77% and 78%. I trust that the matric class of 2018 will improve on isiZulu results. In 2018, we will have isiZulu support on Mondays and Tuesdays.

The boys from grade 8 to 11 had an opportunity to write the isiZulu Olympiad. The boys write first round, second round and the third round is the final round. The boys have to achieve 70% to get to the second round and 75% to the final round. I must congratulate our grade 9, 10 and 11 boys for achieving excellent results in final round of the Olympiad. Avumile Mcunu of grade 9 achieved 90% and came third in the final round of the Olympiad and he was awarded a medal and certificate. Thabiso Dlamini of grade 9 achieved 83% and he was awarded a certificate. Lwandululwazi Ndlovu of grade 11 reached the final round the Olympiad and achieved 76%. Zelwande Phenyane of grade 10 reached the final round of the Olympiad and achieved 73%.

In the third term grade 10 boys participated in an IsiZulu Cultural Evening at Kearsney College. The evening was successful and the boys enjoyed themselves. Most schools were dressed in their traditional attire and they came well-prepared. All schools performed very well. The highlight of the evening was the traditional food that was well prepared by the Kearsney College kitchen staff.

The grade 8 boys had their annual IsiZulu-History tour that was well organised by Mr David Look. It is a three-day tour. The boys studied the amaZulu nation under the leadership of king Shaka, King Dingane and king Cetshwayo. The boys visited Rorke's Drift, Isandlwana, Blood River museum and the Ondini battlefield museum. The boys were involved in different activities, like stick fighting, milking cows and tasting isiZulu traditional food. It was a successful tour and boys enjoyed themselves.

The grade 9 boys visited Shakaland north Kwazulu-Natal with Mr Brown. It is an overnight trip. The boys experienced different isiZulu traditional cultures.

> Thulani Mhlongo IsiZulu Head of Department





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	Michael Booth	
	Robert McGaw	
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	C Woollam	Kwa
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South Africa U18A	B Duggan	SQ
South Africa U18B	D Wheals	Kwa
South Africa U17A	L Grove	
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	L Grove	Kwa

wa-Zulu Natal Inland U18B	C Abraham
	J Beart
	T Moagi
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	S Mugerwa-Sekawabe
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	A James
	C Mupeso
	F Mushonga
	V Williams
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	M Greene
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wa-Zulu Natal	C Sakulanda
ENNIS	
wa-Zulu Natal U15	S Black
	J Hill

D Wheals

WATER POLO 2016

South Africa U20 (Non travelling reserves)	N Tillim
	J Wood
South Africa U18	J Wood
South Africa U17 (Non-travelling reserve)	G Cousins
Kwa-Zulu Natal U19A	S Haddon
	J Stegen
	N Tillim
Kwa-Zulu Natal U19B	C Deare
	R Griesel
	J Wood
Kwa-Zulu Natal U16A	D Thomas
Kwa-Zulu Natal U15A	M Schnell
Kwa-Zulu Natal U14A	T Joubert
	R MacEwan
	L Tillim
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Kwa-Zulu Natal U14A	Chad Uys
	James Te Riele
	Jonty Alexander
	Bradley Henderson
	Kelvin Robertson
Kwa-Zulu Natal U15A	Luke Tillim
	TJ Joubert
	Reece MacEwan
Kwa-Zulu Natal U16A	Tim Mundell
	Murray Schnell
	Oliver Newell
Kwa-Zulu Natal U19B	Dylan Thomas
	Patrick McVeigh
	James Wood
Kwa-Zulu Natal U19A	Nicholas Tillim
	Grant Cousins

Hilton College Sport enjoyed an exceptional sporting year in 2017. Each of our sport codes has made significant improvements but, more importantly, the year was characterized by the enjoyment, passion and pride with which our boys played for their school. A consequence of the spirit in which we participated in games was that we achieved unprecedented success in most sports, earning numerous national and provincial selections across all codes. Whilst we believe that the school sports ranking system is not the best measure of our impact, it is noteworthy that at the end of the year we were rated as the 2nd best sport school in South Africa, with our cricket club, for a time, occupying the top position in the country. Besides the wonderful camaraderie amongst the boys, the numerous successes we achieved can equally be attributed to the exceptional staff that we have at our school. We are blessed with talented and dedicated coaches and administrators, all of whom constantly give of their very best. This past year we added to this exceptional team a new Director of Water Polo, Mr Jason Sileno, and a new Sport Secretary, Mrs Pam Nel.

Some staff achievements in sport coaching and administration included: Mr. D Benkenstein (Proteas Cricket Assistant Coach), Mr. J Bullough (Inland Schools Cricket Chairman), Mr. D van Der Merwe (SA Hockey U20 Coach), Mr. AC Blume (Sharks Schools Rugby Craven Week Assistant coach), Mr. PJA Richter (Sharks Schools Rugby: Executive Member and Selector), Mr. P Venter (Sharks Schools Rugby Selector), Mr. J Sileno (SA Water Polo Senior Women's coach and KZN U16A Coach), Mr. A Duncan (SA Water Polo U20 Assistant Coach, KZN U19B Assistant Coach).



Numerous new initiatives were also started this year, many of which were in the sport science department. Our sport science team integrated match preparation and recovery systems for 1st teams in all major sports ensuring that, whether home or away, our teams are given the best support when competing. All pupils in top teams are also tracked with regards to their weekly responsibilities in order to assist them with the management of their time. Included in this programme is a daily wellness monitor, which records recovery rates and assists with stress management. The access to strength training regimes has also been expanded so that all boys have access to sport science professionals and the very best training regimes. Finally, most of our major sports now have a fully integrated core skills syllabus and a coaching development plan that will benefit all pupils who play those sports.

When it comes to performance, Hilton College broke many "personal best records" in 2017, a year that could well be considered one of the best in our schools long history. The whole community can look back with pride on what has been an exceptional team effort by all stakeholders. In particular I would like to thank the following members: the Hilton College parent and old boy community have been exceptionally supportive and we thank them for their loyal support; our catering, cleaning, maintenance contractors, (Royal Mnandi, Spectrum and Broll) have been superb in seeing to all of our background requirements; school management, staff, coaches and administrators for their commitment and numerous hours spent on sport and, last but not least, the Hilton boys, with whom we are blessed to work and who always put the school first.



Back Row: Keegan McDonald; Brendan Naude; Niaan Taljaard; Daniel Barnard; Ciaran Hyslop; Alex Jeon Srd Row: Myles Driman; Tristan McKenzie; Charles Vickers; James Hickinbotham; Jimi Ogunyemi; Joubert Smit; Kinyanjui Gitau; 2nd Row: Shingai Mushonga; Kgosi Pule; Adebayo Okesola; Viwe Moloto; Bokang Mafora; Thando Nonyane; Amika Jjuuko; Duane Chite Seated: Fadzai Mushonga; Dominic Johnston; Ms Kim du Plessis; Tumelo Moagi; Mr Chris Carey; Lawrence Umunna; Timothy Prettejohn



The athletics season this year has been a challenging one. Due to many of the schools not competing in any formal athletics programme, it was exceptionally difficult for us to find events in which all our athletes could participate. We did however, run a full training programme and were able to attend a few meetings. There were some stand out performances during the year and the athletics team must be congratulated on rising to the occasion.

In the first term, the boys ran in the Puma School of Speed meet. This event is open to any and all track athletes who decide to enter. Shingai Mushonga ran an exceptional 100 metre final and was placed 1st in the U16 age group with a time of 11.58 seconds. All the young men of Hilton's athletics club represented the school in the manner we expect from them and they can all be proud of their performances. Niaan Taljaard was selected for the Menlo Park team for discus and shot put. He was placed 2nd in shot put and 3rd in discus. He has been selected to participate in the Menlopark Invitational in 2018. It is pleasing to see that



there are still boys who enjoy athletics and who are willing to put in the time to train. Any person who has competed in any form of athletics knows that it is an extremely difficult sport in which to progress. I would like to thank the athletics club for their continued participation and dedication throughout this year.

Chris Carey



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Back Row: Michael Richards, Ryland Dewberry, John Giessing 2nd Row: Fadzai Mushonga, Robert Mattison, Desmond Meyer, Menzi Cele Front Row: Ryan Lee, Alexander Hopkins (*Captain*), Msizi Mntungwa (*Coach*), Lwazi Mkhwanazi (*Vice-Captain*), Lawrence Umunna

Basketball

1st TERM

Regular Players: Meyer Desmond, Mkhwanazi Lwazi (*Vice-Captain*), Mushonga Fadzai, Giessing John, Mattison Robert, Richards Michael, Hopkins Alexander (*Captain*), Letlaka Lebo, Khalid Thomas, Dewberry Ryland, Lee Ryan

Regular starting 5: Letlaka Lebo, Hopkins Alexander, Mushonga Fedzial, Khalid Thomas, Dewberry Ryland

The 1st term was a historic and highly competitive term, but the boys were well prepared and ready to soldier up for the challenge as they had pre-season camp a week before school opened. The boys grew in confidence as they registered their 1st ever win against the basketball powerhouse Durban High School with a convincing (56-45) win. This gave our boys confidence going away to Maritzburg College for our next fixture. The atmosphere at Maritzburg College was overwhelming and probably one of the best games we've ever played even though we lost by just one point in overtime (47-46). We had a successful season as we won most of our games, this included the outstanding performance as we won the shield final at the annual St John's Basketball Tournament and closing our season with a stunning win against Michael house. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr David Look for his massive support and the positive contribution to the club at large. I would also like to thank Mr Shuttleworth who was always on his feet to make sure everything runs smoothly. Special thanks to all the boys for their respect and dedication, especially our club captain Alexander Hopkins and his vice Lwazi Mkhwanazi for their contributions to the team and the club at large. I would also like to thank the parents for their endless support.

4th TERM

Regular Players: Robert Mattison, Michael Richards, Simi Bhembe, Onye Oderika, Menzi Cele, Tally Tshekiso, Jolwana Singatha, John Giessing *(Captain)*, James Hickenbothm, Matsa Tinaka, Keigo Nagai, Ryan Lee, Lwazi Ndlovu

Regular starting 5: Michael Richards, John Giessing, Robert Mattison, Ryan Lee and Menzi Cele.

After having a successful 1st term, the pressure got into the boys as they also wanted to achieve even better results. We tried by all means to turn that pressure into something positive. Every game we played, teams came well-prepared as we were the team to beat. The season began with the boys having to participate in the Kearsney's Independent Schools Stayers Tournament which we used to select and prepare the boys for our regular season. The boys played with heart and all the games they played were close games. Even though we lost most of our games, there were more positives than negatives to take and learn from each and every game we played. This paid off, as we won our very 1st game against Maritzburg College (47-42), which was highly competitive with an electrifying atmosphere that kept everyone on their feet. The hard work and dedication never stopped as the boys played hard and gave it their all in each and every game. I can proudly say we had a good season even though there's still room for improvement.

Sbusiso Mntungwa



Kearsney ISSBT 2017 Tournament

The 2017 edition of the Kearsney Stayers' Tournament has proven to be another successful pre-session outing for Hilton College basketball. This tournament has unearthed numerous talent in the past and this year was no different. Several young men were given the opportunity to represent the first team at this prestigious tournament and did so with distinction. The objectives going into the tournament were to unfold. These being exposure and testing of combinations of new players brought into the setup, and finishing in the top ten of the tournament.

With regard to the above, we were able to incorporate new players into the team and establish rhythm and combinations towards the end of the tournament. This resulted in us not being able to achieve the top ten finish we had hoped for. This does not serve as a discouragement as five regular first team players were missing from the tournament due to injuries and family commitments. With the 15 man squad that represented Hilton College basketball, we can be extremely proud of their achievements and attaining 11th position.

The boys can be commended for upholding the name of their school highly with their behaviour and sportsmanship on and off the court. As always, the Kearsney tournament was a great success and one which the boys enjoyed thoroughly.

S Siwila

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Term 1

The 2017 basketball season began rather ominously as the previous season had been rather difficult, with a set of results that the group of boys would rather have forgotten. The group was an even mix between grade 11 boys and matric boys, which meant cohesion was rather seamless as most of the boys had a great deal of interaction together outside the sphere of the sport. The team was lead by Junior Gcaba through the first term and he did a stellar job at not only leading the team by example but also helping a number of the grade eleven boys gain in confidence leading to a successful 1st term.

The main goals of the term were to get as many, if not all, the grade 11 boys ready and able to make the schools first team and to achieve a 50%-win percent. To achieve these goals the players would have to overhaul their fitness levels, their game plan and lastly how they approached winning. This was achieved in part by the boys giving up a number of mornings participating in fitness drills and focusing on how their individual abilities could lead to helping the team. To help change their take on winning the team spent time practising with a highly motivated first side. This lead to a successful first term as the team achieved all their goals and only lost games to Maritzburg College, Michaelhouse and Westville.

The team was also able to have a 5 of its grade 11s making the first side, even if it was briefly, those players being Menzi Cele, Tanaka Matsa, Ryan Ramoni, Lwazi Ndlovu and Lingile Mazabane. Noteable contributions to the team during that successful term include Ciaran Hyslop who silently worked tirelessly without complaint, Ben Duggen whose fitness and work ethic inspired his team mates and helped the team in dire situations and finally Kabelo Makwane who was consistently improving and moved from being a bench bound player to a starter.

Term 4

The fourth term was a more difficult term for the second team.

This was in part due to a great deal of disruptions. During the team the matric players did not play and the under 16 players joined the open age group. This coupled with the fact that the first team recruited 5 of the second team players from the 1st term made organising a consistent side to play week in week out a difficult undertaking. This however did not hamper the spirit of the boys during the term and lead to a number of boys cementing their positions within the first side as well as getting called up into the first team fold a number of times. This included players such as Jimmy Ogunyemi, Mandla Chavarika and Lwazi Ndlovu. Noteably there were two grade 9 boys who stood out those being Mirzad Aziz and Aphelele Chonco who despite being relative outsiders shone.

The results for the term did not bode well as the players battled to play as a unit and the core of the leadership group had left. Towards the middle of the term Dylan Davies took over the role of captain and the affirmative manner in which he lead the team was greatly appreciated all around. This however was not a bad thing in the greater scheme of things as a number of players where able to play within the first team structure as well as develop in leaps and bounds through the term both mentally and physically.

Thulani Mhlongo

4TH

Regular Players: Tshepang Shupinyaneg, Lehumo Seopa, Rikki Sichinga, Jacob Chidawaya,Kgosi Pule, Losika Setlhomo, Lesedi Maphatiana, Sicelo Mahlangu, Gus Perdue

The 4th Team had, what can only be described as, a perfect season. Perfect in the sense that, not only did they win all their games during the regular season but they did so with the right attitude and effort. The 4th Team started the season just hoping to win a couple of games while trying to improve their skills and get fitness levels up to standard. The 2nd practice of the season though changed that. A challenge to the boys was to try and set an example in the senior age groups, dare to be different in our thinking, play with ambition. This meant the intensity and effort given at every practice was a hundred percent and more when it came to game time. They boys bought into this and encapsulated a philosophy of giving it all for the greater good of the team. We decided at that 2nd practice that we would win all our games during the season and we did, it did not surprise us that we did and that was the kind of attitude that got us there.

Suwi Siwila

U16A

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Regular Players: Onye Adrika, Simi Bhembe, Mandla Chavarika, Singatha Jolwana, Benjamin Keaikitse, Jimi Ogunyemi, S`bonelo Phungula, Tally Tshekiso, Mike Teichmann, Mizrad Aziz, Monde Mnyaka

The U16A Team had an enthralling season of basketball. Not only did they manage to beat Maritzburg College, one of the best teams in the province, but four of the U16A players made the first team in 4th term as well as Simi Bhembe making the U16 KZN Team. The season was full of mixed results having beaten our rivals from Nottingham Road in a closely contest game. Our highlight of the season was definitely beating Maritzburg College at College in a two point win. The U16A team had a mixture of talent and hard work lead by Teichmann, Phungula and Adrika who insured the team was always in high sprit and focused.

Suwi Siwila

U16B

Regular players: Matthew Shumba, Mangalisa Thwala, Shawn Johnson, Sicelo N Mahlangu, Nzuzo Hardy, Sicelo Mahlangu, Mpumi Sibeko, Singatha Jolwana, Mirzad Aziz, Adibayo Okesola, Mbeki Ngubane.

We had a very short season which consisted of six games. In that short period of time boys gave their all, they performed well each and every weekend. The boys improved every weekend and we managed to win three out of six games. The other games we lost were very close which proves that we gave each and every opposition a very tough competition. These boys were a pleasure to coach.

Senzo Mtshali

U16C

Regular players: Thomas Little, Tim Wilmot, Nic Teichmann, Losika Setlhomo, Lesedi Mokemane.

Key players : Thomas Little, Losika Setlhomo and Tim Wilmot.

Substitutes: Lengana Mashaphu,Bafana Ngwenya, Ezhan Kassam,Ngwako Rangata,Alex Jeon.

This was a very challenging season for our team as most of the players needed to learn the rules and get the basics of the game right. We had a good run and showed great improvement in our game towards the end of the season and the fighting spirit the boys showed was outstanding.

We focused on basics and fitness which would help the boys deal with certain pressures of the game and how to adapt and reach their full potential. I believe we achieved this goal because we were able to dominate a few matches against top opposition. Technically we were lacking but that is something we look to rectify.

I would like to commend Thomas Little, Losika Setlhomo and Tim Wilmot for their outstanding performances throughout the season. Their hard work paid off in helping keep the team together and working hard to help their teammates improve on and off the court.

I am certain that with more training sessions and application to the basic basketball fundamentals the team will improve and convert more of the chances we created in every game.

Key areas to improve on : Lay Ups. Free throws. Transitional play. Rotational defence. Shooting. Keeping our offensive and defensive shape.

Celo Mbanjwa

U15A

Term 4 proved to be a tough one for the u15A team and although the results did not favour them, their fighting spirit never decreased. Their willingness to continue to fight every game and their perseverance during practices was lovely to be part of. During the term, the boys worked together and bonded as they became more and more familiar with each other on the court.

The encouragement from each player was that of maturity and their will to work hard came from each boy's understanding of the game plan in order to achieve a common goal. The boys remained positive and this was the driving force that kept the team going at 100% in each and every game. The team had a hunger to be successful and after each result, win or lose, they understood that



we were in the beginning phase of a development project, with the end resulting in them being a top team.

The u15A basketball side is one with immense potential. Their potential translated into performances that developed them as individual players and as a team. This was clearly evident during games when the spectators were as astonished as I was with the team play. This caused opponents to question their decisions on the court as well as causing them to make some early substitutions and call some early time-outs.

For many boys, results are what matter the most and to most coaches results are of huge importance to them, but I fell that the u15A basketball team is developing and they understand their potential, where they are in their basketball development and where they can go in their basketball careers. This team is definitely one to watch and the future is bright for this talented team.

U15B

Term 4

Regular Players: Alunga Madala; Sa-Ad Mayet; Theodore Mokake; Neo Morathi; Tebalo Lephoto; Jamie Evans; Wandile Zulu; Tsepo Masuku; Leatile Molebatsi; Sethu Myende

The U15B Basketball team displayed a lot of courage and perseverance throughout the season. Their amazing never-say-die attitude resulted in excellent wins; however, it was the continued development and growth of the players that will produce dividends next season. Defensively and offensively the team embodied teamwork. Despite a loss in the opening game of the season, the team had a strong season statistically with a number of good wins against strong opposition. New recruits made their impact known as well for the basketball team and they showed a marked improvement throughout the season.

Summary of results: Played 11, Won 5, Lost 6

David Look

U15D

Regular Palyers: Euan Fraser , Luke Holtzhauzen, Keabetswe Makwane, Luyanda Mashanda, Lucciano Palacio Apez, Kaliwe Sindazi, Bahle Vilakazi

At U15D level our approach was to spend a lot of practice time on developing skills, rather than teaching offensive and defensive strategies. We focused on the fundamentals of the game such as dribbling, shooting and passing. We valued enjoyment and having fun more than winning. The team unfortunately only had three fixtures of which the one game against Westville got cancelled. They narrowly lost to DHS before succumbing to Maritzburg College the next week. Players were able to deal with adversity and this speaks volumes about their character.

Summary of results: Played 2, Won 0, Lost 2

David Look

U14A

Term 4

The U14A team has been the most dedicated team I've coached in my coaching career. The hunger and passion the boys have for basketball is immense, with them taking their own personal time to train extra hard to improve. They had a desire to improve day by day and showed great improvement in the basics that we were trying to instill in them. These boys are talented and have a bright future in basketball purely because they are willing to learn and show heart every single time they step on to the court. These boys are definitely ones to watch for the future Hilton 1st team. The boys grew in basic skills and also in basketball IQ which will be very helpful for them in future. The team was very united and each player contributed individually towards the team's growth. Thank you to Nash who always assisted in the basketball drills for the boys and also in the coaching department. Thank you to Mr Look for his hard work making sure the boys are always enthusiastic and hungry about basketball, his passion for basketball truly rubs on to the boys. Thank you to Mr Shuttleworth for always showing support to all the teams and being highly active in basketball.

U14B

Confidence Sikhakhane

1st Term

The U14B boys showed a lot of growth during season. Most of the boys had not played basketball previously and had to start learning basketball from scratch. They showed a lot of progress throughout the season as every game they played was a close one. The boys were willing to learn in order to reach their full potential and gave their all during practices and games. Each player contributed tremendously towards the team getting better as the season went a long. Thank you to Mr Look for showing great commitment and support to the team as it definitely played a role in making the boys believe in their ability to be the best.

Confidence Sikhakhane

U14C

It was delightful coaching the U14C Basketball Team, as many boys had never played the game before. Yet they developed a great team spirit as their passion and enthusiasm for the game grew. They learnt many ball skills and tactical plays during the numerous training sessions which enhanced their play, seeing them gain valuable sportsmanship skills irrespective of winning or losing a match. They enjoyed wins and emerged stronger from their losses under the direction of 2 coaches for each season. An enjoyable year was had by all.

Charmaine Padayachee







Back Row: Reece Valentine; Ngwako Rangata; Chris Strauss; Daniel Barnard; Liam Steyn; Daryl Kwaramba; Mathew Allwood
Middle Row: Lesedi Mokemane; Amir Dildar; George Ellis; Matthew Millar; Brett Jarvie; Riyaadh Mahomed
Front Row: Nikhil Patel; Greg Harvey; Mr. Evan Brown; Hamish Lovemore (*Captain*); Mr. Noel Robert; Nathan Ruegg; Joe Camilleri

Canoeing

Captain: Hamish Lovemore Vice-Captain: Greg Harvey

Awards:

Honours: Hamish Lovemore Half Colors: Greg Harvey

Regular paddlers: 1st Term: Joe Camilleri, George Ellis, Greg Harvey, Jean-Luc Krause, Daryl Kwaramba, Hamish Lovemore, Nikhil Patel, Nathan Ruegg, Chris Strauss, Reece Valentine

3rd/4th Term

Mathew Allwood, Joe Camilleri, Amir Dilda, George Ellis, Euan Fraser, Brett Jarvie, Greg Harvey, Daryl Kwaramba, Travis Holdsworth, Hamish Lovemore, Keabetswe Makwane, Matthew Millar, Kutloano Modisaesi, Lesedi Mokemane, Nikhil Patel, Ngwako Rangata, Nathan Ruegg, Liam Steyn, Christopher Straus, Reece Valentine.

The numbers this year have grown pleasingly, especially in the 4th term. There have been many new paddlers who have never paddled any form of kayak before, trying the sport for the first time. I have tried to introduce them to various forms of kayaking and not just the 'traditional' paddle a K1 or K2 down a river. They have participated in some surf ski lessons, introduced to the sport of canoe polo, and they have completed a swift water rescue course. 11 boys completed a two day Swift Water Course on the Umkomaas river, and we were hosted at Hella Hella. The boys were challenged with a low river but interspersed with some exciting rapids. Some of these boys had never set foot in a river before. They learnt all about river safety and the hazards you encounter. Rescue

principles of Self, Group, Victim and Equipment were taught, with the underpinning mantra when paddling..... safety first, safety always, no compromise, if you unsure get out.

Swift Water Rescue Course:

Mathew Allwood, George Ellis, Euan Fraser, Brett Jarvie, Kutloano Modisaesi, Lesedi Mokemane, Ngwako Rangata, Liam Steyn, Chris Strauss, Reece Valentine, James Weinberg.

Hamish Lovemore

Hamish has accomplished a tremendous amount this year. He is not only one of the best river paddlers in the country (be that at school level or senior men level) but competes in many different disciplines, from flatwater marathons, surf skiing to sprints.

He started the year off finishing fourth overall in the Drak challenge, one of the biggest river paddling events on the South African calendar. He has competed in the surf ski series, on a Friday evening, competing against some of the best surf paddlers in the world, such as Hank McGregor. This culminated in him finishing second in the South African surf ski championship, and winning the U18 age group for the series.

The biggest highlight of his year was competing for South Africa at the World Marathon Championships held in Pietermaritzburg. In the K2 discipline they were guaranteed a podium finish as they were in a group of three that broke away from the rest of the field and held a substantial lead. Half way through the last one and a half laps they had technical difficulties with their boat and could not steer. They fought on and never gave up but unfortunately were caught by the chasing group and lost out on a medal. Some of his achievements for the year below:

River Races:

4th overall Drak Challenge 4th overall Umkomaas Marathon Lions river interschools: 1st Dash and crash interschools:1st

Surf Ski:

2nd u18 Cape point challenge 2nd u18 SA surfski champs King Of The Bay: 3rd overall

Sprints:

Gold medal at SA champs:

K1 1000 and 5000 k2 5000 and 200 gold

Flat water marathons:

KZN marathons k1 1st and k2 1st SA marathons k2 1st – Selection and competed at world champs.

Thank you to Mr. Evan Brown, Mr. Peter Peacock and Mr John McMichael for helping me through the year. Your input is invaluable. Also, a huge thanks to the Fowler family and particularly to Mr. David Fowler, for allowing us to use his dam to train. This has been amazingly convenient and a great place for the boys to learn how to paddle.

Noel Robert MIC Canoeing









Cricket



Back Row: James Ritchie, Alistair Frost, Alex Roy, Jarred Venter, Mike Booth 2nd Row: Robbie McGaw, Michael Sclanders, James Booth, Gareth Schreuder Front Row: Warren Kirsten (*Director of Cricket*), Brandon McMullen (*Captain*), Dale Benkenstein (*Coach*), Kamogelo Selane (*Vice-Captain*). Sean Carlisle (*Assistant Coach*)

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The blessing of working at an institution such as the Hilton College and having the honour of leading the Hilton College Cricket Club, you are struck daily by the passion, commitment and professionalism of those involved in our unique system. To this end it would be remiss of me not to mention the coaching team I have, led by Dale Benkenstein.

The success of the programme rests in the passion of the players in our system and the equally passionate people who coach our sport. The relationships built within our teams are unique due to the length of times the players are privileged to spend together. The theory of "Non Negotiables" created each year in our Junior structures is an attempt to solidify this process.

We are proud of the fact that at Hilton all players within our system are important, as all have the ability to achieve their own personal potential. As the Director of cricket I am acutely aware that the strength of the system lies within the depth we need to create within our system and to this end I would like to commend the C teams for their continuing support of cricket. We are fortunate to add an U14D team to our programme this year and looking into 2018, 15 teams will be playing in the first term.

The players have demonstrated the discipline and desire needed to be successful within the game of cricket. The first team had yet another successful year, losing only 4 of the 28 matches they played this season. All the Matric players are worth mentioning as all contributed in large to the team's successes and allowed the younger players to play around them and integrate easily into the first team. They were ably led by Brandon McMullen who, as a leader, matured throughout the season and showed, in his final match versus Michaelhouse, that he is now a genuine match winner. The inclusion of Kamogelo Selane (Vice Captain), Brandon McMullen, Gareth Schreuder and James Ritchie in the Provincial Coca Cola Khaya Majola Cricket week was excellent. All of whom were selected to represent the U19 Dolphins Cubs Team. Michael Sclanders was the standout performer at the U17 week where he walked away with the bowler of the tournament award.

On behalf of the coaches and players alike I would like to extend our sincere thanks to the Hilton College parents for their continued support and encouragement of our boys throughout the season. Your presence and positive reinforcement does not go unnoticed by your boys.

Dale Benkenstein has continued to innovate within the school and the introduction of DB Academy sessions in the evenings and early mornings added to the players understanding of what it takes to make it in the game of cricket. To that end it became evident of the contributions of those in the system when in the space of one month we were fortunate enough to have two old boys make their Test Debut. Tom Curran and Lungi Ngidi's debuts were both memorable and an indication of the groundwork that was laid by Sean Carlisle and the previous coaching structures. The professionalism and guidance of Tony Shuttleworth as well as the continued support from all within the sports department have allowed Hilton College Cricket Club to continue on its path of growth. A final word of thanks to my team of dedicated coaches who have left an indelible mark on me in what it is to be a leader of young men.

Overview

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost
1st	28	19	2	4
2nd	18	9	4	5
3rd	12	9	1	1
4th	11	9	1	1
5th	7	1	2	4
U16A	6	4	1	1
U16B	6	5	0	1
U15A	20	8	3	7
U15B	13	6	4	3
U15C	10	2	2	6
U14A	18	9	5	4
U14B	12	7	2	3
U14C	11	5	2	4
U14D	4	1	1	2
Total	146	92	8	46

We were fortunate that a number of our boys were selected for the KZN Inland Representative teams.

KZN Inland U19 B McMullen, G Schreuder, K Selane, J Ritchie

KZN Inland U17 M Sclanders, M Booth, S Mugerwa-Sekawabe K Dandala, R McGaw

KZN Inland U15 E Bain, C Dyer

Dolphins Cubs B McMullen, G Schreuder, K Selane, J Ritchie

OLD BOYS NEWS

Achievements

Although many noteworthy achievements within the game of Cricket go unnoticed and partnerships are vital to team's successes here are but a few individual highlights worth mentioning this season.

12th January vs St John's Harare 1st R McGaw 105

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21st January vs Westville 1st J Venter 111

28th January vs Durban High School

u16B Alex Warren 6/4 u15A Colby Dyer 103* & 3/0 {Hatrick} u14A Nick Hatton 265 ; Christopher Pistorius 121* & Josh Mansour 5/13 U14B Craig Yammin 100*

4th February vs College

1st James Booth 5/27 u15A Colby Dyer 5/44 11th February vs Clifton, Voortrekker, Grace College & Weston 2nd William Hayne 5/41 u16A Michael Frost 6/15 u14B Matt Bray 6/20 **25th February vs Treverton, College,**

Weston & HUB

u15C Sam Black 5/12

u15 Independent Schools Cricket Festival

(St Andrews Bloem) Cullum Kilmartin 100* (vs Woodridge) Colby Dyer 5/21 (vs St Johns)

4th March vs Michaelhouse

2nd Nick Haynes 7/20 3rd Ross Forder 6/17 {Hatrick} u16B Wezo Gqiba 5/18 u15A Colby Dyer 5/44 u14B Jack Gillham 5/19

October Michaelmas Festival

u14A Ethan Bain 100* & Nick Campbell 5/38 (vs Pearson) ; Rob Haynes 127* (vs Selborne)

14th October vs College

2nd Thomas Dixon 5/39 4th James Levell 7/6 {Hatrick}

21st October vs St Charles

2nd John Turner 6/36 {Double Hatrick} u14A Matt Willis 6/41

28th October vs DHS

2nd Michael Frost 5/30 u15A Nick Campbell 6/26 u15B Bradley Dix 170* ; Nick Bergset 123 u14A Nick Hatton 118*

11th November vs Michaelhouse 2nd Guy Gillham 5/14



1st XI

It was a fantastic finish to my first full season as coach of the Hilton 1st XI, with a convincing win over MHS, after our sound defeat at the hands of the old enemy in the first term. The finishing touches to the victory, were neatly performed by our quiet but extremely determined captain Brandon McMullen. After a brutal spell of new ball bowling from Michael Booth that morning the game had a sweet ending!

The season started when our squad of thirteen, assembled at Kearsney for the Independent Schools Festival in January. This was the beginning of the process of finding the right combinations in the batting order and the bowling line-up to make a competitive team for 2017. I was fortunate to still have the majority of the side back from last year with the addition of some exciting grade 10s. The stalwarts of Morris, Bosch, Curtis and Copeland were going to be hard to replace but in my experience with teams, players rise to the responsibilities given to them ... only time would tell.

The festival was seen as an opportunity to try different combinations and prepare for the new season ahead. We managed to achieve this as well as winning 2 of our 3 matches these being against Bishops and St John's, Harare and drawing the third due to the rain! The teams' successful festival was largely due to consistent batting performances from Michael Sclanders 60, 7 and 85 and Gareth Schreuder 50, 71, 64 and our first 100 for 2017 from Robbie McGaw.

The 1st team calendar fixtures began with our first game being a time game vs Westville and I mention this game as it was one of 2 matches that the team amassed over 300 runs in an innings and included our second centurion, Jarred Venter, leading the charge. It had all the makings of a perfect start to the season however, bad light had the final say in achieving a convincing victory and we had to settle for a draw.

The Westville match was followed by some good victories against DHS and Clifton in between some disappointing performances against St Charles in a T/20, and Maritzburg College. We picked ourselves up on tour at the St Alban's Festival and came back to Hilton having had one game abandoned and winning the other three, with the highlight of the festival being our win against a very aggressive, noisy and powerful St Andrew's, Bloemfontein team.

The losses during the term highlighted a lack of fight and character when conditions were tough or we found ourselves in tough situations. What was reassuring, was that all these qualities were displayed in the victory over St Andrew's, Bloemfontein, so we knew the boys had it in them, but it was not a consistent trait, and one that we at Hilton have identified as a fundamental problem. We need to instill grit in all our boys, in all our sports. These findings helped Warren, Sean and I plan the winter programme to address these issues and hopefully make us a better team in the 4th term.

With a combination of rugby, hockey, fitness and strength sessions, pilates, fielding, skill work with bat and ball, general maturing and a brilliant pre-season fixture list in term 3, devised by Warren Kirsten, we were fitter, faster, mentally stronger and well-prepared when we started our first competitive matches in the Inland night league competition. A return to the game, after surgery, of Robbie McGaw, and a shift of batting order with James Ritchie opening the batting with Robbie McGaw, to create a left and right hand combination up front. This also created a mobile, more experienced middle order and a batting line up that scored at a healthy run rate, which gave us consistent starts and consistent scores. Once we had runs on the board, we always felt we would be hard to beat.

McMullen and Booths' opening partnership with the new ball became as deadly as Lillee and Thompson, Marshall and Holding, putting the opposition on the back foot, every match after the first power play in any format. McMullen had grown taller, become stronger and faster and Booth is every captain's dream, striking



consistently with the new ball. instilling fear in the opposition with his skiddy pace and absolute accuracy and skill level with the new ball. Just when the opposition thought they had seen off McMullen and Booth, we had the riches of three varieties of spin to choose from with Selane, Ritchie, Sclanders and Frost all begging for the ball to have the opportunity to constrict the life out of the middle

order of the opposition and often finishing the job.

This pattern, with natural variations due to opposition and conditions, was evident in our successful 3rd and 4th term results losing only one game, in the last over, to Affies with only 1 Affies' wicket remaining. The match could have gone either way until the last run came off an Affies' bat, a vast contrast to the previous losses in the 1st term, where we gave up and folded.

Beating College twice, once in the final of the night league to win the cup in front of all their boarders and the second time at home by 160 runs, bowling them out for 62, speaks volumes for this team's improvement and quality in the 4th term. The importance of the captain in cricket, is more so than any other sport that I have witnessed. You have to be in tune with the flow of the game, the different strengths and weaknesses that every opposition presents to you and you have to make decisions in the moment that affect the outcome of the game. Apart from some shouting and frantic waving of arms on the sideline from the bald, grey, moderately rotund coach, the captain in cricket has the responsibility of making the decisions that ultimately result in the winning or losing of the team. Brandon, you started the year as the first team captain and evolved into a true leader, you led by example with the ball and bat, and grew in confidence with your voice, your quiet confidence and fierce inner-determination shone through and that is the hallmark of this exciting game. If you are bold enough, it allows your true character to shine through and this is your path to success. Thank you and extremely well done.

I look forward to working with most of you again next year and wish all the grade 12 leavers all the success in their cricket in the future and thank them for their commitment to the team and the school. Success comes from focused hard work, if this basic trait becomes a norm in Hilton's cricket I have no doubt that we will have consistent success and those leaving will have learnt a trait that will bring success to them in any walk of life they pursue.

A massive thank you to Warren Kirsten and his passion for the game, organizational skills and love of his cricketers, Sean Carlisle for sharing his knowledge of coaching and his support throughout the year and all the coaches at Hilton who give of their time to produce cricketers on whom to put the finishing touches. To Andre Wessels and his team that work day in and day out to produce the best school pitches in the country and make all the cricket fields perfect for all to play on, thank you. Thank you Ralph in the Fleur-De-Lys for your hospitality and friendship and lastly the parents for all your support, passion and love for your special children that I have had the privilege of coaching this year.

Dale Benkenstein



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2nd XI

Regular Players: J Booth, K Dandala,T Dixon, B Doyle, M Frost, G Gillham, M Grieveson, MJ Grobler, W Hayne, N Haynes, C Meyer, D Morrison, B Naude, C Pearce, S Sekawabe, B Trodd, J Turner, P Valloo, J Watt, J Weideman, C Wilmot, A Winskill, N Winskill.

As has become the custom, the 2nd XI was actually two different teams; those boys who played in the first term and those who played in the final term. In the first term, DHS was dispatched, at DHS, before lunch, and in 13 overs! The second fixture was at home against College in a high-scoring game; Hilton lost convincingly by 78 runs despite Weideman (41) and Trodd's (51) efforts. Voortrekker was dispatched by 132 runs with Grobler (86) and Valoo (51) amassing good scores. William Haynes 5/41 ensured a comprehensive victory. Treverton were beaten by four wickets and then came the first MHS fixture when, despite a modest 148/8 off 40 overs, MHS were dispatched for 133 due largely to a superb spell by Nick Haynes of 7/20. The term ended fairly successfully.

In the last quarter, a new, younger, predominantly U16 team took on the mantle laid down by the older guys. Things started badly, with a comprehensive 9 wicket loss to Grey Bloem. One of the highlights of the season then took place on Goldstones when the same College team who had previously won comprehensively were dismissed for 165. This was largely due to the bowling of Tom Dixon (5/39) and some brilliant catches in the slips by Khanya Dandala and an excellent reflex catch at forward short leg by Suubi Sekawabe. Hilton then, in the space of 16.3 overs, knocked off the runs with a superb partnership between Chris Meyer 71* and Suubi Sekawabe 56* of 164 runs finishing on 173/1. This was the most comprehensive defeat of College in all my 30 years at the Hilton. Next up was an extraordinary affair against St Charles. In this game 558 runs were scored. St Charles amassed 282/10, thanks to Cameron Brown's innings of 118, especially considering that that old maxim, dropped catches lose matches. Brown was dropped on 13! After an opening partnership of 164, back came the giant slayer John Turner to complete his second spell. The score moved from 164/1 to 194/8. In his last 8 balls, Turner bowled five of their batsmen off consecutive deliveries and, a 6th was plumb LBW off the next ball. Whether this has ever happened at Hilton before is questionable. A double hattrick and figures of 6/36 was a mammoth effort. The dropped catch and an extraordinary 9th wicket partnership in which M Theu made a blistering 55 made the target an enormous one. However, showing resolve and pluck, Hilton scored 276/8 falling six short and helped by a superb 87* by Josh Watt and 52 by Chris Meyer. DHS, in the return fixture showed slightly more resolve but managed precisely 100/10 with Michael Frost taking 5/30. Hilton set off like a rocket and in 10.5 overs, knocked off 104/1 with Watt smashing 69*. The final match, on my old home ground the Roy Gathorne Oval, was an anti-climax of note. MHS elected to bat on a greenish strip under a cloudy sky and stuttered to 63/10 with Guy Gilham scything through their top order to claim 5/14. Hilton knocked off the runs 65/2 in 16 overs, thanks to a superb innings of 45* from Chris Meyer. The loyal parents need to be thanked for their intelligent and supportive comments. In a game at Michaelhouse during an U17 Festival, Vince van der Byl's grandson Tom Dixon, Lorrie Wilmot's grandson Campbell Wilmot and Penny Rey Coelen former Miss World's grandson, Jean Marc Rey, were all in the same team which made the team richly blessed! I wish Khanya Dandala and Suubi Sekawabe great success in the inter-provincial week this December and the best of luck in 2018. For the rest of the players, some of whom were extraordinarily unlucky not to make the provincial week good luck next year.

Lastly, to Mnumzane Qadushe and the supportive and zealous Warren Kirsten, thank you for your excellent assistance.

Ant Durnford

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3rd XI

Regular Players: Nicholas Winskill, Dyllan Hope *(Captain),* Brandon Matambo, Damon Wheals, Daniel Cavalieri, Sam Crookes, Joshua Winter, Vaughn Williams, Ross Forder, Xanti Gqiba, Joshua Chandler, Brandon Dix, Michael Harding.

Reflecting on this term's matches, it can be described as a most successful one for the 3rd cricket team.

Five matches were played, of which only one was lost to Clifton's 2nd team. There were no areas of weakness in this team and there was real depth in both the batting and bowling departments. The quality of cricket that was played by these boys was of a high standard, and it was an absolute privilege to be associated with this team. What was also very pleasing was the manner in which they played the game and the team spirit that existed amongst the players. The boys also conducted themselves very well on and off the field. They were also astutely captained and led by Dyllan Hope. Much credit must go to him for the manner in which he generated a positive spirit and attitude in the team.

Summary of Results: Played 5, Won 4, Lost, 1

Francois Morgan

4th XI

Regular Players: Nikolaj Boorman, Brandon Dix, Brandon Dry, Rory Duffy, Xanti Gqiba, Guy Harding, Matt Hildebrand, Jarid Kolver, James Levell, Buhle Luthuli, Connor McCrae, Nthato Padi, Murray Pinnell, David Robinson, Buhle Luthuli, Jordan Twiss, Tristan Warren, Ruan Wilmans

It was a joy to coach this talented and passionate group of cricketers. They approached both parts of the season with exuberance. However, the humour they often displayed did not take away from the steely resolve they adopted on the field of play.

They dominated the teams they played against and their only loss was an away game to Maritzburg College in the first term. Consequently, it was wonderful to beat the same opponents in the return fixture in October. Team highlights were the double victories over DHS and Michaelhouse.

Special mention must be made of Ruan Willman's 41 runs off 16 balls against DHS and James Levell's 7 wickets for 6 runs against Maritzburg College.

I would like to thank the Matric boys who played this year, in particular, Tristan Warren and Brandon Dix who were true servants of the game. They showed commitment right up to the very last game of the season. Thanks is also due to the 5th team Coach, Mr Pieter Van der Schuyff and the Director of cricket, Mr Warren Kirsten.

Paul Venter

5th XI

Without a doubt, the phenomenal 5th team has managed to achieve all the goals set at the beginning the year; have fun, enjoy the game and make the most of every opportunity. Although the results did not show it, every game was played with a spirit and passio which any Hiltonian would be proud of.

A philosophy which the team embraced was to give every boy an equal opportunity to take part in every aspect of the game. This led to many exciting performances with all boys giving it everything they had. This is probably what fully encapsulates the true spirit of cricket. Even when there was no fixture there would be a thrilling internal match governed by Mr Kirsten. Our Coach Mr Van der Schyff would also join in and gained a reputation as a powerful batsmen and sharp keeper. It has been a privilege to play for and captain this team and I would like to thank the coaches as well as the boys who played as, without them, the season would not have been the same.

Guy Harding Captain

U16A

The U16A of 2017 enjoyed a successful season. They were competitive in all aspects of the game. We had very convincing wins against DHS, Clifton, Weston and Michaelhouse. We then slipped up against Maritzburg College and unfortunately our game against Westville was rained out.

The team had a very capable leader in James Watt who led by example and was the team's leading run scorer as well as being very handy behind the stumps. Cameron Pearce was the vicecaptain of the team and did a superb job in helping Watt. Tom Dixon was required to open the bowling with Booth being called up to the first team and he did a great job with his skillful variations of pace. Chris Meyer constantly showed determination and fight both with bat in hand and on the field. He has potential as a seamer and will have success on the cricket field in the future. The top order was unfortunately dealt a blow when Meyer was hit on the thumb and could not hold a bat properly but Michael Frost put up his hand and he did a great job. Suubi Sekawabe was a very useful number 3 as he has a very good technique and he hits the ball hard. He provided a steadying influence and is still to play his best cricket. The middle order was disrupted by the departure of Michael Booth to the 1stx1 but Mambo Munawa was called to the A- team and did very well. Once he applied himself at the crease he could score his runs freely. Khanya Dandala moved into the top 6 and offered his medium pace as an asset to the team. He, along with John Turner, Jean Marc Rey and Andrew Winskill could hurry the scoreboard along.

The bowling attack was spear headed by Turner who frightened opposing top orders with his raw pace. Dixon bowled his medium pace mixed in with his "cutters" and was confusing to most batsmen. Frost provided most of the spin attack. His left arm orthodox spin was inexpensive and effective. Rey was a partnership breaker with his leg spin and on his day, was unplayable. Winskill was extremely effective with his around the wicket off-spin and could be relied upon to tie up one end at will.

Sean Sinclair

U15A

The 2017 cricket season for the U15a team was a largely successful one.

The team, first captained by Colby Dyer and later by Ethan Bain, was a hard- working group and an immensely talented squad. It was often very difficult to pick a side because of good depth within this age group; a good problem to have.

The season started off reasonably well with the majority of our league matches won, followed by a very successful IDSF tour to Grahamstown. We recorded comfortable wins against Woodridge and St John's but lost narrowly to St Stithians, a match we should have won.

The second half of the season was also largely successful, starting with a convincing win against Grey College Bloemfontein. We had a tough tour too to Affies recording good wins against Pearson and Selborne.

Players who really stood out this season were:

Colby Dyer, who scored a hundred against Westville and took numerous five wicket hauls and finished as our leading wicket taker. He also represented KZN Inland at the U15 CSA week.

Ethan Bain was made captain for the second half of the season. He is a natural leader and an immensely talented cricketer, one of the best all-rounders I have seen at school-boy level. He scored a match winning 100* vs Pearson and has won games for us by



intense fast bowling spells and quick- fire cameos with the bat. He also represented KZN Inland at the U15 CSA week.

Latica Nela is a brilliant young fast bowler who bowls with high intensity and good aggression.

Stephan Liebenberg is a talented batsmen whom I believe is one to watch out for in the future.

Throughout our season our top order made good numbers of runs thanks to Nic Campbell and Callum Kilmartin (100 vs Woodridge) who were our opening pair. Nic has also developed into a very good off spin bowler who took wickets at various intervals for our team and he contributed with five wicket hauls throughout the season. Robbie Haynes (100 vs Selborne) was promoted to number 3 in the batting order where he had immediate success and had a batting average of over 40 on our tour to Affies, where he came up against very good and well-organized bowling attacks.

Costi Christodolou was a key member in our side. Although cricket is his second sport, he always gave 100% at training and matches. He is a national soccer goalkeeper and that reflected in his ability in the slips. He proved to be an intelligent and dedicated player whom I was very happy to have on my side. Andrew Green was our explosive top order batsmen who literally batted with a smile. Andrew's talents will come to the fore as he matures in his game and I am sure he will score many, many runs for Hilton College as well as the province. Thabiso Dlamini has opened the bowling for us on a few occasions due his ability to swing the ball but was mainly used as a first change bowler whom you always felt could take a wicket at any time. He was also our best fielder by some margin and he took some unbelievable catches and made impressive stops in the field, contributing to many of our victories.

James Harvey was another of our pace bowling all-rounders. His ability to swing around corners and hit the deck hard meant there was no respite when it came to facing him. He also contributed with bat in hand and nearly won us the game against St Stithians.

Although the whole the season was largely successful, I do feel that we missed out. Being such a vastly talented squad, we should have pulled more games through. 15A is still an age where you learn your game and learn a lot about the game in general and having seen their improvements throughout 2017 I am very excited to see these boys continuing to improve and be huge assets to the Hilton College cricket programme.

Pienaar Buys

U15B

Regular Players: Andrew Stern *(Captain),* Abang Seopa *(Wicket keeper),* Josh Miller *(Vice-Captain),* Nick Bergset, Bradley Dix, Matt Armstrong, Matt Morrison, Joshua Cox, Motheo Makwana, Lebo Moleleki Thabiso Dlamini, Hylton Royden-Turner, Hlumelo Notshe.

The U15B cricket side had a truly great season. This was largely due to the enthusiasm and manner in which these young men went about their business. The side had some stand-out moments including; Royden-Turner narrowly missing out on a 100 against Treverton, Dix and Bergset putting on a 248 first wicket partnership against DHS (both scoring magnificent 100s and Bradley finishing on 170 not out), Stern was extremely consistent with bat and ball, Makwana's bowling improved exceptionally throughout the year, and he was always on the money. We also finished off a tight game against Howick, which ended in thick mist rolling across Mansergh and only spin bowling was allowed.

We had a tough couple of fixtures against Maritzburg College and unfortunately they were too strong for us on both occasions, but the boys never gave up and fought all the way to the end, showing true determination and grit. We were disappointed to finish the year off with a loss to Michaelhouse, after beating them in the first term, but we were simply outplayed.

Everyone in this team contributed with bat, ball and in the field. They can be pleased with their efforts this year. I believe they learnt a great deal about themselves and their team mates.

Summary of Results: Played 12, Won 6, Lost 3, Abandoned 3

James Robey

U15C

Regular Players: Sam Black, Amir Dildar, William Henfrey, Michael Mackenzie, Matthew Millar, Jonathan Mitchell, Max Mukami, Hlumelo Notshe, Jarrell Padayachee, Ntuthuko Senamela, Brett Sibanda, Matthew Wilson, Faizaan Wazar.

I enjoyed coaching the U14C cricketers in the first term and due to various changes, I had the pleasure of coaching the U15C boys in the fourth term. I had coached just about all these boys last year and some of the U14s came across with me.

I looked forward to our practices, as the boys were enthusiastic about their cricket and practices were fun occasions for both the boys and the coach! Every week we ensured that we had a net session, but never for more than an hour. This gave us enough time to work on necessary skills, but not too long to lose the enthusiasm. We also played fielding games, which the boys played with energy and determination. Practices were never complete without a game of hotly contested continuous cricket on the Astroturf.

Our approach was to make sure that every boy's skill was improving and there is no better place to test those skills than in matches. On Saturdays, every player representing the team had to bowl, and in most games everyone batted too, even if that meant retiring players to give others a chance.

The players were very encouraging of each other, even if some of the overs bowled lacked a bit of direction! Hlumelo Notshe was an excellent captain, and ensured that everyone participated equally and that the team was ready and prepared on all occasions.

Two of the games particularly stood out for me. The game against

DHS was full of fun and I really enjoyed the spirit in which the game was played. We retired several of our batsmen and DHS kindly allowed us to continue batting despite us having passed their score quite easily in our run chase. Our final game was against Michaelhouse and at 12/4 in the third over I was a very worried coach. At that point Hlumelo joined Jarrell at the crease, who then proceeded to put on an amazing 130-run partnership, which ended with Jarrell being bowled on the last ball for an excellent 66 and Hlumelo on 51 not out. Michaelhouse batted well in their response and, with two overs to go and twenty runs needed, the game was on a knife edge. Unfortunately, they managed to get over the line with a ball to spare, but the game had been hard fought and memorable for all the right reasons.

Besides those already mentioned, all the boys contributed positively to the team's efforts. Sam Black, a tennis opt, kindly helped us out and ended with the highest number of runs scored and tied as the leading wicket taker with William Henfrey. Amir Dildar was very enthusiastic and bowled with accuracy. Jonathan Mitchell was able to hit the ball hard and bowl well at key moments. Dildar was very enthusiastic, bowled accurately and had the potential to score lots of runs. Matthew Millar impressed with bat and ball while Ntuthuko Senamela and Brett Sibanda bowled with lightning speed. Max Mukami's bowling improved significantly and he ended up with the best figures against DHS. Michael MacKenzie and Matthew Wilson joined us from the U14C where Michael had an excellent opening knock against DHS, and Matthew was particularly impressive with the ball in hand. Faizaan was promoted into the team and did well as an opening bowler.

I certainly hope that these boys will continue to play this superb game.

Thanks to the parents for their support, both home and away. It was appreciated not only by your sons but by me too.

Summary of Results: Played 8, Won 2, Lost 6.

Mike Green

U14A

Regular Players: Nick Hatton *(Captain);* Dylan Thomson *(Vice-Captain);* Matthew Boast; Jake Cavalieri; Taurin Craze; Jack Gillham; Craig James; Joshua Mansour; Richard Muir; Christopher Pistorius; Dillon van der Merwe; Matt Willis; Craig Yammin.

Cricket at Hilton College has a strong and proud heritage. It was a privilege to be part of developing the future stars of the cricket club. Seeing these boys grow and develop over the course of the year has been a rewarding experience. The season was full of highlights and lowlights, some very good performances and then some average performances. It made us reflect a lot as a team on consistency both as a team and as individuals.

The boys have gained a huge amount from the experiences they have had this year, from batting on tricky surfaces to being exposed to chasing down big totals under pressure. These experiences all bode well for the future of this team. My hope is that they will recall these experiences when faced with them in the years to come.

This team has worked hard to play for each other and to put the team before that of individuals. Despite some notable performances from both individual batsmen and bowlers the team has grown in this regard. I look forward to them producing good team performances in the years ahead. Mention must be made of the record 440 run partnership between Nick Hatton and Christopher Pistorius against DHS. I have not seen hitting like this at any level of the game before. Nick's double hundred will long be etched in my memory as one of the best batting displays I have seen from a school boy.

Nick must be commended on his excellent captaincy throughout the season. He was able to pull the team together when needed and lead from the front as both a batsman and fielder. Cricket has, and will, remain a sport that teaches you the art of patience. I hope that as the U14A team of 2017 look back on their year they will remember, not only the cricketing lessons, but the life lessons they gained from the time they spent together under the hot African sun.

Summary of Results: Played 18, Won 9, Drew 5 Lost 4

JJ Bullough

U14B CRICKET REPORT

We had a great start to a great season. We totally dominated and outplayed most of our opponents. We were great all round, only losing 3 of our 10 games. We lost to Maritzburg College twice and St. Charles where we were very unlucky. We won against our other major rivals such as Michaelhouse, Westville, Voortrekker A, DHS, Clifton just to name a few.

We had some great performances from individuals with C. Yammin scoring over 300 runs with a century and 3 half centuries and taking many wickets. G. Armstrong scored over 250 runs with 3 half centuries. M. Bray took over 12 wickets with 1 five/for to his name. As a team we performed well throughout the season and found ourselves in a great position.

Siya Mzolo

U14C/D

Regular Players: Mathew Allwood, Mikael Arab, Kgwanti Bilankulu, Nkosi Dlamini, Howard Dlulisa, Muhammad Girdhurparsadh, Anthony Harris, Gus Herridge, Brett Jarvie, Jaypi Jordaan, Gary Lubisi, Sagwadhi Malongete, Zazi Ndebele, Khalil Sacranie, Omolemo Sehole, Chae van den Berg, Faizaan Wazar, Josh Wingfield.

Term one of the 2017 season saw a rather motley crew of young U14D cricketers gathered at the Beet Nets. Some had played cricket at their prep schools and some had never put on a pair of pads before. Nevertheless, enthusiasm was high and this was maintained throughout the season. Although the boys only won one match (against DHS), they never gave up, and were always committed to improving. As the season progressed, the team continually improved, either in their batting/bowling, or simply the way in which they conducted themselves on the field.

Term four brought about a rather dramatic wind of change. Term one's U14 C team were required to fill in positions in the Bs, as many of these boys were called up into the U15 Colts team. To cut a long story short, the U14D team of term one became the U14C team of term four. Once again, we only beat DHS but it was wonderful noting the improvement and maturity of the boys over the course of the season – boys who had never played before were bowling in matches; boys who had never before held a bat were ending the innings not out (granted, with only one or two runs to their names, but not out nonetheless!). What could have been a demoralizing, frustrating year was instead one in which the team realized their weaknesses and chose to challenge them, instead of succumb to them.

Warren Kirsten



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Back row: Jono Smith, Michael Makris, Matthew Grieveson, Mbongeni Malinga Front Row: Vuyo Mondi, Chris Woollam, Mr PK Ramnarain, Michael Terblanche, Sam Nichol.

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Golf

2016 ended on a high with Hilton College winning the Douglas Cup against Michaelhouse. This year started with the inter-school league. Hilton College played St Charles, Maritzburg College and Michaelhouse on a home and away basis. Once again the 1st team ended the season unbeaten winning all their games with just one drawn game.

The Nomads' Schools' Championship was held this year at the Royal Durban Country Club over 36 holes on Monday, 27th February. Hilton College was very fortunate to enter 4 teams of 4 players. After 18 holes, Hilton had a very slender lead over closest rivals Westville Boys High. Unfortunately, Hilton could not maintain the lead and after 36 holes of gruelling golf, finished second by a very close margin. Out of 24 teams, the other teams finished as follows:

B Team - 6th, C Team - 10th, D Team - 15th.

After the Inlands Trials and the league, the Inland A and B teams were announced. Congratulations to the following boys who were selected:



Inlands A and B teams From left: PK Ramnarain, M Makris, C Woollam, M Terblanche, S Nicol, V Mondi & M Grieveson

Inlands A: Chris Woollam, Michael Terblanche & Michael Makris Inlands B: Vuyo Mondi, Sam Nicol & Matthew Grieveson Reserves: Josh Chandler, Mbongeni Malinga & Ryan Taylor

Chris Woollam made us all very proud when he won the SA Amateur Champs. This was the article in Supersport:

"KwaZulu-Natal teenager Chris Woollam stunned, with a profound victory, in the 36-hole stroke play qualifier for the Sanlam South African Amateur Championship when he defeated reigning English Amateur champion Dan Brown in a sudden-death playoff on the Monday.



Chris Woollam with the Proudfoot Trophy

Woollam carded a 64 and Brown fired a 63 in the final round at Humewood Golf Club in Port Elizabeth to tie for the lead at 15under-par 129 at the end of regulation play. It took four extra trips down the par four 18th before the 17-year-old Hilton College student broke the deadlock and lifted the Proudfoot Trophy."

Although the league was over, the boys looked forward to the other challenges that faced them for the rest of the year.

Although term 2 is when the boys are involved in the winter sports programme, many boys continue to play golf as a second option.

During the holiday, the boys look forward to the Affies Golf Tournament. The boys always enjoy this golf tour. Playing 4 different courses on 4 different days is always challenging. This year the team comprised of Michael Terblanche (Captain), Chris Swanepoel, Vuyo Mondi, Josh Chandler, Sam Nicol and Matthew Grieveson. On Day 1 at Wingate Country Club, the format played was medal. Hilton was placed in 8th position at the end of the day. We realised that we would have to play much better golf to be in contention. We played Copper Leaf – the Ernie Els course on day 2. The format was IPS. Josh Chandler shot 79 and Hilton moved up to 5th place.

Day 3 was played at Serengeti Golf and Wildlife Estate. In the better ball format Hilton remained in 5th position despite a brave effort from Michael Terblanche and Chris Swanepoel who shot 4 under par which was the 2nd best score of the day. The final day was match play at the Blue Valley Golf Estate. Hilton finished the day in 6th place. Although it was a disappointing finish, it was an enjoyable outing where the boys learnt a few lessons and made new friends.



The team: M Terblanche, C Swanepoel, V Mondi, J Chandler, S Nicol, M Grieveson

One of the other favourite tournaments the boys look forward to is the Woodlands Junior Masters, which is played over three days at the Serengeti Golf and Wildlife Estate in Kempton Park in Johannesburg. The competition is of a high standard and the boys are exposed to playing with the best golfers from around the country. After two days, the field is split into A and B groups.



M Terblanche with his 4-ball and the sunshine pro

Because Chris Woollam and Michael Terblanche had finished in the top 30, they were very fortunate to have been given the opportunity to play with a sunshine pro on the last day.

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Final results: Hilton as a team ended the tournament in 9th place. Individual results: C Woollam 10th, M Terblanche 30th

The Inter-House golf tournament was held on the 11th June at the Victoria Country Club. The competition is always very serious as team members play against each other. Each House enters a team of 4 players.

After 18 holes of intense golf the results were as follows: 3rd Falcon, 2nd Ellis,1st Pearce

The winning House: Pearce:

J Chandler, V Mondi, S Nicol, R Taylor

The Hilton College Golf Club has, with the assistance of the school and Dave Woollam, embarked on an upgrade of the various facilities at the driving range. This has been undertaken to ensure that the boys have a practice facility, which is comparable with the best. Phase 1 incorporated the building of a covered area for driving, which helps, especially in inclement weather, as well as two chipping areas, which have concrete bases with astro mats.



The new covered driving area

Phase 2 was undertaken to skim and level out the raised tee box. New grass has also been laid. This has created a larger area for boys to tee off. The bunkers have also been reshaped and the sand revived. Phase 3, which has already begun, incorporates the upgrading of the putting green – to create separate chipping greens as well as to ensure that the boys have a proper putting green. The current grass has been replaced with Bent grass.

One of the first visitors to make use of the revamped facilities was the St Anne's girls who use the range to hold their Inter–House tournament. All the girls thoroughly enjoyed their time at the range and they are looking forward to their next visit.



The St Annes girls at the range.

We are very fortunate to have the services of Sean Ludgater who coaches the boys. He has inculcated in the boys, a sense of commitment and dedication. He has helped many boys raise the standard of their game.

The Annual Douglas Cup is a fiercely fought Golf competition between two old rivals, Hilton College and Michaelhouse. This year it was played in perfect conditions at Bosch Hoek Golf Club in the Midlands. Hilton College was under pressure from the beginning, to retain the cup, which they had won convincingly the previous year. The 2nd teams always go out first. Hilton College managed



The Hilton contingent at the Douglas Cup

to build up a slender lead in the Four Ball format, but in the Foursomes, they extended their lead comfortably going into the single match play. They emerged victorious beating Michaelhouse convincingly by 16 points to 4. The Hilton College 2nd team made history by convincingly defeating the Michaelhouse 2nd team.

The 1st team matches were not as fortunate as the 2nds. They had to work very hard from the beginning. After the Four Ball and Foursomes both Hilton and Michaelhouse were tied at 6 points each. During the singles match play the advantage moved between the two schools. Three quarters of the way into the match, the advantage was in the Michaelhouse corner and it seemed as if Michaelhouse was going to win. However, the courage and determination shown by the Hilton boys, evened out the match. Because Hilton had won the cup convincingly last year, all Hilton had to do was to draw the match to retain the cup. The result this year was dependent on the final two matches. Mbongeni Malinga who was 1 down with 2 holes to play won the 8th hole, and went into the last hole all square. He needed to win his match to relieve the pressure on the final match, which was played by the captain, Chris Woollam.

Mbongeni drained a difficult put after a magnificent shot, out of a bunker, to win his match. The loud cheers from the Hilton players and parents were heard on the 8th green where Chris Woollam was playing his 2nd shot out of the bunker. The noise motivated Chris and he played the shot of his life and chipped his ball out of the bunker into the hole. This meant that he had won his match 3 and 1. This handed Hilton College their second consecutive win.

To conclude this report, I would like to thank the following people who have contributed to the successful running of the Hilton Golf Club:

Special thanks to Dave Woollam who has been very generous to the golf club. He has devoted both finances and time in ensuring the smooth running of the club.



The winning Captain receiving the Douglas Cup from Guest of Honour, Tony Rocke

The parents who have been supportive of not only their sons, but also the club as a whole. They have made financial sacrifices to ensure that their sons are able to play in tournaments and shown a keen interest in their sons' progress. Thank you to Mr. S van Wyk, T Richter and Sean Ludgater for their support and assistance whenever called on. To the Headmaster and the Director of Sport, thank you for your understanding and encouragement. Finally, to the captain, Chris Woollam and vice-captain Michael Terblanche a huge thanks for all your assistance and support in making the season a successful one. Their advice and vision is highly appreciated. I would like to take this opportunity to wish the new captain, Michael Makris and vice-captain, Josh Chandler an enjoyable and successful 2018.

PK Ramnarain MIC Golf



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Back Row : Nicholas Fowler, Michael Makris, John Turner, Christopher Abraham, Nikolaj Boorman, Duncan Fyvie.
Middle Row: Jason Crouch, Thomas Dixon, Luke Grove, Cameron Pearce, Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe, Alex Warren.
Front Row: Benjamin Duggan, Damon Wheals, Devon van der Merwe (*Coach*), James Beart (*captain*), Darryn Gallagher (*Director of Hockey*), James Booth (*vice-captain*), Daniel Cavalieri.

Hockey

1st XI

Regular Players: James Beart, Christopher Abrahams, Robert Attwood, Nikolaj Boorman, James Booth, Daniel Cavalieri, Jason Crouch, Benjamin Duggan, Duncan Fyvie, Luke Grove, Michael Makris, Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe, Cameron Pearce, John Turner, Damon Wheals.

After a disappointing 2016 season, the 1st XI hockey team surprised many and had a very fulfilling season. The pre-season was tough and the boys worked hard to get into shape. With the Nomads' Festival around the corner, getting a good result against DHS and a loss against Glenwood early in the season the boys were very eager to do well at Nomads. We had two wins against KES and Selborne, draws against PBHS and Grey PE and a narrow loss against 3 – 4 against Jeppe. This gave the team great confidence heading to Europe.

We embarked on a European tour and this was an incredible experience for us. Revamping our image and intentions as Hilton Hockey and looking to instil a new culture we could not have asked for a better two weeks together as a 1st and U16 group. We got to know each other on and off the field and set expectations, standards and made sure we got onto the same page. Results were never a focus for us on tour as we were trying to firm up combinations and various different playing styles.

Our greatest challenge as a group was returning to our domestic season and having the belief and confidence to beat the stronger opposition. This worked out very well for the group with good wins against, Kearsney, Westville, Northwood and Michaelhouse. Celebrating daily victories has become very important for us as a team. I believe in generating many moments of success in training for each individual. This generates a winner–like mentality, a habit, a drive and a will to win. This then translates into a happy team, a team that wants to train effectively, a team that arrives on time, focused and prepared.

We had four National players in our ranks in Benjamin Duggan (SA U18A), Damon Wheals (SA U18B), Luke Grove (SA U17) and Suubi Mugerwa – Sekawabe (SA U16 HP Squad). Provincially, we had five KZN Inland U18A, three U18B, six U16B and four U16B players. A team that started the year at 41 on the school hockey ranking, reached a high of 4th in the country and ending the year at 6th. We celebrated our best win percentage since 2010. We also celebrated serious milestones by James Beart and Damon Wheals, finishing their time in the white jersey on 66 caps each and Daniel Cavalieri on 61 caps.

The success of a team does not happen without a few key personnel in the background. Thank you to Carl Schmidt and Christopher Carey, our strength and conditioning coaches, Nicolas Pereira, our physiotherapist, our support coach Matthew Fairweather and Director of Hockey Darryn Gallagher. These men have put in countless hours to ensure the team is fit, well and in great shape.

We want to say farewell to the following players; James Beart, Christopher Abrahams, Robert Attwood, Nikolaj Boorman, James Booth, Daniel Cavalieri, Benjamin Duggan and Damon Wheals. You have done extremely well and everything of the best moving forward. You have left the 1st XI hockey team in a great space.

Player Critique:

James Beart: (*Captain, KZN Inland U18B, Honours*) James led this Hilton team with courage and took responsibility for his team on and off the field. His ability to win ball in midfield and his attacking prowess in breaking midfield lines has been a genuine asset for this team. James played as a forward too and scored some goals when the team needed it. He leads through taking the initiative and from the front. He trains hard and motivates his team when it is time to step up and work. He is well- organized and takes charge. As James leaves Hilton we wish him well moving forward. You have left Hilton Hockey in a good space.

Nikolaj Boorman: (*KZN Inland U18A, Honours*) Nikolaj has had a fantastic year. He was our main drag flicker and top goal scorer. He has the ability to eliminate players in open play and score field goals. He combined beautifully with other forwards and midfielders around him. He has been a great asset to Hilton Hockey in 2017 and we wish him well going forward. He was Hilton's Player of the Year for 2017.

Benjamin Duggan: (SA U18A, KZN Inland U18A, Honours) Benjamin is a classic case of 'hard work does not go unrewarded'. He went from not making a representative team in 2016 to SA U18A in 2017. His ability to defend and make tackles in critical areas has assisted the team this year. He also possesses a talent as a 1st wave runner at penalty corner defence. On average he ran down two drag flicks per game. Ben is fearless and the team feed off this energy. He was also in charge of the warmups and ran them with pride. We wish Benjamin farewell and the best of luck in 2018.

Damon Wheals: (SA U18B, KZN Inland U18A, Honours) Damon has had an exceptional year. His ability to lead on the park lies in putting in many yards as a free centre back and cleaning up around him. Not the most vocal player but he has been technically and positionally sound for Hilton. He makes many tackles and distributes well. He has a future in hockey and the correct temperament to enjoy senior hockey. We wish Damon well going forward and every success.

Luke Grove: (SA U17, KZN Inland U18A, Honours) Luke is very quick and coupled with skilful hands ran past many opposition players. Luke is a goal scoring midfielder which is rare and an asset to any team. He links up well with his team mates, has a very high work rate and is extremely passionate about the game. Luke returns for another season with Hilton College and we trust he will go from strength to strength.

Duncan Fyvie: (*KZN Inland U18A, Honours*) Duncan has been an absolute surprise package this year. Being injured most of preseason he returned and never looked off the pace. He often did the work of two men and worked circle to circle. He is tough and eliminates in good areas. Duncan shows courage and leads from the front. Duncan returns for another season and we look forward to seeing him grow and get even better.



Chris Abraham: (*KZN Inland U18B*) Chris has applied himself well this year playing half the season in the 1st team. His commitment to the team was very impressive. Even though he didn't finish the year in the 1st XI he continued to apply himself and give of his best. He is very coachable and always eager to learn something new. Chris leaves Hilton this year and we wish him everything of the best moving forward.

James Booth: James led from the front as the vice-captain. His confidence on the back field settled many in the team. He always brought a great energy to the team and encouraged his team mates. He hit balls over distances well and often made goal saving tackles. A very reliable individual that always put the team first. James leaves Hilton at the end of the year having contributed well to the 1st XI in 2017. We wish him well as he moves on.

Daniel Cavalieri: Daniel had a very shaky start to the season but ended the year full of confidence. One of the senior players in the team, he led well as a left defender and communicated well. His strength at getting his distances right in defence allowed him to make many successful tackles. A simple player in distribution, however, he had good elimination skills higher up in the field. Daniel leaves Hilton and we wish him well moving forward.

Michael Makris: Michael has come through the ranks and has had a good season. He began the season slowly but as his confidence grew so did his performances. He shows good speed and intensity on the ball. He is extremely passionate about the game and Hilton and the rest of the squad feeds off this energy. He will have to learn to take the ball away from conflict moments. He has the ability to eliminate and put defenders under pressure. We welcome him back for one more season.

Jason Crouch: Jason did not have the season he had hoped to have had. However, the experience that he has gained in his grade 11 year will set him in good stead next year. He has the ability to be explosive and is a goal scorer. He has an incredible work rate which should give him the edge. He will do well to strike a balance between distribution, elimination and combination play moving forward.

Robert Attwood: Robert was technically sound this year, however battled tactically. He worked hard in training and fulfilled his commitment to the team. He was an individual who always gave of his best and tried to make the most of his opportunities. Robert completes his time at Hilton this year and we wish him well moving forward. Robert has a great passion for the game and is looking to playing overseas in the future.

Cameron Pearce: Cameron is an exciting young player coming through and has added value to this strong group of players. With two years left in the 1st XI he should really dominate the midfield going forward. He was injured for the greater part of the season which hampered his performances. He is technically extremely talented and scored many set piece goals at U16 level.

John Turner: John came into the team mid-way through the season and added value to the team. His ability to make critical saves in pressure moments really helped the team stay in contests. He has a big heart and is very driven to achieve. He has a wonderful training ethic and must continue working hard and pushing his limits. He is returning for two more seasons and I'm confident he will continue to do a great job.

Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe: Suubi is a young, up-and-coming player that has done well this year. He is unassuming, strong and explosive. He tackles well and can distribute over distance. As a grade 10 boy, he has gained valuable experience this year and we look forward to seeing him grow going forward.

Summary of Results: Played 17, Won 10, Drew 3, Lost 4

Devon van der Merwe

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2nd XI

Regular Players: Chris Abraham, Robbie Attwood, Jamie Beetar, Nicholas Fowler, MJ Grobler, Michael Harding, Nick Haynes, James Hickinbotham, Tumelo Moagi, Vuyo Mondi, Murray Pinnell, Tim Presbury, James Ritchie, Luke Schreuder, Kamo Selane

Seven of the players were returning for a second year, and consequently there were expectations of a good season to come. The season started with a convincing win over a DHS side that did not stretch us sufficiently. Our following fixture against Glenwood showed that we had some work to do on our formation and we needed to make some changes to positions. We fought well in this game to level the scores but eventually lost 3-4.

We played very well-structured hockey to beat both Kearsney and St Charles. In our home game against Michaelhouse we took all our opportunities early on in the match and were 3-0 up within 8 minutes, taking the wind out of our opponent's sails and winning 4-1. Perhaps our best win of the season was to follow in a very hard fought 1-0 win over a strong Westville team, with us playing away.

An over-confident, and slightly depleted squad, played away to Clifton in a mid-week game where we struggled to get ourselves going and lost 1-3. College were too strong for us (0-3) and in our second encounter against Kearsney we allowed them back into a match where we were on top and unnecessarily lost 1-2. With three losses in a row a win was much needed and we played very well to beat Northwood 2-0 at home. In our final fixture against Michaelhouse we allowed them to strike twice early on (a reverse of our earlier encounter) and although we fought hard we lost 3-4 in a tight game where I felt that we had played some splendid hockey.

I thoroughly enjoyed coaching these boys. They clearly enjoyed their hockey and particularly playing for the 2nd team. I was very impressed with their hard work during training and their positive attitude throughout the season. Many lessons were learnt, both about hockey skills and more importantly life lessons through playing together in this great team sport.

Most of the players have finished their schoolboy hockey careers. I wish them well and I strongly encourage them to continue playing this wonderful game. Many thanks go to the parents who supported us wherever we were playing – this was much appreciated.

Summary of Results: Played 12, Won 6, Drew 1, Lost 5



Mike Green

3rd XI

Regular Players: Chris Bass, Chris Bryant, Luyanda Cingo, Luke Edmondson, Xanti Gqiba, MJ Grobler, Thomas Grubb, Guy Harding, Ryan Lee, Kabelo Makwane, Lwazi Malinga, Keigo Nagai, Tim Prestbury, Connor Russell, Lebogang Seabi, Kgothatso Selepe, Pravir Valloo.

The Thirds had a good season, despite the disappointing 40% win rate. Most of the games lost were by margins of one or two goals, and could have been won, but that is the way the cookie crumbles sometimes. The team was ably led by Guy Harding and performed consistently well, especially against College, where the team played its best hockey of the season. What was especially rewarding for me as a coach was the identification of new players and the improvement seen in the boys who had played for me at U16 level. As well as this, the maturity and attitude of the team made them a pleasure to coach - some players who had started the season with the Thirds had to be dropped to make way for returning Exchange boys. These players did not complain and returned to bench for the Thirds every weekend, and always gave of their best on the astro. I look forward to the Grade 11s in the team challenging for places in the Second team next year and wish the Matrics all the best keep on playing at Varsity.

Summary of Results: Played 10, drew 1, lost 5, won 4.

Nick Holtzhauzen

4th XI

Regular players: Tofi Adejuyigbe, Lesedi Alexander, Chris Bass, Sheldon Bishop, Gordon Cook, Ryland Dewberry, MJ Grobler, Lwazi Malinga, Marcus Montague-Mfuni, Rasikan Moodley, Chizembi Sakulanda, Emanuele Scammacca, Lebogang Seabi, Motheo Taukobong, Ndumiso Zwane, Connor Russell, Aiden Schroeder

The 2017 hockey season for the 4th team has been extraordinary. This team of largely Matric boys was incredibly talented and showed grit, passion and determination. The 4th team had many wins and in the games which we lost or drew, valuable lessons were learnt. As the season progressed fitness levels were improved and the boys developed good positional play and strategies. Much fun was had on and off the field. The team showed true sportsmanship and camaraderie. Coaching these young men was rewarding.

Summary of Results: Played 9, Won 5, Drew 1, Lost 3

Carolyn van Zuydam

5th XI

Regular Players: Mitchell Cumming, Jean-Luc Krause, Daryl Kwaramba, Marcus Montague-Mfuni, Nikhil Patel, Aidan Schroeder, Cedric Tsai, Sakhile Malinga, Oleabetsoe Mokoena, Daniel Barnard, Tuyamba Akwaake.

The 2017 hockey season has been a special season for the 5th team. It provided a platform where boys could form friendships with other boys and also kept the boys active and physically fit.

During the season the boys played six games. The boys who have shown great dedication are Aidan Schroeder, Olebetsoe Mokoena, Nikhil Patel, Jean-Luc Krause, Mitchell Cumming and Marcus Montague-Mfuni.

Summary of Results: Played 6, Won 0, Drew 1, Lost 5

Ninga Mohlabe
U16A

Regular Players: John Turner, Jack Youens, Thomas Dixon, Brandon Dry, Ross Minter-Brown, Alex Warren, Darrel Nkomo, Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe, Cameron Pearce, Shawn Johnson, Stephan Liebenberg, Michael Attwood, Jack Spence, Chris Meyer, Rob Haynes, Ollie Christodoulou.

The U16A hockey team started off on a very tough note. The boys went to the annual U16 Nomads' tournament which was hosted by Jeppe this year. We played some good hockey but not good enough to beat some of the other schools. Our first game was against Pretoria Boys High where we lost 0-3. On day two we beat Whitgift from the UK 3-0 and narrowly lost 1-2 to KES in the last minute of the game. Our last two games were against St Johns from Johannesburg where we drew a hard fought game 1-1 and unfortunately lost badly to Grey PE 0-6. After a long weekend of lessons learnt we left for a tour to Barcelona and Holland.

The trip overseas was an incredible experience for the U16s who played all their games against U17 teams; a great way for them to grow and improve as young men. After a few warm games on tour we then played in the U17 HDM hockey tournament. Our boys worked really hard and managed to go all the way to the final but unfortunately lost 1-2 to the Nepal Nighthawks from Canada.

Next step for the boys was our local league once they had arrived back home from Europe. We had three great wins in a row beating Kearsney, St Charles and Michaelhouse. Unfortunately we lost our next game against Westville after leading 2-0 for most of the game, a lack of concentration cost us and we lost 2-3.

We then went on to be unbeaten in the last five games of the season. Beating Clifton College, drawing to Maritzburg College and then ending the season off with wins against Kearsney, Northwood and Michaelhouse.

This was a great hockey season for these young men. They started off on a hard note with a lot of lessons learnt and then bouncing back winning seven out of their last nine games with one draw against Maritzburg College.

Summary of Results: Played 16, Won 10, Drew 2, Lost 4

Matthew Fairweather

U16B

Regular Players: Wezo Gqiba (*Captain*), Jacob Kethro (*Vice-Captain*), Rory Duffy, Darrel Nkomo, Campbell Wilmot, Matt Barrett, Jack Youens, Andrew Morrison, Hylton Royden-Turner, James Presbury, Aphelele Chonco, Andrew Green; Sam Black.

It was a privilege for me to work with this talented group of boys. Aside from the hockey talent this group had they were just simply nice human beings. They set the tone for the season at our first fixture where they outplayed a competent Glenwood team 5-1. What impressed me the most was not the margin of the score but the manner in which they played the game. They played with real flair, determination and effort, this result set us up for the season. What they achieved throughout the remainder of the season was something they will not forget.

Ably led by Wezo Gqiba we went on to record only one loss over our 11 fixtures. This came away from home to Kearsney where we dominated the game right through to the last 10 minutes. A lack of discipline cost us dearly that day where we conceded two late goals to lose 1-2. Highlights of the season were our double over Michaelhouse and a hard fought 2-2 draw against a formidable Maritzburg College team. This team had the X-factor, we were able to transition between attack and defence and visa versa with ease. They were a well-balanced team who complemented each other's strengths and weaknesses. Mention must be made of the group of



Grade 10 boys in this team who worked hard at making sure this team worked well as a unit. They made sure the Grade 9 boys integrated well and made sure they felt they were very much a part of the team.

This season will long live in my memory, as I was part of a team culture that put sound values and sportsmanship before the results of the team and individual achievements.

Summary of Results: Played 11, Won 7, Drew 3, Lost 1

James Bullough

U16C

Regular players: Sam Black, Jamie Evans, Gary Goldring, Sicelo N Mahlangu, Mbongeni Malinga *(Captain)*, Motheo Makwana, Avumile Mcunu, Neo Morathi, Oliver Newell, Kaliwe Sindazi *(Goalkeeper)*, Andrew Stern, Ryan Taylor, Joshua Watt

The U16C hockey side of 2017 will be remembered for the expansive style of hockey played during the season. The team composition consisted of boys from grades 8, 9 and 10 – it was thus wonderful to see the boys gel together so early on in the season.

There were only two occasions during the season where the opposition really got the better of this side. The loss to Maritzburg College could almost be forgiven since College has historically been so dominant when we play them strength-on-strength.

The loss to Northwood towards the end of the season came as a real shock with the boys allowing their heads to drop quite early on in the match. Pleasing aspects of the season have been the desire to play a flowing brand of hockey. I was also pleased with the manner in which the boys coped with more senior and more able players when coming up against teams like Voortrekker U18A. I have been particularly impressed with the defensive efforts of the team. The close results against Michaelhouse were well fought victories between similar teams. It has been a pleasure coaching and managing this side of 2017. I would like to thank all the players for their commitment and support during the season and wish them well with their hockey going forward.

Summary of results: Played 12, Won 7, Drew 2, Lost 3

Match 1: Glenwood Won 3 - 0 Match 2: Voortrekker U18A Won 2 - 1 Match 3: Kearsney Lost 0 - 1 Match 4: Howick U16B Draw 2 - 2 Match 5: St Charles Won 2- 0 Match 6: Michaelhouse Won 1 - 0 Match 7: Westville Won 2 - 1 Match 8: St Annes Won 2 - 0 Match 9: Maritzburg College Lost 0 - 5 Match 10 Kearsney Draw 0 - 0 Match 11 Northwood Lost 1 - 4 Match 12 Michaelhouse Won 1 - 0

Trevor van Niekerk



U16D

Regular Players: Kutloano Modisaesi (Captain), Avumile Mcunu (Vice-Captain), Matthew Shumba, Duane Chite, Bokang Mafora, Losika Setlhomo, Keegan McDonald, Monde Mnyaka, Jamie Evans, Theodore Mokake, Riyaadh Mahomed, Muhammad Laher, Sicelo Mahlangu.

Fielding a familiar team of boys that I coached at U14C for the last few years, the season started well with some excellent attendance. The depth at U16 surpassed previous years, mostly due to quality Astroturf time, fastidious roll calls and dedicated coaches. With rolling captains running for two matches each the U16Ds delved headlong into the uncharted territory of "consecutive wins" good win rates and the elated feeling of coming home victorious.

Playing 9 and winning 5 was outstanding; with only two losses; one on unfamiliar grass and the other against some quick footed Neanderthals from Durban! The boys outplayed, outwitted and outran the opposition all season, with an excellent finale at Balgowan, again on grass, but with a season of highly tuned skills, turning greatness into glory with a massive win of 4-0.

Summary of Result: Played 9, Won 5, Drew 2, Lost 2

James Quibell

U16E

Regular Players: Vuyo Zungu (Captain), Tebalo Lephoto, Liteboho Lethole, Luke Holtzhauzen, Lesedi Mokemane, Jarrell Padayachee, Lwazi Mkatshana, Mathealira Letjama, Sebastian Guimaraens, Stefan Tiaden, Joshua Roberts, Jimi Ogunyemi, Lwazi Mkatshana, Lengana Mashaphu, Boitumelo Mokoka, Duncan Hawksworth, Amren Naidoo, Jonathan Mitchell, Mpumi Sibeko, Sameer Panday, Tinashe Munyawarara, Mirzad Aziz. The U16E team had a great season, only losing to College once and Westville twice. The boys started believing in themselves and committed themselves to the common goal. I am proud of how the team started communicating on the field as time progressed. We focussed on improving our control of the ball, passing strategically and playing into open spaces.

The Captain, Vuyo Zungu, lead the team by example and was a key part of our defence. The squad was big enough to fill an F team; which allowed more play time for everyone involved. Beating MHS and Kearsney were two highlights!

Summary of Results: Played 10, Won 6, Drew 1, Lost 3

Wessel Theron

U14A

Regular players: James te Riele, David Kitshoff, Josh Goodwin, Tyron Anderson, James Sweeney, Greg Armstrong, Matthew Bray, Andrew Meyer, Jack Peattie, Vuyo Malinga, Gary Lubisi.

Toward the end of the season Zenzo Cele played more regularly. Nhlaka Mntambo was a reserve for most matches. Other boys who represented the team from time to time were Chabala Kaunda and Matt Willis.

A number of the boys participated in pre-season preparation during the first term and in order to get ready for the Nomads' preseason festival. The Nomads festival was challenging for the boys, but they showed a lot of grit in particular against St Johns, where they won and against Jeppe and KES. Against both of the latter they fought well and frustrated the opposition by their pure determination and in both cases only lost the match in the final 5 minutes. An early win in the season against DHS helped to make the season's stats a bit more palatable. Glenwood and Kearsney were our following fixtures where we were particularly disappointed by the Glenwood result and learned a great deal following the Kearsney loss. A change in structure, suggested by the director of hockey, Darryn Gallagher, before playing against St Charles was most helpful! As a team we started playing with a half-court-press, which ultimately became our preferred structure and way of playing for the balance of the season. This was beneficial for the team as we then played more toward our strengths. Although we did not achieve success with regard to our results for most of the season, the way that we played, meant that we fared significantly better than we would have had we played with a different structure. The boys took this on board and showed significant improvement throughout the season.

A particularly pleasing result was the draw against Clifton during a tough mid-week fixture away and a 0-1 loss to a very good Maritzburg College side. It must be noted that Matthew Bray hit the post twice in this game! The win against Northwood provided a significant boost to the low morale in the team and it was great to see the boys' body language lift at a time in the season where they had suffered many losses.

A challenge faced in the season was not having consistency with regard to boys who could finish well and score goals up front. These boys did show improvement during the season and we can only hope that we will see the fruits of our efforts when they feature in the senior sides in 2018 and beyond!

The boys of this squad benefitted significantly from the valuable input, analysis and expertise from Darryn Gallagher who conducted a number of video analysis sessions. Matthew Fairweather, Devon van der Merwe and in particular Darryn Gallagher provided a lot of support to me as a coach and the boys throughout the season, which was a tough one with regard to the overall results.

Hockey understanding, awareness and skills were improved throughout the season and hopefully a fairly solid base is now in place for these boys to develop further in hockey 5s and for the rest of their Hilton College hockey careers.

Summary of Results: Played 16, Won 3, Drew 1, Lost 12

James Webb

U14B

Regular Players: Matt Willis *(Captain),* Anthony Harris *(Vice-Captain),* Matthew Wilson, Leevan Vather, Rhys Barnes, Chabala Kaunda, Nhlaka Mntambo, Gus Herridge, Robbie Ross, Aedan Dicks, Joshua Matambo, Oliver Levell, Zenzo Cele, Matt Liao.

The U14 B's season got off to a really promising start with an away draw to Glenwood, after not many full practice sessions under the belt. This was however followed by a string of really tough fixtures and some disappointing results. A home draw to St Charles College was the best we managed in the first half of the season. Despite this the team was slowly starting to come together and our general play was beginning to improve. The start of the second half of the season saw us face a very talented Martizburg College side and this marked a low point in the season for the team.

Defeated but undeterred, the team really came together and were beginning to play as a unit for the first time all season. Practices were more intense and there was a real hunger and desire to improve within the entire team. This culminated in an unprecedented end to the season with a home win against Northwood, in which we almost scored more goals (4) than we had done all season. An away win against Michaelhouse, in what was a very tightly-fought game, capped off a memorable season for this side.

Each and every one of these players showed true grit, dedication and commitment to the team and I believe they learnt a great deal about themselves and their team mates. This side is a real testament to the value of team sports. They should all be very pleased!

Summary of Results: Played 9, Won 2, Drew 2, Lost 5

James Robey



U14C

Regular Players: Amo Ferguson-Salbany, Muhammad Girdhurparsadh, Anthony Harris, Gus Herridge, Richard Karlson, Imran Karsan, Matt Liao, Mukaii Mhaka, Motheo Molefe, Tebogo Mvelase, Thuthuka Oesi, Robbie Ross, Khalil Sacranie, Omolemo Sehole, James Weinberg.

The under 14C team displayed good spirit over the course of a tough season. It was pleasing to see the progress that every single boy made during the year. Although the results might suggest an unsuccessful season, it is fair to say that a large percentage of the players had very little prior hockey experience to build on. In some cases, boys had not played hockey before!

The players were always prepared to listen and work at improving their individual skill sets. In the final two matches of the season, it was very evident how the team, as a whole, had progressed from the start of the season. I wish to congratulate all the players for persevering under often trying circumstances, when the results have not reflected effort on their part! Although it was a big challenge to upskill the players, it nevertheless was a most enjoyable season and it was a pleasure working with each and every player. I look forward to watching these boys progress in the next 4 years of playing hockey.

Summary of Results: Played 9, Won 0, Drew 0, Lost 9

Francois Morgan







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Rowing



It's a great art, is rowing. It's the finest art there is. It's a symphony of motion and when you are rowing well, why it is nearing perfection. When you are near oerfection, you are touching the Divine. It touches the you of yous, which is your soul."

> George Yeoman Pocock - Boat Builder, Washington State University 1906-1939

We have had another great season on the water. Although sometimes choppy and difficult the Midmar Dam is always beautiful and rewarding. It is a very unique rowing experience to pass calmly grazing Zebra, Blesbok and Wilderbeest on Midmar's grassy knolls. We are very grateful for our continued association with Henley Midmar Yacht Club and enjoy a safe and secure rowing environment. The Midmar Dam water is clean and the boat shed and surrounds are very well maintained. We are not a big club, but since 1981, we have enjoyed the benefits of kindred oarsmen, a respite from tedious school hierarchy and general club friendliness. We are predominantly a small boats club; singles, doubles and quads, focusing on sculling not the mighty sweep oar!

The 2017 season was full of promise with our top scullers Rory Plunket, Patrick Plunket and Michael Carter lining up for some medals. Rory and Patrick, aka 'the twins' at U16 and Mike at Jnr U19 had much to prove, showing that our small club could punch well above its weight. Needless to say the twins won golds the U16 2X and single scull 1X and Michael proved a worthy competitor to our nemesis schools. The racing highlight of the season was the twins sculling their way to the senior U19 2X final at SA Championships and collecting a silver medal only a few strokes behind the winners. Never before had juniors been so competitive at U19 2X; it certainly sent excited conversations through SA rowing. We also saw success internationally with the twins picking up silver in the U16 2X and U19 2X Holland Beker International Regatta in Amsterdam and Michael at the same regatta, coming 8th overall in the U19A sculls. Our other oarsmen showed growth and promise. Captain Rhys Sauter kept the oars sweeping through the club and we are indebted to his firm, fair and friendly approach.

East London hosted two exceptional regattas; the annual Buffalo and Selborne Sprints and the Senior Nationals. At senior nationals the boys went up against the best in the country and fared well. The twins picking up Gold at U162X and another silver at U192x. Mike as a Jnr U19B 1X 1st place and Gold at U18 1X Selborne sprints. Quite to everyone's surprise, none more so than their own, HES and JBQ stunned the ogleing-hordes by winning Golds as Master 'C' in master's divisions B and C!



The season concluded with a wonderful celebration club dinner, honouring head coach Ernie and thanking him for ten years of dedicated service. It coincided with his ten- year wedding anniversary and his and Leanna's celebratory trip to Italy; so the theme reflected this with sips of Prosecco and tasty array of Italian dishes! We also said thank you to Bruce and Gill Forbes for eight years of consecutive service and support to the club. Bruce was our keynote speaker and shared his unique insight as a rowing parent, old boy and chairman of the club. He leaves a great legacy for us all and a deep friendship with Ernie and the coaches. His vision, insight, generosity and facilitation to all stakeholders was exemplary.

The potential for the next 2018 season was set and a rare chance to win the illusive U19 4X gold is in our sights!

Ernie Steenkamp MIC Rowing



Rugby



Back Row: Patrick McVeigh, Heinrich Marx, Alexander Roy, George Putter, Andrew James, Jared Venter, Tristan Warren. Middle Row: Chipo Mupeso, Daniel Da Costa, Gareth Schreuder, Fadzai Mushonga, Henty Beukes, Thomas Fraser, Vaughn Williams, Timothy Densham.

Front Row: Burger Nel, Graham Curtis (*Vice Captain*), Sean Carlisle, Nicholas Winskill (*Captain*), Brad Macleod-Henderson, Jonathan Smit (*Vice Captain*), AC Blume.

The old saying of "the whole is greater than the sum of its parts" rings so true for what happens at Hilton College in the rugby season. When you take a bunch of players willing to get stuck in and work hard every session and then put their bodies on the line on the weekend, you then add an incredible bunch of coaches that are passionate not only about the game of rugby but also about moulding lives and making a difference as they go about their work; you throw in some unbelievable support from the sidelines from the entire school as they rally behind our teams and you top it off with a support structure and backbone from parents and you have a great "culture"; something to follow and an identity that allows people the opportunity to belong. So, whether it's an u14D team player or the 1st XV captain, Hilton College Rugby Club is made up of an amazing group of people who are making wonderful memories as they go.

2017 is one of those memories and it can be said that the Hilton College Rugby Club enjoyed a very successful year. Success can be difficult to measure or define and it is therefore not based solely on the results that the club produced or just on the 1st XV performances. The health of the club is far better illustrated when you look at things like passion, motivation and commitment shown by everyone involved. This to me is a far better gauge of where we are as a school and what we are about. These are the qualities that allow us to be proud of 2017 and these are the attributes we would need to build on going into a tough but exciting 2018.

Some of these successes are shared by the selection of some of our players and coaches to represent the Sharks at the respective provincial weeks. The following were rewarded for their hard work: Tony Richter – KZN Schools Rugby executive member and U18 selector.

Paul Venter - KZN Schools Rugby U16 selector AC Blume – Sharks Craven Week - Assistant Coach

Sharks U18 Academy Week XV

H Beukes, G Curtis, T Densham, A James, C Mupeso, F Mushonga, V Williams, N Winskill

Sharks U16 Grant Khomo XV M Armstrong

A small mention must be made of both the 5th XV and the 2nd XV who went unbeaten through the year which is a remarkable feat when all is considered. Andrew Duncan and AC Blume can be incredibly proud of what their teams achieved. In 2017 Hilton managed 19 Rugby teams across all ages and although it is often tough to get all these teams a game each week, we managed to get very close to a full house. The has been some debate around the fact that these are some of the best rugby results in the last 20 years in the rugby club

RUGBY CAMP

Again we were fortunate enough to have the expertise of some of the Sharks Coaching staff come in and help us during the camp. Jacques Botes, Paul Anthony, Michael Horak and Carlo del Fava shared some of their vast knowledge, expertise and cutting edge information on the game. We then had a run out against Voortrekker in warm up games and it was really pleasing to see the standard of rugby at this early stage of the season. The U14's



showed some real promise early on and after only a few short sessions were developing into a nice unit. The excitement and buzz around the school was infectious and it was really evident that the players and coaches wanted to get started with the season.

DHS - away

This is never easy as a first outing and the unknown of not having played a full fixture yet in the season probably added to the nerves and cobwebs shown by some of teams. This however disappeared quickly as teams found their rhythm and started to play some well-structured rugby. For us to go down to DHS and win every game on the day, including a great match up between the 1st XVs at King's Park as a curtain raiser to the Sharks was the perfect start to the season. This was illustrated during the U16A game where the side found their rhythm early and put in a really convincing performance winning 23 – 15 against a more than useful DHS side that we had struggled against in the previous 2 years.

FESTIVALS

We then went into the holiday break with our A-teams all attending festivals. The U14s and U15s went to the Parktown Festival where they managed some really promising results. Both sides had some great wins and then also struggled at times to find their feet at times, but what the festivals did do, was to give the coaches the opportunity to try different combinations and start to finalise their teams before the start of the 2nd term.

The U16s again dominated at the Independent School's Festival hosted by Hilton and this was the perfect start to what was to become a great season. They set up a nice platform from which they could work and came up with a few massive results through the season.

The 1st XV were up at St John's and again played against 3 top sides. The 1st game against Affies in the rain gave the boys some real confidence for the season and this set them up for the next 2 games in the festival. St John's (JHB) and St John's (Harare).

We then also had our 2nd XV made up of players who didn't make the 1st XV squad to St John's travel down to Port Natal and play in a festival. The team stayed at Nyala Pans just outside of Richmond and commuted to their games each day. This, however, did give the team the opportunity to bond and develop the necessary relationships that would be priceless during a long season. Playing against 1st teams in the festival gave the guys the perfect opportunity to play a good level of rugby, go on tour together and it also gave the coaches the chance to have a look at players that would make up the 2nd XV and 3rd XV going into the second term. The guys produced a real mixed bag of performances at the Port Natal Festival with some sublime individual moments littered with some real pre- season jitters and the fact that the team hadn't played together or trained much going into the festival was not surprising. They did manage to get 3 wins from 3 and take some much- needed confidence into the season.

Kearsney College - away

Kearsney is never an easy fixture especially early in the season after the holidays, but there were some encouraging signs that came out of the 1st games of the 2nd term. Winning all the U14 games and most of the open age group games set the tone for the season. The teams showed some real guts and determination and a real desire to win games and this was particularly pleasing. The U16A side come to mind here with 4 of their regular players missing due to injury, Tony Richter had his boys fired up and ready for a real scrap. Considering the previous 2 years results for this team, they came away with a great result.

St Charles - home

We then took on St Charles at Hilton College and there was a real hype going into the fixture. Again, the boys came out and produced some spectacular rugby, winning all of the games on the day bar the U15A game. Although they went down in the game, they had a chance to win it at the end and considering they lost by 50 points the year before, it was a moral victory for our boys. We lost the 3 games in the u14 section 73 - 22 last year and this year in U15s we won 105 - 57 so a great indication of the top work the coaches have been doing in the lower sides and the system working in our favour; with the teams showing some great improvement.

Michaelhouse - home

This is always an amazing fixture with both players and supporters really getting into the spirit of a good, hard but clean rivalry. It is spectacular to watch how well the 2 schools get on and although the games are always really tough, there is seldom any issue on the day.

After a good start to the season, the expectations were high and the pressure was on all involved to continue this momentum on the rugby field and produce some good results. Produce the boys did. Some outstanding performances across the board with the 1st and 2nd XVs displaying some awesome grit, determination and desire to play their structures. They were absolutely clinical on the day and had great results.

The U14A side were also starting to gain momentum and put in a great performance to win comfortably. A great turnaround from the previous year after losing all three games to winning 3 of the 4 in 2017. Having said this, the U15s then also made great progress after their 2016 results against MHS and only lost 1 of the 4 games in 2017.

Westville - away

This was our standard 1 game for the year in the rain. It didn't make for pleasant conditions but for the teams that adapted to the weather it really did make life tough for Westville. Unfortunately, not enough teams adapted well enough and we ended up playing too much rugby in the wrong areas of the field in most games. The sheer size difference in the wet took its toll and Westville ground us down with some real physical play.



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Again the 1st and 2nd XV teams pulled off some great, all be it "ugly" performances to continue their good runs. The 5th XV also managed an impressive result to continue their unbeaten streak. What was particularly pleasing about all three of these performances was the attitude the sides showed. They got stuck in from start to finish and the results and bruises showed for their efforts.

Maritzburg College - home

Never easy against College and we definitely came back down to earth looking at some of the results in the lower teams, but to only lose 2 of the 8 open games on the day was something positive to take away from the fixture. The open sides really stood up to what College threw at us and it was awesome to see the attitude these sides took into the fixture. We do however need to take away a few lessons from the outing and make sure we don't make the same mistakes going into 2018 at College. Self-doubt and a lack of real determination to stand our ground are two of these lessons and we will need to grow in these areas.

Kearsney College - home

Kearsney headed up the hill for the return fixture with one goal in mind and that was to get back some of the results they dropped in the 1st fixture. It was promising to be a huge battle across the teams and after only losing one game in both the open division and the U16s it would be safe to say that the Hilton College boys were up for the scrap. It was awesome to see a real highlight of the 2017 season for a number of reasons. A huge performance by our senior teams, great rugby and a real desire to play a good brand of rugby.

Northwood - home

In the penultimate fixture of the season and what could have been a real stumbling block before the Michaelhouse fixture turned out to be a successful day at the office. Although not very pretty at times and the boys showing clear signs that they already had their sights set on MHS the following week, there were some fine performances. The U15 B, C and D teams pulled off some great results. There were however some sides that paid the price in the juniors for underestimating Northwood; again, a valuable lesson for us all in our preparation through the season.

Michaelhouse - away

A great end to a fantastic season would be to be successful in the outing against House. The fact that we only lost 3 games on the day away from home is testimony to the hard work the coaches and players and everyone involved had put into the season. It was an awesome day out for Hilton College and the 1st XV rounded things off with a comprehensive win to allow the curtain to drop on the 2017 rugby season.

To look back and reflect on what happened through the year and to look at the bigger picture of what we were trying to do, gave me goosebumps. A really good performance across the board by an amazing group of rugby players and coaches that were all part of the brand of rugby we were trying to establish. Yes, it had its low points and its difficult times, but to be a part of a group of people that were willing to throw everything they had at most situations – made me proud to be a part of Hilton College.

So many massive contributions were made through the season. The kitchen staff that looked after the players so well. PK Ramnarain for all his work behind the scenes organising home fixtures. The Sports Department for their support and backing. The estate managers and their staff for keeping Hilton grounds in pristine condition. Burger Nel for the numerous hours he spent analysing teams to enhance our performances. Tony Shuttleworth for his support as Director of Hilton Sport and to the rest of the staff that came out and supported our boys week in and week out. It was an amazing team effort and a thoroughly enjoyable year.

> Greg Miller Director of Coaching

1st XV

The 2017 1st XV rugby team managed to have a half term training camp and with quite a few boys back from 2016 there was an air of optimism. First up for Hilton was a trip to Kings Park to play a Sharks curtain raiser at Kings Park against a strong DHS team who had 3 games under the belt and 7 KZN u18 players returning. Hilton had a solid game plan and they doggedly stuck to the plan. There were 2 mauling tries by Tim Densham and Dylan Thomas and the blustery conditions made goal kicking difficult however Hilton managed to hang on for a 10-6 win much to the delight of the Hilton boys who had never beaten DHS through the age groups. Over the Easter weekend the boys played in the St Johns Festival and their first fixture was against SA Schoolboy rugby powerhouse, Affies. Hilton got off to a slow start and were two tries down before finding their feet and with some big tackles by Thomas Fraser and Vaughn Williams they took the game to Affies. Hilton missed a couple of penalty kicks and Affies kicked a penalty right at the end of the game for it to end 17-6 to Affies, however the on- field action had been a lot closer. Next up were the hosts St Johns who were on a 5 game winning streak and fairly confident. However, with strong support from the Johannesburg based Hilton boys, Hilton took to the field and scored 3 first half tries where the pace of Fadzai Mushonga and Graham Curtis and the power of the forwards meant Hilton had raced to a big 21-7 half time lead. Gareth Schreuder finished a great team try at the start of the second half and combined with some great goal kicking scored 13 points for the team. Hilton lost a bit of focus after that and allowed St Johns to score 2 tries to end in a 28-19 victory to Hilton. The final game of the festival was against St Johns, Harare and Hilton proved too organised to run out 32 -7 victors with Jared Venter scoring a brace, David Rodseth finishing some nice interplay amongst the forwards and Gareth Schreuder all scoring tries.

The 2nd term began with an away trip to Kearsney who had won 8 from their previous 9 fixtures and Hilton started well having two mauling tries surprisingly disallowed. This seemed to galvanise Kearsney and they played some great rugby scoring 13 unanswered points to take a 13-0 lead. In the last few minutes before half time Thomas Fraser finished off probably Hilton's try of the season in the left corner. Gareth Schreuder converted from the corner to make the half time score 13-7. Hilton dominated the second half and played all the rugby but a couple of handling errors by Hilton and some dogged defence by Kearsney meant that they only added a penalty and lost the game 13-10. Hilton realized that they had let an opportunity slip and were determined to be more clinical and that is what they were in the next game at home against St Charles. A focused Hilton team blew a decent St Charles team off the field, winning 51-19. Tim Densham playing without the no 2 on his back in memory of Kyle Knoop scored a hat trick of tries. There were also great tries on the outside by Tristan Warren, Vaughn Williams and Fadzai Mushonga after the forwards had done the hard work up front. Graham Curtis also got a try by sniping around the fringes.

Next up was the 'big one' the Hilton/Michaelhouse and on a beautiful day for rugby and in front of a packed Gilfillan, Hilton played some outstanding rugby racing to a 16-0 lead in as many minutes through some beautiful goal kicking from Gareth Schreuder and a try by Tim Densham after some sustained pressure from the forwards. Graham Curtis initiated a fantastic counter attack that lead to Tristan Warren scoring under the poles for a healthy halftime lead. In the second half, George Putter barged over from a penalty set play and this got the school chanting his name and there was still more to come with Heinrich Marx rounding off some great handling by the backs. Final score 38 -21 to Hilton. The last game before half term was against Westville on their Old Boys day. The weather was dreadful and there was a large crowd out supporting Westville. Hilton played into the wind in the first half and played some great rugby twice being held up over

the tryline. Gareth Schreuder before he sadly got injured and Daniel Da Costa kicked crucial penalties for Hilton to take a 6-3 halftime lead. In the second half the field had turned into a marsh and Hilton continued to press hard but resolute defence by Westville kept the score at 6-3 to Hilton.

After half term Hilton returned to play Maritzburg College at home and were favourites for the game. Strong defence by College and some poor handling by Hilton meant that they couldn't turn their possession and territory into points. College were extremely efficient at turning whatever opportunities they had into points and Hilton disappointingly went down 23-8. Next was the return fixture against Kearsney and Hilton got off to a tentative start before Chipo Mupeso sliced through the defence to score after a good drive by the forwards. Hilton's strong defence was making it difficult for Kearsney and Vaughn Williams seized on a bouncing ball and passed to Chipo Mupeso to score his second try of the game. There was one more try for Hilton from a great scrum Tristan Warren put Graham Curtis away for a 17-8 win to Hilton. Hilton then played Northwood at Hilton and it was a rather one- sided game with Hilton proving to be too strong, committed and skilful for Northwood winning the game 61-7. Prop Jono Smit got onto the scoreboard after a charge in the 22, Patrick McVeigh showed his pace and power in scoring 2 tries and centres Chipo Mupeso and Heinrich Marx proved too strong for their counter parts scoring 4 tries between them. Gareth Schreuder again showed a great turn of pace in scoring 2 tries for a personal tally of 26 points. The last game of the domestic season was the return fixture at Michaelhouse and Hilton certainly left the best for last with a first half display that literally blew Michaelhouse away. Alex Roy showed his power and skill scoring a great individual try. Heinrich Marx's big hand off was proving too strong for the Michaelhouse defenders as he scored two tries. Jono Smit finished a great team try in the first half and swallow flopped a second try in the second half. Andrew James showed his pace in finishing a try after some good hands by Gareth Schreuder. Hilton lead 31-0 at halftime and in the last 5 minutes of the game, Graham Curtis who had badly injured his ankle in a KZN Academy game on the Thursday hobbled onto the field wearing a borrowed boot as there was too much strapping on his ankle for his boot to fit. His guick wits spotted a gap in the Michaelhouse defence and his 20 metre dart on one ankle got progressively quicker as he realized he was going to get over the tryline before he was swamped by his ecstatic team mates. It was a fitting end to the domestic season where the Hilton boys certainly fronted up to everyone and put their bodies on the line for their team mates. Final score 41-12 to Hilton.

In the July holidays a youthful Hilton team under the captaincy of Tristan Warren and vice captaincy of Chipo Mupeso and Heinrich Marx attended the ISRF at Uplands. First up was St David's from Johannesburg and Hilton were a little slow out the blocks being 8-0 down before Hilton found some continuity and Olav Aadnesgaard scored 2 great tries to go with other tries by Robert Mattison, Tristan Warren and Ruan Wilmans for Hilton to win 31-8. Next up was Rob Ferreira who met a Hilton side on fire and it was a onesided contest with Hilton winning 83-7, tries were scored by Lorenzo Palacio Apez three tries, two tries to Patrick McVeigh, two tries to Robert Mattison and Olav Aadnesgaard, Tristan Warren, Bryce Trodd, Ruan Wilmans, Andrew James and Jared Venter all scoring a try. Final game of the tour was against the hosts Uplands, where Hilton again proved too strong and ran out 88-5 victors with Chipo Mupeso in his last game in the "white" scoring a hattrick and two tries a piece from Olav Aadnesgaard and Robert Mattison as well as tries by Mitchell Thornton, Guy Gilham, Patrick McVeigh, Ruan Wilmans, Grant Cousins, George Putter and a penalty try.

That brought an end to the 2017 rugby season where Hilton played 15 games and won 12, they scored 510 points and only had 175 scored against them but the most positive aspect of the season for



me was the spirit, determination and team "gees" that the team played with. It didn't matter who they played, they played hard and they played fair. A big thank you needs to go to captain Nick Winskill and vice captains Graham Curtis and Jono Smit who always lead from the front and put their bodies on the line for their team. I would also like to thank all the boys who played 1st XV in 2017 for the laughs and memories that we shared throughout the season, you are a great bunch of boys and I will miss you!

I would also like to thank our Director of Sport Mr Tony Shuttleworth, our Director of Rugby Mr Greg Miller, my fellow coaches Mr AC Blume, Mr Sean Carlisle and Mr Burger Nel for all their advice, support and assistance. The conditioning and medical staff of Mr Nick Peireira, Mr Carl Schmidt, Mr and Mrs Carey all deserve a big pat on the back for the fact that there were only 18 boys who played regularly for the 1st XV due to the great work that they all did.

Hilton College 2017 1st XV players

Jono Smit – Jono was vice captain of the team and did an outstanding job of keeping the forwards focussed. He had a massive workrate with his tackling, ball carrying and breakdown work being outstanding. I am sure that his two tries in the 2nd Hilton/MHS game will live with him for a very long time.

Timothy Densham – Densh made the KZN Academy side and his strong ball carries always put the team onto the front foot. He worked really hard on his lineout throwing and that really improved. Defensively, Densh was very strong around the fringes and was crucial in stopping the oppositions pick and goes. His hat trick of tries against St Charles was certainly a highlight for everyone.

Henty Beukes – Henta made the KZN Academy side and was the rock around which our scrum was built and combined with his love of scrumming meant that our set piece always functioned well. He also never shied away from the physical stuff and the boys loved that about him. He is someone who, if he continues to work hard on his speed and agility, will achieve big things next year.

George Putter – Big Georgie was a great ball carrier for the team and he used his size and speed to good effect. I am sure that he will remember the school chanting his name after scoring against MHS and the boys will miss his "vroom vroom" warming up the shoulders every Saturday.

Andrew James – Andrew made the KZN Academy side and played a huge part in giving the forwards a physical edge with his ball carries, tackles and breakdown steals. He was also a good lineout option for us and put pressure on the opposition's lineout. I am sure his try in the 2nd Hilton/MHS will live with him for a long time. He needs to keep working on his kick offs and he will have a massive year next year.

Vaughn Williams – Vaughn made the KZN Academy side and deservedly won the "Golden Boots" trophy as the most valuable player in the team as voted for by the boys. His commitment in defence and at the breakdown was an inspiration to his team mates. I think his tackle on the Affies prop will arguably go down as the tackle of the season.

Jared Venter – Jared was a workaholic for the team with the number of rucks he attended and this made him popular with his team mates. He had the ability to play both flank and lock and scored 2 great tries against St Johns. He was also a good lineout option for us and put good pressure on the opposition's ball. He is another player from whom we are expecting big things next year.

Tristan Warren – Tristan was outstanding for the team and played a big role in the team's kick chase and at disrupting the opposition's ball at the breakdown. He also did a great job in leading our lineout and did an outstanding job in leading the team at the ISRF at Uplands. He scored 4 tries for the team and was a fierce competitor. **Graham Curtis** – Graham made the KZN Academy side and was another player who epitomized the competitive spirit in the team. He was vice captain and made many outstanding tackles. He had a great box kick and always threatened the defence around the fringes scoring 5 tries in the season. It was awesome that he got to run out with the "boys" one last time in the 2nd Hilton/MHS.

Nicholas Winskill – "Winny" made the KZN Academy side and was the team's captain. He always lead from the front and suffered a few injuries during the season but that never stopped him, making countless tackles and leading the line on attack. His big left boot relieved a lot of pressure for the team and his crisp passing meant the outside backs scored a lot of tries.

Fadzai Mushonga – Fadzai made the KZN Academy team and had blistering pace. He was also very strong in the contact areas often breaking through tackles and never shied away from his defensive responsibilities. His 50 metre dash against St Johns will live long with everyone who was watching.

Heinrich Marx – "Marxie" was an unheralded hero for the team with his accurate passing game and a very strong fend when attacking the opposition. He was also very effective at the breakdown and in making his tackles. There are not many Hiltonians who score 3 tries against MHS and he grew into a senior in the team being vicecaptain on the ISRF tour.

Chipo Mupeso – Chipo made the KZN Academy side and loved to attack scoring 7 tries in the season. He had great feet, a solid fend and a good dummy. Defensively he also did an outstanding job in the difficult '13 channel' and loved to make tackles after Graham's box kicks. He was vice captain on the ISRF tour.

Thomas Fraser – Tom was a true team player and had the ability to play 11, 12, 13 and 14. His communication, breakdown ability and work rate was of the highest order and he really operated as an 'energy bunny' for the team encouraging and inspiring those around him.

Gareth Schreuder – Gareth is an outstanding sportsmen and in his first year of playing fullback did a brilliant job for the team. He also was the team's goal kicker and he scored 106 points including 4 tries. He had a great turn of pace and a natural feel for the game and used his big boot to great effect. He is another player who, if he continues to work hard on his game, will achieve big things next year.

Patrick McVeigh – Patrick worked his way into the 1st team and was a massive presence for the team with his powerful ball carries and destructive ability at the breakdown. He scored 5 tries for the team including a double against Northwood. Patrick needs to continue working hard and he will have a huge 2018.

Daniel Da Costa – Daniel had a huge work rate and always put his body on the line for the team. He kicked a crucial penalty against Westville in the rain and scored a great try against College but I am sure that his team mates will remember him best for his massive tackle in the first Hilton/MHS.

Alex Roy – Alex came into the 1st team after some outstanding performances for the 2nd team where his strength and power was used to great effect. His try and offload in the 2nd Hilton/MHS will live long with all his team mates.

Other players who played 1st XV

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Dylan Davies, Buhle Solomon, Dylan Thomas, William Van der Spuy, Stu Roy, Mitchell Thornton, David Rodseth, Brendan Naude, Leftheri Zigiriadis, Lorenzo Palacio Apez, Grant Cousins, Alistair Frost, Jordan Twiss, Bryce Trodd, Olav Aadnesgaard, Michael Teichmann, Ruan Wilmans, Guy Gilham and Robert Mattison.

Summary of Results: Played 15, Won 12, Lost 3

Brad Macleod-Henderson



2nd XV

Played: 12 Won: 12 Lost: 0

Regular Players: Olav Aadnesgaard, Grant Cousins, Daniel da Costa, Dylan Davies, Alistar Frost, Patrick McVeigh, Lwazi Mkhwanazi, Lorenzo Palacio Apez, Michael Richards, David Rodseth, Stuart Roy, Alex Roy, Buhle Solomon, Michael Terblanche, Dylan Thomas, Jordan Twiss, Jared Venter, Siyabonga Xulu

2017 was definitely a season that will be remembered for all the right reasons. It was a special season as the team did go unbeaten and obviously winning twelve games on the trot was a tremendous effort. More importantly was the clear development in skills, mental strength and team culture that the team displayed that was impressive. The fact that each player developed and improved as the season progressed was, in my opinion, another stand- out from 2017. As a coach one does understand and appreciate the importance of winning, but in a season where you see individuals in your team having fun, growing stronger as friends and developing in many spheres on and off the field remain more important than winning.

How did the players and team develop? Well, the focus at the start of the season was that every player needs to identify and understand their own personal reason for playing rugby and to investigate it further every week to create a personal "meaning" which motivates them through the easy and difficult times of every game. This "meaning" also then helps to train optimally and in fact gives clarity and motivation in many other areas of everyday school life, like academics and general behaviour. Once they understood the "meaning" of why they wanted to play rugby and for the 2nd XV in particular, the players understood that their lives all around school needed to be in order to reach their optimal performance on the rugby field and ultimately to achieve their team goals. As soon as the team's mental ability through understanding their own "meaning" was strong the team achieved all their goals, trained as a unit and understood that they need each other to be successful.

What struck me was the composed nature in which the team managed the games. I use the word "managed" as the team understood that throughout the duration of the game there will be good and bad moments. If the team deals with those moments in the best possible way and if they played the appropriate style of rugby in the correct areas with a tremendous effort in defence they would most probably be very hard to be defeated. This "management" of the game was wonderful to see and the team became an outfit to be reckoned with. They played an attractive brand of rugby, but held themselves accountable to playing in the right areas of the field and to make decisions that would contribute positively to the "management" of that particular game. The boys stuck to the game plan that was put in place from week to week and was disciplined throughout the season to not give away easy points by having poor discipline. Another big focus point for the team was defence and this aspect of the game won the team most games, especially the close ones, as they believed that defence can win games.

It is very hard to highlight special moments in an unbeaten season as every single moment contributed to achieving such a rare feat. For me, the games that especially stood out were, beating three 1st teams on tour in April at the Port Natal Festival; achieving the double victories over both Kearsney College and Michaelhouse and finally beating Westville Boys High and Maritzburg College. The team scored a total of 400 points in 12 games and only conceded 87. They scored 51 tries and averaged 33 points and 4 tries per game. This is proof that they played accurate rugby in the right areas and on average they only conceded 7 points per game which shows that they defended their try line with pride. Special mention must be made of Patrick McVeigh, Siyabonga Xulu and Jordan Twiss who each scored 4 tries this season. The top points scorer was David Rodseth who tallied up 98 points for the team which consisted of 3 tries, 16 conversions and 17 penalties.

I have to make special mention of Jordan Twiss, the captain, who led the team with distinction. Herewith a short message from him.

"The Hoop and Badge has once again pulled off an outstanding season. The results fell our way in achieving an unbeaten season, which really is one for the books. Despite the results, I'd like to highlight what I believe the reason for our success was, definitely our team culture, which consisted of hard work on and off the field and always having each other's backs, which I believe was displayed on game day. This was easily maintained with Buhle Soloman and Alistar Frost assisting with the leadership in the team. At the start of the season we all agreed to break the perception others might have of our rugby and I can say this with pride, their perception was broken. A memory I will never forget was our home game against Maritzburg College, which was the game we all wanted most. The boys played with heart and precision. One thing is for sure, we kept our heads cool throughout the season, but our hearts were firing. This was a rugby season to remember."

In conclusion, this season would not be what it was without the staff. Firstly, to Mr Burger Nel the assistant coach, backline specialist and video analysist, thank you for your time, effort and invaluable coaching. To Mr and Mrs Carey who worked really hard on making sure that the team was fit and medically looked after, thank you very much. Then to Messrs Macleod-Henderson, Carlisle, Schmidt and Perreira for all your support and input, thank you very much. Lastly, to Jordan and the team, thank you for a wonderful season. You guys made the school and the entire Hilton College family very proud. Thank you for listening, giving of your best and playing for the team mate next to you. Well done on a wonderful season.

AC Blume

3rd XV

Regular Players: Luke Alcock, Joseph Elphick, Chad Enslin, Ross Forder, Guy Gillham, Chris Hoole, Alexander Hopkins, Dominic Johnston, Lebo Letlaka, Tanaka Matsa, Robbie Mattison, Thando Msane, Brendan Naude, Michael Richards, Mitchell Thornton, Lawrence Umunna, William van der Spuy.

The season got under way with a 1st term match against DHS down in Durban. Starting the season in the 1st term does come with challenges and concerns about the preparedness of the players. We were, however, fortunate to have retained a good core of players from last year who brought a good deal of experience and maturity to the team. We used this experience to our advantage and ran out comfortable winners on the day. We were also fortunate enough to be given an opportunity to watch the 1st XV play their match at the stadium as a curtain raiser to the Sharks. In a closely contested match, we hung on to win against one of the top rate sides in the province.

After a long break for the holidays, we were back at it again. First up was Kearsney away at mid-day on a hot afternoon. Memories of losing in the last movement against them last year were still fresh in a number of our players' minds. There was, however, a resolve amongst them this time around to ensure that this would not happen again. We duly went into a reasonably comfortable lead but small mistakes kept Kearsney in the game and it was with a sense of foreboding that we went into the last quarter of the game. Fortunately, this time around, we hang on to the lead and managed to eke out a hard fought victory. The following Saturday saw us up against St Charles and again memories of a draw last year lingered in the back of our minds. However, in a clinical performance we ran out comfortable winners to dispel any negativity. The next three games saw us, for various reasons, going down to our opposition. The first of these was against Michaelhouse and we had no one else to blame but ourselves. We seemed directionless, failed to make first time tackles and generally did not pitch up on the day. Despite a late comeback, we had left ourselves with too much to do and it was little solace that we outscored them in the second half. The next weekend, we travelled down to Westville and in wet and cold conditions never really got going during the game. It was always going to be a tight contest with little opportunity to play an expansive game. In the end, Westville coped better under the conditions and edged us out. In the last of our three loses we made a reasonable start against Maritzburg College and went into half time with the scores tied at 12 apiece. A string of injuries in the second half put paid to any chance we may have had and they put us to the sword in the second half of the game.

In our final three matches, we played some of the best rugby I have been privy to at this level. All credit must go to the players, in this regard, for the way in which they ended the season. In these three games, we amassed 152 points with only 53 scored against us. The first of these matches saw us beat Kearsney for the second time in a far more accomplished and polished performance. Next, we dispatched of a listless Northwood 2nd XV in a comprehensive team effort. The final match of the three was against Michaelhouse on their home turf. If ever there was an opportunity to avenge our earlier defeat it was in this game. Determined not to make the same mistakes as the first match, we played with a fierce but focused determination. In one of the biggest turn around results, we ended the season on the ultimate high of not only beating Michaelhouse but also having turned the result around in our favour.

When the perfect balance between committed senior players and enthusiastic young players was realised the 3rd XV of 2017 played some sublime rugby. These players deserve all the accolades that came their way and it was fantastic to witness how well they played in the latter part of the season. More importantly, those senior players that were not given the opportunity to player higher up never allowed their disappointment to negatively affect their efforts whether at practice or during matches. In my opinion, this commitment from all the players went a long way to making this a very memorable and exceptionally enjoyable season. It goes without saying that those youngest that get to return, next year, have some big boots to fill and I hope they step up in this regard. To those senior players that leave us, I wish you all the very best and hope that the camaraderie that rugby brings will play some part in your futures.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Messers Venter and Miller for their input as coaches as well as their guidance and support during the season. I would also like to thank the parents for their continued involvement in their son's progress and for being there to support them during the season. I for one am already looking forward to next year to see if can emulate, or even surpass, the successes of the 2017 season.

RESULTS:

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vs DHS won 53-7;

- vs Kearsney (away) won 20-12;
- vs St Charles won 54-8;
- vs Michaelhouse (home) lost 15-26;
- vs Westville lost 3-10:
- vs Maritzburg College lost 17-34;
- vs Kearsney (home) won 51-20;
- vs Northwood (2nd XV) won 67-12;
- vs Michaelhouse (away) won 34-21.

SUMMARY: Played 9; won 6; lost 3.

4th XV

Regular Players: Nick Bennett, Michael Carter, Menzi Cele, Brandon Dix, Joe Elphick, Thanduxolu Gcaba, Nick Freemantle, Andrew Geyser, Guy Gillham, John Giessing, Murray Green, Matt Hildebrand, Alexander Hopkins, Josh Kethro, Robbie Knoop, Jarid Kolver, Monthati Mahura, Tanaka Matsa, Tristan McKenzie, Brandon McMullen, Robert Mattison, Lusanda Mdlalose, Thando Msane, Sam Nicol, Paul Norris, David Robinson, Gregory Spear, Matthew Ten Hope, Mitchell Thornton

The 2017 4th XV team squad can look back on the season with pride. From the pre-season practices it was obvious that there existed a synergy of passion, commitment to the cause, and intelligent decision making, within the group. Above all the squad was determined to play with joy.

The boys quickly grasped the small changes made to the previous season's pattern and used it to devastating effect throughout the season. The results speak for themselves and 336 points scored versus the 63 points conceded prove that the team put a premium on scoring tries. Their solitary defeat was by 2 points in an away fixture at Westville Boys High in a match played in atrocious conditions. Unquestionably their finest hour was drawing with Maritzburg College on Gilfillan. Other obvious highlights were beating both Kearsney and our fabled rivals Michaelhouse on the double.

I would like to specifically thank the Matric boys: Brandon Dix, Thanduxolu Gcaba, Andrew Geyser, Murray Green, Matt Hildebrand, Alexander Hopkins, Robbie Knoop, Jarid Kolver, Brandon McMullen, Lusanda Mdlalose, Sam Nicol, Paul Norris, David Robinson and Gregory Spear. They were determined to lead by example and set the correct tone on both practice and match days. Brandon and Sam captained the side at various stages through the season and did so with distinction. My plea to the seniors is to remain involved in the game either as players, coaches, referees or administrators. It was also very pleasing to see the quality that lay amongst the Grade 11 players. This bodes well for next year and I am convinced that a number of them will achieve even higher honours in 2018.

Lastly I would like to thank the squad for what was truly a remarkable season. As always my thanks go to my fellow coach, Mr Brad Anderson and the Director of Rugby, Mr Greg Millar. Both gentlemen are massive assets to the Rugby Club.

Summary of Results: Played 10, Won 8, Drew 1, Lost 1

Paul Venter

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5th XV

Regular Players: Brandon Matambo, Gabriel Becerra, Paul Norris, Rikki Sichinga, John Giessing, Christian Deare, Douglas Dorward, Rhys Sauter, Timothy Prettejohn, Nicholas Bennett, Brandon McMullen, Michael Sclanders, Brendan Doyle, Murray Greene, Michael Carter, Sam Crookes, Tanaka Matsa, Emmanuel Mphafudi, Daniel Morrison, David Robinson, Monthati Mahura, Nicolas Hohls, Matt Hilderbrand, Tristan McKenzie.

The depth of Hilton College open rugby in 2017 was incredible. The 5th team was blessed with some outstanding talent this season, illustrated through the results of the season. The entire training programme was thoroughly enjoyable with the support of the captain Tim Prettejohn and coach Evan Brown. It was a season to remember, as the team remained unbeaten.

Our first encounter saw us take on DHS. With the depth of Hilton College rugby, the task was handled with ease as we cruised to a comfortable 50-point victory. Holidays passed and when we returned for 2nd term it really felt like rugby season had began.

The first clash was a mouth-watering one - Kearsney at Kearsney. The home side proved to be no contest as we out-stripped them 38 points to 10, with some scintillating tries by Emmanuel Mphafudi and Tanaka Matsa. The next two opponents were St Charles and Michaelhouse and the 5th team continued their momentum, putting 50 points past both teams and both games were stopped early. The tone was now set - we were hungry for an unbeaten season.

It's been said that the 5th team often win all games in a season except for Westville and Maritzburg College, schools with depth is a lot larger than our own. This legend only fueled the fire for this group of young men. Tim Prettejohn kept the team humble, but excited to break records.

Westville was our next encounter and our first real test. Playing Westville away is not easy, and added to this, it was pouring with rain on the day. Hilton were first on the scoreboard to go up 7-0, then Westville 7-7. Hilton scored next to go 14-7 up and Westville duly equalised with a try of their own to tie the scores 14 all. It remained 14-14 for a long time in a game consisting of big hits and strong defence. For the last ten minutes of the game Westville were camping in our 22m, having go after go at our try-line. Our defence remained strong and suffocated their attack. At this point we were even willing to take the draw, until Brandon McMullen pounced on a loose pass by the hosts and sprinted 75 metres to score a try at the opposite end of the field. An unbelievable victory! We had done it against Westville, and only Maritzburg College could stand in our way now.

The 5th have always been blessed to play on Gilfillan, and the team believed strongly in setting the tone for the remainder of the day. We needed to set the tone against College for the school and to continue our winning streak. This was a close game in which Hilton often were behind, and at 10-10 it could have gone either way. With roughly ten minutes to go, Emmanuel Mphafudi put a massive hit on one of the opponents in their 22m, resulting in the player spilling the ball forward creating an offside against one of their players. Our inside centre Brendan Doyle knocked over the kick to go 13-10 up.

In the last play of the game, College threw the ball wide and sprinted down the touchline beating our defence. It looked like a certain try, but the grit of our fullback Daniel Morrison pushed him on to chase down the player and make a heroic last-ditch tackle in the corner to take the College wing out of play. That was it, game over, and wehad beaten Maritzburg College.

Jumping over the Westville and Maritzburg College hurdle it felt like we had already completed an unbeaten season. However, we still had three games to go. Tim Prettejohn kept the team level-headed and reiterated that we still had games to play, including one against old foes Michaelhouse, in Balgowan.

We blew past Kearsney and the KZN development team, leaving only one team standing in our way - Michaelhouse. Having beaten them comfortably once already, we were confident that we could do it. However, this time there was a big difference - we were playing them away. The game started off very tight, but in the end we eased to a comfortable victory. The 5th team won 27-5 and we celebrated and unbeaten season. A highlight of the game was Murray Greene's try - a brilliant short-gap taken in the midfield as he sliced through the defence to dot down under the poles.

The beauty of the entire season was that the team had fun at every practice and match. We played with purpose and a goal in mind.

A special thank you to Mr. Brown and Tim Prettejohn. It was a real team effort. Tim deserves a special mention. The young man led by example the entire season, motivating his teammates while keeping them level-headed and focused.

Summary of results: Played 9, Won 9, Lost 0.

Andrew Duncan

6th XV

We were blessed with a strong open age group this year and all these teams had pleasing results. Having coached junior rugby for the last 15 years, it was a pleasant change to work with the older players again. We played 9 matches over the season, but unfortunately some of our rival schools couldn't field 6 teams, so we played against 3 KZN Midlands Development teams instead. We were impressed by the quality of their rugby and they turned out to be worthy opponents.

We lost our first match against Kearsney by 2 points, but were able to turn that around in the return fixture with a comprehensive win and the other loss was to a very big Westville team. We played this fixture at Westville in the mud and rain and they beat us 12-3. As usual, there is a lot of player movement in the lower teams, but we were fortunate to be able to draw on competent reserves from the sevenths. The players were very positive and keen to play running rugby and many great tries were scored by both the forwards and the backs.

We had several captains over the season because of promotion to higher teams, but we had a nucleus of senior players who set the tone and I really enjoyed working with these fellows and look forward to seeing some of them play on Gilfillan next year.

Results: Played 9, Won 7, Lost 2

Regular players:

J.Chandler, L. Seopa, M. Grieveson, B. McMullen, S. Crookes, J. Martin, B. Kriel, J. Robertson, R. Sichinga, T. Mothobi, Z.Ndebele, N. Leahy, N. Hohls, D. Dorward, C. Stokes, S.O'Flaherty, W. Hayne, A. Pienaar, K. Hyslop, M. Sclanders, D. Morrison, J. Weideman, W.Hoole, K. Moloi

Evan Brown

By: Ben Williams,

Captain

7th XV

The 7th team rugby season was filled with fun and many memories were made. There were a lot of highlights of the season accompanied by the committed coach Mnr. van der Schyff and his two things he set out the boys to do before every game - 1. have fun and 2. make memories. I think it's safe to say that we accomplished those two things every single game.

The atmosphere amongst the team was great and practices were always fun and interesting. The 7th team won most of the games in the season, unfortunately only losing two. Besides all the bounces, handoffs and steps we gave out to our opponents following the loud cheers,

I think most boys in the team can agree that the highlight of the season was running onto Gilfillan for our last game. Even though Michaelhouse could not manage to put together a 7th team, against all odds, the boys lifted their heads, and a game was organised on the Friday before Michaelhouse. Running on that field with the roaring cheers of the school behind you, was a significant and amazing moment for many boys, and it was a perfect close to a great 7th team rugby season!

U16A

Regular team players: M Armstrong (Captain), M Booth (Vice-Captain), T Mundell, L Zigiriadis, C Doliveira, M Schnell, L Rodwell, S Phungula, T Hamlin, M Teichmann, R Wilmans, S Jolwana, K Steenberg, S Bhembe, R Ellis, L Botha, A Winskill,

K Dandala, M Frost, Grant Komo Coaches: T Richter assisted by M Werth and S Mtshali

The pre-season start was one, which to me was not the smoothest but before we knew it the Saturday of our first domestic fixture this season was upon us. DHS was the game which kicked off our rugby season; all spirits were high as we boarded the bus for the trip down. We arrived to a typically, scorching, humid Durban. The game started slowly and we found ourselves just in front of DHS but weren't enough in the lead to be comfortable. We received a kick-off deep in our twenty-two where I caught the ball and passed out wide, the ball went through a couple of players until it got to R Ellis who finished off a magnificent team try. This changed the game and we recovered well taking the win. There was still a lot of work to be done.

During the holidays we took part in our own rugby festival. It was a great set-up so teams had the chance of playing the majority of the other teams. This festival set the foundation for our season. Although picking up a couple of major injuries (D Swart with concussion, B Beukes with a torn ACL and T de Beer with a broken collarbone) the squad all got their fair amount of game time. We had set the bar after this festival and had built a strong team culture.

The season continued as we arrived back from our holidays. We came back to a massive challenge. We were up against Kearsney and sadly our vice-captain M Booth couldn't play as he was sick. We all knew that this game meant the world to Mr Richter so we had to come out firing, for him. Standing in the Stott tunnel alongside the huge Kearsney pack we knew the men up front would have to bar up and that's exactly what the whole team did. With the trusty right boot of R Wilmans we were six points ahead until Kearsney went over and converted. We were behind. The game was nail-biting but we had the lead after a while when R Wilmans pierced the Kearsney line and scored a magnificent try. There was five minutes on the clock and all we had to do was retain possession, we did so, kicked the ball out and this amazing victory was ours. This was all thanks to our exceptional coach! A lot was expected from us after this.

St Charles was the next team in our path and is always a team you can never underestimate. We stormed on to our sacred Gilfilan and proved we were here to make a statement. We pulled off a glorious victory and had lots of substitutes during the game which was great to be a part of.

The famous Derby Day, Michaelhouse came next. We once again charged onto Gilfilan and got off to a great start with an exceptional set play move which put S Bhembe in the corner in front of the MHS supporters. We were up by two tries but MHS weren't giving up and came back. We were behind but scored a last minute try which put us back into the game. We sadly couldn't return and score to win the game. We had to take the loss and go back to the drawing board.

Westville is always a very physical game. The field was an absolute mud bath and conditions were very slippery. Westville towered over us but we stood up and fought: an attitude taught by Mr Richter. They managed to pierce our defensive line a couple of times putting them in the lead but we also managed to get a couple of points on the board. R Wilmans sadly fractured his wrist during this fixture. We knew after this game we'd have to turn the tides to end up on top again.

The week leading up to Maritzburg College had to be one of the most intense and stressful. Our trusty vice-captain M Booth adapted very well to his move from centre to flyhalf. After Mr Richter's family history with College we all knew there was nothing more that he'd like than to win this fixture. He showed us our structure for the weekend and we did our best to stick to it. They were on the board first but didn't convert. We were about 7 meters from their try-line and we had a line-out. T Hamlin made the perfect call to drive it up. The engine room went to work and we steamed over with T Mundell punching over for our deserved five points. The half time score was equal. We kicked off the second half and it was some good individual skill from their fly half to set up a soft try for them. They were five points up. I saw my chance to get our points back, I called for the ball and crashed over to receive our

points back, the scores were level. The final whistle blew and the game was drawn. We took it as a win after what the College side has done in the past. The boys and I did notice a little tear from Mr Richter and we took that as a job well done.

Our second game against Kearsney. Mr Richter's famous saying "Hilton at Hilton" was the driving force in the team. As I ran onto the field I could feel the energy from the team and our result showed. We put on a magnificent performance. The score line was increased by a decent amount from our last fixture against them.

Northwood was the team to beat. They opened the game up with an early try. We had a mix up the morning of our fixture and it taught us to be prepared for these types of events. Northwood took the lead early on and we realized too late that the only way we could win was through our pick and drives. I got subbed off with fifteen minutes left of the game due to an injury but the boys fought all the way to the end and managed to put some points on the board.

Our last domestic game of the season, was MHS. The last game with Mr Richter and our team. This game was fully dedicated to Mr Richter and this ignited the 'Hilton fire' amongst the team. S Bhembe opened the floodgates in the corner. I managed to break the line and go over soon after Simi. We ran the ball out of our own half and the ball was passed around in an "All Black" style with off loads coming from everywhere and once again we had some more points on the board. I was standing on the wing when the ball was passed to S Jolwana who drew and passed to me, I managed to

beat my defender and scored. The scoreboard was ticking. MHS had an excellent second half and managed to make the game end with only a one point difference. R Wilmans had a dream of a day from the kicking tee. The final whistle blew. We had won!

Thank you, boys, for an amazing season and to everyone who made it so memorable. We could not have done it without you Mr Richter, thank you.

Mark Armstrong

I would just like to add that Mark Armstrong went on to attend the U16 Grant Khomo National rugby week and captained both Hilton and the KZN Sharks team with distinction. I would like to thank him and Michael Booth for their leadership this season. A special thanks to Mrs Mel Carey for the game day strapping and medical advice during game time. Thanks Mr Chris Carey for the tactical sessions each week and the Saturday warm ups, Mr Nel for all the hours of video analysis and the informative Tuesday sessions. To Mr Greg Miller our Director, thanks for the pre- season and value-added sessions during the term. Fellow coaches; Mr Mike Werth many thanks for your work with the backs and the support you gave throughout the season. Mr Senzo Mtshali, it has been a pleasure to have coached you at Craven Week and now to have coached with you, we wish you the all the best at Kearsney College next year. To the parents a special thanks for the loyal support.

I have just one thing to add. When this team was U14 the game at Kearsney was stopped at half time when Kearsney had passed 50 points. This year our young players learnt how to be a team and beat Kearsney in the home fixture by 49 points, what a fantastic turn around! Lastly, the 10-10 draw vs College just shows that with courage at the break down you can do amazing things!

Tony Richter

U16B

Regulars: Cameron Coley (Captain), Onye Adirika; Christian Claasen; William Crowe; Kanya Dandala; Michael Frost; Singatha Jolwana; Thomas Little; Thomas Macleod-Henderson; Ben Mason; Shingai Mushonga; Kapano Segoale; Tally Tshekiso; Mangiliso Thwala; Luke Udal; Charles Vickers; Andrew Winskill;

The season was characterized by a group of young men who were

committed to practices and a willingness to learn. The school and the team were all important and practices were of a high intensity with all giving of their best and with a strong desire to learn and improve.

Matches were played in the spirit of the game and the success of the team cannot be attributed to any one player, but the team as a whole. A combination of skill, aggressive attack and defence made the team the successful one that it was.

The highlights of the season were the fixtures against Kearsney College and Michaelhouse. After losing the first match against Kearsney College (33 - 2 5) the team won the return fixture 27 – 15. Without a doubt the last fixture of the season against Michaelhouse was most pleasing. After drawing the first encounter 14 – 14 at home it was a fitting end to the season to run out victors 24 – 0 at Michaelhouse.

A special word of thanks to Messrs Richter; Miller and Mtshali for their valuable input at practices and to the parents for their unwavering support and encouragement from the touchlines.

Summary of Results: Played 9, Won 5, Lost 3, Drew 1

Mike Werth

U16C

The U16C rugby team had a mixed season with only one really close game. The games we did win however were all convincing wins and displayed the type of rugby Hilton is accustomed to. The true character of the team was tested on a few occasions and they never gave up, even against teams that were much physically stronger than we were. In our losses against Westville, Kearsney and Maritzburg College, the boys held their heads up high and continued to play the game with the Hilton spirit.

As the team grew stronger during the season, players such as Spear, Lapin and Eales developed potential as leaders and were able to lead from most positions. All of the players showed character and commitment both in practices and during games. It was a pleasure to coach this team and I wish them all the best as they pursue the game.

David Look

U15A

This was a season of highs and lows. It started out as an unbelievable Easter Rugby Festival where the team faced and beat formidable opposition in Jeppe and Pretoria Boys and produced some fine running rugby in beating Parktown, St Albans and CBC. Our only loss came in a closely fought contest against a powerful St Stithians side.

Returning home and into the KZN league we turned around 50 point losses from the previous year into 1, 2, 3 and 5 point losses this season. Individual play and general understanding of the game was up as was the team's conditioning. This was evident in the three games where we came back from behind and almost snatched victory, where, had it not been for a dropped pass or crucial match winning tackle by the opposition we may well have produced a few more wins. Such is rugby, such is life, we need to learn to take the good with the bad.

This was unfortunately a tough season where despite the gains from the previous season there was still a lack of self belief. I would strongly encourage every player in the coming years to focus on his strengths, take strength in what he can bring to the game and in the off seasons, work hard at ironing out anything that could be holding him back, be it skill, conditioning or technical understanding. There is a wealth of knowledge and expertise in rugby at Hilton College that you need to tap into, ask the questions and be guided by the unbelievable team of coaches and support staff available to you while here. This team is filled with the talent, my wish is that they utilize what is available to them here, if they do I have no doubt that they will go on to be a leading team in KZN.

The following players were regular members of the team this past season:

Owethu Luthuli; Leatile Molebatsi; Nic Weinberg; Akil Ramcharrun; James Harvey; Reese MaCewan; Cullum Killmartin; Costi Christodoulou; Latica Nela; Sethu Myende

I would like to single out the following boys that stood out by consistently showing tremendous courage, discipline and perseverance throughout the season.

Connor Holdsworth, Luke Lourenco, Luke Van Ryswyk, Josh Miller, Thabiso Dlamini, Amika Jjuko

Another player who stood out for me was Euan Fraser who worked his way up from the U15D team, playing the last three games for the U15As, this just goes to show how solid the Hilton College rugby systems are and that any player can work his way to the top if he is prepared to do so.

Another player that gave 100% to everything that he did and who I regret not having played more is Joshua Cox.

The biggest thank you I wish to make is to Greg Miller, our director of rugby, being mentored by someone so passionate and knowledgeable about the game has been an unforgettable experience for me. Greg, thank you for backing me, my only wish is that I could have repaid you by delivering more wins for you this past season. That said, this was the season for sowing, I am certain that we will be reaping the rewards in the years to come.

I wish the team everything of the very best for the years that lie ahead, spend time with each other and go out and play with everything that you have got for the man alongside you. Don't accept anything less than being the best, prepare well and keep working hard, because if you do, results will soon follow.

U15B

Lionel Randell

We started off the season very well beating DHS convincingly by a massive margin 75-0 and this allowed some of our boys to go to an u15A side rugby festival, which gained them some experience and a chance to play with the boys in a higher team. We had a fairly good season and there was a lot of improvement as the season went on. We won 4 of our 9 games, which could have been better on another day. We did well at home, having played 5 and won 3. We faced some great schools which dominated us physically but we were able to play on and learn. Our biggest victories were beating Michaelhouse 17-12 and Northwood 52-12 at home. We also beat St. Charles at home. There are areas in which we have to improve as an age group and there were areas where we excelled in. We had some good individuals but were better as a unit. In some way we ticked most boxes we wanted to achieve and believe we had a pretty successful season despite the results.

U15C

Oscar Horstmann

Regular Players: Keabetswe Makwane, Mosa Mabena, Manxoba Mngomezulu, Matt Amstrong, William Henfrey, Samuel Quibell, Jack MacKenzie, Colby Dyer, Nic Campbell, Kgosi Molefe, Bradley Dix, Alexander Nyagah, Alunga Madala, Dominik Von Höne, Wandile Zulu, Abang Seopa, George Ellis, Tsepo Masuku The U15C rugby team displayed a lot of courage and the season was filled with joy and excitement. They kicked off their campaign with an impressive win against DHS where every member of the squad got an opportunity to play in the match. This was followed by another good performance against St Charles. A number of players were justly rewarded for their good form by being called up to represent the U15B team. At training, there was always a vibrant atmosphere where everybody was keen to showcase their ball skills. This team can be very proud of their achievements this season as they won more games, against the same opponents, than what they did last year.

Summary of Results: Played 10, Won 6, Lost 4

Lionel Julius

U15D

Coaches - L Julius and K Venter

The U15D rugby season was one that the boys enjoyed. The majority of the games were played as 10s and some even as 7s. This was extremely enjoyable for the boys as they got game time and were able to score some wonderful tries. The boys had a successful season and the enjoyment levels seemed to grow as we progressed through the season. The type of rugby played was entertaining, running rugby and this was evident in the boys' results.

U14A

Regular Players: Craig Davidson, Liam Zocchi-Dommann, Christopher Pistorius, Travis Holdsworth, Avuyile Zondi, Craig James, Kelvin Robertson, Chad Uys, Bradley Henderson, Jannes Potgieter, Nick Hatton (captain), Josh Ribeiro, Jack Gillham, Dillon Van Der Merwe, Jake Cavalieri, Jaden Terblanche, Taurin Craze (vice-captain), Craig Yammin, Luke Hitchings, Joshua Mansour (vice-captain), Dylan Thomson.

It was a real privilege being associated with this team and, one which all of us will find hard to forget, as this was the first of five memorable ones in the boys' Hilton College rugby journey. The season started very quickly and there was not much time to get to know each other and gel as a team. This did not stop the boys from finding their feet quickly and the rugby camp and trial match was an important starting point, displaying incredible potential to come. The first match of the boys' high school rugby careers was against DHS in Durban and the team came through with an excellent result of 54-0 with some positive signs, but also a lot on which to work. The tour to the Parktown Rugby Festival, despite the shortened format and the number of matches played on one day, was a superb opportunity to bond as a team, test the depth of the squad and get the right systems in place for the season. The festival was a success and a sharp learning experience with some very close losses in the final minutes against some strong teams such as Helpmekaar and Jeppe, while we also earned a hard fought draw against a powerful KES team and some clinical victories against St Albans, St Davids and Parktown. Upon our return to school, the next match of the season was against an impressive Kearsney team away. A stand out performance from the pack and some brilliant kicking edged a tight win, 13-10 in our favour, a victory that showed some real character as it had been a long time since an U14 team had won there. Probably the biggest disappointment of the season was the painful loss against College after being in the contest for most of the match; it was tough to lose 12-5 after two soft tries due to some lapses in concentration. The boys were devastated after this loss, as this was the one they wanted the most, but they gave everything they

Kyle Venter

possibly could and learnt several valuable lessons. We as coaches are confident though that they will get one over their rivals soon. Some solid wins against St Charles and Northwood followed but dominating Michaelhouse in both fixtures showed the class of this team and was the most memorable of the season. The first victory at home of 32-5 was a well-executed team performance with the boys hungry to stamp their authority over our old foes for the years to come. While the win in the final match of the season, 20-12, included some amazing guts as several injuries thwarted our continuity and preparation, despite this, the new players stepped up, and we managed to end the season on a well-deserved high.

The team was ably led by the ever-present, inspiring and matchwinning captain, Nick Hatton, who always set the example both on and off the field, and he is certainly a player to watch in the future. He was excellently supported by vice-captains Taurin Craze and Josh Mansour who both filled this position at different stages of the season; each playing outstanding rugby. The forwards were champions in the manner in which they always laid the foundation for the backs to execute and the backs were exceptional when everything clicked. Some of the features of this team were the fantastic team spirit, their teachable natures, the smiles on their faces when they played, the enjoyment with which they always did everything and the fact that they loved representing their school while playing with their mates. These young men matured incredibly, as the season progressed and began to really understand and read the game a whole lot better each week. They will improve each season and we look forward to them wearing the white jersey in future and, as a team, are certainly on the path to greatness. Most importantly though, they are Springbok young men: respectful, determined and humble. We are so proud of each of the boys who represented this wonderful team and we are confident that they will all continue to flourish in their lives and their respective rugby careers.

A final note must go to Mr Jacques Botes, a Sharks and South African rugby legend and absolute gentleman, who was influential in the success of the team. It was an honour to have him coach the boys and all of us will remember him fondly as he helped lay the foundations for our boys and taught all of us so much. Finally, special thanks must go to all the parents for their unwavering support, often driving long distances, at great sacrifice and many could often be heard passionately and proudly shouting for their boys from the side of the field. These boys will go on to win many more games for Hilton, but above all, continue to play the game with everything they have, humbly and for the love of it!

Summary of results: Played: 9, Won: 6, Lost: 3

Chris Kingsley and Jacques Botes

U14B

Regular players: Jonty Alexander; Matthew Boast; Letu Dandala; Craig Davidson; Jack Gillham; Amile Gumede; Joe Hill; Brett Jarvie; Ryan Jenkins; Jaypi Jordaan; Wihan Joubert; Michael Mackenzie; Okuhle Mjiyako; Richard Muir; Tapiwa Mushonga; Konke Nzimande; Yenziwa Nzuza; Jack Osborne; Chris Pistorius; Chad Uys.

The team had an excellent season. They were a great group of boys, who showed a lot of guts and determination. As a team they were eager to learn and easily accepted correction, which makes the job of coaching considerably easy. The first match of the season was against a formidable Voortrekker u14A-side and it was a good matchup to get the season off the ground. Despite a gutsy performance from the Voortrekker side, Hilton was able to beat them convincingly. The next fixture was against Durban High School and having built on our mistakes from the previous week, the boys were on fire, dispatching the Durban High school side 62 – 12. During the holidays a couple of the players were selected to be part of the u14A squad that played at the Parktown Rugby Festival, the experience gained by these players would prove to be invaluable as the season progressed.

In the weeks leading up to the fixture against Kearsney much time was spent on correcting previous mistakes. The hard work paid off and the team played an excellent game of rugby, beating Kearsney 43 - 10. Valuable lessons were learned during the previous week's fixture and the boys were determined to improve on their overall gameplay. This resulted in strong performances against St Charles and Northwood. The next two fixtures would prove to be the most challenging and despite a determined effort from the boys, both the Westville Boys' High School and Maritzburg College teams would prove to be too strong for us. Three matches for the season remained and the team was determined to end the season on a high note. Round two against Kearsney College saw Hilton come away with a 13 - 5 victory. The second last match of the season would not see us so fortuitous against a formidable Northwood High School team and the boys narrowly lost 17 – 19 in the dying minutes of the match. Out to prove a point against our rivals the team was determined to win two out of the two matches against Michaelhouse and they did just that by beating Michaelhouse 22 - 5.

I wish to thank all involved for a very memorable season.

Summary of results: Played 10, Won 7, Lost 3

Oscar Horstmann

U14C

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The rugby season for the U14C team was very enjoyable. It started with a group of boys who were new to the school and some of them had never played rugby before. By the end of the season the boys were playing a decent game.

We started the season with a few good results. We started off by thumping DHS by 53 – 5. We played Howick High School U14A team and beat them 27 -17 due to a few wonderful runs by Jake Cavalieri who was then promoted and ended the season by playing for the A Team. We then had a good win against Kearsney 17-5. This was the first time that we had beaten Kearsney at C-Team level for many years. We unfortunately lost to Michaelhouse in our home game 17-22, but turned this result around the second time that we played them at Michaelhouse - winning 31-14. This was the last game of the season and nobody will forget the sight of Kgwanti Bilankulu and Taddeo Sithole both doing beautiful swan dives as they scored their tries against the old foe. Kwanti Bilankulu was one of the smallest boys on the field but that did not stop him from making the hardest tackles. He regularly had boys twice his size battling to recover after he had tackled them.

Regular players: Michael MacKenzie, Faizaan Wazar, Andile Khumalo, Joubert Smit, Taddeo Sithole, Ewan Gibbs, Chungu Katayi, Myles Driman, Josh Wingfield, Amile Gumede, More Akinola, Mikael Arab, Nkosi Dlamini, Lalu Lewane, Kgwanti Bilankulu.

Summary of results: Played 10, Won 5, Lost 4, Drew 1

Andrew Douglas



Back row (from left): Sameer Panday, Toby Jenkins, Ali Moshin Mussa, Jean-Luc Krause, Kashan Padayachee, Luca van der Merwe, Jarrell Padayachee, Brett Geyser, Matthew Shumba, Jacques Monokoane Front row (from left): Aidan Schroeder, Oleabetsoe Mokoena, Mr P Iyer, William van der Spuy, William Clark

Shooting

The shooting club has experienced another successful year with some worthy accolades from our keen shottists. These will be highlighted in this report.

We extend our gratitude to the South African Air Rifles Association for their support and involvement throughout the year.

League Competition Highlights



William van der Spuy was placed first in a competition against Maritzburg College with Aidan Schroeder being placed third and Oleabetsoe Mokoena being placed fourth.

The League competition held on the 29 July 2017 included shottists from Voortrekker High School, Durban Shooting Club and Martizburg College. Our boys once again performed exceptionally with both William van der Spuy and Aidan Schroeder being placed in the Top 5.

KZN Open Shoot: 8th & 9th September

Hilton College hosted the KZN National Air Rifle Shooting Championship on Friday 8th September and Saturday 9th September.

The sports centre was transformed into an Olympic quality shooting range with the categories of shooting including Precision 10 metre Olympic and 3 positional shooting.

15 Hilton boys participated with a team captained by William van der Spuy and Oleabetsoe Mokoena. We are proud to announce that William van der Spuy was placed third in both his categories of shooting obtaining bronze medals. Aidan Schroeder and William van der Spuy have both been selected to represent KZN and have been awarded Academy Colours.

Interhouse Shooting

The following awards were made:

Interhouse Junior Cup: Toby Jenkins (Newnham House) Interhouse Senior Cup: Oleabetsoe Mokoena (Lucas House) Interhouse Shooting Overall Winners (Shield): Newnham House

General Shooting Awards

The following boys were acknowledged for achievements in 2017:

Peter Aitken Cup for most improved shottist: Jean-Luc Krause Best Junior Shottist - Sir Duncan McKenzie Cup: Brett Geyser Best Senior Shottists: Aidan Schroeder Graeme Gilfillan Cup for Championship Shot: William van der Spuy

School Awards

Honours:	William van der Spuy (re-award)
	Aidan Schroeder
Colours:	Jean-Luc Krause
	William Clark
Half Colours:	Oleabetsoe Mokoena

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Captain of Shooting 2018:







Congratulations to Aidan Schroeder who has been appointed as • the 2018 Captain of Shooting and Ali Mussa as Vice Captain.

Mr P lyer MIC Shooting



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Back Row: Costi Christodoulou, Joseph Elphick, Ryland Dewberry, Alex Roy, Lwazi Ndlovu, Fadzai Mushonga, David Rodseth.
2nd Row: Michael Makris, Simi Bhembe, Darrel Nkomo, Thomas Fraser, Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe, William Hoole.
Front row: Lebogang Seabi, Vaughn Williams, Mr Thulani Mhlongo (*Coach*), Lwazi Mkhwanazi (*Captain*), Mr Celokuhle Mbanjwa (*Assistant Coach*), Daniel Da Costa, Menzi Cele.

Soccer

1st XI

Regular Players: Lwazi Mkhwanazi (*captain*), Vaughn Williams (*vice-captain*), Costi Christodoulou,William Hoole, Alex Roy, Fadzai Mushonga, Ryland Dewberry, Darryl Nkomo, Daniel Da Costa, Michael Makris, Vuyo Mondi, Thomas Fraser, Simi Bhembe, David Rodseth, Suubi Mugerwa-Sekawabe, Kopano Segoale.

Soccer is a universal language. It brings peoples of different races and cultures together. We faced tough challenges in the structures and systems put in place to try and compete with the best soccer schools in the country and I personally think we have done well in our first attempt.

We had a good season and we worked hard to achieve everything we did. The squad adapted very well to the change in training programme and intensity. It was great to watch the boys improve on their game and build a stronger bond as a unit.

Summary of Results: Played 26, Won 17, Lost 6, Drew 3

Goals scored: 49 Goals conceded: 29

Road to the Kloof Festival

The days leading up to the Kloof festival were the hardest, not having all the players at practice due to other sporting commitments and having limited days to prepare caused anxiety for the coaching staff. We then had to resort to structural play and direct soccer in our practice sessions which would increase our chances at the festival since we had approximately 6 days to prepare the team and then school closed which gave them another 7 days off which was a major concern. With that being said and with the passion and discipline and constant communication with the boys throughout the 7 days they were at home, we managed to play in the Kloof Championship finals and lost 3-1 to Glenwood High School which was our only defeat in the whole tournament.

We had great moments in how we played and we faced some of the best soccer schools at the festival which taught us to work hard as a unit and overcome those tough moments. Overall we finished 2nd out of 32 schools which is something we hold dear to our hearts and are proud of in adding to the Hilton College history which the school has become well renowned for.

This was the beginning of something great and a change in the mentality of the boys and the soccer culture in the school. We were motivated and started becoming a championship competing squad which was long overdue with the potential we have in playing personnel.

Road to St. Davids

We had a rough start to the season when we resumed our preparations heading to St. David's. We lost two of our opening games which took its toll on the player's confidence and mentality. We had to deal with various factors and get them into a positive space again. This required us to move away from high pressure sessions and do more team building exercises with high scoring drills to bring back the rhythm and positive energy. We then gradually started picking up from where we were and had a string of good results back to back. We then headed to St. David's and played beautiful soccer; the best I've ever seen a Hilton soccer team play. We were really unlucky in not converting the chances we created in all our matches. This all brought back the fact that we are in the process of building the team and culture. We played in the plate final and had a few moments to win the game even though we were plagued with injuries, the boys did tremendously well and it went down to the wire and we unfortunately lost 3-2 in a penalty shootout.

Playing against the best soccer schools in the country who play soccer from 1st term to 3rd term and being able to compete and finish 10th says a lot about how we can and are improving. We learnt valuable lessons as a team and could only grow stronger, leading into the rest of the season and the upcoming Maritzburg FA Cup.

Road to the Maritzburg F.A. Cup

The road to the Maritzburg F.A CUP was similar in terms of preparation time and getting the team ready to compete.

We had to refresh the squad to create competitive energy again within the team. We focused mainly on small sided games, structural and direct soccer.

This helped us prepare ourselves for various moments in game situations and how we should adapt when we have the ball and when we lose it.

We played a total of 6 games in the Maritzburg F.A CUP and won all 6 which lead us to being crowned champions.

Conclusion

With all the successes of the season, it is very important to state that we are only in our building phase and can only improve with time. It has been a great season and we are hoping for an even better season in 2018.

Thulani Mhlongo

2nd XI

Regular Players: Lwazi Ndlovu (captain), Tanaka Matsa (vicecaptain), James Booth, Sefenya Moloi, Ben Williams, Lebohang Seabi, Jamie Beetar, MJ Grobler, Joseph Elphick, Menzi Cele.

The team started off really well this season as we managed to get a total of 5 wins this season from 9 games. We could have done way better but the lack of consistency made us come short of achieving our goals. The group worked really hard but battled at times mentally.

We played a beautiful brand of attacking soccer but our finishing let us down in some matches which proved costly to our season overall. I can't fault the effort that the team made every training session and game. Moving forward we need to convert our chances more. We created a lot of scoring opportunities which was great. More mental training and we can and will improve.

Summary of Results: Played 9, Won 5, Lost 3, Drew 1

Goals Scored: 14 Goals Conceded: 7

Herbert Mncwabe

3rd XI

The third team was a side with large amount of potential. We started the season very well with a convincing win over St Charles. The football throughout the season was spectacular playing good football. There were times where we were under a lot of pressure but we kept our composure without being too complacent and we overcame that pressure. As a coach I did a sound job throughout the season with the selection of players when they moved up to the second team. The players played very well as a team and there were no cases of players being selfish. As for my captain he was extremely proud of this team and he was happy that he was with these guys for his last season of soccer at Hilton College.

Thulani Mhlongo



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4th XI

The 4th team soccer season started relatively slowly with a loss against Michaelhouse. However, the boys were determined not to continue in this vein and they put their heads down at practices, inspired to raise the bar. This determination started to pay dividends when we were able to achieve some good results against Northwood and Clifton. Admittedly, our season was rather short but it was an enjoyable and intense one and the boys are to be commended on their tenacity throughout.

Thulani Mhlongo

5th, 6th, 7th XI

The goal of the lower open soccer teams was to be the example to all the younger soccer players. We showed them that it was not all about winning but the friendships formed with boys that were not in the same dorm. We showed them that soccer at Hilton College is not the entertainment on TV of hysteric diving followed by intense arguing with the referee. We showed them that soccer at Hilton was a gentleman's game by fetching the ball for the opponent, respecting the referee's decision and not celebrating excessively. This is how we as a team attempted to contribute to soccer becoming a core sport.

Our season was filled with laughter and banter. We conceded many own goals and gave away even more penalties but all of that did not matter because it was laughter and encouragement that our mistakes produced. Even though it did not show in our results, every player improved immensely as the season progressed. I hope that the season was memorable for our Matrics and we are proud to have given them a win for their last Hilton/MHS.

> Za Ndebele Captain

U16A

Hilton soccer just keeps going from strength to strength and the 2017 season was no exception. This year saw us playing some good soccer. The team produced great soccer results. The team lost one match this season against Glenwood Boys at home.

Led by the team captain Zelwande Phenyane, the u16A soccer team played a total of seven league matches and the KZN Age group tournament. We did not shine as brightly in the KZN Age group tournament in which we participated, but the team ethos never wavered and each boy acquitted himself like a gentleman, both on off the field.

One thing is certain this group of players is set to have a very promising future ahead of them and I look forward to watching each one of them hone their natural talent as they mature.

Thulani Mhlongo

U16B

The U16B football side was a team that worked hard together in order to reap the rewards. Their hard work and dedication at practice made coaching them easier as the team shared a common goal of winning and having fun. This enjoyment was evident throughout the season as there were always smiles on the faces of the boys. The motivation to do well never decreased, even after a tough loss, with boys continuously motivating and promoting team work.

Kyle Venter

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U16C

Regular Players: Jono Alcock, Riyaadh Arab, Matt Barrett, Nzuzo Hardy, Jacob Kethro, James Levell, Tom Lewis, Matt Loots,

Lesedi Maphatiane, Monde Mnyaka, Chris Prettejohn, Mpumi Sibeko, Daniel Spear, Ulrich Spies, Tim Wilmot.

The boys who played for this team did so with enthusiasm and enjoyment during the season. As far as the level of soccer is concerned, the boys showed good skills up front on attack and the midfield and defence were always solid and dependable. The players showed good commitment and resolve in all their matches. A very good team spirit resonated from these boys and they are all to be commended for the manner in which they played their soccer. It has been a most enjoyable season and it was a pleasure working with them. A lot of competitive fun was had by all the players.

Francois Morgan

U16D

Regular Players: Nick Burn, Jack Short, Keane Theron, Scott Whyte, Monde Mnyaka, Lengana Mashaphu, Ezhan Kassam, Ngwako Rangata, Christopher d'Oliveira, Weso Gqiba, Wium Smit, Shaswath Rangaswamy, Muhammad Laher

The U16D soccer side had a challenging season. We only managed to win one game, our very first game against St Charles.

From then on, the going got tough and we had a couple of very close matches. One against Kearsney and the other versus Michaelhouse. In both games we only lost by 1 goal, with some fitness letting us down towards the end. However, team spirit and cameraderie was definitely the winner at the end of the season.

This side had the most fun and every player gave of his best effort in every match. Practices were great fun too and it was always a joy to see the boys so excited to simply be playing the game. It was a pleasure coaching this side.

Summary of Results: Played 6, Won 1, Lost 5

James Robey



U15A

Regular Players: Tinashe Mtetwa (captain), Motheo Makwana (vice-captain), Lebo Moleleki, William Raw, Vuyo Zungu, Sabelo Moshesh, Sebego Seabi, Sethu Myende, Kgosi Molefe, Jamie Evans, Jonathan Tlhagoane, Hlumelo Notshe.

The under 15s learnt a lot this season. They worked extremely hard at adapting to different training styles and formations. They had to be mentally and physically prepared for what we had aimed to achieve.

We had a good season and started being consistent in our games and results which was very encouraging. It was great to see how the squad started maturing as the season progressed. They quickly grasped the new formation which was introduced. Each player worked extremely hard so that we achieved our goals as a team and they worked really hard for each other.

Big credit to Mr Mike Werth for the foundation he laid at the beginning of the season.

Keeping this squad together will reap us great rewards as they grow and mature. This will be a squad to be reckoned with in the vears to come.

Summary of Results: Played 13, Won 8, Lost 4, Drew 1

Goals Scored: 48 Goals Conceded: 18

Thulani Mlongo

U15B

The u15B soccer team had a fairly good season, despite initially losing matches against Michaelhouse, Kearsney and Glenwood. Spurred on we worked on our commitment and concentration and conducted some experimentation with our line up in order to tighten our defence. This tactic proved beneficial. We conceded fewer goals because the defence was very strong. The defence was the strong point of the team and we maintained a clean sheet in two matches. The midfield created a number of good scoring opportunities which is something that we can capitalise on in the next season.

U15C

The 2017 soccer season revealed a marked improvement in the quality of play of the u15C team. Despite marginal losses on occasions, the boys showed definite growth compared to their level of play the previous year. Their performance was definitely assisted by the addition of some players who joined us from the u15B team.

It was an enjoyable season for the u15C soccer team with some great moments of soccer. The boys were keen, responsible and enthusiastic. The boys were encouraged to play attacking football and defend as a team. Our first match was against Michaelhouse away and it was a very tough match. We lost our first match but the boys fared very well. Despite some difficulties we faced this season, our results were fairly respectable and I enjoyed having an opportunity of coaching this team.

I was very impressed to see that the boys gave of their best and still enjoyed a good game of soccer.

U14A

We started off the season on a bad note, with boys coming from different schools and types of backgrounds, it was challenging for us. We grew in strength as we got to figure each other out.

We played schools, the likes of Glenwood, Michaelhouse, Kearsney, Eshowe High, Crawford, Howick etc, which was very tough for us.

We had some great individuals but struggled to fully gel together. We did the best we could with our circumstances. We played 12 games, won 4, lost 6, drew 2. We did improve as a team and the development of the team was improving.

There were some great performances from L.Hitchings who bagged more than 10 goals for us, was very prolific. There was a lot left for us to do but definitely we came a long way from where we were.

U14B

Regulars: Mikael Arab / Mvelo Mageba (Captain), Amile Gumede; Rorisang Kedijang; Matt Liao; Chungu Katayi; Gary Lubisi; Sagwadhi Malongete; Jack MacKenzie; Motheo Molefe; Joshua Mtambo; Yenziwa Nzuza; Jack Peattie; Taddeo Sithole; Alifemi Tshililo; Faizaan Wazar; Josh Wingfield

The season was characterized by a group of young men who were committed to practices and a willingness to learn. The school and the team were all important and practices were of a high intensity with all giving of their best and with a strong desire to learn and improve.

It was rather frustrating that there was no communication with the A team as they had decided to practice on their own and were conspicuous by their absence at fixtures when the B team was playing. Nevertheless, the boys were unbelievably supportive of the other age group teams on a Saturday and would applaud good play and encourage their peers to give of their best.

If one sees results only as an indication of success then the season was not a great one, but if one views improvement in terms of skills and the understanding and appreciation of the game as an indicator of success, then this was indeed a successful season.

U14C

The u14C team did not play well. The team struggled to unite and

play cohesively but their tenacity and perseverance paid dividends in the end when they began to realise the value of teamwork. When they did lose, they were gracious in defeat and displayed truly good sportsmanship on the field of play. Our greatest weakness always was in the actual scoring of goals, although in our close defeat against Kearsney and Glenwood potential was visible.

The group of boys was a lively and energetic bunch who certainly contributed to the enjoyment of the season and I look forward to seeing them carry the valuable lessons they have learnt through to the next season.

U14D

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Regular Players: Lubonwe Phenyane, Mukaii Mhaka, Matthew Wilson, Thuthuka Oesi, Inam Mlawu, Muhammad Girdhurparsadh. Matthew Allwood. Omolemo Sehole. James Weinberg. Howard Dlulisa, Wihan Joubert, Kutullo Senamela

The 2017 soccer campaign produced some promising performances, but unfortunately, the results did not always follow, which was frustrating for players and coaches alike. The main focus this season was on developing basic ball control, passing and dribbling skills. Whilst this was evident in patches, too many lapses in concentration and positional awareness were costly at vital times, leading to preventable goals being conceded. The players nevertheless remained positive and continued to enjoy the beautiful game the entire season, despite not winning a single game.

Summary of Results: Played 7, Won 0, Lost 7

Lionel Julius

Mike Werth





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Rugby Sevens

Hilton College were very fortunate to get invited to play in Rugby Schools 450th Anniversary, the birthplace of rugby, who celebrated their anniversary by hosting a World Schools 7s festival. Sandwiched in between boy's summer sports and the start of the 15s season the boys left for Rugby School in England. It was an unbelievable experience for the boys to play on "The Close" where William Webb Ellis picked up the ball and ran with it.

The following boys went on tour: Graham Curtis *(captain),* Hein Marx, Nicholas Winskill, Bryce Trodd, Daniel da Costa, Grant Cousins, Alistar Frost, Thomas Fraser, Robbie Mcgaw, Tristan Warren, Robert Mattison, Fadzai Mushonga.

Hilton finished second in their pool and so went through to the cup semi-finals where they played against tournament favourites, Nelson College from New Zealand. It was a thrilling experience for the boys to face their first "haka" and the sight of Bryce Trodd on his crutches standing alongside his mates before the game really set the tone for the game and Hilton raced off to an early lead. The New Zealanders came back with their power and pace led by their captain a 105 kg NZ u18 representative with feet, hands and pace to burn. Nelson College led 12-10 with 2 minutes left however Hilton pressed hard and it was fitting that captain Graham Curtis scored the winning try to take Hilton through to the Cup final. In the Cup Final they played Clifton College from England who had dispatched hosts Rugby School in the other semi. Hilton's defence was on another level as the boys didn't allow Clifton a sniff, winning the final 22-7. Following the trophy ceremony, numerous photographs were taken and Robert Mattison won a beautiful watch as player of the final. The boys gathered in the middle of the pitch to sing 'O Boys of Hilton' and it was a fitting end to a surreal week spent at the home of Rugby Football where the boys had been outstanding ambassadors for Hilton both on and off the pitch.

In the 3rd Term Rugby 7s continues to gather momentum as the numbers of tournaments continues to grow and more and more schools get involved in the abbreviated form of the game. 7s is seen as a rugby development vehicle for the boys and is largely comprised of u16 and u17 boys. Hilton College under the outstanding leadership of Tristan Warren and Vice-captain Heinrich Marx played in 6 festivals and gave a good account of themselves on all fronts. The squads changed drastically as boys left to play their summer sports however on 3 ocasions the 'renegades' or Hiltons 2nd 7s team played in tournaments and while they often didn't have sufficient speed to compete they always gave of their best and made it difficult for the opposition. Mark Armstrong was outstanding in getting called up to the KZN u17 7s team and Roger Ellis attended the final round of 7s trials.







Back Row: Christopher Bass, Brendan Doyle, Christopher Prettejohn 2nd Row: Alunga Madala, Tristan Bagley, Matt Barrett, Alex Warren Front Row: Murray Greene (*Captain*), Mr Graeme Roberts, Ndumiso Zwane

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Squash

1st Team

Regular players: Murray Greene, Chris Bass, Ndumiso Zwane, Tristan Bagley, Brendan Doyle, Matt Barrett, Alex Warren, Chris Prettejohn, Alunga Madala and Avumile Mcunu.

Our squash captain was Murray Greene who led the team from the front and was a very successful number one on our play list for the first half of the year. My personal thanks are extended to Murray who did a lot to keep spirit up and to keep the channels of communication open.

The usual round of "Super 8" and inter-school fixtures took place and our players enjoyed the matches and competed with spirit.

Our players took part in the provincial selection tournaments and our congratulations go to these players who were selected and played for their province in the Inter-Provincial Tournament in June in Cape Town: Murray Greene (KZN u 19B and Chris Bass (KZN u19B) Chris Bass played in the Bloemfontein Open Tournament in the first term.

The highlight of the year was probably our participation in the St Andrew's School tournament in Bloemfontein in February. We played very well and were undefeated by any of the opponents allocated by the organizers on a "strength vs strength" basis. The particular attractiveness of this tournament is that it is a team tournament. Our representatives were: Murray Greene, Chris Bass, Ndumiso Zwane, Tristan Bagley, Brendan Doyle and Matt Barrett. Interest in this tournament is high among the boys and we hope to be invited back next year when we hope to perform even better.

Our thanks go to J.S. Mennie, Dalmain Strydom and Darren Peters of Realise Coaching Academy for their regular, enthusiastic and effective coaching which was enjoyed by our players at every level. We certainly are privileged to have coaches with such a wealth of expertise and experience.

There were numerous players who turned out once or twice a week for a game or some training on a semi-social basis. These boys are "second option" players who are developing a love for the game at their own level and are learning to play a sport which can afford them a lifetime's enjoyment and fitness.

In the third term we hosted our annual "Old Boys" fixture, as well as our fixture against The Jesters who shared their experience and wisdom concerning squash as a sport "for life". Their fine example of on-court manners and sportsmanship was valuable.

We look forward to a good year in squash in 2018 when we hope to continue to emphasize team achievements and participation rather than only individual accomplishments and selections. An initiative to involve more juniors in regular fixtures will help to broaden our base and add depth to talent pool.

Graeme Roberts



Front Row: Olav Aadnesgaard; Nicholas Tillim; Chizembi Sakulanda; Hanlie Dry; Ryan Griesel; James Wood; Brandon Kriel 2nd Row: Jack Osborne; Amren Naidoo; Joshua Roberts; Adam Osborne; Ben Mason; Bradley Henderson; Christian Cullen; Chad Uys 3d Row: Charles Vickers; TJ Joubert; Thomas de Beer; Murray Schnell; Luke van Ryswyk; Luke Lourenco; Reece MacEwan

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Coaches:	Mandy Wheeler, Tony Shuttleworth
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MIC: Hanlie Dry

Captain: Chizembi Sakulanda

Vice-Captain: Ryan Griesel

The 2017 swimming season was characterised by passion and commitment displayed at all the galas where Hilton College's swimming teams represented the school. The school was well represented at the KZN Midlands Schools Trials at Wykeham Collegiate and excellent times were recorded.

In January, Amren Naidoo, Ben Mason, Brandon Kriel, Chad Uys, Chizembi Sakulanda, Christian Cullen, Jake Osborne, Joshua Roberts, Mark Armstrong, Murray Schnell, Olav Aadnesgaard and Thomas Joubert represented Hilton College in the Umngungundlovu District Swimming Boys' Team.

The annual Midmar Mile took place in February and a large group of Hilton swimmers, alongside thousands of competitors, took to the water.

The Inter-House gala was a colourful and enjoyable event where all the preseeded top swimmers from every Boarding House competed. Once again, Newnham House walked away with the honours.



The results were as follows:

Inter-House Swimming Championship

Ryan Griesel
Olav Aadnesgaard
Joshua Roberts
Tj Joubert
Chad Uys

In August, Joshua Roberts, Murray Schnell, Olav Aadnesgaard and Darian Chite participated in the KZN Beavers Winter Long Course Championships at King's Park in Durban.

During the eThekwini Action Swimming Champs in September, Olav Aadnesgaard, Darian Chite, Ben Mason, Amren Naidoo, Adam Osborne, Jack Osborne, Joshua Roberts, Chizembi Sakulanda and Murray Schnell represented Hilton College and achieved excellent times.

The Hilton College swimmers represented the school with pride and recorded good times at all these championships.

A special word of thanks to Matthew Fairweather, Tracey MacKenzie, Ann Kriel-Brown and Tony Shuttleworth for their assistance and invaluable input throughout the season. To the captain, Chizembi Sakulanda, a huge thanks for his support and encouragement in making the season a successful one. Finally, I would like to wish the new captain, Olav Aadnesgaard and vice-captain, Grant Cousins a successful and enjoyable 2018 season.

Hanlie Dry



Back Row: Jack Osborne; Adam Osborne; Amren Naidoo; Thomas de Beer; Christian Cullen; TJ Joubert Front Row: Ben Mason; Olav Aadnesgaard; Chizembi Sakulanda; Hanlie Dry; Ryan Griesel; Joshua Roberts; Murray Schnell





Back Row: Sam Black, Jonathan Harel, Ben Williams, Michael Frost, Jean-Marc Rey Front Row: Robert Attwood, Mr Chris Kingsley, Alistar Frost (*Captain*), Mr Wessel Theron, Robert McGraw

Tennis

Mr Theron took over the running of tennis from Mr Kingsley this year and they worked side by side to ensure the successful organization of the sport. This year boys have been reminded that tennis is not only a gentleman's game, it is a social game, a mental game, a universal game and a game you can play until you are ninety. Tennis is a life sport.



Pearce: Stephan Liebenberg, Josh Cox, Robbie Attwood, Mike Attwood, Jonathan Harel

The year started on a rocky note with Ali Frost and Robbie McGaw being injured but we were still able to end up second in the Denness League. The 2nd team, who played in the same league, was just as competitive as the 1st team and gave them a run for their money. During the first term, we had a few players who participated in the Midlands and KZN trials. We are very proud of Sam Black and Joe Hill who were selected for the KZN team. One of the highlights this year was the Inter-House competition. Jean-Marc Rey and Jonathan Harel played an epic tennis match under lights and all the boys and supporters who came to watch were very impressed with their competitive nature and skill on display. On the other hand, we had the Attwood brothers who also played really well together and showed that they were a force to be reckoned with. Pearce House persevered and claimed the victory against Churchill in the final 2-1.

This year the Frost brothers have also shown that they are a lethal weapon when they work towards the same goal. They played together in the Hilton/St. Anne's Festival and the de Wet Cup. We are also looking forward to seeing what James and Oliver Levell, our new brother's team, is going to do in the years to come.



Hilton/St Anne's Doubles Festival

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Frost brothers

Ali Frost, Jean-Marc Rey, Mike Frost, Robbie Attwood, Ben Williams and Thomas Talmage participated in the annual Hilton/St. Anne's Doubles Festival. The competition was tough and unfortunately we had a bit of rain. The camaraderie between Hilton and St. Anne's was brilliant. We ended up in 4th place in the mixed doubles division and 6th in the boys' division.



Hilton/St. Anne's Doubles Festival.

de Wet Cup



In term 3, Hilton took 2nd place again, but this time in the Doubles League. The de Wet Cup changed everything for us this year. We came second in both leagues this year but because of strategy, grit and team work we brought the Cup back to Hilton. Herewith an extract of Tony Shuttleworth's match summary: "Throughout the singles matches and into the first doubles matches the advantage swung one way and then the other. Eventually, with two doubles matches remaining, Hilton were one up and needing one last victory to secure the trophy. Michaelhouse, however, had not given up. They won the first of these matches and, in so doing, drew the teams level. The last match would, therefore, be the decider. In this encounter the games went to 6 games apiece before the final drama. Robbie Attwood and Ben Williams held on to win their service game (7 - 6) giving us a chance to win should we be able to break the Michaelhouse service game. This tense game went to 30 all before a double fault by Michaelhouse took the score to 30 - 40 and match point to Hilton. A solid return of serve by Robbie Attwood put enough pressure on the Michaelhouse player who sent his return sailing over the base line and Hilton reclaimed the de Wet Cup 2017. Well done boys!"

Ballies vs Boys 2017



On the 13th October we celebrated tennis with our annual Ballies versus Boys tennis match followed by the end-of-year tennis dinner. The boys performed well but the Ballies were too strong and proved that tennis is a mental battle just as much as a physical battle. We were privileged to have Nigel Frost as our guest speaker at the dinner. He reminded everyone that sport must be enjoyed and cherished.

The following awards were made at the dinner:

Singles Champion 2017:	Alistar Frost
Runner up:	Robert Attwood
Bleloch/Jakins Doubles Champions 2017:	Tim Prettejohn Sam Black
Runners up:	Robert Attwood Robert McGaw
Top Tennis Player of the year:	Ali Frost
2017 Most improved 1st team players:	Jean-Marc Rey, Michael Frost
2017 Most improved 2nd team player:	Joe Hill
2017 Players' player and sportsmanship (as voted by the players):	Tim Prettejohn
2017 Certificates of Merit:	Sam Black, Joe Hill
Captain 2018:	Robbie McGaw
Vice-captain 2018:	Nic Bennett

Ali Frost (Captain 2017) and Robbie Attwood (Vice-captain 2017) did a great job in balancing their busy schedules and leading by example. We also thank the Frost family for their departing gift – a new captain's board that will showcase names from 1920 onwards. We are extremely grateful to Gareth Greenwood, our professional coach, for his commitment and positivity. We also thank Mrs Angela Salamon, Mr Nick Holtzhauzen and Mr Tony Shuttleworth for their support and involvement this year. The school installed new tennis court fencing and bought new tennis benches for which we are very thankful.

Next year is a big year for tennis. We will be travelling to England in June/July to play against some of the most prestigious schools in the UK and visiting Wimbledon. We also have a special project in the pipeline whereby we have received quotes to close up the tennis club, redo the flooring, update the lighting, install new seating and update the paving outside.

We look forward to 2018 and thank all the boys for their commitment and sportsmanship.

Regular 1st Team Players: Robert McGaw, Ali Frost *(Captain),* Jean-Marc Rey, Jonathan Harel, Michael Frost, Sam Black, Robbie Attwood (Vice-captain).

Regular 2nd Team Players: Tim Prettejohn, Ben Williams, Nic Bennett, Joe Hill, Thomas Talmage, Shaswath Rangaswamy, James Levell, Ulrich Spies.

Regular U15A & U15B Players: Josh Cox, Michael Attwood, Colby Dyer, Oliver Levell, Matt Liao, Chae van den Berg, Sebastian Guimaraens, Matthew Dalrymple.

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Summary of results: (1st Team): Played 15, Won 9, Lost 5, Drew 1

Wessel Theron MIC Tennis





Back Row: Murray Schnell, Patrick McVeigh

2nd Row: Dylan Thomas, Tim Mundell, Josh Roberts, Jamie Allan, Grant Cousins, Olav Aadnesgaard, Front Row: Ryan Griesel, Nicholas Tillim, Christaian Deare (*Captain*), Andrew Duncan, James Wood (*Vice-Captain*), Murray Ross, Christopher Hoole



1st Team

The Hilton 1st Water Polo team began preparations for the year with a pre-season camp in January. Here, we established that a major goal of ours was to reach a final in a tournament.

Our first game was against Westville. The game was to-and-fro, with Westville staying in front by one goal. After a controversial moment, Hilton ended up playing a man down for the remaining four minutes of the game. However, we played some amazing polo during that period and scored more goals in those four minutes. Unfortunately, it wasn't enough, as we went down 6-7.

After the loss to Westville, we went on to thrash DHS, Martizburg College and then Affies in a packed Du Casse Centre.

Our next game was against Clifton. The school came out to support and we were hungry for another victory over these rivals. But it was not to be this time, as Hilton went down 6-8 in a tight encounter.

In preparation for the KES tournament, we took a bus trip up to the country's capital city for the Pretoria Boys High Festival. We had some mouth-watering fixtures against the JHB teams, St Stithians, St Johns, Jeppe and Pretoria Boys High. Hilton played some amazing polo, scoring goals from the 2-metre mark and executing outside shooting against a zone defence. Hilton returned home unbeaten.

- Jeppe 9 Hilton 16
- St Stithians 5 Hilton 9
- St John's 6 Hilton 10
- PBHS draw 11-11



The Michaelhouse fixture fell over the KES tournament so the 1st team went up the hill to play our old foes on a Wednesday. Michaelhouse took a leaf straight out of the Hilton playbook and decided to pack the stands at the pool with the entire school, creating a hostile environment for Hilton. The game went almost goal-for-goal, although Hilton were always in the lead. Hilton were up by one goal with 1 minute, 30 seconds to play. I called a timeout to slow the game down, and we met right below the Michaelhouse supporters. The noise coming from the hosts leaning over the stands completely drowned out our time-out and we couldn't hear each other at all. Cool, calm and collected we went back out. I will never forget the deathly silence after Nic Tillim buried a goal to go two up with seconds to play, making it impossible for Michaelhouse to come back. A sign of a winning team is the ability to win those types of games when everything is against you.

Back up to Gauteng for the KES tournament – probably the toughest tournament of all with a format of four groups of four teams, with only the top two progressing to the next round. On

top of that, the best schools in the country were all there. We were drawn with SACS, St Johns and Wynberg – two of those teams would not make the quarterfinals. After a 10-8 loss to SACS (who were eventual tournament winners) and 16-2 victory over Wynberg, it came down to a showdown between St Johns and Hilton in which the winner goes through. Some outside shooting from Grant Cousins and a trick shot goal from Chris Hoole sealed us a 7-5 win and we progressed to the quarterfinals of the KES tournament for the first time in history. Unfortunately, we were knocked out at the quarterfinal stage. That brought the end to Term One.

Christian Deare, James Wood and Nic Tillim went on after that to play in Currie Cup at Stellenbosch for the KZN 18A team where they finished 3rd and received a bronze medal.

Winter passed by and we began our pre-season for the up-andcoming tournaments.

We arrived at Clifton in a pool we were hoping to top and progress straight to the quarters. There are no easy games at Clifton, however, we managed wins over Paul Roos and KES. Topping the pool meant we were to play St John's in the quarters, which we were happy about having beaten them twice in the first term. We took an early lead, but, after some complacent shooting, we let St Johns back in the game. We found ourselves staring down the barrel at 5-2 down in the 4th chukka. It was pouring with rain but the supporters were still out there. Ryan Griesel got back in the pool with an injured shoulder and a point to prove. We dug ourselves out of the hole with a massive comeback, scoring four goals to take the lead 6-5. With 30 seconds to go, St John's equalised and the game went to penalties. A lack of Big Match Temperament (BMT) saw us fail in the penalty shootout. It was heart-breaking for the team. We did, however, bounce back and beat KES again in the play-off stage.

After Clifton, we flew down to the Cape to play in the SACS

tournament. Hilton was drawn in a tough pool, and finished 5th out of 10 in our pool, missing out on the quarterfinals by points difference. Some good results included wins over Kearsney, Martizburg College, Paul Roos and St Andrews College, and draws against St Stithians and Pretoria Boys High. We lost to Rondebosch, Bishops and Westville.



At the St Stithians Stayers Tournament we won four games against St Davids, Westville, Parktown, and KES, and lost two games to the finalists SACS and Rondebsoch.

Moving on to the KZN Championships – better known as the TOP 10. The first team was in a pool with Kearsney, Northwood, Glenwood and Thomas Moore. We beat Kearsney in the first game comfortably, thrashed Thomas Moore, and then stumbled against Glenwood 1-7. This left the Northwood game to see who came second in the pool. With an unbelievable zone defence, we were never going to lose that game, and we ended up winning 4-1. Our next hurdle was DHS in the cross-pool play-off as a semi-finals decider. We duly jumped over the obstacle with a 9-1 trouncing. At




this stage of the overall competition, the title of KZN champs was becoming a two-horse race between Hilton and Clifton. The semifinals were decided and Hilton drew the home team, Clifton College. In a pulsating game, we found ourselves down 3-1 at halftime. But the grit of the Hilton team and the hunger of beating Clifton kept us in. 3-2, 3-3 and then Grant Cousins scored on extra man with two minutes left to go and we were 4-3 up. Some heroic defence from the likes of Jamie Allan and Nic Tillim kept any threat from Clifton at bay. In the end we ran the clock down and finished victorious over rivals Clifton. The sweetest part was reaching our goal in the last tournament - making a final, illustrating the teams BMT and ability. this stage of the overall competition, the title of KZN champs was becoming a two-horse race between Hilton and Clifton. The semi-finals were decided and Hilton drew the home team, Clifton College. In a pulsating game, we found ourselves down 3-1 at half-time. But the grit of the Hilton team and the hunger of beating Clifton kept us in. 3-2, 3-3 and then Grant Cousins scored on extra man with two minutes left to go and we were 4-3 up. Some heroic defence from the likes of Jamie Allan and Nic Tillim kept any threat from Clifton at bay. In the end we ran the clock down and finished victorious over rivals Clifton. The sweetest part was reaching our goal in the last tournament making a final, illustrating the teams BMT and ability.

We ended up going down 1-2 to Glenwood in a game that could have gone either way.

The 1st team, U15s and U14s all came 2nd in their respective tournaments – enough to establish Hilton College as the No.1 waterpolo club in KZN and could proudly call themselves Champions of KZN.

This success of the 1st team of 2017 was illustrated through the number of players making KZN representative teams: 9 out of the 13 players.

Season Stats: Played 50 Won 29, Drawn 6, Lost 16

Provincial representatives at SA Schools

KZN U16:	Murray Schnell, Tim Mundell, Oliver Newell, Jamie Allan (non-travelling reserve)
KZN U19B:	Dylan Thomas, James Wood
KZN U19A:	Nic Tillim, Grant Cousins, Ryan Griesel <i>(non-travelling reserve)</i>

Currie Cup representatives:

KZN U18A Mens: James Wood, Christian Deare, Nic Tillim

Andrew Duncan Head coach Water Polo

2nd Team

Regular Players: Mark Armstrong, Chris Bass, Blake Basson, Liam Botha, Thomas de Beer, Douglas Dorward, Joseph Elphick, Chad Enslin, Ben Fowler, Nicholas Freemantle, Duncan Fyvie, Thomas Hamlin, William Hoole, Dominic Johnston, Brandon Kriel, Ben Mason, Oliver Newell, Timothy Prettejohn, Josh Robertson.

Term 1

The season of 2017 was really a season of two halves and the extended list of regular players is evidence of this. What I mean by this, is that all the matric players listed above only played for the 2nd team in the first term but then opted out in the fourth term and were replaced by those up-and-coming players that committed themselves to training throughout the third term. In addition, I have also included in this report the results of the DHS U16 Tournament although a number of the players listed above did not play in this tournament for obvious reasons.

The results, however, of this group of players, during the first term, were largely characterised by some large winning margins and very narrow defeats. In fact, both losses were by only two goals to a strong Clifton side and our traditional rivals, Michaelhouse. One of the highlights of this term's waterpolo was the opportunity to play against Affies who had made the long trip down from Pretoria. Again, waterpolo in the first term seemed to finish way too quickly and before we knew it, we were into the winter sports programme.

Term 4

The fourth term brought a new look side whose pre-season training had begun early in the third term. This group of young players had committed themselves to extensive training without many opportunities to prove themselves in matches. Therefore, it was particularly pleasing to get a win over Saints, who had travelled down to Hilton from Johannesburg, when eventually we got to play them in a pre-season opener. Early on in the fourth term, we also entered a side into the DHS U16 Tournament and a number of players listed above played in this. The rest of the team was comprised of those U16s that play in the 1st team and a couple of U15s that have shown promise. The results, below, speak for themselves and all credit goes to these players for receiving a bronze medal in this national tournament. The difference between playing in the final and getting a bronze came down to a one-goal loss to Clifton in the semi-final. We played some sublime polo to carry a slight advantage into the final chukka of this semi but eventually lost in the final minute of the game. I must make mention of two players who were singled out and gained selection to the tournament team. They were Luke Tillim (still only U15) and Tim Mundell, who was also rewarded for his efforts by being selected as the MVP (most valuable player) of the tournament.

During the remainder of the season, we played predominantly against the same teams as the first term and the results went much the same way. We did manage to reduce the first term score line against Clifton to just one goal but could not close the gap on Michaelhouse. We did cause a small upset by beating them in a triangular earlier in the term but they outplayed us in the final match of the year.

I would like to extend my thanks to all those that made this as enjoyable as season as it was. The players, themselves, trained with commitment and I would like to think, we managed to find that balance between enjoying what we were doing and working hard. This made coaching this group of young men a pleasure and I look forward to watching their progress, on the side of the pool, in the years to come. Thanks must also go to the wonderful support of the parents during the season and for the extra mile, they go for their boys. Finally, I would like to extend my thanks to my colleagues. Firstly to Mr Werth for stepping in and coaching when I had other commitments, to Mr Duncan for giving me the opportunity to tour with the 1st team and for all his support on the pool deck and lastly to Mr Sileno who has stepped in as our Director and who is responsible for all the work behind the scenes.

Results

Term 1: vs Westville won 4-1; vs DHS won 17-0; vs AHS (Affies) won 13-2; vs Clifton lost 5-7; vs Michaelhouse lost 4-6.

Term 4: vs St Stithians won 8-5 (pre-season); vs Clifton lost 5-6 & Michaelhouse won 6-5 (triangular); vs Maritzburg College won 10-1; vs DHS won 18-0; vs Michaelhouse lost 2-4.

DHS U16 Tournament: vs Kearsney won 6-3; vs St Stithians lost 5-6; vs St Albans drew 2-2; vs AHS (Affies) won 10-3; vs St Davids won 8-6 (quarter finals); vs Clifton lost 5-6 (semi-final); vs Selborne won 8-3 (3rd/4th play-off).

Summary of Results: Played 18; won 11; drew 1; lost 6.

Brad Anderson

3rd Team

Term 1

Regulars: Chizembi Sakulanda (Captain), Liam Botha; Max Elvin; Joseph Elphick; Ben Fowler; Andrew James; Ben Mason; Brandon Kriel; Oliver Newell; Paul Norris; Lex Pienaar; Daniel Spear; David Rodseth; Stuart Roy

Summary of Results:

vs Westville Boys' High School Won	9 – 2	
vs Northwood 2nds	Drew	4 – 4
vs Martizburg College 2nds	Won	9-4
vs Clifton College	Lost	3-6
vs Michaelhouse	Won	6 – 4

Captaining the 3rd team this waterpolo season has been a great honour.

With the decision to dissolve our U16 age group, the open age group received a great influx of Grade 10s, and because of that I believe that our team took on a fresh dynamic. With the combination of the seniors' experience and the juniors' newly honed skills, every boy benefitted from what was delivered by each boy in the team.

For my final 1st term waterpolo season, I could not have asked for a better set of results. Though we did not achieve our goal of attaining an unbeaten season, the level of camaraderie and optimism made this one of my most enjoyable seasons.

Term 2

Regulars: Christian Claassen; Joseph Elphick; Max Elvin; Andrew James; Noah Lapin; Thomas Macleod-Henderson; Matt Loots; Monthati Mahura; Brandon Naude; Stuart Roy; Chizembi Sakulanda; Daniel Spear; Mitchell Thornton; Charles Vickers



Summary of Results:

vs Michaelhouse	Lost	2	_	5	(T	riangular
Tournament) vs St Charles 1st	Lost	3	_	4	(Ti	riangular
Tournament) vs Thomas More 1st	Lost	2	_	6	(St	Charles
Stayers Tournament) vs Crawford La Lucia 1st	Won	9	_	1	(St	Charles
Stayers Tournament)						
vs St Charles 2nd Stayers Tournament)	Won	5	-	I	(St	Charles
vs Michaelhouse Stayers Tournament)	Won	8	-	2	(St	Charles
vs Amanzimtoti 1st	Lost	2	-	3	(St	Charles
Stayers Tournament; semi-fina vs Michaelhouse	u) Lost	2 -	- 4			

The fourth term saw the team play against teams that were higher than third team level on several occasions. This would serve as a demotivator for many young men as they would feel that they had nothing to play for. This was the opposite with this team, they were up for the challenge and played out of their skins. A highlight was the St Charles Stayers Tournament, where, after losing the first fixture against Thomas More 1st Team, the team decided that they were determined to make the semi-finals and give it everything they had to try to have a rematch against Thomas More in the final. Unfortunately, this was not to be as after drawing 1 – 1 after regular time, the team went down 2 – 3 on a penalty shoot-out. Practices were enjoyable and the skill level of the boys improved as the season progressed. On numerous occasions a comment about their sportsmanship and sense of fair play was passed by several of the opposition coaches and this is testament to the fine young men.

Mike Werth

4th Team

A good season was enjoyed by the 4th Waterpolo Team in 2017. Some of the highlights of the season were beating Michaelhouse twice this season, both home and away. We did lose to their 3rds in a tournament however. We played St. Charles 1st team twice this year, losing to them once by 1 goal and then beating them once by 1 goal. Luke Alcock was the captain of the side and he brought a good vibe to the team. The spirit was good amongst the players who thoroughly enjoyed their season. The regular players were Matt Barrett, Luke Alcock, Matt Loots, Luke Udal, Lorenzo Meaker, Matthew ten Hope, Zelwande Phenyane, Kopano Segoale, Chris Prettejohn, Nick Barocas, Sean O'Flaherty, Gabriel Becerra, Liam Rodwell. Overall, it was a very competitive season.

Andrew Douglas

5th Team

Regular players: Nic Bennett, Craig Stokes, Jason Crouch, *(Captain),* Christopher D'Oliveira, Zanesizwe Ndebele, Sampa Chikwanda, Brendan Beukes, William Crowe, Craig Musaemura, Keane Theron, Leftheri Zigiriadis, Jared Martin, Joshua Barradas

The 5th Waterpolo team thoroughly enjoyed the season and played regular fixtures. The team will be remembered for their positive attitude and their work ethic. The team played five fixtures of which they won three games against Westville Boys High School, Northwood and Michaelhouse. The team managed to score a total of 31 goals. Jason Crouch successfully captained the team. Special thanks go to Mr Douglas and Mrs van Zuydam for their help every week.

AC Blume Coach

U15A

Regular players: Murray Dorward, Connor Holdsworth, Thomas Joubert, Luke Lourenco, Reece MacEwan, James Presbury, Akil Ramcharrun, Hylton Royden-Turner, Luke Tillim, Luke Van Ryswyk, Dom von Hone.

Term 1

In the 1st term the U15A team proved themselves a formidable force in Kwa-Zulu Natal under the guidance of Mr Oscar Horstmann. They dispatched all their opponents during the regular fixtures (with the exception of the Clifton team). The team posted some impressive scores against the likes of Glenwood, Northwood, DHS, and Maritzburg College, whilst the encounters against Westville and Kearsney were slightly more contested affairs. Throughout the term the team performed to their potential.

Term 3

The 3rd term witnessed some changes around the team with two new players being added to the squad and Mr Jason Sileno taking the helm as the new coach. Also for the first time the team committed themselves to a full pre-season programme in order to prepare for the Melliar Cup Tournament and the 4th term's fixtures. During this period the team focused on fitness, fundamentals and more technical and tactical aspects of the game. Some preseason matches were also played during this period with the team easily defeating the likes of Kearsney, Maritzburg College, Glenwood, Northwood, DHS and Westville. The team also claimed the scalp of the St Stithian's U15A team who travelled from Johannesburg for the fixture.

At the end of this term the U15A team travelled to Cape Town for the Melliar Cup Tournament, which is the premier U15 nationwide competition. The team went into the tournament as relative unknowns in those parts, but with the intent of making a bold statement, which indeed they did. Placed in the "group of death" the team comfortably beat Paul Roos Gymnasium, and the Wynberg teams. They then turned some heads in a grand performance against Grey PE (eventual finalists in the competition) with an epic comeback in the second half, eventually losing out 5-4. Buoyed by that performance the team was fizzing at the opportunity to take on their arch-nemesis Clifton in the next match. In arguably the match of the season the team set out to dominate the Clifton team with a phenomenal press defence and fast break on the counter attack. For the majority of the match the Hilton lads had the Clifton team against the ropes, but unfortunately were not able to close it out and went down narrowly in the end. The performance made many other opponents sit up and take note of this talented Hilton team, which is testament to all the hard work they had put into their pre-season.

Term 4

In the final term the team continued in their good form with regular fixture victories over Maritzburg College, Michaelhouse and Glenwood. The highlight of the term however was the Top 10 Tournament, with the team winning their pool with substantial wins over Glenwood, DHS, Maritzburg College and Westville to finish top of the pool. The team then showed resolve and composure to dispatch Westville in the semi-final and earn a spot in the final against Clifton. In a highly charged final the team once again faced their arch-nemesis with high hopes after their performance in Cape Town still fresh in their minds. The team fought valiantly and gave of their best, but unfortunately Clifton were the more clinical team on the day. All-in-all finishing 2nd at the Top 10 Tournament was an admirable result and the team played some excellent waterpolo.

In conclusion the U15A team had a fantastic year of waterpolo and can be extremely proud of their achievements and progress. They



also grew as a group of young men by embracing the ideologies of teamwork and camaraderie, and will have fond memories of their time together.

KZN Representatives:

KZN U15A: Thomas Joubert, Reece MacEwan, Luke Tillim. Akil Ramcharrun (as a non-travelling reserve).

Summary of results: Played 32, Won 26, Drew 2, Lost 4

Jason Sileno

U15B

Regular players: Timi Animashahun; Guy Barnard; Ethan Bonamour; Ricardo Cipriano; James Coull; Brett Geyser; Toby Jenkins; Luyanda Mashanda; Lwazi Matiwaza; Duncan McDonald; Amren Naidoo; Adam Osborne; Samuel Quibell; Chris Sjoberg; Jack Youens.

It was a steep learning curve for the boys this past season. They played good water polo and upheld the Hilton values throughout the season. Unfortunately, they played tough matches against Westville Boys' High School, Michaelhouse, Clifton College and St Charles which they lost. Much work was done in the pool and the fixtures against Northwood, Maritzburg College and the final fixture of the season against Michaelhouse all ended up in draws.

I thoroughly enjoyed the season with the boys and I wish them all the best for the seasons to come. I'll eagerly support them from the side of the pool.

Summary of results: Played 8, Lost 5, Drawn 3

Oscar Horstmann

U14A

The team had a great first year of High School Water Polo. Coming from different backgrounds, there was a mixture of experience making up the team. There were those that had played at a relatively high level in prep school, those that had played the game on the odd occasion and those that were introduced to the game for the first time, having never previously played. What stood out for me was how quickly this group of boys bonded together to fast become the leading U14A team in KZN.

The team enjoyed an unbeaten 1st term and were full of confidence going into the pre-season, where, a visit from a strong St Stithians U14A team quickly brought us back down to earth, teaching us that you cannot simply "rock up" and hope to succeed. This however was the much needed tonic to kick-start the season that lay ahead. Intensity was increased at practices and the boys went on to record some fine wins against both local and visiting schools from around South Africa.



The team had a fantastic Hilton College U14A Festival and produced some really good waterpolo, winning 6 games, however, again our only loss coming to the same St Stithians team.

At the KZN Top 10 Tournament we went in as clear favourites and won every game leading up to the final quite convincingly, including a 10-1 demolition of Clifton College in the Semi Finals. In the final however, things were to be quite different and the boys would gain the experience of having to be absolutely clinical when chasing something. The final was played at Westville, against the Westville team and was refereed by two officials appointed to referee by the Westville coach, however, that said, despite the difficult circumstances in which we found ourselves, we did have our chances to win and on any other day we would have won the game convincingly. Such is the unfortunate side that exists in sport and so going forward, the boys should remember this lesson. Despite being the best team in KZN by a country mile in 2017, we ended with Silver medals.

For the two games that remained in the season, we had a scare against DHS, having to come from behind by 3 in the last two minutes to claw back and win by 1, this showed immense grit by the boys, and then we ended off the season by once again convincingly beating Michaelhouse.

Regular members: David Earle; Ryan Jenkins; Tyron Anderson; Christian Cullen; Luke Hitchings; David Ribeiro; Liam Zocchi-Domman; Janus Potgieter; Jack Osborne.

Congratulations to the following boys on their selection into the KZN U14A team that will be playing in the South African Schools IPT Water Polo Tournament in December:

Jonty Alexander **Bradley Henderson** James Te Reille Chad Uys Kelvin Robertson

I wish this group of boys everything of the very best for their remaining years at Hilton, I encourage them to enjoy every moment, to remain humble and to take delight in the responsibility that comes with being the top team in South Africa.

The team produced the following victories this year:

KZN Schools

DHS; Glenwood; Northwood (x 2); Westville (x3); Michaelhouse (x 4); Clifton (x2); Kearsney; St Charles (x 2); Maritzburg College (x 3); Thomas More.

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Schools around South Africa

St Johns: St Andrews (Grahamstown)

It has been a pleasure and indeed a privilege to have worked with such a fantastic group of boys and parents. I will be watching closely how you grow from strength to strength and would love the opportunity of working with you again in the future.

Lionel Randall

U14B

Regular players: Travis Holdsworth, David Earl, Jack Mackenzie, Ewan Gibbs, Jack Osborne, Myles Driman, Joubert Smit, Liam Zocchi-Domman, Jaden Terblanche, Luke Hitchings, Lubonwe Phenyane, Matt Bray, Craig Davidson,

Amo Ferguson-Albany, Inam Mlawu, Sebastian Guiramaens.

The u14B Waterpolo side have had a wonderful season. The boys had a long season playing 4 games in the 1st term, 1 game being an internal game against the Hilton College u15B side. It has been unfortunate that they could only play 4 games in the first term but they then played 5 games in the 4th term. In the Triangular against Michaelhouse and St Charles, they lost to MHS and beat SCC. The last 3 games they won beating Maritzburg College, SCC and MHS.

Some very good performances by a number of boys that stood out and even had a chance to play in the A-side. A memorable game was the boys very first game against Westville. The boys won 5-2 away from home and their last game against MHS beating them 9-3 at home.

It has been great to see the growth and improvement from week to week in these young men. After their very busy first half term at Hilton College I am very impressed with their effort, commitment and most of all the will to never give up.

I look forward to seeing these boys grow in the years to come and for most of them to push for places in the A-sides and even for a spot in the first team one day.

Summary of results: Played 4, Won 1, Drew 1, Lost 2

Matthew Fairweather





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THE OLD HILTONIAN CLUB

National Committee and Branches

The Old Hiltonian Club's aims and objects are to promote, coordinate and engender the collegiality of Old Hiltonians and other persons interested in Hilton College and to foster mutual interests amongst its members and other stakeholders. The Club also aims to uphold, promote and perpetuate Hilton College and when appropriate, to raise funds on behalf of Hilton College and the Club.

The National Committee of the Old Hiltonian Club comprises Ari Seirlis, Brett Armstrong, Graham Ducasse, David Fowler, Molupe Thelejane, Bevan Ducasse, Donavan Bailey and our chairman, Jonathan Clark. Our President, Mike Nicholson, and our two vice-presidents, Sir Roger don Wauchope and Peter Clarke, also make regular contributions.

The Club's National Committee members aim to meet quarterly. George Harris, Hilton College's headmaster, and Linda van Wyk, our school's Director of Advancement, join us at these meetings. The Club's branch chairmen are invited to two of the four meetings each year.

The National Committee and Hilton College's Advancement Office work together on the planning and arrangement of the various Old Hiltonian gatherings that take place in each of the regions. Our branches in Zululand, Durban, Pietermaritzburg, Southern Natal, the Midlands, Gauteng, Western Cape and the Lowveld are active. The UK, USA, Australia and Canada branches also hold annual events. During 2017 these gatherings included annual regional dinners, quarterly drinks evenings, golf days, braais and a fishing competition in Zululand. Parents, mothers and wives often join us at these events and our Gauteng golf day is held jointly with Michaelhouse. The Club's annual financial statements reflect the careful way in which these events have been managed, with the revenue raised on the whole matching the costs incurred. The National Committee wishes accordingly to express its gratitude to our branch chairmen and their committees for the significant time and effort that they expend on behalf of Hilton College and the Old Hiltonian Club.

The Club's various activities are discussed at our meetings. These include the delivery and discussion of the school, Advancement office, branch and National Committee reports, the on- and off-estate cattle projects, the Club initiated the MySchool Card revenue stream that is set aside to fund bursaries, the Hilton & Beyond project, the SuperBru virtual rugby competition, the Hilton College museum and three new potential initiatives.

The Club-initiated on- and off-estate cattle projects continue to be enormously important to the Club and the Hiltonian Society in the provision of funding for bursaries. William Bryant and Guy Bastard kindly participated in the off-estate project during 2017.

The on-estate cattle project, run by Tim Gibson on behalf of the Old Hiltonian Club and Rowan Welsford on behalf of the Hiltonian Society and promoted by Pat Eustace, has generated more than R3 million in financial assistance for sons of Old Hiltonians since inception. This is a notable achievement.

At 31 December 2017, the Club had net assets of R6.4 million, of which R6.0 million is invested on behalf of the Club alongside the Hilton College Endowment Foundation's funds. A surplus of R0.644 million was generated by the Club during the year. The Club's financial contribution towards bursaries was R0.425 million for 2017. The Club's National Committee remains committed to maintaining and hopefully growing the level of bursary support.

BURSARIES

The most serious focus of the activities of the Old Hiltonian Club is perhaps the provision of bursaries which assist sons of Old Hiltonians to attend the school. The Club's contribution has grown considerably in recent years; with the contribution in 2017 being R425 000. Importantly, the committee members remain committed to maintaining, and when possible growing, the level of bursary support.

OLD HILTONIAN CLUB MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: CAMPBELL BUILDING - HILTON COLLEGE 09:30, Saturday, 3 June 2017

PRESENT

Mike J Nicholson (President); Sir Roger Don-Wauchope Bt (Honorary Vice President), Alistair Franklin (Chairman of the Board); Jonathan Clark (Chairman), members of the National Committee: Dr Graham D Ducasse, Donavan Bailey, George Harris (Headmaster), as well as 32 members of the Club.

APOLOGIES

The apologies of Peter Clarke (Vice President); Anthony Collins (Treasurer); Dave Fowler (National Committee Member), together with a further 27 members were recorded.

MINUTING SECRETARY

Linda van Wyk

OLD HILTONIAN CLUB SECRETARY

Trish Hayes

1. WELCOME AND DEVOTIONS

The Club President, Mike Nicholson, opened the meeting and welcomed members in attendance. At this point Mr Nicholson handed the meeting over to the Chairman, Mr Jonathan Clark. Mr Clark requested Mr Harris to read the school prayer. Following the reading of the prayer, Mr Clark welcomed all to the Annual General Meeting of The Old Hiltonian Club as well as The Hiltonian Society NPC. He introduced himself and the National Committee Members present. The apologies of the Committee members not present were noted. The presence of a quorum of members was confirmed and the 125th meeting of the Old Hiltonian Club was declared open.

2. NOTICE OF MEETING

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The meeting had been duly advertised in compliance with the requirements of the Club constitution, and the notice of meeting was taken as read.

3. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 21 MAY 2016

3.1 Approval

The approved minutes of the previous AGM were circulated prior to the meeting. Their acceptance was proposed by Mr Peter Ducasse, and seconded by Dr Graham Ducasse.

3.2 Matters arising

There were no matters raised for discussion.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr Clark indicated that he wished to highlight some of the activities of the Old Hiltonian Club during the period under review and stated that the full text of his report would be provided with these Minutes and would form part of the formal record of the meeting.

He started his reporting with interesting references to the history of the Club dating back to the first meeting in 1891 and proceeded to recognize the services of Anthony Collins, outgoing Treasurer and also listed the names of the nominees for the elections to follow. Mr Clark also conveyed his sincere appreciation to the members of the National Committee as well as the various Branch Chairmen whom he mentioned by name.

The following activities of the Club were mentioned and appreciated:

- The Cattle Project where Tim Gibson was recognized for his management of the project. Members were encouraged to join this very successful project that had celebrated its best year ever in 2016. Mr Clark indicated that the financial reorganization proposed for the Project would not affect members in any way;
- Mr Clark alluded to the various regional events organized by the various chairmen and congratulated the organisers on their success;
- The successful launch of the Plan for Every Boy Strategy in August 2016;
- Live streaming of Rugby games;
- Trip to the USA made by Peter Ducasse and lain MacMillan to meet old boys on home ground;
- Hilton Old Boys Superbru competition lead by Mark Valentine that raised R37,400 towards bursaries for the sons of old boys, and
- Grant Bullimore who sponsored kit for the First Rugby Team was thanked.

Mr Clark then explained the role of the Advancement Office and its intention to assist the Club with its various activities. He read a motion submitted by Brad Wanless, expressing a need for old boys to increase their support for one another in business and in life in general. Mr Clark then allowed Linda van Wyk to respond with details of the Advancement office's envisaged online business directory for old boys as well as networking opportunities to be embarked upon as soon as Advancement gains traction.

Mr Clark alluded to the financial health of the Club and indicated that all events should, with the assistance of Advancement, be self-funding. He noted a vote of thanks to staff and mentioned Trish Hayes, Brett South, Kim Martin, Linda van Wyk and Denise Venter by name. He also thanked everyone involved with the various committees and projects as well as Mr Guy Hayward, Chairman of the Trustees of the Hilton College Endowment Fund and Mr Alistair Franklin Chairman of the Board. Mr Harris was thanked for the considered and patient way in which he started his tenure as Headmaster.

Mr Clark concluded by stating that there was immense pride in Hilton College and praised its excellent administration and teaching practices. He stated that all old boys are shareholders of the school and have a duty of care to support and protect the school.

Adoption of the Chairman's report was proposed by Dr Graham Ducasse and seconded by Mr Lloyd Rowlands.

5. ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Annual Financial Statements had been circulated with the Agenda. In his report, Mr Clark had drawn members' attention to the Club's sound financial position, highlighting the facts that a net profit of R26,325 had been generated in the year under review, and that the Club's assets stood at R6 million, of which R5.3 million is financial and managed by the Hilton College Endowment Foundation.

Mrs Venter was again thanked for her meticulous management of the Club's finances.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

Nominations had been received for eight (8) members willing to serve on the National Committee in the 2017/2018 year. They were Messrs. J Clark, D Bailey, D Fowler, Dr G Ducasse, M Thelejane, B Ducasse, B Armstrong, and A Seirlis. These gentlemen were pronounced duly elected.

7. GENERAL

- 7.1 A young Old Hiltonian raised a concern about the general discipline in the Houses. His view was seconded by another member, who mentioned that as a member from the older generation of Old Hiltonians, he had a similar opinion. Mr Harris responded by explaining the measures around House inspections that will be put in place to assist in general discipline.
- **7.2** Mr Armstrong thanked Mr Clark for his exceptional service as Chairman of the Club.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting closed at 10:45am.



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



President and Vice-president of the Old Hiltonian Club, chairman of the board, deputy-chairman of the board, governors, trustees of the Hilton College Endowment Foundation, headmaster, national committee members, branch committee members and all Old Hiltonians gathered here today:

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the Old Hiltonian Club's 125th annual general meeting and to report back on

the activities of the Club for the financial year ended 31 December 2016.

Those of you who are assuming that 125 years takes us back to the school's founding in 1872 will not have fared very well in the 1884 senior examination papers, where amongst other matters, Hilton boys were asked to extract the square-roots of 3,108,169 and of 2 and 46/(49ths)! The first AGM of your Club, which was then called the "Hiltonian Society" was held in 1891. Henry Vaughan Ellis, who was the headmaster and proprietor of Hilton College at that time, would retain ownership for another thirteen years, at which point one hundred and forty old boys formed a limited liability company and named it Hilton College Limited. This entity purchased the Hilton property from Ellis for £10,000 in 1904 and £6,000 was budgeted for a "new building in red brick".

Anyway, I take you back to these times for a few reasons:

- Firstly, judging by your presence here today, you agree that the contribution and involvement of Old Hiltonians is of no less importance or need today;
- Secondly, work is now commencing for the 150th anniversary of Newnham momentously "taking a farm and opening a school on his own account"; and
- And thirdly, because parts of that red brick building recently received an interesting and entirely appropriate makeover. You are standing in that red brick building here today. It became the west wing of what is now the William Campbell Block, for which Henry Vaughan Ellis turned the first barrow load of concrete on 20 April 1904.

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Before I report back on the year's activities, I thought it appropriate to recognise formally with gratitude the service that Anthony Collins has given to the National Committee. Anthony was your Club's treasurer during the past year. He decided not to stand for reelection this year.

As regards the composition of the committee for the forthcoming year Jonathan Clarke, Donavan Bailey, Graham Ducasse and David Fowler offer ourselves for re-election. Messrs Molupe Thelejane, Bevan Ducasse, Brett Armstrong and Ari Seirlis also offer themselves for election. There is no particular restriction on the size of the national committee and we take the view that the diversity of the committee can only be to the advantage of the Club.

Molupe is an Ellis House boy. He matriculated in 1988, is a chemical engineer by trade and is based in Johannesburg.

Bevan is the son of David Ducasse, and Peter and Graham Ducasse's nephew. Bevan is also a veteran of Ellis House and, having matriculated in 2001 will be the youngest of our committee members. He is based in Cape Town and is a successful IT entrepreneur.

Brett is no stranger to Hilton, having grown up on the estate. Brett lives in Hilton Village and in his own words, "has never really left Hilton College"! He has made an enormous contribution to Hilton over the years, including having served as the chairman of the Pietermaritzburg Old Hiltonian committee. Brett's son Matthew is currently in Grade 8 in Pearce. Ari will be our most experienced committee member. He matriculated in 1979 and is a Pearce old boy. Ari lives in Durban.

The branch committees are the backbone of your Club and it is the following gentlemen and their committees who do all of the hard work organising the events that you attend: Willie Bryant in the Midlands, Myles Hoppe in the Western Cape, David Heenan in Gauteng, Dave Bell in Zululand, Phil Tasker in Nelspruit, Guy Bastard in Southern KZN, Andrew Harington in Canada, Richard Wood in the UK, Damien Farrell in the USA, Brad Wanless in Durban and John Drake in Australia.

Cattle project

As you know, one of the Club's key components is the "on-estate" cattle project. Tim Gibson, who manages this project, wrote to participants a month or so ago, reporting that Hilton's cattle project had had its best year to date. The cattle team's strategy to establish quality pastures has paid good dividends, with Tim reporting that Hilton will have a further 40 hectares of grazing available this summer. This has enabled Hilton to increase its holdings during 2017 to a few over 600 units.

It is remarkable that during the eight year period that the project has been running, it has generated approximately R3.1 million in bursary funding for sons of Old Hiltonians. This is a remarkable achievement on the part of Tim Gibson and his team.

Tim took the opportunity to initiate George Harris into the cattle project this past week by asking him to hand over the "Pat Eustace" floating trophy together with a kilogram of biltong to Tony Godrich, the winner of the 2016 competition. This ceremony took place at Tony's 50th reunion, which was celebrated on Friday evening last week.

Those of you who are participants in the project will have received a letter from Tim regarding the restructuring of the project. This involves the extrication of the Old Hiltonian Club as an intermediary between the participants on the one hand and the Hiltonian Society on the other. The new arrangement is simpler and will be effective from the beginning of July 2017. This financial reorganisation will have no bearing on the project generally. Tim Gibson will continue to send out his newsletters and the Club's annual cattle competition will continue to run.

The National Committee would like to once again express appreciation to the participants in the "off-estate" cattle project, Mike Joyner, Guy Bastard and William Bryant, who continue to kindly run cattle funded by the Club on their farms, again for the benefit of sons of Old Hiltonians.

Events and other happenings during the year

Your Club's branches organised and hosted, once again, a full calendar of social events during 2016, with the Club having been as busy as the national committee had hoped it would be. Having been involved in the organisation of a number of these events, I am well aware of the time and effort that is required and that in general these efforts generally encroach on family time.

Each of the branches has hosted an annual event, which might have been an annual dinner, a golf day, a braai or of course the annual Zululand fishing competition that Dave Bell hosts. During the year, John Drake hosted the first Old Hiltonian dinner that has been held in Australia for a while now.

A key involvement of the Old Hiltonian Club's various committees this year has been the organisation of several gatherings for the presentation of the 2015 Hilton College Strategy. Although these were events that the Old Hiltonian Club organised, we invited parents and notably Old Hiltonian's partners to the events too. In fact, the inclusion of partners has been a theme that has been growing during the past few years. Whilst we do not propose to do this at every event, we feel that it has been appropriate to be more inclusive.

A number of Hilton's first team rugby matches have been streamed on YouTube too and this has been widely appreciated. I know of groups of Old Hiltonians who have gathered on a Saturday afternoon in the UK for example to watch one or two of our games lain McMillan and Pete Ducasse undertook a trip to the US and Canada once again during September 2016, laying the seeds for another visit during 2017; this time to the City of New York and St. Petersburg in Florida. Damian Farrell and David Meachin are currently preparing for this year's event and they would appreciate greatly the presence of any of us based in South Africa who happen to be there at the time. As an aside, it amused me no end a few weeks ago to be copied on an email that included a co-founder of Microsoft – Paul Maritz – and the world's first commercial astronaut – Mike Melville.

I thought that I would also make mention of the "Hilton Family SuperBru Competition" and how tremendously successful it has been, both this season and last year. Mark Valentine originated this idea and arranged it for us this year, as he did last year. Mark wishes the proceeds to be used to fund sons of Old Hiltonians wishing to send their boys to our school. R24,500 was raised for bursaries in 2017 and R37,400 in 2017. Mark is clearly on a good wicket here and has a few more ideas that the National Committee intends assisting him with. Thank you Mark, as well as Gary Teichmann, Wayne Fyvie and Bob Skinstad for supporting this initiative.

Staying with rugby, Kyle Moyes and 21 of his Hilton friends participated again in the Old Boys 10's rugby festival held at Pirates Rugby Club. The event consisted of 27 teams and included the likes of Michaelhouse and St Andrews. Kyle's team won the shield this year against Queens College. Kyle wishes me to thank Grant Bullimore, who sponsored the teams' kit.

You will also be interested to know that Chris Hoole, kitted out in his "number ones", laid a wreath on behalf of Hilton College at the Delville Wood 100th commemoration in July 2016. I was there and found it deeply moving to witness the effort that had been made by our people to honour our fallen heroes.

So 2016 proved once again to be a productive year for the Old Hiltonian Club, with momentum created in prior years having been maintained.

Advancement Office

As you know, Ian McMillan's Development Office managed in the past the day-to-day affairs of the Old Hiltonian Club. Well, the Development Office has transfigured into the "Advancement Office" now and Linda van Wyk, who joined the Hilton team in January this year, runs it. Linda was responsible previously for the University of Pretoria's Advancement Office and brings to Hilton cutting-edge fund-raising know-how and extraordinary levels of energy and passion for our school. Linda's objective is to grow the team such that it services the school and our Club effectively. Work on our data-base has already commenced and, given the Advancement Office's custodianship of the Club's affairs on a day-to-day basis, I'm sure that you will be seeing some interesting changes in the near-term. Hopefully the branch committee processes will be easier to manage now as we intend shifting at least a portion of the organisation and booking work that the branch committee members do to the Advancement Office staff.

Having said that, Linda's principle objective is to lead a determined effort to raise funding for Hilton College's endowment. As we are all so aware, the realities of independent school education today result in fewer and fewer families being able to afford private school fees, with parents' expectations and competition continuing to increase. However one considers these constrains, one's thoughts generally circle back to the financial endowment available to the school. Linda has been evaluating the school's various fund raising initiatives, including those originated over the years by your Club's National Committee.

Hilton College's 2015 Strategic Plan's "Hilton & Beyond" programme is also being managed by the Advancement Office. This programme aims to connect Hilton's pupils to the world beyond Hilton and also to draw Old Hiltonians back to their school, providing them with opportunities to for example fund or mentor individual boys or for that matter provide funding for specific causes such as people, facilities, technology and sustainability.

Finances

From a financial perspective, the Club has continued to perform acceptably and this is borne out by the following headline numbers, which have been extracted from the financial statements of the Club for the year ended 31 December 2016:

- A modest net profit after tax of R26,325 was generated, confirming that in general the events that the branch committees have arranged have been self-funding
- The Club has total assets of R6.3 million, R5.3 million of which are financial in nature and managed by the Hilton College Endowment Fund Trustees. R864,774 was held in cash at year end, but passed over to the Endowment Fund Trustees after year-end to be managed together with the Club's capital
- A loan outstanding to "Members" of R615,525 represents the amount outstanding by the Club to the cattle project participants. This is to be settled shortly out of cash resources as part of the cattle project restructuring

Appreciation

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who have contributed as you have to the successes that we have all enjoyed this past year.

Linda van Wyk, Trish Hayes, Denise Venter, Kim Martin and Brett South – you take on everything that we ask for so graciously and have run the administration of the Club's affairs impeccably. Thank you.

Tim Gibson, Pat Eustace, Rowan Welsford and your team, Troy Rowlands and Denise Venter, thank you to you all for your outstanding stewardship of the cattle project. As I indicated last year, you have developed it into a serious business in its own right. The surpluses generated are deployed in a most worthy way to fund sons of Old Hiltonians and on occasion, whenmatters improve for the families concerned, the bursary funds provided have been returned many times over.

Appreciation is also due to those who have participated in the Old Hiltonian Club's branch and national committee structures. You have travelled to Hilton regularly – at your own expense – and your participation in our meetings is greatly appreciated.

I would also like, on behalf of the Hiltonian Society's shareholders, to express our appreciation to certain other members of our community: to Guy Hayward and the Hilton College Endowment Fund Trustees as well as to Alistair Franklin and his hugely competent and committed Board of Governors. We are all fortunate to have women and gentlemen of your calibre committing yourselves tirelessly as you do to Hilton.

The national committee is thankful to you too George for the considered and patient way in which you have stepped into your role. We are also thankful for the support that Hilton's staff complement has given to George: it is important and appreciated.

We take perhaps for granted sometimes what goes on around here and I suppose that this because it has always been done so well. We are reminded of this excellence and these personal generosities whenever we experience Hilton, whether it is the friendly way in which people calling Hilton are always greeted by Kogie and Vuyi in reception.

Finally, I would like to thank you all most sincerely for attending today's annual general meeting of your Club. Your presence here today reflects your belief in the importance of your role as a shareholder of our school and we ought – each one of us – to encourage more Old Hiltonians to take their role as a shareholder seriously; to demonstrate their duty of care, to support, protect and nurture it, all with a view to ensuring that your school not only survives, but moves with the times and flourishes.

Jonathan Clark Chairman: National Committee – The Old Hiltonian Club

Old Hiltonian Regional Activities

Area	Name	Venue	Date	Functions
UK	Richard Wood	Oyster Shed - on the Thames	27th April	Drinks & Snacks
W Cape	Myles Hoppe	W Cape	06th May	Hilton vs MHS Live Streaming
KZN	Hiltonian Day	Hilton College	03rd June	Hiltonian Day - AGM
Gauteng	David Heenan	Glenda's Restaurant, Hyde Square	13th June	Gauteng Drinks
Midlands	Brett Armstrong	Fleur-de-Lys	16th June	Bring 'n Braai Friendship get together
UK	Richard Wood	The Loose Cannon, London	17th June	MHS v Hilton Rugby
W Cape	Myles Hoppe	Villagers Rugby Club	17th June	Hilton vs MHS Live Streaming
UK	Andrew Morgan	Family Braai	19th August	UK Old Boys Family Braai
Gauteng	David Heenan	Bryanston Country Club, Grosvenor Room	14th September	Annual Dinner
Durban	Brad Wanless	Durban Country Club - Belvedere Room	19th September	Annual Dinner
Canada	Andrew Harington	Toronto Club, Fairmont Royal Yord	03rd October	Old Hiltonian Dinner
USA	David Meachin	Harvard Club, New York	05th October	Hilton Reception and Dinner in New York City - (welcome new HM)
USA	Damian Farrell / David Meachin	Feather Sound Country Club, St Petersburg, Florida	09th October	Cocktail Reception & Dinner
USA	Damian Farrell / David Meachin	Feather Sound Country Club, St Petersburg, Florida	10th October	Boxed lunches
USA	Damian Farrell / David Meachin	David and Barbara Meachin's home	10th October	Cocktails and Dinner
USA	Damian Farrell / David Meachin	Feather Sound Country Club, St Petersburg, Florida	11th October	Farewell Buffet Luncheon
USA	Damian Farrell / David Meachin	St Petersburg Hilton Hotel, Carillon Park,	12th October	Farewell Breakfast
W Cape	Myles Hoppe	The President Hotel - Bantry Bay	12th October	Annual Function
UK	Andrew Richmond	The RAG London	14th October	Old Boys Dinner - (welcome new HM)
Mpumalanga	Philip Tasker	Edmondson House, Recoletta, White River	24th October	Annual Dinner
Gauteng	David Heenan / Kyle Moyes	Killarney Country Club	3rd November	Hilton Michaelhouse Golf Day
Midlands	William Bryant	Lions River	10th November	Bring 'n Braai
Gauteng	David Heenan	Pirates Sports Club	17th November	Schools Old Boys Rugby 10's
UK	Andrew Richmond	Ye Olde Cheshire Cheese, 145 Fleet St, London	14th December	Old Boys Christmas Drinks

REUNIONS 2017

Reunion Date		Rugby Date and Info				
40 YEAR	Friday, 5th May	6th May	MICHAELHOUSE	HOME		
50 YEAR	Friday, 26th May	27th May	MARITZBURG COLLEGE	HOME		
10, 20, 25, 30 YEARS & AGM	Friday, 2nd June	3rd June	KEARSNEY	HOME		
35 YEAR	Friday, 09th June	10th June	NORTHWOOD	HOME		
75 YEAR Reunion Luncheon	Thursday, 21st Sept					



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Reunions

40 YEAR REUNION held on Friday, 5th May 2017

We were delighted to welcome the following Old Hiltonians to their reunion:

Nic Addison, Clive Alexander, Murray and Pam Alexander, Michael and Sue Antonie, Michael and Penny Bruorton, Nick Chevallier, Huw Williams, Graham Evans and Tanya Taylor, Graeme Gilfillan, Richard Grantham and Debi Cawood, David Hyslop, Gordon and Sharon Johnstone, John and Aimee Kinsley, Ant and Moira Lovell, Bryan and Sue Knowles, Carey Millerd, Jeremy and Joanna Nicol, Andrew Pfaff and Janet, Kevin Robertson, Richard Robinson, Steven Saunders, Louis Schmidt, Clive and Kerry Scotney, Evan Taylor and Bruce Throssel.









50 YEAR REUNION held on Friday, 26th May 2017

We were delighted to welcome the following Old Hiltonians and their spouses to their reunion:

Harvey and Rene Anderson, Andrew and Sonja Balme, Michael and Shirley Barnes, Alan and Corynne Beall, Bruce and Merle Campbell, Peter and Rosemary Clarke, Christopher Coughlan and Lynda Erlank, Alistair and Tiki Dickson, David and Kate Ducasse, Lindsay and Anette Earl, Tony and Gail Godrich, Peter Goodman, Tom and Bev Hall, Gavin and Glynis Hardy, Malcolm Lindsay, Martin and Ella Potgieter, Stuart and Susan Saville, Grant Shimwell, Roddy Smith, Guy and Trish Solomon, Barry Spencer, Howard Stockdale, Quinton Thom, Peter and Brigid Turner, John and Jill Venning, Timothy and Lynne Venning, Dudley Wang.



At the 50 Year Reunion, Tony Godrich (above) was awarded the Pat Eustace Trophy

The 'Cattle for Bursaries' project started about 8 years ago. The idea is for Old Boys and friends of Hilton to donate money towards an ox that is fattened up on the estate. All profits from the sale of the oxen go towards bursaries. In donating towards an ox, you are automatically entered into the competition for the 'Best Performing ox' and also have naming rights. An initial donation insures you have an ox in the system continuously, i.e. you get allocated a new one every season. The project has been a great success with over R2 million contributed towards bursaries to date. We will have over 600 oxen on the Estate this year.

Tony has been a great supporter of the project and has three oxen in the system, two named after his sons-in-law and the last after his grandson, Graeme. This year "Graeme" took the honours and Tony was awarded the Pat Eustace Trophy (Floating) for the 'Best Performing Ox' and 1kg of biltong (not floating)!













10, 20, 25, & 30 YEAR REUNION -Held on Friday, 2 June 2017

We hosted 174 Old Hiltonians to this combined reunion. It was a wonderful evening!



Kyle Moyes holds up his bottle of wine – a bottle of wine was given to all the McKenzie boys when they left the school 10 years ago!

10 YEAR REUNION

I would just like to thank you on behalf of all the boys from our year for such an amazing weekend. We had such a special time and a lot is thanks to you and your whole team for making it all happen and for bringing us all together over the past 6 months. It's people like you that make Hilton such a special place and somewhere we are proud to come back to.

Kyle Moyes (2007)

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We would also like to thank Kyle for all his efforts in ensuring that almost all of his classmates attended the reunion.















30 YEAR REUNION - Golf at Bosch Hoek 2017



Andrew Crookes, Lloyd Meaker, Lloyd Rowlands, Walter Bastard, Phillip Ronbeck, Frank Hull, John Fourie, Bruce Stott, Floyd Fox, Chris Greene, Tiff Hilditch, Matthew Johnstone, Don McKenzie & Derek Crookes.

A bunch of 1987 leavers spent the Friday before their 30-year reunion dinner at the beautiful Bosch Hoek Golf course in the Midlands. Although not everyone was a golfer, an enormous amount of fun was had by all who participated and the laughter could be heard all around the course. There were some pretty good scores handed in and we did play a fourball alliance competition, but nobody was really interested in the scores as there were far more important things to catch up and talk about.

> Best regards, Lloyd Rowlands

35 YEAR REUNION - Friday 9th June 2017 We were delighted to welcome the following Old Hiltonians to their reunion:

Christopher Attwood, Rob Cleasby, Kevin Cole, Francois Du Toit, Charles Ferguson, Peter Feuilherade, Christopher Haynes, Michael Hayward, James Hemphill, Bobby Hoole, Ross Hoole, Simon Latilla-Campbell, John Mennie, Douglas Ross, Wallis Short, Stephen Stapylton-smith, Earl Talmage, Ross Teichmann, Guy Throssell, Neil Warren, Karl Wiggishoff, Steven Browning, Alastair Douglas, Anthony Wilmot and Andy Wilson.



Standing - left to right: Steven Browning, Karl Wiggishoff, Simon Latilla-Campbell, Douglas Ross, Anthony Wilmot, Charles Ferguson, Michael (Mike) Hayward, John (Jason) Mennie, Christopher Haynes, Wallis Short, Peter Feuilherade, Andrew Wilson, Guy Throssell, James Hemphill, Ross Teichmann, Neil Warren, Robert Cleasby, Robert (Bobby) Hoole,

Kneeing - left to right; Ross Hoole, Stephen Stapylton-Smith, Alastair Douglas, Christopher Attwood, Earl Talmage, Francois du Toit, Kevin Cole



75 YEAR REUNION - LUNCH Thursday 21 September 2017



From left to right: Mr Rolly Shorten, Mr Donald Bransby, Mr Aubrey Welsford, Mr Cyril Souchon and Dr Des Sonnenfeld.

On Thursday, 21st September we were privileged to host our Old Hiltonians 75-year Luncheon.

Our thoughts were with the family of Mr John Hodgson who passed away just over a week before he was to celebrate his 75-year with his great friends.

The attendees to the luncheon were as follows: Des Sonnenfeld, Cyril Souchon, Rolly Shorten, Aubrey Welsford, Donald Bransby, Stella Roberts, Peter Ducasse, Rowan Welsford and Trish Hayes

Family and friends of Mr John Hodgson at the luncheon were as follows: Robert and William Hodgson, Pat and Donald Clark, Pat and Sandy Eustace, Margie White and John, Paul Hammond and Gina, Elizabeth Wilson, Mike and Ros Nicholson

Mr George Harris and Mr Alistair Franklin attended the luncheon for a short while to welcome the Old Hiltonians and pay tribute to John Hodgson.

A note received from Mr Cyril Souchon -

This note is to thank you for so kindly sending us "The Seventy Fivers", your photo of the five of us who were privileged to be at the luncheon on Thursday 21st. I was aware that we represented others who were not able to be there, due to travel constraints in South Africa and from distant countries, as well as the many that have passed on. Whatever, I believe that our 6th form comprised 69 chaps in 1942 and the few of us present were proud to represent them all.

The presence of Headmasters, current and past as well as The Chairman of The Board of Governors, was a compliment and appreciated Thank you for all that was done in arranging such a special occasion.

Sincerely, Cyril Souchon

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Branch News

CAPE EVENT

Hilton and Michaelhouse Old Boys enjoy the game together

Hilton Old Boys Western Cape and Michaelhouse Old Boys Western Cape shared a passionate event during the joint livescreening of the rugby on 17 June 2017, and everyone deemed it to be a fantastic success that spoke to the very special spirit between the two schools.

There were more than 150 people attending – young and old, in Cape Town and that on a long weekend! Myles Hoppe, Cape Town branch manager, in his vote of thanks said, "I think this is an event that both Clubs can build on and a great way of keeping Old Boys emotionally engaged with the respective schools."





Hilton vs Michaelhouse Live streaming event - 17th June 2017

GAUTENG

Gauteng Hilton vs MHS Golf Day

The Johannesburg Hilton Michaelhouse Old Boys' Golf Day has a history that dates back to 1974. The tournament was created to reignite the fierce rivalry that has simmered between our two schools since our first experience of those unforgettable afternoons on Gilfillan and Meadows. Depending on how old the "boy", such athletic sports as rugby is too much for one's lower back/knees/elbows etc., but thankfully most of us can still swing a club in anger and enjoy a flagon in celebration/consolation thereafter! The golf day is a fantastic opportunity to relive fond memories, share cherished stories, reconnect with old friends, and meet new ones. All of this occurs during a brutal competition to see who will raise the Hiltonian Trophy at the end of the day.

Hilton unfortunately lost the 2017 edition of the event however, despite the result this highly enjoyable event on the old boy's calendar was enjoyed by all. We managed to raise a small amount of money from various sponsorships on the day which we will contribute towards the Hilton cattle project. We look forward to returning the trophy back to its rightful home in 2018 and encourage old boys to sign up to play as soon as the call to arms is sent out.

Adam Turk



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ZULULAND EVENT - 21 November 2017



On 21 November, the Zululand Old Hiltonian Club held their Annual Fishing day at New Mouth near Richards Bay.

Dave Bell the Zululand Hilton Old Boys Club Chairman arranged a superb day. The weather played its part and although slow to begin with the fishing was excellent towards the end of the day.

There were six boats that made it on the day (not bad for a Tuesday). Each boat had around 3 or 4 Old boys and after a 6:30 am start, the fun started.



Mark Hawthorn brought Alex his youngest son along who, (bunking school) managed to hook into a large rock cod at the very end of the day and teach the rest of us a lesson in fishing.

Phillip Tasker

Highlights of the day included:

Enjoying the day more and more with the help of locally distilled Tapanga Rum. Greg Hill is one of the owners of the distillery.

Dave Bell's rod and rod holder being knocked overboard (not sure if this had anything to do with the Tapanga Rum) only to be fortuitously recovered when Greg Hill hooked into a beauty of a skate.

The lunchtime beach braai with many old school stories being told, memories shared and laughs had; and Alex Hawthorn's Rock Cod and Greg Hill's Skate which were the catches of the day.

By 4pm the fish had come onto the bite and everyone was having a huge amount of fun catching various different sizes and species.

Thanks to Donavan Bailey and Roger and Matt Fitzsimons who were up at 4am to make the trip from Durban.

Another huge thanks to Dave Bell for the use of his farm and for arranging yet another successful Zululand Hilton Old Boys Day.

Anthony Collins

UK OLD HILTONIAN ANNUAL DINNER - 14 October 2017

The UK Old Hiltonian Club held their Annual Dinner at the prestigious Army and Navy Club in London on Saturday, 14 October 2017. It's rather appropriate to say that the venue is fit for a queen - having hosted Queen Elizabeth II for dinner just a week before!

The event was attended by 42 Old Boys and their partners. A great effort was made by a number of Old Boys - including trips made from Scotland, Belgium, Brussels, Hong Kong, and South Africa.

The special guest for the evening was Hilton's Headmaster, George Harris, who gave a very informative account of his first 9 months in the role. This was followed by a rather lengthy Q&A session and there is no doubt that many of us left the event feeling the school was in very good hands.

We also had two other guests for the evening. Jonathan Clark (Chairman of the Old Hiltonian Society) introduced George and shared the thorough recruitment process that resulted in George being appointed as Headmaster to take over the reins from outgoing Headmaster, Pete Ducasse.

Ryan Maree, Michaelhouse Old Boys Committee (UK), thanked the greater Hilton community for our support after the tragic bus accident in Pietermaritzburg that resulted in multiple injuries and the sad passing of Michaelhouse schoolboy, Themba Dloti.

Andrew Richmond (Chairman UK Old Boys Club) closed the evening confirming the decision taken by the committee to donate 100% of the annual subs collected* from UK Old Hiltonians this year towards the Ryan Walker Foundation. Ryan Walker, an Old Hiltonian (1996), is currently living with Motor Neuron Disease (MND/ALS). He was diagnosed in August 2013 at the age of 35. Together with his family, and through the Ryan Walker Foundation, he wishes to create awareness about the disease and contribute where possible to the MND/ALS community.

Andrew also gave an indication of the type of events to follow in 2018 - including the increased collaboration with Michaelhouse Old Boys.

*Thanks to everyone who contributed, we were able to donate R7,000 to the Ryan Walker Foundation.



OHC USA EVENTS - October 2017

Old Boys gatherings.

During the month of October, Mr George Harris, Headmaster and Mr Alistair Franklin, Chairman of the Board of Governors, travelled to England, Canada and America for a string of

An Old Boys dinner was held in Canada, before a host of events held in New York and Florida, and ending off with an Old Boys dinner in London.

The events held in America ranged from dinners, to lunches and golf matches in between, hosted in New York and Florida. Organizer Damian Farrell thanked all, especially David Meachin, for making these events the enormous success that they were. Without each and every one making the commitment and taking the time there would simply be nothing! At the Old Boys' Dinner at the Harvard Club in New York, in addition to addresses from the Headmaster, George Harris, and the chairman of the Board of Governors, Alistair Franklin, the



Left to Right: Guy Waterhouse – Head Boy 2016 – Pearce 2016; David Meachin – Ellis 1956; Divnar Padayachee – Falcon 2006

group was entertained by speeches from Ambassador Vernon Steward (Ellis House 1944 – 1948) who served as South Africa's Ambassador to the United Nations under both President de Klerk and President Mandela, and Guy Waterhouse, Head Boy of Hilton in 2016, who is currently studying at Princeton University. The fact that our speakers and attendees at the dinner spanned a time frame of over 70 years in the life of Hilton College is a tribute to the School and the following it has created.



 Standing (Left to Right): Mary Scher; Diane Reunert; Daniel Scher, Newnham 2001; Nikki Finnemore; Alexander Finnemore, Lucas 2003; Daniel Scher, Newnham 2001; Paul Van Essche, Pearce 1979; Lanie van Heerden, Newnham 2002; Guy Throssell, Ellis 1982;
Dave Cooper, McKenzie 1970; Don Pigott, McKenzie 1964; Stuart Stott, Ellis 1986; Ryan Fernandes, Lucas 2000; Trevor Hardy, Pearce 1994; Divnar Padayachee, Falcon 2006; Chris Vickery, Pearce 1987; Kirsten Vickery; Philip Reunert, Newnham 1978; Earl Talmage, Churchill 1982; Simon Fish, McKenzie 1978

Seated (Left to Right): Guy Waterhouse Pearce, 2016; George Harris, Headmaster, Alistair Franklin, Ellis 1975, Chairman of the Board of Governors; Ambassador Jim Steward, Ellis 1948; David Meachin, Ellis 1956; Cynthia Shumba, Mother of Matthew Shumba a current 10th Grader at Hilton College

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Golf Trophy

The golf at the Feather Sound Country Club in St. Petersburg, Florida was preceded by a dinner at the Club, with a number of spouses also present. The golfing incorporated an Inter-House tournament - and the results were as follows:

The Inter-House Golf Tournament was won by McKenzie House – Rich Davies and Damian Farrell and Newnham were the runners up with a valiant effort from Phil Reunert and Kim Nothard.



Brett Taylor (McKenzie 1980), Rich Davies (McKenzie 1981), Damian Farrell (McKenzie 1978)

Old Hiltonians in Auckland



Mark Russell, Tam Alexander, Craig MacNab, (yankee visitor), Ray Ulyate, Peter Weinstock, Jonathan Gale, John Swan

Photo sent in by Craig Macnab



Valetes 2017

Christopher Abraham Tofi Adejuyigbe Luke Alcock Lesedi Alexander Robert Attwood Tristan Bagley Blake Basson James Beart Jamie Beetar Sheldon Bishop Nikolaj Boorman James Booth Nathan Bushnell Daniel Cavalieri Darian Chite William Clark Gordon Cook Sam Crookes Graham Curtis Daniel Da Costa Christian Deare Timothy Densham Ryland Dewberry Brandon Dix Benjamin Duggan Chad Enslin Stuart Forbes Ross Forder Nicholas Fowler Thomas Fraser Alistar Frost Thanduxolo Gcaba Andrew Geyser Mitchell Green Murray Greene Ryan Griesel Matthew Grieveson MJ Grobler Guy Harding Greg Harvey Nick Haynes Matt Hildebrand Nicolas Hohls Chris Hoole Dyllan Hope Alexander Hopkins Ciaran Hyslop Mhlanguli Jadezweni Dominic Johnston Robbie Knoop Jarid Kolver Nicholas Leahy Lebo Letlaka Hamish Lovemore Lwazi Malinga Sakhile Malinga

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Lusanda Mdlalose	Ellis
Desmond Meyer	McKenzie
Lwazi Mkhwanazi	Falcon
Tumelo Moagi	Ellis
Oleabetsoe Mokoena	Lucas
Kutloano Moloi	Falcon
Vuyo Mondi	Pearce
Rasikan Moodley	Lucas
Shamiso Mujakachi	Lucas
Chipo Mupeso	Lucas
Fadzai Mushonga	McKenzie
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Paul Norris	Falcon
Nthato Padi	Falcon
Lex Pienaar	Pearce
Tim Presbury	Ellis
Timothy Prettejohn	Churchill
George Putter	Falcon
Keegan Raves	Pearce
David Robinson	McKenzie
David Rodseth	Ellis
Murray Ross	Churchill
Alex Roy	McKenzie
Chizembi Sakulanda	Pearce
Emanuele Scammacca	Ellis
Luke Schreuder	Newnham
Lebogang Seabi	Newnham
Kamogelo Selane	Newnham
Khomotso Senamela	Lucas
Murray Short	Ellis
Nicholas Sjöberg	Ellis
Jono Smit	Churchill
Buhle Solomon	Falcon
Gregory Spear	Pearce
Christopher Swanepoel	Pearce
Motheo Taukobong	Newnham
Michael Terblanche	Ellis
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Lawrence Umunna	Ellis
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Pravir Valloo	McKenzie
William van der Spuy	Newnham
Tristan Warren	Newnham
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Vaughn Williams	Lucas
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CHRISTOPHER ABRAHAM (PEARCE) 2013 - 2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award, Participated in Maths Olympiad – round two, Life Science Olympiad – mentioned at Awards Ceremony. 4th and 5th waterpolo, 1st and 2nd hockey, 5th soccer, KZN Inland A hockey – 2016 – KZN Inland A hockey – 2017. First Aider of the year – 2017. Service tie for First Aid. Hockey honours. French Club Leader. Plans to study medicine at Wits.

TOFI ADEJUYIGBE (PEARCE) 2013-2017

Academic Half Colours. Gold President's Award for Community Service. Service Tie. Chaplains Tie. Participated in Maths Olympiad, English Olympiad, Life Science Olympiad, Physical Science Olympiad, Princeton Prize for Race Reflections – Certificate of Accomplishment. 2nd golf, 2nd and 3rds tennis, 15A's basketball, 3rd hockey. Head of Christian Fellowship, Head of Hilton College Transformation Committee / Co-Founder. Book Club. UCT for one semester to study Chemical Engineering. Plans to enroll and attend an American University in August 2018 to study Bio-medical Engineering.

LUKE ALCOCK (LUCAS) 2013-2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award, Head of House. Maths Olympiad 2013 – 2017. 2nd round 2014, 2015, 2017. English Olympiad 2016 – Silver. 4th waterpolo – Captain. 4th soccer, 3rd rugby. Awarded President's Award – Bronze. Piano lessons. Head of House Lucas. School Magazine. Plans to attend Stellenbosch University and hopefully go overseas.

LESEDI ALEXANDER (PEARCE) 2013-2017

House portfolio – Spirit & entertainment. 5th cricket – Captain. Competition Marimba Band. Cultural Honours. Leader of the FIFA Division (Eports Club). Plans to attend University next year.

ROBERT ATTWOOD (PEARCE) 2013 -2017

1st tennis - U15 Midlands. 1st hockey – U16KZN B. Awarded Inter House tennis cup. Stooging in England.

TRISTAN BAGLEY (MCKENZIE) 2013 - 2017

1st squash, 7th rugby. Plans to study Commerce at either UCT, Stellenbosch or Pretoria.

BLAKE BASSON (ELLIS) 2013-2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Top in grade for Maths Lit. Participated in fishing competitions. 2nd water polo – Captain, water polo Midlands U15A, 7th team rugby -Assistant Coach – Midlands U16B. Form 4 Dorm Cop. Dining hall Representative. Plans to study BA Law at TUKS.

JAMES BEART (ELLIS) 2013-2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. 1st Hockey – Captain – KZN Inland B U18 – Captain. C Dorm Cop. Plans to attend TUKS. Playing hockey and studying BCom (supply chain).

JAMIE BEETAR (MCKENZIE) 2013-2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Participated in English Olympiad and Rockschool Singing Eisteddfod. Grade 8 vocals. 2nd squash, 1st soccer, 2nd hockey. Awarded Half Colours for Academics. Form 3 Dorm Cop. Participated in 3 plays – 2 main roles. Awarded Grade 8 vocal pass with merit. Fly-fishing Club. Plants to study at UCT.

SHELDON BISHOP (MCKENZIE) 2013-2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. Cultural Representative. Academic Honours, LO Prize in Matric, Physical Science Prize in Matric. Represented Midlands in Maths Olympiad in 3 years. Science Olympiad, English Olympiad. Debating Chairman. 2nd & 4th Basketball, 4th & 5th soccer, 4th Hockey (Captain). Awarded Cultural Half Colours. Values Council. Chairman of Debating, Founder and Chair of Model UN, participated in numerous plays. Leader of Clubs and Societies Board 2017. Plans to study abroad and work as tutor before leaving for University.

NIKOLAJ BOORMAN (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Head of sport. 4th cricket, 1st Hockey – U18 KZNA. Awarded MVP Hockey 1st XI. Plans to play Hockey in the Netherlands.

JAMES BOOTH (CHURCHILL) 2013 - 2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. Head of House. Awarded Drama Prize and Vera Burke Memorial Prize. 3 main roles in School productions. 1st XI cricket, 1st XI hockey (Vice Captain). 2nd XI soccer. Karl Klingenberg Memorial Prize (Best all-rounder in Grade 12). Plans to study at UCT, Property Studies.

NATHAN BUSHNELL (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. 4th water polo, 7th rugby, golf – social. Head of Investors Club, Outreach portfolio for Ellis. Plans to study in Israel in September. Work experience in private equity / mergers and acquisitions beforehand.

DANIEL CAVALIERI (LUCAS) 2013 -2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Grade 9 dorm leader & academics. Participated in Biology Olympiad – 2016, and Maths Olympiad 2013 – 2017. 2nd cricket, 1st hockey. Awarded Half Colours hockey 2016 – 2017. Investors Club. Plans to study BAcc at Stellenbosch University as well as playing hockey there as well.

DARIAN CHITE (NEWNHAM) 2013 - 2017

Participated in swimming galas and other swimming competitions. Water polo, rugby and swimming. Was in the choir. Grade 9 dorm Captain. Matric Leader in charity and sport. Photography leader / co-leader. Plans to study Strategic Brand Management at Vega (Cape Town).

WILLIAM CLARK (FALCON) 2013 -2017

Form 1 Dorm Cop. Estate Tie. Shooting – Full Colours. MTB Club Captain. Plans to attend Royal Agricultural University.

GORDON COOK (PEARCE) 2013 - 2017

Marketing, Secretary and Form 2 Dorm leader. Awarded English Subject prize, Biology Subject prize, LAB Sharpe English prize, Commendation prize – 2016. Awarded Academic Honours, Biology Subject prize, Senior Verse prize, and prize for Science – 2017. Participated in the following Olympiads – top 40 in South Africa in Life Science Olympiad. Bronze Award for English Olympiad. 2nd round for the Maths Olympiad – 2017. Squash, 4th team hockey. Head of Orchestra. Completed grade 6 piano. Member of KZNYO from 2014 – 2016. Provincial Colours for Music (Awarded by KZNYO). Awarded Drama Colours and Music Colours. Member of the Art Club. Plans to study Business Science at UCT.

SAM CROOKES (MCKENZIE) 2013 -2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Participated in Maths Olympiad – round 2. 3rd cricket, golf, 5th rugby. Fly-fishing Club. Plans to study Bcom Business Management at Stellenbosch.

GRAHAM CURTIS (PEARCE) 2013 -2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. Awarded Half Colours for Academics. 2nd XI cricket, 3rd XI cricket. 1st XV Rugby – Vice Captain. KZN AW – Captain – 2017.

Awarded Honours for rugby. Head of Sport – 2017. Fly-fishing Club. Has a 3-year contract to Rugby Club in Belfast starting in the end of January and aspires to study at Queen's University in Belfast starting in September 2018.

DANIEL DA COSTA (FALCON) 2014 -2017

1st & 2nd rugby, 1st soccer (Vice-Captain). Cooking Club. Plans to study B Bus Science at UCT.

CHRISTIAN DEARE (ELLIS) 2013 -2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Water polo, school Captain, Provincial Vice Captain, 7th rugby. Mountain bike Club, Model Plane Club. Plans to attend UCT or Stellenbosch.

TIMOTHY DENSHAM (PEARCE) 2013 -2017

Form 2 mentor, form 4 Dorm leader, Health and Fitness Representative. Participated in Maths Olympiad 2013 – 2017, and Science Olympiad 2013 – 2017. 3rd water polo, 1st XV rugby, KZN Academy week XV – rugby. Awarded Honours Certificate for Sport – rugby, and student Council Award. Theatre production of "The Outsiders". Annual Theatre production "Funk", Form 2 mentor, Form 4 Dorm leader. Leader and Founder of Health and Fitness Club. Plans to attend University 'undecided', and to continue to play rugby at University.

RYLAND DEWBERRY (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

Head of Charity Portfolio, Part Head of Pastoral Care. Participated in English & Maths Olympiad. 1st basketball, 1st tennis, 2014 Midlands tennis. 5th hockey, 1st soccer. Soccer Half Colours, Basketball Half Colours, Winner of the Maritzburg FA Cup Soccer Tournament, Winner of the U16 Northwood Provincial Soccer Tournament, Winner of the 2015 De Wet Cup Tennis Championship. Grade 8 / 9 Junior Marimba Band. Grade 10 Main Character in the Drama Production of the Outsiders. Fantasy Premier League Club – Part-time Head of the Club. Plans to take a Gap year of stooging in England and then studying Sports Broadcasting at a University in England starting in September 2019.

BRANDON DIX (MCKENZIE) 2013 – 2017 4th cricket, 3rd & 4th rugby.

BENJAMIN DUGGAN (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Gym and Form 1 Dorm Cop. Participated Science Olympiad. 2nd basketball. 1st hockey, KZN A hockey, Hockey – SA A, PHL hockey. Awarded hockey honours. Health & fitness member. Plans to study Electrical Engineering at UCT and to play hockey and see where it takes him.

CHAD ENSLIN (PEARCE) 2013 -2017

Pastoral Care, Outreach. Participated in Maths Olympiad in 2013 and 2014. 2nd water polo – Captain, 3rd water polo, 1st swimming, 3rds rugby – Captain. Awarded Half Colours for 1st team swimming. Guitar lessons. Achieved grade 2 in Trinity Rock School for Drums. Mechanical Club. Plans to study BA in Multi-Media Design at Vega School in Cape Town.

STUART FORBES (MCKENZIE) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Marketing Representative and General House Manager. Grade 10 IT prize. Participated in Escom Science Expo. 1st rowing – (Captain) in grade 11. 8th rugby. Awarded Service tie. Engineering Club Leader. Plans to study Mechanical Engineering at TUKS.

ROSS FORDER (MCKENZIE) 2013 -2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. C-Dorm Cop. Academic Half Colours. 4th cricket (Captain), 3rd cricket, 1st golf. 5th/6th rugby (Captain) – Form 4. 3rd rugby – Matric. Was involved in 2 school productions. Leader of the Fantasy Football Club. Plans to attend University at UCT or Stellenbosch.

NICHOLAS FOWLER (NEWNHAM) 2013 -2017

Academic Half-colours (2016), 3rd in Natural Science Olympiad in South Africa (2014). 1st at FFS Science Expo (2015) – Best project. 5th basketball (Captain) – Grade 11 – 12. 1st & 2nd hockey team – Grade 8 – 12. Awarded Geography prize (2015 – 2016), Accounting Prize (2015), Commendation Prize (2016), Commendation Award (2014: 2015) Pastoral Care Committee, Charity / Outreach Committee. Awarded Half-Colours (Academic (2016), The President's Award – Gold Standard (2017), Values Council. Cooking Club (2016). Plans to study overseas – preferably in Canada.

THOMAS FRASER (CHURCHILL) 2013 -2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. House Portfolio – Spiritual / C Dorm Cop. 3rd cricket – 2016, 1st rugby 2016 – 2017, 2nd soccer. Plants to attend UCT next year.

ALISTAIR FROST (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Tennis (Captain), 1st cricket, Tennis – KZN Midlands 2016, cricket Zim U17 – 2016, cricket Zim U19 2017. 2nd / 1st rugby squad. Awarded tennis Colours. Member of the Choir, Toastmaster's Society, 22 hrs. Community Service. Chess & Fly-fishing Club. Plans to proceed to University to pursue further International cricket opportunities.

THANDUXOLO GCABA (CHURCHILL) 2013 - 2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. Dining Hall Representative and Entertainment. Awarded IsiZulu Prize. 2nd basketball (Captain), 4th rugby (Captain). Plans to study Transport and Logistics Supply at the University of Johannesburg.

ANDREW GEYSER (LUCAS) 2013 -2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, dorm leader and dining hall. Maths Olympiad 2013 – 2017. 5th water polo, 4th rugby. Marimba Band – grade 8 and 9). Investor's Club. Plans to take a Gap year and go overseas.

MITCHELL GREEN (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award, Matric Leadership Certificate. Awarded Academic Honours - Jan 2017, Paul Bestel Memorial Prize for French 2017, Nicholas Arthur Memorial Prize for Maths 2017, AP Maths Prize 2017, Music Prize 2016 – 2017, Dux Scholar 2017, French Prize 2016, Senior Verse Prize 2016, Commendation Prize 2015 – 2016), Rahmani Prize for commitment to French 2015, UKZN Trophy and Sir Henry Strakosh Scholarship for Excellence in Science and Maths 2015. Participated in Maths Olympiad – round 1 & 2 2013 – 2017. Rowing, 4th Hockey, Squash. Head of Jazz band, Deputy Head of Choir, House Cultural Representative for Ellis, War Cry Committee. Awarded Cultural Honours – 2016. Clubs and Societies Board member, Head of Photography Club. Plans to study law in US, UK or Australia.

MURRAY GREENE (CHURCHILL) 2013 -2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. House Portfolio – Lib. 1st squash (Captain, U19 KZN squash B team. 5th rugby. Plans to attend Quest – Eastern Cape.

RYAN GRIESEL (NEWNHAM) 2013 -2017

Head of sports and Home spirit for Newnham. Art Theory Prize (Speech day 2016). Gold Presidents Award (Completed). Swimming Elite Squad (Vice-captain) 1st water polo. KZN water polo team (A) 2013 – 2016, KZN Swimming team (A) 2013 – 2016. Health and fitness. Plans to study at Stellenbosh in Pretoria.

MATTHEW GRIEVESON (MCKENZIE) 2013 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. House portfolio – sport. 1st, 2nd cricket, 1st golf, & inland B team golf. 6th rugby, 2nd Hockey, & 14B inland hockey. Awarded Half Colours for golf. Plans to study a Bcom Management Science, either at Stellenbosch or TUKS.

MJ GROBLER (NEWNHAM) 2013 -2017

Head of Academics (School and House). Afrikaans prize Grade 10, Grade 11. Maths Olympiads every year (top 100 in KZN 2013 & 2014). Afrikaans Olympiad every year. Form 1 dorm cop.2nd XI cricket (Captain), U16A cricket (Captain), U14A & U15A cricket. 2nd XI hockey, U16A hockey, U14A hockey. KZN Inland hockey U14. Awarded certificate of merit 2013. Backstage for play in 2014, Sound technician for a play in 2015. Awarded Academic half colours. Head of Academics, Head of Health & Fitness Club. Plans to study BCom in Accounting at University of Pretoria.

GUY HARDING (PEARCE) 2013 -2017

House Portfolio – Marketing, Environmental Representative, Library Representative, Form 3 Dorm Cop. Awarded Commendation prize in 2013 and 2015, Art Theory prize in 2015, Academic Colours in 2016 and Academic Honours in 2017. Participated in Maths Olympiads 2013 to 2017, Life Sciences Olympiad 2015, Physical Science Olympiad in 2017. Participated 3 times in the BDO Interschool Quiz (best team result was tie 3rd in KZN.) Participated in the Michaelhouse General Knowledge Quiz (team achieved 2nd place).5th Cricket - Captain, 4th Cricket. 3rd hockey – Captain, 5th soccer, 5th and 6th soccer. Played the guitar at Hilton since 2014. School Award – Values Council. Clubs and Societies Board member for 2016 and 2017. Plans to study Aeronautical Engineering at Wits University or Aerospace Engineering at Bristol University (UK).

GREG HARVEY (CHURCHILL) 2015 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Participated in Maths & Biology Olympiads / Competitions. Guitar lessons. 1st canoeing (Vice Captain) 7th rugby. Awarded Half Colours for canoeing. President's Award. Fly-fishing Society. Plans to attend Stellenbosch University to study BCom.

NICK HAYNES (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Marketing. 2nd XI cricket, 2nd XI hockey, School magazines, Plans to study BBsc at UCT.

MATT HILDEBRAND (MCKENZIE) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Spiritual Representative. Awarded Half Colours. Participated in Maths Olympiad. 4XI cricket, 4th rugby. Plans to attend University in Perth.

NICOLAS HOHLS (MCKENZIE) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Estates Representative. 5th cricket, 5th & 6th rugby. Plans to attend Saarsveld.

CHRIS HOOLE (MCKENZIE) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Form 4 Dorm Cop. 1st polo, U14, U15, U16 Midland A. 3rd rugby. Half Colours for water polo. Plans to study IMM in Stellenbosch.

DYLLAN HOPE (LUCAS) 2013 -2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, Grade 10 dorm leader and treasurer. Participated in Maths Olympiad 2012 – 2017 – second round, 3 times. Afrikaans Olympiad 2015, Science Olympiad 2015 – 2017. 3rd cricket – Captain. 4th soccer, 7th rugby. Fantasy Football Club. Plans to study BAcc at Stellenbosh University.

ALEXANDER HOPKINS (MCKENZIE) 2013 – 2017 Headmaster's Leadership Award. Grade 9 Dorm Cop, Academic. Honours – 2017. Grade 8 & 9 top 5 in Grade prize. Grade 10 – Maths prize, Grade 11 – History prize, Grade 12 – History Essay Prize. Participated in Maths Olympiad – 2013 – 2017 (round2), 2013 – KZN Maths). English Olympiad – 2017. Science Olympiad – 2013 – 2017 (2013 – Top 50 in country). BDO Quizzes. Transformation Committee, Clubs and Societies Board. 1st basketball (Captain) U18A KZN Inland, 3rd Rugby. Colours for basketball. Clubs and Societies Board – Founding member. Pick-up basketball Club founder and Leader.. Plans to play some Club basketball and start in America in September.

CIARAN HYSLOP (CHURCHILL) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. House Portfolio – Treasurer. Participated in Maths Olympiad. 2nd basketball, 7th rugby. Plans to take a Gap year.

MHLANGULI JADEZWENI (NEWNHAM) 2015 – 2017 Piano, Guitar, cricket 2016, 2nd hockey 2016, 1st squad hockey 2017. Funk Drama play, Midsummer Night's Dream, B dorm cop, religion portfolio, Film club, Boys of Hilton. Plans to study in South Africa or the UK. Study B.com Entrepreneurship / Project Development and plans to play Provincial cricket. DOMINIC JOHNSTON (CHURCHILL) 2013 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. Grade 9 Dorm Leader. 1st water polo, 3rd rugby (Captain). Values Council. Plans for next year – Pretoria.

ROBBIE KNOOP (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Cricket, water polo, cycling, rugby. School Award – Courage and determination – 2017. Head of Estate and recycling. Plans to attend Quest – Eastern Cape.

JARID KOLVER (LUCAS) 2014 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Grade 8 dorm leader & health & fitness. Academic Colours, Top 7's, IT prize (10, 11, 12), Maths prize (11) Maths Olympiad – round 2 (8 – 12), IT Olympiad round 2 (11). Health & fitness Club leader. 3rd & 4th cricket, 4th rugby, 4th soccer (C) – a few games. Awarded Commendation Certificate, Top 7 dinner – multiple times, Academic Colours, Maths prize 2016, IT prize 2015 - 2017. Plans to study Mechatronic Engineering at UNSW.

NICHOLAS LEAHY (CHURCHILL) 2013 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. House Portfolio – Security. Squash, 7th rugby. Plans to attend SAE – Cape Town – Sound Production.

LEBO LETLAKA (LUCAS) 2013 - OCTOBER 2017

HAMISH LOVEMORE (CHURCHILL) 2013 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. Canoeing (Captain) Plans to attend Varsity College Durban North – Paddling professionally.

LWAZI MALINGA (LUCAS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, Charity & Outreach & Security / Fire. Awarded IsiZulu Speech Day prize 2016. First Aid. Basketball (Captain), First Aid, Hockey (Vice-captain). Values Council, Marimba Competition Band, Choir, Piano. Cooking Club. Plans to study at University.

SAKHILE MALINGA (MCKENZIE) 2013 – 2017 Health & fitness. Squash. Plans to study a Bachelor of Economics at Rhodes

HEINRICH MARX (CHURCHILL) 2013 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. House Portfolio – Sport. 1st

Matric Leadership Certificate. House Portfolio – Sport. 1st cricket, 1st rugby. Plans to either go to a rugby academy in SA or play rugby in America. Will also be doing a short course or some sort of studying.

BRANDON MCMULLEN (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. House Portfolio – Marketing / Pastoral Care. 1st cricket (Captain), KZN inland U19, KZN inland U17 X2. 3rd, 4th & 5th rugby. Cricket Full Colours. Plans to play cricket and study to be a plumber.

LUSANDA MDLALOSE (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Participated in Zulu Olympiad. Piano lessons. 3rd basketball – Captain. Rugby. Investment society. Plans to study at University of Johannesburg.

DESMOND MEYER (MCKENZIE) 2013 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. House Portfolio – entertainment. 1st basketball, 5th hockey. Plans to take a Gap year.

LWAZI MKHWANAZI (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

Form 3 Dorm Cop, House Marketing, House Management. Participated in Maths and Zulu Olympiad. 1st basketball (Vice-Captain). 2nd rugby, 1st XI soccer (Captain), KZN U14, KZN U19. Awarded Half Colours for basketball and Sport Honours for soccer. Grade 10 Choir, Grade 8 & 9 Marimbas, Grade 12 Choir (for half the year). Reading Book Club, Pick-up basketball. Looking to pursue soccer career in USA / England. Would like to enter the field of commerce.

TUMELO MOAGI (ELLIS) 2015 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. C Dorm Cop. Participated in Maths Olympiad. Athletics – Captain. 2nd hockey, KZN U18B Inland hockey. Cultural Honours for Marimba. Choir Competition – senior. 1st team Debating. Competition Marimba Band, Prestige Marimba Band, Drum Squad. Received Cultural Honours for Marimba. Model UN Club, Investors Club.

OLEABETSOE MOKOENA (LUCAS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, Marketing & House Spirit. 1st Shooting (Vice-Captain), 5th Hockey, 4th Hockey. Half Colours, Shooting. Choir, E-Sports Club.

KUTLOANO MOLOI (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

House Portfolio – Cultural. Afrikaans Rap Bronze Certificate – 2013. Participated in Maths and Afrikaans Olympiad. 3rd basketball (Vice-Captain), 5th, 6th, 7th rugby, 3rd soccer (Captain). Equestrian KZN A team. Marimba Competition Band. Honours School Award. Plans to study BCom Finance / Bcom Economics.

VUYO MONDI (PEARCE) 2013 - 2017

Form 2 Dorm Cop (beginning of the year), Sports Representative, Values Council.1st golf, KZN U19A cricket (aged 16). 2nd hockey – Captain. 1st soccer. Certificate of Merit KZN U19A cricket (aged 16) – KZN U15A cricket. Half Colours – Golf KZN Inland A (Inland side for two years) 1st soccer. Colours – Midlands U19 soccer. Leader of Writers Club – 2017. Plans to study in the USA, in California or Arizona – so basically West Coast. Plans to pursue his ultimate dream of becoming a professional golfer in the PGA Tour. Plans to qualify to the SA Open, USA Amateur and US Open.

RASIKAN MOODLEY (LUCAS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, Grade 9 Dorm leader & School Portfolio. Head of Community. Awarded 1st place in Grade (2013 – 2014), History and Science prize 2015. Participated in Maths Olympiad round 2 (2013 – 2017), English Olympiad (2015 & 2017). 2nd golf, 4th cricket, 5th cricket, 3rd hockey, 4th hockey. Awarded Academic Colours. Drum Kit. Debating (Deputy Chair). Not sure what he plans to do next year as yet.

SHAMISO MUJAKACHI (LUCAS) 2013 - OCTOBER 2017

CHIPO MUPESO (LUCAS) 2016 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, Spiritual & Estate & Environment. Swimming team, 1st XV rugby, Natal Schools Rugby Academy week (2017). Awarded rugby Honours – 2017. Plans to play rugby and American Football.

FADZAI MUSHONGA (MCKENZIE) 2016 -2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Form 2 Dorm Cop. 1st basketball, Midlands basketball, 1st rugby, 1st soccer, 1st athletics, KZN academy week, rugby. Half Colours soccer, Full Colours basketball, Honours rugby. Clubs and Society leader. Plans to study abroad.

SAM NICOL (PEARCE) 2013 - 2017

1st golf, KZN Inland B team. 4th rugby – team Captain. Awarded Half Colours for golf. Investors Club Co Leader. Plans to study BCom accounting at Stellenbosch.

PAUL NORRIS (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Form 2 Dorm and Library Representative. 3rd & 2nd water polo. 4th rugby. Plans to attend University in Cape Town.

NTHATO PADI (FALCON) 2015 - 2017

Head of House. Academic Full Colours. Participated in Maths Eisteddfod SADMT, Trinity and Backschool Exams. 4th cricket. Awarded Music Honours and Drama Honours. Head of Choir, Lead role in 'Caucasian Chalk Circle' and Main role in' Grease'. Plans to study LLB Law at the University of Pretoria.

ALEXIS PIENAAR (PEARCE) 2013 - 2017

3RD water polo, 6th rugby team Captain. Marimba Band Captain. Awarded Cultural Honours and Academic Half Colours. Health and Fitness Club.

TIM PRESBURY (ELLIS) 2014 - 2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. Charity Representative & value council as well as grade 9 dorm leader. Awarded Art Practical Prize – Grade 11, Art Practical Prize and Norman Dunn Prize – Grade 12. KZN Art competition, 2nd in KZN Grade 11) 5th water polo, 3rd hockey, 5th soccer. Value Council, B dorm leader. School website Club. Plans to study Architecture.

TIMOTHY PRETTEJOHN (CHURCHILL) 2013 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. 2nd water polo, tennis – top 10, 1st athletics. 5th rugby (Captain) – unbeaten season. Tennis top 10. Values council. Cooking Club. Plans IMM – Private business / Marketing College, hopefully a game ranging College and would like to work as a ranger for a year or 2.

GEORGE PUTTER (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

House Portfolio – Spiritual. Participated in Afrikaans Olympiad. Cricket, golf, rugby. CF Leader – Engineering. Plans to play rugby for the Cheetahs.

KEEGAN RAVES (PEARCE) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Awarded Academic Colours – beginning of Grade 12. Participated in English Olympiad 2016 – 2017 (De Beers). Biology Olympiad 2015, 2016 and 2017. Contemporary Voice and Presidents Award. Head of E-sports Club 2017. Plans to study medicine with plans of staying local.

DAVID ROBINSON (MCKENZIE) 2013 - 2017

Significant Contribution to House. Participated in Maths Olympiad – round 2. 4th cricket, 4th rugby. Fly-fishing Club. Plans to attend University.

DAVID RODSETH (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. 3rd water polo, 1st / 2nd tennis – grade 10. 2nd rugby, 1st soccer. B dorm cop. House tennis Captain. Cooking Club, B Dorm Cop. Plans to study at Stellenbosch.

MURRAY ROSS (CHURCHILL) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. 1st water polo, 7th rugby. Plans to attend UCT or Stellenbosch.

ALEX ROY (MCKENZIE) 2013 - 2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. Head of House. Participated in Maths, English, Science and Bio Olympiads. Jazz Band (Deputy Head). 1st cricket, 2nd golf, 1st rugby, 1st soccer. Awarded Half Colours for cricket, soccer and music. All-rounder of the year – 2017. Plans to play cricket in Australia for 3 months, then in England for another 3 months and then to start studying in Holland in September.

CHIZEMBI SAKULANDA (PEARCE) 2013 - 2017

Head of School, Headmaster's Leadership Award. Awarded Academic Colours -2017, Extended Essay prize – 2016, Rahmani Prize – 2016. Noel Freebody Memorial Prize for Fellowship – 2016. Derek Veenstra Memorial Scholarship Prize 2016. Participated in Hip2B2 Science Comprehension (2013 and 2014). Life Science Olympiad – 2015. Physical Science Olympiad – 2016 and 2017, BDO General Knowledge Quiz KZN 2015. 1st swimming – Captain, 3rd waterpolo – 2016 – 2017 – Captain, KZN School team – 2016 – 2017. 2017 Captain. 4th hockey. Awarded swimming Honours. Grade 5 piano 2013, grade 7 piano 2017, grade 5 music theory 2016. Awarded Cultural Colours for Music. Clubs & Societies Board member – 2016. Plans to study Engineering (Chemical or Mechanical) at UCT or Wits. Attempting to get accepted overseas (USA or UK). **EMANUELE SCAMMACCA** (ELLIS) 2016 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. Participated in President's Award (Gold). Basketball, soccer, hockey, golf. House management, Academic Head, Circular Relay – Captain. French DELF B1. Head of French Club. Plans to study Engineering in Switzerland (ETH – Zurich) or Technical University of Munich.

LUKE SCHREUDER (NEWNHAM) 2013 - 2017

Marketing portfolio, form 3 dorm cop, House spirit, Maths Olympiad, 5th cricket, 2nd hockey (Vice-captain), 3rds / 2nds soccer. Marketing portfolio, Fantasy Football club. Plans to take a Gap year.

LEBOGANG SEABI (NEWNHAM) 2013 – 2017 4th basketball, canoeing (grade 9), water polo (grade 9) 3rd hockey, rugby (grade 8 – 11) Choir, Piano, form 3 dorm leader, dining hall representative, Grade 9 play, cooking club. Plans to study Law or Accountancy at University.

KAMOGELO SELANE (NEWNHAM) 2013 -2017

Values Council. 2nd round Maths Olympiad. Cricket (Vicecaptain) 1st, KZN U19, U17, SA U17. 2nd hockey, European hockey tour. Awarded cricket honours. Half-colours for Drama. War cry leader 2017, Boys choice choir, C dorm cop 2017. Sports Representative in Newnham. Film club, Winter sports director. Plans to play cricket in Gauteng and study at Wits.

KHOMOTSO SENAMELA (LUCAS) 2013 – 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, House Spirit & Entertainment. Participated in Maths Olympiad (2013 – 2017), Science Olympiad (2013 – 2016). Basketball, rugby. Investors Club.

MURRAY SHORT (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Significant Contribution to House, Matric Leadership Certificate. Head Entertainment and Culture in Ellis House. Art Prize – 2017. Participated in Maths Olympiad – 2nd round, Gold FFS Science Expo – 2015, Bronze Eskom Science Expo 2015. Golf, 4th cricket, 7th rugby. Gold Presidents Award. Awarded Prize – Tatham Art Gallery. War cry committee. Boys of Hilton, Head of Entertainment / Culture in Ellis House. Selected for Tatham Art Gallery, Invited to Cultural dinner, 9th in Grade for trials marks. Plans to become a qualified Game Ranger and Study architecture at Edinburgh University in Scotland.

NICHOLAS SJÖBERG (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Grade 11 Biology Subject Prize, Academic Half Colours. Participated in Biology Olympiad – 2015, 2016, 2017 and Science Olympiad 2015, 2016. Played 3rd and 4ths in grade 11. Hockey – no team due to injury. Played 4th previous year. Awarded Service tie, and Commendation Award. Head of Hilton College Fly-fishing Society – authority position. Plans to attend University next year at Wits, UCT or TUKS.

JONO SMIT (CHURCHILL) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. House Portfolio – sport. Second round of Maths Olympiad. 1st golf, 1st rugby (Vice Captain). Piano. Plans to study BCom Finance at Stellenbosch, UCT or TUKS.

BUHLE SOLOMON (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

Dux Scholar. Awarding prizes in Accounting, English, History and History writing prize – Academic Honours. Bronze Award in English Olympiad. 2nd round of Maths Olympiad and 2nd round of isiZulu Olympiad. 4th cricket (Captain). 2nd rugby (Vice-Captain) 3rd soccer. Choir, Head of Arts & Culture, Main role in Caucasian Chalk Circle Play. Book Club. Member of the Sounding dubs and societies board. Plants to study Actuarial Science at UCT. **GREGORY SPEAR** (PEARCE) 2013 – 2017 Headmaster's Leadership Award. 2nd golf. 2nd and 4th rugby.

CHRISTOPHER SWANEPOEL (PEARCE) 2013 – 2017 1st golf, 2016 Midlands team. Plans to study BA Law at Stellenbosch or LLB (Law) at UCT.

MOTHEO TAUKOBONG (NEWNHAM) 2013 - OCTOBER 2017

MICHAEL TERBLANCHE (ELLIS) 2013 – 2017 Matric Leadership Certificate. Participated in Science, Maths and Afrikaans Olympiads. Golf – Vice-Captain, KZN 2016 – 207. 2nd rugby. Award Golf Honours, and Value Council. Drone Club.

NICHOLAS TILLIM (CHURCHILL) 2013- 2017

Plans to take a Gap year.

Matric Leadership Certificate. Water polo (Vice Captain) KZN top 10 Currie Cup. SA U20 non- travelling. KZN U19A (gold medal). Plans to attend Flight School (Helicopter).

RHETT TOMLINSON (LUCAS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, House Development & Art & Charity & Outreach. Participated in Maths Olympiad 2013 – 2015 and Biology – 2016. 5th water polo, 7th Rugby (Captain). First Aid. Investor's Club. Plans to study IMM in Stellenbosch.

JORDAN TWISS (NEWNHAM) 2013 - 2017

Head of House. Commendation awards. 2nd round for Maths Olympiad every year. 4th cricket, 2nd rugby (Captain). Boys of Hilton Committee. Plans to study BSC at UCT.

LAWRENCE UMUNNA (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. Head of House – Ellis. Academic Colours, Economics Prize 2016 – 2017. Rahman French Prize for commitment to French 2017. Participated in Maths Olympiad – round 2, Science Expo, English Olympiad, French DELF – A2 Distinctions, DELF B1.1ST basketball, athletics – 1 term, 3rd soccer, 3rd rugby. Basketball Half Colours, Culture Honours, Academic Full Colours. Marimba Band – A Band and Competition Band. Cooking Club. Plans to study Economics at UCT or in the USA (Stanford, Columbia or Chicago).

MICAH VALIQUETTE (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

Awarded Commendation Prize. 4th water polo grade 11, 3rd hockey, 3rd & 4ths soccer & 5ths soccer (injury). Head of Academics of Falcon House. Plans to study at either USA, England, Netherlands or South Africa.

PRAVIR VALLOO (MCKENZIE) 2013 - 2017

Form 1 dorm leader, Head of Charity. Participated in Maths Olympiad / DELF. 1st & 2nd cricket, KZN Inland U19 cricket 2015 & 2016. 3rd hockey. Member of Debating team. Leader of the cooking Club. Plans to study and continue with cricket, either in SA (Wits / TULS) or in the UK.

WILLIAM VAN DER SPUY (NEWNHAM) 2013 – 2017 Estate/Environmental. Maths Olympiad 2013 – 2017, Afrikaans Olympiad 2014, Science Olympiad, 2013, 2014 and 2017. Shooting (Captain). 3rd rugby. Awarded School honours for shooting, Captain of Shooting 2016 and 2017, Top senior 25 metre shottist, won all senior shooting cups in 2016. Fly-fishing Club 2013 – 2017. Studying Agriculture at Grootfontein, Middleburg, Eastern Cape.

TRISTAN WARREN (NEWNHAM) 2013 - 2017

Round 2 Maths Olympiad (all 5 years), 3rd and 4ths cricket – 4ths (Captain – sometimes), 1st rugby XV (2 years), 1st rugby 7's (Captain – 3 years). Awarded rugby& 7's colours. Form 2 dorm copy. Back stage for Drama play, Values council, sports Representative. Fantasy football. Plans to attend university in the UK and play rugby.

DAMON WHEALS (LUCAS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, Sport, Dining Hall. Participated in Maths Olympiad Gr 8 – Gr 12) – Gr 8 – 2nd round. 2nd cricket, 3rd cricket, 1st hockey (2015 – 2017), U18A KZN hockey 2017, SA Schools Hockey U18 2017. Awarded Honours – hockey. Fantasy Football. Plans to attend UCT (Property Studies) – 1st team Hockey / TUKS (Property studies - HP hockey.

BEN WILLIAMS (NEWNHAM) 2013 - 2017

Participated in 3 years of tennis doubles tournaments and 2 years St David's soccer tournament. 1st and 2nd tennis, 1st and 2nd soccer, Midlands U19 soccer (2016), 7th rugby – (played rugby since grade 8), (Captain (June Season). Awarded half-colours soccer (2016). Trumpet 2015, Choir 2013, President's Silver Award. Cooking Club, Form 2 dorm cop, Portfolios - security, entertainment/House spirit. Plans to study Business degree in Marketing at Cape Town University in 2018.

VAUGHN WILLIAMS (LUCAS) 2013 - 2017

Headmaster's Leadership Award. Awarded Honours, Colours, Top 7. Participated in Maths, Science Olympiad and Inter-school quiz – 2nd place. 3rd cricket, 1st rugby, 1st soccer (Vice-Captain), Sharks Academy team, KZN soccer (Vice-Captain). Awarded rugby Honours, Academic Honours, Soccer Merit Award, Chairman's Prize Speech Day, Academic Colours, Soccer Colours, Deputy-Head 2017, MVP Rugby 2017 season. Debating. Cooking Club. Plans to attend UCT – Civil Engineering / Trials possibly at Ajax for Soccer / USA – to study – play Soccer.

NICHOLAS WINSKILL (CHURCHILL) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate Form 3 Dorm. Cricket 1st rugby (Captain). Enviro Portfolio Head. Rugby Honours. Plans to attend Stellenbosch – IMM Marketing. And to 'Keep Living the Dream.'

JOSHUA WINTER (NEWNHAM) 2013 - 2017

Grade 8 dorm cop - Student / Values council – Academic Representative, - Breakages. Awarded Academic half colours. Participated in Life Sciences Olympiad, and Maths Olympiad – round 2. 3rd cricket, 1st / 2nd soccer, golf, 5th & 6th rugby. President's Award. Commendation Award. Cycling Club. Plans to study Medicine (Mb CHb).

JORDAN WISDOM (ELLIS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate. Environmental Representative. Participated in Science Expos in Grade 10. 4th water polo, cycling – KZN Provincial Colours, 7th rugby, cycling KZN Provincial colours. Awarded Honours for cycling. Cycling Club. Plans to cycle full time at Absolute Motion in a Gap year.

JAMES WOOD (NEWNHAM) 2013 - 2017

Maths Olympiad round 2. U14A water polo, U15A water polo, 1st water polo, SA U20 Men's water polo, SA Schools U19A water polo, U16A KZN water polo, U19B KZN water polo. Awarded honours for water polo. Form 3 dorm cop – Portofolio for marketing, completing Gold Presidents Award, Backstage for drama production. Boys of Hilton Committee. Plans to go to University in the United States and play water polo.

CHRIS WOOLLAM (FALCON) 2013 - 2017

House Portfolio – Sport and Dining Hall Form 2 Dorm Cop. SA Amateur Proudfoot Trophy Winner. 1st golf (Captain) 2017. KZN B / SA Schools 2015, KZN A 2016, KZN A (Captain) SA Schools 2017. Awarded golf Honours. Plans to take a Gap year and possible attend University in USA in September.

NDUMISO ZWANE (LUCAS) 2013 - 2017

Matric Leadership Certificate, Grade 8 Dorm leader & House General Manager. Participated in Zulu Olympiad and Maths Olympiad. First Aid. Squash KZN (2013, 2014, 2015). Awarded Squash Half Colours and Service Tie for First Aid. Transformation Committee. Plans to attend University.

THE FOLLOWING BOYS LEFT AT OTHER LEVELS OF THE SCHOOL DURING 2017:

D Combrinck	(Gr9L)	(16/01)
B Werth	(Gr9L)	(17/01)
M Maphumulo	(Gr10P)	(18/01)
L Palacio-Apez	(Gr 9C)	(16/02)
L Gobile	(Gr11M)	(12/05)
C Bell	(Gr12C)	(26/05)
E van der Meijden	(Gr10L)	(26/05)
B Kamuta	(Gr10C)	(06/06)
l Karsan	(Gr9L)	(31/12)
D Kwaramba	(Gr11F)	(31/12)
J Hindle	(Gr9F)	(30/06)
Z Ndebele	(Gr8L)	(30/06)
R Cipriano	(Gr9F)	(28/08)
D Swart	(Gr10L)	(28/08)
A Nyagah	(Gr9F)	(05/10)
K Selepe	(Gr11F)	(08/10)
L Letlaka	Gr12L)	(06/10)
E Mphafudi	(Gr10M)	(31/12)
S Mujakachi	(Gr12L)	(06/10)
M Taukobong	(Gr12N)	(19/10)
A Okesola	(Gr10N)	(30/10)
E Gibbs	(Gr8E)	(31/12)
J Jordaan	(Gr8L)	(31/12)
C Tonks	(Gr8M)	(31/12)
L van der Merwe	(Gr8N)	(31/12)





LEAVERS' TIE SERVICES

Leavers' ties were handed out on various days according to the last examination dates.

Thursday 23rd November

The following boys received their ties:

Thomas Fraser Murray Greene Greg Harvey Hamish Lovemore Heinrich Marx Timothy Prettejohn Murrav Ross Jono Smit Nicholas Tillim Blake Basson James Beart Nikolaj Boorman Nathan Bushnell Christian Deare Mitchell Green Nick Haynes Robbie Knoop Lusanda Mdlalose Tumelo Moagi David Rodseth Emanuele Scammacca Nicholas Sjöberg Michael Terblanche Lawrence Umunna Jordan Wisdom William Clark Daniel Da Costa Benjamin Duggan Alistair Frost Brandon McMullen Lwazi Mkhwanazi Kutloano Moloi Paul Norris Buhle Solomon Chris Woollam Luke Alcock Daniel Cavalieri Andrew Geyser Dyllan Hope Jarid Kolver Lwazi Malinga Oleabetsoe Mokoena Rasikan Moodley Khomotso Senamela Damon Wheals Vaughn Williams Ndumiso Zwane Tristan Bagley Jamie Beetar Sheldon Bishop Sam Crookes Stuart Forbes Ross Forder Matthew Grieveson Matt Hildebrand Nicolas Hohls Alexander Hopkins

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Sakhile Malinga McKenzie Desmond Meyer McKenzie David Robinson McKenzie Alex Rov McKenzie Pravir Valloo McKenzie Nicholas Fowler Newnham MJ Grobler Newnham Newnham Lebogang Seabi Jordan Twiss Newnham William van der Spuy Newnham Tristan Warren Newnham Ben Williams Newnham Joshua Winter Newnham James Wood Newnham Pearce Christopher Abraham Pearce Tofi Adejuyigbe Lesedi Alexander Pearce Gordon Cook Pearce Graham Curtis Pearce Chad Enslin Pearce Guy Harding Pearce Vuyo Mondi Pearce Sam Nicol Pearce Lex Pienaar Pearce Keegan Raves Pearce Chizembi Sakulanda Pearce Gregory Spear Pearce Christopher Swanepoel Pearce

Monday 27th November

The following boys received their ties:

James Booth	Churchill
Thanduxolo Gcaba	Churchill
Dominic Johnston	Churchill
Ryland Dewberry	Falcon
Nthato Padi	Falcon
George Putter	Falcon
Chipo Mupeso	Lucas
Rhett Tomlinson	Lucas
Fadzai Mushonga	McKenzie
Mhlanguli Jadezweni	Newnham
Luke Schreuder	Newnham
Kamogelo Selane	Newnham
Timothy Densham	Pearce

Tuesday 28th November

The following boys received their ties:

Ciaran Hyslop Churchill Churchill Nicholas Leahy Churchill Nicholas Winskill Tim Presbury Ellis FIIis Murray Short Micah Valiquette Falcon Chris Hoole McKenzie Newnham Ryan Griesel

Wednesday 29th November

The following boys received their ties:

Brandon Dix	McKenzie
Robert Attwood	Pearce

Obituaries

We record the passing of the following Hiltonians

Henry Russell Shaw ABREY	1943-1945	Pearce
Peter (Puck) Marshall ADDISON	1945-1948	Ellis
Stephen Vivyan de Burgh ALLISON	1947-1951	Ellis
Guy Walwyn BARKER	1939-1941	Pearce
Peter BARNES	1971-1974	Pearce
Simon Charles BUSH	1976-1980	Pearce
Michael Donovan CHAPMAN	1944-1948	Pearce
Alan Geoffrey CHETTLE	1957-1961	Pearce
Gwynne Bluett (Pip) DAVIES	1939-1943	Pearce
Dr Graham Desmond DUCASSE	1968 - 1973	Pearce
Derek FLY	1960-1964	Churchill
Bruce Peter GALLAGHER	1985-1988	Falcon
Ian Laurie Horace GOSS	1953-1957	Ellis
Brian Charles HARDIE	1961-1966	Newnham
John Brailsford HODGSON	1940-1942	Churchill
Robert Eric HULTQUIST	1965-1968	Newnham
Anthony Brian KAPLAN	1948-1951	Newnham
David George KENNARD	1943-1946	Newnham
David Charles LATHAM	1941-1943	Churchill
Vincent LEE-THORP	1940-1943	Pearce
Brian Drysdale LEWIS	1951-1954	Newnham
Romeo Reitumetse Hope MABOI	2012-2016	Churchill
Henri Jacobus Wouter MEIRING	1939-1942	Churchill
Eric Michael Somerset OEHLEY	1945-1948	Ellis
Charles John RAAF	1961-1966	Ellis
Anthony (Buzz) RAAF	1964-1969	Ellis
Sean REYNOLDS	1962-1966	Ellis
John Charles Newsam RISELY	1944-1948	Newnham
Douglas John ROBERTSON	1949-1951	Pearce
lan Wark SIMSON	1944-1947	Pearce
Henry John TAYLER	1946-1950	Ellis
Howard KennethTHOMPSON	1945-1948	Pearce
Peter VORSTER	1964-1968	Newnham
Donald Ancrum WALKER	1941-1943	Pearce

Apologies

Our sincere apologies to Dr David Barnes – in the 2017 edition of the Hiltonian magazine, it was recorded that Dr David Barnes was deceased.

This information is incorrect. The article should have been recorded as 'Old Boys news.'

Condolences

It is with sadness we report the passing of the following Old Hiltonians:

HENRY RUSSELL SHAW ABREY (PEARCE) 1943 - 1945

Henry passed away in Cape Town on 17th March, 2017. Henry was someone who was prominent in his time (a School Prefect and a good sportsman). Our condolences go to Russel and his family.

PETER 'PUCK' MARSHALL ADDISON (ELLIS) 1945 - 1958

Peter Marshall Addison (Puck) died on 23rd July,2017 after a

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short illness. Some time ago he wrote of his early life:

'I was born on the family farm just outside Empangeni on 12th June 1931, the third child of Lewis and Kitty Addison. I was told I came with the depression and the locusts! When I was four years old, our mother died of malaria on 1st April 1936, the day before her 36th birthday. This left a hole in our family, but our father was a marvelous man and he looked after us with great

care. Our time at home was limited as we all went to boarding school at an early age. I was there from age 7 to 17. We travelled to school by train and were lucky to see our father once a term.

Puck went to Highbury and then onto Hilton College where he was a school prefect. But his love was sport. He was captain of 1st team cricket and vice-captain of 1st rugby team. His reports all urged him to spend more time on his studies. After school he went to UCT and studied a B.Com before becoming a Chartered Accountant. He did his articles in Cape Town with JD Low and Co from 1952 to 1955. Whilst at UCT he played both rugby and cricket for UCT 1st team.

In 1951 he met Muriel Berry on a student boat trip to the UK. They were married in Cape Town on 20thSeptember, 1955 and were married for over 60 happy years. Together they had three sons, Mark, Russ and Nic, nine grandchildren, and to-date four great children.

Puck gave back to the community and served in many capacities. Apart from the sport committees, of which there were many, he was on the Empangeni Town Council for 13 years with one as Mayor. He served for many years in the Empangeni Rotary Club (given the Paul Harris Award), on the Empangeni Senior Citizens Association and was a member of the University of Zululand Foundation. He had an avid interest in Zululand, its history, people and culture. Puck and Muriel were also adventurous travelers to all corners of the globe, making friends wherever they went.

He will be greatly missed by his beloved wife Muriel, his sons and their families: Macco and Glen, Sally and Ty, Luke and Abby, Tessa and Philippa, Russ and Bev, Debs, Mike and Sailor, Matt and Seamus, Nic and Melissa, Amanda and Nick, Emily, Mike and Bella, James and Katie.

STEPHEN VIVYAN DE BURGH ALLISON (ELLIS) 1947 -1951

Stephen was born in Nakuru, Kenya on August 9, 1935. He died in Vancouver, Canada on June 3, 2015. He was truly a talented and dedicated engineer. The son of a mining engineer working in Southern Africa, Stephen earned his Civil Engineering degree in Canada (McGill University 1958). Later he studied at the University of California (Davis) where he completed his M.Sc. in Irrigation Engineering, and then his Ph.D. in Water Resources at U.C. (Berkeley).

After working in Canada, Malawi and Greece, Stephen joined the World Bank in 1969 and travelled extensively to review and supervise large scale projects serving poor people in many countries.

He left the World Bank in 1978 and used his training and rich experience in water resources to further his humanitarian ideals. He founded Solar Electric International to develop solar powered pumps for poor farmers, mostly in India and Pakistan. His company provided an array of photovoltaic panels, coupled with a high- volume pump, which could be wheeled by the farmer out to his field to irrigate his crop. This initiative earned Stephen a Rolex Award for Enterprise in 1984 (for pioneering work developing solar powered micro-irrigation systems for third world applications). Unfortunately, low diesel fuel prices adversely affected the market for these innovative but relatively expensive pumps.

As an acknowledged expert on water pumps for irrigation and drinking water, Stephen reviewed five years of intensive efforts (1981 -1985) on a project undertaken by the World Bank and the United Nations Development Programme, to improve hand pumps for drinking water in developing countries. His advice and endorsement helped to ensure the continuation and expansion of this important global project.

Stephen and his wife Elizabeth moved to Vancouver in 1984. His final years were made difficult by Parkinson's disease, but his mind remained active over a wide range of topics including current affairs and philosophy. Stephen will be missed and remembered by many, especially by his wife Elizabeth and family in Vancouver, but also by his sister Monetta, and his first wife Adrienne and their three sons Mark, Myles and Alexander.

PETER BARNES (PEARCE) 1971 - 1974

Peter Barnes, class of 1974, had a major heart attack on the 6th of January and succumbed on the 22nd at the age of 60.

He started Transcor Truck Hire at 21 and grew the company until his death. He leaves behind his wife Shaley, sons Matthew and Anthony and daughter Shanda.

He will be sadly missed by his whole family including his brothers Mike and Dave and sister Louise.

Peter was a huge personality and always lived his life to the full. His life was defined by his personal philosophy of generosity. His passing will leave a void in the lives of many.

MICHAEL DONOVAN CHAPMAN (PEARCE) 1944 - 1948

Michael, at Hilton in the late 1940s, passed away on the last day of February 2017 in Somerset West, Cape Town. He was the father of Simon (1974-1997) and Andrew (1975-1998) and uncle to Robert, Mark and Guy Drummond, all old boys. His uncle E P Chapman served on the Board of Governors, as did his father Donovan. He is survived by both children and nephews as well as his sister Erica Drummond.

Michael came from Highbury and was very fond of Hilton. He loved his schooling there and was a keen sportsman. As it was the post-war years, he used to tell me that the masters were either all old or a bit traumatized but this did not change his love for the school and he had a lifelong love of outdoor activities and sporting activities nurtured by Hilton.

Michael went onto business with his stepfather George Huddlestone mostly in the engineering and motor fields and retired quite early. His life passion was rebuilding engines and chassis of veteran and sports cars and he might be remembered for the beautiful Roll Royce, Bentley and Bugatti cars he renovated and used.

Michael lived all his life in Natal and Warwickshire, England, with my mother Beryl and joined me in Somerset West at Helderberg Village for the last ten years of his life where he was very content and loved.

Simon Chapman

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ALAN GEOFFREY CHETTLE (1957-1961)

Alan Chettle died on March 28, 2017, aged 73, after a long illness bravely borne. He thoroughly enjoyed his time at Hilton, where he was a prefect in Falcon House, and played for the 1st XV at rugby. After leaving Hilton he was accepted by the Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst, which is the usual training for a professional officer in the British Army. It is an unusual institution, combining an excellent academic training mainly under civilian auspices with a grueling military course conducted largely by Non-Commissioned Officers. The cadets are called 'Sir' by the NCO's, even when they are being subjected to unflattering reproof, leading to the amusing story of Academy Sergeant Major Lord (one of the most senior Warrant Officers in the British Army and a revered institution at the Academy) yelling across the parade ground at King Hussein of Jordan, then a cadet, "You are a bloody awful soldier, King Hussein, sir!"

It was a brave decision. He loved the army, and was a very good soldier.

After a beginning like that, almost any life is an anticlimax. He spent time on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange, and in banking and insurance, and built up a profitable insurance practice. He became a member of the prestigious "MRDT" (Million Dollar Round Table) Club, travelling to various American states where their Congresses were held. While living in Pietermaritzburg, he applied to the PMB Rotary Club for a "Businessmen's Exchange Tour" to Indiana in the US. He was accepted, along with another Old Hiltonian, John Montgomery.

He enjoyed socializing with Old Hiltonians, joined the Old Boys Club and in 1983 became a Life Member of the Fleur-de-Lys Club, never missing an Old Boys get-together. He became involved in many fundraising activities, in particular during the Centenary Year.

Two years ago, he and Cheryl relocated to the San Sereno Retirement Village in Bryanston. Not long after their move he was diagnosed with cancer. He is survived by his wife, Cheryl, who nursed him devotedly during his long illness, and by his brother, John Chettle (1952-1956).

DEREK VICTOR FLY (CHURCHILL) 1960 - 1964

Derek like his father was in Churchill House . He was followed by two of his sons and at present has a grandson at Hilton College, who is the fourth generation of the family in Churchill.



Derek loved his five years at the school and used to recount many a story about the teachers, the escapades of the pupils, and the traditions of school life.

He served on the agricultural advisory committee for many years, when Hilton ran a dairy, a beef herd and had a big acreage under maize.

Derek trained as a teacher on leaving school and was posted at Clifton Prep, Nottingham Road in 1968. He had a natural and wonderful rapport with children of all ages and was much loved by the boys.

Derek married Jen, also a teacher, in 1968. They had four children, Justin, David, Robynne and Richard.

His Clifton years were some of his happiest, but his first love was farming. So in 1976, he resigned from teaching and farmed in the Dargle until his death in January 2017.

Family was the most important thing for Derek. His four children, eight grandchildren and two step grandchildren gave him so much joy.

He had a close relationship with his brother Bruce and his sister Barbara and the extended family was just as important to him.

In his last years, he and Jen liked nothing better than travelling South Africa and north of the borders, on birding, fishing and wildlife trips. Together with like-minded friends, they had many a wonderful and memorable trip.

Derek loved life and lived it to the full. He had an infectious and wicked sense of humour, that attracted people to him. His consideration, kindness, compassion and interest in others, won him many friends.

Testament to this, was the 800 people who attended his memorial service. He will be missed by many.

JOHN BRAILSFORD HODGSON (CHURCHILL) 1940 - 1942



It is with deep sadness that we need to inform you of the passing of one of the most distinguished servants of Hilton College, John Hodgson, on 13 September 2017.

lain McMillan had the opportunity to pay tribute to John in 2010, and what follows is a summary of his moving tribute to this great man:

"A member of the class of 1942, his Valete comments indicate that he was in the tennis team, played cricket, and was a member of the band and the Debating Society. Elsewhere it is recorded that he lost the bout in which he competed for the Middleweight boxing title, and that he received a bronze medallion from the Royal Life Saving Society. These snippets convey nothing, however, of the sense of camaraderie and the loyalty towards the College which was being nurtured in John as a wartime Hiltonian. This loyalty has been remarkably shared by his contemporaries in the Class of '42. John and Mike Nicholson, Headmaster at the time, and other members from this leavers' group and their partners, have met regularly at reunions over the years, maintaining an amazing interest in Hilton College, and in each other. (In fact, we were hoping that John should be well to attend the next get together on 21 September 2017). They are as a group very proud of John Hodgson's important contribution to the fortunes of Hilton College that, between the years of 1940 and 1942, entrenched in John the qualities necessary to assume great responsibilities.

After service with the Natal Carbineers, going through the Italian Campaign with the 6th SA Armoured Division, an experience which included Monte Casino, John returned briefly to Wits before joining the family business, Darling and Hodgson. What followed was an extraordinary business career, characterized by foresight, hard work, innovation and much success. His years of service to Hilton, as Chairman of The Board of Governors of The Hiltonian Society and Trustee of the Hilton College Endowment Foundation represent not what he did after retiring from business, but the culmination of his career.

John's active service to Hilton spans a period of over thirty years. Shortly after becoming a Trustee of the Foundation, he was appointed its Chairman in 1980, a position he held until his election as Chairman of the Board in 1999. While occupying this position, John remained a Trustee of the Foundation, continuing his commitment to ensuring the long-term endowment of Hilton. There is no doubt that the most obvious legacy of the Hodgson years is the physical developments which have taken place during his tenure. John's capacity to inspire benefaction from supporters of Hilton has been legendary. When he became Chairman he saw that Hilton needed to embark on a phase of physical development, and he was instrumental in taking that forward - also as a keen benefactor - which has continued until the present time. To supplement benefaction as a source of funding for capital development, and to ensure that capital development had no impact on annual fees, John introduced the Entry Fee, which has proved an invaluable and entirely acceptable innovation. While the physical development under John Hodgson remains the most immediately apparent result of his leadership, it has been matched by meticulous concern for policies and procedures, for the application of tight financial discipline, and by a relentless commitment to continuous improvement.

John was known for his extraordinary energy and discipline, and a capacity for hard work which would be remarkable in someone half his age. There was always a certain confidence about the place with John as Chairman. One was always conscious of the reassuring calm in John's approach to issues, and in his principled responses".

The following is an edited version of a reflection of John's and gives a sense of this giant in our history and his fond memories of his time at Hilton:

"Seventy years ago, when I came here as a new boy, I got on the train at Johannesburg station. That famous train: carriages for Hilton College; carriages for Michaelhouse; a dining car that was locked and barred and all the girls and lovely ladies on the other side of the dining car. The challenges to progress from one side of the train to the other, gave an opportunity for great initiative. But those are the days one looks back on, and they leave their mark. I have had 3 periods here at Hilton that have been important and close to me.

As a new boy, coming in that train, getting off at Hilton Road, a little siding that you see now with weeds growing in it, climbing on to the open Studebaker truck, flat body, no sides, and no rail, wet or fine. You would sit on your own trunk for comfort if the older boys and prefects would allow you to. They preferred to see you sit on the floor. Coming from prep school one had reached the top and you felt important, but Hilton soon brought you down to earth. I can remember my first term, the prefect in charge caught me talking in Prep and he said to me, "I'm the Head Boy. I want you to collect one hundred weeds and 10 crickets and present them to me at 6 o'clock tomorrow afternoon." Weeds are easy, crickets, you may see them in your garden and stamp them, but try and collect 10 of them and keep them healthy. So, I presented my weeds and crickets to the Head Boy at 6 o'clock that evening, but unfortunately, in the interim, two of the crickets had died and I was told that dead crickets don't count. So, I got a thrashing instead. The first of many in my first year here but I don't think it did me any harm.

The person I remember at the time was Aunty Farmer, who was the matron who ran the linen room. She ran it for 320 boys, it was immaculate and she had three assistants, who put the buttons on, stitched up the rugby jerseys and did the repairs. Aunty Farmer was our mother, mother to all of us. Aunty Farmer knew more about what went on at Hilton than the Headmaster or anybody else. But she never revealed that news to anybody. During my tenure at Hilton, my parents never got here. It was difficult in those days, and Aunty Farmer I think was a substitute for a lot of us for our mothers during term time. But life has been very good to me. I have survived Hilton, I survived three years in the forces, I was a member of the 7th Section, 7th Platoon, D Company, Natal Carbineers and I was the only person to come out of that platoon unscratched, and unfortunately many did not come back at all.

The one true thing I have learnt here at Hilton is integrity. You get to understand and feel what integrity is all about, when you remain close and intimately involved with an institution like this. The great beauty of integrity is that it requires no rules. Integrity simplifies life, integrity removes the complications of living. Couple integrity with no comprise. That's what comes through at Hilton. And if the boys come in through those gates and ultimately depart, understanding fully what integrity means, and what integrity can do for them and the importance of having integrity without compromise, they will have wonderful lives. I want to thank the people who serve Hilton so well. The academic staff and the support staff. There are so many people here, many of whom I know well, and it is impossible to thank them individually, not just for what they do for Hilton, but also for having helped me to fulfill my responsibilities. Not only did they make it easy but they made it such fun. The satisfaction lay in seeing what emerged, not only in terms of the hardware, but also in the relationships which were developed with people. I have a feeling here that I connected with a lot of people which enabled me to understand the feelings, to understand the pulse, those important elements which make this such a successful institution. I could take advantage of that sense and interpret it into the Board room, and enable all of us to understand what the needs of Hilton were and its priorities. It's the people who give their lives to work here, dedicate themselves to helping little Tommy and little Charlie to be better boys than when they came in here. That's the heart of Hilton and that's Hilton's fortune, the quality and dedication of people and I want to thank them, not just on my own behalf, but on behalf of the Board, on behalf of all Hiltonians, the shareholders, the people who own this College. It's unique, Hilton is not just an institution in isolation, it's owned by its Old Boys. You get a pulse out of Hilton, and I would like to relate that pulse to the Umgeni, the river which powers down our north-eastern boundary, and translate that into the spinal cord of the life blood of Hilton College. It has quiet seasons, it has extraordinary seasons, it has its tranquil waters, and it has its white waters. The Umgeni and all its wiles, closely translates to what is the inner life blood of Hilton College They both behave in very similar ways.

I have a message to all Hiltonians. Mansergh in his 1946 Speech Day address, which was the first Speech Day since 1938, as they had been done away with during the war time years, repeated what he had said at Michaelhouse the day before. He said, "No school can sail for long under false Colours, no school can ride higher than the reputation of its Old Boys." I draw Hiltonians to that last comment. This school rides high on its integrity and its standards and the example of its Old Boys. You Old Boys have a great responsibility. To come to Hilton, I believe, is a great privilege, I think that the greatest gift that parents can give to their sons, is a top-class education. To do it at Hilton is a privilege, to do it at Michaelhouse is an equal privilege, the only difference is that it comes in different colour packages. But I say to all Old Hiltonians, the future lies in your hands. The future of Hilton College lies in your hands and my last words I take from William Falcon, in the address he made in his 26th year as Headmaster, in 1933. He said, "It is that spirit about this place which makes me say, it is good to be at Hilton." I want to change that, and put it into the context of today, and say, "It is

that spirit about this place which makes me say, it is good to be a Hiltonian."

Over the last few weeks I have had time to ponder and ask myself some questions, I would like to share some of them and the conclusions I have discovered with you: some of them may be applicable to you... Who? Take time to discover who you are and be true to yourself. Strive to be honest, respectful and happy. Be careful not to wrap your identity in possessions. Remember you are not alone; you have your family, your friends, your Guardian Angel and God. What? What is my passion? Discover what it is that burns inside you. Take it apart, and then put it back together again. Do it because that's what you love to do. The joy it brings will keep you going in tough times. When? Do not ignore it, it will keep you balanced. Some things are best done now. Procrastination usually just creates more work. With practice you will learn the pleasure of doing some things now and the unique delight of waiting and planning for others. Where? You will always have the answer with you if you keep your home in your heart and put your heart into wherever you call home. Be active in your community. Remember that the simplest act of kindness can make an enormous difference and that you can change the world. Why? This is the one that will keep you growing. Let it. Let it challenge you when you have become complacent. Let it shout at you when you are making decisions. Let it whisper to you when you lose sight of who you are and where you want to be. How? This is the one you'll have to answer in your own special way. Remember to believe in yourself and in miracles. Remember that the greatest discoveries come after stumbling over questions. And finally thank you boys. You are the cornerstone of the school and the real reason why the rest of us are here in the first place. God Bless all of you. I wish you all the very best for the future".

Go well, dear friend, and thank you.

Our deepest condolences to Robert and the family.

Mike J Nicholson – President Roger Don-Wauchope – Vice President Peter Clarke – Vice President Jonathan Clark – Chairman

Just as a matter of interest, John opened the Old Boy's new building next to the cricket oval in 1983 – my son's (Brett) last year there. Being in Hermanus I saw a bit of John and his wife.

Bruce Shaw 1958

VINCENT LEE THORP (PEARCE) 1940 - 1945

Obituary from the Washington Post :-

Vincent Lee-Thorp, engineering executive

Vincent Lee-Thorp, 88, who spent 25 years as president and chief executive of what became Summer Consultants before retiring in 1997, died Jan. 3 at a hospital in Reston, Va. The cause was complications from cardiac arrhythmia, said a son, Robin Lee-Thorp.

Mr. Lee-Thorp, a resident of Great Falls, Va., was born in Witbank (now eMalahleni), South Africa. He settled in the Washington area in 1952 and was a mechanical and electrical engineer with various companies until helping start what was then Smith and Lee-Thorp in 1963. He was a past Washington-chapter president of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-



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Conditioning Engineers. He wrote a book, "Washington Engineered" (2006).

Beloved husband, father, and friend, Vincent D. Lee-Thorp, of Great Falls, V.A., passed away peacefully on January 3, 2017. A modern Renaissance man of engineering, art, and family, he will be dearly missed by his wife, Jennifer Edge Lee-Thorp, his family, and his many friends.

Born in Witbank, South Africa, on March 27, 1928, Vincent enjoyed his formative years at the prestigious Hilton College, where he was Head Boy. He earned his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of the Witwatersrand, before immigrating to the U.S., where he settled in McLean, and later in Great Falls, VA. Resolutely pursuing his passion for engineering, Vincent earned a Masters of Engineering Administration from George Washington University in 1962. Vin was a founding partner of Smith & Lee-Thorp Consulting Engineers, which in the early 1980s became Summer Consultants. In retirement, one of his interests was researching the history of engineering in Washington, D.C. Vin's book based on that research, Washington Engineered, was published in 2006 by Noble House.

Vin's passions extended beyond engineering. He studied and enjoyed fine wine (forming a wine import business), travelled Europe, Africa, and India, relished a rousing discussion over a fine meal, and was a prolific painter of still-life and landscape art.

DAVID GEORGE KENNARD (NEWNHAM) 1943 - 1946

The Lord, in His mercy, took David home on the 26th July, 2017 after a brief illness. It was his time. At 88, David had lived a rich and fulfilling life leaving behind a wife, two sons, a daughter, four wonderful granddaughters, one grandson and a great-grandson. As his wife, I count myself blessed to have shared his life for 61 years. As a father, his children remember him for his steadfastness, resilience and quirky sense of humour. He was described by his granddaughter, Jenna, as a grandfather who offered up his presence and loved with his time. As a friend, David was loyal and true. As a colleague he is remembered for his dedication, knowledge, and hard work. We cherish his memory and smile because he lived. Rest in peace. We will meet again.

DAVID CHARLES LATHAM (CHURCHILL) 1941 - 1943



David Charles Latham of Orlando, Florida passed away during the evening of 29 April, 2017. David was born on November 5, 1927 in Johannesburg, South Africa, the middle child of Jack and Margaret Latham. David's brothers, Peter and Michael.

ROMEO REITUMETSE HOPE MABOI (CHURCHILL) 2012 - 2016

Romeo graced this earth on the 11th of January 1999 at the Parklane Clinic.

He was a sickly young boy who was in and out of hospital due to his asthma amongst other things but could soldier through it all.

He started his pre -schooling years at Tiggy Winkles and then went on to Buccleuch Primary school.

During his time at Buccleuch Primary, Romeo's interest for Maths was ignited that he entered the Maths Olympiad competition which got him highly recognized. He was even featured on the Morning Live Talk Show on SABC 2 for placing in the top 10 of the people who entered the competition in the world.

Romeo completed his primary education at Pridwin Preparatory where his passion for sports grew. He was renowned for his athletic skills which he displayed on the cricket, rugby and soccer fields amongst other sports. Not forgetting his musical talent and interest in playing the guitar and marimbas as well as the school choir which he formed part of.

He attended High School at Hilton College where he gained more recognition for his rugby skills. He was selected to play in the U16 boy's rugby team for Craven week at the pinnacle of his sporting career.

Romeo went on to study BCom Accounting at Varsity College.

Hours before the accident, Romeo partook in the Lord's Supper alongside his Seventh Day Adventist worshippers.

Romeo will forever be remembered for his kind heart and charismatic personality.

He met his untimely death on the 26th of March 2017

He leaves behind his parents, Moses and Nombulelo Maboi, his two sisters, Ronel and Fezeka Maboi as well as his niece, Zukhanye Maboi.

May his soul rest in eternal peace.

ANTHONY (BUZZ) RAAF (ELLIS) 1964 - 1969

I received the very sad news from Mike Barnes that Buzzy Raaff passed away from a heart attack.

Mike had spoken to Buzzy about the Hilton gathering that they were looking forward to attending, only to receive a call midafternoon from Buzzy's sister, giving him the tragic news.

That Buzzy was a character, there was no doubt - we all knew that aspect of him - who can ever forget the antics that he used to get up to at school?

Those of you (in particular) who were with him in Ellis House, in Pabby's Gym team, who played rugby with him, will have plenty to remember him by. Those who weren't involved in those fields will also have plenty to remember him by too, such was his personality in class and in general around the school.

There will have been others of you who were fortunate enough to be able to remain close to him over the years because of the proximity of yours and his home/maybe were involved in business with him/socialized with him, and there is no doubt that those would have been good times too.

RIP Buzzy - you will be missed.

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DOUGLAS JOHN ROBERTSON (PEARCE) 1949 - 1951

Doug Robertson loved Hilton College. He attended the school from 1948 to 1951 – he left a year early as his father died when he was 16 and he spent his matric year at DHS, to be with his mother.

Doug was on the Hilton Old Boys National Committee from 1981 – 1988 and Chairman in 1989 and 1990, and both his sons, Kevin and Bruce, attended Hilton in the 1970's.



REITUMETSE HOPE

He started work soon after school. He joined his older brothers, Peter and Alan, at the family business, Robertson & Cubitt Shopfitters in his early twenties and worked there solidly until he was 45. He never had a boss, and with his brothers he diligently built a solid business which they sold to PG Glass in 1973. He continued to run the business for PG until he left to move to Aird Farm in the Dargle in 1980.

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Alongside running a mixed farm, he started Douglas Robertson Estate Agency. For some 15 years the business thrived because people knew they could trust Doug and were drawn to his warm personality.

Whilst he enjoyed success in business, it was his involvement in boards and committees that never ceased to amaze his family, and we are sure that his sense of humour must have played a key role in propping up his enthusiasm.

In Durban, he joined Roundtable, and in no time was President of the Natal Coastal Region. Soon after, he was made President of the Master Builders' Association of Natal.

But ironically it was when he moved to the Midlands that Doug's leadership activities really took off.

He was, in quick succession and often simultaneously, the President of the Lion's River Agricultural Society, the Lion's River Polo Club, the Dargle Tennis Club, the Rotary Club of Hilton and was a founder president of the Hilton Probus Club. He was invited on to the board of St. Annes, and ended up as Chairman, for three years. He was on the Durban Girls College Board, and for many years he served as Chairman of the KZN region of the Independent Schools Association of South Africa.

When he took up bowls we pretty much knew where he would end up. He became a highly qualified bowls coach, and even coached coaches. He was the President and Honorary Life Member of the Hilton Bowling Club and President of the KZN Inland Bowling Association.

Each of these positions Doug took seriously and gave them his all.

Doug is survived by his wife of 59 years, Gillian, his sons, Kevin and Bruce, his daughters, Tracey and Mandy, 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A fitting conclusion to Doug's obituary is an excerpt from a W.B. Yeats poem in which he writes about how people should live the final decades of their lives. Doug was a natural at living his life this way.

Test every work of intellect or faith, And everything that your hands have wrought And call those works extravagance of breath That are not suited for such men as come Proud, open-eyed and laughing to the tomb.

HOWARD KENNETH THOMPSON (PEARCE) 1945 - 1948



Kenneth Howard Thompson passed away on the 20th January 2016 after suffering a third stroke at the age of 84. To those who knew him, he lived his life to the full. His friends called him "Die man van staal" as he overcame and recovered from a previous heart attack and 2 subsequent strokes. Howard was the youngest of 3 Thompson siblings to attend Hilton College and was the Head of Pearce House in 1949 and the captain of the 1st XV rugby team that year.

After leaving Hilton, he joined Mobil in a marketing and sales position. He then spent 30 years with the Rennies Group and retired at the age of 62 as General Manager of the Renfreight Division, before moving to Plettenberg Bay to spend the next 22 years – doing what we all dream of – playing golf and living out a quality life.

He is survived by his second wife Priscilla, and his 3 children – Ian and Stuart, both Pearce House Old Hiltonians, and his daughter Sandra, all from his first marriage to Hazel, and his 7 grand-children.

JAMES HENRY PAUL MEYER (ELLIS) 1952 – 1956 (DECEASED IN 2014)

My name is Peter Meyer and I am son to James Henry Paul Meyer, who was a pupil of yours back in the '50s.

I wanted to share with you that he sadly passed a few years ago from his battle with cancer. I know he often spoke of his time at Hilton and his love for the school. If I had stayed in South Africa I too would have been a student there but I moved to the UK.

I would also like to share that my father set up the Karkloof Safari Spa in Natal. It was originally known as Safari World and then Game Valley for many years as it went through its changes. It was his time at Hilton when he ventured off on the weekends and saw the valley. I am about to release a book, that is a tribute to my father and all my adventures growing up on the reserve that he created. I make mention of Hilton also. We have a lot of PR building around it here in the UK, US and then in February I do the press tour in South Africa and launch at the reserve.

DONALD ANCRUM WALKER (PEARCE) 1941 - 1944



Don and our mother, Jennifer, taken at his 90th birthday celebration

Donald was born on 13 November 1927 and passed away on 20 January 2018. Just 10 weeks before his passing, he had celebrated his 90th birthday. He is survived by his wife Jennifer and four children: Janine, Douglas, Michael and

Don's life was greatly influenced by Hilton and until his last days he spoke often and very warmly of his time there. He spoke especially about his headmaster at the time, Terence Mansergh, whom he referred to fondly as "The Duke". Someone else he talked about with great admiration was a gym master by the name of Sos Bould.



Don with the three of us, his sons, all in our Hilton honours blazers. (In the picture from left to right: Michael, Douglas, Richard and Don)

After spending his junior school days at Pridwin Preparatory school in Johannesburg, Don went to Hilton when he was 13 years old. Facts would confirm that he skipped Standard 7 and went straight from Standard 6 at Pridwin into Standard 8 at Hilton. He matriculated at the ripe age of 16 and then continued into post matric.

His time at Hilton, like much of his life after leaving Hilton, was one of great achievement and sporting prowess. He was a prefect in Pearce House. He represented the following teams at the highest school level: Gymnastics (Honours and captain of the team), Cricket (Honours), Rugby (Colours), Hockey (Colours), Athletics (Colours) and Tennis. At a provincial level, he was selected to play for the Natal Schools Cricket team.



Don in his Hilton uniform taken around 1941

became DA Walker, Ahier and Associates Inc. In 1990, Don retired from the firm to pursue multi-faceted projects and developments both in South Africa and abroad.

As a husband, father, grandfather and friend, Don will be missed immensely. Of course he will be remembered for all his great accomplishments, but perhaps more he will be remembered for the person he was. He was many things to many people, but for most, he was a man of great optimism, undying faith in humanity, and old-school integrity. On the last point, it is worth expanding to say that he was a highly principled man. He lived in terms of certain beliefs and although he never expressed these in so many words, he was true to this code his entire life. He simply always did the right thing.

Hilton College should be immensely proud of him - he was in so many respects the quintessential product of the school.

Don Walker

DR GRAHAM DESMOND DUCASSE (PEARCE) 1968 - 1973



Dr Graham Ducasse in action

It is with deep sadness that we inform you of the passing of a most loved and respected Old Boy of Hilton College, Dr Graham Desmond Ducasse (1968 to 1973, Pearce) son of previous Headmaster Desmond Ducasse (1984 to 1986), on 26 March 2018 after a valiant battle with cancer.

A member of the class of 1972 (post matric in 1973) his Valete comments indicate that he was a school prefect; received prizes for Biology and Physical Education; played Rugby for the First XV; was a member of the Afrikaans Debating Society Committee; the President of the Scientific Society, who later became Chairman of the Pietermaritzburg and Inland Natal Science Society of South Africa, and also served as the Secretary of the Natural History Society.

His passion for Science and Biology took him to the University of Cape Town, where he studied between 1974 and 1981, reading for a BSc degree in Zoology and Physics, followed by an MBChB. He later specialised in Paediatrics and during the course of his career became a specialist in neonatal medicine. Graham spent the past 16 years as Principal Specialist Neonatologist and Head of the Clinical Unit, NICU at Grey's Hospital in Pietermaritzburg which is affiliated to the University of KwaZulu-Natal. KwaZulu-Natal has the country's highest number of health professionals being trained as 'Master Trainers' in the management of pregnancy related emergencies and Dr Ducasse facilitated the

Neonatal Resuscitation Module as part of a nationally standardised programme known as Essential Steps in Managing Obstetric Emergencies (ESMOE). Graham co-authored several research articles and is cited almost 30 times in related research publications. Graham was also the doctor and deputy leader of one of the South African Antarctic expeditions during the 1980s.

In the words of Jonathan Clark, Chairman of the Old Hiltonian Club "our community will be so much poorer for this significant loss: for his faith, his gentleness, kindness and unbounded generosity, his loyalty and enthusiasm, and his enormous intellect and love of nature." As a member of the National Committee of The Old Hiltonian Club. Graham was involved with several initiatives. including the annual SuperBru competition, where he will be sorely missed for his witty comments and enthusiasm for this project that raises funds for bursaries for the sons of Old Hiltonians. One dream of Graham's that has unfortunately not come to fruition yet is to digitise more of the archival material to preserve the history of the College for future generations. We hope to garner enough financial support to complete the project in his name.

Our deepest condolences to Sandi, Michael (Pearce, 2015), Robyn, Peter (Pearce, 1974 and previous Headmaster), David (Pearce, 1967) and the extended family.

> Mike J Nicholson - President Sir Roger Don-Wauchope - Vice President Peter Clarke - Vice President Jonathan Clark – Chairman

On leaving Wits he started a very successful Civil Engineering career, which culminated in him forming his own firm in 1963, DA

achievements. He represented Wits in Cricket. Hockey and Athletics in 14 Intervarsity's and represented combined South African Universities in all three

the fabled triple-blue.

On leaving Hilton, Don went to

Engineering and graduated in the illustrious Class of '48 as a Civil

Engineer. He was four to eight years younger than 80 percent of

the 66 members of his class and

while there racked up some fine

sporting disciplines - achieving

Walker and Associates. This later

study

Wits University to
News of Old Hiltonians

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WALTER ADDISON (NEWNHAM) 1941 - 1944

Walter donated his wonderful book, The Addison Diaries, to the Hilton College Museum.

Frederick Addison came from a family with a strong military tradition, and it is not surprising that he, his two brothers and two cousins all joined the Royal Natal Carbineers on the same day in 1914, soon after war was declared.

They served together through the German South-West African campaign, and again in France with the Second South African Infantry Brigade. Two of them were killed, one was taken prisoner, and all were wounded.



Walter with Bev Davidge, the Hilton College Museum Curator.

While the core of the book is a grim account of his experiences during World War I, and there is no doubt that the traumatic events described in the war diaries had a powerful influence on the rest of his life, Frederick Addison's memoirs cover his entire lifetime. His detailed description of a wild childhood in Estcourt, where his father served as the magistrate during and after the Boer War, his record of spartan school days at Hilton College, and his accounts of life as a pioneer sugar farmer on the Natal North coast are all told with vigour, humour and a rugged compassion.



Walter at the Bell donated to the school by his father

His chronicle includes a brief history of the Thukela River basin, description of early postcart journeys in pre-World War Zululand and recollections of farming, farmers and farmworkers in and around Fort Pearson in the years 1919-1954. A history of the Addison family, written originally for his many relatives in South Africa and abroad, is included as an appendix to the narrative. It is full of anecdotes which shed an intimate light on the early days of settler life in Natal. In all, a graphic record of the life and times of Frederick Addison shared, no doubt, by many of his generation.

http://www.30degreessouth.co.za/the_addison_diaries.htm

The book is available for purchase on the website at http://www.30degreessouth.co.za /the_addison_diaries.htm Also, stock has been sent to Booksite Africa for fulfilment of bookstore orders placed through the distributor, Blue Weaver. The books should be available soon in popular bookstores such as Exclusive Books and Bargain Books. He would like the proceeds to be donated to the Hilton College Vula Project, as Walter feels that this is a very worthy cause!

CAPE TOWN

ROSS JAKINS (PEARCE) 2008 - 2012



Ross Jakins

UCT Results 2017

Ross has just completed the PGDA (Post graduate Diploma in Accounting Honours) at UCT where he finished first in a class of 412 students. This alone is an incredible achievement which he topped by also being awarded subject distinctions in:-

Financial Reporting IV Corporate Governance III Taxation III Managerial Accounting and Finance II

(Ross was the only student to achieve 80% and over for this subject)

Ross successfully completed his Business Science degree in 2016 with 4 subject distinctions. (Graduation photo above.) He will write the SAICA Board exam in January 2018 along with some of his fellow Hilton students.

Congratulations Ross, we are so proud of you!

ROB MACLEAN (PEARCE) 1965 - 1968

Rob was in Pietermaritzburg on 5th & 6th August for the SA Canoe Marathon Championships, racing in the Masters division and the category, 66 - 69 years.

Rob won 2 silver medals in his category (he was beaten on the line in a sprint finish by Dr Alan Hold, who had a son at Hilton - Kurt - in the mid-1990's, in both the K1 (single canoe) and K2 (double canoe) races).

By these placings, he was selected to represent South Africa in the Masters Cup of the forthcoming World Canoe Marathon Championships (the first two paddlers in each event are chosen) that was held at Camps Drift in PMB from 4th -10th September.



Rob MacLean



Matt Carlisle (1969 - 1973) winning the gold medal in the Masters 60 - 64 years K1 and K2 events; Mark Drummond, racing in the same division as Matt, winning a bronze medal with his K2 partner and there was at least one current Hiltonian racing - Hamish Lovemore - who has also been selected, he being in the Junior Men's category.



Hamish Lovemore - SA Canoe Marathon Champs 2017



The oldest (Rob MacLean -Masters category 65 - 69 years) and youngest (Hamish Lovemore, Junior U18 category) Hiltonians who competed in the recent World Canoe Marathon Championship, held at Camps Drift in PMB.

Another Hiltonian who competed was Ant Rowan - who is a 'young' Master paddler.

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Ant Rowan is wearing the orange cap (on right



There were many Hilton Old Boys and current Hiltonians competing in the SA Champs.



Congrats to you all!



Guy Haines and Rob MacLean paddling in the 2017 Dusi Canoe Marathon

Rob wrote: Thought that you might be interested in this photo of Guy Haines and me paddling this year's Dusi Canoe Marathon together for use in one or other of the Hilton publications. That's Guy in the front seat and me in the back seat shooting the Ernie Pearce Weir in Pietermaritzburg, shortly after the start of the race.

Guy and I were in the same class at Hilton for the 4 years that we were there.We were both taught by his father at the school, Eric Haines - Geography and English.

We also paddled the 2017 Umkomaas River Marathon together, winning the Masters category (55 years plus) that we paddled in.

WESTERN CAPE

DANIEL NAMBASSI (MCKENZIE) 2006 - 2008



After Hilton (McKenzie House, 2008), I spent 2009 in the "Trendsetter" gap-year programme with SUIS. I then obtained my BSocSc (Psychology & Political Science) from UCT in 2012, and my PGCE from UNISA in 2014. Since then, I have been working as a freelance musician and percussion teacher based in Cape Town.

I credit a great deal of where I am to the guidance of my teachers at Hilton, particularly Mr Derek Veenstra (RIP), Mr Albi Odendaal, Mrs Mary Davidge, Mr Brett Udal, Mr Bernard Kisbey-Green and Mr Jaco Dippenaar. Jaco, specifically, was my fatherfigure/mentor, and was present to my needs throughout my time there. I came to Hilton convinced that I didn't have what it takes to "make it" in the music industry. Jaco used to tell us to "Think. Let. Trust." When I was most frustrated with my singing voice, he'd say, "Trust me, Daniel... and if you don't trust me, trust God, who gave you the voice."

I am very humbled to be using my Voice in the music industry today.

Below is a short biography of the recent successes of my band, *AnecNote*:

Since forming in early 2014, AnecNote have been featured on International television in Germany and Switzerland, opened for large acts like MiCasa, performed live on big stages in South Africa like Grand West Arena, Kirstenbosch Gardens, V&A Waterfront Amphitheatre, Cape Town City Hall, and the Baxter Theatre to name but a few. And the Expresso Show on SABC3 can't get enough of them! They've been invited back 10 times more than any other act on the show!!

Their most recent achievement was being crowned the WINNER of SA's GOT TALENT 2017. After receiving the golden buzzer from DJ Fresh in their theatre audition, they managed to attract the most public votes in both their semi-final, as well as the grand finale, to emerge victorious at the end of the competition. They have released a 7 track EP (entitled "Unaccompanied"), and in 2018 plan to write and record more songs, as well as to launch the "Cape Town Contemporary A Cappella Festival."

Each member of the band is currently building the AnecNote brand part-time: I am a percussion teacher and freelance musician, Kevin is a film composer, vocal arranger and vocal group coach, Leah and Amy are both music educators and performers, and as of 1st January 2018 Morné is a fully qualified medical doctor!

I am grateful for the opportunities presented to me at Hilton. I truly believed in the late Mr Hodgson's call for us to "contribute to,and to take advantage of all this institution offers."

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DURBAN

ANDREW ASHERSON (MCKENZIE) 1989 - 1992

Returned from the UK in 2013, and settled happily in Durban. Qualified in England as a Cardiologist in 2012, and currently working in private practice at Gateway Private Hospital in Umhlanga. Married to Nikki (nee White, sister of John White -Falcon 1990-1994). Sons, James (13) and Matthew (11). James starts in Founders House at Michaelhouse in 2018.

JASON GEORGHIOU (PEARCE) 1997 - 1998



I am married to Sophie and living in Durban with our two beautiful children Chloe who is soon to be 6 and Christopher who is soon to be 4.

I am still working in the family business, GM Pharmaceuticals, which markets alternative / c o m p I e m e n t a r y medicines"

Jason Georghiou

LUNGI NGIDI (NEWNHAM) 2010 - 2014



There was great excitement at Hilton College during the week of 15th January, in the wake of Lungi Ngidi's successful Test debut. Boys and staff members were seen trying to find a television between classes and meetings to catch a sneak-peak of their hero in action.

Ngidi attended Hilton College on a full scholarship from 2010-2014. He was a good student in the classroom and excelled at cricket, rugby and swimming but he is remembered by most at the school for being a thoughtful, humble young man with excellent leadership ability.

"Lungi was a very well-respected Head of House. The current group of Hilton matrics were in Grade 8 when Lungi led them, and they still speak about the positive influence that he had" said Mike Mill, Ngidi's former Housemaster.

Stuart Roy, the 2018 Head of School says that what he will remember most about Ngidi's debut is "how he went over to Virat Kohli, respectfully raised his cap, and shook Kohli's hand after the Indian captain scored a century in the first innings"

One of Ngidi's former coaches at Hilton, Sean Carlisle, said that "it was always very clear that Lungi had plenty of talent, but what has really driven his success has been how hard he has been prepared to work and how eager he has been to learn. I remember him being particularly proud of his parents and appreciative for the way that they brought him up".

Warren Kirsten, director of cricket, has noted a significant increase in boys wanting to play cricket at Hilton which he puts down to Ngidi's success. "Lungi's influence, however, extends far beyond cricket. He serves as a reminder to all boys about what can be achieved with a positive attitude. Lungi has had some serious injuries in recent years, but he showed wonderful resilience, and never considered giving up" Kirsten added.

STUART RAYNER (ELLIS) 2004 - 2008



Hilton Old Boy "Runs for Rosa"

Stuart Rayner, Hilton College Matriculant of 2008, recently completed 10 marathons within qualifying times, in a single 13-day period. His 422km endurance feat began in Plettenberg Bay on 16 July and ended in Cape Town on 28 July. This journey of fortitude was dedicated to the memory of his late cousin, Rosa Carlyle-Mitchell, who died tragically on her 21st birthday, exactly four years prior to Stuart completing his epic run.

The "Run for Rosa" ended significantly at the Kimberley Hotel, the venue where Rosa died tragically in 2013. Making this achievement even more remarkable was the fact that Stuart embarked on the Run for Rosa just six weeks after having run his

first-ever Comrades marathon where he picked up a knee injury.

Stuart was supported along the way by family and friends, many of whom are also Old Hiltonians; brother Alistair Rayner (2013), father Paul Rayner (1980), cousins Luke Carlyle-Mitchell (2009) and Nick Brown (2015) and uncles Dominic Carlyle Mitchell (1982), Mark Drummond (1972) and Chris Brown (1975).



Rosa Carlyle-Mitchell

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10 marathons ... 13 days ... 1 cause

The other objective of Stuart's challenging journey is to raise funds to pay the school fees for an underprivileged child to be educated from Grade 3 - 7 at King's Preparatory School Nottingham Road; an institution that has close ties to the Carlyle-Mitchell family, who have run the school for 3 generations and have a lifelong interest in education.

For anyone who would like to donate to this worthy cause, please see below:

Kings School Banking Details:

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To get more information online:

Search "Run for Rosa" on Facebook and Instagram or visit the official website at: www.runforrosa.org

GUY CLIVE LE MEME (FALCON) 1994 - 1997

World Championships Spearfishing Competition USA 2017.

Guy Clive Le Meme has been awarded National Colours and recently represented South Africa at the World Freshwater Spearfishing Championship at Lead Mead, Nevada, USA.

South Africa was invited to compete in the World Fresh Water Spearfishing Competition in Nevada USA between 19 and 20 May 2017. This is the first time South Africa has sent a team to compete in a freshwater



event. The Fresh Water World Championships will now occur every alternate year from the salt water (CMAS) events.

"I was fortunate enough to make the South African team with 3 other divers in the men's division and 1 in the master's division.



The group photographs are the South African team's prizes (4 out of 5 SA divers in the top 10 of the competition). Guy is on the right in this picture

We arrived in the States 10 days prior to competing to scout the area which was the maximum amount of days allowed. We only realized the magnitude of the task on arrival as Lake Mead (Lower basin) area was massive. The conditions were also abysmal, with water temperatures at 16 degrees and visibility between 1 and 3 metres. The lake is close to 500 feet deep in the centre and diving conditions were worse than we expected. We found most of the fish between 30 and 60 feet which is a lot shallower than diving in salt water, however anything past 60 feet in the lake was completely undivable. We scouted on average 10 hours per day prior to the Championships in winds up to 25 knots in below average water conditions."

The competition was two days with one species of fish allowed per day. Charlie Myburgh and Guy managed to place 4th team overall in the competition which is the best result ever by a South African national team in an international competition. Overall South Africa had 3 divers in the top 10 of the men's division with Dyter Bosinger from South Africa winning overall.

It was an extremely tough competition but overall a great experience.

BRUCE ROBERTSON (PEARCE) 1976 - 1979



Bruce Robertson is the founder and CEO of Gulu Agricultural Development Company Ltd. Through GADC he invested in northern Uganda in 2009 as it emerged from the murderous reign of the Lord's Resistance Army led by Joseph Kony. Starting by buying and ginning cotton, GADC has branched into sesame and chillies, and now trains 60,000 farmers across northern Uganda in agronomy,

financial management and organisation development. GADC has also planted 500 ha of timber and 60 ha macadamias.

Bruce has worked with the Ugandan government, cotton farmers and other ginners for the last decade and a half to rebuild the cotton crop after Idi Amin's regime destroyed it. He is the Chairman of the Uganda Ginners and Cotton Exporters' Association which provides farming inputs to 300,000 cotton farmers.

From 1991 to 1995, Bruce was general manager of Premier International Development where he was responsible for trade in wheat flour, maize, and edible oils for Premier Group in Sub-Saharan Africa. He also investigated investment opportunities for Premier in other African nations. He was Regional Coordinator of Consultative Business Movement from 1990 to 1991 (Johannesburg Region). He was responsible for establishing dialogue between business leaders and political leaders in the area of economic policy, development and conflict resolution.

Bruce was educated at Hilton College, University of Natal (MS, Agricultural Economics) and University of Cambridge (MPhil, Economics and Politics of Development). He is married to Janina Masojada, has two young children, Aleks and Klara and lives in Durban. In his spare time he runs, surfs, plays polo, and reads. He is a Fellow of the inaugural class of the Africa Leadership Initiative-South Africa and a moderator for the Aspen Global Leadership Network.

TIM THEUNISEN (PEARCE) 1987 - 1989

The 1st Hilton Old Boy to finish the Absolute Motion Hilton PSG Mountain Bike Race held on 9th July was Tim Theunisen.



Congrats Tim!

ETHAN WAY (NEWNHAM) 2012 - 2016



Ethan Way won Student Of The Year at QUEST KABA, wonderful news as he has followed in his brother's footsteps with both of them winning!

GAUTENG

MICHAEL REID BARNES (PEARCE) 1963 - 1968

I saw at my last visit to the Fleur-de-Lys Club, the list of the guys who had represented SA in the different sports.

Because I am very bad at admin I never let anybody know of my Springbok colours for Speed Ski racing from 1983 to 1988.

I also got selected for the world Helicopter Championships in Russia in 1994 and again in the USA in 1996.

ALEXANDER GREENLEAF (PEARCE) 2001 - 2005

Hilton Old Boys and second cousins Lance Littlefield (McKenzie House, 1992) and Alex Greenleaf (Pearce House, 2005) have teamed up to open the trendy Italian restaurant Rosto in Linden.

Lance, who is now based in Milan, Italy, always wanted to bring the Girarrosto concept –literally meaning turn (gira) and roasted (arrosto) – to South Africa.

Alex, who was involved in the wine and liquor industry for nearly a decade, manages the Johannesburg operation. The two are hoping to open further branches of Rosto and are looking to welcome members of the Hilton establishment to their eatery.

ANDREW JOHNSTON (MCKENZIE) 1980 - 1983

Andrew Johnston is the current Director of Corporate Services of Sun International Limited based in Johannesburg. Andrew, who is an admitted Attorney, also serves as a Governor on the Hilton College Board.

His two sons, Benjamin (2013) and Dominic (2017) both attended Hilton College. Benjamin is currently in his final year of law at Tukkies and will be starting articles in 2019. Dominic is at The International Hotel School in Pretoria and looking forward to entering the world of hospitality and entertainment when he qualifies. Both Andrew's father, Alistair (1958) and sister, Sarah (1990), who are Old Hiltonians live in Westville in KZN.

ANDREA PAPADOPULO (CHURCHILL) 1993 - 1997

I recently launched a new company (INOVAIO) after completing my Master of Technology Entrepreneurship degree from the University of Maryland, USA. INOVAIO is an innovative product and service development consultancy. We create new, or strengthen existing, products and services for medium to large sized businesses.

With regards to family, I now have my second daughter, Rafaella who is presently 5 months old. My other daughter, Fabiana will be starting at St Mary's DSG Pretoria in 2018 (Grade 0). Hopefully her teacher will be Mrs Pienaar who is George Harris's sister!

CHRISTIAN REZEK (MCKENZIE) 2011 - 2015

My name is Christian Rezek. I graduated from Hilton College in 2015 and was part of a proud McKenzie House Matric group, who are still very close today and a lot of my best friends.

I am currently studying Business Science specializing in finance and accounting at the University of Cape Town coming to the end of my second year.

After enjoying a wild but fun first

year, in which I tutored French as a part time job, I more recently worked as a waiter at one of the top Italian Restaurants in Cape Town called 'il Leone Mastrantonio'.

Whilst studying, I have participated in numerous internships, including one working for a private equity firm in Paris for two weeks situated just off the Champs Élysées, and whilst there going back to visit the French family and friends I met whilst on AFS exchange at Hilton College.

I have most recently become the captain of one of the UCT internal Football teams, which consists of Hilton, Michaelhouse, Reddam and Bishops boys at UCT.

Additionally, this year, I worked for an events company which hosted many music festival events in Cape Town. I was appointed as the Head Promoter and Organizer for three of the events this year.

KYLE SCHOONBEE (FALCON) 2009 - 2013



Kyle Schoonbee (Hilton Old Boy) has just won the silver medal in Plovdiv, Bulgaria in the single scull at U23 Rowing World Champs. Congratulations Kyle, we are so proud of you!

Kyle, having represented SA at two World Junior Champs and just recently having won a silver medal at World U23 Champs has been



selected to the Senior National Squad and will represent South Africa in the single scull at the World Championships in Sarasota USA starting on the 24th of September.

HILTON

FEARNE GILSON (MCKENZIE) 1990 - 1993



I am living in Hilton, married to Lorna, I have 3 kids: Jamie (16) at St. Annes; Kyle (13) currently at St. Charles and starting at HC next year, going into McKenzie House as the 21st family member through the school; Max (11) is at St. Charles. I am managing ShackletonRisk, a provider of insurance to the Attorney, Liquidator and Business Rescue industry.

Excited to become a HC parent in 2018!

LLOYD ROWLANDS (PEARCE) 1984 - 1987

I am based in Pmb / Hilton, working in the investment world.

I am still married to Heidi (nee Klingenberg). I have two daughters, Emma (23) and Abigail (20). Emma has just finished her BA at Stellenbosch University and Abby is into her final year at Stellenbosch.

I enjoy tennis on a Monday evening and I play regular golf at Bosch Hoek Golf Club where I am a member. It was great to catch up with everybody who made it to our 30-Year Reunion in 2017.

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TIMOTHY DRUMMOND (ELLIS) 2002 - 2006

The South African Men's team have just returned to SA after beating Egypt in the Final to win the Africa Cup of Nations in Ismailia, Egypt.

The Final was an incredible experience which we won 2-1 after trailing 0-1 for most of the game. Our first goal was scored in the third quarter and we scored the winning goal with two mins left of the final. It was a special and proud moment for each player to beat Egypt in Egypt against many odds and the hosts as the favorites to win.





It was a hugely important match for the South Africa Hockey Men's squad, as we have now qualified for the Hockey World Cup which will take place in India next year. Even more important, is that we hope this victory will contribute towards finding a Team sponsor or some form of Team funding going forward. Four days before the Tournament the players were still trying to find R10 k each to attend the tournament in Egypt but fortunately we managed to find a few generous sponsors.

The Squad is now preparing for the Commonwealth Games which will be played in Australia in April next year.

WARREN HENFREY (ELLIS) 1985 - 1988

The year 2018 will see our 30- year reunion. I hope the class of 1988 will have a good attendance for this event, time has certainly flown by.

I am still living in Kloof, KZN and married to Brigitte and have 3 children, William, Christopher and Melissa. William will have completed his first year at Hilton in 2017 as a new boy and he is certainly looking forward to the next few years. It has been a fantastic year being involved again and seeing old faces and friends around the school and I am having plenty of fond memories of my time at Hilton.

Nothing much has changed on the work front; my business is still manufacturing timber doors for the UK and European Export markets.

PORT EDWARD

RICHARD MATTISON (CHURCHILL) 1991 - 1995

Dave and Richard Mattison are proud of their record-breaking macadamia crop.

IT may not mean much to the layman, but Dave and Richard Mattison have recently delivered a 2.37-ton consignment of macadamia nuts with a world record-breaking sound kernel of 50.4 percent.

The nuts were from Kaiser Farm near Port Edward and they were sent to the Mayo Macs processing factory in Paddock. In macadamia farming circles this sound kernel percentage recovery rate is considered the equivalent of Roger Bannister breaking the four-minute mile. It is believed to be the first-ever delivery of more than 50 percent sound kernel in the world.

According to a Mayo Macs chief executive PJ Venter, the sound kernel percentage is the percentage of the nuts that can be marketed as raw kernel, the edible portion of a macadamia nut. The remaining percentage is made up of nut shells and any defective or insect damaged kernel. By getting the nutrition right, controlling the insect damage and being lucky with favourable weather conditions, a farmer hopes to achieve sound kernel recovery rates in the 40 percent range, but this is the first on record for above 50 percent.

"For the past five or six years, South Africa has averaged a sound kernel recovery rate of between 27.2 and 28.5 percent across all the cultivars. Seen in this light, the Mattison's' rate is phenomenal," Mr Venter said.

When it comes to farming, experience helps; the Mattisons have been farming macadamias in the Port Edward area for 17 years. They have a number of other macadamia farms and these comprise the DR Mattison Farms group. They have been supplying Mayo Macs for many years and are shareholders in this macadamia processing company.

The over 50 percent sound kernel recovery was achieved on a mature orchard of cultivar '816'. In a normal year, this cultivar averages around 35 to 38 percent on the South Coast. The orchard is under

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Dave and Richard Mattison

micro-jet irrigation and the grower follows a strict fertiliser programme and pest spray programme to control stink bug and nut borer. Trees are pruned regularly to open the canopies up for light management and improved pest control.

The Mattisons make use of expert advice. The Mayo Macs extension officer for KwaZulu-Natal is Andrew Sheard and he has worked with them for seven years, providing horticultural advice. The record-breaking farmers also follow a fertiliser programme supplied by Lindsay Tredgold who is a crop nutrition consultant from Nelspruit. They receive pest control advice from Dave Jenkins from Farmers Agricare.

"Despite the severe drought affecting KwaZulu-Natal, the Mayo Macs group has seen a dramatic improvement in kernel recovery this season," said Mr Sheard. He attributed the Mattisons' phenomenal recovery rate to a combination of ideal temperatures, correct nutrition and irrigation management, coupled with good pest control.

According to Mr Venter, this year the South African macadamia crop is estimated to be around 46 000 tons. This translates to an estimated R2-billion. The main markets are China, Europe and the United States.

PRETORIA

DAVID GUY JAMIESON (MCKENZIE) 1947 - 1977



The man who is the new Deputy Chief of South Africa's maritime service is a dyed-in-the-wool navy combat sailor who served on strikecraft and frigates before moving to the Navy Office in Pretoria.

He is Rear Admiral Guy Jamieson and he took over from now retired Admiral Hanno Teuteberg earlier this year.

According to a CV issued by the Directorate: Corporate Communications of the SA National Defence Force (SANDF), Jamieson joined the SA Navy in 1978 and is a weapons specialist, having spent most of his career in the then strikecraft squadron. He was part of Project Caliban and served on the first strikecraft upgraded to an offshore patrol vessel, SAS Adam Kok. Jamieson commanded the strikecraft squadron between 1997 and 1999.

In January 2000 he was promoted to Captain and named Deputy Project Officer for the SA Navy frigate project. In September 2003 he was named the Delivery Captain for the first Valour Class frigate, SAS Amatola. He brought the vessel home from Germany and was Officer Commanding during weapons acceptance trials as well as early deployments. This saw him on the bridge during Amatola's BOST (British Operational Sea Training) in mid-2007.

After this Jamieson spent three years in the Maritime Warfare Directorate at SAN HQ as Senior Staff Officer Surface Warfare before being named Chief of Fleet Staff at Fleet Command, Simon's Town. This appointment saw him promoted to Rear Admiral (junior grade) and in February this year he was promoted to Rear Admiral and named SA Navy Deputy Chief.

He has twice been published in the US Navy Institute publication "Proceedings" including a first honourable mention in the 1998 International Navies Essay. Jamieson was the top academic performer on the then Executive National Security Programme (ENSP) 16 of 2008 at the SANDF College.

WESTERN CAPE

GRAHAM HARINGTON - 1945 - '49 (PEARCE HOUSE)

In response to the appeal for Old Boys' news, here is mine. I regard myself as having been extremely fortunate all my life and this is continuing into my old age. Here I am, a widower of 86, living in the Frail Care section of a Retirement Village and still having a great deal of fun. In many respects, where I am now living (Helderberg Village, Somerset West) may be likened to the San at Hilton. I was only there once, when there was a chick-enpox epidemic. I was well cared for and had good company. I recall that it was in September and the fruit on the loquat tree was ripening and much enjoyed by some of us.

My career, in mining and explosives, was most interesting with a great deal of travelling involved and my wife and I continued doing this when I retired in 1990. Two years later we moved here and never regretted it. There is so much to do and so many very nice

people. In many respects it is somewhat like a large happy family and sport is a major factor. The main activities I have enjoyed here were golf, bowls, bridge and fishing. There are many more as well as numerous others of a cultural nature. I am pleased to say that I am still enjoying the bridge as well as a good deal of socialising with family and friends and am driving where I like.

My last visit to Hilton was in November 2016 when the matrics of the 1940's were royally hosted. It was great to see how the college has moved with the times in so many respects. The alteration to the Chapel is amazing. Everything about the College just looked so good - the boys, buildings, grounds, sports fields but, most of all, the Estate. My best memories always seem to drift back to swimming and fishing in the Umgeni and walking around Gwen's and Otto's admiring the birdlife. Those were great days and the memories are very special to me. Things are different now but, in some respects, even better. My eldest son, who did not go to Hilton like his younger brother, was absolutely enthralled by all the game in the Umgeni valley. The boys now must have wonderful times on Sundays observing them. There cannot be another school in the world with opportunities like these and I hope the boys make good use of them.

BRIAN MOOR (PEARCE) 1966 - 1969

After many years in Johannesburg, my wife Marilyn and I have moved down to Franschhoek in the Western Cape.

We are loving the lifestyle, the beautiful scenery, wonderful people and of course the food and wine!

We are in the local phone book should any old school mates want to pop in for a glass or two.

RETROSPECTIVE

STUART FERGUSON (CHURCHILL) 1947-1949

Seventy years ago, the access to the school was a winding, often muddy road that ran through avenues of tall trees and ended at the school gates. A long drive lead to a complex of rather fine white-gabled buildings set amongst trees, green lawns and broad playing fields, home to the isolated community of Hilton College. There was little traffic to and from the school and, surrounded on every hand by rolling hills, woodlands and deep valleys; it might have been a ship sailing on a lonely green sea.



The analogy of a ship is not inappropriate as the hierarchical structure of that small, all-male society was like that of an eighteenth- century man-o-war, with captain, officers, petty officers and the crew below decks, that is, the Headmaster, staff, prefects and the other boys. Similar, too, was discipline and punishment, harsh, varying only in degree from the navy of those days but not in principle. Every evening after roll call there would be a queue of boys outside the prefect's room waiting to be flogged. Yet, at the school as in the navy, the system worked. There were, however, always undercurrents, sly deceits, infringements and undetected crimes against the system as the boys sought to find some small measure of freedom for themselves. However, their principle release was the privilege, on a Sunday after Chapel, of being able to roam the country side outside the school grounds, to walk the hills, swim the streams and lie in the sun.

The school firmly believed in mens sana in corpore sano, the inscription in the gymnasium, a healthy mind in a healthy body and for the boys this translated into participation in competitive sports. It was another release, an important outlet but not a freedom as games were compulsory for all boys. Many did well and some exceptionally so; they were the heroes of the school; those to be emulated, whereas those who achieved scholastic excellence but with no sporting accomplishments were hardly noticed.

For the Headmaster maintaining a good academic standard at the school was a perpetual anxiety, for at that time, shortly after the Second World War and also because of the isolation of the school, it was difficult to attract or retain teaching staff, any staff, good or bad. With the intention of ensuring that the school posted some exceptional Matriculation results the academically bright boys were allocated the best and for the most part, permanent teachers. The balance of the boys for the duration of their school years were subject to a moving stream of here-today-gone-tomorrow teachers, often incompetent and certainly uninspiring. Amongst them were drunks, those with wry necks, stammers, coughs, strange mannerisms, semi-paralysed limbs, loonies and doddering old men. For amusement all these weird idiosyncrasies were picked up by the boys and the unfortunates were mimicked and cruelly mocked.

Amongst the boys at every level of the school were those who constituted a cadre thought of as the Grey Boys. In the cadet detachment they marched in the ranks but never commanded; at the big sporting events they cheered from the sidelines but were themselves never cheered; at prize giving they clapped the prize winners but never themselves received a prize. They were not seen as prefect material, given any responsibility nor any special recognition. They were the Grey Boys who soldiered on, who never won but who never gave up.

Whatever their scholastic achievements might have been or the opportunities they let pass, the boys did learn to stand up for themselves; to take any hard knocks that came their way; to do their best; that loyalty matters; that we mortals are not all born equal; that life is not fair and that we are all responsible for our own actions. All these, in practice and tradition, were the core values of the school. There are, however, other important values which at that time were not taught or exemplified at the school:

The ethic that it is better to serve than to be served was contradicted by the fagging system which clearly demonstrated the opposite; compassion was preached but little compassion was shown the boys; that self-discipline does not necessarily follow discipline enforced and that the importance of trust and integrity was something assumed but not taught.

The Headmaster in his wisdom and with the resources available had to deal with all these anomalies, contradictions, compromises and shortcomings as best he could.



Left to Right: Granddaughter Jesse, my dear wife Marion, daughter Robin, self, Granddaughter Charlie (eldest).

When their time came the boys left school, many with life-long friends, many without a backward glance for they were excited and eager to get on with their lives. They left with some learning and with the values and traditions of the school. They also left with their memories, their own and those that were surely shared by all those who passed through the gates of Hilton; the white-gabled buildings set amongst the broad playing fields on that lonely green sea, all so beautiful, achingly so when the rain swept over the hills or when, after the frosts of winter, a joyous spring brought forth blossom and young leaves.

But perhaps the most poignant memory was of the Chapel with its stone walls and high beams; the boys in tiered ranks facing across the aisle; the staff in academic gown; the sound of the organ rising and the whole school singing, singing one of those great Christian hymns. The Headmaster, standing tall, stern-faced must have felt that same elevation of community spirit as surely as every boy, for he loved Hilton and was so proud of the school, just so proud.

After leaving school I studied engineering at the University of Natal before going overseas to become involved in the nuclear power industry, working in Britain, Sweden, Canada, the USA and South Africa. I later joined a major oil company before establishing my own consulting practice. Upon retirement I moved from Durban to Cape Town. My outside interests have included Church, dinghy sailing, hiking, reading and painting but my principal focus has always been my family. My dear wife and I have enjoyed fifty-five years of happy incompatibility. We have a daughter who has her own business and two granddaughters in Cape Town and a son, a Professor of Cardiology at the University of Virginia, USA, who has a lovely wife and two boys.

GUY TILLIM (CHURCHILL) 1976 - 1979 - POST MATRIC 1980

Guy Tillim was Headboy in Churchill House.

Guy has won a big international award for his photography. The award is called the Henri Cartier Bresson Award 2017 for his photo documentary work called "Museum of the Revolution". He received the prize in Paris, and which includes an exhibition with the foundation in Paris, and funding towards publication of a book.



'His project has involved photographing the streets of African Cities including Johannesburg, Durban, Maputo, Beira, Harare, Nairobi, Kigali, Kampala, Addis Ababa, Luanda, Libreville, Accra and Dakar over the past four years.

The photographic traditions of street photography frame the work which reflects on how the grids and avenues of these cities are the living museums of the successes and failures of the revolutions that overthrow colonial powers'. – insert taken from 'Word on the Street' –Sunday Times 09.07.2017

Information was supplied by Mr Andy Ward.

An article in ARTFORUM

On June 20, South African photographer Guy Tillim was named the winner of the 2017 HCB Award, presented by the Henri Cartier-Bresson Foundation in Paris, for his "Museum of the Revolution" project, which documents residual signs of revolution and colonialism across cities in Africa. He will receive \$40,000 in support of his proposal, and will use the funds to photograph the streets of Dakar, Accra, Kampala, and Lagos.

"The history of colonialism is especially apparent in the streets and the avenues, which were often arranged at the whims of colonial power and then renamed after the countries gained independence," Tillim said. "This paradigm—that of post-colonial societies imitating certain aspects of colonial regimes—is not unique in Africa: it is the law of history. However, the hopes and aspirations of recent generations who do not have a colonial past provide opportunities for societies to overcome the mistakes of the past."

Born in Johannesburg in 1962, Tillim started working in photography in 1986 and was a member of the Afrapix collective until 1990. During apartheid, in the late 1980s, Tillim served as a freelance photographer for local and foreign press. Tillim's works have been presented at the Photographic Center of Ile-de-France, Paris; the Huis Marseille Museum of Photography, Amsterdam; the Henri Cartier-Bresson Foundation; the Museu Serralves, Porto; FOAM_Fotografiemuseum, Amsterdam; and the Museum of Contemporary Photography in Chicago.

AUSTRALIA

KUAN-YU WESLEY CYHI (NEWNHAM) 2004 - 2008

I recently bought an apartment here in Australia (Brisbane) so one can assume I'll be here for a while with my family (wife and son).

Life is ticking along well, with my son growing up very fast! He's nearly 3 now and is already chattering away in 3 languages (English, Mandarin and Japanese).



I definitely do miss South Africa, don't get to meet a lot of Hiltonians here so if anyone else is here give me a shout. I do get excited when I find local butchers selling boerewors or stores that sell biltong.

Here's a picture of me and my little Nathan.

KELLIE HEBER-PERCY (MCKENZIE) 1949 – 1952

Having read the article by Michael Hathorn in the 2017 Hiltonian, I was reminded of a book I have owned for many years but only got around to reading quite recently called "Long, Long Ago". The author spent some little time, less than a year, at Hilton in 1892, the first year of its existence.

I have typed up an extract from it covering that period and I thought it might make a good counterpart to Michael's thoughts about Hilton in the 1930's.

ALKIN WILLIS (CHURCHILL) 1950 - 1954

What ever happened to Alkin Willies?



Al is now retired and living in Australia with his wife Maggie having just celebrated his 80th birthday in July.

"We spend at least four months a year travelling all over this beautiful continent either visiting deserted beaches or in the vast Outback where the real people

live. We have zero tolerance for cities and their pollution, gridlocked traffic, plastic societies and pursuit of the almighty dollar.

Since retiring in 2007 we have lived between Queensland, and Victoria mostly and have visited every State and Territory in Oz from Darwin in the North to Tasmania in the South, from Byron Bay in the East to Kalbarri on the West coast. We have been up and down the Stuart Hwy through Alice Springs and Uluru and

camped in our tent in the Kimberley of NW Oz. Cooktown in far North Queensland was a memorable trip. I spend my time when at home producing DVD slide shows with background music and narration of all our trips and hope I live long enough to complete the project. I try to make them like travel documentaries.



The photos were taken at Thurlby Station NW of Charleville in Outback Queensland at Evening Star Caravan and campground, Maggie and I and our mate Floyd the Whippet with our 25-year-old Golf Caravan towed by our Nissan Patrol 4WD.

Since leaving South Africa in 1958 I have only returned once with Maggie, while we were living in Canada where I became a Canadian Citizen, for a six week visit in 1976, during which I returned to Hilton for one last look. We moved to Oz in 1978 via a multi stopover three month trip through the South Pacific.

I became a dual Canadian/Australian citizen in 2015, Maggie is of course an Australian Citizen by birth.

I have managed to track down several Hilton Old Boys from my era there, one now living in Canada and we have swapped emails, among them are Robert Cowie, Murray Crawford, Peter Manson-Smith, and Nils Murman.

If anyone from 1950 to 1954 remembers me I would love to hear from them'.

email: alwillies@netspace.net.au

CANADA

LOUIS FOURIE (NEWNHAM) 1962 - 1964

Who can remember which teacher drove the following cars in the early 1960s: Bourgward, fin-tailed Plymouth, Rambler, Riley One Point Five and Standard Vanguard? Or which parents drove a Studebaker Grand Turismo Hawk or Hillman Husky? Unfortunately, these brands are long gone, although the Chinese are trying to revive Borgward. What about the makes that the school doctor and Pabby Bould drove? Do you remember the torture that a poor Vauxhall Victor's clutch was subjected to by a certain headmaster's wife as she tried to extract the car from the garage?

These questions could only come from a certified car nut, an "addiction" that afflicted me from birth and will continue to my last day. This "habit" prompted a project that has consumed nearly two decades and is finally in print. On a Global Mission: The Automobiles of General Motors International is a three volume 1,570 page book that is acknowledged to be the most comprehensive global coverage ever written about GM and its automobiles. Further details can be found at: http://autohistory.org/authors/author-fourie. GM funded my University studies and gave me a great start to my career. Sadly the timing of my book release occurred shortly before GM vacated Europe and South Africa, leaving my title somewhat deficient.

This passion now finds me in the role of President of the Society of Automotive Historians. Old car enthusiasts will find a great resource in this part of the Society's website: http://autohistory.org/links-to-online-automotive-history-resources. My new role resulted in an invitation to give a talk at the University of Adelaide and tour the Holden plant that closed three weeks later, ending all automotive manufacture in Australia. This is truly a sad event considering that Holden began building car bodies a century ago. My next stop in February 2018 will be at Retromobile in Paris.

Currently I am kept busy with the restoration of an Austin-Healey 3000 that I have had for 36 years. It is a pity we old humans cannot be restored in the same manner as old cars and come back looking better than new.

Answers to the above questions; Teachers: Ducasse, Harrison, Slater, Goodwin and Rademeyer. Parents: Havemann and Hubbard, but most of you will remember an appealing sister who was a frequent occupant of the car. The Doc's car was a Mark VII Jaguar and a 1954 Chevrolet had Pabby Bould behind the wheel.

DAVID HANDLEY (FALCON 1943 - ELLIS 1944 - 1947)

I attach a picture taken in October 2015 of our 60th wedding



commemoration at St George's church, Victoria BC Canada, and a few words. I wonder for whom?

In the sunset of our days, time closes in. Olive is now 93 and severely constrained

by a stroke and arthritis. I at 87 am her caregiver. My health is still good; it helps to attend a gym three days a week and I walk 1.6 km thrice weekly. In 2016, I went on a hike with my son in interior B.C. I was chuffed to manage 42 km and climb up (and down-almost worse) a total of 1200m.

For relaxation, I maintain two raised-bed, vegetable plots and grow 80% of our green vegetable needs. I am also an active member of St George's church as reader, administer at communion, serve and count the collection as rostered. I also pride myself on my bread making.

PS: I believe there could be an error in my records. I started in January, 1943- shortly before my 12th birthday. I spent 1943 in Falcon House before graduating to Ellis as a full blown new poop eligible for all the fagging duties.

FRANCE

DAVID POTT (CHURCHILL) 1995 - 1999



It's been around 3 years since I gave you a good update so here goes...

In the past 3 years I have been blessed to have two beautiful children Ella (3) and Leo (1).

I achieved my first Superyacht Captain's role in February 2015 after obtaining my MCA Master 3000t Captain's License. I work for a wealthy English businessman

who charters out his Motor Yacht (57m).

We predominantly cruise in the Mediterranean summer and then cross the Atlantic and head to the Caribbean for the winter season.

I am fortunate to have a rotation in place where I work two months on and then am home for two months (making the job far more enjoyable).

My wife Samantha runs a very successful business out of Antibes (South of France) which aids South Africans in dealing with every-



thing yacht related including the processing of Schengen Visas for seaman (South African Yachties) www.southafricanyachties.com

We are seeing more and more of the Natal private school boys getting into the industry following their University studies or even as an extended Gap year.

We are now happy home owners in Antibes and working towards permanent French residency. I have been featured in 3 international magazines for being a mover and shaker in the industry, "Captain Pott's hidden cruising secrets of the South of France"https://www.boatinternational.com/destinations/mediterr anean-yacht-destinations/gems-that-will-make-you-fall-in-lovewith-the-cote-dazur-31573

And most recently a two-page spread where I was interviewed for Super Yacht World.

http://www.superyachtworld.com/news/captains-qa-david-pott-wellesley-14596

My Owner and crew support many charities and were featured in Dock Walk Magazine for our efforts in raising money for Cancer research following having a very ill guest onboard the yacht which inspired us to try raise some funds for a good cause. http://www.dockwalk.com/Essentials/HotTopics.aspx?id=187952

I have included photos of my Wife Samantha, daughter Ella and son Leo. I have also put a pic of 'The Wellesley Yacht" which I have been in command of since 2015.



KENYA

MICHAEL ARONSON (ELLIS) 1940 - 1942

My elder brother and I were educated at primary level in Kenya and then my brother, 5 years older than I, was sent to Charterhouse in England in 1935. I was sent to join him in 1939. The Kenya government introduced foreign exchange control in 1940 so my Dad could not pay the school fees in England as he had no sterling and as my brother had completed his time at Charterhouse we both together returned to South Africa where I was admitted to Hilton in September 1940. My brother John joined the S.A. Air Force where he became a Spitfire pilot with 40 squadron and was later killed in action in 1944.

After leaving Hilton in 1942 I went to Rhodes for a year then back to Kenya where I worked for my father until he died later in 1944 when I too went back to South Africa and joined the S.A.A.F. After the war I went back to Rhodes and completed my degree and then joined the Kenya Government as a District Officer cadet. I was sent to Cambridge for a year to learn the basics of Colonial Administration that included law. I served in various places including Wajir that was the centre of the Somali area of Kenya. Back in the early days in about 1920 the D.C. there formed a sailing Club that the visiting Prince of Wales authorised to be called the Royal Wajir Yacht Club. It was not because there was nothing to do as there was always plenty of work. The Club was to provide somewhere for visitors to stay and also was the scene of some quite wild parties.

After a number of years, I changed my government job from administration to the establishment of new land title registries throughout Kenya for the registration of freehold land titles for the several million plots of land created in Kenya.

Since my birth in Nairobi in 1926 when the total population was no more than 3 million the population now has reached more than 40 million and increases by about 1 million a year although this rate has started to decline. Consequently, there is a shortage of viable productive land and also of grazing in some areas and this can lead to some violent confrontations between various tribal or racial groups. Education is bringing about huge cultural changes that are fast in some areas and slow in others. For example, in some communities where polygamy is common each wife must have her own house on the family plot of land and probably another house each in a central town. This ties up huge amounts of totally unproductive financial capital. Other communities take care to ensure that most family capital produces adequate cash flow and dependable income.

Added note :-

Just after Christmas I was at a big lunch party here in Kenya at a



town called Watamu on the Coast near Malindi, Almost all the 26 adults and 12 children guests were complete strangers to me. One of these guests, a very pleasant gentleman, introduced himself to me and said he came from South Africa. I told him I had been at school and university there many years ago and he asked me which school. When I told him I had been

at Hilton, he was delighted as he too had also been to school there. He asked me what year I had matriculated and I told him it was 1942. His reply was to say that was the year of his birth.

His name is Chris Venn and he was at Pearce from 1956 - 1959. So we had a long chat and a little later I was invited round to his house in Watamu for a delightful lunch with Chris and his wife Jessica (born in Zululand) and their son Simon.

I attach a photo of the two of us old Hiltonians with Chris on the left and myself on the right. I hope this is in time for the next edition of The Hiltonian. With best wishes to you and all Hiltonians for 2018

NETHERLANDS

CHRISTOPHER ANTHONY (MCKENZIE) 2012 – 2015 My experiences of being an international student.

After graduating Hilton nearly one and half years ago, I was presented with a tremendous opportunity to study abroad. I'm a first year at the University College Groningen, which is a faculty of the greater University of Groningen. For those of you who don't know, Groningen is a city in the Northern part of the Netherlands with about 200 000 people. It has the youngest age average in the Netherlands, and every 1 in 5 people are students.

When I first found out I was going to study in the Netherlands, feelings of excitement and anxiety hit me. I mean studying abroad can be a very daunting thought. I was initially scared of the differences in culture and even the language barrier, which nearly put me off moving my whole life not only to a new country but a whole different continent. Leaving my friends and family behind I was met by the friendly University College community. The family created by staying with my peers in the resident building has not only made me feel welcomed but embraced by the Dutch culture. The language barrier is somewhat still an issue, but most people in the Netherlands are affluent enough in English to make everyday life very easy and allowing for a social life outside of the UCG family. Groningen is a vibrant student city, allowing students to party more than they should but still allowing for a friendly working environment, which includes a Starbucks linked to the main University library. The past seven months have passed me by in a flash. I have made friendships, which I think will last a lifetime. University College has connected me with top lecturers and professors, which I would have never had access to back in South Africa and for that I am thankful. University College Groningen has managed to create a warm, friendly environment for both Dutch and international students. No one feels out of place, and we celebrate our diversity. I can gladly call Groningen my second home thanks to the friendly people and the community UCG has built in such a short time.

This experience has taught me a lot in such a short time. Studying abroad allows you to expand your horizons and to create connections you may not necessarily have had access to studying within South Africa. I believe studying at a top 100 in the world University is the suitable successor for a Hilton old boy and should be the goal when leaving high school.

NEW ZEALAND

STEVE BIRKHEAD (MCKENZIE) 1974 - 1978



SWITZERLAND

Steve Birkhead

MICHAEL BERNHARD (NEWNHAM) 1952 - 1955

Sorry, I have no new exciting news since at my age, life has taken the comfortably calm aspect here in Switzerland, where my wife



Labradoodle called "Trubble" with friend

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(of 50 years last September) and I spend time together enjoying our home, garden and young Labradoodle called Trubble!

Anyone from Hilton passing through where I live is welcome to call

All the best

Michael

UNITED KINGDOM

RENATO DOS SANTOS (LUCAS) 2008 - 2012



Renato dos Santos, who was at Hilton from 2008-12 at Lucas and was School Dux in 2012, recently graduated from UCT in Business Sciences with distinctions in Finance and Financial Reporting and has been accepted to the London School of Economics to do his Masters in Finance.

Renato's career interest is in Investment Banking, specifically Mergers and Acquisitions, and

the London School of Economics is the world's top ranked institution for his career choice.

He was also offered a place at EDHEC Business School in Nice and ESAD in Barcelona, both top 10 ranked Business Schools.

BLAKE FRIEDMAN (CHURCHILL) 2000 - 2002

I'm still based in the UK, just outside Oxford. I had a little boy with my wife Trish in January (Terence Friedman).

Otherwise no news is good news.

JULIAN HOYLE (MCKENZIE) 1951 - 1955

I have just received my copy of The Hiltonian Number 151 for 2016, and I continue to be amazed at how much information is contained therein - a far cry from the magazine of 1955, when I left the school. This is of course because there is so much more going on at the school now. Thank you also for printing the obituary of my brother, Rupert Hoyle.

Every time that I receive The Hiltonian, I always suffer from pangs of guilt, and I think that the time has now come for me to "come clean" and admit my folly. During my first year at Hilton, as a "new poop" in Falcon House, I found myself one afternoon, along with a lot of other new boys, in a classroom. The master informed us that we had the task of addressing envelopes in which The Hiltonian would be sent to old boys. We each went to his table at the front of the class, were handed a stack of ten or so cards on which addresses were typed, a stack of large brown envelopes, and told to go back to our desk and write the name and address on each envelope, "And make sure that you write clearly and neatly," the master instructed. After we had finished, we handed in the cards and addressed envelopes to the master, and were given a new set of address cards and blank envelopes, to repeat the process. And so, this went on until the entire box of address cards had been written on envelopes.

After a while, the boy sitting next to me whispered, "Why are you copying every card? The master is not checking. Just write every second card, and that way we will finish quicker. That is what I am doing." I thought about this for a while, and in the end, just missed one card, before handing in my envelopes, with the intention of saying that I must have picked up two cards by mistake, if the master called me out. That was not noticed, so next time, I missed two cards, and thereafter, only missed about two cards each time I was given a set of cards. I was not brave enough to miss more. By the end, I think most of the boys were missing a few cards intentionally, so in the end, there were probably quite a few old boys who had not had envelopes addressed to them.

I thought no more about this until after I left Hilton, and received my first copy of The Hiltonian. Then I thought of the people who had not received their copies, due to my having not addressed some envelopes, and I felt a terrible pang of guilt. Because of me, some people had not been able to read all about Hilton, like I was now doing. So, to anyone out there who is still alive and who did not receive their 1952 copy of The Hiltonian, I am very sorry.

There, I have cleansed my soul!

In today's modern era with computers and printed address labels, this sort of thing will not happen.

Julian Hoyle

TREVOR KANE-BERMAN (NEWNHAM) 1963 - 1966

What can I tell you, let me see.... I retired from Walton's Stationery Company after 32 years in March 2008. I was Marketing Director for the company for 24 years of which 19 years was spent as Managing Director. The last two years in Gauteng as Marketing Director, as I wanted to retire in March 2008. If that doesn't add up its because I spent my first 5 years as a Rep. After that it was a rapid rise for me in this wonderful company which is still going strong today.

Once again thanks to Walton's who saluted my success, I was introduced to golf and then with my then boss played at the best courses in America in 1987 as a spectator and in 1989 as a player. I became a reasonable player with a handicap of 12 at my peak and then 16 which is where I stayed until about 2 years ago when my knees finally gave in.

I have three children, one of whom is mentally handicapped and resides at a private school called Sunfield in the Natal Midlands, this is Scott k-b and is a joy to everyone he meets. He is 38. My two girls are happily married. Tracy lives in Sydney and is a very accomplished yoga and palates teacher. She teaches privately and at 42 years of age, is slim and fit as a fiddle. She has no children, as she is career driven.

Bridget lives in Palm Beach and with a B.com degree has just finished her first book which is now with some publisher or other. She is 10 years younger than Tracy and with her husband Barry, (he runs a Mariner in Palm Beach) and has just finished ten years on various oceans as he has his Captains license for ships – yachts up to 500 tons.

My wife Val, and I are about to move to England, where we hope to look after Val's 91- year old mum and her 96 year old sister.

As a marketing man I could ramble on about my 10 operations all major which I survived, however I don't want the whole book to be just about me – HA!

Lastly forgive grammatical errors as I hate computers with a passion, Hilton didn't teach us Tech. in my day and I have never mastered these machines!

TONY ORCHARD (PEARCE) 1942 - 1944

In 1921 when my father was working for the Burmah Shell Oil Co. in Karachi he was posted with a senior Shell man to Mombasa to take over the management from Smith Mackenzie (or one of those old Scottish trading companies) where he married an English girl whose father was involved in the expansion of Mombasa port, when it was barely connected to the mainland. I was born there in 1926 as were my cousins who came along a few years later. The younger Colin went to school both in Kenya and boarding school in England, and returned to the Colonial Police in Kenya, from where a couple of stories stick in my memory. In the Northern Territories in the 1950's he was the district police officer. In the middle of the desert they founded a Sailing Club as an excuse to have somewhere to meet for a drink since there was not much else to do. Around that time or a bit later, Wilfred Thesiger the explorer and Arabist, who had lived among the Marsh Arabs along the lower reaches of the Euphrates and built their homes floating on the reeds before Saddam diverted their supply (I think they were Shias), arrived in Kenya for the first time to go walkabout up to the Ethiopian border and west to Lake Turkana, with Somali camels and handlers.

Relations were not too good with Somalia at the time and Colin was ordered to go up there and find Thesiger and ask him to terminate his trip. He was a pretty independent and determined man and my cousin was told to tell him that relations with the Somalis were poor and they did not want another reason to clash.

In 1983 I noticed an ad in the Week-end FT advertising a camel safari in the Laikipia region of northern Kenya run by a young man called Simon Evans, where with my wife we followed the course of the Ewaso Ng'iro River for a week and camped on the river bank by night, suitably guarded by Samburus and firelight against crocs. I notice in the press that under the stress of grazing right there have been clashes over grazing rights between the Samburus, Turkhana and European estate owners. After a couple more tourist safaris to the Mara and so on I took myself up by the so called Turkhana bus (Mercedes truck) that left Nairobi every Saturday at noon to return one week later camping for three nights in tents going up and the same return, with a day looking around and boating on the lake. Those were the days when tourism was simple, basic and inexpensive, and long-drop loos the norm to watch the sunrise at dawn, a magical sight.

But for the Japanese entering the war I would never had arrived at Hilton. In August 1940 parents with children in the UK decided that their children should after all join them, and I joined mine in Calcutta. By 1941 my father had decided that I was to be sent to school near Melbourne, Australia, but the Japs put an end to that, and after some hasty cables Terence Mansergh accepted me and I arrived in Durban in January 1942 for 9 terms. All this was a long time ago as I have just been reminded, when my wife and I last month went on a small 36 berths coastal cruise between Dubrovnik and Split taking in the islands and their small towns. The rest of the passengers were mainly in their late 50's and early 60's, and when I was alluding to something in the past I was gently reminded with "Tony, that was a bit before our time"!

NEIL SPOONER (NEWNHAM) 1993 - 1997



I am living in the Tyne Valley in the North of England. I work for a foundation of schools as the Assistant to the Facilities and Projects Director. Our schools are strategically placed in deprived areas to provide opportunities of first class education to those who would otherwise not have access to it. It is very rewarding to have your sense of purpose in front of you every day.

I am married to my wife Jill who is English and we have three children Isabella 10, Francesca

6 and Joshua 4. I think very fondly about my time at Hilton and the friendships that I forged there. It is testament to the school that the bonds are still so strong even with the distances between us.

I will be visiting Hilton shortly with my family to show them the wonderful school I was so privileged to attend.

GARETH THOMAS (MCKENZIE) 1971 - 1976



I completed my career with Lloyds Banking Group as a Senior Risk Manager in September 2016. Have taken a year out with a view to continuing work as either as consultant or acting as a Financial Ombudsman in the field of dispute resolution. Recently underwent an interview to join the Passenger Advisory Group at London's Gatwick Airport whose work involves "bettering the customer experience" covering all aspects of the airport's operations ranging from security to retail outlets to car parking and rail transport.

Will be celebrating 35 years of married life with Caroline in May 2018. I continue to play golf, badminton, squash and tennis (Social Secretary Lindfield Lawn Tennis Club) and, in my spare time, am a Company Director of my local housing association. My three children all doing well with my youngest (Eleanor) having married in May 2017.

JOHN VAIL (PEARCE) 1945 - 1948

It is 72 years since I arrived at Hilton on the back of a lorry clinging to suitcases and assorted boys off the School Special overnight train from Johannesburg. Over the years I have followed with interest the progress of the school through the medium of the The Hiltonian Magazine and In Black and White, and of the evolution of education and teaching and learning. Nevertheless, the four years I spent at Hilton (Pearce House and Falcon House) influenced my endeavours as an academic at the five universities at which I have been associated: (Rhodes, RSA; British Columbia, Canada; Leeds, UK; Khartoum, Sudan; Portsmouth, UK).

My fondest memories of Hilton are of the Estate where we scaled Gwen's waterfalls, swam in the Umgeni, roamed through the wattle plantations and had an exciting and carefree time. I once contributed a short essay on the wildlife on the estate for the Hiltonian, but in the mid- 1940s this consisted of dassies, a few oribi, various birds and a selection of snakes. My years as a field geologist, firstly in Canada and then in about twenty different countries in Africa, benefitted from those Sunday excursions experiences.

My wife and I now enjoy retirement on the south coast of Hampshire, England not far from our children and grandchildren and although travels abroad are no longer part of our activities we are still able to visit places in Britain and enjoy the great outdoors.

John R Vail

STUART BACHELOR (CHURCHILL) 1999 - 2003

I got married to Katie Baker in May this year. We are now living in Windhoek, and I'm working in solar energy and renewable finance.

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CAMERON BADENHORST (CHURCHILL) 2012 - 2016



Congratulations to our 2016 Captain, Old Hiltonian Cameron Badenhorst, who was offered a full soccer scholarship to study a 4 year internationally accredited degree in the United States of America from August 2017.

We wish Cameron well as he embarks on this wonderful opportunity!

CRAIG MACNAB (PEARCE) 1969 – 1973



This is what retirement looked like for me, prior to rupturing the Achilles last week that is! Fortunately we have real Cowboys to manage the cattle.

DAVID J P MEACHIN (ELLIS) 1953 - 1956



ST. PETERSBURG, FL, USA, August 01, 2017 /24-7 Press Release/-- Marguis Who's Who, the world's premier publisher of biographical profiles, is proud to name David J.P. Meachin a Lifetime Achiever. An accomplished listee, David Meachin celebrates manv vears' experience in his professional network, and has been noted for achievements. leadership qualities, and the credentials and

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David Meachin has served on public SEC-reporting company boards for 16 years, during which time he has been a Member of the Executive Committee of the Board, Chairman of the Audit Committee, and Member of the Compensation and Governance Committees. He has served on the boards of Lyondell Chemical Company (NYSE), Millennium Chemicals, Inc. (NYSE), and The Ground Round (NASDAQ), as well as on the board of an Indian Emerging Growth Fund, and is currently a Director of FOCoS Innovations Corp - a Florida based enterprise IT-Healthcare focused company, and a member of the Advisory Board of SCIC. He serves or has served on a number of non-profit organizations' boards as Chairman. Vice Chairman or a Director, including the British American Educational Foundation and University of Cape Town Fund in the US. He is a member of The Economic Club of New York, the National Association of Corporate Directors, the American College of Corporate Directors, the Tampa Bay Area Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Florida Venture Forum. He is also a member and former Governor of the Union Club in New York, a member and former Governor of the Misquamicut Club in Watch Hill, Rhode Island, the Oxford & Cambridge Club in London, The Pilgrims of the United States, the Harvard Clubs of New York and Tampa, and the Feather Sound Country Club in St. Petersburg, Florida.

In 1991 David Meachin founded Cross Border Enterprises, www.crossborderent.com,

an internationally-oriented financial advisory and strategic consulting firm that assists IT and technology focused companies with their investment banking (M&A and financing) and their C-suite strategic business development needs. Previously he served for 10 years as a Managing Director of Merrill Lynch & Company in New York after being associated with Salomon Brothers in New York and London and with Smith, Barney & Co. in New York and Tokyo. He started his career as a Project Engineer for Humphreys and Glasgow Ltd., a London-based international chemical plant contracting company.

David Meachin is a frequent speaker and forum participant on issues of corporate governance, private equity and investment banking at Director Conferences and at university Business and Law Schools in the US and internationally. He has lived and worked in New York, Tokyo, London, Paris, South Africa, and Zimbabwe and traveled extensively on business in the U.S., Canada, Europe, China, India, South East Asia, the Middle East, Latin America, Southern Africa, Australia, and New Zealand. Mr. Meachin, who was born in Devon, England and spent his formative years in South Africa, is a citizen of both the US and the UK. He received his MBA with Distinction from Harvard Business School. He holds graduate gualifications from Cambridge University and the French Petroleum Institute, Paris (which he attended as the Total Oil Company Scholar from South Africa) and Chemical Engineering and Physical Science degrees respectively from the University of Cape Town, where he served on the Students' Representative Council (SRC), and the University of KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa, where he was awarded a SA Breweries scholarship. He matriculated (First Class) from Hilton College in Kwa-Zulu Natal.

Listed in Who's Who in America, Who's Who in the World and Who's Who in Finance. Throughout his prolific career, Mr. Meachin has been awarded on many occasions for his work in the field. Since the late-1980s, Mr. Meachin has been featured in many editions of Who's Who in the World, Who's Who in the East, and Who's Who in America.

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Included below is a picture of David and his family: wife, Barbara, and sons Jon, based in Austin, Texas, and Phil, based in San Francisco, taken in the summer of 2017 at the Weekapaug Inn, close to their club in Watch Hill, Rhode Island, where they spend time each summer. Their current home is in St. Petersburg, Florida, to where they moved in 2016 after 45 years in New York (apart from sojourns in Tokyo and London). Old Hiltonians who find themselves in the area are very welcome to visit.



JARED RANN (CHURCHILL) 2001 - 2005



After matriculating from Hilton in 2005, I obtained my undergraduate BSc degree from Texas A&M University in 2010, and my law degree from Baylor Law School in 2014.

I am living in Round Rock, Texas (about 20 minutes north of Austin) with my wife Niki. I am an Attorney practicing real estate law as an in-house Attorney for a commercial real estate development company

Jared & Niki Rann

with projects across the United States.

Niki and I are very excited as we are expecting our first child in April of 2018! This next year promises to be full of adventure.

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ANGUS CURTIS (PEARCE) 2012 - 2016

Congratulations to Old Boy, Angus Curtis (Deputy Head Boy in 2016, and 1st XV captain) who has been selected for the Irish U20 rugby side and participated in the World Cup in Georgia on 28th May. Well done, Angus; we are very proud of you!



DAVID BARNES (PEARCE) 1961 - 1966

This snippet about David Barnes' exceptional achievement was erroneously placed under the obituary section of the Hiltonian magazine. Luckily David was alerted to this unfortunate error. We apologise profusely, David!

Monday, 18 April 2016 Orthopaedic surgeon, Dr David Barnes, whose career in medicine spanned more than 40 years, was awarded the prestigious Christiaan Barnard Memorial Award by Netcare at a recent event held in his honour, for his outstanding contribution to the profession.

Speaking at the event, Sandile Mbele, Netcare's South West regional director, said that Dr Barnes, who practiced at Netcare Union Hospital in Alberton for more than 25 years, had left an indelible mark on the medical and medico-legal fields.

"Dr Barnes joined Netcare Union Hospital in 1993. He touched many lives and was greatly respected by patients, colleagues and staff alike. Dr Barnes retires after an illustrious career and is a most worthy recipient of this prestigious award," added Mbele.

Founded in 2011, the Christiaan Barnard Memorial Award, an initiative of Netcare in association with the Christiaan Barnard Foundation, pays tribute to doctors who practice at healthcare facilities within the Netcare group and who have demonstrated leadership in their specific field whilst contributing to the advancement of the medical profession.

"I feel so overwhelmed in receiving this award," said Dr Barnes. "I

feel other colleagues of mine deserve it more than I, but it has been an enormous pleasure to be part of the Netcare Union Hospital team all of these years."

Dr Barnes, whose interests in orthopaedic medicine include trauma, prosthetics and general ortho-surgery, was awarded a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBchB) degree from the University of Pretoria in 1974 and a Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons (FRCS) from the University of Edinburgh in 1978. He was registered as an orthopaedic surgeon by the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPC SA) in 1982, and completed a Certificate in Medicine and Law through the University of South Africa (Unisa) and the University of Pretoria in 2005.

Dr Barnes' varied and highly colourful career commenced in July 1974 when he was employed as an orthopaedic medical officer at Kaplan hospital in Rehovot, Israel. He was a consultant orthopaedic surgeon at Natalspruit Hospital from 1978 until June 1984 and completed a stint as a consultant orthopaedic surgeon at James Paget NHS hospital in Norfolk, England, in 2003. Dr Barnes was in private practice in Johannesburg from 1984 before joining the orthopaedic team at Netcare Union Hospital in 1993.

Dr Barnes was Chairperson of the infection control committee at Netcare Union Hospital from 2009 until December 2015, when he retired. He was also deeply interested in the medico-legal field, and was instructed by both plaintiff and defendant attorneys in medico-legal matters. He also served as honorary secretary and vice-president of the South African Medico Legal Society.

The awards function was held at the University of the Witwatersrand's Medical School campus, and was attended by more than 50 guests including Dr Barnes' wife, Karen, son and brothers. *Media Statement – Netcare Union Hospital*

JOHN CHRISTOPHER STRONG (MCKENZIE) 1946 - 1950

I love reading about the school and always wish it well. I was fortunate to be at Hilton during the Headship of Terence Mansergh - what a magnificent man he was and I always admired him. The year I went to Hilton, 1946, was two years after he had gone through the difficulties of the Guy King era, which was not an edifying time for Hilton. However, I was fortunate in the staff who were the backbone of Hilton. Jack Hart-Davis was our Housemaster at McKenzie House and then in Class 1, particularly remember Alan Johnson who taught me Geography, my favorite subject, and later Dougal Turner who was our English Teacher and who went on to be the Head at Falcon College in Zimbabwe.

I had taken Matric in 1949 and I remember my delight in learning that I had a First Class Matric. In those days, we came down in the train - imagine a completely full train with schoolboys and schoolgirls from Hilton, Michaelhouse, Cordwalles, Highbury, St Anne's, etc. Moreover, we never had a member of staff travelling with us, but were left to ourselves! There were some little boys who came down by train all the way from Malawi or Nyasaland as it was then. Imagine sending your seven-year-old son 5 days and nights on the train to school? Mothers must have trembled at the thought!

As a family we have been in Rhodesia/Zimbabwe since 1925. I I know it is not long in South African farming terms but we are very proud of our forbearers. Our two sons Harry (Hilton 1982), and Robert (Hilton 1984 enjoyed their time at Hilton) but sadly none of our grandsons have gone to Hilton. Mothers play a much more important role in such decisions than in my time!

Now in Zimbabwe we face the future with great optimism. Our new President Mnangagwa is an excellent man whom I have known and liked for many years. He has said that Zimbabwe must rejoin the world and he is the right man to do that. As a retired and disposed farmer, it is very encouraging that he means to compensate the farmers and reinstate the rule of law. All so very welcome and different to Mugabe's attitude. So please wish us well.

With every good wish to the school.



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The Fleur-de-Lys Club continues to be a home away from home for many Hilton College parents, their boys and Old Hiltonians. The Club had a wonderful, busy and successful year in 2017 and numerous events, big and small, were organised and hosted. The Club is also responsible for hosting residential conferences during the school holidays.

The social highlight of the year, from the Clubs perspective, was undoubtedly, the matric parent's dinner held on the night of the matric dance, in the first term. This is an extremely well supported event by the matric parents. 200 parents attended the dinner. A marquee was hired and draped, as the Club is too small to host this large number of guests. A three-course meal was served to beautifully decorated tables. My sincerest thanks go to Elizabeth Thornton-Dibb, a past Hilton College parent, for her very kind assistance with decorating and flower arrangements. Light background music, by a musician, created a wonderful atmosphere and made for a very special and happy evening. Along similar lines, we also hosted the Grade 11 parents in the fourth term for dinner whilst the boys were entertaining their partners in the Memorial Hall. The musician for the evening was tremendous and parents danced into the night.

Residential conferences are held during most school holidays. Hilton College has phenomenal facilities, which it likes to share with third parties. In 2017, we again hosted the Dolphins Township Cricket Festival. This is a cricket tournament hosted by the KZN Dolphins cricket franchise, for 350 boys from disadvantaged backgrounds, who have cricketing potential. A final game is played on the last day of the tournament and prizes are awarded for the best bowler, batsmen and fielder. This tournament receives a 30minute slot on Supersport and Hilton College is extremely proud to be associated with this initiative.

The Club hosts the matric Leaver's dinners each year. All seven boarding houses host their respective leaver's dinners for the matric boys and their parents at the Fleur-de-Lys Club. These dinners are often emotional for parents and boys alike, as the boys look back over their five years at this fantastic Institution and very quickly realise that their Hilton College career is almost ended. Many boys deliver fantastic speeches, thanking their teachers, friends and especially their parents for sacrifices made.

All Old Hiltonian Reunions were held at the Club. In 2017 we hosted the matric leavers from 1967 and 1977 at two separate events at the Club. The leavers of 1987, 1997, 2002 and 2007 were hosted at one combined event, on the eve of the Hilton Michaelhouse

home fixture. This reunion was also held in a marquee as the participation numbers were too big to host everyone in the Club and celebrations lasted into the very early hours of the following morning. These are wonderful occasions where friendships are renewed and where Old Hiltonians reminisce about their days at Hilton College in different eras.

The following Old Hiltonians were married in the Chapel in 2017.

Andrew Beveridge (1993) married Linki Lombard

John Frost (2007) married Cath Forsyth (at St Anne's but the reception was held at the Fleur-de-Lys Club)

Patrick Hathorn (2004) married Jessica Bielovich

lan Fraser (2006) married Sarah McKenzie

Our congratulations are extended to these two Old Hiltonians.

The Fleur-de-Lys Club welcomed the following new Life Members in 2017: T Uys, C Hill, I Pretorius, W Henfrey, D Muir, V Lorenco, D Hatton, G Jarvie, B Mansour, B Dixon, M Boast, D Harding, R Frank, S Bergset, M Voss, A Horter, C Frost, R Stewart, R Lechmere-Oertel, S Armour.

The members of Fleur-de-Lys Club Management Committee who served in 2017 are as follows: DJ Chaplin (Chairman), S Pinnell (Treasurer), Sir RH Don Wauchope, GJ Harris (Headmaster ex Officio), RM Tiaden (Club Manager), AN Beveridge (Club Accountant), Dr R Mottram, BP South, ID McMillan, JAY Haines, B Armstrong, PP Venter, D Harding and A Mundell.

The following are the Fleur-de-Lys Staff Members of 2017:

Ralph Tiaden (Manager), Andrew Beveridge (Accountant), Rosemary Memela, Hlengiwe Mncwabe and Cindy Dlamini. The staff members are commended for a job well done and thanked for the extremely long hours they worked during a very busy year. Our sincere thanks also go to the temporary staff members who assisted on very busy days. The temporary staff are: Albert Maduna, Nhlanhla Shelembe, Sbongile Shelembe, Mpume Dlamini, Winnie Shezi, Nombuso Mncwabe and Samke Ngcobo.

The Club Management wishes to record its sincere thanks to the accounting department of the Hiltonian Society, the school caterers – Royal Mnandi, Spectrum Services, Hamblin's Caterers, Broll and Red Alert for all their assistance during the course of the year. The above-mentioned, contributed significantly to the wellbeing of the Club in 2017.

Ralph Tiaden

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