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HIGH SCHOOL

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## EDITORIAL . . .

Another year begins to wane under the feet of time and in the face of the future. Fortunately memories, unlike time, don't fade and I am sure that 1975 kindled many fine, unforgettable experiences.

What did this passing year bring to us, the people of Wanganui High School? Perhaps the most noticeable occurrence was a renewed, vital feeling, a school spirit, which amply showed itself in our sporting and social events. This phenomenon enhanced the fellowship (and thus compatibility) between students, teachers, and probably most important of all, between the students and teachers.

Attainment in the school also climbed to a glorious peak. In the sporting field an interest and involvement, seldom seen on such a large scale of student participation, predominated in many of the games — particularly in team events.

When students reach the status of senior ranks, another form of attainment is sensed. For it is from the Fifth-form upwards that all the years of schooling culminate, in an often frightening way, in external exams. These exams, if passed, can lay the foundations for one's future path in employment, social life, financial status and so on. In this light I feel such an achievement can only portray the effort put in with resultant satisfaction. For those who were disappointed with their results then it is up to them to consider whether they really did their best and to seriously make a more concerted second try.

It is these thoughts that I leave for you to ponder and hopefully heed. To those of you who return to Wanganui High School in 1976 I sincerely hope you make it an enjoyable year and to uphold the strong school spirit and high degree of attainment.

Kevin Keat.

## MAGAZINE COMMITTEE — 1975

Thanks particularly to Editor Kevin Keat, and to the noble and willing participation and assistance from Anthony Van Dyk, Helen Granville and many others who helped and cajoled. Thanks also to Mr Meads for his unstinting photographic contributions, to Mrs Bull for the use of her typewriter and to countless people for their co-operation and patience at ALL times!

## SCHOOL HAPPENINGS — 1975

### February:

- 4: School began for third, repeat fifths, sixth and seventh forms.
- 5: Fourth and fifth forms return and Prefects voted for.
- 6: Waitangi Day (New Zealand Day) holiday.
- 7: Prefects went on a hike to the School Hut.
- 17: School photographs taken.
- 21: Members of the School Council voted for.
- 24: Council members selected.
- 26: Juniors participated in inter-form swimming competition.
- 28: Good turnout on work day (and nobody surprisingly died of overwork).

### March:

- 3: A Senior swimming gala was held.
- 4: The Junior school held its Social. First Council meeting.
- 5: Third-form Parents' Evening.
- 25: Nga Tawa and Collegiate visit in the afternoon for tennis matches. Generally disappointing results for High School.
- 27: Our Maadi Cup crews portrayed their usual skill by winning the very much sought-after Springbok Fours Shield.
- 28: Holiday due to the occurrence of Good Friday.
- 30: Easter Day.

### April:

- 2: Excavation begins for the Sports Complex.
- 3: The University Liaison Officers arrive in the school.
- 5: Inter-school Sports at Cook's Gardens. High School did exceptionally well, with many first placings and six new track and field records being set.
- 22: The distribution and sale of poppies throughout the school for a worthwhile cause.
- 25: Commemoration of Anzac Day.

### May:

- 5: From Australia came the Homebush rugby team on its New Zealand tour. High School's First Fifteen played brilliantly to defeat the visitors by 27—10.
- 22: A fifth-form Parents' Evening.
- 26: Pupils reluctantly return to school after end of the holidays (no real surprises there!)
- 27: A Parents' Meeting was held.

### June:

- 2: Queen's Birthday observed.
- 4: Geography classes from sixth forms (plus some seventh formers) went on a day field trip to Wellington.
- 11: A group of Teacher Recruitment Officers visited the school. A CORSO appeal was held.
- 12: Amid cries of despair, the sixth form exams began.
- 16: Statement of the Grounds Committee: "The M.O.W. has been working on the grounds. They have found another blockage. They have fixed the damage this time."
- 19: Speech exams. Waverly sports teams visited us in the afternoon.
- 23: Maori and Island Affairs Department official arrived.
- 25: A concert in the school hall saw the appearance of a well-known New Zealand singer, John Hanlon. The concert was well attended by High School pupils and even a few teachers.

### July:

- 2: A three-member Teacher Recruitment team arrived in the school and gave an informative lecture on the teaching profession. A most educational film entitled "Famine in Ethiopia" was shown in the hall before a most appreciative audience. Maori Recruitment Officers also visited the school.
- 3: Juniors faced the start of their exams.
- 5: The staff room took on a new appearance due to redecoration by the staff.
- 10: Enjoyable afternoon spent on Collegiate grounds by rugby, soccer and hockey teams. Excellent support for participating teams was given by pupils of both Collegiate and High School schools.
- 12: Exeat day.
- 17: High School were the hosts for matches against Boys' College. However, our grounds were inundated, thus the games were held on Boys' College fields.
- 23: A well-attended evening was held for fifth formers' parents.





#### STAFF 1975

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*Absent:* Mr. E. F. Laws (Bursar), Mr. A. F. Woodbury, Mr. T. E. Booth, Mrs. M. Wallace, Miss E. Brown, Mrs. Y. Gembitsky, Mrs. S. R. Thomson, Mrs. A. McLean.



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(Left to Right)

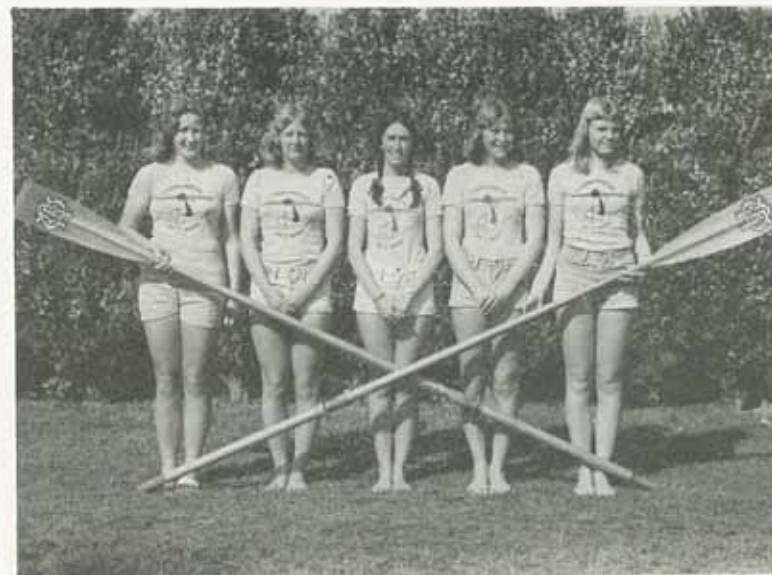
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### GIRLS' ROWING

(Left to Right)

H. Granville, C. Troughton, A. Biggs, J. Charrott, S. Snowden.



- 25: Multi-day. Miss Tilley departs for the capitals of Europe.
- 30: Queen Elizabeth Technical (P.N.) arrive. Maori studies at the Museum.
- 31: A fine day for the Rangitikei visit which involved fifteen sports teams. Overall a very successful day for High School.

#### August:

- 4: Junior Social held. The "A" Netball team played the curtain-raiser to the New Zealand versus Wanganui game.
- 6: Mr Corbett and his eager cast began play rehearsals. The National Basketball Coach arrived here and gave valuable knowledge plus assistance to both the boys and girls basketball teams. Many parents capitalised on the opportunity to view displays of student work in the school hall.
- 8: School reports were given out.
- 11: An away trip to Colenso School for our sports teams. Though we were unsuccessful in most of the games the enjoyment and experience gained more than compensates for the defeats.
- 12: Both of Wanganui's Intermediate Schools visited High School to view a dress rehearsal of our play.
- 13: "Androcles and the Lion" begins its first night.
- 18: An Open Day for parents, which was not as well attended as we would have liked.
- 22: End-of-Term.

#### September:

- 15: New Term opens.
- 16: Worthwhile appeal for "Save the Children" Fund.
- 19: Decided to hold next year's Work Day on Tuesday, 2nd March, 1976!
- 29: Mr McLeod, the Massey University Liaison Officer, spoke to possible Varsity and Training College students.
- 30: A fine day conveniently emerged for the taking of sports photographs.

#### October:

- 2: Cross-Country for entire school held.
- 9: Sixth form examinations began.
- 14: Mr Milne shows his skill when playing for the Province against the touring Indian hockey team.
- 15: Last day of sixth form exams.
- 20: Mr J. Byers (rowing coach) and the victorious rowing team appear at assembly and modestly expound on their great battles.
- 22: Political candidates talked to sixth and seventh-formers.
- 27: Labour Day holiday.
- 28: A wide range of students' art work was displayed in the school hall.

#### November:

- 1: A working party progresses with work on the gym complex.
- 7: Excellent response eventuated in a wonderful evening for the School Ball. The occasion was enjoyed by all — well done to all the willing helpers, decorators and countless others.
- 11: Last day for scholarship candidates.
- 14: Final briefing for fifths and sixths prior to "E"-day. The accrediting news divulged to sixth and fifth formers. Mr Woodbury's last day before his departure for Europe. Bon voyage!
- 19: Last day for sixth non-accredited and seventh formers. The staff are grateful for their help in areas around the school.

- 20: First day of School Certificate. Good luck to all you lucky candidates!
- 24: Third and Fourth forms begin internal exams. The trampers depart for foreign regions and sun-tans.
- 28: Ivan Higgins Scholarship held in the Music Room.
- 29: The Disabled Persons' Sports held — was a day to remember in fostering goodwill. Thanks to both Mr Lewin and Mr Hills for the organisational angle: an impressive event.

#### December:

- 2: 4C and 4S take a trip to Turangi.
- 3: Trips for the athletics teams and rugby team to Feilding and Palmerston North respectively.
- 4: The end of School Certificate.
- 11: Prize-Giving — presented by the previous Headmaster, Mr H. T. Gibson and Mrs Gibson.

### STAFF NOTES

1975 brought new faces after the old had departed. In term one, Mr Lane arrived to take charge of Biology; Mr Coates to become Guidance Counsellor and Boys' Careers Officer; Miss Stevens to teach Mathematics; Mr Lakeland came from Broadcasting to take part in the Mathematics Department; Mr Taylor to command the Home Room; and Mr Goodwin to teach English and Social Studies. During the term Mr McLelland, who had made such a good impression in the Metalworkshop left to become a stipendary lay reader in a Christchurch parish. Mr James temporarily took over his position. Mrs Gavin left the Science Department and has now a fine daughter. Mrs James took her place for the remainder of the year.

In term two, Mr Burgess arrived to take charge of the Technical Department. Mrs Worrall left for overseas and her place was taken by Mr Mahoney. Mr Dickson became a proud father of a son.

At the end of the year we said regretfully farewell to Miss Stevens, returning to England; to Mr Byers, joining now the Primary Service; to Mr Ashton, adventuring abroad; to Mrs Bull, going south; to Mr James, who returned to his position. In particular we were sad to hear of the illness of Mr Laws, the Bursar.

The year has been one of increasing workloads and pressure upon accommodation but teamwork and co-operation has worked wonders in contributing towards an academically and socially successful year.

### PARENT-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

President: B. W. Hudson.

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Staff Representatives: G. Wakely, R. Lane.

Board Representative: A. Verschoor.

Ex-Officio: Mr M. Fountain, Mr L. Power.

**Fund Raising:** This has again been the main function of the P.T.A. with a successful Work Day during the first term and the raffling of a colour television set during the second term. These two raised nearly



\$4,500 towards the financing of the changing rooms at the gymnasium. I feel that the P.T.A. will need to continue to make fund raising its main activity as there are many projects at the school which will need our assistance.

Next year we have planned a bottle drive, work day and further raffles are being considered.

Apart from Report Evenings, which are always well attended, we had a successful Open Night, towards the end of term two, when many parents came to see displays of activities and items by various cultural groups within the school. The T.V. raffle was drawn during the evening and the occasion was very worthwhile.

The P.T.A. assisted with the supper and door supervision at the senior ball held at the school and we all would like to congratulate the students who organised such a successful and happy evening. It was a pleasure to see so many well-dressed young people thoroughly enjoying themselves dancing to some good old time tunes.

### PREFECTS

And when we think we lead we are most led. — Byron.

Karen: "Absence makes the heart grow fonder" — Anon.

Jean: "Well, if you knows a better 'ole, go to it" — Charles Bruce Bairnsfather.

Phillip: "He is a dreamer; let us leave him pass" — Shakespeare.

Sue D.: "Boot, saddle, to horse, and away" — Robert Browning.

Ashley: "I look upon all the world as my parish" — John Wesley.

Peter V.: "Strung by the splendour of a sudden thought" — Charles Dickens.

Kent: "The raptures, wild, and ineffable pleasure, of drinking at somebody else's expense" — Henry Sambrooke Leigh.

Stephen: "The words as ugly, ay, as sin, and almost as delightful" — Fredrick Locker-Lampson.

Tony: "Come, come, come and make eyes at me" — Harry Tizler.

Paul: "Leeze me on drink! It gives us mair than either school or college" — Robert Burns.

William: "With men he can be rational and unaffected, but when he has ladies to please, every feature works" — Jane Austen.

Stuart: "There are few more impressive sights in the world than a Scotsman on the make" — Sir James Mathew.

Lynsey: "I wish he would explain his explanation" — Byron.

Bill: "A noisy man is always in the right" — William Cowper.

Alex: "Wots the good of hanyfink. Why nuffink!" — Albert Chevalier.

Peter W.: "A long shot, Watson, a very long shot" — Conan Doyle.

Murdock: "I would give all my fame for a pot of ale; and safety" — Shakespeare.

Jacko: "Silence is the virtue of fools" — Francis Bacon.

Benko: "There is a sure way never to see it lost and that is to die in the last ditch" — Burnet.

Gwenda: "But facts and flinch not" — Robert Browning.

Therese: "Arguments hot to the close" — Robert Browning.

Christine: "I could not see my little friend — because he was not there!" — Rev. Richard Harris Barham.

Gillian: "This warm kind world is all I know" — William Johnson Cory.

Fiona: "Some people are more nice than wise" — William Cowper.

Annette: "The chapter of accidents is the longest chapter in the book" — John Wilks.

Robyn: "All we ask is to be left alone" — Jefferson Davis.

Lynda: "A joke's a very serious thing" — Charles Churchill.

Natalie: "Why need the other women know so much?" — Robert Browning.

Sue K.: "Those who follow others never advance themselves" — Leonardo Da Vinci.

Missie: "In the great right of an excessive wrong" — Robert Browning.

Margaret: "This lass so neat, with smile so sweet" — W. Upton.

Julie: "Fair I would kiss my Julia's dainty leg, which is as brown and hairless as an egg" — Robert Herrick.

### COUNSELLING

Guidance and counselling in a school is not something that the school counsellor does all by himself. All the staff are involved to some extent through their day-to-day contact with students. When you ask a form teacher or subject teacher whether you should take a particular course, when you report some minor instance of bullying, when you ask if you are good enough to consider this career or that, there is guidance being offered.

At a deeper level the form teachers and the Deans have a greater role in guidance and are concerned very directly with your school work, your academic performance, your relationships with others and any outside factors which may influence your schooling.

Guidance and counsel is provided by the Principal, Deputy Principal and Senior Woman. While their function very often involves control and discipline it also involves direction and they are constantly being asked to look into problems of behaviour, follow up long absences, deal with classroom events and to see parents and outside agencies.

The School Counsellor fits into the area of guidance as a specialist teacher with direct training and skills in the area of human relations. He is a specialist teacher in the same way that there are specialist teachers of chemistry, physics, maths, French and physical education. The school counsellor, then, is both a person working directly in the area of pupil guidance and a resource person to staff who want help or advice on any problems relating to students and student needs.

Additionally the counsellor works in three main areas. He organises and conducts social education programmes which help to round out education by looking at the



ways in which we choose to live our life. He conducts sessions at some levels of the school in career education to try and help students make better and more informed career choices and decisions. And, thirdly, he provides a service of both listening and assistance to those who have problems relating to home, school or friends.

All working in guidance realise their limitations. Where necessary we make use of specialist help available in the community. We are very grateful for the help received from the Police Department, Maori & Island Affairs Department, medical practitioners, the Department of Health and the Department of Social Welfare. In particular, we are helped by and owe much thanks to the Vocational Guidance Service for their steady supply of up-to-date career information.

Being new in a school creates initial problems of becoming known and of being trusted. I think after this first year a large measure of acceptance has been won. One indication of this has been the fact that in one year over 300 pupil contacts and interviews have come from self-referral. This means that you made the choice to come and talk. In contrast there were 140 referrals where students have been sent to me by other people (teachers, Deans, etc.).

What does next year hold for guidance? Certainly a greater effort to meet all students in the classroom situation. Particularly the senior school which was not seen very often in 1975. Social education programmes will continue with third, fourth and fifth forms.

The counselling office is almost always open. Why not call in and talk?

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAMME

In 1974 the school initiated a programme of community service with girls from one third form class. This proved to be a very successful venture and gave encouragement to planning a similar activity in 1975.

The 1975 community involvement programme was designed to allow students to give service to community organisations such as primary schools, kindergartens, I.H.C. and playcentres. Those taking part were involved from 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon, five morning per week, with afternoons back at school.

This cut the direct schooling of those taking part to half that of regular class members and caused a number of problems in organisation, not the least of which was arranging a third term assessment rather than sitting school examinations.

Other problems found centered round girls who wanted to shift their placement and girls who wished to remain where they were. It had at first been the intention to rotate all students every three weeks, giving three different experiences in a nine week period.

There is no doubt at all that the programme was very successful and gave very real assistance to many schools and groups. All commented on how much they had appreciated having our girls helping and many girls were very highly regarded.

It is this last point that really, for the staff, measures the success or failure of the programme, did participation help the student to grow and mature as a responsible person? In large part this happened and was a delight to see.

One centre said that the girl they had working with them was better than any training college student and had more real ability than most of their trained helpers. Another centre said that their two girls amazed them

with how well they worked with quite demanding young children. Still another centre said frankly that they didn't know how they would cope after the programme stopped.

It is hoped that a similar programme can be organised for 1976. If you are invited to take part, seize the chance — you will really enjoy it.

F. C. Coates, Counsellor.

### INTER-SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

W.H.S I.S.C.F. had both an enjoyable and successful year, beginning in February by getting up one Saturday morning for an eight o'clock prayer breakfast.

Later, a week-end spent at leadership training camp at Scoutlands with Ian Dunwoodie (Scripture Union Staff, Wellington) proved valuable.

Another Saturday the "oldies" in the group welcomed the third formers with a picnic day of games and singing, climaxed with a swim in the Durie Hill pool.

Our regular meetings at Thursday lunchtimes in B5, included skits, talks, discussions, drama, singing and Bible studies lead by different students as well as the occasional guest speaker.

One of the year's highlights was a worship service on the theme of "The Fruit of the Spirit". A fortnight's preparation of artwork, drama and music by the whole group proved fruitful in providing a good time for all, including some Girls' College and Boys' College I.S.C.F.-ers.

Some of our group find an interval prayer time, held daily in the library, most rewarding.

Good fun, food, and fellowship, not to mention snow-fights, abounded in and around Crusader Lodge one week-end in June, when a busload of High School, Boys' College and Collegiate I.S.C.F.-ers, went up to Mt. Ruapehu. The theme of the camp was "God's Love" and we valued the contributions of Elaine Howie (I.S.C.F. travelling secretary) and Ian and Chris McLellan.

Other notable features of the year's programme were two films ("Thief of the Night" and "Blood on the Mountain"), a "Fish and Chip" evening in the school library and to top the year off a break-up barbeque for the group.

Our group was strengthened by several seniors attending a week-long camp at Lake Wairua in the August holidays.

We look forward to 1976 with Christ as the centre of our group and hope more of the school will join us.

### LIBRARY REPORT

This year has been a quiet year; we have missed the careers exhibitions organised by Mr Davies which were so frequently a feature of interest in the library. Mr Donne and Mrs Webby however, have kept up their good work and shown a considerable number of fascinating compositions.

We would like to express our most grateful thanks to all the generous people who have donated books to the library: Mr McKenzie, Greg Hills, the Simcox family, Gavin Herdman, Pauline Tiraha, Maringa Haddon, the 'Crusaders', Mrs Bidlake, Margaret Reweti, Mr Woodbury and Mrs Davies. Without these donors the library would be a good deal poorer.

Our Librarians, headed by Craig Tattersall, have once more done a splendid job in repairing books and helping to keep the shelves and library tidy. Their assistance helps to a very considerable extent in keeping down the ever-rising costs.



## S.C.F. REPORT

This year a special appeal was organised in aid of the war-torn countries of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, to which the school contributed \$30 through voluntary donations.

Emelia King, the African girl from Sierra Leone sponsored by the school, has been writing to Gwenda Capenerhurst and these exchanges of letters are certainly appreciated. The three children sponsored by the staff are now reduced to two as Nirmal Ghosh, from the Hooghly district of West Bengal, has now got a job. Pui-Ying Lao and Hong Leung Lee, both from Hong Kong, have now taken their examinations for admission to secondary school, though we do not as yet know the results.

Christmas cards, tea-towels, calendars and notelets have been sold again this year in aid of the S.C.F.

## THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

This year three bronze awards were gained by Maxine Johnson, Julie Davidson and Marina Bourke.

We include here an extract from a longer account by Sandra Chapman (4D), of just one of the many activities involved in passing the Award.

" . . . Left home at 8.00 a.m. to get to school by 8.30 a.m. Arrived at school and loaded bikes into trailer. Left school 8.45 a.m.

" . . . Travelled for about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour and arrived at our starting point, Upukonargo."

" . . . Checked equipment, went over instructions and finally left. Sun was streaming down on us for the first couple of miles."

" . . . Standing out before us was a huge hill or so we thought, but later on in the journey we discovered it was actually small."

" . . . Maxine and I kept on cycling for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours and after tramping up a huge hill we stopped and had a 15-minute break for morning tea."

" . . . About 1 o'clock we reached an enormous hill and thinking that we would have reached this hill that the teacher had told us about, we started climbing. What made the hill worse, was that it was all loose stones and gravel. After about a  $\frac{1}{4}$ -hour climb up the hill, pausing to rub our strained ankles, we reached the end only to return our exhaustion by drinking a whole bottle of Teal 35. A fairly short descent, but a steep one, returned our strength. It was rough and we skidded several times while trying to hold our balance long enough to get to the bottom of the hill. Another short, steep hill stood before us, but we managed to survive it."

"By this time we started looking for Gaye's place. While whizzing down the hill I noticed a house standing out on the hill. As I zoomed by I noticed the name 'Gaye' on the letterbox and slammed on all anchors to stop, but only to receive a big cloud of dust and a huge skid that made me lose my balance and land on my knees on the gravel. I was hurt but I was so happy that we made it this far that I soon forgot about it."

"We coasted down to the gates only to discover three gates. We decided to take the gate on the left as it lead by the milking shed; but it didn't look right, so we left our bikes down the hill by the shed and walked

back up to Gaye's place to ask the way. We spoke to Mr and Mrs Gaye and Mr Gaye said he would take us down and put us on the right track. This he did. He gave us a lift down to our bikes on his tractor as he was heading that way. We enjoyed this."

"We started out in the paddock and every step we took our feet sank down into the wastes of animals. The whole paddock was covered with this manure and we started to get very annoyed at dodging the boggy parts. I had sandals on, so you can imagine the mess my feet got in. We made slow progress to the other side gate and then discovered that the next paddock was the same as the first but worse, as the trees were blocking the sun out and there was mud, manure and dead sheep everywhere. Our bikes got stuck several times in this and the other person would come to help to move it out. We got bits of wood to wheel our bikes over the especially muddy parts, we put the wood back, as we were enjoying the thought to think that the other two would be coming over this and have the same trouble as us. We got out of this paddock all right, rather muddy, and went on to the next field. This field had grass on it and the track we followed was rising up to a steep hill. We took out a piece of fruit and had one each. By this time it was 1.30 p.m. We weren't hungry either, but thirsty, yes."

"We came across a gate and tried for about 10 minutes to undo the latch. We were about to give up and lift our bikes over it when it decided to come undone."

"The rest of the way was downhill and rough as we had to ride along the sheep tracks and gullies. You had to have your brakes on all the way. This was McKenzie country."

"We started on our way not feeling weary yet, till we came to Reeds Hill. The sight of it took our breath away. One quarter of the way up we stopped to have a 20-minute lunch and continued our long weary walk up."

" . . . After reaching the top which took about three-quarters of an hour, we stood back and looked at the breath-taking view."

"We enjoyed the trip and surprisingly enough we weren't stiff, but burnt, yes."

"We did on this day exactly 41 miles and loved it."

Sandra Chapman, 4D.

## THE TRAMPING CLUB'S TRIP TO THE SCHOOL HUT

Our exciting adventures began about two days before we were due to leave. Our number one opponent was the weather, when the Ranger informed us that the snow was the heaviest in the area for 10 years. There was some doubt as to whether we would go when the weather didn't clear, but we agreed to meet outside the school at 6.00 p.m., where Mr Lupton would pick us up in our hired minibus. When he still hadn't arrived at 6.45, we began to get anxious, so Stephen rang Mr Lupton, who said we were in for a surprise. He arrived driving the surprise . . . a Bedford van minus seats and without chains. We put our packs in and then stowed ourselves in like sardines, shutting the door before anyone fell out. Some feeble attempts at starting a sing-song by Helen, Tessa, Caroline and Gillian, to occupy the minds of those who were intent on being sick, were



## SKI TRIP — SEPTEMBER, 1975

whisked away by a more spectacular event, when a furniture van overturned and blocked both lanes of the road. Traffic banked up quickly and we did our good turn of the day by informing motorists of the danger ahead. The eventual arrival of a M.O.W. grader which pushed the truck to one side, led to the opening of one lane about an hour or so later. By now we were running a couple of hours behind time, and when we reached the Ranger's house to check in, and drove up to our starting peg it was about 10.30. We donned our packs and set off, after having pushed the van off the side of the road. The going was much harder than we had expected with thigh-deep snow in some places and waist-deep in others. We eventually reached our destination at a little after 1.00 a.m., feeling fatigued and cold. We made attempts at untying our frozen shoe-laces and after removing our boots we entered the hut and wasted no time in lighting a fire to defrost ourselves. Soon we were sitting around drinking hot soup and feeling relieved that the load had been taken off our backs.

When we were awakened by Stephen, who had had a hurried trip to the distant loo, we found that our pillows were stuck to the wall by icicles which had formed over-night. We got up in dribs and drabs and Mr Lupton, Stephen and Richard cooked saveloys and porridge for breakfast (the traditional tramping club breakfast). Several smoky coffees later we were sent out to look for firewood to replace that which we had used. The search got as far as the glorious snow-covered slope a little further on behind the hut. Armed with plastic bags and sunglasses, we proceeded to slide down on our backsides, and had the time of our lives. Richard and Stephen even went as far as trying out the inside of the bag.

Paul took some photos of us outside the hut and we all vowed to go back up with Mr Lupton to help paint it because this year is the hut's 10th anniversary. (As yet there have been no other tramps to the hut.)

Once again we donned our packs, this time in high spirits, and started the considerably easier tramp back to the van. We stopped along the way to snap off the icicles which were hanging from the banks, and to admire the beautiful view, as for some of the party this was their first look at snow. As we were crossing the planks we were talking to some people who were going for a walk when we noticed an untouched frozen-over part of the swamp. Needless to say we took advantage of it and tried out some amateur ice-skating, in our hobnails and rubber-soled boots. With the exception of Mr Lupton, who is an old hand at ice-skating, we all had a very new and sore experience. After a few minor accidents Leona, Debra, Richard and, of course, Mr Lupton, proved to be our champs.

Several photos later, we were off again and after observing the beautiful sight of a waterfall frozen as it fell over the cliffs, we were soon back at the van, where Paul, Stephen and Julie were already waiting. What an adventure!

But it wasn't over yet. There was another accident on the Parapara, this time involving a motorcycle. When we did get home everyone was so tired that they went straight home to bed. A great way to end a good trip. Thanks to Mr Lupton for taking us on it, from all the people who went on the tramp: Stephen Simcox, Paul Bares, Carolyn Goodman, Tessa Jackson, Helen Granville, Gillian Fountain, Richard Terry, Leona Smith, Debra Sarten, Julie Henderson, Heather Young and Mr Lupton.

This is the fourth consecutive year that Wanganui High School has been fortunate enough to attend the all-inclusive six day "Learn to Ski" course on the snow slopes of Mt. Ruapehu.

Some students with staff members and their families were hosted at Erua Ski Lodge by Lloyd and Janet Horn (Ski Shop, New Plymouth), from the 7th to 12th of September, along with Kamo College from Whangarei.

Skis, boots and poles were supplied on arrival at the Lodge and the first lessons on how to control them were given on Erua's Indoor Ski Mat.

This was under the competent direction of our instructors Mark, Graham, Brenda, Brett and Geoff.

Dinner on Sunday night was typical of all the meals we received for the duration of our stay — a three course meal of ample proportions.

On Monday morning after a very sustaining breakfast the first busload of eager skiers headed up the mountain to the first lesson at Mead's Wall. Here, after being separated into the various groups — expert — co-ordinated and unco-ordinated, we attend our first experience of skiing! As the week and students progressed lessons were held higher up the mountain on steeper and faster slopes. Afternoons were left free to practice, which included anything from the snow plough to parallel jump turns.

Even after opposition from certain Kamo members, the second day was spent in glorious sunshine at which skiing was at its best. By mid-week most had explored the mountain and some of the people had tried out T-Bars and Pommas with success.

Friday came too soon and we had to leave the Top of the Bruce early, by goat, to pack. When we arrived back at the Lodge, Kamo had already left for Whangarei.

Again our thanks to parents who supplied transport, and to Mr Power who again successfully organised the trip. The trip was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone, and produced many enthusiastic skiers who look forward to next year.

John Simpson.

## PRIZE LIST — 1975

### 3rd FORM PRIZES

- Form 3C:** 1st, Raama Brownlie, 1 Maths, Soc. Stud., Typing, Comm. Prac., 2 English, 3 General Science; 2nd Jenny Barclay, 1 English, 1 = Comm. Prac., 2 Maths, 2 Typing; 3rd, Shirley Keat, 3 English, 3 Typing.
- Form 3D:** 1st, David Duckmanton, 1 Maths, Science, 2 Engineering, 3 Soc. Stud.; 2nd, Paul Silk, 1 Soc. Stud., Maths, 2 English; 3rd, Angela Tuffin, 2 Social Studies.  
Merit: Deborah O'Hara, Shane Robson, Dianne Stanley.
- Form 3E:** 1st, Deborah Lett, 1 English, Social Studies, Science; 2nd, David Robinson, 3 Maths, 1 Engineering; 3rd Deborah Green, 2 Typing.  
Merit: Julie Tinnion, Tony Coker, Richard Whibley, Grant Churchill, Karen Johnson, Peter Sutherland, Leigh Mitchell-Anyon, Tony Polkinghorne.
- Form 3F:** 1st, Paul Girven, 1 = English, 1 Maori, Soc. Studies, Maths, Science; 2nd, Jan Keenan, 1 = English, 2 Maths, 3 Maori; 3rd, Annette Ingle, 1 Science, 3 Social Studies.  
Merit: Debra Bradley, Sheryll Scott, Clare Rowan, Ruth Grigor, Nigel Funnell.
- Form 3H:** 1st, Debbie Neilson, 1 Home Econ., Maths, Maori Studies, 1 = Art, 2 English, Soc. Stud., 3 Science; 2nd Rawinia Whakarau, 1 Soc. Stud., 1 = Art, 3 Maths; 3rd, Michelle Amott, 3 English.  
Merit: Jennifer Tuffin.
- Form 3P:** 1st, Llama Holman.  
Merit: William Rerekura, Karen Bourke, Warwick Chiles.



**Form 3A:** 1st, Glen Labrum, 1 English, Social Studies; 2nd Jackie Jones, 2 English, 2= French, 3 Maths; 3rd, Richard Robinson, 1 Science, 2 Social Studies.  
Merit: Jan Webby, Debra Rodgers, Greg Brotherston, Tasi Su'a.

**Form 3S:** 1st, Peter Speck, 1= English, 1= French, 1 Maths, 2 Science, 3 Soc. Stud.; 2nd, Vivienne Wallace, 1= French, 1 Science; 3rd, Karen Rowland, 1= English.  
Merit: David McLean, Hayley Bell.

**Form 3B:** 1st, Andrew Bitchener, 1 Maths, 1 Science, 2 Comm. Prac., 2 Soc. Stud.; 2nd, Keryn Lett, 1 Soc. Stud., 2 Maths, 3 English, Typing; 3rd, Graeme Frew, 1 English, 3 Soc. Stud., Science.  
Merit: Julie Carson, Alan Hoskin, Odette Kilmister.

**Form 3K:** 1st, Avon James, 1 English, Maths; 2nd, Paul Ruscoe, 1 Maths, 2 Social Studies; 3rd, Rosemary Larkin, 2 Maths, 2 English.  
Merit: Phillip Tamou, Anthony Dragicevic, Richard Tamou.

**Form 3J:** 1st, Margaret Kidd, 1 Science, Soc. Stud., 3 Maths, English; 2nd, Joy Carson, 2 Social Studies, 2 Science; 3rd= Alan Bristol, 1= Maths; 3rd= Peter Wham, 1= Maths, 3 Science.

#### 4th FORM PRIZES

**Form 4C:** 1st, Yvonne Gosnell, 1 Soc. Stud., Science, 2 Typing, 3 English; 2nd, Sandra Lockhart, 1 Typing, 2 Maths, 3 Science; 3rd, Carolyn Van Gernerden, 1 English, 2 Maths.  
Merit: Sandra Bradley, Lynne Brown, Sandra Gibbard, Denise Munro.

**Form 4D:** 1st, Janice Hardy, 1 English, 3 Social Studies; 2nd, Nigel Manville, 1 Maths, 3 Science; 3rd, Grant Wills-Johnson, 1 Social Studies, 1 Science.  
Merit: Trevor Mael, Alex Rowe, Kim Hawkins.

**Form 4P:** 1st, Cheryl Kendrick-Hunt, 1 English, 1 Social Studies; 2nd, Desirée Wilson, 1 Art, 1 Reading, 1 Social Studies.  
Merit: John Gibson, Louisa Douché, Timothy Bourke, John Craven.

**Form 4F:** 1st, Steven May, 1 English, Social Studies, Science; 2nd, Robert Claridge, 2 Maths, English; 3rd, Beverley McIntyre, 1 French, 3 Science.

**Form 4S:** 1st, Carol Dick, 1 Social Studies, 2 Science, 3 French; 2nd, Glenda Flower, 1 English, 2 Science; 3rd, Gaylene Holly, 1 French, English.  
Merit: Miles Grafton, Gary Ander, Carol Prop, Gerald Andrews, Karen Inglis.

**Form 4J:** 1st, Susan Penfold, 1 Japanese, Soc. Stud., 2 Maths, English; 2nd, Sharon Ayre, 1 Social Studies, 2 Japanese; 3rd=, Martin Payne, 2 Science, 1 Maths; 3rd= Brett Oldfield, 2 Maths, 1 Science.  
Merit: Elizabeth Hill, Helen Visser, Christine Sturzaker, Stephen Riley.

**Form 4B:** 1st, Warren Priddle, 1= Science, 1 Soc. Stud., 2 Comm. Prac., 3 Maths; 2nd, Mark Tume, 1 Maths, 1= Science, 3 English, Soc. Stud.; 3rd, Kathryn Lagan, 1= English, 1= Soc. Stud., 2 Maths.

**Form 4K:** 1st, Neil Packer, 1 English, 2 Soc. Stud., Maths, 3 Science; 2nd, Robert Jones, 1 Maths, Science; 3rd, Steven Price, 1 Social Studies.

**Form 4A:** 1st, Andrea Stapleton, 1 French, English, Social Studies; 2nd, Yvonne Van Der Does, 2 Science, Social Studies; 3rd, Diane Whibley, 2 Social Studies.  
Merit: Marie Askin.

**Form 4H:** 1st, Robyn Sanders, 1 Clothing, Homecraft, 3 Social Studies; 2nd, Sandra Henderson, 1 Soc. Stud., Science, 3 Homecraft; 3rd=, Margaret Reweti, 1 Maths, 2 Homecraft, 3 Soc. Studies., Clothing; 3rd=, Susan Head, 1 English, 2 Soc. Stud., 3 Science, Homecraft.  
Merit: Gillian Stent, Sandra Leyland.

**Form 4E:** 1st, William Harrison, 1= Maths, 1 Science, 2 Soc. Stud., 2= English; 2nd, Kerry Flintoff, 1 Soc. Stud., 2 Tech. Drawing, Engineering, 3= Maths; 3rd, Rowena Deiley, 2 Soc. Studies, Science.  
Merit: Robert Pauling, Michael Greenfield, Richard Sturdee, Andrea Purdom.

#### 5th FORM SUBJECT PRIZES

**Merits** (for mention only. Awarded for special effort.): Peter Gooding and Lynette Lane in English. Rosaline Van Der Does, Jeanette Charteris and Marce Beattie in Maths. Elizabeth Overweel, Carol Vincent, Susan Watson and Gregory Glockling in General Science. Suzanne Watt in General Science and Geography. Sietse Zeilstra in General Science,

Biology and Geography. Grant Ryder and Gail Papworth in Biology. Janet Reid and Cathy Spencer in Physics. To'aiga Su'a in Chemistry and French. Alison Bell in French. Eleanor Foster in French and Geography. Susan Crawley in Home Economics. Pam Strother and Debbie Lawless in Art. Angela Head, Jan Hobday and Joan Filer in Shorthand, Typing. Cherie Baldwin, Dianne Ngeru and Sharon Siddells in Typing. Garth Allison in Technical Drawing. Clive Savage, Deborah McGrail, Paul Kingdom, Lynn Spencer and Wendy Asplin in History. Stephen Lace in History and Geography. Carol Newport in Human Biology. Ian Booth, Robert Domanski, John Oldman, Christine Ward, Stephen Thoms, Elizabeth Andrews, Denyse Scott, Gail Moore, Cheryl Sykes, Carol Payne, Suzanne Baker, Stephanie Baron, Wendy Labrum, Kaye Robertson and Ian Poulton in Geography.

#### Subject Awards:

Lynn Spencer, 3 English.  
Janet Reid, 3= Biology, 3= Chemistry.  
Stephanie Baron, 3 Bookkeeping.  
Toni Wilkie, 3 Commercial Practice.  
Debbie Garrett, 3 Art.  
Gabrielle Allen, 3 Shorthand Typing.  
Trudy Adair, 3 Typing.  
Philip Bennett, 3 Technical Drawing.  
Suzanne Watt, 3= History.  
David Tattersall, 3= History.  
Allistair O'Hagan, 3 Engineering.  
Dianne Ngeru, 3 Human Biology.  
Gail Papworth, 3 Geography.  
Susan Watson, 2 English, 2 Geography.  
Cathy Spencer, 2= French, 3= Maths, 3= Biology, 3= Chemistry.  
Shireen Snowdon, 2= General Science.  
Stephen Lace, 2= General Science.  
Grant Ryder, = General Science.  
Eleanor Foster, 2= General Science.  
Lawrence Fenerty, 2 Chemistry.  
Carol Wicks, 2 Bookkeeping.  
Joy Sturzaker, 2 Clothing.  
Mahi Takarangi, 2 Home Economics.  
Vikki Johnston, 2 Commercial Practice.  
Karen McIntyre, 2 Art.  
Carol Browne, 2 Shorthand Typing.  
Mitzi Takarangi, 2 Typing.  
Grant Allen, 2 Technical Drawing.  
Anthony Mako, 2 Woodwork.  
Wayne Leith, 2 Engineering.  
Wendy Butler, 2 Human Biology.  
Stephen Hart, 1= General Science.  
Bronwyn Johnson, 1= Biology.  
Moana Crompton, 1 Japanese.  
Phillip Bristol, 1 Bookkeeping.  
Lynne Johnson, 1 Clothing.  
Jackie McLachlan, 1 Home Economics.  
Gillian Nimmo, 1 Commercial Practice.  
Kaye Robertson, 1 Art.  
Kim Hansen, 1 Shorthand Typing.  
Susan Holman, 1 Typing.  
Elizabeth Andrews, 1 History.  
Garth Allison, 1 Engineering.  
Raewyn Hudson, 1 Human Biology.  
Trevor Lockett, 1 Tech. Drawing, 1 Woodwork, 3= Maths.  
Mark Vaughan, 1 English, 1 Maths, 1= Biology, 1= Physics, 1 Chemistry, 2= French.  
Joanne Fox, 1= General Science, 1 Geography, 2 History.  
Ian Booth, 1= Physics, 2 Maths.  
Maree Beattie, 1 French, 3 Physics.

#### 6th FORM SUBJECT PRIZES

**Merits** (for mention only. Awarded for special effort.): Tracey Collins and Alex Prentice in Maths. Amanda Campbell, Leonard Gould and Peter White in Geography. Kevin Keat in Geography and History. Susan Kosmala, Colleen King, Heather Young, Margaret Haddon, Grant Calvert and William Scanlan in History. John Medcalf in German. Colin Browne, Jonathan Wallace and Grant Rogerson in Physics. Richard Terrey in Biology and Chemistry. Dianne Prop, Carol Grinstead and Helen Doney in Biology. Roy Glass in Biology and Chemistry. Kevin Kerr and Dean Murray in Technical Drawing.



#### Subject Awards:

Dayl Allen, 3 English.  
Tracey Collins, 3 Geography, 3 Biology.  
Wayne Wright, 3 History.  
Sandra Mackie, 3 German, 3= Japanese.  
Andrew Prentice, 3= Physics.  
Victor Daynes, 3 Accounting.  
Sue Capenerhurst, 2 English.  
John Medcalf, 2 Geography.  
Jackie Sanders, 2 History.  
Jean Russell, 2 Accounting.  
Angus Buxton, 2 Maths, 2 Physics.  
Peter Wynne, 2 Japanese, 3 French.  
Susan Visser, 2 Chemistry, 2 Biology, 3= Maths.  
Brenda Dean, 1 English.  
John Robson, 1 Maths.  
Dianne Prop, 1 Geography.  
Lynda Joblin, 1 History.  
Alison Walker, 1 Art.  
Grant Calvert, 1 Accounting.  
Bruce Jellyman, 1 Technical Drawing.  
Kristen Walker, 1 Biology, 3= Maths, 3= Physic, 3 Chemistry.  
Kerri Sturzaker, 1 French, 2 German, 3= Japanese.  
Tony Van Dyk, 1 Physics, 1 Chemistry, 3= Maths.  
Susan Kosmala, 1 German, 1 Japanese, 2 French.

#### 7th FORM PRIZE LIST

**Merits** (for mention only. Awarded for special effort.): Pamela Langridge in Art. Murray Potts in Geography. John Riley in Maths. Tay Chong Choon in Maths and Physics. Karen Harding in Biology, Chemistry and Physics. David Barnes and Ashley Sedon in Biology. Craig Tattersall in Physics.

#### Subject Awards:

Vicky Williamson, 3 Art.  
Christine Watson, 3 Geography.  
Garth Lawless, 3 Biology, 3 Maths, 3 Chemistry.  
Wendy Fairclough, 2 Art.  
Lisa Sicely, 2= French.  
Ashley Sedon, 2 Geography.  
Gavin Buxton, 1 Art.  
Gillian Cockerell, 1 Geography.  
Ross Jackson, 1= Biology.  
John Riley, 1= Physics, 2 Chemistry.  
Richard Laird, 1= Biology, 2 Maths, 3 Physics.  
Robert Stainthorpe, 1 History, 2= French, 2 German.  
Gwenda Capenerhurst, 1 French, 1 German.  
Martin Robinson, 1 Maths, 1 Add. Maths, 1 Chemistry, 1= Physics.

#### SPECIAL AWARDS WON BY PUPILS IN 1975 IN OUTSIDE COMPETITIONS

Jan Webby, Dr. H. D. Robertson Trust Art Award, Junior 1st Prize.  
Gavin Buxton }  
Wendy Fairclough } Dr. H. D. Robertson Trust Art Award,  
Vicki Williamson } Senior 1st Prize.  
Gwenda Capenerhurst, 2nd, Senior Grade Wanganui Secondary Schools French Prose and Poetry Readings.  
Murdoch McKenzie, North Island Triple Jump Champion, Senior.  
Bill Harrison, North Island Junior High Jump Champion.  
Bill Walsh, North Island Secondary Schools 200 metre Backstroke, Senior.  
Bill Harrison, 5th, New Zealand Secondary Schools Junior High Jump.  
Trevor Lockett, 3rd New Zealand Secondary Schools Senior 800 metres.

#### DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARDS

Maxine Johnson }  
Julie Davidson } Bronze Awards.  
Marina Bourke }

#### SPECIAL AWARDS WON BY SPORTS TEAMS IN OUTSIDE AWARDS

##### Basketball

Boys' "A" Team: Winners of Wanganui Secondary Schools A Grade Shield. Winners of West Coast Zone Tournament. Placed 7th in New Zealand Inter-Secondary Schools Tournament for Cuthbertson Cup at Timaru.

Boys' "C" Team: Winners Wanganui Secondary Schools "C" Grade.

Girls' "A" Team: Winners Morris Cup, Wellington Secondary Schools Tournament.

Girls' "B" Team: Winners Wanganui Secondary Schools "B" Grade Shield.

Girls' "C" Team: Winners Wanganui Secondary Schools "C" Grade Shield.

##### Rowing:

Girls' Coxed Fours: Wanganui Secondary Schools winners.

Boys' Senior Coxed Fours: Springbok Shield, New Zealand Secondary Schools.

##### Netball:

"F" Team: Winners 3rd Grade Shield — Wanganui Netball Association.

##### Athletics:

Girls' Team: 1st, Wanganui Motors Inter-Secondary Schools League.

Boys' Team: 3rd, Wanganui Motors Inter-Secondary Schools League.

#### SPECIAL PRIZES

Dianne Bishop: Commercial Department Scholar of the Year.

Robert Buxton: Carol Fitzsimons' Prize for Orchestra.

Garth Allison: The Kidd Garrett Prize in Engineering.

Craig Tattersall: The Librarian's Prize.

Robyn Sanders: The Jones Trophy for General Excellence in Home Economics Course.

Gwenda Capenerhurst: The Wendy Harrex Rosebowl for French.  
Brett Oldfield: The Gray Payne Trophy for Service to the School.

Murdoch McKenzie: Maori Affairs Department Prize for General Excellence among Maori Pupils.

Terese Kendrick: Stan Davis Memorial Cup for Outdoor Activities.

Ross Jackson: W. D. Smellie Cup for Senior Public Speaking.

Josephine Gray: Mrs. Lockett's Prize for Homecraft Option.

Donna Davis: Maori Purposes Trust Board Prize for Promotion and Learning of Maori.

#### SPORTS PRIZES AND TROPHIES

Kent Allison: The Williams Trophy for Senior Sprints.

Trevor Lockett: The Don Cornes Trophy for Senior Cross Country winner.

Peter Visser: The Wanganui Rowing Club Trophy for the Most Outstanding Oarsman.

Garry Raine: The Michael Young Trophy for the Most Improved Cricketer.

Jan Hobday: "Kotiate" Maori Carving for Girls' Tennis.

Tay Chong Choon: "Wahaika" Maori Carving for Boys' Tennis.

Wayne Taumata: The Gray Payne Cup for Outstanding Swimmer.

Bill Harrison: Karyn Parker Memorial Trophy for the Most Improved Athlete in the Fourth Form.

Jenny Dobbie: Trophy for Girls' Cross Country.

Lynn Browne: Heather Hume Cup for Girls' Sprinting.

Robyn Granville: Cup for Best Third Form Girl Athlete.

Sue Henderson: Dux Ludorum — Mr. Smellie's Trophy for Girls' Sport.

Murdoch McKenzie: Dux Ludorum — Mrs. Robertson's Trophy for Boys' Sport.

#### INTER-FORM COMPETITION

Third Forms: 3J.

Fourth Forms: 4J.

Fifth Forms: 5A.

Sixth and Seventh Forms: 7.

#### LIONS INTERNATIONAL AWARD

William Scanlan: For Outstanding Contribution to School Life.

#### IVAN HIGGINS SCHOLARSHIP

Jenny Baron.

#### HEAD PREFECTS AND DUX AWARDS

Jean Russell }

Phillip Hinton } Principal's Prizes for the Head Prefects.

Robert Stainthorpe: Proxime Accessit to the Dux.

Martin Robinson: Dux of the School.



## BEQUEST TO WANGANUI HIGH SCHOOL

Miss Edith Beatrice Wheal, who died on 23 January, 1975, had served as a primary school teacher in Wanganui for fifty years, continuing in various relieving positions after her formal retirement in 1954.

Her outstanding devotion to the education of young people in Wanganui has been further demonstrated by her generous bequest of \$13,000 to the Principal and Board of Governors of Wanganui High School, to be held in trust for the establishment of two Scholarships.

**The Ivan Higgins Scholarship** is a memorial to a young relative of Miss Wheal's who died in his early years.

This is an Entrance Scholarship to the Third Form at Wanganui High School and its value is \$200.

It is to be awarded annually by the Principal to a boy or girl, on the basis of scholastic merit and previous school record. There will be an examination for this scholarship and application forms will be available at the High School early in Term III this year.

**The Edith Wheal Scholarship** is a fitting memorial to Miss Wheal, for it was intended by her to promote opportunity for outgoing service by ex-pupils of the High School.

The Scholarship will provide a substantial contribution to the expense of an ex-pupil of Wanganui High School to render voluntary service abroad. Should there be no suitable candidate offering for such service in any year, there is provision for the Scholarship to be awarded to a pupil who stands to profit most by its bounty while studying for higher qualifications at a tertiary level.

The first award of this Scholarship will be in 1976 but application papers will be available from the school in the third term this year.

## ADDITIONAL AWARDS TO THE SCHOOL

1975: Heather Hume Cup for the outstanding girl sprinter — all grades are eligible.

1975: Stan Davis Memorial Cup for the pupil who has best displayed the qualities of leadership, responsible concern for others and competence in Outward Bound activities such as tramping, canoeing, etc.

## ACADEMIC SUCCESSES IN 1975

### SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY

#### Scholarship:

Martin Robinson.

#### "A" Bursaries:

Were gained by David Barnes, David Harding, Ross Jackson, Garth Lawless, John Riley, Martin Robinson, Robert Stainthorpe.

#### "B" Bursaries:

Were gained by Kent Allison, Trevor Banks, Tay Chong Choon, Gillian Cockerell, Tony Craig, Neil Domigan, Caroline Green, Phillip Hinton, Terese Kendrick, Richard Laird, Ashley Sedon, Murray Potts, Elizabeth Sicely, Craig Tattersall, Christine Watson.

#### University Entrance:

Dayl Allen, Robyn Atkinson, Karen Ayrton, Paul Bares, John Benson, Colin Browne, Angus Buxton, Grant Calvert, Susan Capanerhurst, Susan Cockerell, Tracey Collins, Susan Danby, Victor Daynes, Brenda Dean, Helen Doney, David Duncan,

Stephen Eriksen, Guy Ewing, Roy Glass, Helen Granville, Carol Grinstead, Brett Guthrie, Margaret Haddon, Susan Henderson, Tessa Jackson, Lynda Joblin, Anthony Jones, Kevin Keat, Colleen King, Susan Kosmala, Vicki Lawrence, Sandra Mackie, Murdock McKenzie, John Medcalf, Stephanie Peffers, Alex Prentice, Andrew Prentice, Dianne Prop, Wendy Reid, John Robson, Grant Rogers, Mark Rowland, Jean Russell, Jackie Sanders, William Scanlan, Lynley Sloan, Darrell Smith, Kerry Sturzaker, Martin Swann, Dean Taylor, Christine Troughton, Charles Torrell, Anthony Van Dyk, Peter Visser, Susan Visser, Alison Walker, Kristen Walker, Jonathan Wallace, Lorraine White, Peter White, Wayne Wright, Peter Wynne, Heather Young.

#### School Certificate:

Honours were gained by 14, the first three places being gained by Catherine Spencer, Ian Booth and Mark Vaughan. Of the 231 who sat School Certificate, 15 passed in six subjects and 20 passed in five subjects. 136 met Departmental criteria for entry to the 6th Form.

#### Fine Arts Preliminary Examination:

Gavin Buxton and Wendy Fairclough gained passes.

#### Trades Board Typing and Shorthand Typing Passes:

Dianne Bishop, Carol Grinstead, Toni Willne.

## 1975 GRADUANDS WANGANUI HIGH SCHOOL

#### Massey University:

Alan James Pappill — B.A. — U.E. 1963.  
Michael Phillip Dale — B.A. — U.E. 1971.  
Stephen Graham Britton — M.A., with First Class Hons. in Geography — U.E. 1967.  
Sandra Louise Hilhorse (née Gordon) — B.Sc. — U.E. 1971.  
Allan Carlton Wigglesworth — B.Sc. — U.E. 1969.

#### Victoria University of Wellington:

Kim Robin Tattersall — M.A., with First Class Hons. in French — U.E. 1969.  
George Neil Marshall — B.A., with Second Class (2nd Div.) Hons. in History — U.E. 1969.  
David Richard Weller — B.A., with Second Class (2nd Div.) Hons. in Geography — U.E. 1969.  
Jillian Rae Tattersall — B.A. — U.E. 1970.  
Richard Livingston Pryce — LL.B., with Second Class (1st Div.) Hons. — U.E. 1969.  
Michael Ivan Young — B.A., with Second Class (2nd Div.) Hons. in Geography — U.E. 1969.  
Margaret Anne Borland — B.Sc. — U.E. 1968.  
Alan Joseph Coulston — B.C.A. — U.E. 1968.  
Margaret Christina Macdonald — B.Sc., with First Class Hons. in Botany — U.E. 1969.

#### University of Canterbury:

Pang Seng Liang — B.Sc. — U.E. 1970.  
Stephen Henry Keneck — B.Sc., with First Class Hons. in Physics (Senior Scholar) — U.E. 1969.  
John Kennedy Bird — B.Sc. — U.E. 1969.  
Margaret Anne Elliot — B.Sc. — U.E. 1969.  
Raymond Charles Pointon — B.Sc. — U.E. 1969.  
Philip Graham Ball — B.A. — U.E. 1969.

#### University of Otago:

Susan Joyce Newton — B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B.  
Robert Arthur Hayward — Dip. Ph. Ed.  
Raewyn Audrey Knowles — Dip. Ph. Ed.

#### University of Auckland:

Wendy Irene Noall — B.Sc. — U.E. 1970.  
Margaret Delphine Turney — B.Sc. — U.E. 1970.  
Marion Ruth Good (née Buchanan) — B.A. — U.E. 1968.

#### W.H.S. WINS CONSUMER RIGHTS PRIZES:

Jill Syman and Cheryl Star, fourth formers at High School, have been awarded the Junior \$50 prize, first equal, in the Consumer Rights Secondary Schools Competition for "writing and performing a play". This play highlights the rights of Consumers.



## NEW ZEALAND SPEECH BOARD EXAMINATIONS IN ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The intermediate examination is for 3rd and 4th formers and the senior examinations for 5th, 6th and 7th formers. Honours certificates can only be gained when the candidate enters a level for the second time.

### Intermediate Examination Passes:

S Leyland	Sharon Bellman
Vicki Bowyer	James Kirkwood
Denise Robinson	Mark Wynne
Debra Rogers	Billy Abbott

### Senior Examination Pass:

William Scanlon

### Credit — Intermediate Examination:

Tina Burgess	Blair Mattock
Raewyn Hicks	Richard Robinson
Grant Smithies	Jan Keenan
Vivienne Wallace	Annette Ingle
Paul Girven	

### Honours — Intermediate Examination:

Susan Penfold	Richard Robinson
Joanne Parkinson	Vivienne Wallace
Tina Burgess	Simone Bagot
Jan Keenan	

## "ANDROCLES AND THE LION"

The business of play production anywhere involves not just the actors and actresses. Behind the glowing illusion of stage realities lie hosts of major techniques, minor details, construction, paint, string and very much goodwill and teamwork in harmony. A glance at any production list reveals the multitude of varying responsibilities.

All the more credit, then, to any school production created in the confines of lunchtimes and after school rehearsals on the stage barely worthy or designed for anything other than creating ulcers for producer and stage manager.

For the second year in succession, Mr Corbett has produced a play by High School pupils: this year the choice fell on a Bernard Shaw play — "Androcles and the Lion". The play is based on an old fable but Shaw characteristically expanded the fable to poke fun at nineteenth century society and, incidentally, examine what ends are worth dying for to make life worth living. Shaw, in fact, denied that the play was a comedy. It is fantasy, not aiming (particularly using a lion as a character) at naturalism and existing philosophy using his characteristic fun.

As the title rôle, Ashley Seddon was creditably comically-inclined, gentle, timorous and talkative, coping well with long passages of dialogue, ably supported by Sue Capenhurst as the attractive, forceful Christian, Lavinia. As the centre figure of the play she was a handsome foil to Androcle's tremulous humour, both bearing the weight of the play well.

Magaera, Androcle's wife, is an interesting shrew (well played by Helen Doney). On behalf of the Roman Legions, the Centurion and Secutor (Craig Simcox), the Captain (Andrew Prentice), the Editor (James Kirkwood), Ox Driver and Menagerie Keeper (Richard Robinson), the Guards (Ian Trethewy and Craig Cleveland), all added military might. Ferocious in particular (Bill Scanlon), bare chested and forceful, bellowed and bayed

and gravelled his sentiment. Lentellus and Metellus (Gregg Brotherston and Quinton Grafton) minced very effective effeminate paths 'across the boards'.

Spintho is a good comic part and was well portrayed as an emetic Christian by Gavin Buxton. Shaking and trembling limbs were all there. Eccentric, and nobly cranky, a high-pitched young Caesar was daringly tackled by Robert Stainthorpe.

The other members of the supporting cast, the Christians, Robert Claridge, Keith Spicer, Cathy Tait, Jan Webby and Jackie Jones — and call-boy Hamish Craig, gave all the necessary back-up.

Who else? Ah! — the lion! Feline, sure-footed (or pawed) Noel Morceau gavotted well with his rôle as bete-noire turned saviour.

Of the production team, particular thanks must be accorded to the Stage Manager, Mr Wakely, Bruce Gibson and Alan Spooner, to Mr Donne and his sixth-form art team for their flexible and practical sets, to Mrs Richdale in charge of costumes (special thanks to her sewing classes). Throwing light on the scenes were Mr Davies and Mr Lane (assisted by Kelvin Kendrick and Brett Oldfield), Mrs Davies sat patiently through all the performances as prompt, and business largesse was coped with by Messrs Milne and Dickson, the make-up team was led by Mr Gilbertson and Mr Mahoney. The advertising posters were of first-class standard; well done to all the students who created them.

Above all, congratulations must go to the producer Mr Corbett for his fine direction, patience and ability to co-ordinate a large team. To him and to all involved, whether mentioned not, our thanks for some enjoyable and worthwhile evenings' entertainment.

## ART REPORT — 1975

1975 has been a year of hard financial cut-backs and we have had to shelve many of the projects we had in mind for this year. We had high hopes of completing the large mural in the hall but have been unable to do so due to lack of funds. Other large-scale art works scheduled to be placed in and around the school and grounds have also had to be abandoned. Our proposed plans for the addition of enamelling in the jewellery section have also had to be put to one side for the time being. There has barely been enough cash to keep the department running smoothly but we have managed to beg, or borrow items which have helped ease the situation. We are indeed grateful to those firms and individuals in Wanganui who have supplied us with card, wood, paint, a ¼-horse power motor and other useful items.

The general standard of work has continued to improve and we were delighted to find that our entries for the Dr H. Robertson Trust Art Award gained three out of the four first prizes awarded in the senior section and one out of three first prizes in the junior section. In addition the Sargent Art Gallery director has decided to purchase one of our prize winner's entries for the gallery's private collection. Congratulations to all concerned. The winners were as follows:

Senior Section — 1st Prize: Wendy Fairclough, Vicki Williamson, Gavin Buxton.

Junior Section — 1st Prize: Jan Webby.

Open Day was very well attended by parents and we were gratified by the compliments paid to us on the variety and high standard of the work in the art rooms.



The sets and costumes for 'Androcles and the Lion' proved to be a great success, and credit must go to the 3rd and 4th Forms for the costumes and poster designs and to the 6th Forms for their excellent scene painting. The cost in art materials was high and I think the Drama Department was somewhat horrified when the account for paint, paper, etc., used on their behalf arrived.

The Wellington Art Workshop was attended by five pupils from this school for two weeks during the August holidays and some very valuable work was done by all concerned.

We had our usual visit to the National Gallery in Wellington, for 5th and 6th Forms. Both Mrs Webby and I were most impressed with the standard of behaviour of the seventy pupils we took with us.

This winter term saw the commencement of an Art Club which operates during a Wednesday lunch time in the winter months. It has proved to be a great success and we hope that more pupils will avail themselves of this opportunity next year.

We are delighted to have an addition to the staff this year and fortunate indeed to have Mrs Kempe with us. We hope that she will remain with us for many years to come.

## DEBATING — 1975

High School debating teams had their share of successes and losses during the various competitions which were run during the year.

### Inter-School:

The school's top debating team was ably led this year by Ross Jackson, and the rôle of rebuttal fell to Robert Stainthorpe.

v. Hawera H.S.: Our team affirmed the proposition "That modern youth has gone to pot." The verbal tussle ended in victory for the team.

v. Colenso H.S.: We negated the proposition "That the education system in New Zealand is geared towards nothing but external examinations." Colenso won.

v. Rangitikei College: The opportunity to gain experience was offered to Mark Vaughan, Robert Domanski and Catherine Spencer who gained a meritorious victory by affirming "That it is still essentially a man's world."

### Jaycee Debating Contest:

We made it into the semi-finals, albeit by means of a default in the first round. Undaunted by speaking in alien territory, our team equipped themselves extremely well in negotiating the proposition "That demonstrations are an expression of closed minds", against Collegiate, who emerged as the winners.

### Fourth Form Inter-School:

We entered three teams —

4S (Shelley Wilson, Simone Bagot, Gaylene Holly, Donna Stout).

v. Boys' College: "That men are more slaves to fashion than women." Won this comfortably.

v. Girls' College: "That the shift system makes the best use of capital plant." We lost.

4F (Robert Claridge, Paul Downing, Stephen Postlewaite, Liam Greenwood).

v. Girls College: Won by default.

v. Collegiate: Lost.

4J (Elizabeth Hill, Joanne Parkinson, Donna Skelton).

v. St. Augustine's: Lost.

## MUSICAL ACTIVITIES

Sixteen pupils received instrumental tuition during the year on the following instruments: 7 violins, 1 viola, 3 cellos, 1 double bass, 1 flute, 3 clarinets. The majority of this group with the addition of most of the brass band formed the orchestra which gave support at the prize-giving in December.

Concert items given at the P.T.A. Open Evening included: David McLean (violin), Carol Herdman (tenor horn), Robin Loomes (bagpipes), a 6th form option singing group with a 4S group in choral items and a duet by Stephen Turfrey and Michael Hazelwood.

## OBITUARY

Ruth Yvonne Sedcole died in her sleep on the night of October 15. She had been at school that day and the suddenness of her death was a great shock to all who knew her.

We knew Ruth as a quiet and gentle-natured girl in the sixth form who throughout her years at school was always pleasant and helpful. Her conscientious and faithful application to her studies at all times, and her personal bearing and integrity revealed a very sound character.

In the third and fourth form she was top of her class. Ruth also enjoyed her music and she took an active part in the orchestra as a clarinet player. She was interested in badminton.

## TITLE

The Aero-Blast FLY

Noising around the distance

Gleans but a glance

As gnashing wings

Hurl him spiralling towards oblivion.

Multicoloured figures flash gaudily

Upon Joseph's deep glass.

Preaching intimations of grey grass,

The utility man of crass fashion

Sinks perfunctorily into his \$200 oblivion.

## MOUNT COSYTIE

A. Van Dyk, 6A.

The day is dawning; a lone climber, undaunted by the ominous palpitations he feels underfoot, continues to drag his weary soul up the bright grey slopes of Mt. Cosytie, a malignant and semi-dormant volcano.

Cosytie is the first significant mountain that George (George Willful the three billionth to be precise), has ever attempted to climb. The desire to climb Mt. Cosytie occurred to him when he won his first jackpot in a game of Thrib — very similar to Bingo. The prize was a day at the fair; it is there that he saw his destiny — hovering





### BOYS' ATHLETICS

(Left to Right)

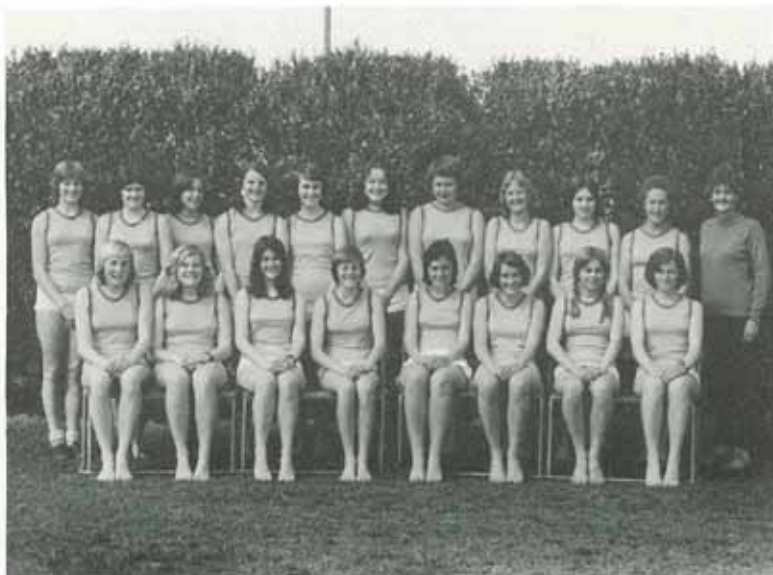
*Back Row:* P. Hinton, P. Bares, M. McKenzie, R. Johnston, C. Simcox, K. Allison, J. Ta'ala, Mr J. Stephenson.  
*Front Row:* W. Scanlan, K. Green, T. Lockett, G. Ander, N. Domigan, W. Harrison, S. Kendrick, D. Ngeru, (H. Craig).



### FIRST ELEVEN BOYS' HOCKEY

(Left to Right)

*Back Row:* C. Mathie, G. Ewing, D. Ranganui, C. White, C. McIntyre, Mr C. Milne.  
*Front Row:* N. Hallett, A. McLean, S. Humphreys (Capt.), C. Hammond, M. Robinson, D. Smith.



### GIRLS' ATHLETICS

(Left to Right)

*Back Row:* J. Fox, D. Lawless, A. Latham, M. Perry, S. Baron, S. Henderson, W. Reid, C. Troughton, L. Brown, A. Garrett, Mrs N. K. Mahoney.  
*Front Row:* R. Granville, L. Lockett, K. Rowland, N. Perry, T. Allen, A. Ballingall, H. Visser, J. Parkinson.



### SWIMMING

(Left to Right)

*Back Row:* G. Gosnell, W. Taumata, K. Green, C. Hammond, W. Walsh.  
*Middle Row:* R. Granville, M. Kidd, N. Hallett, T. Lockett, B. Payne, A. McLean, C. Prop, Mrs P. Gardner.  
*Front Row:* S. Ayre, S. Watt, W. Labrum, E. Ward, M. King, L. Payne, E. Hill, Y. Gosnell.





Challenge! (Greeting Homebush, our visiting Australian party).

*Below:*  
The Springbok Four rowing to victory in Christchurch







*Right:*  
"Androcles and the Lion" (Ashley Sedon as Androcles; Noel Marceau as the Lion).





#### **SATURDAY CRICKET**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row:* Mr C. Milne, N. Hallett, K. Green, J. Wallace, W. Leith, Mr A. Byers, Mr F. Blakeley.

*Front Row:* G. Raine, S. Eriksen, T. Linton, G. Ewing, G. Ander, M. Meads.



#### **NETBALL 'A'**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row:* D. Ngeru, G. Cockerell, M. Tatapu, Mrs N. K. Mahoney.

*Front Row:* A. Ballingall, A. Garrett, N. Joll, W. Reid.



#### **HARRIERS**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row:* W. Doughty, M. Yardley, T. Lockett, K. Keat, T. Mael, G. Cheesman, G. Fromont, S. Lace, H. Craig.

*Third Row:* Mrs N. Mahoney, C. Spencer, D. Wilson, J. Dobbie, N. Perry, S. Watson, J. Fox, D. Chegwidde, J. Parkinson, K. Tait, Mr J. Stephenson.

*Second Row:* H. Visser, A. Ballingall, K. Kirkby, M. Perry, J. Charrott, E. Andrews, R. Granville, L. Walsh, M. DeBarr, P. Hickman.

*Front Row:* L. Dobbie, A. Littlefair, J. Ralph, D. Sarginson, S. Ayre, S. Baron, V. Wallace, S. Fox, V. Whale, J. Webby.



*(Left to Right)*

#### **NETBALL 'B' 1975**

*Back Row:* K. Lett, J. Allen, M. Reweti, T. Carr, Mrs J. Blair.

*Front Row:* D. Sheridan, M. Takarangi, M. Perry (Capt.), D. Stout.



around the side-show stalls. From that day on he piously honoured the vow he made to successfully plan and execute an ascent of Mt. Cosytie.

He brushes aside the torrent of sweat that seeps out of his brain. He recalls the nightmare he had last night: he is talking to somebody about the nature of death when suddenly his audience exclaims, "Hay, George, your brain is leaking!" This sends George hurrying in a blind panic to the nearest M.D. When he gets there the doctor, after cursory examination, proclaims that George's brain has indeed been leaking. It is now dry and a family of earwigs is living in George's cranium. At that moment George woke up with the alarm-clock bashing his grey-matter to senility.

It is with thoughts like these that George goads his sagging morale to continue the Nivonion task of climbing Mt. Cosytie. He pauses, and peers inanely into the mass of seething mist and irresolution which effaces all but his out-stretched hand. Hunching his head into his shoulder he staggers resolutely on — into the teeth of a hell-blown gale. The savage coldness pries painfully into every pore of his exposed skin. He wonders how much more he must endure, and for what? For the first time he realises that he doesn't know what he will do when he gets there. What will he see? The rest of the world beneath him or another mountain, and another, and another after that?

He feels a strange tingling sensation in his liver — he is nearly there. Another step and he is there . . . back where he started.

#### A TIGER POUNCES

Whisker, twitch.  
Eye, twinkle.  
Lip, curl.  
Muscle, stretch.  
Body, Launch.  
Teeth, Dig.  
Prey, Limp.  
Teeth, Chew.  
Tongue, Taste.  
Stomach, Satisfied.  
A Tiger Pounced.

D. Sarten, 4J.

#### CHARACTER STUDY: "GODFREY"

Nicknamed "Godfrey" by his pupils without knowing it himself, he stands small, is of average build and is nearing his 70th year. A close look reveals slight baldness, dusty blue eyes and a couple of deep wrinkles which line his forehead and other parts of his face. His hair, reminding one of hay, stands up in the wind and he is usually found to be wearing a collar and tie outfit.

Godfrey is very kind and thoughtful and as he is getting on a bit he has had time to form his opinions and through his length period of music tuition he shows just how much experience he has had with our age group. He also readily adapts to our ways and suggestions.

Being very skilful at playing musical instruments, particularly string and piano, he is a good tutor and is always a model of good manners. He is more than willing to go out of his way to help one in need and thus concluding that he is a very influential man.

D. Sarten, 4J.

#### DAYS DEBUT

The damp stain lifts like a lid  
To reveal rays searching for a place to spot,  
But how can they?  
That pestilent morning breath,  
Like a taunting child,  
Rushes and paws the pensive pines  
Just to amuse itself with  
The shimmering mosaics of gold  
That dance on the untidy emerald floor.  
The loud light perseveres  
So the night must feign death  
Till it knows Apollo is tired  
And will slowly wink a weary eye.  
Then in false triumph  
The darkness grasps at the vibrant forest  
And paralyses the incessant conversations.  
Thus into slumber  
Go you of nature that is natural  
And go you without remorse  
For ne'er yet has the glorious history  
Of a new day been without  
Its own wondrous repetition.

K. Keat, NA.

#### COLOURS

Black as coal, a crow and ink.  
Red as blood or raspberry drink.  
Orange as apricot, ochre and flame  
Colours like a football game.

Michael Mead, 3J.

#### CAPTIVE

I am locked in.  
A captive  
Behind black bars.  
The cell is dank,  
Stone walls closed  
Hard around the door.

4A.

#### SOFT THINGS ARE BEAUTIFUL

Soft things are beautiful;  
Fluffiness of fur  
Thickly piled and gentle,  
Velvet and fine sand,  
Delicate feathers  
Of a newly-born chicken,  
And freshly-baked bread,  
A meadow of wavy grass  
Nature's picturesque beauty,  
The purity of rain drops  
Glistening on the window pane,  
The texture of sheepskin wool  
As soft as babies skin  
Like being embedded in an earthly dream.

Alan Bristol, 3J.

#### THE SUN

A gypsy queen  
Shining and lighting  
Slow moving, and no special place to go  
Moving away with the stars trailing behind  
A leader.

Carol Prop, 4S.



## THE "MUSICAL" WORLD

Its repeated screaming is no longer chronic  
The once mono, then stereo, and now quadraphonic  
Sounds are merely a foolish escape — warping the brain,  
Weakening the ear, watering the eye and dulling the pain.  
Tricking sweat over numb form from heat that's so intense  
Engulfs all reality in dumb animated suspense.  
Has the music been played out to the last note  
From electric men earthed by guitars and from each his  
dry throat?  
For God's sake the least you could do is reply to me  
Unless, but surely not, you too have deaf ears and eyes  
that can't see.

K. Keat, 6A.

## Athletics . .

Once again, Wanganui High School athletes have been to the fore in the various inter-school competitions held in the city. A good nucleus of keen athletes is being built up as a result of the Wanganui Motors Inter-Secondary School League, a competition held at Cook's Gardens and under the control of the Wanganui Amateur Athletic and Cycling Club.

While the school has been well represented in the Manawatu versus Wanganui Inter-Secondary Schools meeting, the North Island School Champs and the New Zealand School Champs, there is opportunity for even more of our students to participate in the local competitions.

The standard of Secondary School athletics in Wanganui is increasing from year to year, so that there is now scope not only for the more socially inclined athlete but also for those wanting more serious competition, both track and field events.

It is to be hoped that next year more of our students will take advantage of the fellowship and competition offering in the sport of Athletics.

### WANGANUI MOTORS INTER-SECONDARY SCHOOLS LEAGUE

The girls came first (with 241 points) winning a trophy and \$50.00. Runners-up to High School were the Rangitikei College girls with 128.5 points. The boys came third in their section with 179 points. An excellent effort by both competitors and officials resulted in a very worthwhile event.

### WANGANUI REGIONAL ATHLETICS — 5 APRIL

This competition was held at Cook's Gardens and High School acted as the caterers for the athletes, all profits going to the school. The results as can be seen were magnificent, and particularly pleasing was the fact that the helpers left the Gardens in immaculate condition after the sports.

#### Junior Girls:

N. Perry: 1st (800m., time 2min. 30sec.).  
N. Perry: 1st (400m.).  
R. Brownlie: 2nd (long jump).  
N. Perry: 1st (high jump).

#### Intermediate Girls:

L. Brown: 1st (high jump, 1.37).  
L. Brown: 1st (hurdles, 13.3).  
L. Brown: 2nd (100m.).  
J. Parkinson: 1st (800m.).  
H. Visser: 2nd (400m.).  
Y. Loomes: 3rd (400m.).  
D. Sheridan: 3rd (shot put).

#### Senior Girls:

M. Tatapu: 1st (javelin, 22.85m.).  
M. Perry: 1st (long jump, 4.80m.).  
S. Henderson: 2nd (high jump).  
D. Lawless: 3rd (high jump).  
D. Lawless: 3rd (400m.).  
D. Lawless: 3rd (200m.).  
J. Fox: 3rd (1500m.).  
T. Carr: 3rd (javelin).

#### Relay:

Junior Girls: 2nd.  
Senior Girls: 2nd.  
Intermediate Girls: 4th.  
Junior Boys: 2nd.  
Intermediate Boys: 3rd.

#### Junior Boys:

R. Pauling: 3rd (100m.).  
T. Sua: 2nd (discus).  
W. Harrison: 2nd (triple jump).  
W. Harrison: 1st (high jump).  
W. Harrison: 1st (100m., 12.1sec., new record).  
W. Harrison: 1st (200m., 24.9sec., new record).  
C. McIntyre: 2nd (400m.).  
R. Pauling: 1st (hurdles, 12.4 sec., new record).  
R. Johnson: 3rd (high jump).

#### Intermediate Boys:

D. Neru: 1st (long jump, 5.60).  
D. Ngeru: 1st (triple jump, 11.83).  
G. Allison: 1st (discus, 22.45).  
T. Lockett: 1st (800m., 2min. 2.5sec.).  
T. Lockett: 1st (400m., 55.6sec.).

#### Senior Boys:

N. Domigan: 1st (high jump, 1.72).  
M. McKenzie: 1st (long jump, 5.99).  
M. McKenzie: 1st (triple jump, 13.07m.).  
W. Scanlon: 3rd (javelin).  
Many thanks to all who helped: a wonderful job done.

### WANGANUI v. MANAWATU ATHLETICS

Held at Cook's Gardens on April 12. Unfortunately some competitors were away at the North Island Championships and consequently we could not offer our very best at all events.

Places gained:

#### Girls:

D. Whitley: 1st (junior girls' javelin, 16.75m.).  
D. Jewell: 2nd (junior girls' javelin).  
C. Troughton: 1st (senior girls' hurdles, 12.9sec.).  
C. Troughton: 2nd (senior girls' long jump).  
J. Fox: 3rd (senior girls' 800m.).  
T. Carr: 2nd (senior girls' javelin).  
M. Tatapu: 2nd (intermediate girls' javelin).  
R. Brownlie: 4th (junior girls' long jump).  
R. Granville: 4th (junior girls' 800m.).  
K. Rowland: 5th (junior girls' 200m.).  
D. Wilson: 4th (intermediate girls' 800m.).  
K. Sturzaker: 4th (senior girls' 400m.).

#### Boys:

T. Sua: 1st (junior pavelin, 29.47m.).  
G. Ngeru: 2nd (junior triple jump).  
C. McIntyre: 3rd (junior 400m.).  
J. Chamley: 1st (intermediate javelin, 41.39m.).  
G. Allison: 2nd (intermediate discus).  
M. Gooding: 2nd (intermediate javelin).  
P. Hinton: 4th (senior javelin).



## NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETICS

Held on 12 April at Hamilton. Twelve High School pupils represented Wanganui at the championships. Track conditions were perfect and we would also like to express our special thanks to our billets which were excellent. Those representatives were:

M. McKenzie	W. Harrison	S. Baron
N. Domigan	M. Perry	L. Brown
D. Ngeru	S. Henderson	J. Parkinson
T. Lockett	D. Lawless	N. Perry

Wanganui picked up two wins and two minor placings. Both victories came in the field events with M. McKenzie winning the senior boys triple jump with a leap of 13.17 metres and W. Harrison taking the junior boys' high jump.

### Results:

- M. McKenzie: 1st senior boys' triple jump; 8th senior boys' long jump.
  - W. Harrison: 1st junior boys' high jump, 1.64m.; 3rd in 100m heat (unfortunately he was injured and could not participate in the finals).
  - J. Parkinson: 8th in the 800m final (personal best of 2.29).
  - T. Lockett: 3rd in the 400m.; 5th and the 400m. final.
  - N. Perry: 6th junior girls' 800m. (personal best of 2.26).
  - L. Brown: 3rd in the intermediate girls' hurdles heat; 5th in the final of intermediate girls' hurdles.
  - N. Domigan: 7th in senior boys' high jump (personal best of 1.75).
  - D. Ngeru: 6th in intermediate boys' triple jump; 7th in intermediate boys' long jump (a personal best).
  - S. Baron: 7th in intermediate girls' long jump.
- In all 28 records were broken, and two New Zealand records were broken.

## N.Z. SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

These were again held at Queen Elizabeth Park in Christchurch, where the first-class facilities led to many outstanding performances by athletes representing 117 schools. Wanganui High School had nine athletes competing, all of whom performed up to expectation. Notable performances — Sue Everett: 2nd in her heat of the 200m senior, but failed to reach the final. Lyn Brown: 3rd in semi-final of 80m junior hurdles. Billy Harrison: 3rd in second round of 100m junior; 7th in high jump. Murdock McKenzie, last year's placegetter in triple jump, pulled a ligament in his first attempt at the long jump. Noeline Perry: 4th in semi-final of 800m junior; 10th in road race. Trevor Lockett: 3rd in final of 800m with time of 2min. 2.1sec.

## Harriers . .

For the second year in succession it was the girl Harriers who kept the Wanganui High School flag flying. The first major event was the N.Z. Secondary Schools Cross Country held at Palmerston North in ideal Harrier conditions: rain, wind and mud. This was followed by the staging of the N.Z. Cross Country Championships at Mosston in conjunction with the Wanganui Harrier Club's 50th Jubilee. Noeline Perry and Jenny Dobbie represented the West Coast North Island with Jennie

running a well-judged race against N.Z.'s top women Harriers to help the West Coast team take the women's trophy.

A number of W.H.S. Harriers represented Wanganui in a match against a Manawatu Schools' representative team with Sharon Ayres' run being noteworthy. The Wanganui Inter-Secondary Schools' Championships were again held at Mosston with a full team of girls performing creditably.

The success of members of our team is due in large measure to the regular competition that is gain by membership of the Wanganui Harrier Club. If our boys are to compete strongly against Boys' College and Collegiate we will need to build up a team of runners who train regularly as is the case with the girls.

### Results:

## N.Z. SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY

Was held at Palmerston North on 21 June, 1975 and proved to be a very well-organised tournament, though atrocious weather conditions prevailed.

There were 185 competitors amongst the Junior Girls. Noeline Perry had to withdraw because of influenza after lying second and having completed two-thirds of the course. The school team placings were well spread and the Junior Girls of the school did extremely well to finish fourth and fifth in the team event.

Joanne Fox 17th, Jennie Dobbie 22nd, Shelley Fox 45th, Lynette Dobbie 56th, Darryl Chegwiddden 77th, Vicki Whale 84th, Yvonne Loomes 89th and Patricia Hickman 90th.

In the Senior Girls' events Robyn Granville (a junior but ran as senior), was placed 32nd out of a field of 85. Desiree Wilson, also a junior, was 42nd. A Littleton, a last minute replacement, was 56th.

In the Junior Boys' Greg Fromont was 87th out of a field of 210.

On October 2 we used the Kaeriau Country Club facilities and this was much appreciated.

Third Form Girls: 1st N. Perry, 2nd L. Walsh, 3rd L. Dobbie, 4th S. Fox, 5th V. Whale, 6th M. DeBarr.  
Fourth Form Girls: 1st Y. Loomes, 2nd A. Syre, 3rd J. Parkinson, 4th D. Wilson, 5th H. Visser, 6th A. Latham.

Fifth Form Girls: 1st J. Dobbie, 2nd J. Fox, 3rd J. Bevan, 4th G. Nimmo, 5th M. Perry, 6th C. Spencer.  
Sixth and Seventh Form Girls: 1st K. Harding, 2nd J. Charriot, 3rd H. Young, 4th S. Harding, 5th E. Kuzik, 6th S. Danby.

## WANGANUI COMBINED SECONDARY SCHOOLS v. MANAWATU

Held at Collegiate on October 11, 1975.

Junior Girls: L. Walsh 6th, L. Dobbie 8th, V. Whale 9th.  
Intermediate Girls: S. Ayre 1st, J. Parkinson 6th, A. Ballingall 8th.

Senior Girls: J. Fox 8th, M. Perry 10th.

Junior Boys: H. Craig 14th, W. Doughty 15th.

Intermediate Boys: S. Rowe 5th, T. Lockett 9th, G. Cheesman 10th, C. Lace 13th.



## WANGANUI SECONDARY SCHOOLS' CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Held at Mosston on October 18th.

Junior Girls: N. Perry 1st (record at 7min. 39.2sec.), L. Dobbie 3rd. First six-man team event — members were: N. Perry, L. Dobbie, V. Whale, S. Fox, J. Webby, R. Granville, K. Tait, J. Ralph, L. Walsh, V. Wallace.

Intermediate Girls: J. Parkinson 3rd, H. Visser 4th, A. Ballingall 6th. Fourth six-man team event — members were: J. Parkinson, H. Visser, A. Ballingall, M. DeBarr, E. Andrews, S. Watson, C. Spencer.

Senior Girls: J. Fox 2nd, J. Dobbie 4th. First six-man event — members were: J. Fox, J. Dobbie, C. Adam, D. Douglas, M. Perry, S. Baron.

Intermediate Boys: Third six-man team event: T. Lockett, A. Rowe, S. Lace, M. Yardley, G. Cheesman, T. Mael, G. Fromont.

## Swimming . .

### LIFE-SAVING

Held at Gonville Pool, 6 March. The following were the teams competing:

- 1: Sharron Ayre, Carol Prop, Yvonne Gosnell, Robyn Granville.
- 2: Margaret Kidd, Shelley Fox, Lindy Lockett, Debra Rogers.
- 3: Alison Ballingall, Alice Latham, Tracey Allen, Liz Hill.
- 4: Vicki Mills, Darryl Chegwidan, Joanne Parkinson, Helen Visser.

The High School team was placed second to Girls' College 'A'. In the individual events Sharron Ayre came third behind K. Batterby and H. Duggan (old campaigners from Girls' College). Team 2 was specially mentioned for doing excellent releases.

### SECONDARY SCHOOLS' SWIMMING COMPETITION

Held on 28 February.

First Placings: G. Gosnell (junior boys' dive), M. Kidd (junior girls' dive), W. Taumata (senior boys' dive, 100m backstroke, 200m freestyle), S. Ayre (junior girls' 100m freestyle, junior 50m backstroke), Y. Gosnell (intermediate girls 100m and 50m breaststroke), R. Granville (junior girls 4 x 36 medley), E. Hill (junior girls' 50m freestyle, 50m open butterfly).

Second Placings: L. Bates (senior girls' 100m backstroke, 100m breaststroke), C. Prop (intermediate girls' 50m backstroke, 50m freestyle), L. Walsh (junior girls' dive), W. Walsh (intermediate boys' 50m breaststroke).

Third Placings: Y. Gosnell (intermediate girls' open butterfly), C. Hammond (senior boys' 100m backstroke).

Relays: The Junior Girls gained a first but unfortunately they were disqualified. The Senior Girls came second, and the Intermediate Girls came third.

Overall the girls gained second place, through first placing in Junior, first in Intermediate and second in Senior levels.

The boys also gained second place overall, through fourth placing in Junior, third in Intermediate and third in Senior levels. The School gained second place with a total of 84.5 points.

## NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS SWIMMING

Held at Palmerston North Lido Pool on March 22.

Team: W. Taumata (second in senior boys' dive), W. Walsh (seventh in senior boys' 200m breaststroke), M. Kidd (unplaced in junior girls' dive), L. Walsh (unplaced in senior girls' dive), S. Ayre (junior 100m), R. Granville (medley). This was the strongest team we've had for some years and good performances were given by all.

### High School v. Nga Tawa and Collegiate

Junior Girls' 100m Freestyle: 1 S. Ayre, 2 C. Prop.

Junior Boys' 100m Freestyle: 3 G. Gosnell.

Senior Girls' Freestyle: 1 H. Granville, 2 E. Hill.

Senior Boys' 100m Freestyle: 1 W. Taumata.

Junior Girls' 100m Breaststroke: 1 Y. Gosnell, 2 R. Granville.

Junior Boys' 100m Breaststroke: 3 G. Gosnell.

Senior Girls' 100m Breaststroke: 1 L. Payne, 2 J. Beavan.

Senior Boys' 100m Breaststroke: 2 W. Walsh.

Junior Girls' 100m Backstroke: 1 Y. Gosnell, 2 C. Prop.

Junior Boys' 100m Backstroke: 3 S. Tume.

Senior Girls' 100m Backstroke: 1 T. Allen, 2 C. Ward.

Senior Boys' 100m Backstroke: 1 C. Hammond.

Junior Girls' 4 x 25m Medley: 1 S. Ayre, 2 R. Granville.

Senior Girls' 4 x 25m Medley: 1 H. Granville, 2 L. Payne.

Senior Boys' 4 x 25m Medley: 1 W. Taumata, 2 W. Walsh. Junior Girls' 4 x 25m Medley Relay: High School 1st.

Senior Girls' 4 x 25m Relay: High School 1st.

Senior Boys' 4 x 25m Medley Relay: High School 1st.

Junior Girls' 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay: High School 1st.

Senior Girls' 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay: High School 1st.

Senior Boys' 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay: High School 2nd.

In the New Zealand Open National Championships Wayne Taumata came fourth in the open Men's Dive.

On 28 October, Bill Walsh captured the limelight with his first placing in the 100 metres Senior Breaststroke at a swimming carnival in Wellington. He downed top swimmers from the Wellington, Hawke's Bay-Poverty Bay, Taranaki, Manawatu and Wairarapa areas. He swam the distance in the good time of 1min. 26secs., adding to his earlier effort in finishing in 1min. 7.4secs. in the 100 metres freestyle.

## Rowing . .

### GIRLS' ROWING REPORT

In the 1974-75 season, Wanganui High School presented a girls' rowing crew for the first time ever. It came about when the girls, who had rowed all season for the Union Boat Club, became interested in the school-boys' regattas which for the first year included women's races. Having fared extremely well throughout the season under the club's name, we decided to try our luck in the schoolgirls' races. Here I would like to thank Mr Ian Brougham who was dedicated in training us, even through the bad times.

Our first regatta was held in Wellington at the Kai-wharawhara course on fairly calm water. We had competition from Porirua College, Onslow College and Tawa College. We won the eights race with a distance of 5 lengths from Porirua, and Tawa was third. We gained



first and second place in the fours also. Special thanks to Mr Nolan for providing our transport.

The second regatta we attended was held on our own Wanganui River course and run by the local Association, primarily for the rowers from further north who were travelling to the Maadi Cup to be held the following week. Our number one crew won the fours with our number two crew rowing into second place. We were commended by Mr. Fountain at the finish and had our photos taken by the newspaper.

Our third, and final regatta, was held at Lake Karapiro (the venue for the forthcoming World Championships) in conjunction with the finals of the senior races which were cancelled at the N.Z. Champs held at Lake Waiholo in Dunedin. Here we borrowed a new four boat from the Star Boating Club of Wellington and oars from Wanganui Collegiate School as we couldn't provide transport for our own equipment. We were entered in two races: the novice fours' schoolgirls' race and the senior schoolgirls' race. The first being the novice fours attracted a record 13 crews. This was our first attempt at rowing a tandem-rigged boat which was stroked from the bow side. Although we may have had a slightly defeatist attitude, our fears were soon forgotten when we immediately jumped out in front and continued to lead most of the way. Unfortunately, because of the angle of the finish line we ended up second to Te Awamutu number one. We missed the start of our second race due to a lack of oars with which we could row. We were most disappointed when we discovered that most of the crews withdrew leaving a meagre four crews to battle for the honours. The first three crews had all been in the previous race and had finished several lengths behind us.

Those awarded their colours for their performances and bringing credit to the school in girls' rowing were: Angela Biggs (cox), Helen Granville, Carolyn Goodman, Shireen Snowden, Julie Charrot, Christine Troughton and Sharon Nolan.

Unfortunately due to lack of facilities, and crew members leaving school, there probably will not be a High School Girls' Crew in '76, but to all future oarswomen and indeed oarsmen who row for the school we wish you luck and hope you will all continue in the school's line of success.

### BOYS' ROWING — 1975

The season opened for both club and school oarsmen on November 10 with a sprint regatta on the Aramoho course over a distance of 1,000 metres. High School was well represented in the School Fours and the crew impressed with an easy win over our old rivals Collegiate.

At the Jury Cup Regatta, High School once again dominated the School Fours' event winning by a distance in unextended style.

At the Wanganui Championships, High School registered another win this time by a clear margin of two lengths over Wellington College.

The Wellington Championships were held on February 15 and in the School Fours High School entered a composite crew of novices and second year oarsmen who rowed well to dead-heat for first in this event.

At the New Zealand Rowing Championships held at Lake Waiholo, Peter Visser and Simon Humphreys rowed in the Wanganui Club's Youth Four which also comprised two ex-High School students. This crew rowed extremely well and gained a well-earned place in the

Youth Four Final. Unfortunately, this final never eventuated due to adverse weather conditions and the Regatta was called off.

On return from the Nationals the moulding of two School Fours took place under the careful eyes of senior oarsmen and Mr Jock Byres. The Intermediate Four comprising T. Kitson (stroke), P. White (3), B. Guthrie (2), G. Kenning (bow), quickly shaped into a formidable crew. Training went as planned and fitness was built to a peak with both crews performing extensive gym workout and training runs.

The weekend before Maadi Cup the Wanganui Secondary Schools' Championships were staged. The Intermediate Four performed well and gained second in their heat and third in the final. The Senior Four which comprised P. Downing (coxswain), P. Visser (stroke), P. Kitson (3), D. Duncan (2), S. Humphreys (bow), dominated its heat from start to finish winning by three lengths from St. Augustine's. In the final, however, High School learned a valuable lesson. After a disastrous start the Senior Four was coming last in a six boat field. The Seniors fought back well to take the lead but then lost it again right on the line to Collegiate. So the Seniors finished second in the Senior Fours at the Regatta. There was great concern as to this result and a lot of work was emphasised to correct our starting fault.

### NEW ZEALAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS' ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### Maadi Cup Regatta — Kerr's Reach, Christchurch, March, 1975

On arrival we inspected the course and went for a training row in plant loaned to us by the Avon Rowing Club. The course called for special attention as a coxswain can lose or win a race for you on Kerr's Reach as several bends were included in the course.

The first crew to race was our Intermediate Four. Although rowing two grades above themselves they finished a creditable second in their heat to Hamilton Boys' High School. In the repechage they also performed well to gain second place. This crew went from strength to strength and finally won its Pettiet Finals in fine form.

The Senior Four had drawn Christ College and Otago Boys' High in its heat. Although the seniors never really got going in this race until the last 100 metres the crew went on to win by a half a length over Christ College in a time of 5 minutes 25 seconds. This time was second fastest only to Hamilton Boys' High School who had previously won the coveted Springbok Shield seven times. Our seniors automatically gained a semi-final berth.

Our opposition in the semi-final consisted of Christ College and Orehunga High School. With the change in plant and a better course, High School gave Orehunga and Christs no chance as they went on to win by a distance in impressive form. High School clocked a time of 5mins. 37.9secs., Orehunga who finished second clocked 5min. 53.8secs. This time was again second fastest, this time to Kaikorai Valley High School who clocked 5min. 37secs.

#### Springbok Shield Final

The three finalists were the favourites: Hamilton Boys' High School, Wanganui High School and Kaikorai Valley High School. The day of the final was clear and ideal for rowing. Making sure the plant was in perfect condition, the senior four took to the water and rowed to the start.



The start was rather nerve-racking with a lot at stake. High School only managed an average start and then went through a settling down period. After approximately 700 metres, we found ourselves coming last. The favourites, Hamilton, had a commanding lead of 1½ lengths. Kaikorai were also in front of us. On the last corner High School began to move, and the final 500 metres were truly dramatic with every ounce of power counting towards the final result. With the enthusiastic and appreciative crowd behind us we drew level with Hamilton and Kaikorai.

With 200 meters to go, the senior four found an extra, unknown, untapped, burst of power which produced a blistering sprint and victory ¾ of a length clear of the nearest rivals Kaikorai Valley High School, with Hamilton the favourites) a further half a length behind Kaikorai. The senior fours record comprised at the Championships of three wins from three starts, including the final.

This is only the second time the Springbok Shield has come to Wanganui, the first time being when Collegiate won it in 1966.

The senior four's effort led to the selection of P. Visser to compete in the New Zealand Colts' Trials (under 23). Our congratulations are extended to Peter on his trial debut.

The success of our crews was the result of good coaching techniques employed by a true master at the art of rowing Mr A. R. (Jock) Byres. On behalf of the crews I would like to extend our gratitude to Mr Byres and associates for their encouragement and expertise which enabled victory to be ours.

As the Wanganui Rowing Club is celebrating its Centenary this year I wish to congratulate the Club on this fine achievement and on a century of races won and lost! May its bi-centenary be of equal distinction.

Simon Humphreys, Captain.

## Indoor Basketball . .

The efforts of many of the school basketball teams have this year been gained through the concerted efforts of their team coaches. I devote particular mention to both Mr Lawless and Mr Baron on their expert coaching to both "A" teams of the school. Without them the standard of basketball would have been as it always has been, but we now have a reputation in the field of basketball that has not been attained in the school's history before.

The season started off with a friendly game against Boys' College for the "Come Alive" week and High School trounced them in the end while Girls 'A' took their first exciting game against Sacred Heart 29—18.

### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

The girls' teams always produced enterprising games and their efforts and struggles were later rewarded. The most successful team amongst the girls was the "C" team which won the "C" Grade Shield. This team won many of its games throughout the year and looks very promising for future years. Also the "B" team came out tops in their section by winning the "B" Grade Shield.

Many of our players were chosen for higher levels of basketball, and of the girls Stephanie Baron was

chosen for the Wanganui Women's team. She also played good basketball in the regionals held in Wanganui. Another good player was Debbie Lawless, who was selected to take part in the trials for the Secondary Schools' teams to tour New Caledonia and Fiji. These two girls were also chosen in the tournament team at the Wellington Secondary Schools' Tournament. Out of the other teams, Judy Allen and Rowena Deily were also chosen for the team in the U-16 Tournament held in Wellington. Judy was made captain of that team.

### BOYS' BASKETBALL

The boys 'A' team had many fine wins throughout the year and the most significant was the winning of the Boys' 'Regionals' in Hawera, on 26th and 27th July. Before going to the Regionals, they had to play an elimination game against Collegiate, winning by 34—22. At Hawera the team did extremely well and won all their games. Congratulations to the boys' "C" Grade for their efforts in winning that section and then being runner-up in the U-16 Tournament held on October 4 in Dannevirke.

Out of the boys, two receive particular mention. Maurice Paurini was chosen for the N.Z. Secondary Schools' trials and also for the U-20 N.Z. Men's trials, along with Garth Lawless. The feature of these two was that they were the top scorers in most of their games.

#### Results —

#### Girls "A" Team:

Winners of the Morris Cup after winning the Girls' Secondary Schools Tournament in Wellington on September 19-21. Runners-up in the Zones to Hawera High School held in the Wanganui Sports Stadium.

At the Wellington Tournament "A" Grade there were 16 schools competing —

- v. Hutt High School: 22—16.
- v. Wellington East Girls: 46—6.
- v. St. Mary's College: 20—10.
- Quarter-final v. Erskine College: 32—24.
- Semi-final v. Sacred Heart (Wanganui): 21—16.
- Final v. Marsden School: 16—14.

At the Secondary Schools Zones (Wanganui) "A" Grades there were 8 schools competing —

- v. Spotswood College (New Plymouth): 33—23.
- v. Waitara High School: 30—40.
- v. Wanganui Girls' College: 37—34.
- Semi-final v. New Plymouth Girls' High School: 44—34.
- Final v. Hawera High School: 42—59.

#### Girls' Under 16 Team:

Fourth in the Secondary Schools' Tournament in Wellington. Winners of the "C" Grade Shield for the local Secondary Schools' Tournament on Friday nights.

At the Wellington Tournament U-16 Grade there were 13 teams competing —

- v. Taita College: 16—8.
- v. Erskine College: 30—10.
- Quarter-final v. Kapiti College: won by default.
- Semi-final v. Porirua College: 13—19.
- Final v. Marsden School: 12—14.

It was encouraging to see a great number of girls being chosen for different teams this year. Those chosen for the Under-18 team were: Stephanie Baron, Gillian Cockerell, Sue Henderson, Sue Cockerell, Debbie Lawless, Margaret Perry, Joanne Fox.



Girls chosen for the Wanganui Secondary Schools Under-18 team were: Gillian Cockerell, Debbie Lawless, Sue Henderson, Margaret Perry and Dianne Ngeru. Stephanie Baron was chosen for the Under-16 team.

#### Boys' "A" Team:

Competed at the National Secondary Schools' Tournament held in Timaru and finished seventh. Also were the winners of the Boys' Zones in Hawera on 27 and 28 July, the Cuthbertson Challenge Trophy and of their grade for the Friday night local schools' competition.

At the Zones in Hawera there was eight teams competing.

- v. Francis Douglas High School: 48—19.
- v. New Plymouth High School: 71—44.
- v. Opunake High School: 62—34.
- Semi-final v. Regular Force Cadets (Waiouru): 61—51.
- Final v. New Plymouth Boys' High School: 75—27.

At the National "A" Grade held in Timaru, eight teams competed.

- v. Church College (Hamilton): 84—139.
- v. Christchurch Boys' High School: 54—78.
- v. King's College (Dunedin): 70—71.
- v. Auckland Grammar: 43—65.
- v. Nayland College (Nelson): 73—65.

The National were won again by Mairahau High School with Hastings Boys' High School being runners-up.

#### Boys' "C" Grade:

Winners of the "C" Grade for the local Schools' competition. Runners-up in the Under-16 Tournament in Dannevirke.

At the Under-16 Tournament held in Dannevirke there were eight teams competing.

- v. Horowhenua College: 33—31.
- v. Upper Hutt College: 42—31.
- v. Palmerston North Boys' High School: 43—35.
- Final v. Dannevirke High School: 37—42.

Players to represent Wanganui in the Under-20 men's side were: G. Lawless, B. O'Connor, M. McKenzie, M. Paurini and M. Savage. T. Lockett, C. Simcox and M. Savage were chosen for the Under-16 side.

1975 has been a most successful season and we would like to thank Mrs Gardner for her kind and devoted efforts towards the basketballers and their sport. The Boys' Basketball also wish to thank Mrs Lawless for her support, particularly while we were on away trips. Congratulations go to all who gained selection for different teams and thanks to our coaches and supporters.

## Cricket . .

The unfortunate lack of available wickets on our own grounds has not prevented the school from fielding three XI's on Saturdays, and we are grateful to the Wanganui Cricket Association for finding wickets for our fixtures.

Four of our senior players joined the Colts' squad to play Senior Grade cricket under the auspices of the W.C.A., and have enjoyed a pleasing amount of success. This innovation gives tremendous motivation to schoolboy cricketers to do well and thereby gain selection to the Colts' XI to play senior cricket while still at school. Gary Raine (opening bat), Guy Ewing (opening bowler),

Jonathan Wallace (wicket-keeper) and Stephen Eriksen (off-spinner), have all contributed to the success the Colts have so far enjoyed.

The first eleven are playing one-day cricket in the third grade and are currently fourth in the ten-team league. The games have been enjoyable, with the standard little below Senior Reserve, and we are hoping to improve our position in the League. Malcolm Meads has been very impressive as our opening bowler and promises to develop into a very useful all-rounder.

The second eleven have done extremely well in the newly formed fourth grade and currently hold top spot. This team is the "nursery" for our future senior players and there is a promising array of talent in it.

The third-form eleven, under Mr Byers' tutelage, have had an enjoyable and successful term's cricket playing in the Collegiate Junior Competition. We are expecting great things from these boys next year, when hopefully we will again be able to provide two good cricketing wickets and outfields on our High School grounds. The school has been too long impoverished by the lack of both the noise of willow striking leather and of the "flannelled fools" on our green sward.

Results from some of the inter-school games —

H.S. v. St. Augustine's — won outright by 8 wickets. G. Raine made 36, C. Milne made 49 and F. Blakeley took 6 wickets for 32 runs.

H.S. v. Rangitikei — won outright. Rangitikei were all out for 107 and High School made 108 for 4. Malcolm Meads took 7 wickets for 20 runs.

#### GIRLS' CRICKET — 1975

It was pleasing to see the continuance of Girls' Cricket in the school this year. The girls displayed their keenness for the game with good practice attendances. The main game of the season resulted in a first innings loss to a strong Nga Tawa side. However, Debbie Lawless again impressed with her bowling and there were brave batting performances from Stephanie Baron and Linda Kerfoot. Adele Garrett captained the team well, and Tessa Jackson and Jan Hobday were very good fielders. There is much ability and spirit in girls cricket and 1976 should prove another strong team.

## Badminton . .

Results:

Friday Night League: Held June 6 — Boys "A" team lost; Girls "A" won.

Wanganui v. Hawera High School: Held July 23 — Boys "A" lost; Girls "A" won. This was a good effort all round.

v. Rangitikei College at Wanganui: The Junior boys and girls team competed in the learner class.

v. Colenso High School: Held August 9 at Napier. We lost 7—9. The girls won all the singles matches.

Wanganui Inter-Secondary Schools' Competition (Girls):

W.H.S. "A" played 9, won 8, position = 2nd.

W.H.S. "B" played 8, won 4 position = 5th.

W.H.S. "C" played 8, won 0, position = 10th

Particular mention should be made that Susan Visser and Linda Joblin both qualified for the Under-18 Wanganui representative team of 1975.



# Rugby . .

## FIRST XV RUGBY

This year with the return of eleven of last year's players a good basis for the First XV was formed. With the team members doing a vast amount of pre-season training and work, a fine team spirit evolved and a willingness to get 'stuck in' was evident. The most notable win of the first five games was the inter-school match against the Australian school side Homebush where High School with a display of forceful rugby won 27-10. In the matches against Onslow and Hunterville the team won convincingly with scores of 36-9 and 27-10 respectively.

To the holidays, and it was elected that the two games scheduled should be played, but due to defections and illness a virtual second string side was fielded. The loss to the well drilled Tech. Old Boys side by 64-10 rather dulled the season's record and Kaierau proved strong also and High School went down 20-6.

The matches against Waverly as always proved torrid affairs and an overall result of one game each proved to balance up the energy that was released in each game. The games against High School Old Boys' and Pirates (who were downed with scores of 26-0 and 45-0 respectively) proved to be one-sided affairs and in each case there was only one player in each game who scored tries and that was M. McKenzie with five and seven tries respectively in each game.

### Inter-School Matches:

- v. Collegiate: 8-19.
- v. Boys' College: 3-8.
- v. Hawera: 10-14.
- v. Rangitikei: 14-10.
- v. Colenso: 19-17.

## SOUTH ISLAND TOUR

Saturday, 16 August: Departed Wanganui 1.15 by bus, transferred over to the ferry with a reasonably calm trip. Four boys feeling the effects of sea travel.

Sunday, 17th: Early arrival in Lyttelton and then a rushed trip to catch the train to Christchurch. Met by billets and a free day.

Monday, 18th: Assembly in the morning. Rather different to our own. 1000 boys all in grey and High School in green and yellow stood out brightly. Shown around the school, a unique feature being a separate 7th Form common room. 3.00 p.m. game v. Christchurch Boys' High Headmaster's XV, High School losing 18-14 with both teams scoring three tries, and kicking making the difference.

Tuesday, 19th: Departed Christchurch Boys' High 9.00 a.m. in two Tasman Rental Vans. Arrived in Mosgiel (9 miles from Dunedin) 4.45 p.m. Met by billets from Taieri High School.

Wednesday, 20th: Attended assembly where the school sang (without question). The weather was cold and wet so it was decided to play the game at the Taieri Club grounds — Peter Johnstone Park — at 2.00 p.m. The game was called off after the first half because of the extreme cold, driving rain and wind. Taieri leading at that stage 6-0 with a converted try.

Thursday, 21st: Departed Taieri High 9.00 a.m. and spent the morning sight-seeing at Lanarch Castle. During the afternoon watched Christchurch Boys' High play Otago Boys' High. That night visited the Moana Pool and 'worked out' in the Otago University gym.

Friday, 22nd: Left Dunedin 8.30 a.m. in snow and sleet. Stopping off at the Moeraki Boulders. Arrived in Christchurch 6.30 p.m. While turning, one of the mini-buses was hit by a Hillman Minx (write off). Luckily nobody was hurt. Settled in at Westburn School with two most expert caterers providing meals.

Saturday, 23rd: Mini-bus fixed quite easily. 12.30 game against Cashmere 1st XV. Conditions fine but slippery. High School losing 14-11, the vital tackles needing to be held. The team was shouted by Mr Mahoney to the Canterbury v. Auckland match.

Sunday, 24th: High School v. Hornby Under 19 club side. Wet and cold once again. Both teams had much of the play, Hornby winning 9-6.

Monday, 25th: Was spent sight-seeing and swimming at Q.E. II, a look through the Town Hall and wondering around town. That night presented Mr and Mrs Lane with a Diamond Saw Cutter for services rendered.

Tuesday, 26th: Tidied and vacated school before 8.00 a.m. Returned mini-buses and team had free day to do what they wanted, namely ten-pin bowling and sleeping on park benches. Left Lyttelton 8.00 p.m. and arrived in Wellington at 7.00 a.m., in time for breakfast. Caught the bus back to Wanganui, so ending a successful tour.

On behalf of the team members I would like to thank Mr Lane and Mr Mahoney for their courage and perseverance in undertaking such a tour. To the supporters of the 1st XV who throughout the season assisted and turned up each Saturday, rain or fine, to add their encouragement to the team, thank you.

Paul Bares.

## SECOND FIFTEEN

The season started well with some very convincing wins and this led to the team being transferred to a higher grade.

Unfortunately the First XV had a number of injuries in the early part of the season so a few Second XV key players were taken to swell their ranks. This led to a weakening both in attack and defence, and the higher grade proved to be a very tough proposition.

In spite of these setbacks the boys played football of a high standard and their team spirit was very heartening. Credit must be given to Trevor Lockett whose leadership was most admirable in a very difficult season.

## THIRD FIFTEEN

The 1975 Rugby season was very successful for the High School Third Fifteen. This winning combination displayed some very solid forward play and steady back play to bring many fine victories to the team and enabled them to win the local grade competition.

The team under the careful eye of Coach Mr. Ashton had many distinctive features which enabled it to work efficiently.

In the forwards, a solid front row, some driving play from the locks and a fast loose trio overpowered many an opposition pack.



In the backs, John Gupwell and Gary Ander ran in many fine tries and with the boot of George Gray, provided most of the points for the season. The whole backline was efficient and steady in the relaying of the ball to the try-scorers.

A notable feature of the whole team was the high standard of tackling by everyone, quite often against much larger opposition. Injuries were few, but some (on and off the field) lessened the squad to a bare fifteen.

The credit of the Third Fifteen's success must go to Mr. Ashton and we thank him for his dedication, his tactical engineering and his ability to combine us into an efficient team.

Many thanks to the supporters and those who supplied transport on away trips.

#### FOURTH RUGBY TEAM

The team manages to combine a certain amount of robust humour and individual brilliance to achieve a good, if somewhat unstable, valency.

With team changes too numerous to mention, we have managed to acquit ourselves reasonably well and despite problems, particularly with transport (for after practice) we have managed to survive.

Results: Played 13; Won 6; Lost 7.

The forwards eventually moulded themselves into a fairly good unit of power and often worked well, due in part to enthusiasm and obvious dedication of captain Peter Floyd. The backs, when they connected, proved of individual talent and many mystifying tactics were employed. Still, many breakaways worked successfully and in all credit to the team.

We have the basis of a good team here, who have certainly shown enthusiasm. Many thanks to all parents who have so kindly helped with transport, regular support and helpful criticism to the two coaches.

#### 5th DIVISION RUGBY

It was a very good season for the High School 3rd Form team this year. Not only did the players show a natural enthusiasm for the game with good practice attendances but they performed creditably on the field. In total, the team played 14 games, winning 10 and losing only 4. In the local 8th grade competition High School finished a close second to Boys' College Druids.

The forwards kept to their task well throughout a long hard season. Captain Stewart Brodie always led his team well with his support and his vigorous driving play. He was always ably supported in the tight by Richard Bradford, Ken Haereroa and Thomas Sercombe. Bradford impressed with his hard barging runs, Haereroa outhooked bigger men to provide the backs with a good supply of ball and Sercombe used his weight to advantage. The loose trio of Silk, Gowan and Croftan covered the field well and were effective in upsetting the opposition.

The backs generally played sensible rugby. Mark Cauldwell directed play intelligently from the base of the scrum, throwing out strong passes and often using the chip kick to advantage. Stuart Tume tackled well and found many gaps with his clever running at first five-eighth. Alan Bristol was a very sound link and Andrew Grey, the backline's main attacking weapon, always ran with strength and determination. He also proved a very reliable goal kicker. Wingers Fitness and Tyler showed pace and determination while Koroheke and Tomou made several penetrating runs. Fullback

Pauling played very well on defence and often drove the opposition back with long kicks.

It is comforting to see such talent and enthusiasm at the base of the school. The First Fifteen will not be short of players in a few years.

## Soccer . .

#### SENIOR

For soccer in '75 the season was an eventful one, with school teams welcomed back into the warm embrace of the local Football Association. The separation many years ago was acrimonious and seemingly irreparable, the new courtship protracted and plagued with problems, but the remarriage was a happy event and the consummation, though belated, mutually satisfactory. Our Saturday XI, comprising all those senior players not committed to outside clubs, participated in the 2nd Division of the local league and finished a very creditable third, winning nine and drawing two of the 14 games with a goal average of 53 for, against 26. All the games were played in a happy spirit which was most evident when the team lost by only a doubtful penalty-award to Athletic 'A' in the Charity Cup. All the players matured and improved their skills tremendously during the season and to those who are leaving us this year I say 'Thank you for your magnificent contribution and please keep on playing the game'.

Bruce Jellyman was an excellent captain who inspired by example; Kevin Kerr almost faultless in goal and a vociferous encouragement when playing out. All the others, too many to mention, played with distinction and deserve our thanks. The league scorers were: F. Blakely 16, W. Harrison 10, R. Kirby 8, K. Kerr 6, D. Borrett 4, P. Kingdom 2, K. Kendrick 2, G. Herdman 2, P. Bares 1, B. Jellyman 1 and R. Mackay-Wood 1.

For the XI picked for the College games, the season was less successful, although here too there were several heartening individual performances. Practically the whole side succumbed to 'flu on the day of the Boys' College fixture and a virtual reserve side did well to lose by only three own goals to one own goal! A good goal-less draw at Collegiate and an easy victory over a young Rangitikei College were the successes, while the team were well beaten both at Hawera (2-5) and Colenso (0-2). The scorers for this team were: I. Smith 3, R. Penn 2, P. Kingdom 1, K. Kerr 1 and G. Raine 1.

Colours were awarded only to those players involved with Saturday school soccer. This was accepted by all as a reasonable policy to adopt and there was not bitterness about the decision. Colours were therefore granted to the following: S. McInnes, K. Kerr, B. Jellyman, P. Bares, P. Kingdom, K. Kendrick, R. Domanski, R. Kirby, D. Borrett and P. Turner.

An exciting and entertaining 5-5 draw was played by the Saturday XI against Q.E. College 2nd XI and we hope this fixture becomes an annual event.

Our thanks are due to Mr. G. Lewin and to our groundsman Mr. T. Hills, who struggled valiantly against the wettest winter in memory to provide us with a playing surface amid the swampy wastelands. It says much for their stamina that they were so often unsuccessful yet so determined to keep trying.



# Hockey . .

## BOYS

Throughout the season High School had three teams playing in the local Saturday afternoon competition. The 1st XI played Senior Reserve, the 2nds played Intermediate and the 3rds played in the Junior competition. The 2nds and 3rds were made up a blend of experienced players and newcomers to the game. Both these teams moulded into forceful opponents as the season went on.

The 1st XI had patches of good form although it was not always the most consistent of teams. The nucleus of the team was made up from five of the Wanganui Under 16 team which earlier in the year toured Australia with great success. The players who went on this tour were A. McLean, C. White, D. Ranganui, D. Smith and B. Gibson. Darrell Smith held the position of Vice-Captain in this team.

In the First XI this year honours were gained by C. Hammond who was selected as a Wanganui Secondary Schools' representative and Simon Humphreys who was a Wanganui Colts representative (under 21).

High School often had the even run of the play in games played on Saturdays and in many cases dominated play, but its inability to finish off moves and put the ball in the goal often led to the side's downfall.

### Inter-School games:

- v. Hawera: 2—1.
- v. Rangitikei: 8—0.
- v. Collegiate: 1—1.
- v. Boys' College: 0—5.
- v. Colenso: 3—3.

The First XI was able to go to the Tournament this year which was staged in Auckland on the North Shore. Unfortunately Mr. Milne was unable to accompany the team so an alternative coach and manager had to be found. Mr. Graham Dyhrberg filled the position capably, and performed a great job.

### The results were:

- v. Avondale High School: 1—2.
- v. Takapuna Grammar School: 5—4.
- v. Waiuku High School: 6—2.
- v. Northland College: 2—1.
- v. Riccarton College (semi-final): 0—1.
- v. Fairfield College (play-off for 3rd and 4th place): 6—4.

The tournament was a great success and enjoyed by the players who were all good ambassadors for the school.

The final tournament of the season was the Wanganui 5-a-side Tournament. The competition attracts the largest entries in New Zealand and is recognised as the biggest tournament in the Southern Hemisphere.

The School 'A' side, comprised of D. Smith, A. McLean, C. White, C. Hammond and S. Humphreys performed creditably, winning its section through post section played gain third ranking in the tournament, which had the mammoth entry of sixty teams.

### The results were:

- v. Collegiate: 1—0.
- v. Napier High School: 2—0.
- v. Taita College: 2—0.

### Post Section play:

- v. Hastings Boys' High School: 2—0.
- v. Manawatu College Old Boys: 1—0.
- v. Wairarapa College: 1—2.

Wairarapa College eventually went on to win the final 1—0. This effort was well justified by some fine team work and combination goals scored by this side during the Tournament.

## GIRLS

This year saw five High School teams entered in the Saturday Women's Hockey Association competition.

Although the "A" team was not as successful as they would have liked to have been, the "B", "C", "D" and "E" teams did very well to collect trophies. It must be remembered though that "A" team plays in a senior grade and are not to be discouraged for their efforts amongst the more experienced women players.

It was a great tribute to the school to see the "A" team take the field in their newly-outfitted skirts which added greatly to the appearance of the hockey uniform.

Our thanks must go to those outside coaches: Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Logan, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Sarginson and Mrs. Bell, who so kindly gave up their time to coach our teams this year. Thanks to Miss Stevens also for not only the time she spent in coaching our "B" team to a fine win in their section, but for the time she spent in helping organise our Secondary Schools' Tournament that was held in Wanganui.

This year, once again, we had our proportion of successes in the representatives in various grades. Gillian Nimmo, Susan Kosmala and Joanne Fox were all chosen to train in the squad to go to the National Tournament held in Gisborne.

Robyn Atkinson won her place in the Senior "B" team while Kerri Sturzaker, Helen Granville, Allison Bristol and Robyn Huthnance represented the Secondary Schools.

### Inter-School games:

- v. Hawera: Lost 2—4.
- v. Colenso: Drew 2—2. A well-played game that had many exciting moments.
- v. Rangitikei: Won 3—2. A close game.
- v. Waverley: Won. Waverley played well but could not keep our forwards from scoring.

### North Island Secondary Schools' Tournament:

This year Wanganui secondary schools hosted the tournament which drew teams from as far away as Auckland.

# Tennis . .

This season it was very pleasing to see keen 3rd and 4th Formers taking part and we would like to see more playing as they are going to be the team of the future.

Competition would have been much better if the girls' team would challenge more amongst each other. But the good play temperament was seen throughout the season by all the members of the team.





#### **BADMINTON 'A'**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row: P. Bristol, P. Wynne, D. Duncan, D. Lace, Mr B. Meads.  
Front Row: K. Walker, S. Visser, L. Joblin, V. Lawrence.*



#### **GIRLS' FIRST ELEVEN HOCKEY**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row: A. Crossley, J. Fox, H. Granville, R. Atkinson, A. Bristol,  
Mrs D. Williams (Coach).  
Front Row: R. Sanders, K. Sturzaker, S. Kosmala, G. Nimmo, R. Huth-  
nance, C. Sturzaker.*



#### **GIRLS' BASKETBALL**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row: S. Watt, E. Hill, D. Lawless, S. Cockerell, N. Joll, Mr Baron.  
Front Row: M. Perry, S. Henderson, S. Baron, G. Cockerell, W. Reid.*

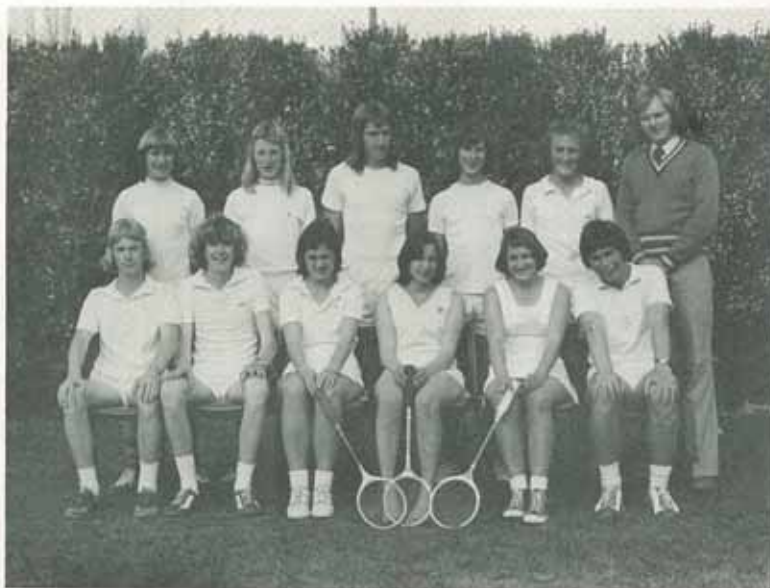


#### **GIRLS' SOFTBALL**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row: Mrs J. Blair, M. Tatapu, M. Rewiti, R. Steele, P. Keat, A.  
Ballingall.  
Front Row: D. Ngeru, C. Polkinghorn, T. Waitere, D. Sheridan, S. Holman.*





### **SQUASH**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row:* D. Smith, M. Swann, S. Humphreys, P. Smith, N. Hallett, Mr A. Ashton.

*Front Row:* A. McLean, C. Browne, T. Allen, A. Latham, A. Ballingall, C. Hammond.



### **TENNIS**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row:* R. Ireton, M. Hobday, C. Browne, N. Domigan, R. Jackson, R. Laird, Tay Chong Choon, J. Fox, N. Elliot, L. Glass.

*Front Row:* D. Dimes, L. Sloan, C. Browne, M. McKenzie, R. Atkinson, G. Nimmo, H. Young, Y. Watts.



### **BOYS' SOFTBALL**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row:* J. Ta'ala, C. Hammond, T. Banks, S. Humphreys, P. White.

*Front Row:* M. Swann, C. White, G. Calvert, I. Smith, D. Noble.



### **LIFE-SAVING**

*(Left to Right)*

*Back Row:* S. Fox, R. Granville, M. Kidd, S. Ayre, H. Davies, A. Latham, C. Prop, A. Ballingall, T. Allen, Mrs P. Gardner.

*Front Row:* D. Chegwiddden, V. Mills, H. Visser, E. Hill, Y. Gosnall, S. Parkinson, L. Lockett.



This year, due to special circumstances, there was no fixture against Colenso High School. We would like to be able to play them next year.

#### School Championship Results:

Junior — David Lace beat Douglas Ireton; Lori Glass beat Naomi Elliot.  
Senior Finalists — Jan Hobday v. Robyn Atkinson; Murdoch McKenzie v. Tay Chong Choon.  
Congratulations to Jan Hobday who won the Under 17 girls' tennis champion title this year.  
Joanne Fox and Jan Hobday played for the girls' Under 17 Wanganui representative team.

#### Results of Inter-School Fixtures:

Won against Rangitikei by a considerable margin.  
Lost against Nga Tawa - Collegiate.  
Girls won against Sacred Heart 6—5.  
Boys lost against Collegiate. The top four boys won.  
Good tennis was seen by those players under tough competition.

More results.

Tuesday, 18th March:

1st VI — W.C.S. v. H.S. 4—2 to W.C.S.

2nd VI — W.C.S. v. H.S. 4—2 to W.C.S.

Tuesday, 25th March:

1st VI — W.C.S. and Nga Tawa v. H.S. 9—3 to W.C.S. and Nga Tawa.

2nd VI — W.C.S. and Nga Tawa v. H.S. 11—1 to W.C.S. and Nga Tawa.

3rd Term — Ungraded:

W.C.S. v. H.S. 6—1 to H.S.

## Netball . .

There were eight Wanganui High School teams entered in the Saturday competition.

As in the previous year it has been necessary to use pupils as well as staff for coaching. The teams on the whole played to the best of their ability with the "F" team winning their grade and the "B" team coming runner-up in the Senior Reserve "B" Grade.

The "A" team performed better this year, being in the Senior Reserve Grade with the competition being closer than in the last few years. The future for High School Netball looks brighter with the number of third form girls showing considerable ability and keenness. This will continue as long as it is possible to acquire an adequate number of coaches to sustain the enthusiasm amongst the girls for the whole season.

## Softball . .

The three Wanganui High School teams went to Rangitikei for the annual match. All teams had handsome wins, showing the talent at W.H.S.

#### "A" Team:

The "A" team was a strong unit with many talented softballers in the team, notably our versatile pitcher Ian Smith and a top-class first baseman in captain Grant Calvert.

A new teacher, Mr. R. Lane, is keen on fostering softball in the school and in future years will be a great help.

#### 3rd Form:

The 3rd Form boys' team — a new venture this year and well worth it. It has many talented softballers who will no doubt be in the "A" team before long.

#### Girls:

The girls' team also easily won their game. Their pitcher, Raven Steele, showed her class and proved the mainstay of the team — being well supported by her teammates.

A notable achievement by a past student was Murray Calvert making the New Zealand trials at the National Senior Men's Beatty Cup Tournament at Hastings. W.H.S. was well represented at this tournament by G. Calvert and I. Smith.

In the Colts Under 21 team: I. Smith, G. Calvert, C. White, T. Banks.

Wanganui Senior Schoolboys: I. Smith, G. Calvert, C. White, R. Johnstone, D. Noble.

Wanganui Schoolgirls: R. Steel, P. Keat

Wanganui Senior Women's Rep. Team: Raven Steele.

#### Teams:

Senior Boys — Ian Smith, Des Noble, Grant Calvert (Capt.), Jacko Taala, Robert Johnstone, Colin White, Martin Swann, Trevor Banks, Craig Hammond.

3rd Form Boys — Tony Polkinghorne (Capt.), Michael Watty, George Ngeru, Mark Caudwell, Geoff Kawau, Peter Speck, Robert Jones, Robert Johnstone, Mark Thomson.

Girls — Cherie Polkinghorne, Pam Keat, Donna Sheridan, Diane Ngeru, Malinga Tatapu, Margaret Reweti, Raven Steele (Capt.), Alison Ballingall, Te Aroha Waitere, Susan Holman.

## Gymnastics . .

Especially notable this year were the successes and achievements at the Wanganui and District Schools' Gymnastics Championships on Saturday, October 4th, 1975. There were 194 entries from 17 schools in the Wanganui - Manawatu - Rangitikei district contesting the titles.

The girls managed to win two major events.

Individual results were:

In the girls' restricted class: R. Hourigan came second and D. Bradley third; and on the floor exercise: D. Bradley and R. Pennefather came third equal. On the beam: D. Bradley gained first place and R. Hourigan came second. Over-all in the girls' Open was A. Garrett in first place. On the beam: A. Ingle came first and A. Barrett came second.

In the boys' open, for the vault, R. Loomes came second.

Congratulations to the whole team for their efforts at all times.



## SCHOOL COLOURS — 1975

**Girls' Athletics:** Teresa Carr, Lynne Brown, Joanne Parkinson, Helen Visser, Malinga Tatapu, Margaret Perry, Sue Henderson, Debbie Lawless, Joanne Fox, Christine Troughton, Stephanie Baron, Wendy Reid, Cheryl Sykes, Sue Visser, Jennifer Peter, Adele Garrett, Kerri Sturzaker.

**Boys' Athletics:** P. Hinton, W. Scanlon, M. McKenzie, N. Domigan, J. Ta'ala, K. Allison, T. Lockett, G. Allison, D. Ngeru, R. Johnson, C. McIntyre.

**Girls' Swimming:** Sharron Ayre, Elizabeth Hill, Yvonne Gosnell.

**Boys' Swimming:** Wayne Taumata (repeat), William Walsh (repeat), Craig Hammond.

**Girls' Softball:** Te Aroha Waitere, Susan Holman, Cherie Polkinghorne, Pam Keat.

**Boys' Softball:** Scott Black, Grant Calvert, Trevor Banks, Ian Smith, Stuart McInnes, Peter Jones, Jacko Ta'ala, Martin Swann.

**Cricket:** G. Ewing, S. Erikson, J. Wallace, N. Hallet, G. Ander, G. Raine.

**Girls' Tennis:** R. Atkinson, J. Fox, L. Sloan, H. Young, G. Nimmo.

**Boys' Tennis:** M. McKenzie, N. Domigan, R. Laird, R. Jackson.

**Girls' Rowing:** Julie Charrott, Christine Troughton, Carolyn Goodman, Helen Granville, Angela Biggs, Sharon Nolan, Shireen Snowden.

**Boys' Rowing:** S. Humphreys, P. Kitson, D. Duncan, P. Visser. Special Mention — First year Paul Downing (Cox of the Springbok Four).

## COMMENT

When we look back and consider the results and achievements of 1975, then Wanganui School can be justly proud of its record.

Outstanding successes such as the winning of the "Springbok Four", the wonderful performances of our athletes in the North Island Secondary School Championships and National Secondary Schools Championships, the fine records of our many teams competing at both provincial and national levels show what our pupils are really capable of achieving.

Unfortunately our sports grounds have been reduced to a quagmire this year and training of teams has been very difficult. The coaches of these teams, as well as players, have had a trying time due to overcrowded facilities. Some nights eight teams carried out practices on three pitches. It is sincerely hoped that the authorities will do all that is possible to rectify our grounds problem in the not-too-distant future.

Another problem, especially in football, has been the number of young people playing for outside clubs. We appreciate that during the years at both Primary and Intermediate schools they have been well catered for by these clubs but it does not help engender school spirit if these pupils continue to play exclusively for outside organisations throughout their school life.

Finally, the High School would like to thank all the teachers and parents who have given so much of their free time to assist with sports teams and so helped to make this such a successful year.

G. W. LEWIN,  
(Head of Phys. Ed. Department).

## WANGANUI HIGH SCHOOL OLD PUPILS

There have been many ex-High School pupils who have earned distinction in national sports competition. Most notable among these is Bill Osborne who put Rugby critics into raptures with his performance in the first All Black Rugby trial on Saturday, June 7. His powerful running and intelligent play had been billed as the highlight of an otherwise dull first trial.

Bill was also in the winning Wanganui High School senior eight that won the Maadi Cup from the Collegiate School in 1972. In addition he played in the High School First XI and First XV and was a very talented indoor basketball.

Bill Osborne proceeded from selection for the Under 18 North Island side, in which he was a star in the inter-island match at Auckland, to the All Black Colts ranks and then to a place in the Maori All Black team.

Kent Oldman was selected for the Under 20 Basketball representatives and Margaret Hill was selected for the Wellington Netball trials. John Fyfe and Arnold Paurini were both selected to represent Otago in their Basketball squad and Otago University's top side. Valmai Wilson was selected as a Wanganui Senior Women's Netball representative. Diane Watkins (née Battersby), Barbara Hill, Helen Couper (née Carson) as captain and Joanne Haybittle (née Ruscoe) were all selected as Wanganui Basketball representatives. Glenda Keats was selected to represent the '75 North Shore Netball team.

Noel Balasingham, who was in our seventh form in 1974, is studying Mechanical Engineering at Brighton Polytechnic in England.



DUX 1975  
Martin Robinson



