



Napier Boys' High School Association COLUMNS

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Editorial

The Great Munro/Monro Mystery

You may recall from a previous "Columns", that in March 2019, Mike and Ros Robertson brought back to the school the Monro Cup for Fielding, which Mike's father, John McLeod Robertson (1916-1918) had won in 1917 and 1918 and failed to return it. To be fair, John's family had returned to Christchurch and his secondary education ended, where it began, at Christchurch Boys' High School. Meanwhile a near identical replacement cup had been bought, engraved (backdating the winners to 1904) and continues to be presented to this day – one of the oldest trophies.

The 1905 Scindian records the cup's origins: "A beautiful silver challenge cup, suitably inscribed, has been presented by Mr G.H. Munro of Taradale for the best "field" in the first eleven. We sincerely thank Mr Munro for his keen interest in our team. His trophy will tend to improve individual fielding, each man knowing that there is a goal to be won by the sacrifice of a little exertion."

However, the 'Register of Cups and Trophies' records a slight variation: "Munro Challenge Cup for the Best Field presented by C.R. Munro 1904." Another hand has added "G.H.?"

And so to the cups themselves: both agree on:

Napier Boys' High School

Best Field

Challenge Cricket Cup

Presented by....."

The original concludes "G. R. Munro, 1914" (sic)

The replacement reads "G.R. Monro, 1904" – office staff asked to adjudicate on the ornate engraving were divided between G.R. and G.H.

So with the confusion over the initials of the donor and the spelling of his surname – who was our benefactor? Not an Old Boy. Not a parent. There are twenty six Munros in the Register (none the sons of G.H. or G.R.), one Munroe but no Monros. Ian Mill's (1943-1946) book on Napier Street names "What's in a Name.", proves there is no connection with Munroe Street,

named after yet another Indian Army general (and misspelt, - it should be 'Munro').

I thought perhaps "his keen interest in our team", might indicate that he had a coaching role, but a perusal of the 'Cricket Notes' in the Scindians of that decade fail to mention him, either for the 1st XI or 2nd XI (in 1904 it was the 2nd XV (fifteen) and in 1905-06 the 2nd XIII (thirteen) for Club games!)

So Editor, Chris Geddis delved into his 'Cricket Centenary' The story of Cricket in Hawke's Bay 1855-1955 by F.F. Cane and came up with an 'A Monro' who played for Hawke's Bay in 1903-04 and a 'G.H. Monro' who played Senior Club Cricket, 1905-06; Stats: bowling 38 wickets for 352 runs, batting 803 runs from 68 innings highest score 69.

Presumably, as a bowler and batsman, this admirer of good fielding is our donor – but what was his connection to the school?

Phillip Rankin - Archivist



The Munro and Monro Cups

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From The Headmaster's Study

We began the year with the first increase in student numbers since 2015 which has been hugely positive. The 1160 domestic students included 174 boarders at Scinde House. The school is ably led by Head Prefect, James Rawnsley, and Deputy Head Prefect, Noah Smith, along with their team of 19 prefects. We have also retained 11 international students over the summer break. Many of these boys will not see their families for over two years. Our NCEA results were the best in many years at all three levels of qualification; the school also gained 20 NZQA scholarships with last year's Dux, Charles Williams, achieving six awards which placed him in the top 50 students nationally.

We were fortunate to retain nearly all our staff at the end of last year, however, recent resignations from two old boys – Property Manager Geoff Pyott and Head Groundskeeper Geoff Hollywood – have meant that the property team has a very new look about it. The new Property Manager is Scott Ledger from the UK, while the Assistant Property Manager responsible for the grounds is old boy, George Diack. Head of Agriculture, Rex Newman, recently won the Unison Professional of the Year award at the Napier Port Primary Industries Award event which is a testament to his expertise and success with agriculture at the school.

The appointment of the new Headmaster has been eagerly awaited by staff and students. The Board have announced that Mr. Jarred Williams, currently Deputy Principal at Hillcrest High School in Hamilton will become the 14th Headmaster of NBHS from term three and lead the school into its 150th Jubilee at Queen's Birthday weekend next year. Save this date now!

The school rebuilding program has laboured on, albeit it more slowly than anticipated. We began teaching in five of the new science laboratories in February and staff and students immediately appreciated the quality, size and look of these. The first half of the new English facility is due to be completed in September this year with a final completion date of the whole project to replace the Armour Block in July 2022. The library upgrade, including archives at the Memorial end, is scheduled to get underway in the second half of this year. This project is generously supported by the NBHS Charitable Trust. Ideally, it will be finished in time for the 150th jubilee.

As always, sports and cultural events dominate our calendar. Highlights include:

- Volleyball: Seniors won Super 8 title and then won Division 2 at the NZSS championships in Palmerston North (they lost only one game in qualifying)
- Tyler Waite 9 Hawke: won NISS MTB u15 Enduro and Downhill
- Cricket: Colts A team 2nd at NZSS Gillette Cup championship in Palmerston North
- Canoe Polo: Junior A team 2nd at NZSS championships in Hastings
- 1st XI Cricket: won local competition for 4th year running; runners up in Central Districts knockout competition to PNBHS (who also won our traditional); 5th at Super 8
- Sailing team: won Central NI regatta in Taupo; 7th at subsequent NZSS regatta at Warkworth
- Motocross: school team won Rotorua title which is a de facto NISS title
- 1st XI Hockey concluded a South Island tour with fixtures against all the leading boys' schools, undefeated in local competition to date
- 1st XV Rugby is undefeated after six pre-season games
- Junior winter exchange vs Tauranga BC - Tauranga BC won overall (wins in football, hockey and u14 rugby); NBHS won basketball and u15 rugby.

- ECNI road relays: year 9 and junior teams won and set course records
- Scots College winter exchange: won 1st XV, 1st XI football and 1st XI hockey, lost basketball
- Wairarapa College winter exchange: won all four fixtures.

Cultural

- Regional Kapa Haka: our combined group with Sacred Heart went from strength to strength and performed a well-received set at the Municipal Theatre 14 May.
- Liam Reid 13 Clyde won several Piping titles at the Hastings Pipe Band championships. The band also performed at all Civic ANZAC services this year
- Festival of the Bands: Gold for soloist Jackson Stone; Silver awards for Funk and Concert band plus three soloists
- Sheilah Winn Shakespeare festival: our drama group of William Hart, Sven Hoerler, George Hart, Jack Connolly and Jackson Stone (Director) won selection for the national finals in Wellington at Queen's Birthday weekend. George won the Audience engagement award and Jackson was named best Student Director
- Old Boy, Commander Martin Walker (HMNZS Canterbury), was our guest speaker at the school ANZAC service

This is my final Column and I wish to thank the Association for the support provided during my tenure as Headmaster. We are very fortunate to have old boys and former staff and friends of the school who continue to give tirelessly of their time for the benefit of today's young men. I particularly want to acknowledge Kevin Callinicos as Chair of both the Association and Charitable Trust, Chris Geddis as Editor of this superb and informative publication, Phillip Rankin with Archives, Judith Craigie with membership, Stuart Pearse as Chair of the Greenwood Trust, the other trustees of the school's three charitable trust boards and the current members of the Association committee.

With my best wishes for the future.

Justum Perficito Nihil Timeto

Matt Bertram
Headmaster



The school website is
www.nbhs.school.nz

Memorabilia

The School has a growing collection of Memorabilia in our Archives which includes war medals and artefacts, photographs and printed material, prize books, uniforms and many other items pertaining to the School and its Old Boys. We are also interested in obtaining Memorabilia from the "Napier Technical College" to ensure that this school is not forgotten. If you have anything you think we may be interested in, please contact us.

Phillip Rankin - Archivist

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Association / Old Boys
Ties - \$27 & School Crest Cufflinks - \$25
Are available from the School

From The Archives

I am convinced that the pandemic 'Lock Down' is the cause of two trends that have absorbed my time – and interest over the last half year. The first of these is a renewed interest in genealogical research. There has been a flurry of emails seeking (and providing) information on Old Boys. The first request came from Alistair Fraser whose grandfather John Fraser (NBHS 1890) was the first General Manager of the New Zealand Meat Producer's Board 1922-45. Alistair is hoping for an inclusion in the Encyclopaedia of NZ Biography. Unfortunately, apart from confirming his year of attendance and address from the Register, I could provide nothing else, as the Scindian was not published until 1895. Alistair was able to provide us with a full biography.

A real rush of communications followed the appearance on the H.B. Club's website of a photograph of the 1926 NBHS Life Saving Team, winners of the Vigor Brown Shield, which had been sent to the club by a London member. This brought emails from London and Papua New Guinea from descendants of the Hudson family. Jack Varley Hudson (1926), the last of four brothers to attend NBHS was in the photograph holding the Cottrell Cup – being individual winner. The boys' father was a teacher at Nelson Park School and the family moved to Auckland, when he was appointed to a headmastership. This time I was able to despatch a wealth of material going back to the first Varley Hudson in 1918, including photographs of the boys in the orchestra and 1st XI.

Gary Severinsen (1970-75) was the conduit for contact with a fellow Mason, the son of George James Glassford (1905-07). An exchange of information brought us photographs of Lt. Glassford (Gallipoli and France), the Coleman Shield Shooting team of 1919 and Glassford as a special Constable ('Massey's Cossacks') during the 1913 Waterfront Strike. Also provided was an obituary on George's death – he was a coffee grower in Kenya.

The second Covid 19- inspired trend must be 'authorship'. Sonia Edwards who is "profiling the WW2 fallen from the Eastern Bay of Plenty" requested background information on Flying Officer James Henry Allen (1926-32), who was killed in the Battle of Britain. He had had an extensive sporting career here, including 1st XV, 1st XI, athletics and boxing.

Richard Cardwell from Australia is writing a book on the career of cricketer Raymond Herbert Freeman (1928-30). The family left Napier in the wake of the 1931 'Quake and while still attending Nelson College, Freeman played for New Zealand. I was able to send 1st XI photographs and game statistics along with an anonymous report from one of our students evacuated to Nelson College, which mentions the Freeman family hosting him for holidays.

And my own book? Tentatively entitled 'One School's War'. I was inspired to pick up the quill/pen again (my typewriter is broken, irreparable and irreplaceable) by two events. Late in 2020 history teacher Sam Englebretsen invited me to speak to his Year 10 (4th Form) class, who were doing Level 1 (5th Form) History – with Gallipoli as their special study, and then I got to supervise some of the same students doing Level 1 Mathematics in the external exams. Observing the display of diligence and scholarship, the thought occurred to me, "Use them!" And so, for the most of a day after their external exams were over (they also sat Science), I requisitioned three of them. I thought I had 3.5 day's work for them, but so efficient were they that I had to send them back to their last class.

They trawled through the 13 volumes of Old Boys' military records, compiling lists of Airmen, Medics etc. My three Apprentice Archival Assistants (AAA) have impeccable pedigrees.

Jack McCaw is the son of Michael (1984-1988) – my dentist, and nephew of Stuart (1980-84) and Philip (1981-85). Of course this means he is the grandson of Bob, an Old Boy of New Plymouth Boys' High, but NBHS Head of Science and the Deputy Headmaster (1969-88). Bob has published his father's war diary and letters and so Jack is the great grandson of Lt. William Theodore McCaw M.M. (1907-09) who served from Samoa (1914) through Gallipoli (where he was wounded) and the Western Front. His brother (and therefore Jack's great great uncle) Peter Rankin McCaw (1908-09) died of influenza at the Front in 1918.

Cameron Brans skips the intervening generations (the family coming from Zimbabwe) but is the great great grandson of our Bugler Edward Herman Weber (1903-04 and 1907-09) wounded at Gallipoli and again at Messines. As I pointed out to the school at our Anzac Service, if any of those wounds had been fatal they would now be missing classmates.

The third AAA is Cole Brownlie, and while he doesn't have the military lineage of the other two, he is third generation NBHS. His father is Stephen (1977-81) – of 'Home Grown' – unsolicited endorsement – my favourite fruit juice – do try it! His uncles are also old Boys, Roger (1973-77) and Chris (1975-77) as was his grandfather Jim (1942-43), who was also on the Board of Governors (1976-87), a great friend of the hostel.

A digression, (this happens, Apprentices, researching one subject and something else crosses your path and off you go on a tangent, or perhaps a wild goose chase). Taking a break from their compilations, I was gently chiding Cole on his rugby heritage – father and uncles were all members of the 1st XV, Roger was Captain in 1977, great uncle Philip (Huck) Berry was coach (and as a student (1953-58) Captain of 1st XV 1958) and his great grandfather Lawrence, was one of the famous three All Black brothers. "And what do you play Cole?" "Football Sir." "Ah, Soccer!" "Football!" came the stern admonition from Jack at the other end of the table. (He also plays 'football' and futsal – don't ask!) 'Football' Jack, was the oval ball, to all generations except yours – just ask Granddad Bob! The round ball was soccer. I decided then to do the research. Into the Scindians- up until 1947, the school teams, according to the 'Sports Reports' played 'Football'. In 1948-49 it became 'Rugby Football', before settling on 'Rugby' in 1950. The round ball, when it was finally allowed



The AAA Club: Cameron Brans, Cole Brownlie, Jack McCaw

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on the hallowed turf was 'Soccer' 1957-2009, when I suspect Peter McGlashan and Rob Gunn finally got their way and it became 'Football'.

And back to "The Book" – at the Athletic Sports Cole made the offer, "Is anyone typing your book, I'd like to do it?" Too big a task for one, especially now chapters are handwritten, all three Apprentices are now on the payroll and I'm struggling with the later chapters.

(Editor Chris also has to struggle with my handwriting – and tried to sidestep by suggesting I also farm my 'Columns' articles onto the overburdened Apprentices – does he not remember when they first worked for me – unpaid then, he called them "Slave Labour"?)

Three more acknowledgements: Helen D'Ath, daughter of Selby DeAth (1916-17) has delivered to us, mounted photographs of the hostel and 'school on the hill' of those years and three fascinating pages from his photograph album, with sports and cadet scenes, boys on the Marine Parade and visiting SS Tangaroa – and (chuckle), the Girls' High School 'Crocodile Race'.

The Headmaster has received a letter, biographical notes and photograph from Brigadier Leslie Watson Wright (F6 1940) – he writes: "In January 1940, I was enrolled at your fine school for my 6th Form year and eighty one years on, before it is too late, I wish to sign off as a grateful Old Boy."

He mentions that, unexpectedly as a 'New Boy' he was made a prefect at the end of his first term and WO 11 in the cadets under Major Jas Olphert, setting him up for a career which took him to Cassino as Captain, to Japan with the Occupation Force, an aide to Governor General Lord Cobham, the Malayan Emergency (winning an MBE), Military Attaché in Washington DC, Chief of Staff, Home Forces and Commander NZ Army Forces Far East in Singapore- amongst other commands and accreditations (Canada, UN.)



Brigadier Leslie Watson Wright MBE

On hearing this at our Association AGM in May, Committee Member Alan Day, (1954-57) informed us that he came across him at Army Headquarters in Wellington in 1968 where he was a Colonel and the Deputy Adjutant General (Deputy Head of Personnel Branch) and Alan was a Staff Sergeant working in the Personnel Services Branch, but neither knew the other was an Old Boy of Napier Boys' High School.

Finally, it is nice to discover that my scribblings are occasionally read, and appreciated. We received an email from Marie Mowat who had 'done the google' on her ancestor, Charles Stanley Marshall, and my article from the July 2020 Columns on the 1918 Influenza Pandemic appeared out of the Cloud. Of course it mentioned Stanley, our Senior English Master (1915-18), Housemaster and teacher of French and Latin, who was a victim of the Pandemic.

Marie reminded me that we had corresponded in 2009 during her family research prior to a reunion held in Ashburton. She was especially appreciative of the photograph of Stanley's grave (taken by Chris Geddis) which accompanied the article. Marie was able to provide us with photos of Stanley on his graduation (Double Honours for a MA in French, German and Political Science), of the Marshall family in 1912 (parents and five siblings) and one from the reunion, descendants gathered around the oldest family member, Maurice Stanley Betteridge, Stanley's nephew, who has since died in Melbourne. Of great interest was a copy of the obituary which appeared in the Christchurch Press (9/12/1918) which detailed his outstanding academic career, a succession of prizes, scholarships and honours from, first, Christchurch Boys' High School and then Canterbury University College. Some information we already knew, that he was studying Law for example, however some was new to us. Despite holding the rank of Second Lieutenant in the Senior Cadets, he was rejected, for health reasons, from enlisting. Also unreported in the Scindian accounts of his death was that he was to take up an appointment at Wellington College in 1919.

Once again, a big Thankyou to all those who share an interest in our School's history.

Phillip Rankin - Archivist

P.S. It's been brought to our notice by several people that the Chief Justice at the heart of the Samoan Constitutional Crisis is Old Boy, Satiu Simativa (Miti) Perese (1976-1980, Head Prefect 1980). We will be able to give a full biography of his colourful career in Radio and Law in the next issue.

NAPIER BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

150th

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY 2022

Keeping in "Touch" after leaving school

I was at NBHS from 1990-1994, and in 2004 I moved to Amsterdam. There I played a bit of Touch Rugby each week with an international crew on the Museumplein (a large central square surrounded by museums). In 2008 we thought it would be fun to form a team and go to a tournament. After some searching we found that the next one in Europe was the European Championships, but that was only for national teams. After a bit of research we found that the Dutch didn't have a team so we formed one, bought some orange kit and entered!

This meant a road-trip to Paris and we were drawn to play Switzerland, France and Wales in the pool matches. For our first match against Switzerland, I was captain and I met the opposing captain with the referee for the toss. I greeted him expecting to hear a Germanic accent, but instead he said, "You're Michael Berry. I'm Fraser Callaghan, (1994-1998) we went to school together!" And so there, at the 2008 European Touch Championships in Paris, I run into an old boy from Napier who was captaining Switzerland while I was captaining the Netherlands. A great reminder that it's a small world, and that Kiwis are pretty good at Touch by European standards!

And for the record, the Netherlands won a close one 5-4.

Mike Berry (1990-1994)

As a follow up, the Editor contacted Fraser Callaghan.

Hi Chris,

Very good, thanks for sharing.

The text is good. I have a couple of photos attached. One of me is from the tournament that Mike discusses, the team photo is from the next time we met the Dutch team at the European Mainland Cup in 2010 (Euro champs minus the British Isles). Fraser Callaghan kneeling on right wearing watch. In this meeting we won the final against Mike and the Netherlands team.

Great memories.

After some time in Sydney, I am back living in Switzerland. Not playing any touch rugby at the moment, but that is due more to the pandemic than anything else. I enjoy keeping up to date with the school. I'll be sure to visit next time I am back in NZ.

Fraser Callaghan (1994-1998)



Mike Berry third from left, kneeling.



Switzerland Team 2010, Fraser Callaghan front right



Mike Berry with ball in hand



Fraser Callaghan same tournament with ball

Napier Port Primary Sector Awards 2021

Professional of the Year recipient is Rex Newman.

Rex has invested many years of his life in encouraging and growing the next generations of farmers, growers, Agri-professionals and leaders of the primary sector.

As a teacher and Head of Department at Napier Boys' High School for the Ag/Hort Department, teaching at NBHS since 2010.

Rex said he was "Humbled by the experience, I still can't believe it. You do your job to make a difference but you don't expect to be recognised in such a way."

Growing up on a beef and cropping property north of Seddon, near Marlborough, he first went to Lincoln, where he gained a degree in Commerce and Agriculture. He gained milking experience both here and abroad and also spent time working for Ravensdown and PGG Wrightson. The industry experience proved helpful when he decided to become a Teacher and started at Napier Boys' High School in 2010.

"I wanted a job where I could talk to people and still work in Agriculture, whilst having involvement in sport." Of the 1160 students at the school, 200 are enrolled in the Agriculture courses. He describes it as a "Dynamic and flexible subject - it has to be as farmers battle droughts in one year and changeable export prices the next." A mixture of academic and practical modules, there are a range of future opportunities in agriculture, from business and marketing to science and technology, it's about more than just the land, he says.

"The stereotype is that they are just going to end up on the farm somewhere, that can be frustrating."

While busy coaching Rugby in the winter, most of his spare time is spent helping with the 80 strong Agriculture Club or Young Farmers programme at the school.

Rex goes above and beyond his day to day teaching role to inspire and provide opportunities for his students to experience all that the wider agriculture sector has to offer and the different career pathways that are available.

His nomination stated "as a sector we are extremely lucky to have someone like Rex teaching the future leaders of our industry and this award is a testament in appreciating a profession that has a huge impact on our sector."

Rex thanked the local rural and school community for the support they have given to our subject.

Hawke's Bay Scholarship winner is, William MacDonald (NBHS 2012-2016) who is studying Veterinary Science at Massey University. William 21, is this year's winner of the \$3000 Lawson Robinson Scholarship. He was educated at Napier Boys' High School before he went to Massey, where he is in his 5th and last year of a Bachelor of Veterinary Science.

William grew up on the family sheep and beef farm in Patoka, west of Napier and is very passionate about the sector and in his own words at the awards said he, "can't wait to get out in the industry and start working."

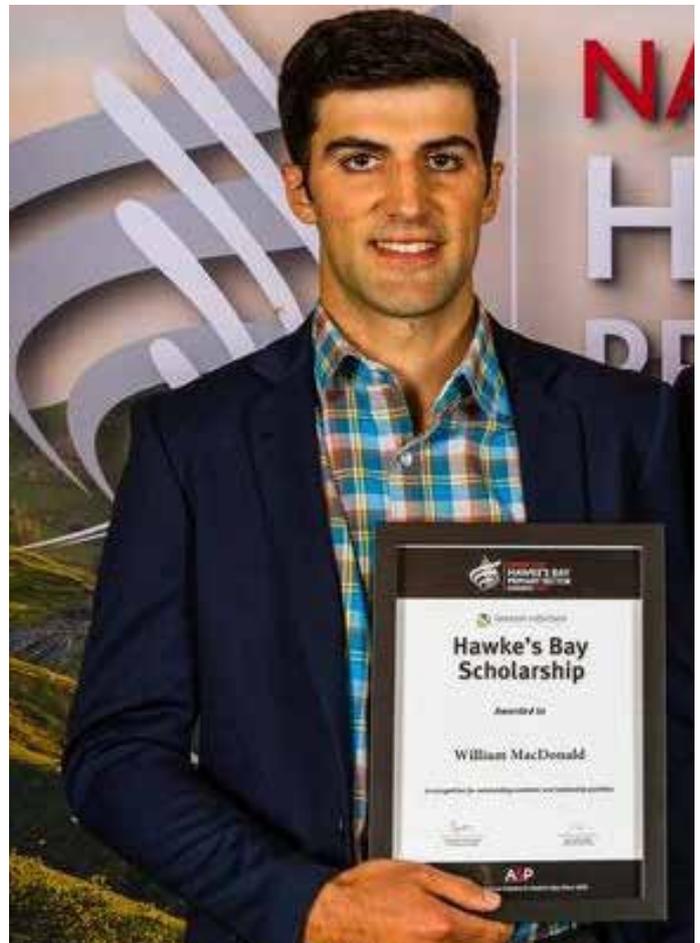
The farm upbringing made a perfect background for William MacDonald's Veterinary studies.

William is going to be a fantastic ambassador for this scholarship and the wider industry, and we look forward to watching his career pathway moving forward.

William gives full credit to his "Really passionate high school agriculture teacher Rex Newman."



Rex Newman NBHS Teacher



William MacDonald

Facing the music for half a century

In a career filled with notes, his reviews accentuated the positive, Peter Williams, Music Teacher at NBHS(1966-1975) Hawke's Bay Today's former music reviewer and writer, was given a farewell party on Saturday, November 7 2020, to thank him for 53 years of work which helped shape and influence the local classical music scene.

During the Covid-19 lockdown, Williams decided to finish his tenure with the newspaper because there were no concerts happening. "It seemed a natural time to stop," he said.

Williams was approached to be a reviewer in 1967 by the chief reporter of the Daily Telegraph. A few years later the editor asked him to write a regular music column. Since then he has written a music column every two weeks on general music matters and regular reviews of classical music, initially for the Daily Telegraph and, since 1999, for Hawke's Bay Today.

Some of his family were present at the event — his sons Stephen and Richard, and grandchildren Max and Mischa. Daughter, Janet Kingsbury, was unable to attend.

Williams came from Lower Hutt with his wife Valerie and young family in the late 1960s to teach music at Napier Boys' High School. He went on to teach music theory, history and appreciation at the Community College (now the Eastern Institute of Technology). He formed an orchestra at a night school class, was the first conductor of the Napier Civic Choir and started a singing workshop that has since developed into the national Singing School NZ based in Hawke's Bay.

At the event, Glen Kempshall and June Clifford spoke of how much Williams was appreciated for all his work promoting and organising music in Hawke' Bay.

Williams spoke about the art of reviewing. "You are thinking about the general feeling of the audience, the quality of the programme and the music. I want to be fair and encouraging, whether it's an international artist or a local person doing a good job. By the time I get home from the concert I generally



June Clifford, Peter Williams and Glen Kempshall.

know what I am going to write."

"Performers are in a vacuum on stage and like to get feedback. And international artists are just as keen to see the reviews, even though they may have played in London two days before, and Vienna before that," he said.

He acknowledged the importance of his late wife Valerie who typed up the columns from his handwritten notes — "She was a superb musician and typist and had an amazing command of English, better than mine."

"Reviewing has given me the opportunity to hear an amazing amount of concerts and performers. I always tried to be objective and encouraging because there was always something good."

HB Today

Old Boys in Hall of Fame

As part of its 20th Anniversary celebrations, the Property Law Section of the NZ Law Society has established a Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame recognises individuals whose contribution has been truly outstanding and who, over their careers, have demonstrated exemplary service to the legal profession and to the practice of property law. The inaugural inductees were announced at the Hall of Fame awards dinner in Christchurch on 26 November 2020.

Two Napier Boys' High School Old Boys featured in the ranks of the first eight inductees.

Richard Cross (NBHS 1961-1965 BOT 1989-1999)

During Richard's 42 years of practice, he has spent 24 years in public service, mostly in land-oriented departments including Lands and Survey, Housing Corporation, Rural Bank and the Land Titles Office. He spent 12 years as the District Land Registrar for Hawke's Bay, where his role included reconstructing the land titles records destroyed during the 1931 Hawke's Bay earthquake. Richard has served on several Law Society committees and subcommittees, including being a foundation member of the PLS Land Titles Executive Committee, and its publications, Law Reform and Education Subcommittees during the early years. He has also represented the Law Society as a member of a LINZ Board overseeing the design, construction and implementation of Landonline. Richard continues to serve as an active member of the PLS Land Titles Subcommittee.



Richard Cross

John Greenwood (NBHS 1964-1968)

John has practised in the Law, and more particularly specialised in property law, for 45 years. He is highly regarded by his colleagues, and more generally by many property lawyers for being passionate about property law and a true servant of the legal profession. John has held many voluntary Law Society roles, including as convenor of the Law Society's General Practice and Property Law Committee, Complaints Advisory Panel Member, Co-Convenor of the Land Titles Committee and inaugural Deputy Chair of the PLS Executive Committee. He is currently the Editor of 'The Property Lawyer' (and has been for the past 20 years!) and convenor of the PLS Property Law Reform Panel. John was involved in drafting the 'Conveyancing Practice Guidelines' and subsequently the 'Property Transactions and E-dealing Practice Guidelines'. John has chaired, presented and/or co-authored numerous conferences, seminars and publications. He leads by example and is an exceptional teacher, guide and mentor to his colleagues. He is currently a moderator for the New Zealand Council of Legal Education for property law, equity and succession examination papers for New Zealand Universities, a position he has held for 15 years. John is also a Hunter Fellow of Victoria University of Wellington, in recognition of his outstanding contribution and service to the University.



John Greenwood

The Property Lawyer

Kathmandu Coast to Coast – Longest Day 2021

Napier Boys' High School Old Boy, Sam Manson (NBHS 2005-2009) Hostel Prefect and Board of Trustees Rep, took out second place in the Kathmandu Coast to Coast event on Saturday 13 February 2021. Sam Manson writes:

Race Day: Standing on the start line, heart rate is at 120bpm, nerves were high and I wanted the race to start just to get rid of them. I dig my foot into the ground to compact the sand and ensure the first step is effective. Within 10 seconds of the gun going off, I am at the front but keeping shoulders with others. The run was not quite as intense as I have experienced in the past and no one was really pushing ahead. Typically, all it takes is one keen runner to try and pull away to increase the intensity. At the transition I get on the road with my bike in 2nd behind Ryan Kiesanowski, allowing me time to smoothly fit my shoes into the pedal plates without rush.

I rode at the front at a very mild pace waiting for someone motivated to come through, but it never happened. I pull aside and brake, forcing it to change. I look back and see a large number of white lights among the darkness, it was then I could tell that the bunch was bigger than ever, most likely due to the less aggressive run off the beach. I yell for the group to rotate and for everyone to take short turns at the front but it was ineffective. Soon there is a keen group of around 5 of us, mostly people I do not recognise that are rotating, but it is inefficient as some are doing too long on the front and then others are not always supported and they try to pull aside. To describe it as messy is an understatement. I drop back mid group to ensure they can all hear me before yelling again for everyone to do some work, this time with some colourful words. No reaction again, I move back to the front again to set an example. 5 mins later I drop back again and open my mouth to the sea of around 30 blinking white lights, with more colourful words. It is still dark and I can't figure out who is who. It became clear that nothing was going smoothly, I had my own race to think about but I remain frustrated with the lack of elites at the front. I immediately wanted to escape this free ride but I knew 15kms in was pushing it for a breakaway that might not work.

At around 38kms I reassessed, nothing had changed and so I started looking for an opportunity. The very next uphill was the best chance as the group would all have to work equally hard to stay together as drafting was less affective uphill. I surge to a higher power level but nothing outside my limits. After 40 seconds I look back and see there was about a 100m gap to the main group! Even more conveniently was two riders with me, Jamie Piggins, a guy who had been contributing a huge amount to the front of the bunch already and Markus Wourtersen. I say to them, "Are you guys keen?" they both nod, hoping they knew what I meant. We take off a bit harder and rotate well. After 15-20mins Markus appeared to be suffering a bit despite wanting to do his bit. I encourage him to do less on the front but unfortunately on one of the climbs, he dropped back too far and we lost him. Jamie worked hard and did slightly more than his fair share, we moved efficiently further away from the main bunch. One of the climbs I ride next to him and we chat about where he is from, Piha, and I joke about where he could ride a time trial bike there. A testament to the intensity we were going, definitely not too hard, I was very conscious of that, but loads faster than that scrappy bunch that was now already over 1 km back.

1km from the end of the ride I tell Jamie, who is a first timer, to chill out and prepare for the transition. We spin lightly while getting final food/drink, removing ankle reflectors, arm warmers and loosening the Velcro to my shoe plates. I think about the process of what I need to do for the transition. Dismounting, I

Sam Manson



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run too exactly where we planned to find my crew, chuck my excess gear at their feet, slip into my SCOTT pack and I'm gone. It was slick and fast, exactly how I'd hoped, thanks to my crew.

After 500m I look back and can't see anyone, immediately knowing that the race is now under my control. I no longer need to burn matches to escape so that no one can follow my lines, focusing on pace, restricting it to respect the full course and prevent fatigue. My heart rate is 10 beats lower than last time and I am feeling efficient and smooth on the rocks. Every year I get to know this course even better. Instead of knowing all sections and lines, I now feel I know every rock above and below the water. Consistently thinking about efficiency and speed at the right times and, of course, fuelling. I felt totally in control.

None of the officials and volunteers can offer time splits to me, but I feel good and keep push faster. I do manage to make a small slip on the descent from Goat Pass and roll my right ankle, an inversion while plantar flexed. It was no normal roll and created a lot of pain, the blood in my body was affected as it tingled with shock and I went a bit pale. I take a few deep breaths and walk for a bit before forcing myself to push on. Incredibly after 10 minutes I am almost completely back to normal performance aside from the pain. Once on the final river bed flats, I open up the stride a bit more and try to get to Klondyke as fast as possible. The large crowd at Klondyke is cheering loudly! My girlfriend, Lisa, is shouting splits to me from across the entrance chute, I'm told it's around 5mins+ to the next person which was damn good news to hear. Every other year in this race I've arrived at Klondyke tired and fatigued. Today I felt great, fatigue was low and energy was high!

Onto the bike, I ride strong, but with a lovely strong tailwind it wasn't efficient to ride super hard. I eat and drink on any uphill's. Thinking my support crew member needs to get past me to meet me at the top of Mt White road I wave my arm to urge the 10 vehicles stuck behind me to pass. Eventually, among some very dangerous manoeuvres from some of them, they all get past and I realise none of them are my crew. Oh well, I will just run to my kayak alone.

But Deklan, my crew member is there at the end of the stage waiting and yelling. I wanted to run down to the kayak strong and fast but while I felt good the legs were starting to feel a little sore. He briefs me on everything he knows that I need to know and we sprint into the transition area. Grant, support crew number 2 throws my kayak gear on me and I'm quickly in the boat and on the river. The crew nail their job once again without error. Super slick.



Sam Manson

The paddle stage was on, 70m3 flow so not as much slow water to catch out those who don't read the river well. I settle into a good rhythm and power. I feel great with only 3-4 moments around 5 mins long when energy lowered and mostly due to digestion from consuming copious amounts of the Em's bars (all to plan). Despite finding out at Woodstock (56km mark) that Dougal Allan had taken a few minutes out of my lead, I didn't increase my intensity, I still felt great but wanted to have a strong last cycle stage more than ever and refrained from digging myself into too much discomfort just yet. The easterly wind was strong, it slowed me down, but I didn't mind, I just hope it slowed everyone else down more.

The transition out of the boat was great, I pop out of the boat, the legs were a bit unhappy but only for a moment. I still felt good despite the odd hobble. The gorge bridge is a just a big screaming, cheering crowd but I don't have time to think about it. I have a job to do.

Grant takes my kayak gear, Deklan gives my cycle gear. It's on. My leg muscles are all go as I power up the hill and Deklan advises that maybe I should hold back a little and save it for the bike. Up on the bike I do what I can to prepare the body for the final stage. By about 5mins in I am finally feeling like I am warming into it. Good breathing, good power, good body position, Aero. I decide I am very comfortable and that at the 10km mark, turn off to South Eyre road I am going to increase it 10-20watts and maintain that to the end of the stage. I have the lead vehicle out in front with the orange lights flashing, media vehicles driving all around me and I'm ready to dig deep.

Locals are on the road side screaming their support. But I am suddenly not feeling that great. Muscles are fine but energy is decreasing. About 15kms I get the split that Dougal is 1.5mins back. I ignore it and focus on my plan. I am still unable to increase my intensity. I feel something touch my back which makes me flinch but within a second I know what it is. It is Dougal. He lightly plants his hand on my back and then continues past. I let him go about 50 meters before increasing my power to what is required to match the same speed. The numbers I see are not high and all within my plan, but I just couldn't do it. I feel ill and weak. Slowly, he and the lead vehicle, a vehicle I spent most of the day with get further way. I'm not sure what's going on, am I just giving in psychologically? Is it nutrition? Or is this truly just me reaching my physical limits? I eat 1/2 a bar at 35kms in and I do feel much better so it must be

nutrition, but the boost only last minutes. My bottle of gels are missing, or was there ever one supposed to be there? (Turns out the bottle fell while I crossed the gorge bridge). But I still have plenty of back up.

Now I am drooling and spewing and creating quite the mess over my nice bike. I keep going. Energy is now lower than ever and the wicked easterly wind is taking away any momentum. It's tough, I try the other half of my bar at 50kms to see if that would work again but barely any of it stays down. I find my speed is rapidly disappearing and can barely keep it above 30kmphs. 15kms to go I am almost completely empty and begin to worry about maintaining 2nd place. I'm now struggling to keep bike over 25kmph and I feel hollow. Then, 5kms to go, I am actually empty. I can't see properly and the only way I can keep the bike going forward and over 15kmph is to stand on the pedals and use my body weight to create power. I begin to think I might not actually make it to the finish line. The desire to stop and lie down on the pavement was huge. I try one last idea to help me finish, instead of sipping at my coke, I scull back the remaining 300mls at once. This worked, I didn't throw it up and I now felt I could pedal getting the bike back to the upper 20's km ph.

I manage my way to the end of the tarmac but haven't really thought about the dismount and nearly forget to get off. I try to make myself run but it is tough, real tough, especially in sand. The crowd is once again cheering, super loud this time. I keep my head down because I don't want to make eye contact with anyone. I notice hands sticking out wanting a high-5. I high-5 no one, a mix of thinking I didn't deserve one and health/safety - you really didn't want to touch my hands.

I stumble my way up the stairs, hugely appreciative of the crowd support, but feeling overwhelming disappointment. Handshakes, then Dougal comes over for a quick 1-armed hug. I'm pretty close to tears but push it back when asked for a radio interview. The day was over. All the preparation for race had been put to use and the result was final. I executed my dream race but couldn't hold myself together to the end. A huge Congratulations to Dougal Allan on his race, I understand he has been through many experiences like this and has persevered to become who he is today.

Racing: History making success for former Hastings jockey

Former Hastings-based jockey Michael Dee (NBHS 2010-2012) created Australian racing history on 27 February 2021 when he kicked home the longest priced Group 1 winner that country has ever seen.

Dee, 24, brought up the fifth Group 1 success of his career when he steered the 300 to one shot Lunar Fox to victory in the \$A1million Australian Guineas (1600m), feature race at Melbourne's Flemington track.

Lunar Fox was the rank outsider in the 15-horse field and returned a dividend of \$139.50 for a win and \$20.30 for a place on the New Zealand TAB. But his starting price in Australia was \$301 and he has now taken over from Abaridy as the biggest upset winner at Group 1 level on Australian soil.

Abaridy started at 250-1 when he won the 1986 Caulfield Guineas, ridden by Australian jockey Gary Doughty.

Michael Dee is a son of former successful thoroughbred trainer Richard Dee, who is now a stock agent in Hawke's Bay.

He started out as a probationary apprentice with the Hastings training partnership of Guy Lowry and Grant Cullen before transferring to Wanganui trainer Kevin Myers for a time and completed his apprenticeship with Caulfield trainer Mick Price in Melbourne.

Dee had his first race-ride aboard Negotiate at Stratford in December 2012 and chalked up his first win on Bamboo at New Plymouth on January 17, 2013.

His first Group 1 victory was on Foundry in The Metropolitan (2400m) in Sydney on September 30, 2017.

Both Doughty and Dee agreed with the punters in thinking their mounts had little or no chance of victory and both were gob-smacked when they saluted the judge.

Doughty recalled he had a better ride than Abaridy in that year's Caulfield Guineas but the horse was injured in the days leading up to the race and withdrawn. He only picked up the winning mount when Abaridy's trainer rang him two days before the race and he agreed to take it because he had ridden for the stable in the past. However he felt it was just another ride for the day.

Dee did have a bit of prior knowledge about Lunar Fox as he had ridden the horse in his previous start, when he finished 12th out of 14 over 1400m at Flemington. But that performance

had given him little or no confidence going into a race like the Australian Guineas.

"To be honest, I didn't give him much hope. No one else really did either. All I could do was do my job and do it to the best of my ability. Hopefully the horse ran well in doing so," Dee said.

Horsham trainer Paul Preusker provided the master stroke by adding a set of blinkers to Lunar Fox's gear for the race, which got him to settle well and then finish the race off strongly.

"Having the blinkers on brought just a massive improvement. They drilled it into me before the race to stay off the fence. From the gate we were able to get the perfect run three-wide and work into it. It's obviously a massive thrill and I can't believe it has just happened," Dee added.

Dee's experience in his first two years of race riding in New Zealand included a win aboard star mare Silent Achiever in an open handicap at Ellerslie in February 2014.

He achieved early success when he moved to Melbourne where his first major winner was Churchill Dancer in the Group 2 Bobbie Lewis Stakes (1200m) at Flemington in September 2015.

Last season Michael Dee rode 65 winners in Australia and he now sits on 499 career wins.

Although Lunar Fox was despised by the punters the Foxwedge gelding had shown plenty of ability as a young horse. His two previous wins included the Group 2 VRC Sires' Produce Stakes (1400m) at Flemington 12 months ago, when he beat Larimer Street and the subsequent Group 1 winner Ole Kirk. He also finished fifth in the Group 1 Caulfield Guineas (1600m) in October last year.

He had struggled since and probably put in the worst run of his career first-up when thrashed as a \$151 outsider in the CS Hayes Stakes (1400m) in his final lead-up to last Saturday.

The addition of blinkers for the first time probably brought about the biggest turnaround in form in the history of Australian racing.

Michael Dee is now looking for back-to-back longshot Group 1 victories at Flemington in the March 6 2021 \$A1.2million Newmarket Handicap at Flemington.

John Jenkins



Michael Dee and Luna Fox

Obituaries

Farewell to cricket's 'The Guru' from Taradale

Taradale Cricket Club has lost one of its greatest cricketers Richard Gordon Atkins on April 6 2021.

Richard Atkins was an Old Boy of NBHS (1949-1950)

Those were the opening words from Kirk Doyle who was one of the many club faithful to gather on Sunday 11 April 2021, at the Napier War Memorial Centre to join the family and friends of Richard Atkins, affectionately known as "The Guru".

Atkins was a life member of the Hawke's Bay Cricket Association, and a patron and life member of the Taradale Cricket Club.

He passed away peacefully on April 6, aged 86.

In 1950, he made the second XI Napier Boys' High School team.

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Doyle said Atkins had three great loves in his life.

"The first was his wonderful wife Dorothy (Dot). His second great love was his children and wider family.

"Lastly, his great love was cricket – especially anything to do with the Taradale Cricket Club."

The Guru played his first game at Taradale Park in 1948.

"I was blown away by this, and he didn't seem to think it was anything really; he was just a kid of 12 or 13 filling in for a men's team," Doyle said.

Atkins' remarkable loyalty stretches over 73 years at Taradale club, culminating in helping a second-tier establishment earn promotion to the senior ranks of men's competition (now premier) and building clubrooms at Taradale Park.

Habitually second-grade winners, Taradale CC struggled to graduate to the top Bay men's club competition because players kept crossing the floor to predominantly Napier Technical Old Boys (NTOB) to fulfil their desire to boost their status.

"Richard was an all-rounder but never got up to senior grade until he was 35-years-old," after Taradale earned promotion in the summer of 1972-73.

In the centennial year (1977-78), Richard Atkins captained Taradale to their maiden senior championship title.

Doyle said it was impossible to do justice to everything Atkins had done for the club.

"As a young man joining the cricket club, I was always in awe of him for his sheer determination and work ethic."

"Richard was at the hub of all that is good about the Taradale Cricket Club."

"He was on the Taradale Sports Association steering committee when the little old clubhouse ended its days by our TSA clubrooms standing proudly in the corner of Taradale Park."

"In 2015, Richard was honoured when the Black Caps turned up, and ANZ re-carpeted the clubrooms. The crowning jewel was the full-length trophy cabinet which now contains all Richard's prized memorabilia that generations of cricketers can enjoy in the future."



Richard Atkins

"To have hundreds of youngsters turn up to witness the momentous day gladdened his heart no end."

In 1998, Richard Atkins combined with his brother Ian (NBHS 1943-47) to drive the creation of Hawke's Bay's first junior cricket club at Taradale.

"Richard and Ian gave all their spare time to coach hundreds of youngsters at Taradale Park after school each day. Alongside Ian, Richard worked tirelessly to develop skills and a love of the game youngsters will never forget."

Doyle said Atkins was humble, and deflected praise and attention.

"Whenever he spoke of his playing days, he never talked about himself at all.

Instead, he would tell tales about others' deeds, including happenings off the field, which always led to plenty of laughs."

"There have been great players like Martin Crowe who passed through our ranks, but to Richard, Martin wasn't any more special than a little eight-year-old from Guppy Road, turning up for their first practice with a hard ball."

"He wanted everyone to play cricket and enjoy being part of something bigger and better."

HB Today/Chris Geddis

Property developer, arts patron and philanthropist, Adrian Kenneth Burr dies June 8 1943-December 9 2020

Napier Boys High School Old Boy (NBHS 1959 F5 -1961)
Auckland property developer and arts patron Adrian Burr died on 9 December 2020, aged 77, after a long illness. He first came to prominence in the 1980s with Chase Corporation and, like former Chase boss Colin Reynolds, stayed in the business during the 1990s when he picked up a swag of real estate for a song.

As a former director of 1980s property developer Chase Corp, Burr's business interests spanned Auckland CBD, Burr was one of the original business people who founded Viaduct Harbour Holdings, the multibillion-dollar business which owns 35ha of waterfront land around the city's waterfront. Newmarket, car parking buildings and central North Island forestry. Viaduct owns and leases some of New Zealand's most valuable land beneath apartments, offices, restaurants, hotels and other businesses. Burr was also involved with a group of businessmen who bought vast forestry in the North Island. Trevor Farmer, Ross Green, Mark Wyborn and Burr of Kiwi Forests Group, part of a consortium paying \$725m for the 106,000ha forest estate.

The NBR Rich List in 2019 had previously estimated his wealth at \$500 million and referred to his helicopter and his boat which sailed the world. "Burr has been an influential property investor for more than three decades, bursting on to the scene in the early 1980s with Chase, then buying up key Newmarket, CBD waterfront, car parking buildings and later forestry estates," NBR reported. He benefited from the property market's continued surge but had been taking a more philanthropic-style to investment lately. Burr's Herne Bay home was valued by Auckland Council in 2017 as being worth \$25m.

Burr was a prominent supporter of the arts. He was a founding donor of the School for Performing and Creative Arts in Auckland, and along with his late partner, interior designer Peter Tatham, supported the Auckland Sculpture Trust. Burr was a founding benefactor of the ASB Waterfront Theatre on Halsey St. The pair also owned the 1998 Melbourne Cup winner Jezabeel.

"Adrian was much loved and will be dearly missed by the many people in whose lives he has made a difference," said Mark Taylor, a close friend and business associate. "Known for his kindness and passion for philanthropy and arts, Adrian lived and breathed the joy of giving, enabling others to grow and share their talents."

"An intensely private person, over many years Adrian quietly supported many and diverse charities, visual and performing arts, theatre, mental health, sports and environmental causes dear to his big heart." "Adrian made a difference to many people, and small reminders of his big legacy are to be found all over New Zealand on the donor and patron boards of the many causes and projects he supported so joyfully."

Stuff/NZ Herald



Adrian Burr

Memorabilia

The School has a growing collection of Memorabilia in our Archives which includes war medals and artefacts, photographs and printed material, prize books, uniforms and many other items pertaining to the School and its Old Boys. We are also interested in obtaining Memorabilia from the "Napier Technical College" to ensure that this school is not forgotten. If you have anything you think we may be interested in, please contact us.

Phillip Rankin - Archivist

Reginald Maurice Davis 9 April 1929 - 16 September 2019 in his 91st year.

Reginald (Maurice) Davis (NBHS 1943-1947) passed away in Dunedin in 2019.

Born in Dunedin in 1929, where his father Cecil Reginald Davis was also a harbour engineer with the Otago Harbour Board, working as a supervisor at the Aramoana Quarry while living in one of the Harbour Board houses at the Aramoana Spit. The family moved to Napier, where Maurice attended Napier Boys' High School from 1943. Upon finishing school in 1947, Maurice studied at the University of Canterbury where in spite of spending a lot of time sailing, he managed to graduate with a degree in Civil Engineering. Upon graduating Maurice worked for the Napier Harbour Board as a junior engineer.

In 1954, he started work with the Bluff Harbour Board (BHB) spending eight and a half years there on many engineering design and construction projects. While there he qualified as a Naval Architect to compliment his engineering degree and validate the many successful vessels he had already designed for himself and others and for the future. While in Bluff he represented Southland in the National 12 foot 'Idle-along' class yachting championships.

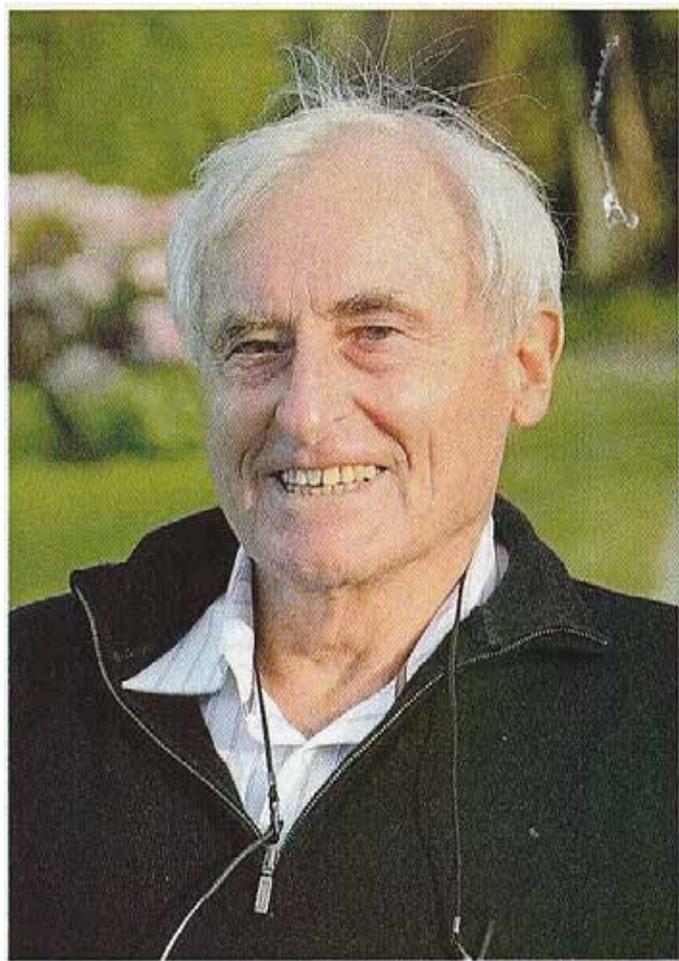
He and father Cecil had built his first P class yacht which he competitively sailed successfully while they lived in Napier, followed by building the Idle-along class yacht which was raced with much success in Napier, Southland and Otago. While at University, Maurice raced as part of the Canterbury crew which held numerous national titles and in 1954 competed in the 18 Foot World Sailing Championships.

In 1960 Maurice was part of a New Zealand Six-Man Expedition Team to Peru where they achieved the first ascent of Nevado Cayesh in the Peruvian Andes. While at University and when not sailing Maurice was climbing, where he climbed some of the Canterbury Mountains including: The Harman Pass, Mt Rolleston, Mt Davey, Mt Torlesse in 1952 to mention a few. On moving to Bluff, he was involved with the Southland Mountaineering Club, where he climbed Mt Earnslaw, Mt Christina, Mt Talbot and Bonar Glacier which proved valuable training for the big expedition to Peru.

Maurice was an accomplished Under Water Scuba Diver both professionally and recreationally and with three diving friends formed the original Otago Underwater Diving and Salvage club. His exploits and experience in this field proved valuable later when designing and supervising underwater construction.

Maurice's hobbies were not just on or in the water or in the mountains, he was an accomplished glider pilot, achieving a gold and two diamond medals and holding a B category instructors rating.

In 1961 Maurice got a job with the Otago Harbour Board as a Deputy Chief Engineer and was instrumental on major re-developments of port facilities at both Dunedin and Port Chalmers and the Otago region as well as designing launches



Reginald (Maurice) Davis

and Tug boats for the area. Nearing completion of wharf development projects Maurice was appointed Chief Engineer of the Otago Harbour Board and became responsible for the design and construction of the Port Chalmers Container Terminal. Maurice also professionally consulted on many Port projects in South Asia.

In 1987 as part of Otago Harbour Board's restructure, Maurice opted for voluntary redundancy and retirement, but a week later was invited to join Duffill Watts & King (DWK) as an adviser on a new harbour at Milford leading to a permanent Civil Engineering and Naval Architecture position and later a directorship in the firm and with Maurice involved in design and construction of a new port in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The firm morphing into Duffill Watts & Davis (DWD). Maurice designing a new container terminal at Avatiu – Cook Islands, a new Tug boat for the Port of Taranaki and design and building five tourist vessels for Real Journeys Ltd still operating Milford and Doubtful Sounds today. In 2001 he was again engaged by Port Otago, project managing design and build of the new Tug boat 'Otago'.

Maurice definitely had a remarkable career in engineering where he managed to combine the disciplines of Civil Engineering and Naval Architecture and bring these skills to bare on the development of harbours and marine structures while indulging in his passion in designing and engineering a wide range of vessels.

Davis Family/Chris Geddis

Bryan Bennet Farquharson, 1 September 1953 – 30 April 2021 (NBHS 1967-1971)

The son of Napier Senior Constable Bryan Farquharson says his father always treated the famous rescue of a boy from Marine Parade's surf as just another day on the job.

Bryan Farquharson, 67, who was part of the police force for 21 years, lost his battle with cancer on April 30.

Farquharson's son, Jon, said his father had three main aspects to his life - family, farming and police. Growing up on a farm in Glengarry Road Rissington just outside Taradale, the former Napier Boys' High school pupil joined Police College at the age of 45, earning him the nickname "Gerry" - short for geriatric. But on the course, he qualified second to top in fitness tests.

"He was kind, caring and loyal, but he was always known to be a hard worker and so passionate," he said.

Farquharson was awarded the prestigious New Zealand Police Association Bravery Award by Prime Minister John Key in 2013 after rescuing 12-year-old Joshua McQuoid from rough surf on Napier's Marine Parade. Injured 12-year-old Joshua McQuoid was rescued on Napier's Marine Parade in 2013. McQuoid was swept 152 metres along the beach after a large wave broke on the shoreline. With the help of fellow constable Paul Bailey and a German backpacker, Farquharson's first attempt to save the child was unsuccessful after being beaten back by the surf. But, quick thinking from Farquharson to summon bystanders to form a human chain saved McQuoid's life. Bailey felt McQuoid's legs beneath the water and threw the boy towards Farquharson and the human chain, whereupon he was pulled to safety.

The then Police Association president Greg O'Connor said the award, reserved for officers who'd performed the "most outstanding acts of police bravery" was a fitting accolade for the pair. O'Connor said the two officers "exemplified the traditions and highest ideals of policing" and showed



Bryan Farquharson on Bike

"extraordinary and selfless bravery, in leaping without hesitation into dangerous surf to save Joshua's life".

Jon said although proud of his award, his father was an "I was just doing my job" type of police officer. "He would always accept any praise in humble fashion," he said. "But he always had the bravery award on display at home."

Away from policing, Jon said his farmer-turned-police officer father was a family man at heart who would always offer a lending hand – something he attributes to a traditional upbringing.

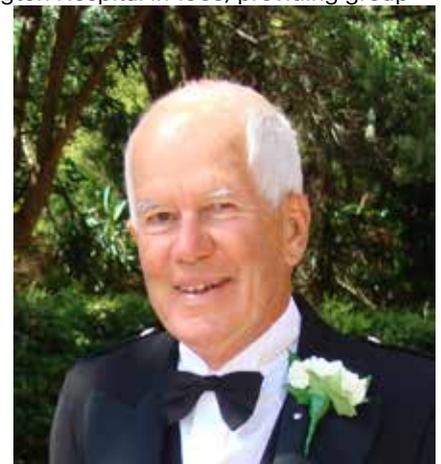
"He was stubborn, stern and stoic, but he had my grandmother's compassion, which gave him a whole other side and made him so popular," he said.

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Dr Peter David Martin

Dr Peter David Martin, ONZM Officer of New Zealand Order of Merit-(1953-1957) passed away after a brief illness on 16 November 2020. He attended Napier Boys' High School and Otago University, MB ChB 1963, MRACP 1968, FRACP 1973. He was Physician in Respiratory Diseases Wellington Hospital 1971-; Clinical Lecturer in Medicine, Wellington School of Medicine 1978-; His interests included management of most common lung diseases. Dr Peter Martin was a respiratory physician until his retirement in 2014 and made a long-term contribution to reducing smoking in New Zealand. Practicing at Wellington Hospital in the 1960's Dr Martin noted high rates of lung cancer and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease in patients who smoked, leading him to conduct and publish research in support of tobacco control and the establishment of smoke-free environments. He was the first in New Zealand to initiate discussions with the British company, who at the time, supplied the cessation product Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT), which was eventually brought to New Zealand. Currently \$7 million is invested in NRT annually as part of New Zealand's tobacco control programme. He established a pioneering stop

smoking clinic at Wellington Hospital in 1985, providing group-based behavioural support and optional NRT and achieved high quitting rates. His political activities include attempts at promoting legislation to restrict smoking in public places, ban tobacco advertising and promotion. He became Quitline's Medical Advisor in 2001, and remained in this part-time role until 2014. Dr Martin made a positive contribution to the development



Dr Peter Martin

of Quitline's leading evidence-based service by advising on behavioural support methodology, the use of NRT and other pharmacotherapies and staff training. He was chairman, Division of Medicine, Wellington Hospital Board, 1985-88; Member Ethics Committee, Wellington Area Health Board; Councillor, Royal Australasian College of Physicians, New Zealand Committee Member (Chairman, New Zealand Committee 1982-86) He was awarded ONZM in the Queen's Birthday Honours June 2016, for services to tobacco control.

Chris Geddis

MILLS, Ian Lindsay (LVO, OBE).

Assistant Commissioner of Police (Retired) (NBHS 1949-1952)
Passed away on 2 March 2021 aged 85. Ian Mills was one of the Police in charge of the Erebus recovery team. Superintendent Ian Mills, who devised Disaster Victim Identification, (DVI) procedures. While other operational groups were relieved, the inquiry team worked until February 1980. Many formed strong bonds with the families they liaised with in a task that proved fulfilling for both sides.

Leading this phase in the early days was Chief Inspector – later Assistant Commissioner - Ian Mills who, with Bob Mitchell, had helped develop the DVI capability after a study trip to America.

An assignment planning a royal tour prevented him seeing it through. Not well enough to take part in anniversary events, he recounted his thoughts to Ten One through his son Wayne, also ex-Police.

Ian always regretted that being called away denied him the chance to thank the team personally – and tell them how proud he was of them.

“He was extremely proud of their attitude and resilience,” says Wayne.” It was the single biggest job he did, not only for the circumstances but also because it had never been done on that scale before.

“He was proud of how seamlessly the various phases worked.”

The mortuary phase took nearly 15,000 hours of police time. It identified 214 of 257 victims, one of the highest identification rates for an air crash at the time. Of these, 115 were directly attributable to the dentists.

The 1981 New Zealand Royal Visit Honours were appointments by Elizabeth II as members of the Royal Victorian Order (MVO) to mark her visit to New Zealand in October that year.

In 1984, Members of the Royal Victorian Order, fourth class, were re-designated as Lieutenants of the Royal Victorian Order



Ian L Mills

(LVO). The recipient of honour Member, fourth class (LVO) Superintendent Ian Lindsay Mills.

He received an OBE in the 1991 New Year's Honours List.

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Kevyn Douglas Moore

(NBHS 1953-1956) who received a Queen's Service Medal, QSM for service to business and the community in the Queen's Birthday Honours List 2009, has passed away at HB Regional Hospital on May 19 2021. His business career started in Napier in 1962 with Weldwell (NZ) and for the next 25 years he was at the forefront of the welding industry, in roles that took him far and wide. On returning to New Zealand and Hawke's Bay in 1989 he became a grape grower setting up Dalnagairn Vineyard. The next decade being spent working in viticulture, becoming president of the New Zealand Grape Growers Council from 1994 to 1999. In 2008 he was inducted into the New Zealand Wine Hall of Fame. His commitment to the wine industry was so strong he established the Romeo Bragato Conference and the Bragato Wine Awards, now in its 26th year in 2021. A Rotarian since 1973, his community work has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars, in particular for the Child Cancer Foundation and the Kelvin Tremain Memorial Education Trust. He also established the Oliver Smales Memorial Trust to provide specialist training for nurses and therapists in the field of children's health.



Kevyn Douglas Moore

Last Roll Call

The following Old Boys and teachers passed away recently:

- ARIS, James Edward – 1999-2000
ATKINS, Richard Gordon – 1949-1950
BARNAO, Joseph Anthony - (WW2) – 1939-1942
BARNAO, Mario Umberto (Albert) – 1944-1946
BLACKLEDGE, Raymond - 1944
BOYD, Alan Douglas – 1954
BULLED, David Allen – 1964-1965
BULLED, Edward George – 1962-1963
BURR, Adrian Kenneth – 1959 F5-1961
CHATFIELD, Dean William – 1982-1984
CLARKSON, Philip Neville – 1954-1956
CLIFFORD, Donald Gregory – 2007-2008
CHURCH, Peter Trevor – 1941-1942
COCKROFT, Mervyn Ronald – 1940-1944
COLBERT, Colin John – 1944-1947
CUNNINGHAM, Milton Ivan – 1953-1956
DAVIS, Reginald Maurice (Maurice) – 1943-1947
DAWSON, Bruce William – 1960-1962
DEAN, Fergus Craig – 1975-1977
DOUGLAS, Rick – 1958 F4
EAGLE, Graham Eric – 1962-1965
EVANS, Barrie Richard – 1947-1948
EVANS, Peter Somerville – 1949-1953
FARQUHARSON Bryan Bennett – 1967-1971
FINDLAY, Malcolm James – WW2 – 1940-1941
GILES, Ian Arthur – 1957-1959
FRISBY, Stephen J – 1981-1985
GRAY, Lionel Hayden Tewaka – 1976-1978
GUNSON, Robert James (Bob) – 1943-1947
GREIG, Neville William – 1948-1949
HAYCOCK, Raymond James (WW2) – 1940-1941
HEATH Victor Brian – 1939-1941
HEIFORD, Brian Webster - 1949
HOOD, Ian Richard Collard – 1960-1963
HUSHEER, John Gerhard – 1947-1950
JAMES, Trevor Ian – 1949-1950
JOHNSON, Pera Te Pikikōtukku – 1950-1952
KELLETT, David – 1946-1947
KERERU, Michael Crete - 1956-1959
KERSEY, George Philip (Philip) – 1956-1958
KING, Darren Anthony – 1977-1980
KING, Joseph John (Joe) – 1941-1942
LEWIS, Alan Stewart – 1955-1959
LUI, Peter Michael – 1971-1973
McINTYRE, Douglas Lawrence – 1955-1959
MARSHALL, John Larry – 1956-1957
MARTIN, Peter David (Dr) – 1953-1957
MARTIN, Rees Thomas – 1955-1958
MILLS, Ian Lindsay LVO OBE – 1949-1952
MITCHELL, Bruce Hunter – 1953-1959
MOORE, Kevyn Douglas – 1953-1956
MORI, Robert Patrick – 1955-1957
MORISON, William Leslie – 1957-1960
MORTON, Tamati William (Tom) – 1973-1977
NEWTON, Stanley John (Stan) – 1944-1945
O'LEARY, Reid Keady – 2012-2013
OWERS, Ross Christopher – 1975-1978
PEACOCK, Bavel Hutton – 1950-1953
PENE, David Erueti – 1965-1967
PIRIE, Hadyn Alexander (Rev) – 1946-1950 – Teacher 1960
PLAYER, Anthony John Fewster (Tony) – 1941-1943
PRITCHARD, Neil Charles – 1960-1963
RUDD, Eric George – 1956-1957
SOMERVILLE, Douglas (Doug) – 1966-1969
TAURIMA Wiremu (Bill) – 1946-1947
TAYLOR, Lawrence William (Laurie) – 1945-1946
TOOP, Roger – 1964-1965
TRAVERS, Peter Radcliffe – 1953 F6
TUCK, Digby John – 1959 F6
WATTIE, William Jon (Dr) – 1951-1956
WHITE, Stanley John – 1954-1956
YOUNG, Edward Alfred – 1952-1953

"Columns" expresses sincere condolences to the families of these Old Boys and teachers.

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