



December 2011

TOP CLASS

On 23 September the school celebrated the achievements of the class of 2011 at our annual Speech Day and Prize Giving, writes publicist Sue Miles.

An incredible 38% of our Grade 12 boys received academic colours and honours at Speech Day, having received an average of over 75 percent in the year to date. Of these, six boys received their Honours Cum Laude (over 86%) – Dux Nicol Pirow, Murray Polkinghorne, Dominic Koenig, Tom Rich, Steven Hood and Rowan Page - further endorsing the high academic standards achieved by this class.

Academic Honours (average of 80-85%) were awarded to Michael Shadwell, Nathan Pilbrough, Cameron Gramanie, Willem Brooks, Ntobeko Sibisi, Alex Platts, Eshan Vij, Ross Bennewith, Mudiwa Mupfanochiya, Kevin Murray, Jason Bredberg, James Singery, Dan Kennedy, Andrew Adie and Jean-Jacques Lenferna de la Motte.

Academic Colours (average of 75-79%) were awarded to Charles Slabbert, Dan Botha, Murray McDougall, Declan Ahern, Ross Owen, Jared Murphy, Michael Kennedy, Ryan Schmitz, Brandon Driver, Greg Morum, Daniel Fabre, Khaya Dlova, Anthony Balladon, Chris de Beer, Chad Myburgh, Justin Palmer, Nick Bartlett, Ryan Green, Tyrone Stroberg, David Gilmour, Andrew Thompson and Matt Militz.

Aside from being Dux, Nicol Pirow received subject prizes for English Poetry, Biology, Afrikaans, Mathematics, Physical Science (shared) and Life Orientation (shared)

Proxime Accessit to Dux, Murray Polkinghorne, received

prizes for top student in History, English Essay, Modern Languages (shared), Physical Science (shared) and English (shared), as well as the Chorister prize and trophy for Resourcefulness and Initiative.

Deputy headboy Dominic Koenig was awarded the trophy for Best All-Rounder in the 6th Form, as well as subject prizes for

“ We congratulate the Class of 2011 on their achievements and wish them and their families well for the future ”

History Essay, Literature, Life Orientation (shared) and English (shared).

Guest speaker at our Speech Day was Dr Dudley Forde. His address centred on the value of trust in every relationship. The Grade 12 boys and other guests were inspired by his anecdotes and humour.



L - R: Nicol Pirow, Dux of School; Murray Polkinghorne, Proxime Accessit to Dux; Guest Speaker, Dr Dudley Forde; Headmaster, Elwyn van den Aarweg and Deputy Headboy, Dominic Koenig who was awarded Academic Honours Cum Laude, the trophy for Best All-rounder in the 6th Form and subject prizes.

**ACADEMIC AWARDS
TERM 3**

GRADE 11

1. Lutchman, Mandhir
2. Holtes, Ryan
3. Sparks, Nathan
4. Pears, Travis
5. Jordaan, Walter

Progress Awards:

1. Mwangalawa, Lusayo
2. Cartwright, David
3. Hudson, Simon
4. Mthembu, Msizi
5. Broughton, Greg
6. Rhodes, Damian
7. Ngcobo, Ntobeko
8. Bacon, Nicholas

GRADE 10

1. Bunge, Edwin
2. Clarke, David
3. Hansen, Samuel
4. Kolev, Daniel
5. Royston, Gregory

Progress Awards:

1. Lailvaux, Luke
2. Pelliccia, Biaggio
3. Barker, Keegan
4. Lines, Christopher
5. Du Preez, Daniel
6. Meyer, Ryan
7. Keeley, Cameron
8. Davison, Darin
9. Gounden, Vahin
10. Kirsten, James

GRADE 9

1. Lillelund, Neil
2. Loader, Keagan
3. Sandy, Dale
4. van der Merwe, Francois
5. van Aswegen, Ruben

Progress Awards:

1. Futter, Kian
2. Smith, Luke
3. Lekitlane, Tshupo
4. De Cramer, Donald
5. Zietkiewicz, Patrick
6. Harris, Stefan
7. Cah, Joss
8. Hlongwa, Philani

GRADE 8

1. Hughes, Brandon
2. Hewitson, Lyle
3. Hansen, James
4. Lee, Cameron
5. Lutchman, Dhanvir

Progress Awards:

1. Kheswa, Ssongakonke
2. Khambule, Thula
3. Mbhele, Sibulelo
4. Waugh, Cian
5. Mngoma, Okwethu
6. Butler, Hayden
7. Morse, Joshua

HISTORY IN THE MAKING

The KZN Schools' / Kearsney invitational Team History Quiz took place in the Greyhound Pavilion on Thursday 27 October reports HOD: History, Adam Rogers.

Twelve schools from all over KZN entered this enjoyable and entertaining event. This year's quiz took on an interactive flavour with the generous sponsoring of interactive clicker devices by Participate Technologies from Johannesburg. The quiz was a battle of both brains and reflexes as teams had to respond not only accurately, but also quickly, to questions that appeared on the screen. Questions were asked in the categories of Discoveries; South African History; Famous Faces; Popular Culture of the 1950s & 1960s and the World in the 1980s. After two hotly contested knock-out rounds, Clifton College finally emerged as the victors.



Boys mean BUSINESS

Adjudicators, Mrs Bea Croudace, Mr Lockhart-Ross and Mrs Karen Southwell with Mr Mike Albers and the winning group, Squeaky Clean

The Businessman of the Year dinner was the culmination of a process that started in the first term of the school year, and which involved every pupil in Grade 9 writes HOD: Accounting, Mike Albers

The dinner took place on Thursday 15 September in the Greyhound Pavilion. The pupils were divided into companies, and each company was tasked with producing a unique product of their choice. The 4 best companies were then invited to the Businessman of the Year dinner where the pupils made their final presentations before a group of adjudicators. The winning group was a company trading as 'Squeaky Clean' with members Francois van der Merwe, Dylan Griffiths, Benjamin Patton and Daniel Campbell. The Businessman of the Year was Tristan Tedder.



AFRIKAANS KRAAI KONING

Kearsney College was the proud winner in the Eerste Addisionele Taal national Expo competition. For the second successive year, three Kearsney boys were the national winners in the Afrikaans Musiek en Liriek: Rap-section. Congratulations to our national winners: (above L - R) Murray Polkinghorne, Willem Brooks, Michael Shadwell, all Grade 12s with Ms Zastru Conway-Nunn. The prize giving was held at Afrikaans Hoër Meisieskool in Pretoria.



Back: (L-R) Ruben van Aswegen, Neil Lillelund
Front: (L-R) Myles Lundall, Keagan Loader,
Matthew van Heusden and Ivan Crockart

OUTSTANDING RESULTS in the International Grade 9 benchmarking exams

Each year our Grade 9 boys are given the opportunity to write the SIAT International Benchmarking examinations in English, Mathematics and Science. Head of Middle School, Rod de Villiers reports on the remarkable results.

These exams are developed by Education Assessment Australia (EAA) and written by candidates from all over the world. The questions are of an extremely high standard and very challenging. The Kearsney results are benchmarked against other South African and Australian schools, involving over 8000 students in English, 13000 in Science and 5000 in Mathematics. As usual, the Kearsney boys did extremely well, with a number of boys being represented in the top 1%, 10% and 33% of the thousands of international students who participated, and with average scores above those of the region in each case.

Special congratulations to the following boys who obtained distinctions:

- Ivan Crockart: English (high distinction), Mathematics and Science;
- Matthew Van Heusden: Science (high distinction);
- Myles Lundall: Science;
- Neil Lillelund: Science;
- Keagan Loader: Mathematics;
- Ruben van Aswegen: English.

Grade 12 Art Exhibition

An eager group of art enthusiasts gathered on Wednesday the 19th of October to view the Grade 12 artworks from the 2011 year end exam. The exhibition was opened by Mr van den Aardweg, who gave an enlightening account of each boy's work.

Below is the work by Nathan Pilbrough.
Lower: Moiro Banziger proudly shows his artwork.



James Copeland with his artwork



Our Assessment

WELL DONE and Farewell

'Give Simon a job to do and he will do it extremely well' says Head of Middle School, Rod de Villiers



Simon Moore

Simon Moore leaves Kearsney at the end of 2011 to take up the position of Deputy Head at St Johns DSG in Pietermaritzburg. Although he has only been at Kearsney for three years, Simon has made a huge impact on the College and will be sorely missed by both staff and the boys, who claim that his dry sense of humour often comes to the fore in the form of some interesting and clever puns!

In his three years at the College, Simon has proved to be extremely efficient and popular in his role as Head of Biology/Life Sciences, and more recently in his role of Director of External Assessment. During his second year at the College, Simon took over the role of Master-in-Charge of dayboys and also coordinated the very challenging IQAA survey initiative in an exemplary manner. In each case he implemented systems which his successors have appreciated. Simon contributed to the coaching of squash at Kearsney and the coordination of provincial selections. The Chess and Enviro Club also benefited from Simon's enthusiasm and commitment.

Simon sets very high standards, is a true professional and a committed educationalist - respected by all. He has certainly made his mark here at Kearsney and will be a valuable asset to St Johns DSG. We wish him, his wife Nicky, daughters Kelly and Katie and son Matthew the very best for their move to Pietermaritzburg and the new challenges which await them.

Welcome to our Home

We are delighted to welcome two new members of staff to our marketing department writes Communications Manager, Heather Pearse



Rob Carpenter and Shannon Burgess

After months of planning, consultation and interviewing of candidates, the restructured Marketing Department came into effect at the start of the fourth term. The newly appointed Marketing Director, Mr Robert Carpenter, assumed duties on Monday 4 October 2011. Robert is passionate about the College, its values and its place in society and is delighted to be joining the Kearsney College family. He possesses a Master's Degree in Economics from Rhodes University and brings to the Department a wealth of business experience.

Reporting to the Marketing Director will be newly appointed Admissions Officer, Mrs Shannon Burgess. Mrs Burgess is a Kearsney mum and previously the secretary to the Mathematics Department. She looks forward to adding value to promoting the College and building relationships with prospective parents.

Heather Pearse fills the role of Communications Manager, handling all forms and channels of communications emanating from the College. She is embracing the opportunity to focus on this aspect of marketing the College. Her brief includes the effective use of social media platforms and other applications to complement and improve communications.

James Lambert will attend the Investec Rugby Academy Clinic in the December holidays. This has been made possible by the donation of R 30 000 from KKS. Mr Edward Morton, General Manager, Education Sector for KKS visited Kearsney to personally inform James of his award. The clinic caters for two boys in each position. Expert input is received from rugby greats around all aspects of the game. Dick Muir, who is integral to the Investec Rugby Academy, was present for the handover.

LEADERSHIP FOCUS

Our incoming prefects benefited from and extended camp, writes Deputy Headmaster, Anthony Willows

On Tuesday 25 October, the 26 newly elected prefects set off for a two day seminar at the Umziwathi Canoe Clubhouse at Shongweni Dam. The seminar started with an address by the Headmaster on what it means to be a Kearsney leader and the important and significant role that the prefects have to play in the school. Mr Rottcher then spoke about different leadership styles and principles of leadership focusing on Action Centred Leadership. Mrs Wendy O'Connor delivered a talk on the importance of having respect for all people.

After lunch Mr Rod de Villiers introduced the new "Rites of Passage" programme, which will be introducing this year. This programme

is designed to smooth the transition of boys entering Grades 8 and 9. The "My Bright Future" camp has been introduced to familiarise the incoming Grade 8s with Kearsney and its culture, welcome them to the Kearsney community and easing their transition from primary school to Kearsney College.

Similarly, the new Rites of Passage Orientation Programme, for all our current Grade 8 boarders and dayboys who enter the senior Houses in 2012, is designed to help boys make a seamless transition to the next stage of their life at the College.

Mr Willows wrapped up the day with a talk about the prefects' duties and responsibilities.

After free time, the boys moved into their two-man tents in the camp site. The Haley prefects prepared the fires and, under the leadership of Jono Deighton, set about preparing and braising the meat. After supper the boys entertained the staff and each other by telling humorous stories about their junior days at the College.

The boys enjoyed a wonderful breakfast before a session with their respective Housemasters. Mr Willows then spent time discussing the Honour Code.

In the last session of the morning the boys set about planning their vision and goals for 2012, under the guidance of Sean Kelly and Craig Kirsten.

Socialising with St Mary's

Head of Middle School, Rod de Villiers

Each year we have a 'home and an away' Social with St Mary's DSG for the Middle School boys. This term was our turn to host the event after a very enjoyable 'away' encounter at St Mary's during the 1st Term.

The Greyhound Club was the perfect venue for a get-together of this kind and the weather fortunately settled down just in time for the mass arrival of the 180 girls at 6.30pm. Our boys were waiting nervously! The DJ Club, ably led by Joshua Dixon and Tim Lewis, welcomed everyone (from Cape to Cairo) with some pulsating music, flashing lights and smoky emissions. In no time at all the dance floor became inundated with enthusiastic dancers many of them admirably undaunted by their lack of rhythm. Our grade 11 'chaperones' did a great job. New contacts were made and cell phone numbers were swapped. Success! At 9pm the final song was played, followed by a chorus of 'More! More!' All too soon our guests were gone. Our boys made their way back to their homes and boarding houses, heads high, shoulders back and a definite spring in their steps.

WHERE DO THE FUNDS GO?

- George and Betty's Camp
- The Wildlands Conservation Trust
- The Robin Hood Foundation
- Sizakancane Crèche in the Inanda Valley

NURTURING TALENT



Consider Conservation

Paddy Collins was supported by boys and parents of Highbury and Kearsney

Highbury teacher Paddy Collins has a strong affinity with the Maputoland region of KZN and came up with an innovative way to make a contribution to conservation, writes Kearsney Science teacher, Steve Main

At the end of 2008 the idea of a non-stop running event was born. Paddy Collins, a teacher at Highbury Boys, decided to hold a 182km non-stop running challenge. The aim was to raise funds to assist George and Betty, a couple who run a children's camp at Bhanga Nek, with the schooling of their children. George and Betty have hosted many Highbury and Kearsney boys over the years.

The 2011 edition was held on the 22 and 23 of September, with a number of Kearsney boys participating. For sentimental reasons, the route chosen was from Hluhluwe to George and Betty's camp. To assist Paddy, Highbury boys and Kearsney boys each ran between 5 and 10km shifts to motivate and keep Paddy awake. The assistance of the loyal Kearsney and Highbury parents was instrumental in the success of the event. The runners were kept fully hydrated and fed by their support teams as they ran continuously throughout the night. Despite the rain, cold weather and a narrow escape from a local taxi, the teams managed to cover most of the distance with no casualties.

Unfortunately, Paddy Collins was unable to complete the full distance this year. The teams stopped a few kilometres short of the final destination before driving over the sand dunes to reach George and Betty's for a well-earned rest. True to character, Paddy returned to the pick-up spot to complete the journey over the sand dunes to George and Betty's camp

The Kearsney support team was generously given the use of a Toyota Hilux 4 x 4 from Hillcrest Toyota.



Overall winners of the Inter-house music competition: Sheffield

Inter-house music competition

A highlight on the annual music calendar, the Inter-house Competition was again a fierce battle between the Houses, says Director of Musical Performance, Bernard Krüger.

Preparations were confined to a four week window and it is quite astounding what the boys were able to achieve in such a short space of time. The most anticipated section of the competition is devoted to House choirs. Every House had to present two songs with a choir of no less than 20 boys. To fulfil the requirements of the evening, each House also had to provide a solo item, a duet and a House band.

The talent on stage was impressive and the beauty of this competition is that the staff, parents and boys of the College get to see another dimension of their sons, students and peers through these performances.

The winners for 2011 were:

- House Choir: Gillingham,
- Solo: Sheffield,
- Duet: Pembroke, House Band: Sheffield,
- Overall winners: Sheffield

EXCHANGE STUDENTS

2011 saw a record number of 14 boys seizing the opportunity of a lifetime and travelling abroad on international exchange.

- 1) James Quiggin, Alan Neverov and Jacob Miller are currently on exchange with us from Canberra Grammar School.
- 2) Wesley Allan-Reynolds, Alexander Albertse and Bradley Walker - in the colours of the Catholic University School - have just returned from their exchange in Dublin.
- 3) Tawanda Dzinomwa - on exchange at the Rossall School in Lancashire - gets a bird's eye view of London.



Winning friends & influencing people

A total of 80 Kearsney College Grade 11 boys had completed the internationally-recognised Dale Carnegie GenerationNext course by the end of the Third Term of 2011, said a delighted MIC of this course, Adam Rogers.

The GenerationNext Course has been specifically designed for 17 to 20 year olds. Primarily it sets out to develop young people's EQ and to a large extent is based on Dale Carnegie's international best-seller How to Win Friends and Influence People - a copy of which every boy received. The nature of the course also provides many opportunities for boys to further develop their public speaking skills.

“ The lessons learnt and habits formed will prove invaluable ”

Three courses were run, with each course involving a 3-hour session per week over 8 weeks. At the end of each course the boys had the opportunity of voting for the boy whom they believed best exemplified the standards, qualities and principles on which the famous Dale Carnegie Course is based. It is the most prestigious award in the programme and is a tradition which began in 1912 and continues to this day. Tim Pons, Bongi Mthembu and Jarryd Chapman (pictured above L-R) were the successful recipients.

In completing the course these 80 Kearsney boys have reached new levels of confidence, commitment and insight. The lessons learnt and habits formed will prove invaluable for the rest of these boys' personal and professional lives.

Reaching out

Our boys of the College have been involved with various outreach projects. MIC: Community Service, Manzini Zungu, shares some details.

CROW, the Centre for Rehabilitation of Wildlife, is situated in Yellowwood Park, Durban. It is a wildlife hospital that cares for injured and orphaned wild animals and birds. During our visit we got the opportunity to interact with the animals, cleaned their cages, cleared invasive alien plants and prepared a new site for the relocation of their jackals. Our boys have also been helping to clear a large plot of land in order to avoid having the municipality take it back. It has been wonderful to witness the love our boys have for animals. Studies show that children who own pets have more empathy, compassion, self-esteem and nurturing ability, essential skills to develop meaningful relationships as they grow into adulthood.



Donation keeps computer centre going



Kearsney donated 10 computers to Mdepha High School, based in the rural area of KwaXimba. The school faced the prospect of having to close down their Computer Application Technology Centre, which is the only one in the area that provides such resources for the community, due to a lack of resources. Kearsney's donation has enabled Mdepha High School to keep the centre open, providing vital computer training to the pupils of the school and a valuable resource for the community. Principal of Mdepha High School, Mr Mkhize, thanked Kearsney for the donation and for the support we have provided over the years, providing much needed assistance to this underprivileged school.

Blood Donation Clinics

Kearsney College hosted a blood donation clinic on Monday, 31 October 2011. We were pleased to have more than 55 boys donating blood. This is remarkable considering that the Grade 12 boys were not involved due to examinations and that some Grade 10s are overseas on exchange. We thank those that responded to our call. The simple gift of a blood donation is a gift of life for people in need. We encourage each eligible person to help by donating blood.

Support for The Sunflower Fund

Kearsney joined forces with the Sunflower Fund to raise awareness and funds for tissue-typing of potential bone marrow donors, writes MIC Life Orientation, Jason Rottcher

Following the tragic death of our own Luke Norris from Leukaemia earlier this year, Kearsney College partnered with the Sunflower Fund to raise funds for the tissue-typing of potential bone marrow donors. The sale of bandanas at the College on National Bandana day, 12 October, raised R16 000 for the fund. Thank you to all parents and boys who supported this cause. Tenley Cummings, PR Manager of the Sunflower Fund KZN, addressed the boys and staff in

assembly on Bandana Day. As a result, 7 staff and 28 boys have now been tissue-typed and appear on the International Bone Marrow registry. The chance of any Leukaemia sufferer finding a bone marrow match are 1:100 000, so every name added to the registry is important. If you would like to honour the memory of Luke by becoming a potential donor then please contact the Fund on the toll free number 0800 12 10 82 or visit www.sunflowerfund.org.za. Donors should be aged between 18 and 50 and meet certain health criteria.

Become a donor - save a life.





Left to right: Greg Keal, Josh Brown, Tareq Vasi and Sean Miller

HONESTLY SPEAKING

The final Inner Circle Dinner of the year was held in the Greyhound Pavilion on Friday 14 October writes MIC: Public Speaking, Adam Rogers.

It was a moving experience as the boys got to partner their mothers on this formal occasion. The chosen theme was 'reflections' and each speaker took time to reminisce on their time spent at Kearsney over four or five years. Under the capable chairmanship of Dominic Koenig the evening was both enlightening and entertaining and concluded with the announcement of the best speeches of the year.

- Best Object Speech: Travis Pears and Ryan Holtes
- Best Evaluation: Dean Seals
- Best Impromptu Speech: David Gilmour
- Best Icebreaker: Patrick Bell
- Best Prepared Speech: Murray Polkinghorne
- Trophy for Excellence in Public Speaking: Dominic Koenig

The end of year speakers' circle dinner took place in the greyhound pavilion on Friday 4 November 2011. These young public speakers courageously took to the lectern to speak to an audience of over 140 people. The dinner was ably chaired by Josh Attenborough in the absence of Vaughn Pears. The following boys were judged to be the best Speakers of the Year in their respective categories:

- Best Object Speech: Dominic Yoko and Daniel Pons
- Best Prepared Reading: Jeremy De Beer
- Best Impromptu Speech: Sean Miller
- Best Icebreaker: Matthew Last
- Best Prepared Speech: Joshua Brown
- Best Evaluation: Neil Lillelund
- Most Improved Speaker: Tariq Vasi
- Lampough Trophy For Excellence In Public Speaking: Greg Keal

UNITY CONFERENCE 2011

The SCA committee attended the annual SUIS leadership conference during half term. Greg Keal, Head of SCA 2012, reports.

The conference was a fulfilling and beneficial four days, where we learned how to plan meaningful SCA meetings, face conflict and how to lead as an effective, organised committee. Each person attended the elective workshop most relevant to their portfolio role on the SCA committee; these ranged from 'media ministry', which involved advertising your SCA to 'plan it', which related to the organisational side of the SCA. By the end of the camp we had bonded as a committee, made great friends and developed a vision for the SCA in 2012. Now we just need to focus on God and use what we learned for SCA next year knowing that God will work through us.

KEARSNEY COLLEGE BASIC COMPUTER LITERACY OUTREACH PROGRAMME

This program is in its sixth year. It started when we saw the need for most of our ground, and kitchen and cleaning staff were interested in learning basic computer skills, explains Manzini Zungu.

Our IT department helped to set up the course and some of our boys have been involved in teaching. The Modules we covered included Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint, Internet and e-mail. The duration of the 2011 course was three months, but this was extended due to demand. The classes took place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 18h30 - 20h00. It is wonderful to witness some attendees' promotion to office duties because they now have computer skills. Siyabonga Hlabisa, who is the junior manager for KKS, is a product of this course.



Ben Patton, Richard Southey, Nic Bacon, Josh Devine, Matthew Bentley Keegan Foss and Dale Sandy represented Kearsney at the Grey Bloem Stayers' Tennis Festival.

Tennis in good hands

MIC Tennis, Mr Anthony Willows, says that the sport at Kearsney College shows great promise for the future.

The young 1st team participated at the recent annual festival at Grey College in Bloemfontein. Kearsney was the only team from KwaZulu-Natal invited to take part in the three-day festival. Other participating schools were Affies, Waterkloof, St Stithians and Pretoria Boys from Gauteng; Paul Roos and Paarl Boys from the Western Cape, as well as host team Grey Bloem.

Finishing sixth out of the country's top eight schools, the Kearsney team comprised four boys in Grade 9 and one in Grade 8. As it was a "stayers" event, in which Grade 12 pupils could not participate, Kearsney had lost five boys from the 1st team, so the touring group was a young, but talented squad. It bodes well for the level of tennis at Kearsney in the future.



Cricket Capping Ceremony

We were very pleased with the performance of our teams during this water polo season writes MIC Water Polo, Francois Lubbe.

Our 1st Water Polo team took part in the Clifton tournament from 22 to 25 September 2011. Kearsney qualified for the quarter-finals at the Clifton tournament for the first time this year, and were unlucky not to make the semi-final. Our 1st team finished 5th out of 16 schools.

Results from the Clifton Tournament 2011

vs Jeppe High	L 4-6
vs Paul Roos	W 8-3
vs St Johns College	L 4-11
vs Westville Boys High	W 4-3
vs Clifton College	L 0-7
vs Jeppe High	W 6-4
vs Durban High School	W 6-1

KZN Top 10 Tournament The 1st team results:

vs Maritzburg College	L 6-7
vs Clifton College	L 2-6
vs Glenwood	W 6-2
vs Northwood	W 7-0
vs Michaelhouse	W 6-5

KZN Water Polo Selections

We congratulate the following players who have been selected to represent the respective KZN Water Polo Teams:

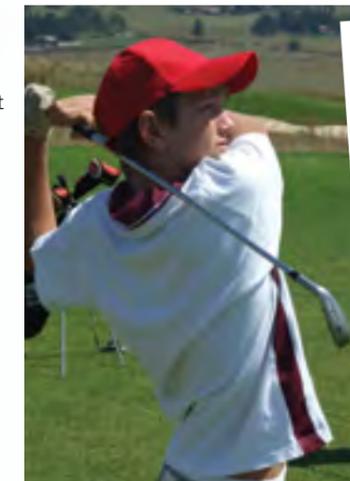
- U19B J Valenti
- U16A D du Preez, J L du Preez and R van der Waal
- U15A A Quenet

The capping ceremony for the nine boys from Kearsney College who are in the three KZN age group teams took place on Friday, 11 November, reports MIC Cricket, Neil Peacock.

In the U19 KZN team, Mark Airey, Michael Shadwell and Craig Kirsten were selected, and Kearsney's Dean Moodley is team manager. They will play at the Coca Cola Khaya Majola Week to be held from 15-20 December. Ryan Wallace and Tyler Smith have been selected for the U17 KZN team, together with Kearsney's Andre van Zyl who will be coach. The boys will play in the CSA Boys U17 Week in Bloemfontein from 10-14 December.

Four Kearsney boys, Alexander Whitelaw, Dylan Griffiths, Tristan Tedder and Christopher Lines, have been selected for the U15 CSA Boys Week which will be played in Benoni from 13-17 December.

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

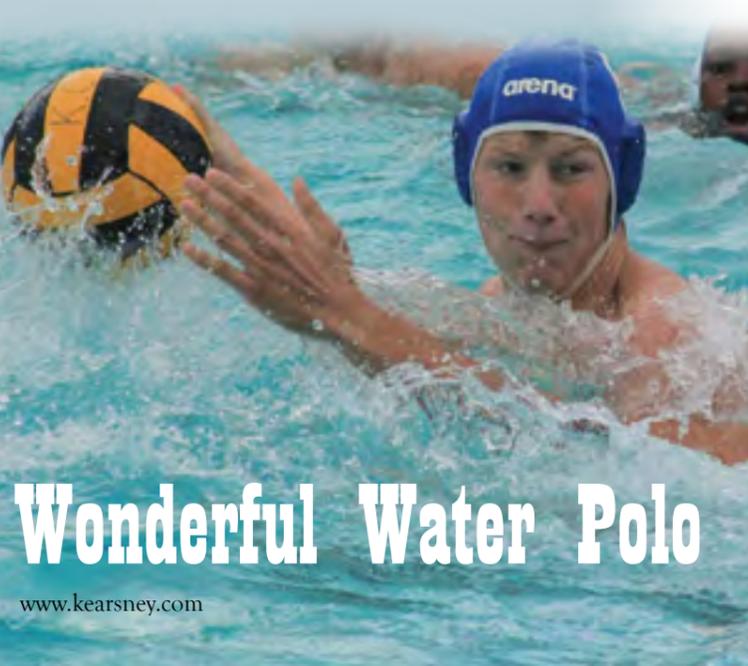


MARTIN ROHWER
KZN foundation U18 team
KZN U23 team
SA U19 golf team
Won KZN invitational Golf Championships

ALL ROUND SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

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- 1st team cricket (captain),
- 1st team rugby (vice-captain) and
- 1st team soccer (captain).
- KZN U18A academy rugby team (captain)
- KZN Invitational schools soccer team.



Wonderful Water Polo

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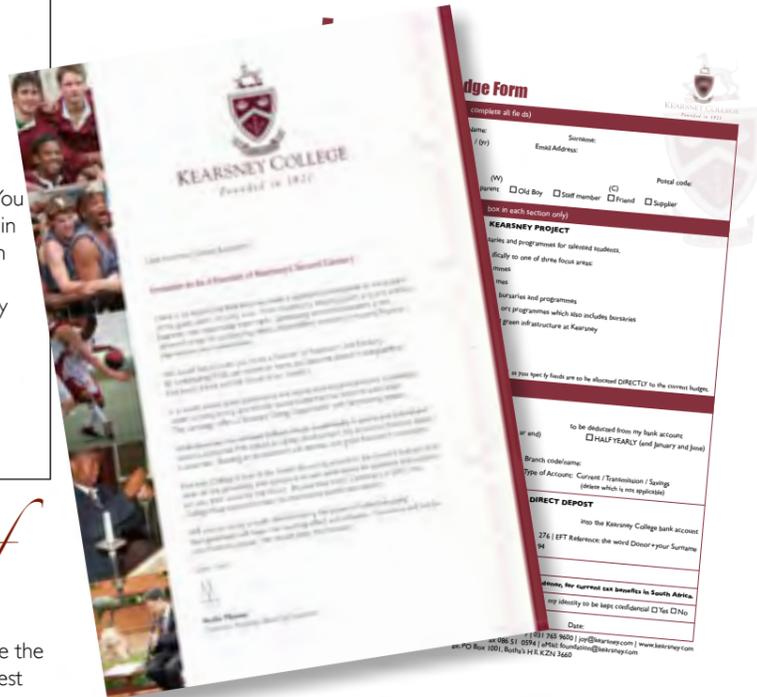
Remember to use your MySchool Card in the run up to Christmas. We now have over 650 active users raising close on R5,000 a month towards Kearsney's outreach and IT development needs. The numbers are growing as old boys and past parents realise you can continue to use your card indefinitely.

CHOOSE KEARSNEY

The 2011/12 tax year-end is soon upon us. Kearsney is able to respond to your private and corporate for CSI and B-BBEE requirements writes Foundation Director, Joy Mills-Hackmann

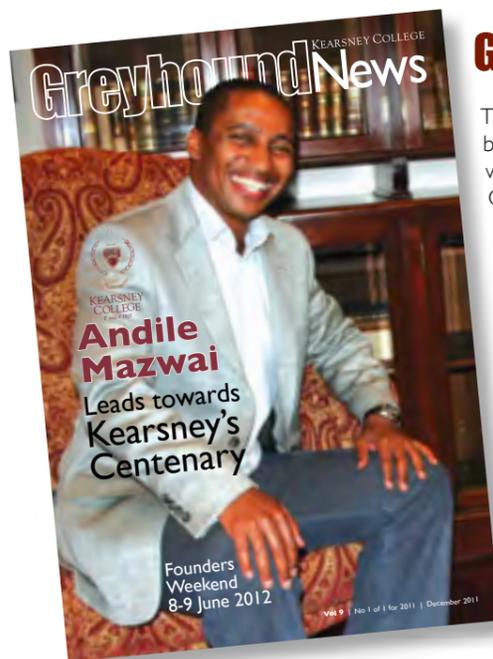
TAX Efficient! Kearsney is a registered Public Benefit Organisation (PBO 80-11-13-2570) and Non-Profit Organisation (024-882-NPO). You may deduct donations to Kearsney College from your taxable income in terms of Section 18a of the Income Tax Act. The current South African tax guidelines entitle individuals and corporates to annually deduct up to 10% of taxable income. This gives you the opportunity of personally channelling an amount you would have paid in tax to your choice of cause!

For more information contact the Headmaster or Joy Mills-Hackmann, Foundation Director joy@kearsney.com or visit giving@kearsney.com on www.kearsney.com



You are invited to be a Founder of Kearsney's Second Century

With Kearsney's centenary approaching in 9 years we wish to encourage the Kearsney community to think beyond Kearsney's first centenary and invest towards Kearsney's second century. Consider our collective power if we were to each donate R100 per month to be invested?



Greyhound News

The KCOB Executive are delighted to be able to provide each Kearsney family with a copy of the 2011 edition of the Greyhound. We trust you enjoy the read.

THANK YOU TO THE COLLEGE

The KCOB Executive wish to thank the Headmaster and his staff for the excellent and positive working relationship that exists between the College and old boys.

Congratulations on 2011 and best wishes for 2012.

Remembrance DAY

At our Remembrance Day Service on 11 November 2011, the offerings received amounted to R 2 500. These donations were passed on to the The SA Legion for serving the needs of military veterans, ex-service personnel and their dependents.



Symbolic Tribute: Chapel to Chapel



One of the last special events to celebrate the 90th Anniversary of Kearsney College was the 'Chapel to Chapel' three-day Mountain Bike ride. Headmaster Elwyn van den Aardweg tells the story.

The trip started on Monday morning, 29th August, from the original Kearsney Chapel perched on a hill just off the Greytown Road inland of the north coast town of Stanger. Our destination is the Kearsney Chapel on Botha's Hill, 90 kilometres and two days' ride away.

The Mountain bike party consisted of a Grade 9 group of boys including: Jeremy Maarschalk, Hilton Marais, Devlin Frohlich, James Marshall, Patrick Zietkiewicz, Josh Arde, Gareth Brown, Peter Hudson, Alistair King, Keanu McClure, Tristan Schroder, James Weyer, Stephen Maritz, Shaun Powell. Staff accompanying the boys were; Mr Rod de Villiers (team leader; chef extraordinaire and motivator); Mr Peter Kirsten (bunny pace setter); Mr Trevor Maarschalk (Old Boy and parent, to check that standards are maintained; also technical support); Mr Craig Legge (businessman who we are trying to persuade to become a teacher. His job is to survive the trip); Mr Kevin Smith (sweeper; therapist and counsellor); Mr Keith Decker (support vehicle and photographer).

The 'Chapel to Chapel' Mountain Bike ride is an appropriate symbolic tribute to the 90 years of Kearsney's history. Both journeys have been filled with challenges, effort, energy, camaraderie, good humour and the achievement of challenging goals – all completed as a team effort between boys, staff, parents and Old Boys.

Bus service from Umhlanga

In response to the needs of our day scholars in the Umhlanga and Duran North areas, Kearsney will be introducing a daily return bus service, starting next year. The Umhlanga service will be a direct service and will not affect the existing Westville and Berea services.

We are pleased to be able to assist our dayboy parents in this way and trust that the service will be of great value to many a time-stressed parent.

The bus will depart every day from the Engen Garage (Tony Watson's) on Flanders Drive, near Mt Edgecombe, at 06h00. The returning bus will depart from Kearsney College every afternoon at 17h15, dropping the boys off back at the Tony Watson Engen Garage.

Unfortunately the service is only available to dayboys at this stage. During the course of the year the operation of this service will be regularly assessed as we try to meet the needs of all our parents. Please contact our Admissions Officer, Shannon Burgess, to make the necessary enquiries. shannon@kearsney.com.

CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY TO KEARSNEY

In the true spirit of Christmas, the annual House Christmas dinners were an opportunity for boys and staff to reflect on the year and to show appreciation for all the successes of 2011.

As has become the tradition at this event, the coveted Best Junior awards, as well as other awards specific to each House, were announced. It was then the turn of the outgoing Heads of Houses to formally address

their peers for the last time and to share humorous accounts of their experiences in their House over the years. The hearty meal of traditional Christmas fare was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

We thank Mrs Andrea Fripp and Housemasters for their efforts in arranging these enjoyable dinners.

Parlotones Concert at Kearsney

As part of our 90th anniversary celebrations, the Parlotones performed at Kearsney College. The proceeds from the ticket sales will go towards the Choir tour to the USA for the World Choir Games and performance at the United Nations.



Housemaster, **Dave Goldhawk** shares details of this memorable chapel service and fare well for Grad 12s.

A Special Leave Service was held at the Chapel on Wednesday 11 November. Highlights of the service were an address by outgoing Head Boy, Murray McDougall, and a speech by Matthew Jones entitled 'A Kearsney Boy reflects'. The Kearsney choir performed Friends, always in my heart (the Graduation Song) and the Irish Blessing, and was joined by the congregation in the singing of the school hymn, *There's a Light Upon the Mountain* and *500 Faces*. During the singing of the last hymn, the academic staff left the Chapel and lined up between the entrance porch and the lynch gate to bid a fond farewell to the sixth form at the end of the service.

Teachers, parents, members of staff and guests then moved to the Grey and Pavilion for a finger lunch. There the gathering was addressed by Mr Nick Keary, the Chairman of the Kearsney College Old Boys, who launched an initiative to keep the parents of the newly fledged old boys involved in the life of the College. We were then treated to a visual presentation of the highlights of 2011, skilfully crafted by Simon Hudson and dedicated to the memory of Luke Norris. Following this, Mr Dave Goldhawk gave a light-hearted speech in

which he used anagrams to allude to some of the lesser known antics of the members of the Class of 2011, ribbing some of the characters who helped to make the year such a memorable one.

“a final and emotional rendition of Shosholoza”

To conclude the proceedings, the Head Boy, Murray McDougall, led the boys in a final and emotional rendition of Shosholoza before the leavers collected their Old Boys' ties, Bibles and copies of the school history, *Opportunities Seized*.



Fond Farewell



THOUGHT FOR THE MOMENT

'The time came for Joseph and Mary to perform the ceremony of purification, as the law of Moses commanded. So they took the child to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord' Luke 2 : 22

Much of the focus over the Christmas season is understandably on the baby Jesus. As with any boy however, Jesus became a teenager and this verse highlights the importance of parental influence on the growing boy. We as parents have duties and responsibilities to our children to take the lead and to guide them into adulthood. Fathers in particular should spend much time with their sons, encouraging them, taking a genuine interest in them and showing them unconditional love.