



Kearsney Rugby in good hands

Kearsney's proud rugby tradition has continued in 2013 writes Mr Robert Carpenter, Marketing Director.

Kearsney is proud to announce that eight Kearsney players have been selected to represent KZN – six in the KZN U18A Craven Week team and two in the U18 Academy side.

We congratulate the following boys on their fantastic achievement:

KZN Craven Week Team: Jean-Luc du Preez, Daniel du Preez, Jordan Meaker, Matt Reece-Edwards, Ayrton Schramm and Tristan Tedder.

KZN U18 Academy Team: Christopher Lines and Tijde Visser.

We would also like to congratulate Robert du Preez (KCOB 2011) who is representing SA U20 in the IRB Junior World Championship currently being played in France.

Kearsney is fortunate to have the highly respected Mr Barend Steyn at the helm of the 1st XV. Mr Steyn, an accounting teacher at Kearsney, has been Director of Rugby since 2011 and 1st team coach for the last 12 years. Mr Francois Lubbe, Maths teacher and Master in Charge of

the High Performance Programme, is in his third season as Assistant Coach. In an era where schoolboy rugby receives intense public scrutiny and schoolboy players are put under immense pressure, Mr Steyn believes that it is important to remember that sport is played so that boys can become balanced individuals. Mr Steyn believes that "having fun is the reason for doing sport in the first place" and schoolmasters play an important role in coaching to ensure that the ethos of the game is not lost at that level. While expert coaches are brought in to assist with specific aspects of the game, the schoolmasters are responsible for the team. "The relationships formed between teachers and players in the classroom and the Houses often form a solid platform for guidance and even counselling at times."



Kearsney's KZN U18 Craven Week and Academy representatives

All of the players in the 2013 1st XV have been at Kearsney since their Grade 8 year and developed their game at the College. This camaraderie, loyalty and team spirit has been much in evidence in the superb 2013 season.

The following Kearsney schoolmasters have roles to play in the KZN Schools set-up: Mr Barend Steyn, Craven Week Coach; Mr Dean Moodley, Craven Week Manager; Mr Kevin Smith, SA Schools Team Selector and Mr Francois Lubbe, KZN Sevens Assistant Coach.

Kearsney Hockey celebrates 50 years

Kearsney's first recorded hockey matches were in 1963, with only two matches being played in the season, against DHS and Hilton. The fixture list was somewhat limited as traditional rivals Maritzburg College and Michaelhouse had yet to offer the sport at that stage. This report from Mr Peter Kirsten, Senior Deputy Headmaster



Hockey has grown remarkably in the intervening years and nowadays the sport is extremely popular and strong at the College.

In 2001 Kearsney laid a synthetic sand-based hockey pitch with a bequest from Mrs Christine Mason, hence the field being named the Mason Astro. Ten years later the pitch was replaced with a water-based surface, a 'dug-out' for the technical area was built and floodlights were installed, providing Kearsney with world-class facilities for our hockey boys.

Over the years, nineteen players have been selected for SA Schools U18 teams – the most recent being Ryan Wallace in 2012. Kearsney Old Boys who have gone on to represent South Africa include Jonathan Lowe, Paul Logan, Greg Pilling, Justin King, Wayne Madsen and Lloyd Madsen.

The record number of Kearsney hockey players selected for provincial hockey teams this year (twenty eight across three age groups) bears testimony to the strength and popularity of hockey at the College. Read more about 2013 provincial selections on page 5.

The 50th anniversary of hockey at Kearsney will be celebrated with an exhibition match on Friday 14 June between two mixed teams composed of Kearsney 1st XI players and Old Boys.

Kearsney's KZN Coastal Hockey representatives for 2013




Battle of the Bands 2013

Upgraded facilities benefit the Arts. Story from Ms Andrea Fripp, Director of Cultural Activities.

The newly upgraded sound and lighting rigs in the Henderson Hall were put to the test on Saturday 1 June when the 6th annual Battle of the Bands competition was held.

Rock band *Customised*, from Roseway Waldorf, walked away as this year's winner, taking with them a cash prize of R3 000, music instruments from Marshall Music and a day in AudioSuite's professional recording studio.

Kearsney's own band, *Skylite*, took second prize (R2 000 cash) in what the judges described as "a closely contested competition with the quality of music produced by school pupils being very impressive."

The individual prize of a short course from COPA (The Campus of Performing Arts) was won by Sarah McQuillan from Hillcrest High School.



My sincere thanks go to our sponsors and judges, whose generous contributions made this wonderful event possible.

Since the upgrade of the Henderson Hall sound and lighting, the venue boasts world-class equipment making this a professional event and a worthy stage for all the talented artists at Kearsney and beyond.

Kearsney's band Skylite: Evan Knight, Tim Lewis and Johnathan Johanssen

Photography Competition

Ms Andrea Fripp, Director of Cultural Activities, gives the details.

As part of the Culture@Kearsney programme, Matthew Willman presented the second photographic tutorial to pupils from a number of schools on 11 June. Judging by the interest, enthusiasm and talent on display, we can look forward to some excellent photographs being entered into the competition.



The final date for entries is 7 August. So parents, be prepared for a mid-year holiday filled with requests to be taken on expeditions to get that perfect shot. Boys get those creative juices flowing and cameras clicking!

For full details of the competition visit www.kearsney.com.

"Thriller" Drama entertains

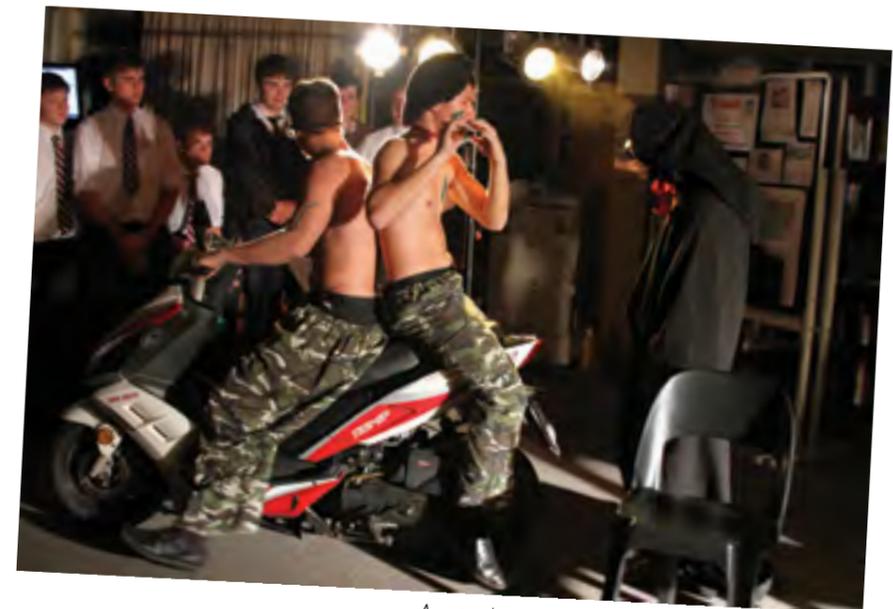
Ms Ulaetha Singh, HoD Drama puts you in the picture.

Definition: "A **flash mob** or **flashmob** is a group of people who assemble suddenly in a public place, perform an unusual and seemingly pointless act for a brief time, and then quickly disperse, often for the purposes of entertainment, satire, and artistic expression."

Picture this scenario:
Tuesday 21 May 2013, 19h00, first prep, boys working in silence in the Resource Centre ...

Suddenly the lights go out, the TV comes on, sounds of shattering glass, footsteps and a snowy screen, then a face appears on the screen and a deep, bold voice exclaims: 'Gentlemen, welcome to my nightmare'. This introduces the telling of two macabre stories. As the stories intertwine, overlap and unfold, the figures form a ghoulish tableau around a sleeping figure. At the end of the story-telling, the sound of a motor bike breaks the eeriness, and out of the smoke comes a bike bearing a modern Pied Piper playing an Eastern flute solo. The figures follow the Pied Piper out of the venue. As the figures disappear into the night, the sleeping figure awakens and hobbles off after them on his crutches. The lights are switched on and prep goes on as usual, leaving the boys in prep wondering what had just happened.

This was the performance component of the IEB Externally Set Integrated Task for Grade 12 Dramatic Arts students, exploring



A surreal moment in the Kearsney Resource Centre

Postmodernism in theatre. The performance had to include elements of the style of their chosen postmodern play, *The Pillowman*: horror, comedy, crime, thriller, police drama and story-telling.

Thank you to Mrs Isaacs, Mr Von Bardeleben, Mr Brown and Mrs van den Aardweg for their assistance.

eKCo-Kearsney update

There has been pleasing progress with the eKCo-Kearsney initiatives which were initiated earlier this year. Mr Rod de Villiers, Deputy Headmaster: MiC eKCo Initiative has the story.

The Parents' Society has generously agreed to sponsor the installation of solar-powered cell phone chargers in the library.

This project will provide clean energy but also serve to raise awareness and eco-consciousness among our boys.

The boys are focusing on consumption and wastage in the dining rooms and at break time around the Houses. The House which minimises wastage will be rewarded with a special meal, always a good motivation for teenage boys.

We have earmarked 18 June as Kearsney Enviro Day. The boys will receive an 'enviro lunch' consisting of locally grown products.

Information will also be provided as to where these products were grown and how they were transported to Kearsney to highlight the issues of carbon footprints. Guest speakers have been invited to address the boys on topics of concern such as the rhino debacle and climate change. Each academic department will also focus on environmental issues on this day in the classroom.

Our paper recycling programme is going well and is being tweaked to minimise waste and maximise paper recycling. The College has purchased numerous robust recycling bins for around campus with our eKCo-Kearsney logo applied. We encourage all visitors to campus to dispose of waste in an environmentally-responsible way.





Kearsney Ministry Week to be followed up by Alpha Course

The theme for our annual Ministry Week, which took place earlier this term, was "Unashamed". The programme explored what it is to have a relationship with Christ and challenged the boys not to be ashamed of expressing their faith. Mrs Sue Murray shares.

Youth ministry teams from local churches took classes throughout the week. Dynamic speakers, ranging from musicians to professional rugby players took assemblies and evening meetings where they explored aspects of the Christian faith.

The Ministry Week culminated in a Youth Rally on the Friday night which was attended by over 800 teenagers from as far afield as the KZN Midlands and the North Coast. Lives were touched throughout the week with many young people experiencing spiritual healing.

We are excited to announce that an Alpha Course will be held next term as a follow up to the many new Christian commitments made during Ministry Week. Details will be provided to boys as soon as they are available.



KZN Cricketers of the Year

The KZN Cricket Union named their, 2012/13 Cricketers of the Year. Kearsney boys featured well, with James Tedder (Grade 10) being named U15 Cricketer of the Year and Craig Kirsten (KCOB 2012), the U19 Cricketer of the Year. These are very prestigious awards.

James Tedder KZN U15 Cricketer of the Year

Congratulations KZN Squash

The teams to represent the province were announced after the final trials. We congratulate Callix Gray (Grade 10) for his selection to the U16B side and Matt du Toit (Grade 8) who will represent the U14B side.

Kearsney hockey scores on the provincial front

Twenty eight Kearsney boys will be representing KZN Coastal Hockey teams in the various age groups in the inter-provincial hockey tournaments in June and July. Mr Wayne Marsden, MiC Hockey brings you the details.



Kearsney players who have been selected for the U18 KZN Coastal Hockey Teams. L-R: Bili Ntuli, Dylan Middleton and Ryan Wallace (U18A); Kyle Madsen (U18B); Matthew Last (Impis). Ntuli and Last are Grade 11 boys and the others are in Grade 12.

This is a record number of boys for Kearsney and we congratulate the boys, their parents and coaches on this fantastic achievement.

Mr Jon Robinson will be coaching the KZN Coastals U18B team and Mr Keagan Eccles (KCOB and coach) will be assistant coach of the U18A team. Mr Wayne Marsden will be convening the selection panel at the U16 tournament.

The KZN Coastal U14A and U14B Tournament will be hosted at Kearsney College from 22 to 26 June.

We wish all the boys the best of luck in these upcoming tournaments.

Quotes from boys looking forward to the IPTs in the holidays:

"My goals as a striker for the tournament are to bring the element of a strong counter-attack to the team and to score at least six goals"
Kyle Koenig – KZN Coastal U14A

"I'm hoping to play at link for the team and we will be aiming for gold at the tournament"
Lyle Jarvel – KZN Coastal U16A

"The U16B team would like to win the B-section to be promoted for 2014. My goal is to score in each match"
Matthew Lees – KZN Coastal U16B

"I'm very proud to have made the U14B team. I'm looking forward to an exciting tournament especially because it's at Kearsney"
Keanan Naidoo – KZN Coastal U14B

PROVINCIAL SELECTIONS 2013

KZN U18A: Ryan Wallace, Bili Ntuli (pictured left) and Dylan Middleton (goal keeper)

KZN U18B: Kyle Madsen

KZN U18 Impis: Matthew Last

KZN U18 Non-travelling reserve: Dylan Griffiths

KZN U16A: Ru Baker, Matthew Butler, Jayme Crouch, Alex Di Marco, Lyle Hewitson, Lyle Jarvel

KZN U16B: Matthew Lees, Simon Nortje, Grant Oliver, Cameron Rencken, Blake Tyack

KZN U16 Warriors: James Stamatis, Garrett Stevens

KZN U14A: Jeremy Foord, Cameron Baker, Kyle Koenig

KZN U14B: Keanan Naidoo, Nic de Beer, Patrick McGrath, Daniel Taylor, Luke de Vlieg

KZN U14 Non-travelling reserve: Matthew Farquharson

Kearsney's Keegan Foss (Grade 11)



Kearsney Tennis Festival a 'Warm Up' for Junior French Open

Some of South Africa's leading players were seen in action at the 18th annual Kearsney Tennis Festival. The top ranked teams in the country participated in this top class tennis event. Mr Anthony Willows, MiC Tennis, serves the latest.

FINAL POSITIONS

1. Paul Roos, Stellenbosch
2. Affies, Pretoria
3. Grey College, Bloemfontein
4. St Stithians, Johannesburg
5. Kearsney College, Botha's Hill
6. Westville Boys' High, Durban
7. Clifton College, Durban
8. Selborne College, East London

The appreciative spectators admired the skills of Wayne Montgomery from Paul Roos who is currently ranked number seven in the World ITF Junior Rankings. Wayne flew directly to Paris to participate in the Junior French Open – having used the Kearsney tournament as a 'warm up' for this international event.

Paul Roos underlined their total dominance of schools tennis in South Africa by winning the Festival for the 10th time. Their clinical

domination left the remaining teams playing for second position.

The young Kearsney team performed well and finished in a credible fifth position; losing to Affies and St Stithians but beating Clifton, Selborne and Westville Boys.

The organisers are grateful to Sportsmans Warehouse and Wilson for their continued support, as well as to Richdens Spar who provided a "goodie" bag for each player.

First Aid

This has been a busy term for the Kearsney First Aiders, with their commitments at rugby and hockey fixtures. The boys have enthusiastically accepted duties on the fields for our fixtures on Saturdays and at the night league hockey games. Ben Nield and Ashley Smith led and encouraged the team throughout. We thank all the boys involved and are grateful for the Boksmart Rugby Medic Training Course which all our first aiders completed. Special thanks must go to the San sisters for their input and guidance of the First Aid team. We are indebted to the many doctors who assisted on match days for their invaluable services. We would like to make special mention of Drs Blanckenberg, Hagemann, Marshall and Zietkiewicz.

Comrades Marathon 2013

Kearsney's association with the Comrades Marathon goes back to when the College moved to Botha's Hill in 1939. A group of Kearsney boys accompanied the legendary Comrades runner, Wally Haywood, when he ran from Johannesburg to Durban in 1989 in order to raise funds for the Ethelbert Children's Home. Mr Rod de Villiers, Deputy Headmaster: Head of Middle School, reports.

The vociferous and enthusiastic support of the boys from outside the main school gate has lifted the flagging spirit of many a runner over the years and a team of volunteers plays an important role at the half-way mark at Drummond.

During the week preceding the Comrades Marathon, Kearsney boys and staff were treated to an address by Mr Barry Holland, father of Ross in Grade 8, who has successfully completed 40 consecutive Comrades Marathons (one of only six people to have done this). Barry has achieved 22 silver medals, with a personal best time of 6h29mins. He emphasised to the boys that the three pillars of a successful Comrades Marathon could be likened to those required to achieve well in an examination stint. Firstly, you are born with potential - this could be the potential to do Maths or to run. Secondly, you need to put in the many hours of hard work required (training/studying). And lastly you need to be able

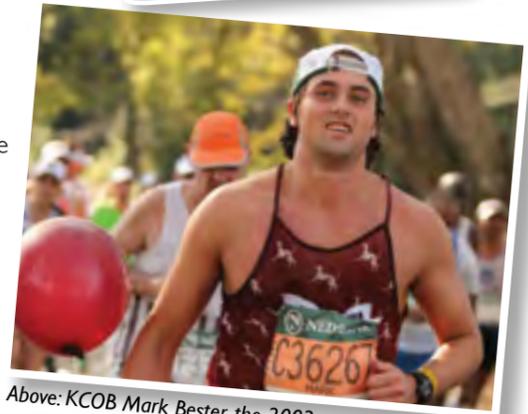
to 'take the pain' – to be able to grit your teeth and show determination when the going gets tough.

A more recent development has been the handing out of maroon balloons to anyone with a Kearsney association who is running the marathon before they run past the Kearsney gates. This gets them an extra-large cheer from the boys.

Barry donated his book, NAME, which describes his journey of 40 consecutive Comrades runs, to Kearsney. Barry inscribed the book with the following message: "Dear Elwyn, The Kearsney boys are a rich tradition of the Comrades Marathon. They lift our spirits on both the up- and down-runs and put an extra something into our tired legs. Long may they be there for us".

Calling past and current parents, Old Boys and members of staff

Please remember to use your MySchool card at relevant outlets. If you do not have a card, or have misplaced your card please apply on www.myschool.co.za or contact us on foundation@kearsney.com



Above: KCOB Mark Bester, the 2003 reunion convenor, running past Kearsney with his maroon balloon during Comrades 2013.



A Kearsney Striders runner gets a big cheer outside the Kearsney gates.

Old Boys return to the Hill

The annual Founder's Weekend (14 -15 June) is a particularly special time for Kearsney Old Boys. It is a time to celebrate reunions, reconnect with classmates and reflect on generations of Old Boys, supporters and staff who have and continue to contribute to Kearsney's legacy, traditions and successes.

Reunion record breakers

- Congratulations to the Class of 2008. There are 34 young men returning for their 5th reunion, breaking the Class of 2005 record of 22 men attending in 2010.
- 58 men from the Class of 2003 return for their 10th reunion. They break the record held by the Class of 1998 set in 2008 when 43 attended their reunion.



The gentlemen of the Class of 1963 were inducted as Survivors on their 50th reunion and set a new record with 30 men attending out of the 47 who matriculated in that year. The Class of 1960 held the previous record for this milestone.

Join and become a 'Founder of Kearsney's Second Century'

For just R100 per month you can join our campaign to build on Kearsney's proud legacy and contribute to its bright future.

You can choose to support a cause of your choice ranging from Bursaries and Scholarships to the KCOB Rugby Fund, the Class of 2007 or 2010 Memorial Bursary Funds and the Capital Fund. Since Kearsney is a registered PBO and NPO, all gifts are tax deductible.

We have a quick, easy and safe online pledge form. You can also make an annual or regular EFT or credit card payment and join the ranks as a 'Founder of Kearsney's Second Century'.

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



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Sir Liege Hulett Award

A hand-blown glass orb is presented to recipients to acknowledge the contribution of Kearsney's Major Donors to the betterment of the world through their support of the work of Kearsney College.

Donor names are recorded on the honours board in the Sir Liege Hulett Room at Kearsney College, Botha's Hill and online at www.kearsney.com on the Kearsney Foundation page.

During a special assembly for Old Boys on Friday 14 June, the Headmaster will present the Sir Liege Hulett Award to Professor Michael Hall (1953) and posthumously to his brother Professor David Hall (1952) for their significant contribution to Kearsney College.

In 1999, Michael Hall (1953) and his brother David Hall (1952) jointly

contributed funds to establish a new Biology laboratory at Kearsney which is still in use today.

David Hall was a major contributor to the Class of 1952 Bursary Fund, which funds a bursary. He also donated the initial 10 acres of land which started the David Hall Conservancy. In recent years, Michael has contributed to costs of developing the track in the Conservancy making it accessible to trail walkers, runners, and cyclists.

Michael has supported the bursary and scholarship fund over many years and in 2012 contributed to the sound and lighting improvements in Henderson Hall. Michael's most significant contribution has been the establishment in 2012 of the Green Fund at Kearsney which has been branded eKCo-Kearsney.

THOUGHT FOR THE MOMENT

As another term draws to an end, we look forward to a break to replenish and refresh our bodies and minds. This is the halfway point of the year – a good time for reflection. I have witnessed in our community many instances of people who go the extra mile to ensure that Kearsney College continues to flourish. I encourage you to look at the academic results, sports and cultural participation in an encouraging manner. Give praise where it is due and encouragement where there is potential to do better.

"Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. 2 Corinthians 13:11

Chaplain: Rev Sifiso Khuzwayo

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