



## News & Views



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### Choir to compete on international stage once more

The talented Kearsney College Choir will be competing in the 10th Orientale Concertus International Choral Festival in Singapore from 05 to 16 July 2017. Mr Marshall Lombard, Director of Music, reports.

In this prestigious annual competition the Choir will compete in two categories; the Youth Choir category and the Folklore category.

The Choir will be using this tour as preparation for the World Choir Games to be held in Pretoria in 2018.

In Singapore the Kearsney Choir will also exchange performances with other choirs from around the world through friendship concerts, where they will be ambassadors for South African choral music. The boys will also be involved in a choir collaboration where they will have opportunity to teach one of our folklore pieces to a Methodist girls' school choir.

Besides their participation in the competition, the boys will visit some fantastic tourist attractions including Universal Studios.

The Kearsney College Choir won three Gold Medals and were crowned Champions at the 2014 World Choir Games in Latvia, the largest choir competition in the world. The 2014 World Choir Games involved 27,000 participants from 73 countries. Kearsney is the second-most decorated choir in the history of the Games, with 13 Gold Medals and 6 Silver Medals.



### PROVINCIAL SELECTIONS

#### Rugby

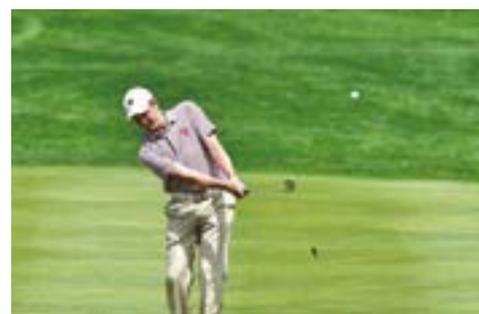
Congratulation to the five Kearsney boys who have been selected to various KZN rugby teams. Two staff members are once again involved in provincial teams. See more details on page 6.

#### Hockey

Congratulations to the 25 Kearsney hockey players who were selected for various KZN and KZN Coastal Hockey teams. See more details on page 8.

### Old Boy Harvard Student Ivy League Golfer of the Year

Greg Royston (Class of 2013) began a four-year undergraduate Liberal Arts degree at Harvard in 2014. He also represents the Harvard Golf team. At the end-of-season awards held in April, Greg was named the Ivy League Player of the Year. He posted the best scoring average in the Ivy League this season, at 71.82 through 17 rounds, while achieving four top 10 finishes in six tournaments.



## EGD, Drama and Mathematics USA Tour

On Monday 27 March 2017, 46 excited EGD, Dramatic Arts and Mathematics boys, as well as four enthusiastic staff members, set off on a two-week academic tour of the USA, visiting Washington DC, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and Boston. Mr Dean Moodley, Ms Ulaetha Singh and Mrs Vanessa Govender have this report.

Our first stop was Boston, where the group attended the Sheer Madness comedy production at the Charles Playhouse. The EGD and Mathematics boys visited Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). The boys also had the privilege of experiencing a guided tour of the Engineering faculty at Harvard University and visiting the awe-inspiring Boston Museum of Science and Technology. This museum has designated areas to explore the wonders of Science, Technology and Mathematics in an interactive experience tailored for different age groups and interests.

The Dramatic Arts boys experienced workshops facilitated by professional actors, directors and stage choreographers designed for professional artists in the field. They also attended an exciting day's workshop on acting for film at the Boston Acting Classes Studio.

New York was a hit with the boys. Visits to Harlem, Ground Zero, Chinatown, Central Park, the Empire State Building, the Museum of the Moving Image, the New York Hall of Science and Technology and a ferry ride to Staten Island, gave the boys a feel for this great city.

The Drama boys were engaged in a day's workshop at the Grier Studios and an exciting tour of the Radio City Music Hall, which gave the boys insight into what goes on behind the scenes and possible other career options in the field of theatre.

The New York University School of Engineering visit was a highlight for the EGD and Mathematics boys. They particularly enjoyed the new Maker Space Laboratory.

The entire group watched the highly acclaimed Blue Man Group and visited Madison Square Gardens to experience the Finals of the NIT basketball tournament between TCU and Georgia Tech.

Our extreme sport enthusiasts thoroughly enjoyed the awesome rides at the Six Flags Theme Park and loved shopping at a local outlet store.

In Pennsylvania a knowledgeable guide took us on the historical Gettysburg battlefield tour. The group spent a night at the Amish village in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

The highlights of our last stop in Washington DC included the Arlington Cemetery, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, Washington Monument, Smithsonian Air and Space Museum and the Natural History Museum. The boys were involved in workshops at the Building Museum, Newseum and Madame Tussaud's, which served to broaden their horizons in the respective fields of interest. They proved to be intelligent and enthusiastic participants.

At the National Building Museum, the EGD boys attended a lecture on the latest developments in building using wood.



Visiting the Capitol Building in Washington DC

The Drama boys engaged in the Acting Class workshops offered at the Shakespeare Theatre Complex. Their visit to the Paley Centre Film Library gave them a look into documentation of television and film media.

The boys attended three sports events in DC: an NHL Ice-Hockey match between the Washington Capitals and the New York Rangers; an MLB Baseball match between Washington Nationals and the Miami Marlins; and the NBA Basketball match between the Washington Wizards and the Charleston Hornets.

This was a once-in-a-lifetime trip and the boys benefitted tremendously from the opportunity.

The touring party in Central Park



## Life Sciences Field Trips

At the end of last term, the Grade 10 Life Sciences group visited Tala Game reserve. They completed a wetland study, game drive and talk by the Reserve Manager. Mr Dougan Macdonald, HOD Life Sciences, reports.

This term the Grade 9s travelled to Roselands Outdoor Adventure Centre, where they had the chance to see real-world applications of the syllabus and explore the link between the way that our food is produced and its impact on our diet. The owner of the farm and the education officer led a lively discussion on the principles behind conventional and organic farming methods of both crops (organic pasture, cabbages and

kiwifruit) and livestock (free range organic pigs and chickens). Several key areas of the farm were toured and the boys enthusiastically consumed tasty samples of the farm's produce. It was a thoroughly relevant and thought-provoking trip which benefitted the boys in many ways.

### Grade 8s

A team of knowledgeable instructors guided the Grade 8s boys at Umgeni Valley Nature Reserve. The activities included a comprehensive water quality study; identification of various food chains and food webs; adaptations and niches; all of which

are topics in their Life Sciences syllabus. The practical applications are most helpful to the boys' studies.



Grade 8s at Umgeni Valley Nature Reserve

Grade 9s at Roselands



Grade 10s at Tala

Grade 10s were fortunate to see lots of game at Tala



## Kearsney sweeps the boards at annual Inter-schools History Quiz

On Tuesday 09 May, three Kearsney teams of History pupils took part in the annual KZN Inter-schools History Quiz hosted by Clifton College. Mr Neil Peacock, HOD History, reports.

As was the case last year, the three Kearsney teams achieved outstanding results at the Inter-schools Quiz. The Grade 9 team, comprising of Grant Craze, Tristan Crocker, Brett Palmer and Lael Savrimuthu, won the junior category of the competition ahead of Westville Boys' High and Maris Stella School.

The Grade 10 team, consisting of Darien Grant, David Jackson, Neo Mntambo and Jack Savage, was placed second in the senior category ahead of Clifton College and behind the Kearsney Grade 11 team.

The best performing senior team on the night was Kearsney's Grade 11 team. Michael Lee, Brandon Palmer, Daniel Phillips and David Scott made up the team who were the overall winners of the quiz.



Winning team David Scott, Michael Lee, Daniel Phillips and Brandon Palmer

## Chinese cultural evening



Kearsney's Mandarin Chinese department, in association with the Confucius Institute at the Durban University of Technology (DUT), hosted a Chinese Cultural Evening on Monday 12 June. Report by Mrs Rox-Anne du Plessis, HOD Mandarin Chinese.

This stimulating and uplifting event was well supported by parents,

boys, staff and invited Chinese guests. Entertainers included graceful Chinese dancers, a musician playing a solo on a Chinese instrument Hulusi, and a demonstration by a Kung Fu master.

Some of the Grade 8 to 11 Mandarin Chinese pupils sang a traditional Chinese song and the Grade 11 boys performed a poem from their syllabus. The Grade 11s will be the first group at Kearsney to write the IEB Mandarin Chinese Final examination next year.

There was a practical aspect to the evening where guests were invited to attempt Chinese calligraphy, traditional Chinese painting and Chinese knot making.

It was wonderful to see how proficient the boys are and to see them growing through their exposure to and understanding of the rich Chinese culture and history.

This was a most enjoyable event and we look forward to hosting more enriching evenings such as this in the future.



## Afrikaans Literature Evening

Mrs Sonia Cairns, HOD Afrikaans, reports.

On Monday, 15 May 2017, a group of students from PITT-Productions in Pretoria visited Kearsney College to present some of the current Afrikaans Grade 12 poetry and set work.

The Grade 12 boys were treated to an evening of superb acting that made the characters in their set book, *Hoopvol*, come alive. The boys gave the performers a standing ovation and were able to chat informally after the production.



- Choir Festival** 26 to 27 July
- Dance@Kearsney** 02 to 04 August
- One-Act Plays** 14 to 16 August
- Words@Kearsney** 19 to 20 Sept

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## Blood Brothers

This year's Kearsney production was a resounding success, with a packed house and standing ovations every night. Having our boys perform the hit West End musical 'Blood Brothers' has been a goal of mine and it was very rewarding to see audiences affected in the same way that this script affected me. Director Mr Brett Alborough, reports.

The show dealt with themes that were sometimes comical but often thought-provoking and sad. They certainly challenged these young actors to spaces they were unfamiliar and uncomfortable with which was beneficial for their skills development.

As a first-time director of a Kearsney production, I could not have done it without the hard work, dedication, energy and determination of the cast, crew, band and staff. Special mention should be made of Ulaetha Singh and Emily Stockil-Smith. Thanks too to the team involved in the set creation and design - Etienne Grundling, Ronnie Pillay and the Estates department - and to Glenda Pitcher and Lethu Langa for transforming it into something spectacular.

Thanks also to Andrea Fripp for her continued support and her attention to detail, ensuring that 'everything will be alright on the night'. It is a privilege to work at a school where the Arts are so well supported.

The talent of the cast exceeded my expectations and I am grateful to the five girls who gave up of their time in their busy schedules to be involved in our production. To the Matric actors, this was your last time performing on Henderson Hall stage! Well done and Carpe Diem.

## Music@Kearsney

The Music@Kearsney studio concert in the second term showcased the wealth of talented singers and instrumentalists that we have at the College. Music tuition on offer at Kearsney includes drum kit, guitar, bass, trumpet, violin, viola and voice. The performances on the evening were outstanding and indicative of the efforts of all the part-time music teachers involved and the dedication of these young men that performed. The boys embraced the voice category whole-heartedly performing both classical and pop numbers. The next Music@Kearsney studio concert is in the third term on Tuesday 05 September at 19h00 and we encourage you to join us for the evening.



Above: Principal cast members Anele Ndlovu as Edward Lyons and Thando Skwatsha as Mickey Johnstone

Left: Wandile Nyamela as the Narrator



## August Supper Theatres

Mr Marshall Lombard, Director of Music.

The upcoming Supper Theatres in Henderson Hall on 09/10/11 August promises to be three evenings showcasing both the talented musicians in our orchestra and the Kearsney College Choir.

The choir would have returned from their tour to Singapore in July with a fresh and polished repertoire. Audiences will be transported on a journey of classical, pop and folklore music.





## Provincial Rugby Selections

Congratulations to the Kearsney rugby players who were selected for various KZN rugby teams.

Pictured above, Dean Moodley (U18 Craven Week manager/executive member and secretary of KZN High Schools Rugby Association), Dylan Richardson (U18 Craven Week), James Sutherland and Sibuy Sangweni (U18 Academy Week), Oliver Carmody (U16 Grant Khomo Week) and Antonie Prinsloo (U18 Academy Week assistant coach). Ross Taylor (in action pictured right) has been called up to the U18 Academy Week team.

## First XV Rugby

Eastern Cape Tour. Mr Barend Steyn, Coach, reports.

The 1st XV Rugby squad embarked on an Eastern Cape tour at the start of the April holidays in preparation for the highly anticipated 10th Kearsney Easter Rugby Festival. The squad enjoyed four days of luxurious holiday accommodation in Jeffreys Bay whilst travelling to Humansdorp daily for team activities and rigorous practise sessions. The first match against Hoërskool Nico Malan was played in Humansdorp on a windy and clear afternoon. Kearsney scored 5 tries but conceded 4 and with 5 minutes to play we were trailing behind by 4 points. The team fought back and scored the winning try to finish 30-29.

With renewed focus the squad travelled a lengthy four hour bus trip to Cradock to face Marlow Agricultural School in hot conditions. The match was extremely physical and Kearsney spent most of the first half in their own half of the field. Only resolute defence kept the hosts at bay and Kearsney scored a penalty and a converted try just before halftime to lead 10-0. In the first two minutes of the second half the team scored a fantastic long distance try which was converted from the touch line for a comfortable 17-0 lead. The remainder of the game was very evenly matched and fiercely contested. Kearsney came out the deserving victors at 23-7. The squad were thereafter hosted by the opposition, with a fun tubing trip down the Fish River, where they shared many memorable moments.



## Kearsney Easter Rugby Festival

The 1st XV's first match was against a slightly unknown but slick HTS Drostyd High School team. Perhaps we underestimated the strength of this debutant at the festival and duly lost 17-45, having learnt some valuable lessons. Eager to improve and willing to make sacrifices, the team enjoyed a successful second match against Hoërskool Framesby. Kearsney scored an unanswered 23 points with 2 converted tries and 3 penalties. On the final day and match of the festival, Kearsney faced a dangerous opponent in the form of Queen's College and produced a good 24-13 win, scoring 2 goals and 2 tries and conceding only 1 converted try.

## U16 Rugby Festival

Kearsney's U16 Rugby squad travelled to Johannesburg during the April holiday to attend the Jeppe High School U16 Rugby Festival. Mr Antonie Prinsloo, Coach, reports.

The team faced strong opponents from Jeppe High School, Pretoria Boys High School and Helpmekaar, with Jeppe and Helpmekaar being the strongest unbeaten teams at the festival in the past. Despite some great passages of play throughout, the team struggled to gain momentum and unfortunately lost all their matches.

Rugby lessons were learnt and the team witnessed the value of executing basic skills with accuracy and the importance of communication and team play.

## U15 Rugby tour to Affies

The U15A rugby boys visited Affies for the annual Francois Swart Rugby Festival during the Easter holidays. Some of the top U15 teams in the country descended on Pretoria and we had some tough fixtures ahead of us.

Kearsney's first match against Waterkloof Hoërskool was very physical with both teams evenly matched. Unfortunately we lost 14-15.

The second game was against Eldoraigie Hoërskool who had convincingly beaten Jeppe the day before. The Kearsney team played some brilliant rugby to win 17-14.

The last game was against a strong Helpmekaar side. After being down 22 points at halftime, the Kearsney team dug deep and dominated the second half but could not make up the difference and lost 10-22.

This was a great experience for the boys to measure their rugby skills against some of the top rugby schools in South Africa. The tour contributed greatly to the preparation for the domestic season.

## U14A Rugby Pre-season rugby tour to Volksrust

One of the highlights for this age group is the annual pre-season tour. Mr Keith Thompson, Coach, reports.

This year we assembled the day before our departure to fine-tune our game structures. The following day 22 excited boys and two coaches departed for what was to be a successful tour.

The format of the festival is very tough in that there are no rest days. The teams have to play three matches in three days.

Our first fixture was against Secunda, where Trent Coetzee and Prince Dube played some excellent rugby. We led 31-0 at halftime and won 48-5.

In our next fixture against Curro Nelspruit the team was sluggish and hesitant due to bumps and bruises obtained in the previous day's match. The game was more physical and two players left the field due

to injury and illness. Unfortunately this affected our lineout play and players also made crucial handling errors and missed first time tackles. Despite leading 15-10 at halftime we lost 20-22.

The final fixture was against Piet Retief. The boys arrived determined to put the loss of the previous day behind them. The forwards and backline combined well, resulting in attractive and enterprising rugby. With this positive attitude we went on to score 8 unanswered tries to run out 48-0 winners.

The player of the tournament was Prince Dube for his outstanding play in all three matches. The tour allowed the boys to bond as a team, gain valuable experience and learn some valuable lessons.



## Golf

Congratulations to Charlie Dell (Grade 11) and Thomas Mungle (Grade 9) on being selected for the KZN Southern Coastal Golf B Team. They will compete against the Midlands sides next term and are eligible for the final KZN Schools selection. (Pictured left)

## Belgotex Sport Kearsney High 5s Hockey Tournament

Mr Robert Carpenter, Marketing Director.

Kearsney College, together with Belgotex Sport, will be launching the much-anticipated Belgotex Sport Kearsney High 5s Hockey Tournament over the weekend of 18, 19 and 20 August 2017. The event is the first major 5s tournament on the South African schools' calendar and some of the country's top young players will be at Kearsney to showcase their talents.

Hockey 5s is a five-a-side game, played on half a hockey pitch, with boundary walls. It is a fast-paced, high-intensity version of the game. Hockey 5s made its debut at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and has been included as one of the new sports codes in the upcoming Olympic Games in 2018.



Kearsney is delighted to be partnering with Belgotex Sport, the leading synthetic sports turf manufacturer in the country. The College selected Belgotex to replace the synthetic hockey surface in 2011 and we have enjoyed a long association with them.

The inaugural event will feature sixteen high schools and fourteen primary schools from around the country and it's gearing up to be an action-packed weekend. We look forward to welcoming supporters to the Kearsney campus to enjoy the action and atmosphere of the festival.



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# Provincial Hockey Selections

Mr Wayne Marsden, MIC Hockey, reports.

Congratulations to all of the Kearsney hockey players who were selected for various KZN and KZN Coastal Hockey teams:

- KZN Coastal U18A:** Keanan Naidoo, Guy Morgan, Jeremy Foord, Liam Maguire and Luke de Vlieg
- KZN Coastal U18B:** Nicholas de Beer, Kyle Koenig and Steven Conway
- KZN Coastal U18 Impis:** Benjamin Proctor
- KZN Coastal U16A:** Chase Kelly, David Hudson and Luyanda Chiliza
- KZN Coastal U16B:** James Maguire and Joshua Barrett
- KZN Coastal U16 Warriors:** Cameron Nel, Hayden de Kock and Thomas Constable
- KZN U14:** Calvin Davis, Menzi Mhlungu and Gontse Machaba
- KZN Coastal U14A:** Tim Dladla, Rourke Palmer, Campbell Duckworth and Nkateko Khoza
- KZN Coastal U14B:** Matthew Foord and Ruben Rheeder (non-travelling reserve)



KZN U14 (L-R): Tim Dladla, Rourke Palmer, Matthew Foord, Menzi Mhlungu, Nkateko Khoza, Calvin Davis, Campbell Duckworth, Gontse Machaba. Not pictured: Ruben Rheeder



KZN U16 (L-R): James Maguire, Luyanda Chiliza, Chase Kelly, Thomas Constable, Cameron Nel, Joshua Barrett, David Hudson, Hayden de Kock



KZN U18 (L-R): Keanan Naidoo, Jeremy Foord, Guy Morgan, Benjamin Proctor, Liam Maguire, Kyle Koenig, Nicholas de Beer, Steven Conway, Luke de Vlieg

**The Founders U16 Festival** was hosted by Kearsney. The U16A team played against some tough opposition in the form of St David's, Inanda, Pearson, Affies, Parktown Boys and SACS. They lost all their matches except against Potchefstroom Boys, which they won 6 - 1.

Closer to home, the Kearsney **U14A Hockey** team were unbeaten after recording five wins and a draw at the Ken Florens Festival held at Northwood.

Our teams have had a mixed bag of results so far in our local domestic season. Special mention should be made of the U14A team who have had a superb season and are still unbeaten with only one match left to play.



Keanan Naidoo

**Our 1st team** was the first of our hockey teams to go on tour in the March/April holidays and they set the tone for our other teams to follow. Of their six games at the Founders Festival, which this year was hosted by Potchefstroom Boys, they won three games, lost two and drew one.

vs Potchefstroom Boys High	Won	7 - 0
vs Parktown Boys	Won	2 - 1
vs Affies	Drew	3 - 3
vs Paul Roos	Lost	1 - 3
vs Rondebosch Boys	Lost	1 - 2
vs Queens College	Won	3 - 2

**KES Easter Festival (1st team) in Johannesburg**

vs Garsfontein	Won	8 - 0
vs Jeppe	Won	1 - 0
vs Affies	Drew	2 - 2
vs Waterkloof	Won	11 - 0
vs King Edward VII School	Won	2 - 1

**The 2nd team** participated in the Crawford La Lucia Festival once again and learnt some valuable lessons for their domestic season. They won one game, lost three and drew one game.

# SQUASH

Mr Andrew Morgan, MIC Squash, reports.

Kearsney's squash fraternity had a busy term, with six teams playing in the Durban Schools' League. Our 1st team went unbeaten and our junior teams competed well in their league.

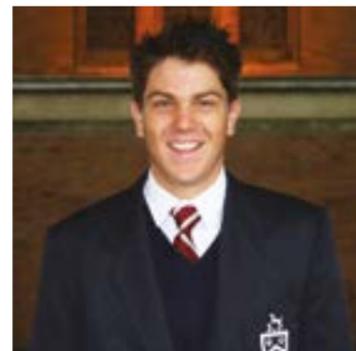
The 1st team competed in the KZN Inter-schools competition this term and finished 4th overall, against some strong competition from the Midlands schools.

A highlight of the term was our trip up to the Wanderers Club in Johannesburg over the half term break. The boys attended an exhibition match featuring Egyptian Karim Gamal Awad, the current world champion. It was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to spend an evening with a player of his calibre. He played to an audience of 80 on an all-glass court and took questions after the match. We thank Old Boy, Garth van Rensburg and his wife Cathy for hosting the boys and coaching staff.

## SA National Tennis selections

Mr Anthony Willows, MIC Tennis, reports.

Following the Inter-provincial tournaments, Kade Mindry (Grade 10), pictured below, was selected to the SA U17 Tennis team and Luc Koenig (Grade 8) was selected as a reserve for SA U15. Congratulations on these excellent achievements.



## Non-school sports achievements

We congratulate Liam Hobden (Grade 12) who achieved his Springbok Scout award earlier this month. This award is the highest accolade in Scouting in South Africa and is equivalent to the UK's Queen Scout and the USA's Eagle Scout.

Liam has also achieved the prestigious international President's Award (Gold) and has been awarded Honours for Service to the College.



## Kearsney Tennis Festival

The 22nd annual Tennis Festival was a great success and this year's final was epic, with tennis of the highest order. Mr Anthony Willows, MIC Tennis, reports.

With the finalists, Paul Roos and Grey College tied at 3 matches each after the singles, Grey managed to win 2 crucial doubles matches to clinch the title by 5 matches to 4. Affies beat Selborne College from East London by 6 matches to 0 to win the playoff for 3/4 position. Pretoria Boys finished 5th, Clifton 6th, Kearsney 7th and Rondebosch Boys 8th.

We thank our sponsors Seeff Properties, Sportsmans Warehouse, Matchday performance drinks, Wilson and Alpine Motors for their most generous sponsorship of this event.



Above: Luc Koenig at the Kearsney Tennis Festival

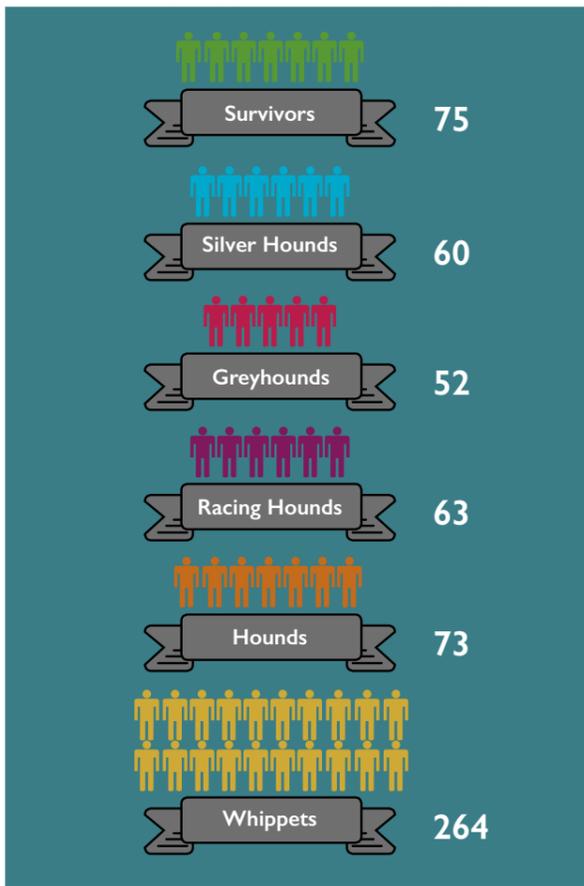


Dominic in Kart 419

Dominic Lincoln (Grade 9) has a keen interest in karting and is participating in the KZN Age 13 to 16 Championships, which is a series of eight events. Dominic dedicates much time to practising and has won the first three races of the season. The next race is at iDube near Pietermaritzburg in the forthcoming holidays. We wish him well.



Dr Graeme Shuker (1948) features in the "I am Legacy" film.



**OLD BOY GIVING BY GENERATION**

Whippets lead the way. Well Done!

The Class of 2015 and 2016 started Class Funds before matriculating and the class of 2017 has committed to do the same.

- Whippets - first 9 years;
- Hounds - from 10th reunion;
- Racing Hounds - from 20th reunion;
- Greyhounds - from 30th reunion;
- Silver Hounds - from 40th reunion;
- Survivors - from 50th reunion.

*James Sutherland, Ayrton Kayser, Dylan Richardson, Daniel Cherry, Jacques Moolman of Nashua and Sibuy Sangweni*

**Class action: Towards the Centenary**

The KCOB Executive drives class and specific funds towards the Centenary.

When the KCOB Executive noticed that four of the 2017 reunion year groups had already started Class Funds it was decided to celebrate this and encourage other classes to follow suit. A short promo video was produced to celebrate Kearsney and its wonderful legacy and to inspire the Kearsney community to make a contribution to the College's second century.

**Partnering with Standard Bank**

The top management of Standard Bank KZN met with Kearsney to promote Kearsney's banking solutions and collaborate in creative ways to strengthen our partnership beyond the Standard Bank Kearsney Easter Rugby Festival. We are excited about the possibilities and look forward to many more years of partnership.



From left: Imraan Noorbhal (KZN Provincial Head), Catherine Mowat (Kearsney's Commercial Director), Fiona Ebrahim (Business Centre Manager), Varsha Pillay (Relationship Manager), Hameed Noormahomes (Head: Business Banking) and Brian Busse (Head: Provincial Credit)

**The 1st XV team thanks their sponsor Nashua**

Kearsney is proud and thankful to have had the backing and support of Nashua for their team during the 2017 season.



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**KCOB Springbok**

We congratulate Jean-Luc du Preez (2013) for his selection to the Springbok squad for the 2017 three-match incoming rugby series against France in June. Jean-Luc (pictured left) made his Springbok debut on 26 November 2016 against Wales in Cardiff. We wish the talented flanker all the best for his games with the Springboks.



**Glen Murray - the Master from Kloof**

Old Boy Glen Murray (1986-1988) has been Spanish golfer, Sergio Garcia's loyal and knowledgeable caddie for most of Garcia's professional career. Glen was rewarded for his dedication when Garcia earned the iconic green jacket by winning the US Open at Augusta National in April.

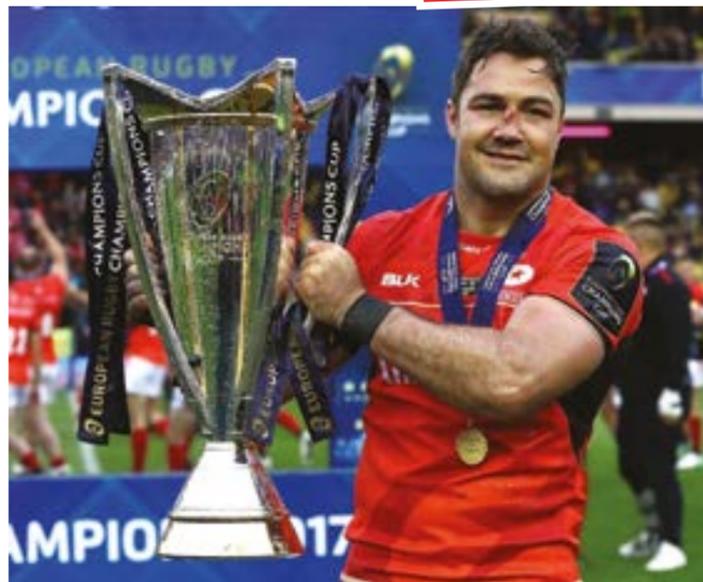
Glen was a talented golfer as a junior and earned a place in the Natal Schools' team (as it was known then). He is a member

at the Kloof Country Club and his current handicap is a five – but, by all accounts, he is significantly better than that. Glen said: "If there's anything that can be learnt from this win it's that you simply cannot stop believing that it is possible despite what everyone else may say, and that overcoming some adversity along the way is part of the process."

Good luck to Glen and Sergio for the British Open Championship at Royal Birkdale Golf Club in July.

**Brad Barritt leads Saracens to league victory**

Brad Barritt (2004) was proud to captain Saracens to their exceptional European Champions Cup double. Brad said: 'We pride ourselves on being resilient and relentless. Having that relentlessness, whether the chips are up or down, to carry on fighting and resilience when you have setbacks, to come back fighting.'



## National Hockey Champs

The KZN Men's Raiders team are to be congratulated for winning the 2017 Inter-provincial Hockey Tournament. The team was captained by Greg Last (2008) with fellow Old Boy Bili Ntuli (2014) playing up front and scoring some important goals. The Raiders were coached by current Kearsney 1st XI coach, Mr Sihle Ntuli.



L - R: Sihle Ntuli, Greg Last and Bili Ntuli



Above: James Hall playing for EP Kings in 2016

## Rookie of the Year

James Hall (2014), who plays for Oyonnax in France, was announced as Rookie of the Year in the Pro Division 2 league. Oyonnax were 2016/17 Winners of Pro D2, which sees the team promoted to the Top 14 - the top of the national league system in France. The gutsy scrum-half (pictured left) signed a three-year contract with the team in 2016.



## Comrades Marathon

We are proud of our association with the Comrades Marathon and the support shown by our boys. Every year we receive messages of thanks and congratulations for our involvement. Here is an excerpt from such a letter received after the Comrades this month.

*'As someone not affiliated to Kearsney College I would like to express my sincere admiration and thankfulness for the scholars who lined the roads during the 2017 Comrades Marathon.*

*The boys were all impeccably dressed in their uniforms and seemed to genuinely enjoy being out there supporting the runners, even average Joes like myself. Their cheering was one of the most memorable parts of the route and in that short moment that I passed your school I gained a lot of respect for your school'.*



## Thought for the moment

Mark 10:46-52 tells the story of how Jesus gave blind Bartimaeus his sight:

Bartimaeus had heard about Jesus. And when he heard that Jesus was passing his way, he shouted: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." Even though some in the crowd tried to silence him, it is said, that he shouted the more.

Like Bartimaeus, we are also to put effort and action into experiencing the Kingdom of God at work in our lives and the world around us. When, for instance, we are ill, we make an appointment to see the doctor and drive to the doctor's rooms. Likewise, we must make effort to pray for healing for ourselves and others by asking the leaders and members of the church to pray for us. Our faith does not grow automatically. As Bartimaeus persisted in seeing Jesus, we too should focus on growing in our faith in Christ. It takes time for prayer and reading the Bible in our day, but it is worth the effort as it helps us grow in experiencing God as our friend, guide and helper.

Rev James Headbush  
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