



KEARSNEY COLLEGE

News
& Views

100
KEARSNEY
COLLEGE
1921 to 2021



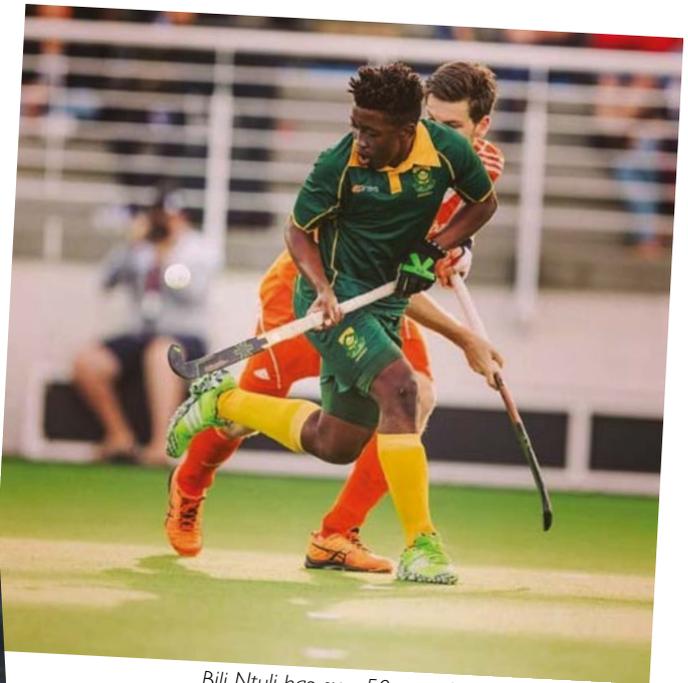
TERM 2 | JUNE 2021

Kearsney's SA Hockey representation at 2021 Olympics

Congratulations to Bili Ntuli (Class of 2014) on his selection to the South African Men's hockey team for the 2021 Olympic Games in Tokyo. Bili has over 50 caps for the SA Men's team and was a member of the SA team that won the Africa Cup in 2017. Congratulations also go to Jethro Eustice on making the SA team for the Olympics. Jethro coaches Kearsney's U14A hockey team and assists with the 1sts and U16As. Jethro will also captain the SA Men's Indoor Hockey team at the Indoor Hockey World Cup in Belgium in 2022.

A further proud connection is Bili's brother, Sihle Ntuli, who has been appointed as assistant coach for the SA Men's hockey team for the Games. Sihle coached the Kearsney 1st XI from 2014 – 2018 and his passion and expertise will undoubtedly be a great asset to the team.

We wish these gents and the SA team all the best at the Olympics. Carpe diem.



Bili Ntuli has over 50 caps for the SA Men's team.



Archive photo: 2011 - Dan du Preez with the ball and Jean-Luc on the right. The twins were in Grade 10 at the time. Their brother Rob du Preez can be seen in the background.

Du Preez brothers in Springbok rugby squad

Congratulations to the twins on their selection.

The squad for the upcoming Test matches against Georgia and the British and Irish Lions series was named on 05 June. Dan du Preez (Class of 2013) has four Springbok caps and has been selected as a loose forward. Twin brother Jean-Luc has made 13 appearances for the Boks and plays as a utility forward. Both players have been playing their rugby in the UK for Sale Sharks.

Farewells

Mr Marco Botha

Written by Mr André van Zyl.

Mr Marco Botha joined the Kearsney staff in 2003 from DHS and has served the College for over 18 years. With his outgoing personality, enthusiasm and infectious laugh, he quickly became a firm favourite with the Kearsney community. He immediately got involved in various facets of school life and proved to be competent in every sphere. Mr Botha is Master-in-Charge of Swimming, a top hockey coach and umpire and has served as manager of Golf. He is a keen athlete himself, actively participating in golf, distance running and canoeing.

He was a dedicated Assistant Housemaster and later Housemaster of Sheffield House. In the academic sphere, Mr Botha taught IT and Life Orientation, but his first love was Mathematics, where he taught to Grade 12 level.

Many Kearsney boys benefitted from Mr Botha's care when he held the Pastoral Care portfolio on the management team. His presence made an impact at Leadership Weeks over the years and he was not afraid to get stuck in and get his hands dirty. He initiated and maintained the President's Award portfolio for a long period.

Together with his wife Elize, he has raised two wonderful children on campus. Mr Botha is a dedicated Christian who has contributed significantly to the Christian aspects of this College, including running a weekly early morning prayer group for staff members. His deep faith has made him a role model to many. He is a proper schoolmaster. His integrity is unquestionable and he leads by example. His empathetic and caring personality has endeared him to staff and boys alike.

Mr Botha will be taking up a post in Jeddah. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him during his time at the College. We wish him and Elize well as they open a new chapter in their lives.

Mrs Penny Meyer

Written by Mr Manzini Zungu.

It is a privilege and an honour to say farewell to Penny, a person I highly respect. Penny joined Kearsney as the Academic Inclusion Specialist in April 2015 and her kindness and caring nature, combined with her professionalism and expertise, will be sorely missed by her colleagues and pupils.

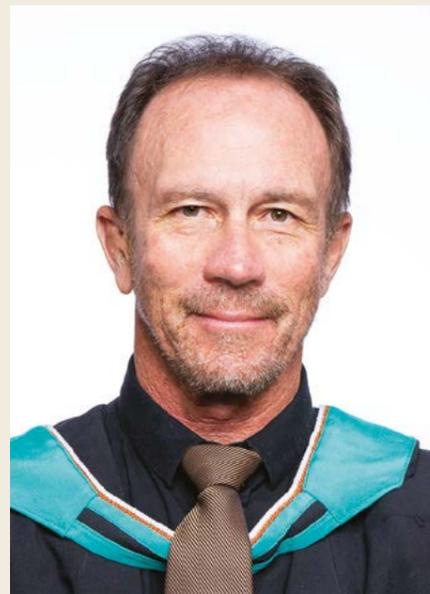
Penny has been a pillar of strength for our boys, comforting and nurturing them so carefully and lovingly. Penny knew each boy under her care and worked tirelessly to help them succeed. Her guidance and care changed boys' lives, helping them realise their true potential, giving them confidence and ensuring that many boys achieved matric results that they never imagined were possible.

I would also like to thank Penny for her compassionate and wise counsel on our Pastoral Care Committee.

Penny made me realise the truth in the African proverb: "If you educate a man you educate an individual, but if you educate a woman you educate the nation." Ngikufisela okuhle kodwa nempumelelo, sizokukhumbula.

Ms Xu Dai

Although we officially bid farewell to Ms Dai last year, the coronavirus pandemic changed the circumstances and Ms Dai stayed on at the College to teach Mandarin to all Grades. Ms Dai will now return home at last. We wish her all the very best and thank her for serving the College for 5 years.



Centenary updates

Report by Ms Andrea Fripp, Centenary Committee Chairman.

The much-awaited publication "Kearsney Chronised: 100 Years of Opportunities Seized – the Story of Kearsney College" was officially launched on 12 May. Many years of research and writing went into producing this world-class publication, of which Kearsney can be proud. The book is available for purchase in the Kit & Clothing shop on campus along with other centenary memorabilia. This beautiful publication will make a wonderful gift for Kearsney family and friends. The launch event was complemented by a wine tasting which profiled the two Centenary wines produced by Muratie along with four other Muratie wines.

With regret, the Old Boys Hockey and Squash fixtures, along with the respective dinners, had to be cancelled owing to changes to the COVID regulations surrounding sport at schools. In addition, the annual Survivors Assembly and the opening of the South Block of the Centenary Centre were postponed. It was sad not to be able to host Old Boys and the wider Kearsney community at these events.

We look forward to the Centenary Epic run on 04 August. This will be a relay race from our Chapel to the Chapel at Kearsney Manor (affectionately known as 'Old Kearsney'). The 24-hour Experience on 20 to 21 September will give the boys the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of events spanning 24-hours.



Pictured at the Centenary book launch: Chairman of the Board, Mr Andrew Parsons, Mrs Birgit Parsons and board member, Mr Lucian D'Avico.



Culture@KEARSNEY

Report by Ms Andrea Fripp, Director of Cultural Activities.

Whilst the COVID restrictions have dictated that the full Culture@Kearsney programme was not able to go ahead in the same format as planned, we have continued to provide the talented pupils of KZN with an opportunity to participate in some events, albeit in alternative formats.

Despite the launch being cancelled we proceeded with the Art exhibition which was moved to the Greyhound Pavilion to allow it to be open to the public. As expected, the quality of work on display was of a high standard and all the schools that submitted work can be proud of their artists.

The photographic competition drew a record number of entries across the categories, with Caden Moodley (Grade 8) winning the Fashion category. The judges had a tough time choosing the winners, and over-and-above the three winners in each category identified a further 37 images for Highly Commended awards. The winning entries will be posted onto the Kearsney website.



Caden Moodley's photograph which won the Fashion category.



Kearsney Centenary Concert Calling back our Old Boys with a Song

Report by Mr Bernard Krüger, Director of Music.

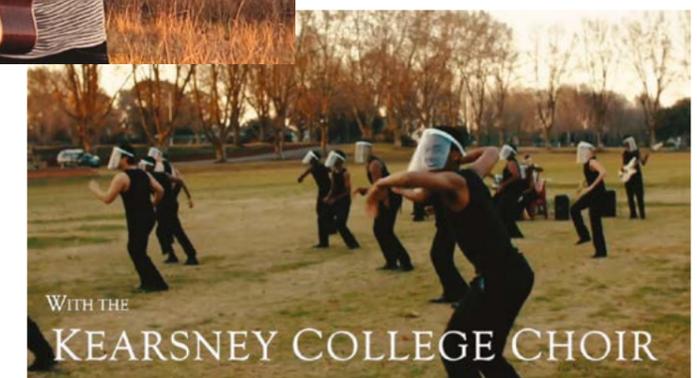
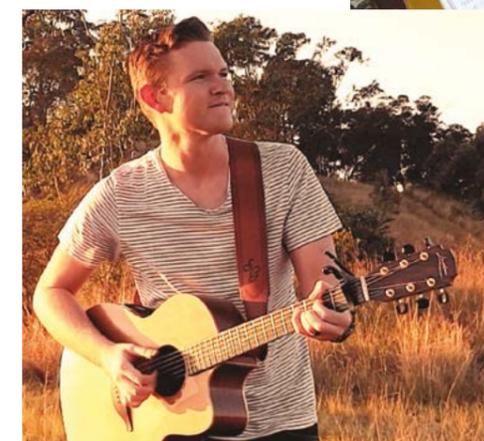
As part of the Centenary celebrations, our College hosted several Old Boys who have pursued a career in the music industry in showcasing their work during our first completely virtual concert - *Ikhulunyaka* - which first aired on 1 June 2021. Since the initial screening, the concert has been enjoyed by over 3500 people across the world, uniting our global Kearsney community in a profound way. We would like to thank the men who participated, all of whom have made a

mark as performing musicians, along with the choreography and singing we have become accustomed to from our beloved Kearsney College Choir. For those who still haven't watched the concert, it is still available on Kearsney's YouTube channel. Our music department has risen to the challenge of staging a concert amid the restrictions we still face in the wake of the pandemic and are already planning the next instalment of this initiative in our ever-changing world.

Pictured opposite from top, left to right: Ite Machobane, MC and Cultural rep on the Kearsney College Council; Tanner Wareham (Pembroke 2012); Siphelile "Splash" Dondolo (Pembroke 2014); Jono Johansen (Sheffield 2015); Thando Skwatsha (Gillingham 2017); Tim Lewis (Pembroke 2014); Seb Goldswain (Gillingham 2009); Roshan Chakane (Sheffield 2007); Warren Vernon-Driscoll (Sheffield 2011); The Kearsney College Choir.



Scan to link to the concert.
<https://youtu.be/dfXtVaH4vYo>



Pictured: Mrs Vanessa Theophilus (Director of Ethelbert) addressing the Grade 11 and 12 boys, many of whom had donated to the Centenary charity appeal.

Kearsney Centenary Charity Fund

In 2017 the Kearsney Centenary Charity Fund was launched, with the objective being for the pupils of Kearsney to raise R100 000 for the Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre, to be donated in 2021 as part of our Centenary celebrations. The pupils of the Classes of 2021 and 2022 made a donation to the Centenary Charity Fund when they arrived as Grade 8s and this fund was supplemented by a generous donation from Standard Bank.

On 24 March a special Centenary Assembly was held, where the College and Standard Bank handed over the R105,000 in the fund to the Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre. These funds will go towards the development of an Early Childhood Development Centre at Ethelbert.

Kearsney College has had a 67-year association with The Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre and we applaud them for the wonderful work that they do. The College thanks Standard Bank for their amazing support of this initiative.

Inter-house Plays

Report by Ms Ulaetha Singh and Mrs Emily Stockil-Smith

This year the Inter-house Play Competition embraced the ethos of our beloved Kearsney by embodying the theme 'Carpe Diem - Seize the Day' to celebrate our centenary year. Our students were determined to ensure that their return to the stage since the Inter-house Plays in 2020 was a worthy one. They put their hearts and souls into each of their masterpieces, considering that this might be their only opportunity to shine on stage given the precariousness of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Working to a budget, they were solely responsible for the scriptwriting, casting, rehearsing, costuming and design of their plays. Each House brainstormed exciting and innovative interpretations of the 'Carpe Diem' theme. They created four thought-provoking, varied and moving pieces of theatre.

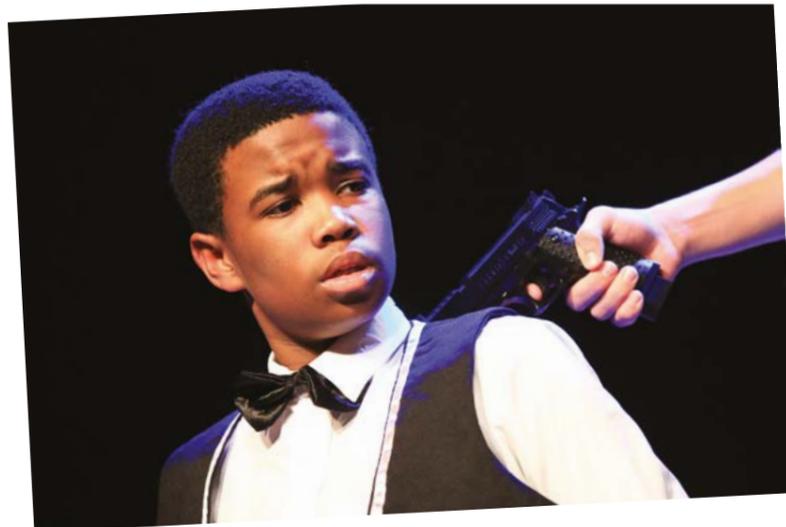
Gillingham's 'Tall or Short', written and directed by Leo Reim (pictured right) and Benjamin Burton, was a most deserving winner of Best House Play. They produced a slick, professional play that was stylistically perfect and a truly well-rounded piece of theatre. This winner was set in the 1950s in America and detailed the quandary that the wealthy and reputed Roger Ferguson faces when his son is kidnapped. Part detective story, part family drama this play kept audiences guessing until the final scene and resolved itself in a manner that was both intriguing and satisfying.

Sheffield House followed in a close second place, with notable performances by the cast. 'Do We Have A Deal?' written by Nicholas Kidd (pictured right) and Javhar Naidoo, directed by Ongama Duze and Nicholas Kidd was a visually beautiful piece of theatre investigating the ever-present dilemma of right versus wrong. The post-modern style of this engaging play allowed for evocative music and choreography. The play interrogated the complicated nature of human morality and the choices we make to survive.

Third placed Finningley performed 'A Day In The Jungle', a hard-hitting reflection on the tensions that ran in our neighbouring country of Angola during Apartheid. Written by award winner for Best Original Script, Bulelani Nodada (pictured bottom right), and directed by John Brown, Prince Dube and Bulelani Nodada, this highly charged piece of theatre detailed a moment in time when anti-Apartheid freedom fighters and the South African Defence Force come to blows in Tato's dinery. With the ongoing threat of the lurking Cuban military about to storm the diner, the audience felt the turmoil of the characters as they sought to find the truth, fight for their survival and uphold their political ideals.

Pembroke House followed with the emotional journey of the troubled Leo in their dramatic offering, 'Mindgames'. The appropriate metaphor of a game of chess was woven through this engaging play. The multi-talented Luke Bartlett (pictured on top of page 7) wrote, directed, and walked away with the coveted Best Actor award. He worked

Top: Leo Reim, Gillingham (Grade 11) Best House Play; Middle: Nicholas Kidd, Sheffield (Grade 12); Bottom: Bulelani Nodada, Finningley (Grade 12). Bulelani wrote the play which won Best Original Script.



Luke Bartlett, Pembroke (Grade 10) won Best Actor Award.

tirelessly with assistant directors Aryan Sewsunker and Ryan Wimbus to bring his idea to fruition with interesting staging and the clever use of an allegorical character, Conscience. This profound drama explored the impact of childhood trauma on an adult trying to navigate his way on this chess board called life.

Our adjudicators for the evening, renowned dramatists Lisl Coppin and Mpilo Nzimande were incredibly impressed by the high standard of the plays, the maturity and depth of the writing and the star quality performances by the actors. Ms Coppin commented:

'I am still completely mind blown by last night's performances! I can't stop thinking about all the plays. I am in awe of their talent. Thank you so much for asking me. I wish we didn't have to choose a 'last' place. They were all excellent and I am really and truly blown away by their efforts and hard work.'

Congratulations to all the students who were involved.

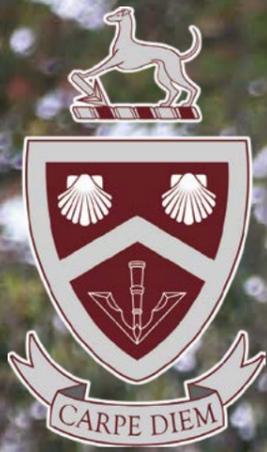
Coding Club

The Coding Club enjoyed playing Robot Soccer with the Lego Mindstorm Robots. Grade 8 club members, Oliver Tubb and Tor Lofstrand, assisted at the Open Weekend with an activity where we introduced prospective Grade 8s to Robot Soccer.

At the end of Term 2 Kearsney software manager, Mr Luckmore Mawuye, guided the club in a project on simulating a traffic light using LEDs on a breadboard and the Arduino microcontroller. The boys had fun with this introduction to physical computing.



Teams playing Robot Soccer during the OpenWeekend



100
KEARSNEY
COLLEGE
1921 to 2021



Carpe Diem

Grade 9 Aptitude Testing

Report by Mr Steven Edwards and Ms Kerry-Jane Coleman.

Boys spent the day on 27 May completing numerous tests to analyse their strengths, weaknesses and interests. This exercise is facilitated annually by educational psychologist, Mr Bryce Dekker. The results from this session allow Mr Dekker to compile an individualised report for each boy which can guide them in their subject choice for Grade 10 and inform them of potential careers that will be best suited for them. These reports will be provided to boys and parents during Term 3.

Etiquette and Formal Dinner

Report by Mr Steven Edwards, HOD Life Orientation.

Grade 8s often look at a formal table setting and are confused by the number of knives, forks and utensils in front of them. The foundations of basic table etiquette were discussed in Life Orientation lessons during Term 1 and then boys were given the opportunity to put their knowledge into practise at the Formal Dinner at the end of Term 1. This year's function was a socially distant occasion in the SportZone with only a handful of people per table, but a few staff

Computer Olympiad

Report by Mrs Charlene Elliott, HOD Information Technology.

The senior Information Technology pupils took part in the Talent Search Computer Olympiad held by Computer Olympiad and Institute of Information Technology Professionals South Africa. The competition aims to challenge computational thinking skills required for Mathematics, Science, Information Technology and computer applications.

Kearsney entered 23 senior boys in the competition and the following boys received certificates:

Elite Category (Grade 12)

Gold Luka Koumantarakis
Silver Bryce Tayler
 Campbell Davison
Bronze Taylin Govender
 Michael Tainton
 Matthew Schramm
 Jarryd Bester
 Luc Nazar
 Talumba Masamba

Senior Category (Grade 10)

Silver Gabe Delpont
Bronze Kyle Makumbe
 Jua van Wyk
 Sean Diseko
 Matthew Rix

Geography Olympiad

Report by Mr Matthew Savage, HOD Geography.

On Tuesday 18 May, 76 senior Geography candidates participated in the annual SANGO Geography Olympiad. The Olympiad was a multiple-choice online test that was completed by schools around the country, testing the pupils' general geographical knowledge and world views. The results will be available early next term.



Grade 8 formal dinner in the SportZone

Inter-schools History Quiz

Report by Mr Neil Peacock, HOD: History.

The annual Inter-Schools History Quiz took place at Clifton College on 5 May 2021. Due to the COVID lockdown that was in force in 2020 the quiz did not take place last year. This year the organisers were able to host the quiz, subject to stringent COVID protocols. Several schools in the greater Durban region took part.

Traditionally Kearsney has performed well at this quiz which sees teams of three or four pupils tested on a wide range of historical and current affairs themes.

Maths Olympiad

Mr Marc Ancillotti, HOD Mathematics, reports.

On Tuesday 18 May all our boys wrote the second round of the Mathematics Olympiad. Whilst the senior first round paper was particularly challenging, with far fewer students progressing nationwide than historically, we had a total of 190 boys writing, which is an outstanding achievement.

We now await the results of the Round 2, with only the top 100 mathematicians nationwide being invited to write the 4-hour Round 3 paper later in the year.



The Grade 10 team comprising of Ryan Denekamp, Hayden Davel and Kieran Pearton

Our Grade 11 team comprising of James Kewley, Joshua Maskell and Javhar Naidoo achieved a very credible 4th place overall, while the Grade 10 team comprising of Ryan Denekamp, Hayden Davel and Kieran Pearton achieved 2nd place overall. The competition was extremely tight and only two points separated the top two teams!

Congratulations and well done to all the boys who took part.

Afrikaans literature and poetry production

Report by Mrs Sonia Cairns, HOD Afrikaans.

On Thursday 27 May 2021 the Grade 12 boys who take Afrikaans FAL were treated to an evening of poetry and literature performed by PIT-Productions, directed by Zak Hendrikz a well-known Afrikaans actor and scriptwriter.

The cast made the poems that the boys do in class come alive by acting them out. A highlight for the boys was when the

actors each took on characters from their set book **ASEM** and performed sections from the book.

The Kearsney boys gave the cast and crew a standing ovation after the one and half hour production. This event will to the boys' understanding and appreciation of the literature.

New Director of Sport takes the reins



Pictured with Mr Thompson and Mr Murray is Mr Ndumiso Cele, who joined Kearsney as the Sports Administrator in January 2021.

After 19 years of dedicated service Mr Keith Thompson has handed over the responsibilities of Sports Director to Mr Waylon Murray. Mr Thompson, who will say his farewell to the College at the end of July, has continued to serve the College on a contract basis since his retirement at the end of 2019. The College thanks Mr Thompson for his immense contribution to sport at Kearsney

and his commitment, dedication and professionalism. Mr Waylon Murray took over as Sports Director on 01 May. Mr Murray joined Kearsney from Westville Boys High, where he served as the Sports Director. Mr Murray enjoyed a highly successful rugby career; representing the Sharks, Golden Lions, Southern Kings, the Bulls and Mâcon, and earned three Springbok caps.

SA Triathlon Champs

Well done to Grade 8 pupil Nathan Foster, who won the U15 category of the SA Triathlon Champs held in Bloemfontein in March.



Kearsney Tennis Festival May 2021

The 25th Kearsney Tennis Festival saw eight highly competitive tennis schools participating the annual three-day invitation festival.

An exciting and high standard of tennis is always evident from SA's top junior players. Stellenbosch's Paul Roos proved their tennis pedigree winning the final. They were followed closely by Grey College from Bloemfontein. Westville Boys High were the pick of the local contenders, ahead of the perennially strong Affies from Pretoria.

Kearsney's team, captained by Bryce van der Merwe, included Caleb Fyvie, Finn Coningham, Shail Chetty, Keegan Gevers, Thomas McKenzie, Lithabe Shweni and Noah Dammann.

Festival organiser and Kearsney MIC of tennis, Mr Anthony Willows expressed the College's gratitude to the new sponsor Spar and to Wilson who is still committed to supporting the event.



Caleb Fyvie in action

Cross Country in full swing

Report by Mr Steven Edwards, Master in charge: Cross Country.

The cross country team has grown in leaps and bounds this year with many boys signing up to run in light of the impact of COVID-19 and restrictions on other sports. Training runs were held regularly on and off campus to get the boys into shape at the start of the term. The boys were thrilled at the opportunity to run in two league races before sport was suspended. The first race was hosted on 12 May by Clifton College and the second race took place on a hot and dry afternoon at Curro Hillcrest on 19 May. Over 20 boys took to the route on each occasion and made some good placings in the final results. Congratulations to Tristan Sebire, who placed 1st in both races with a time of less than 24 minutes, as well as to the captain, Tyler Gray, who came in 2nd in the Curro race.



Tristan Sebire

Junior Proteas Fishermen

Bryce van der Merwe, Adam Gibson (captain) and Rourke Paterson represented KZN at the SA Bass Angling Association's 2021 Junior National Championships in the Western Cape during the Easter holidays. KZN won the team event for the first time in many years, with Bryce winning the first day and Adam the second. Bryce was the overall winner of the event and is the 2021 SABAA Junior National Champion. Adam Gibson came 5th and Rourke Paterson 13th.

All three Kearsney boys made the Junior Proteas bass angling team; Bryce for the fourth consecutive year, while Adam and Rourke will earn their first caps when they represent SA in the next international competition. Congratulations on this fantastic achievement.

L-R: Adam Gibson, Bryce van der Merwe and Rourke Paterson.



Squash players show their class

Despite the restrictions on inter-school sports which came into play towards the end of the term, our squash players had been working hard in preparation for the KZN Squash trials that were held over the weekend of 28 to 30 May. Six of our top players competed in the tournament which attracted over 130 players from across the province. The following notable results were achieved:

Under 16

3rd Ross Coetzee
5th Bryce Blomquist

Under 14

4th Jason de Gryse

Unfortunately, the SA Schools Inter Provincial Squash tournaments scheduled for July have been postponed due to the COVID-19 epidemic.

Sports programme for the end of term

Following new COVID regulations whereby contact sport was prohibited, a comprehensive inter-house athletics and cross country programme was put together to allow maximum participation.



Luka Koumantarakis

Canoeing

The canoeing team has been actively involved this term with the team having regular practices at Shongweni Dam. Canoeing South Africa has carried out incredible work to allow the sport to continue throughout the pandemic with limited disruptions and the boys have enjoyed healthy and regular outdoor exercise.

We have been fortunate to have a good interest shown in the sport, especially in the junior age groups with boys arriving already proficient in Grade 8. With regular practices taking place, all the team are now fully prepared and eager for the start of the river season next term.

The team members participated in the SA Schools Sprint Championships as well as the KZN Marathon Championships, both being held at Shongweni Dam. At the SA Schools Sprint Championships, Luka Koumantarakis made the U18 K1 semi finals in 1000m, 500m and 200m. Matthew Rix and Ethan Marnitz finished an impressive 8th in the U16 K2 200m A Final and Liam Calenborne claimed 4th position in the U16 K1 1000m B Final.

The KZN Marathon event was an opportunity for the boys to be exposed to the longer format of canoeing. Gabriel Delpont (K1), Matthew Rix (K2), Liam Calenborne (K1) and

Ruschay Govender (K2) all competed in the event and gained valuable experience.

Canoeing has offered a healthy alternative to traditional sports and the increased interest shown in the sport is encouraging.



Junior national gala honours

Grade 8 pupil Luca Sandri placed 1st in his age group in each of the eight races in which he swam in the SA Junior National (Regional) Gala at Kings Park during the Easter holidays:

- 50m Freestyle
- 100m Freestyle
- 200m Freestyle
- 50m Backstroke
- 100m Backstroke
- 200m Backstroke
- 200m Individual Medley
- 100m Breaststroke

These are remarkable achievements by the talented swimmer. Well done Luca.

In February 2021 Luca broke the KZN U13 50m freestyle record when he competed in the Invitational Grand Prix Gala held at Kings Park.



Luca Sandri

Golf

Grade 11 pupil Julian Daws competed against the top amateurs from around the country at the KZN Open stroke play event at Selborne Golf Club at the end of May. Julian did superbly to finish 40th in the event.



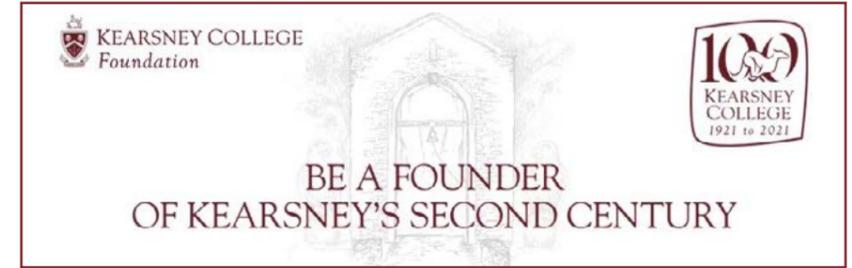
Southern Coastal Golf selections

The following boys have made the KZN Southern Coastal Golf Team to play against the KZN Midlands Team in August: Julian Daws, Kai Hielckert, Matthew Gouws, Reece Brown and Judah Gibson. Congratulations boys.



SA Open Water swimming champs

Matt Haslam and James Kewley represented KZN at the SA Open Water Championships. They both swam extremely well, with James coming 12th overall (3rd in his age group) and Matt coming 31st out of the 94 boys who competed. Congratulations on these achievements Matt and James.



Three months into our journey – A message from Ghislaine Riceman

The Kearsney College Foundation formally launched the Centenary Arch Appeal at the beginning of March 2021 and as we approach the 4th month, we cannot help but feel humbled by the outpouring of generosity we have experienced. We extend our deepest gratitude to all the loyal and passionate Old Boys, and parents of current boys of the College who have generously supported this campaign. At the time of penning this update the appeal stands at R 1 089 384. Funds raised through this initiative will strengthen Kearsney's endowment fund, thereby enabling us to confidently plan strategic developments, capital projects, bursaries and scholarships.

This campaign is directed at Old Boys and current boys of the College, providing them with the opportunity of pledging their support to the Centenary Arch Appeal through a donation in a range of categories starting from as little as R 500. Donors to this campaign are acknowledged as **Founders of Kearsney's Second Century** and their names will be listed on the glass donor boards soon to be erected at the entrance to the Centenary Arch.

Other than the chance to support a great school and a very worthy cause, many of our donors have cited the opportunity to be a part of something very special together with their sons and other family

members as one of the motivating reasons to donate to this appeal. To have their names up on our **Founders of Kearsney's Second Century** donor boards alongside those of their sons or fathers, and in some cases three of four generations of names, is something truly special indeed.

To date 194 Old Boys of all ages and from around the world have embraced this opportunity to be **Founders of Kearsney's Second Century** and have already pledged their support.

Please contact our Foundation Office on foundation@kearsney.com should you have any queries or require any assistance in making your commitment.



Classes of 2017 and 2018

Join us in supporting the Centenary Arch Appeal. This is our chance to leave our mark!

James Sutherland, Gillingham 2017 and Sbu Sangweni, Finningley 2018



For me, giving back to the College is a small gesture to ensure the stellar performance of the school in the future. I truly believe that the shaping of bright young minds at the school is only possible through generosity and selflessness of its benefactors.

Angelo van Dyk (Headboy 2006) Sheffield

In recognition of the foundation that Kearsney has given, and ensuring that the exemplary standards set by the College are maintained.

Lorne Maclaine, Gillingham 1963 and Angus Maclaine, Gillingham 1992



The Class of 1971 gathered in the Drakensberg

in the past which were worth looking back on and a "Rugby Highlights Reel" was put together for Old Boys to enjoy.

COVID did not dampen the spirits of the KCOB as they hosted 23 events around the globe to celebrate Kearsney's centenary. A round of golf in Brisbane, a dinner at an Old Boys' home in Sydney, drinks at a pub in London, a weekend away at a beach resort in Dubai, and weekend of activities in Swaziland. Four Old Boys got together in Edinburgh and two Old Boys from different decades enjoyed a round of Golf in Fort Lauderdale. Young and old united where memories were shared, and stories told.

KCOB get together across the globe to Celebrate 100 Years

Founders Week (01 June – 04 June) was a week of camaraderie and celebration amongst young and old Kearsney boys. They got to enjoy an hour-long virtual musical production of Ikhulunyaka – The Centenary Concert. The concert featured Old Boys involved in the music industry today.

To welcome the Class of 1971 to Survivors (50 years out of school) Rev. Kym Bishop held a Centenary Chapel Service and Guest of Honour, David Graves (KCOB, 1971, and past teacher of Kearsney) was invited to address the Class of 1971. This was broadcast online. This Class reunited at The Nest Drakensberg Hotel; pictured below proudly wearing their Centenary Ties.

Of course, a traditional Founders Week is incomplete without some good rugby on the Hill. Although our boys could not play, there have certainly been memorable games



Jim Panton (Finningley, 1986) hosted a dinner at the Indigo Hotel in the heart of Edinburgh. This was attended by his father, Jim Panton (Finningley, 1958) as well as Kirk Torrance (Gillingham, 1998) and Bill Giles (Gillingham, 1958).



Facebook KearsneyCollege



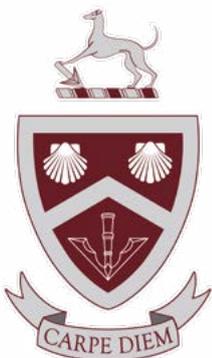
Twitter @KearsneyNews



Instagram kearsney.college



LinkedIn Kearsney College



Thought for the Moment

*"In Christ you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit."
Ephesians 2:22*

Going into this second term, one of the only things we knew for certain was that many things were uncertain! It has been a term of short-notice changes, of both disappointments and triumphs, and we're learning to roll with it. One thing that has not changed but has continued to become clearer is that we need each other. As different parts of the same body we all have a role to play. And as Paul says in his letter to the Ephesians, when we are joined together as living stones we become the place in which God dwells. In these days of social distancing and limited gatherings, I remain grateful for community – for the gift of belonging to one another which means together we share the journey and the load. May you know the joy and the strength that comes with belonging to one another in Christ.

Rev. Kym Bishop
Chaplain