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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Orienteering Trip
- ◆ Basketball Tournament at DHS
- ◆ Golf Champs at Dainfern
- ◆ Rugby/Hockey Festival at KES
- ◆ U14/U15/U16 Skonk Nicholson Festival

From the Head Master's Desk

Well here we are in the last week of Term 1. The term has really flown by, and Term 2 will certainly be no different. With the World Cup 2010 only 11 weeks away, the next two months are certainly going to be a blur. I am sure we are all going to enjoy the mayhem nonetheless.

Last week I attended the Durban Girls' College production of Absurd Person Singular. A great script by Alan Ayckbourn was complemented by a stunning set design by Durban's wunderkind, Greg King. The direction by Wendy Watson, of College, assisted by Colin Chapman, was superb, and the young cast gave a performance that belied their tender years. They were simply outstanding. The three DHS boys in the show, David Prinsloo, Sam Pennington and Johan Potgieter were so professional in their handling of the difficult script. I was immensely proud of their contribution to this stunning production. Well done to all involved.

The days of staff and boys having a quiet break over Easter are long gone. In Durban we are hosting our National Basketball Festival. This is a highly successful event, and is the only one of its kind in South Africa. We are regular winners of this tournament, and we wish the boys well in the defence of their title. Our Junior Rugby sides travel to College, to participate in The Skonk Nicholson Festival. This is a tough event, and the boys will need every effort they can muster to shape against some of the best schools in the country. The First XV travel to the KES Festival for 3 tough games. They are looking increasingly like a highly competitive unit, and I hope that they give a good account of themselves. They deserve it. Our Hockey boys are also at KES for their Hockey Festival at the same time.

The team is a young one, but have shown great competitiveness thus far. We wish them the best of luck in their campaign. The Under 14 Hockey boys play in a Tournament at Northwood and the Under 16 side play at Westville. Our Golfers are participating in a National Tournament at Dainfern as well. Finally, Mr Lewis and the intrepid fisherman are off to Baynesfield for a weekend trip. All in all a very busy time! My thanks go to all the staff who are involved for their commitment and willingness to give of their time in the holiday. It is very much appreciated.

The term has been a busy and successful one for the school. There is a good buzz around, and the boys have acquitted themselves very well. The new staff and facilities have made a significant contribution to the positive atmosphere, and we can look ahead with confidence to the rest of the year. Nobody can afford to rest on his laurels though, and all of us associated with the School need to continue to be positive and work hard for the future.

I trust that everyone out there has a good break over the Easter period, and I look forward to seeing many of you next term.

"The reasonable man adapts himself to the world: the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man."

George Bernard Shaw

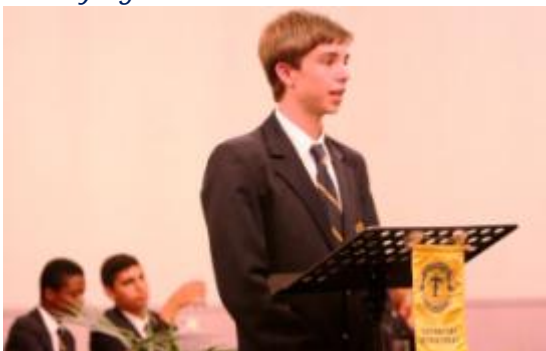
Regards
Dave Wagner
Class of 1973



2010 Themed lap at the CANSA Relay



Trying to catch a snooze at 04h40



Toastmaster : Ricardo Amacho



A group of Grade 11s interested in engineering spent the day with Dormac

Interact CANSA Relay for Life

Last Saturday, 13 March 2010, a team of DHS Interact Club members spent the night at Crawford College La Lucia as part of the CANSA Relay for Life. This is an event where teams (formed by schools, companies and families) camp out on site from 17h00 that Saturday night, till first light the next morning.

At least one member of the team was expected to be on

that Relay track throughout the night and the wee hours of the morning. You can guess that not much sheep were counted that night!

The event was tiring, but great fun. Members had the opportunity to bond with each other, meet new people and enjoy the fun entertainment and refreshments, which kept us going every hour.

Toastmasters Graduation

On Tuesday 23 March 2010, 25 Grade 11 students successfully completed the International Toastmasters Youth Leadership and Communication Course. The boys showed their skills learnt during the 8 weeks of training. They delivered prepared speeches, shared jokes, delivered impromptu speeches, and evaluated each other constructively. The evening was well attended by DHS staff, parents, friends and invited guests. We wish the boys well in

their future. The prize winners were:

Toastmaster of the year:

S Patel

Best impromptu of the year:

J Zulu

Best evaluator of the year:

S Patel

Best Prepared speech of the year:

J Mabamba-Kabeya

They will participate in the inter school competition at provincial level later this year ...

A Selection of Poems from Grade 9W

Flamingos

Tall and humble

Waiting patiently

Like a ticking clock

If only they would fly away

Julian van Rensburg

Those clouds

Luxurious and angelic

Floating peacefully

Swift as an eagle

If only I could glide so

Shiven Govender

My brain

Lost and confused

Burning furiously

Like a raging fire

If only I could extinguish it

Stephen McManus

Clouds

White and fluffy

Peering over the land

Like a floating battleship

If only it would let through the

sunshine

Roberto Della Vedove

Golf

Skillful and challenging

Playing with my head

Like a game of mastermind

If only I knew the way

Rowan Bromham

Lion

Fierce and elegant

Pouncing perfectly

Like a plane crash-landing

If only I were that skilful

Fabian Henley

Glass

Transparent and fragile

Looking into homes

Like a spy at night

If only it could be tough

Keyuran Pillay

War

Unpleasant and destructive

Ripe for the picking

Like a ticking clock about to

stop

If only the bullets were made of

love and honey

Reneshan Naidoo

Sport Results

RUGBY vs ST CHARLES

On a very hot Saturday, School managed to edge out St Charles 10-3 in a tough but scrappy encounter. Both sides gave their all but numerous errors and infringements from both teams meant that this match would not go down as a classic. No doubt the extreme heat and early season woes were contributing factors.

School scored a well worked try towards the end of the first half but failed to finish off numerous other opportunities during the match. A win is a win, but School will be disappointed with this performance!

Try scorer : M Payi
Conversion and Penalty : B Cope

Results vs St Charles:

1 st	won	10 - 3
2 nd	won	27 - 10
3 rd	won	19 - 14
4 th	lost	11 - 28

U16A	lost	3 - 12
U16B	won	21 - 3
U16C	won	36 - 3

U15A	won	38 - 14
U15B	lost	0 - 5
U15C	won	27 - 7

U14A	won	38 - 0
U14B	won	36 - 0
U14C	won	56 - 0

HOCKEY vs ST CHARLES

Team	DHS	St Charles
1 st	1	3
U16A	2	3
U16B	0	3
U14A	0	2
U14B	0	8
U14C	0	1



KZN INTER-SCHOOLS BOULDERING LEAGUE

DHS once again hosted and coordinated the KZN Interschool Bouldering League which gets bigger and better every year. The league is made up of four rounds held at various venues such as the Rock in Gateway, UKZN, Kloof High and Westville Girls High, culminating in the finals at UKZN on Saturday, 20 March. The first round was held at the UKZN bouldering wall with nearly 120 climbers arriving to tackle the 10 short technical problems! These large numbers presented some problems but all the climbers enjoyed themselves and at the same time learnt the basic rules of bouldering and the emphasis was definitely on safety. It is so positive to see the young climbers take on the sport with such enthusiasm and hopefully they will continue to climb, growing the sport in the country.

This year saw the largest sponsorship for this league to date, and thanks must go to all who contributed to its success. At the final round, each climber was given a goodie bag filled with fun items. Thanks to Human Progress Management for contributing towards the t-shirts and Price Waterhouse & Coopers for the caps. Thanks also to the Rock in Gateway for the Wave House, Skate Park & Rock vouchers as prizes, to CityROCK in Cape Town who sponsored the most amazing prizes (1st place open boys and girls received a climbing rope valued at R1900!) and to Ram Mountaineering who sent stickers and posters all the way from Cape Town!

The final round saw the finalists climbing 5 routes scored by judges. The non-finalists were



able to compete in fun events such as speed climbing, dyno comp and table bouldering and were also able to win prizes. Stefan Lutge won the dyno comp whilst Mayur Birjanund showed his strength in the table bouldering competition.

Even though more traditional climbing schools like Treverton, Kloof High and Thomas More participated in the league, DHS climbers fared extremely well:

Boys U15

Jason Salt	1 st
Langelihle Sosibo	6 th
Jordan Pillai	8 th
Pablo Rees	10 th

Boys U17

Gareth Imray	3 rd
Mayur Birjanund	8 th
Krinolen Naidoo	9 th

Boys U19

Stefan Lutge	1 st
Stefan was also awarded the trophy for the Top Climber in KZN	
William Van Zyl	3 rd
Wasim Khan	4 th

The final round of the league saw the end of a very successful first term climbing season. I would like to thank Mr Lewis for his support and help during the term and wish all the climbers a restful term 2.

Menoli Gounden
M-i-C : Sport Climbing

Congratulations!

- ◆ Jason Hamilton has been selected for the KZN Surf Lifesaving team to compete at the Inter provincials in April.
- ◆ Saahir Mahomed has been selected for the KZN U16 Baseball team.



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Class of 1960 50 Year Reunion

To all Classmates of 1960

As many of you know, the 50 Year reunion of the class of 1960 is taking place at School on Friday 23 April.

For further details contact
jeffowen@global.co.za.

Michael Cornelissen of the Class of 1969 has also put together a "virtual" reunion through the following web site:
<http://www.dhs-class-of-1960.net>

Take a look.

The Week Ahead

Friday 26 March

School Closes for Easter Holidays at 11h00
Orienteering Group leave for Baynesfield - return 29 March

Saturday 27 March

Mini World Cup at Moses Mabhida - DHS plays from 10h00

Monday 12 April

School Opens for 2nd Term

Friday 16 April

KZN Inter-Schools Squash Tournament (and Sunday 18/4)

Saturday 17 April

Rugby / Hockey vs Pinetown (a)

Holiday Tours

- Orienteering Trip : 26-29 March
- Basketball Festival : 26-31 March
- Golf Champs : Dainfern : 28-30 March
- Skonk Nicholson Festival : at College (U14/U15/U16) : 30 March - 3 April
- 1st Rugby/Hockey at KES : 1 - 5 April
- U14 Ken Florens Hockey Festival : at Northwood : 7 - 11 April

Term 2

Wednesday 21 April

Rock Circus at the Barnyard

Rugby Fixtures at KES Festival

Thursday 1 April

10h00 DHS vs Hoërskool Eldoraine

Saturday 3 April

14h05 DHS vs Parktown Boys

Monday 5 April

08h45 DHS vs Hoërskool Florida

Follow this link for a more detailed fixture list:

<http://www.kingedwardschool.co.za/content.asp?ID=112&pic=academic>

Hockey Fixtures at KES Festival

Thursday 1 April

08h00 DHS vs St Albans
15h00 DHS vs St Benedict's

Saturday 3 April

09h10 DHS vs St John's College
15h00 DHS vs Parktown Boys'

Monday 5 April

10h20 DHS vs Jeppe High

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Fixtures at Skonk Nicholson Festival

Wednesday 31 March

U14	U15	U16
09h00 vs Brandwag	11h00 vs Helpmekaar	09h00 vs Middleburg

Thursday 1 April

U14	U15	U16
13h00 vs Nelspruit	14h00 vs Zwartkop	10h00 vs Trinity House

Saturday 3 April

U14	U15	U16
13h00 vs Zwartkop	08h00 vs Hudson P	10h00 vs Hudson P

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