

HEATHMONT COLLEGE MAGAZINE 1995



College Report 1995



L-R :Mike Bradley, Jeff Cooper, Ruth Anderson-Smith, Glenn Fankhauser

Cover Painting by Tom Freebairn,
Heathmont Art student, 1994.

This painting was part of Tom Freebairn's VCE folio, and was hung in the National Gallery of Victoria as part of an exhibition featuring the top VCE artwork in the state.

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The year has been busy and we have seen a number of changes. Randall Prior, who replaced Peter Tatman after his retirement, was with us in Term 4, 1994. Randall immediately fitted into the team and we all enjoyed working with him. He, in turn, was replaced by Ewan Gallop in Term One this year who also worked closely with the team. The start of Term Two saw Jeff Cooper taking up the permanent appointment as the fourth member of our team and we welcomed him heartily. He has settled in well and is looking forward to his new role as Junior Campus Principal in 1996.

The Principal has had a wonderful year, enjoying seven weeks long service leave in Term Two. He returned refreshed and invigorated and assures us all that he still feels the benefits of the break, even if at times it appears otherwise. Ruth Anderson - Smith took on the role of Acting Principal during Glenn's absence and she aged visibly! That says something about the role of Principal. However, she assures us that she enjoyed the experience and learned an enormous amount about the functioning of Schools of the Future. Ruth is looking forward to moving into the role of Senior Campus Principal in 1996.

Mike Bradley has continued to impress us all with his quiet, compassionate and effective presence, although there were times when set design and development for the Production seemed to be causing him an unusual level of distress. The completed product however was a testimonial to his commitment and support of the Production. Mike will be taking on the vital role of Planning and Programs Principal in 1996 and is looking forward to setting up his new base at Waters Grove.

Much time has been spent working with the Technology and Arts Learning Areas and the architects to design the new Technology Centre. Work will begin early in 1996. We expect to have the facility operating by the beginning of Term Four. The alterations will not only include a "State of the Art" Technology facility but will also include new Arts facilities for both visual and performing arts. This facility should also be completed by the start of Term Four in 1996.

1996 will present us with new challenges. We will be putting into place a new leadership structure in the college, new teams will be formed and initiatives taken as we work towards fulfilling the priorities of our college charter. We will also set processes into place to review our current charter and work towards the development of the next. The experience of drawing up the charter during 1993 leads us to believe that this is one of the most exciting tasks a college community can undertake. We look forward to working together to put the next charter into place for the start of 1997.

This magazine is a testament to the huge range of college activities that have occurred during the year. It is always an education to reflect and remember and celebrate the wonderful ways in which we have been able to work together as a college. Congratulations and thanks to Ross Donlon and Phillipa Adgemis who are responsible for its production.

Principal Team

Glenn Fankhauser
Ruth Anderson - Smith
Jeff Cooper
Mike Bradley

College Principal
Assistant Principal
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College Staff 1995

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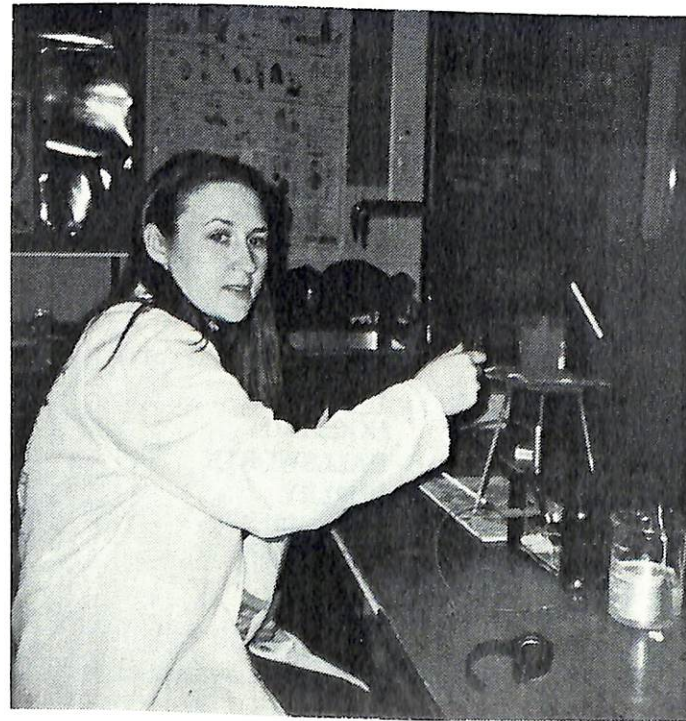
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Some of Us



Sport At Heathmont College 1995

This year has been a busy one again for Sport at Heathmont College. The V.S.S.S.A has added an extra tier of competition by having a separate Year 7, group along with Year 8. Intermediate and Senior levels for Summer and Winter Sport.

Heathmont College have also introduced Sport Education for Years 7 and 8. The rewards gained by students of this subject has allowed us to field better prepared teams in the Ringwood / Croydon Group of Eastern Zone.

Thirty staff members were involved in the latter school program with over 450 students representing the college.

Congratulations to all students who were involved in the College Sport Program. A celebration of the program was again held at the Annual Sports Awards evening with over 100 trophies presented to students, guest speakers and displays.

B. Kirchhofer. Sport - Co-ordinator

Eastern Zone Finalists 1995

Team	Coach
SENIOR CRICKET	MR. MISSEN
INTER BOYS TENNIS	MR. KIRCHHOFER
INTER SOFTBALL	MR. Mc CARTHY
YR 8 GIRLS TENNIS	MR. BURTON
YR 8 BOYS SQUASH	MR. BURTON
INTER BOYS SQUASH	MR. BURTON
INTER BOYS VOLLEYBALL	MR. FLETT
INTER BOYS BASKETBALL	MR. JOHNSON
INTER BOYS HOCKEY	MR. KIRCHHOFER
YR 8 BOYS BASKETBALL	MS. TOMLINSON

EASTERN ZONE WINNERS & 3RD in the STATE FINAL

YR 8 GIRLS TABLE TENNIS MR OLDMAN

Athletics Carnival

Winning Form / Individual Champions

7E	J.LEGGO	L.GIBSON
8G	T.SNOW	N.SCARBOROUGH
9F	L.HEMSWORTH	K.ANGUS
10F	T.CATTERMOLE	S.ANDERSON
11A	R.MALONEY	S.VENN
12D	A.INGRIS	T.GOYNE

Cross Country Carnival

Winning Form / Individual Champions

7E	A.COX	M.BOWER
8F	R.WARE	D.MARSH
9F	D.RAVENHORST	S.JOHNSON
10E	A. JOHNSON	S.WOOD
11A	C.HUDSON	W.JACOBSEN
12D	C.JENNION	H.KERR

Swimming Carnival

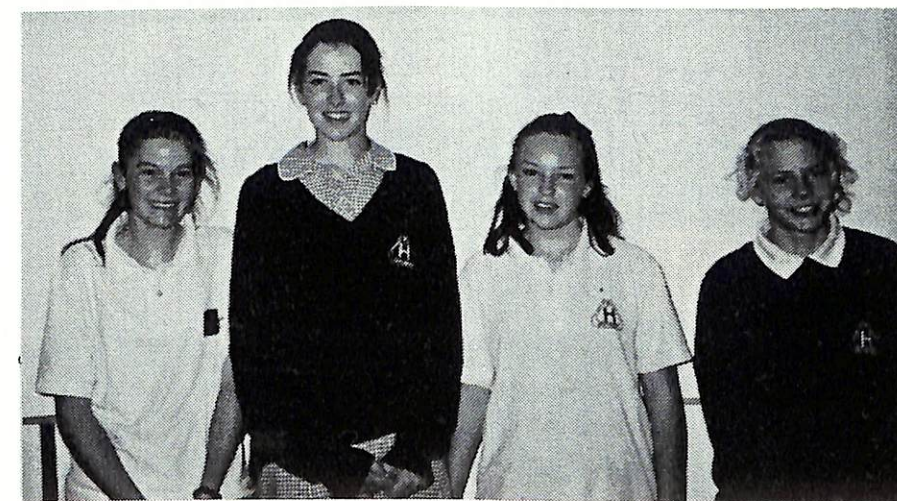
Winning Form / Individual Champions

7D	R.JOHNSON	M.MACLEAN
8H	C.CHAN	T.GRAHAM
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11J	.JOHNSON	N.JEFFERSON&
	A.TEVELEIN	
12D	J.PARKS	B.GARDINER

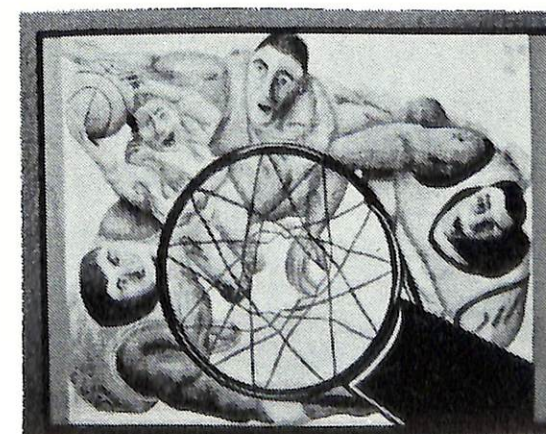


Heathmont College 1995 Sports Awards

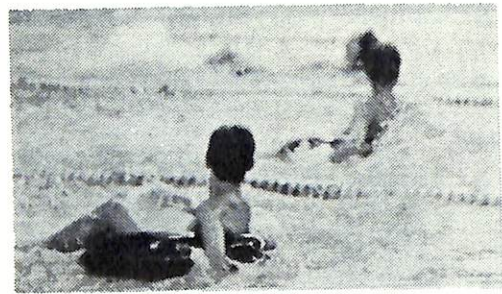
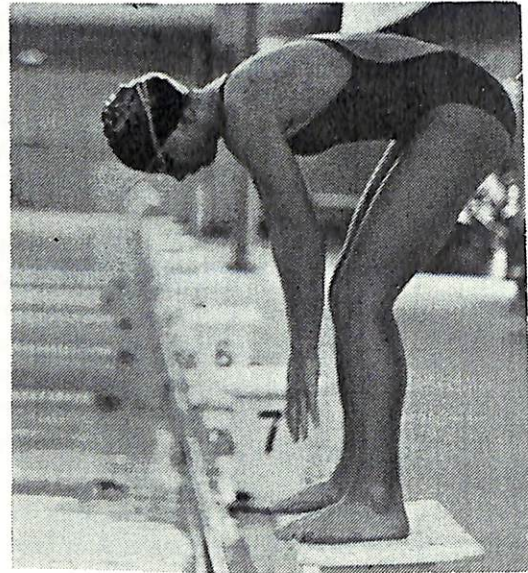
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X COUNTRY	A.FORREST, M.BOWER, A.JOHNSON, R.HURLE, C.JENNION, S.VENN
DIVING	C.FALCKE, . .
GOLF	B.SHANNON.
JUDO	A.OWEN, J.HONG, R.MCLELLAN, S.CHIER,
CRICKET	D.THOMAS, T.POYNTER, M. DE BRUYCKERE, A.OWEN, D.NICOLL, J.NEMETH
SOFTBALL	M.DAWSON, K.OXTON, V.WONG, S.WOOD, A.BUDZIARSKI, R.KIMBERLEY, W.JACOBSEN
BASEBALL	P.O'SULLIVAN, R.SWINDEN, M.VOGT, L.WILSON, M.BROWNLIE, K.BRODECK
TENNIS	R.JOHNSON, D.GRAY, S.CORNELL, G.BETTRIDGE, E.SCOBLE, B.WALKER, K.SHELL
VOLLEYBALL	N.THOMPSON, W.CLOSTER, B.PETRIE, A.CROUGH, V.FLECKNOE, M. TAINTON, N.WEISE
FOOTBALL	N.ITALIANO, A.FORREST, T.BEATTIE, B.PATTERSON, P.WILDING, B.LONG, D.NICOLL, T.GOYNE, N.DOLMAN
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SQUASH	B.CARTHY, M.GRIFFITH, P.GRIFFITH, M.MCRITCHIE,
HOCKEY	D.THOMAS, B.NOTTLE, M.VOGT, M.J.CRISTOBAL, K.MUNRO, A.JOHNSON,
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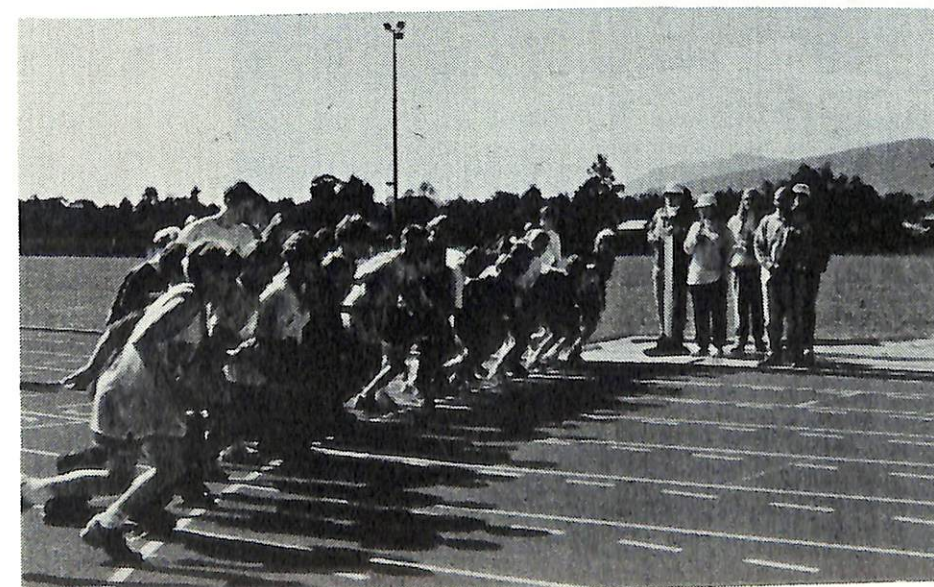
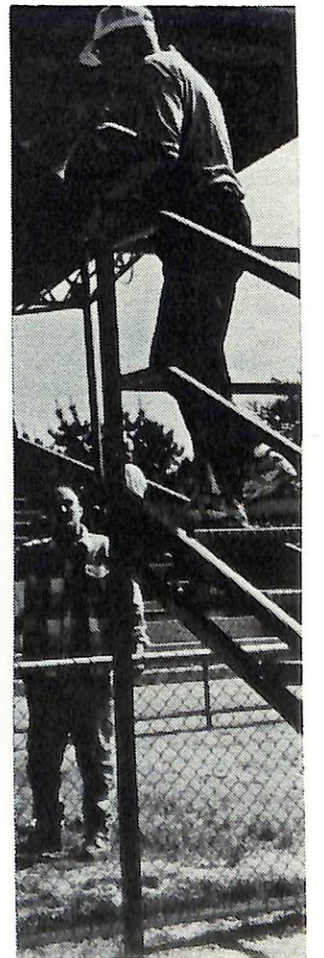
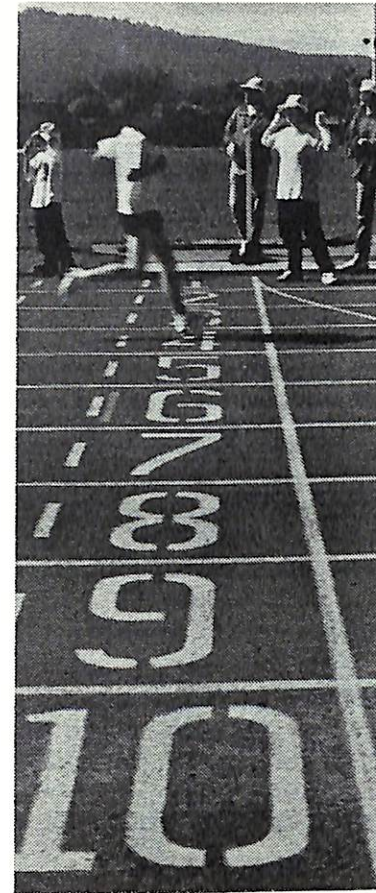
Year 8 Girls Table Tennis Team. Eastern Zone Champions and 3rd in the State.



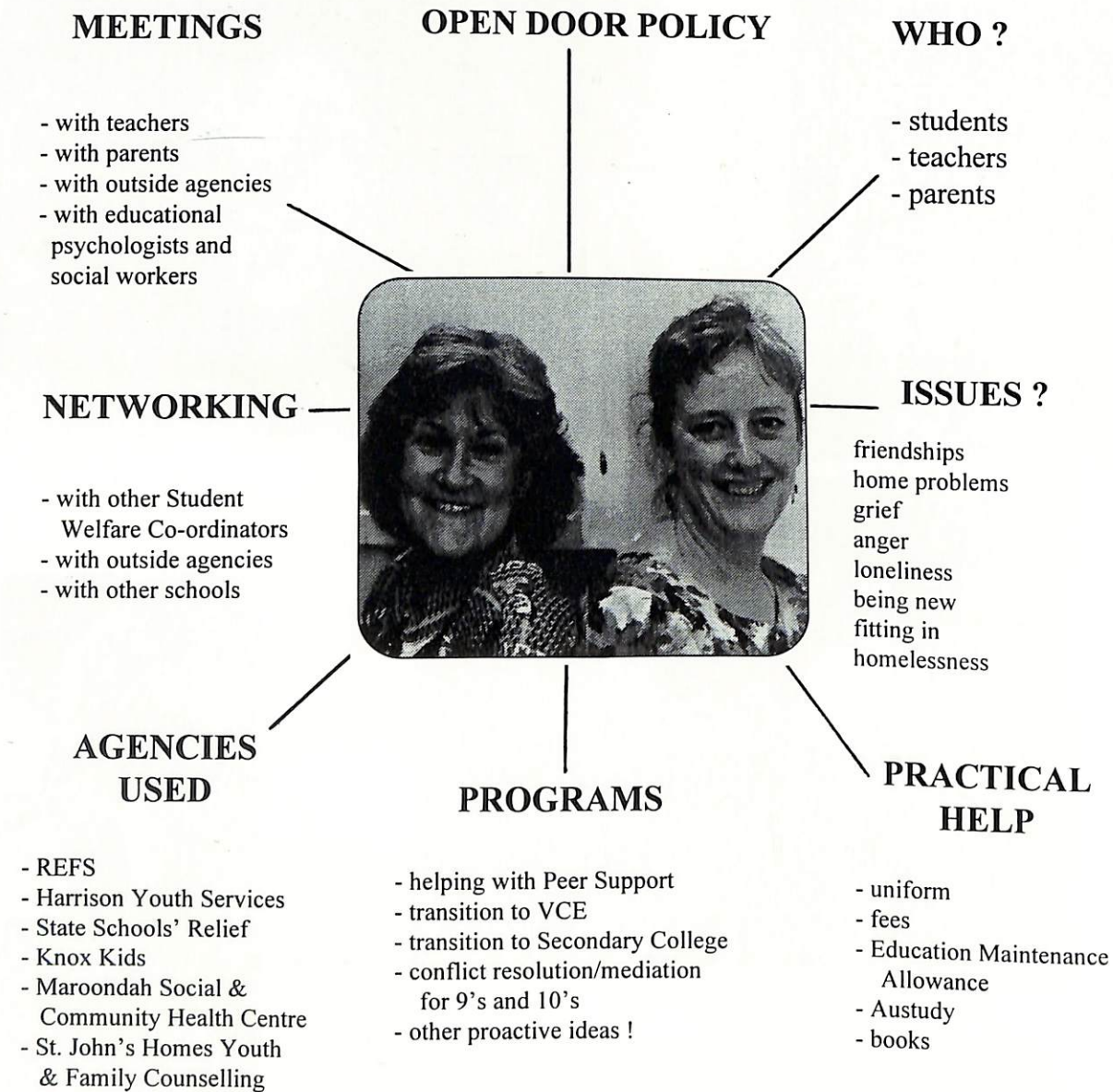
Swimming



Athletics



STUDENT WELFARE 1995



A thankyou to Jesse Johnson for all his hard work during Term III.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

DIRECTIONS: 1995

The staff have been busy this year working on ways to improve programs and the curriculum to extend the learning opportunities for the students of our College. Some of this activity included in-services in mixed ability, gender issues in the curriculum, and the development of new courses to broaden the educational opportunities for students.

A collective focus of the junior and middle sub-schools this year has been to educate students to understand and respect their rights and the rights of others, and to equip them with strategies which will assist them to work positively and co-operatively with their peers.

BRIDGING THE GENERATION GAP: INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

A highlight of the year was the Year 7's participation in a project for International Women's Day. Students of Year 7 interviewed and wrote the life stories of women as part of their English studies. The stories were as varied as they were interesting, and first prize for outstanding work was jointly awarded to Kristen Blackmore and Kelly Floyd.

After completing their biographies, the Year 7's then set about inviting grandparents, family and friends to an afternoon tea at the school which would feature them reading their stories, together with other guest speakers.

The students who prepared the library, or participated as caterers, ushers, waiters and waitresses, all contributed to the success of the afternoon.

Kristen Blackmore, Andrew Devine, Kelly Floyd, Abbey Johnson, David Lemmons, Michael MacPherson, Rebecca Scarborough and Kate Scorby charmed the audience with their accounts of the lives of a grandmother, mother, or elderly friend, and through their introductions to guest speakers. Guest speakers of other generations included a parent, Elvira Maschmann, the Junior Campus Principal, Ruth Anderson-Smith and the lively 74 year old from the local community, Vera Boyd.

The hard work and enthusiasm of the Year 7's resulted in an enjoyable afternoon for staff students, their family and friends.

E.O. Co-ordinator, Colleen Van Der Horst



Year 7 Camp Candlebark Farm

After unpacking we went to the dining room and had spaghetti. We did activities, went swimming and had dinner which was a roast, vegetables, ice cream and fruit. Later we went bushwalking. We were so tired from the walk we were happy to have supper which was chocolate, peppermint balls and hot or cold milo, tea or coffee.

We went to our rooms and went to sleep. (We were told to go to sleep, but do you think we did?) Activities included canoeing, cooking, cricket, pottery, a rope course, flying fox and permaculture. We swam, ate, had a quiz and disco (which lasted about 5 minutes), went for a walk at Badgers' Creek, had a quiz with lollies for prizes and hot dogs. We arrived back at school and went home.

Kristen Blackmore & Gemma Tyson 7F



Year 9 Camp Campaspe Downs

This year the Year Nines travelled to Campaspe Downs for a five day camp that was highly successful. There was a terrific range of activities, including canoeing, horseriding, trampolining, volleyball, basketball and swimming. Horseriding was the most popular, closely followed by abseiling. When we asked what the food was like, we got some different responses. Most thought it was o.k. but everyone thought that the cordial was too weak. There was one injury, Louise Richards, who broke her ankle, but she came back and was a star with her crutches and plaster. Everyone we interviewed said that they would have liked to stay a bit longer. Ms Panoussos said that the Year 9 camp was very successful because they had good weather and the students' behaviour was excellent.

Rhianna Farmer & Mathew Canterford



Work Experience

One hundred and ninety-four students were placed by co-ordinator, Tom Burton, in this year's round. Students worked in both the city and suburbs, many leaving home and arriving home in the dark, a new experience in itself! Some enterprising workers had their work experience in Sydney and Adelaide, showing how far you have to go these days to get a job. The range of work experiences was equally wide, with students doing anything from cartography to designing golf courses. Our harassed Work Experience Co-ordinator was delighted with the rave reports for our students but less happy when he saw his trusty car being towed away when he returned to it after one of his visits.

Heathmont Links Education, Training and Industry

Heathmont students were given the opportunity of participating in a number of vocational education programs offered for 1995. Students had the opportunity of selecting from programs in Hospitality, Auto, Electronics, Engineering and Business Technology. The list of programs was added to with Retail and Recreation- Sport Coaching/Administration becoming available to students for 1996.

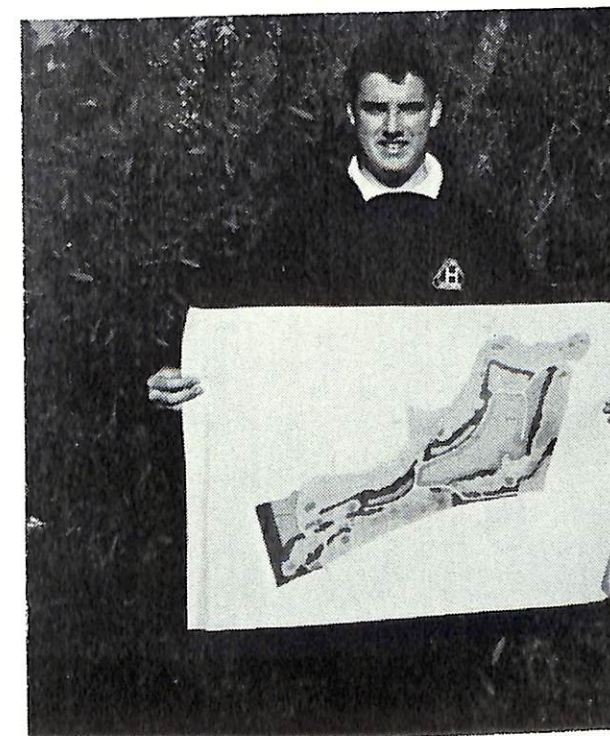
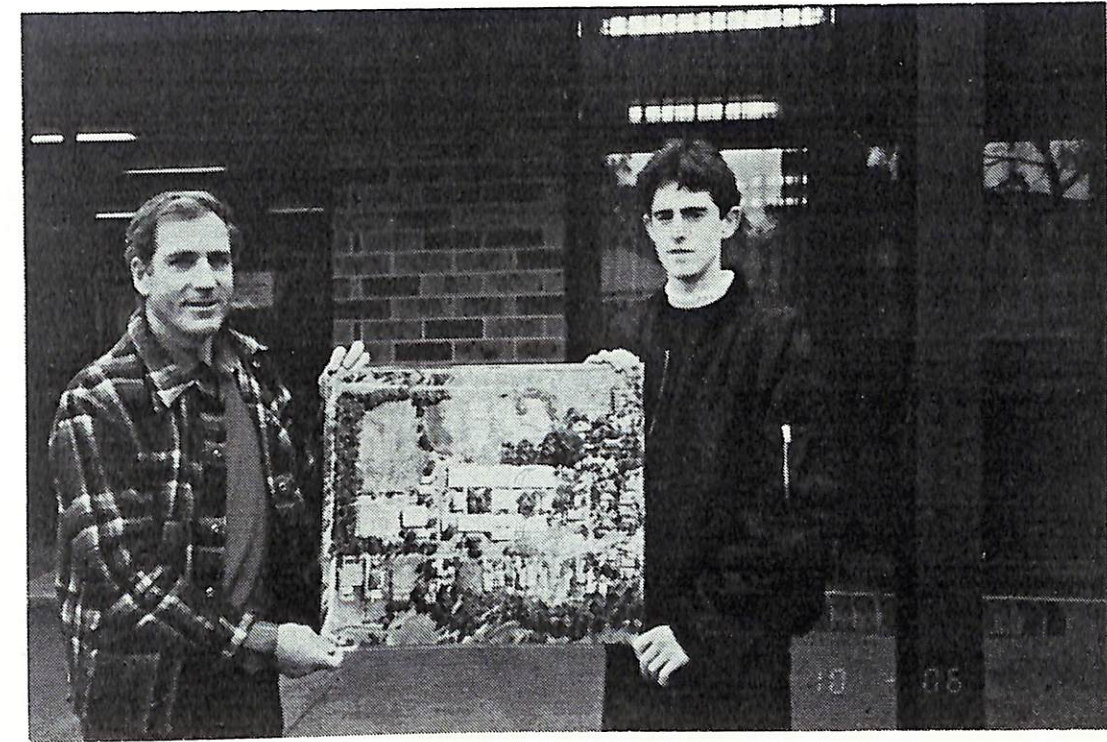
The programs offered allow students to gain their VCE while at the same time achieving qualifications from our training partner, Swinburne College of TAFE. The dual recognition and dual certificate opportunities accelerate students through their TAFE qualifications. Students will also gain a Tertiary Entrance Ranking (TER) which they can use to enter other tertiary programs.

In keeping with state and federal government initiatives Heathmont College has entered into memorandums of understanding with two industry partners. The York on Lilydale provides work placement opportunities for our hospitality students while Myer Grace Bros provides on the job training for our future Retail/Sales Management students. Heathmont College students are fortunate to have the participation of these outstanding businesses in their programs.

Through the vocational opportunities now available in the college curriculum, the diverse educational needs of all its students are more readily addressed.

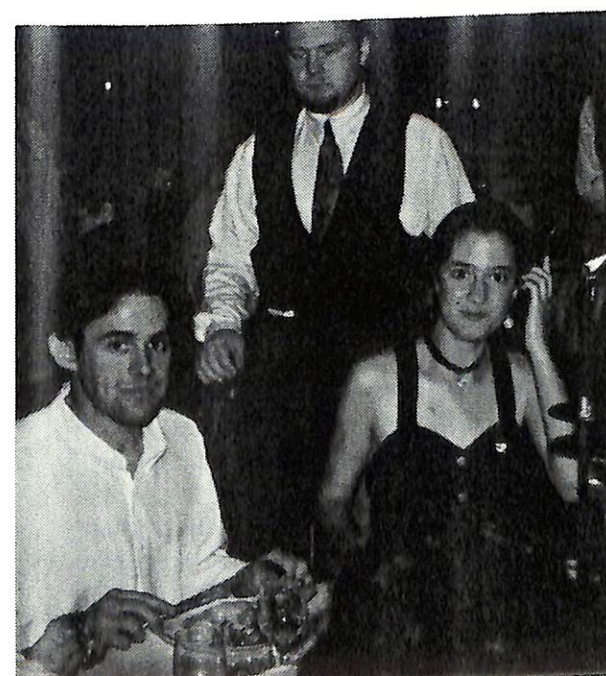
Finally, the involvement of Heathmont College in the development and implementation of vocational education programs clearly makes the college a recognised educational leader in curriculum development.

Geoff Flett- Curriculum Co-ordinator



Valedictory. Dinner.

At the end of November the college gave a formal farewell to our VCE graduates 1995 at Chaucer's Restaurant. Students, families, teachers and friends enjoyed a great night. Ruth Anderson-Smith took the Year Twelves on a nostalgic trip down memory lane, Senior co-ordinators distributed subject awards and other "awards" were delivered to student identities by Phil 'I've-Got-Your-Number' Reynolds. Assistant Principal, Mike Bradley welcomed the surviving members of Ringwood Tech and College Principal, Glenn Fankhauser, congratulated and farewelled this terrific group of young people. Finally, the staff choir sang, proving that teaching is their real calling in life.



English

Once again Shakespeare Without Tears gave us a wonderful introduction to the bard. Year 10 saw "Romeo and Juliet", where Juliet, in particular, was a great hit. Year 11 were entertained by the more sombre "Macbeth". Year 12 combined their T.I.S.S. excursion with a visit to the Croydon Cinema, where they saw "My Left Foot", our non-print V.C.E. text for this year.

Many students entered the English Competition where they demonstrated that the proficiency of our students in English is equal to that of the best of students from Victoria.

Almost half of the Heathmont students who entered were awarded certificates. Highest awards went to Claire Adams and Sally MacAdams, Year 9, who received Certificates of High Distinction.

Their results place them in the top 1% of students in the State.

Rob James
English Co-ordinator

IT WAS DIFFERENT THAT WINTER Winner of the Junior School Short Story Competition by Meredith Gillzan

There seemed nothing magical about the first winter's day that year. It was always the same - a dismal day when everyone was bored and moody because of the weather. Amelia sat gloomily by the lounge room window, listening to the rain and wishing she could see it.

"Cheer up Amy! Stop moping about the window and come and join us in a game of Scrabble." Her mother coaxed.

"No thanks Mum." Amelia answered as she turned back to the window. She felt silly playing games where people had to tell her what she had scored and what letters she had normally she didn't mind too much, but she just didn't feel like it tonight. Amelia's mother sighed and halfheartedly went to organise the Scrabble game. Amelia seemed to be more depressed about her blindness than usual.

Amelia listened to the other members of the family playing Scrabble. She was just considering joining the game when she saw a lady clad in long robes beckoning for her to come. Without thinking about how strange it was for her to be able to see the lady, or remembering her parents' warnings about strangers, Amelia stood up and went with the beckoning figure. She felt safe and it seemed like the natural thing to do. They stepped into a room with huge movie screens on the walls and ceiling.

The first screen she saw was filled with staring children and babies with thin, bony arms and bloated stomachs. Their eyes were huge and staring and the flies! Amelia was shocked, her own eyes filled with tears as she thought of the dinner she had just eaten. She couldn't look at them any longer - she turned to the next screen. A war torn city was in shambles. Young men and boys were being herded together like sheep by soldiers with rifles. She heard their mothers crying, their sisters screaming. She saw a blood splattered wall. Oh no, she thought - I'm in a horror movie, this can't be real. She closed her eyes and turned away.

A beautiful little boy smiled and held out something towards her on the next screen. As the picture widened her smile in turn faded, as she noticed the little boy had no legs and a twisted deformed body. He was begging. There were beggars on each corner looking more pitiful and more gruesome each time she looked. Their clothes hung about them in tatters and were not any protection from the cold winter wind. She knew that a lot of these people were also homeless and were outcasts, turned out by their own families. Amelia realised that there were many homeless in Australia too. She had heard about the teenagers in Sydney.

The next screen showed a girl standing alone with tears in her eyes. Amelia couldn't see anything wrong with the girl. She looked well fed and well clothed, but her eyes looked a little different to the other eyes she had seen. She was going to ask the lady who the girl was, but she already knew the answer - it was her. Amelia then realised why she had been shown all those terrible things. She had a very good life compared to a lot of people and even though she could not see. She had many other gifts. The lady then took Amelia on a whirlwind tour of visual delights. She saw gardens and countries that she knew she would never see again,

but the sight she treasured the most was a picture of her family - people she loved and had lived with all her life, but had never seen.

When she stepped out of the room the gift of sight left her. She heard her family still playing Scrabble and found herself by the window again.

"Hey", she thought, no time has passed! Amelia felt her way over to the game and joined in. She knew she would experience moments of self pity. Like winter, her moods would come and go, and like this special winter, they would be followed by a time of joy and happiness.

CHANGING OF WINTER The Prize Winning Poem by Andrea Varrasso

Winter is like death -
Everything is so cold and desolate
And like a corpse
Not even the radiant heat of the Sun
Can warm the land's lifeless body

At night, it's as if Death itself walks the land
Stretching its fingers into every corner,
Every crevice;
Beyond the scorching heat of people's log fires,
To feed off the life within them -
Only to prove the heat from the fires
Is but an illusion

It's the night I love the most,
Standing atop a hill
Defying Death's cold embrace -
Facing into the wind,
Challenging it,
Both of us knowing we are each other's equal

I stare up at the full moon,
Staring into the night's eye
And I let myself be bathed in its icy white light.
As if reading my mind,
A lone wolf howls
And I feel akin
To all the sorrow and longing in its voice.

As times I feel as if
I am winter personified,
So cold and bleak are my
Thoughts and emotions.

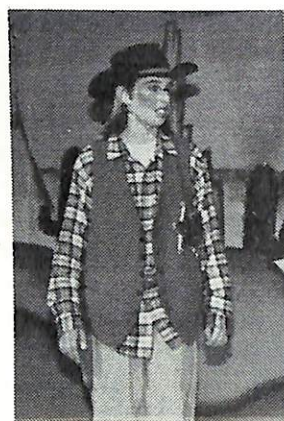
But despite the desolation,
There are signs of life-
Like the children playing in the snow.
There is still something inside me that wants to live,
And I know that Spring will come,
No matter how long Winter seems,
Spring will always come.

How the West Was Warped!

Dry Gulch, a typical western town is taken in the grip of Bad Bart and his desperadoes.



A reluctant Sheriff answers the town's plea for help



(with a little coaxing from his mother).



Indians complicate the situation....

..... as the rescue party heads

towards Dry Gulch.

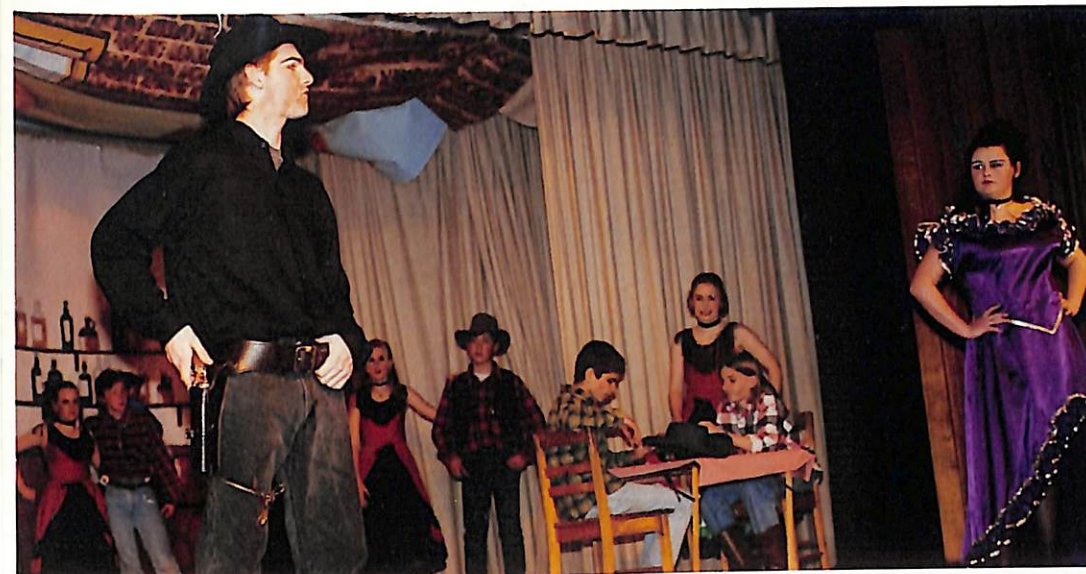
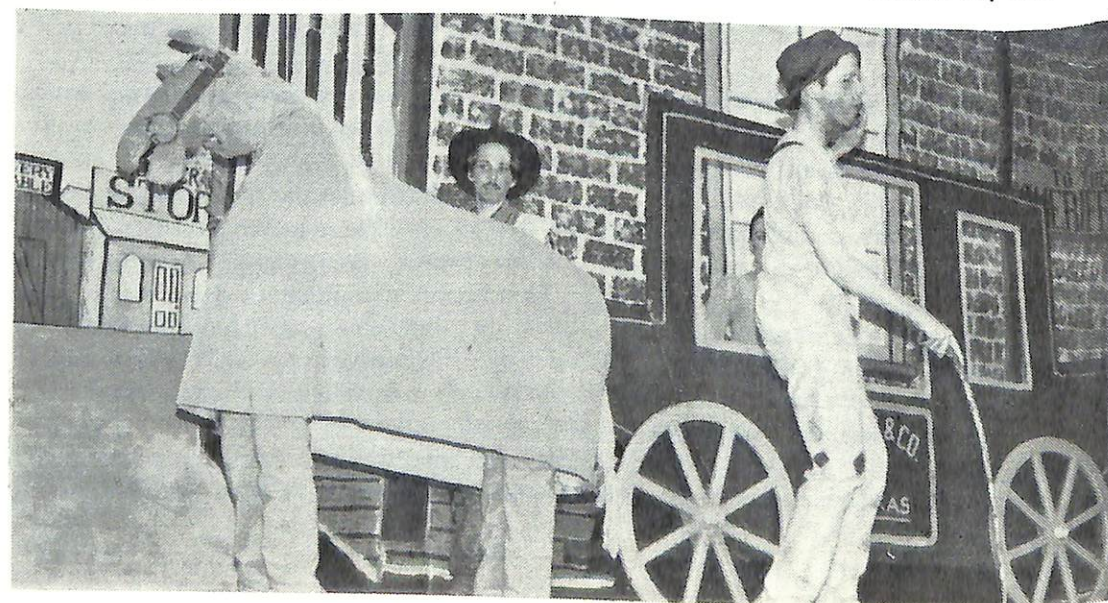


Excerpts of reviews by

Lisa Jones. Keri James.

Aaron Collins

and Debbie Michell.



Bad Bart continues to flex his black muscles, and soon the whole town is quaking in fear.

The hero rides in on his trusty steed Sicari and wins all the girls' hearts.



Outstanding performances by Grant Exon



and Michael Smith sharing the role of Stumpy.



Everything comes down to a typical western showdown at high noon.



I thoroughly enjoyed the puppets in the background.

They were well done and very funny.



The band maintain a high level of energy all the way through.



The acting performances were ACE: well developed talents were shown especially by the showgirls.



The performance left me with a happy feeling and I thought that it was a fantastic production.

Creek Straddler

ART AND TECHNOLOGY
EXHIBITION 1995.

HEATHMONT, RINGWOOD AND
BAYSWATER SECONDARY
COLLEGES.

Students from Heathmont College were once again represented in this exhibition which was originally conceived by the Local Member for Bayswater, Mr Gordon Ashley. The venue this year was the Senior Citizens Club in Bayswater. Having been recently refurbished, it proved to be an excellent initiative and allowed for the display of a wide range of art and technology works as well as access to a well-equipped kitchen. Heathmont College students catered for the afternoon tea provided to guests, officials, students and staff.

Students submitted work in a wide range of media, materials and categories. Awards were presented in Junior, Middle and Senior areas, in both 2D and 3D. Such was the talent evident that the judges decided to split the Middle and Senior areas into 3D artistic and 3D technical.

Heathmont College students were among those who received awards which included \$50 to be spent at a store of their choice.

Ben Kors Year 11 Senior 2D.

Mary-Ann Tsaousidis Year 11 Senior 3D artistic

Kelvin Gorringer Year 12 Senior 3D technical. There were Honourable Mentions awarded to students in all categories.

Two special awards were given by Gordon Ashley at the show. The "MoonJump" award, won in 1994 by Michael Regos was this year awarded to a hearing-impaired student from Bayswater S.C. The other award was the Civic Award and it was won by six Year 11 Art students from Heathmont College. Their artworks featured on all promotional material for the exhibition including flyers, advertising posters and award certificates. They were:

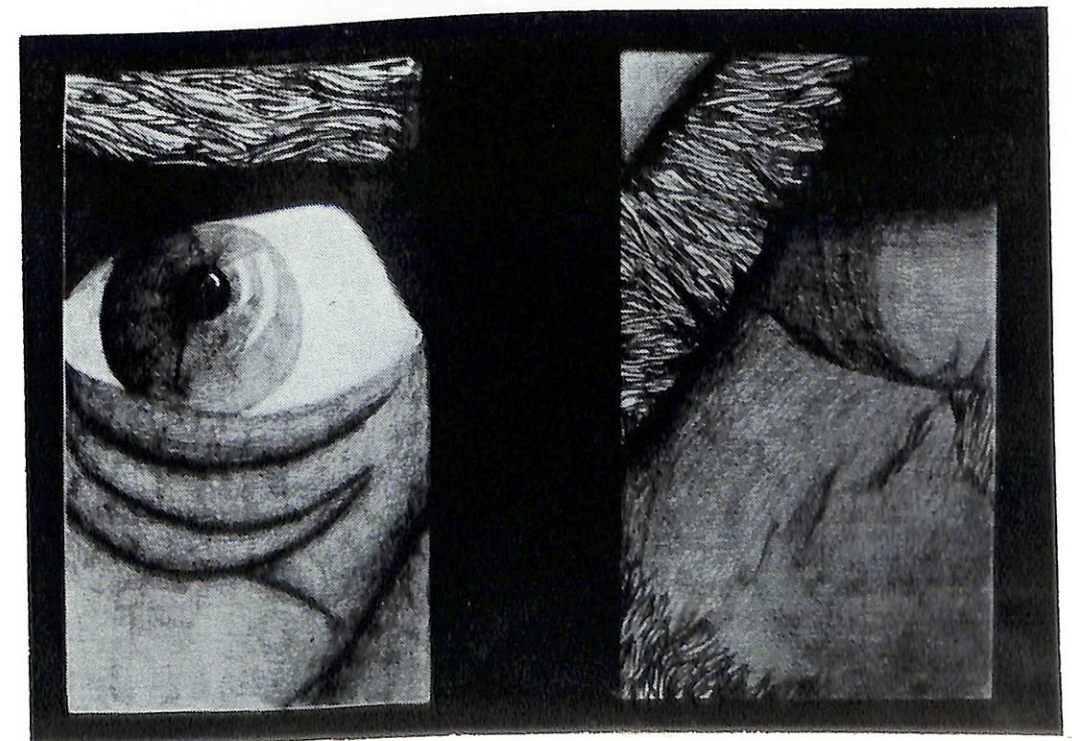
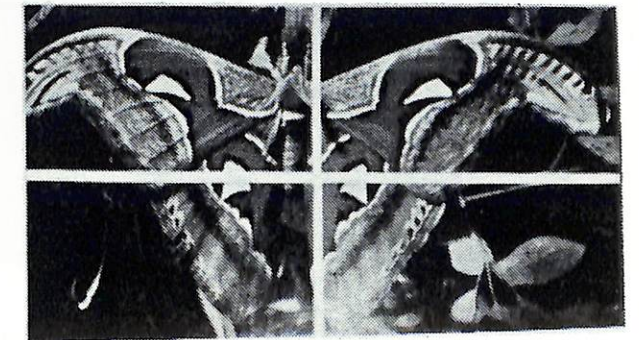
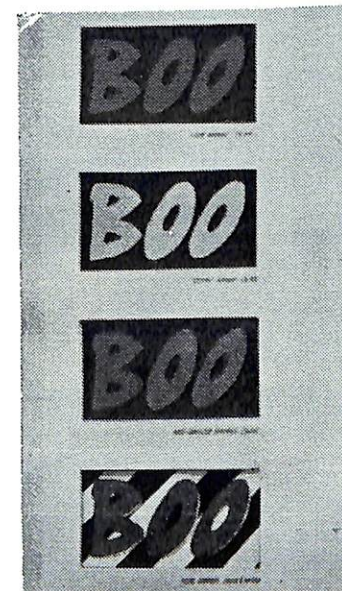
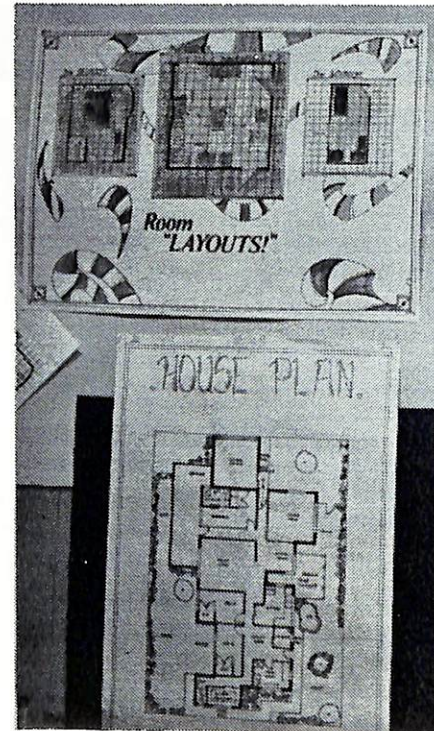
Vanessa Riley
Rohan Baughan
Sarah Harris
Amy Adams
Michelle Lowne
Tim De Broughe

The success of the exhibition ensures its continued place on the calendar for 1996, and was in no small part due to the efforts of all Technology and Arts' staff who gave of their time to help prepare,

set up and man the exhibition on the day. Congratulations must also go to all students whose work was displayed. The event certainly highlights the depth of talent of the students at Heathmont College.

Judy Petch - RTS Learning Area Coordinator.

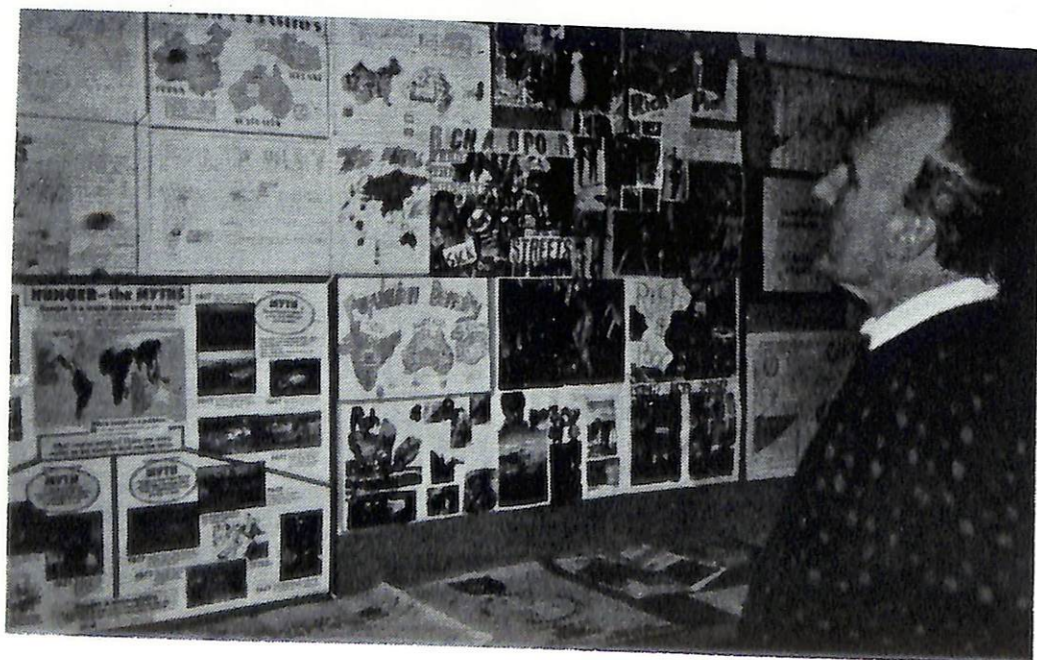
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S.O.S.E

This year students were involved in a number of activities organised by the S.O.S.E. (Studies of Society and Environment) Learning Area. These events took place both at the college and in the wider community.

- Students enthusiastically supported the Annual World Environment Day, selling badges for the Wilderness Society and responding to the trivial pursuit questions at Home Group meetings. Over \$250 was raised by the college which was very gratifying and was warmly welcomed by the sponsors of this event.
- Groups of Year 10 students used the Wantirna Mall as part of their study of small businesses and location. This proved to be a fun excursion and resulted in many interesting observations.
- As part of their study of the Law, Year 10C students organised a visit to the County and Magistrates' Courts in Melbourne. The day was an eye-opener for students unused to the very formal nature of court protocol and procedure.
- Students in Year 10 operated a very successful business enterprise in Term 2. This involved the whole school participating in 'Two on Two' and 'Shoot-out' competitions.
- Several senior History students led the ANZAC Day assembly, outlining to the Junior Campus the meaning and significance of this very important event in Australian History. The efforts of Katie Shell, Fiona Rendall, Margaret-Ann Thomson, Jessica Halliwell, Jennifer Hong,



Nathan Frawley, Daniel McMahon, Davin Malcolm and Brendan Cameron were appreciated by all in attendance.

- Three Year 12 Political Studies students went to Ringwood Secondary College to take part in the Constitutional Convention - Youth Forum. Nathan Frawley, Klaus Brodeck and Fiona Rendall represented the College admirably - sharing their views on the issue of the Republic, the President, the Bill of Rights and Parliament.
- Margaret-Ann Thomson, a Year 12 Australian History and Politics student, was chosen to represent the college at the Exhibition Buildings for the Australia Remembers - Youth Forum. Throughout the morning Margaret-Ann joined with 150 other students from around the state, interviewing veterans and learning first-hand of the experiences of Australia as a nation during WW2.
- The Ringwood Branch of the R.S.L. provided the college with a donation for the Australia Remembers Commemoration. We purchased copies of Sir Edward (Weary) Dunlop's War Diaries and CD-ROM Programs highlighting the war years to allow students on both campuses to access valuable information about WW2.
- Finally, thanks must also go to all those students who have contributed to classroom displays and Open Night displays throughout the year. We look forward to more of the same in 1996.

Deborah Harman - Co-ordinator

LOTE

1995 has been a year of growth and change for the LOTE learning area. Not only is the presence of LOTE in the classroom expanding as LOTE goes compulsory to the end of Year 9 in 1996, but we are reaching further afield in our efforts to promote our LOTEs, German and Indonesian.

One of the most exciting things to emerge this year has been the acquisition of sister schools in both of these countries. Next year, Year 10 and 11 students will have the opportunity to visit Germany in a student exchange and arrangements for this are already well under way, with students already selected. Congratulations to them. Negotiations with a school in Indonesia are also taking place and we hope for some success with this soon.

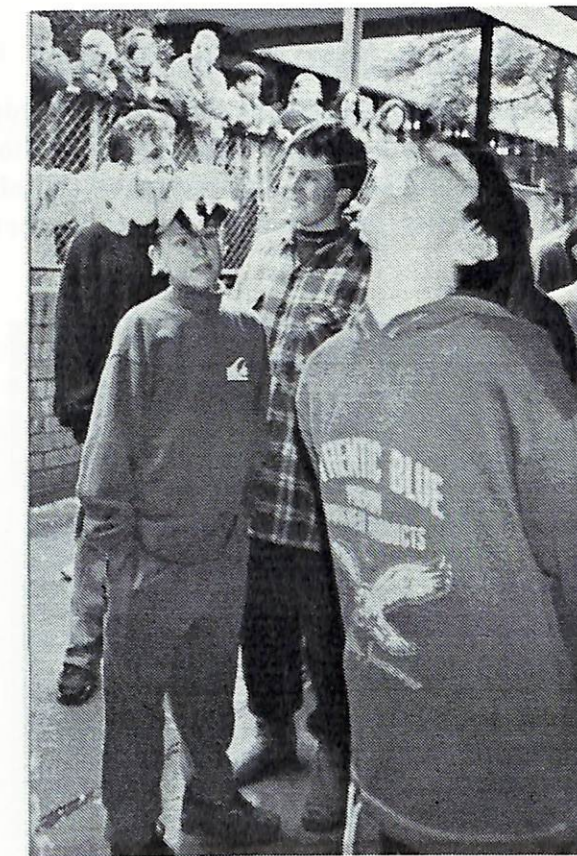
The possibility of an Indonesian sister school has arisen through the Foster Parents Indonesia Organisation. Earlier in the year, the Year 9 group raised money to support an orphan in East Java. As a fundraiser, they cooked a fine Indonesian meal for staff, raising \$120, a six month sponsorship. Since then, FPI has been kind enough to act as go-between in our negotiations. Also in the kitchen recently was the Year 10 German class for its annual luncheon, a delicious 3-course meal.

Again this year several German students performed well at the Goethe Poetry Competition, with two students, Emma Craigie (Yr 11) and Peter Forster (Yr 10) reaching the finals. Poetry recital remains a part of the LOTE course at every year level. Around 17 August (Indonesia's Independence Day) some Yr 8 and 9 students were fortunate to visit the Indonesian Consulate and play the gamelan, the percussive orchestra of Java.

Another highlight of our calendar was LOTE week, with the usual LOTE trivia quiz (extremely well attended) and a new event this year, the "Pretzel and Prawn Cracker Eating Competition".

Brendan Ung was the outright winner, taking home more food to make him sick.

Lynette Tonkin & Matthew Eddy, LOTE



From Snow to Desert Two examples of the opportunities provided at the college to experience the world outside school. The Outdoor Education Program provides terrific opportunities for Middle School students to experience a range of exciting activities. Photos show a skiing excursion to Lake Mountain. The Central Australian tour for Year 11 students takes many students for their first experience of the Outback.

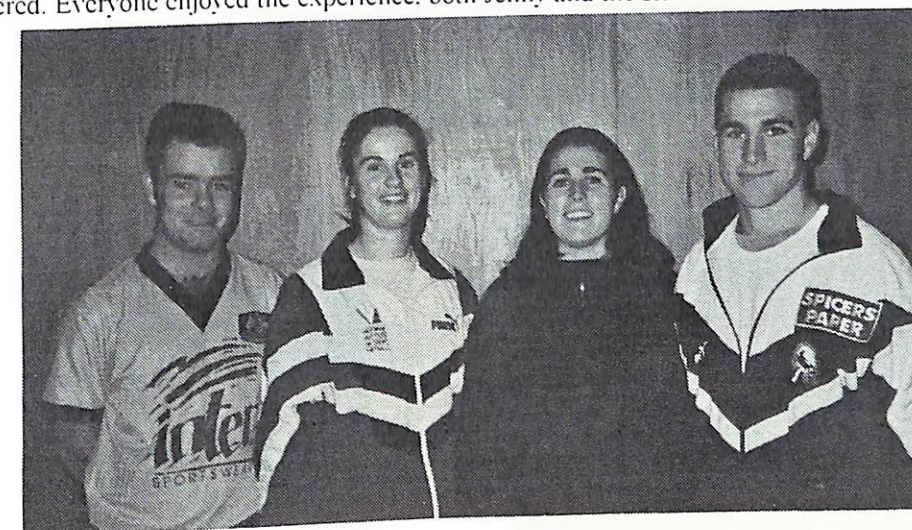


SENIOR SCHOOL ACTIVITY DAY

Towards the end of Term 2, Senior Students participated in an activity afternoon which was organised by Jenny Curran (Year 11). Her Communication Project involved surveying students, booking guest presenters and equipment and facility planning. Clinics were organised in the following:

- Netball Emma O'Callagan - VNA
- Football Chris Curran..-AFL.
- Soccer David Morgan

Support activities of Badminton, Table Tennis, Tennis, Indoor Games, Private Study and Computer Room were also offered. Everyone enjoyed the experience, both Jenny and the students.



FOOTY CLINIC FOR SPORT EDUCATION

Football was one of the eight units of work in the year 7 sport education program this year. Leading 7E in an enjoyable and informative session is Aaron Lord (Geelong F.C.). Steven McCarthy is seen with Aaron.



Music Program 1995

The music program continued to grow under co-ordinator, Brian Poynter, with music groups of all sizes and kinds performing in and out of the school. The rock band, 'Gorilla Grin', was featured in several school gigs. The Junior Wind Ensemble, the Concert Band and the Jazz Combo also had enthusiastic audiences, notably at the busy Eastland Shopping Centre."



Dual Certificate - Hospitality

This year saw the start of the Hospitality course. There were 15 Year 12 students and 18 Year 12 students eager to begin their careers.

The first task was to deck them out with a chef's uniform and arm them with a knife kit. Once this was done, it was all down to work.

While the Year 11 students concentrated on their VCE studies, the Year 12 group began their TAFE modules. On their two TAFE days, lecturers and chefs from Swinburne TAFE taught them a whole range of skills such as: how to prepare a three course meal; which bacteria are harmful; how to serve food and drinks to a customer; how to pour a glass of wine; how to make a bed and clean the toilet; explanation of the gaming laws.

Once their theory part was over, it was time to let them loose on the public. The students went to York on Lilydale Resort (our industry partner) and began to put their knowledge into practice. They took over the kitchen and dining area.

They really excelled, helped by the trial runs they had at Heathmont College. These trial runs consisted of a full three course meal for a Regional Principal School Council group, the staff, and another for their parents and friends.

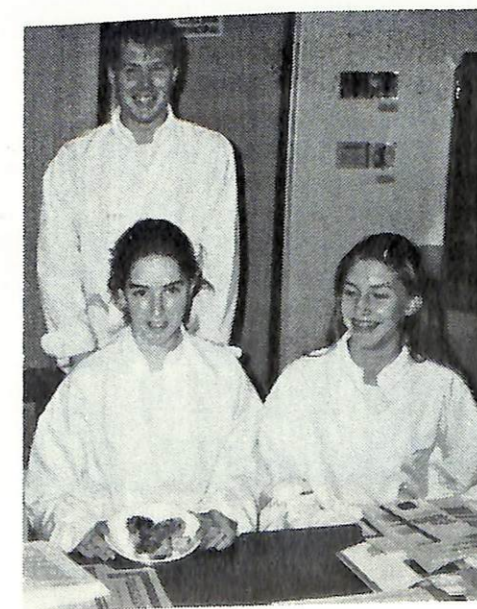
One highlight of the year was a two day trip to the Gippsland area. The students visited a winery, brewery, an emu farm, the Lakes Entrance Fishing Co-operative factory and took a boat trip around Lakes Entrance.

They stayed at Sale TAFE College where their Hospitality students prepared us a lovely evening meal. There were many tired but happy faces when we returned to Heathmont.

I would like to congratulate each of the Year 12 students for their work and effort and to wish them good luck for the remaining six months of their course.

My personal thanks also for the extra time that they gave to the various functions that we have catered throughout the year.

Vivienne Newton
Hospitality Co ordinator



Letters From England and Canada

This year, students from 8A and 9B have been writing to other young people in two schools overseas. They first began the correspondence by answering letters received from Year 5s' at the Down Lane Junior School in Tottenham, London. This led to quite a flurry of letters, postcards and posters being sent, and finally a video of Heathmont College was made by some of our students and posted off.

Because of the age difference between our students and those from Down Lane, a kind of big sister/brother relationship developed and a strong sense of ownership, if that term could be used, as students identified with their penpals.

As the Down Lane students have now progressed into their new year in October, we do not know if the correspondence will continue as it needs teacher support, in their classroom.

While we were busy with Down Lane, out of the blue came another batch of letters written by students in Victoriaville, Quebec, Canada. These were from a secondary school and there was great competition to select a penpal and respond.

Geraldine Baker
English Faculty



Pen pals from England

Debating

Heathmont College had a successful year with interschool debating. Our innovative and enthusiastic Year 10 team won three of five debates, and missed a place in the finals only by a very narrow margin. Topics debated this year covered a range of current events and issues and really allowed students to explore subjects of immediate social relevance. A couple of examples are:

- that the Grand Prix will do more harm than good for Victoria.
- that the media should pay more attention to women in sport.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Year 10 team for the tremendous amount of time and commitment you gave to this extra curricular activity. The budding Year 8 debating team spent Term 2 and Term 4 in training with the help of the Year 10 team who very generously offered to share their expertise with our younger debaters. It looks like we will have very enthusiastic Year 11 and Year 9 teams for interschool debating next year.

Judith Gray - Debating Co-ordinator

Water

Once there were some lonely Hydrogens
Who could not attract any Oxygens
They were willing to share
So grouped into pairs
And tried to attract more Oxygens

There was a big meeting of Kings
Who ruled all the atoms and things
They made up a potion
To set Oxygens in motion
And used the Hydrogens for wings

The new molecule flew
And formed a sea of the color blue
When the great King commanded
It froze and expanded
The Hydrogens froze with it too

The molecule was called water
And given a bond the strength of mortar
The Oxygens debated
Whilst the Hydrogens celebrated
And shouted "yippee" we've finally caught her

Covalent bonds joined up this molecule
And made it a useful tool
In organisms it nourished
And made flowers flourish
And on hot days it kept the King cool

The molecules became sick of each other
And ran away to find another
So the great King invented H-bonding
To stop the molecules from wandering
So now they must tolerate one another

In the middle of a molecule adventure
There was a sudden change in temperature
This time they did not freeze
But boiled at 100 degrees
And moved faster than a student from a lecture

But the temperature just kept on rising
Till the molecule felt like they were frying
The molecule started changing
And into a gas they were re-arranging
Until suddenly in the air they were flying

As the molecules slowed down
They formed drops of which were round
When they were falling other atoms joined in glee
Water hates being used for its high solubility
So gave them a great big frown

The molecules later found
That when they were as hard as ground
And strong and solid like a hero
The degrees Celsius were at a zero
And the Hydrogen bonds were profound

The moral of this little fable
Is it's the bonds which keep the molecule stable
In solid, liquid or gas
This bond system will hardly ever crash
Making the molecule as good as this fable.

Rebecca North

Science

This year the Science Learning Area once again conducted a successful statewide science competition and the results have been most pleasing.

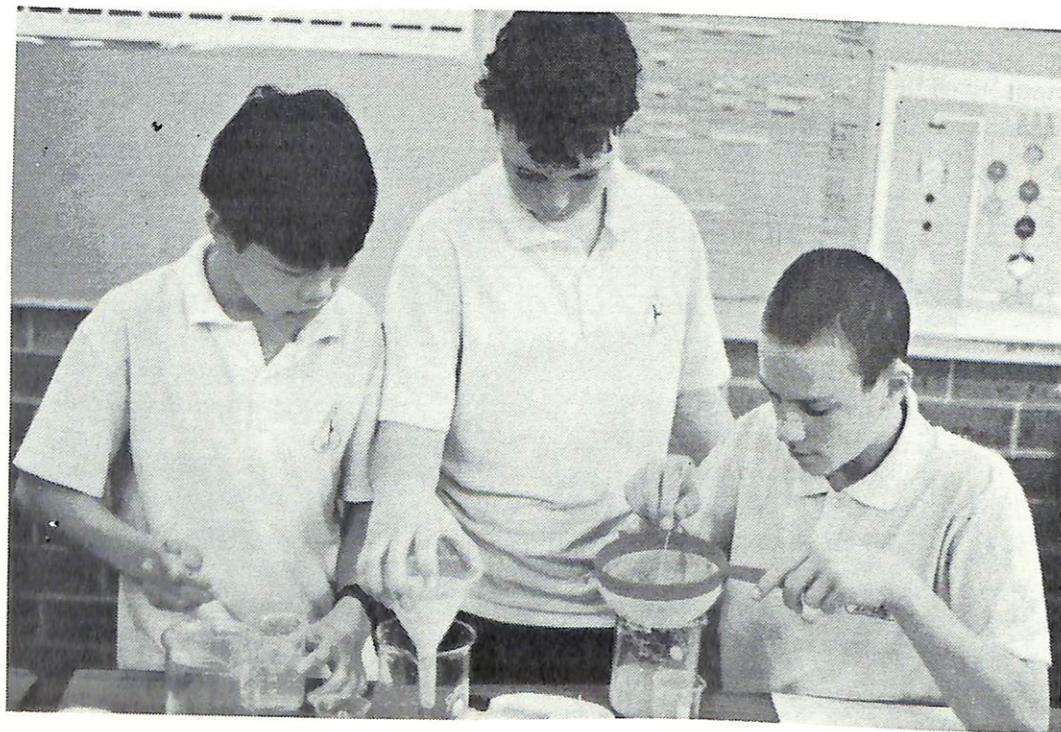
A level of **distinction** was achieved by Joel Hulme, Eugenie Collyer, Shane Pugh, Stuart Thompson and Anthony Corrigan in year 7; Stuart Hall, Adrian Gunther, Dylan Blackmore, Courtney Berk, Lewis Bolch and Michael Vogt in year 8; Michael Smith and Peter Forster in year 10.

A level of **credit** was achieved by Lianne Jenkins, Donna Williams, John McNeill, Michael MacPherson and Christopher McDonald in year 7; Nicole Forster, Leonie Tonkin and Stuart Agnew in year 8; Sally MacAdams and Grant Exon in year 9; Minette O' Brien, Luke Wieland and Andrew Fitch in year 10; Michael Merritt and Jennifer Scott in year 12.

This year Science Week was celebrated by a daily science quiz. A number of students took part from all levels including year 11. The winners were rewarded with tasty treats. I am sure they will try again next year.

This year we also saw 10D students conducting science activities with a group of Southwood grade 5 pupils. It was pleasing to see the caring manner in which the 10C students carried out their instructions. Judging from the enthusiastic faces and comments, the primary pupils found that learning about science was a fun and rewarding experience. Thank you 10 C and Mrs Ayton.

Science co-ordinator. Mr Len



Mathematics

1995 - A great year in mathematics at Heathmont College.

The introduction of Year 9/10 electives have proved very successful. Students and staff have enjoyed the different challenges that the subject has offered.

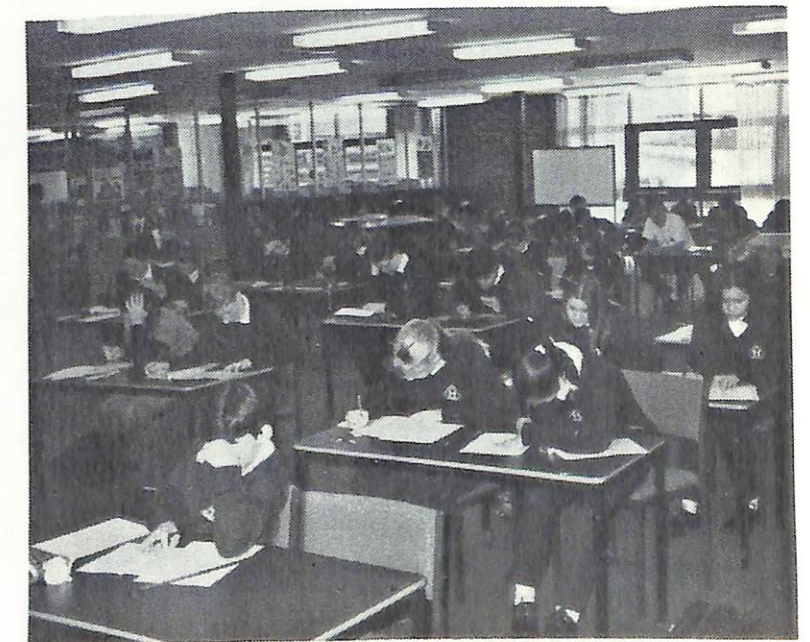
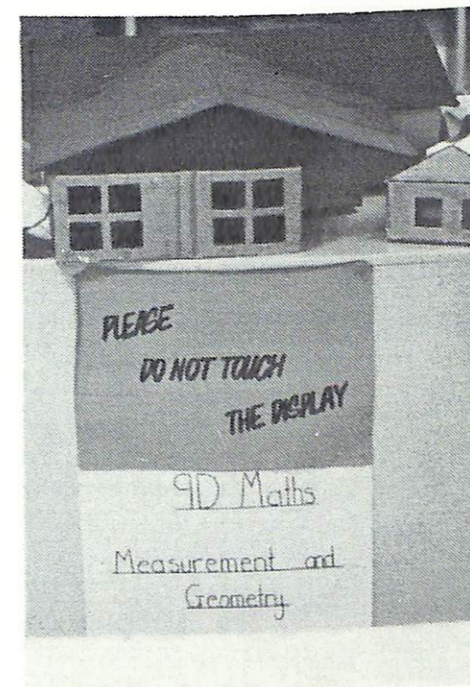
The Problem Solving Task Centre for Years 7 and 8 has also been a successful innovation this year with students' problem solving skills being further developed. These students have also been using the computer package "Logowriter" within their mathematics program. Apart from the enjoyment, this package has enabled many students to greatly develop their spatial, logic and algebra skills. Years 9 and 10 students have also been using "The Incredible Machine" as part of their problem solving exercises.

VCE students have worked extremely hard to complete their work requirements and assessment tasks and are also using more computer packages within their mathematics. Many students have gained excellent results. Hopefully the Year 12 students can perform well on their test CATs to enable them to pursue whatever future career/studies they wish.

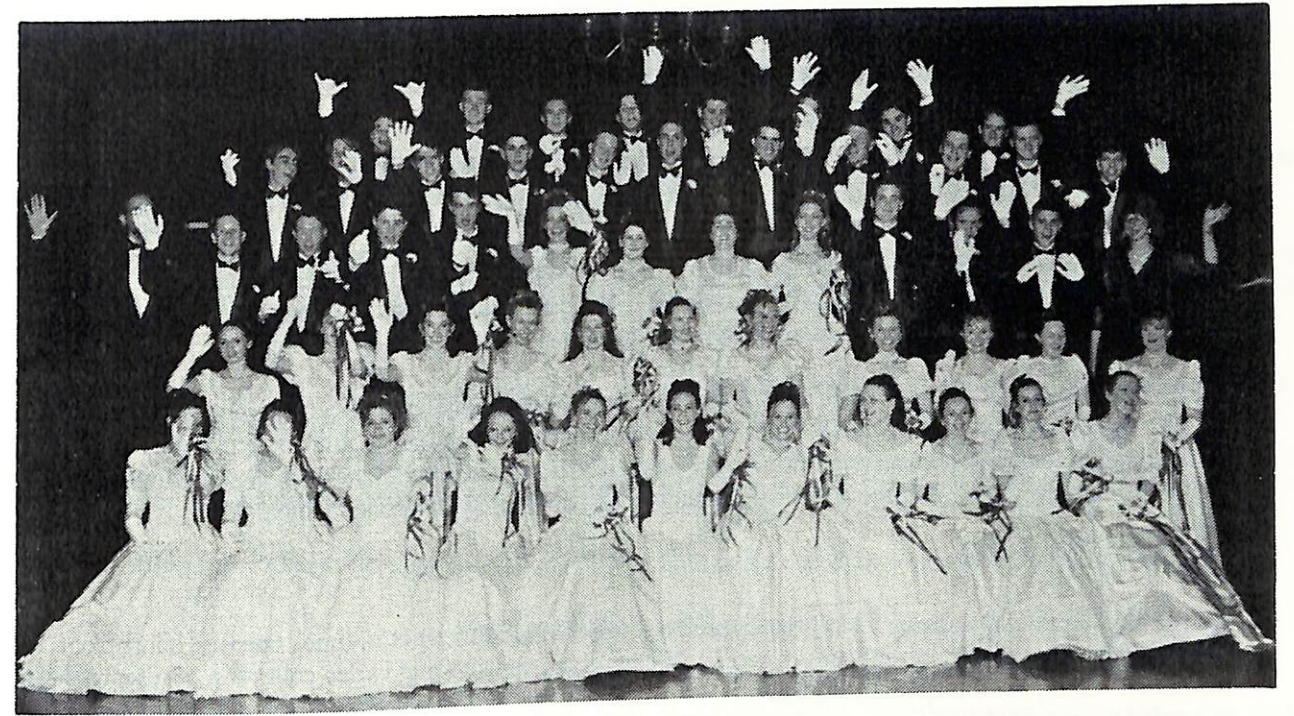
Staff are putting a lot of time and effort into developing the mathematics programs for 1996 to fall in line with the CSF (Curriculum and Standards Framework), one of the new DSE initiatives.

The obvious highlights of the year were the Australian Mathematics Competition and Mathematics Week. Students and staff were involved in a number of activities and competitions. Results from the Australian Mathematics competition were excellent. 73 students participated with 44 of them gaining Distinctions or Credits. Congratulations to all those who participated. Special congratulations to Joel Hulme of Year 7 whose result was so good that he received a Special Achievement Award of a \$30 prize from Westpac. His result was in the top 1% in the state.

J. Ymer Maths Co-ordinator



Presentation Ball



Curriculum Resource Centres

Senior Campus

1995 has been a year of both consolidation and growth for the Resource Centre at Heathmont Road. As the Senior College has moved towards consolidating its identity and status as Senior Campus so too has the Resource Centre defined its position as a teaching facility and support service for the college.

One of the requirements of the V.C.E. is that students learn to collect and use data effectively. Learning how to use information effectively is like learning how to drive by driving, not by being told about driving skills. When students come to us requesting information we do not just 'hand over'. The student soon finds himself in a game of twenty questions. We see information as a process, not a product or commodity.

On a practical level, what have we been able to offer V.C.E. students in 1995?

Apart from 40 years of teaching and library experience, we offer, at this point in time, opening hours from 8.30 a.m. - 4.30p.m. every day, closing only at recess. We have an extensive and varied collection of resources ranging from print - text, periodicals and newspapers - to visual - videos, maps and prints - to a selection of data bases accessible via the CD ROM.

These resources have been selected with the express purpose of supporting the V.C.E. curriculum and currently we have over 29,000 items listed on our computerised catalogue. One of the major advantages of the Senior College in terms of resource use has been the actual availability of the facilities - students of Years 11 and 12 do not have to compete with four other levels.

We wish all our students leaving the college the very best in whatever they choose to do. To our students moving into year 11 and 12, a successful and fulfilling 1996. We are looking forward to working with you in next year.

Marion Last Curriculum Resource Centre

Middle /Junior Campus

In the 1990's, school libraries are described as "Resource Centres" and their role is recognised as central to teaching and learning. The emphasis has shifted from the library as a repository for books to the library as a source of multi-media, introducing students to the information super - highway and training them to access and manage information.

In line with this vision, our resource centre provides data bases on CD- ROM and encyclopaedia in electronic format. Students enjoy researching via computers and there is always much activity around the P.C.s.

To help students interact with the fast changing world we live in, teachers are stressing the importance of up-to-date information. To cater for this need, we provide electronic indexes to newspapers and periodicals and network with other schools in the area to provide hard copies of articles as required. There is also an extensive vertical file of newspaper cuttings and current pamphlets listed under topic.

Our latest inroad into technology is a video viewing facility for student use within the resource centre. This facility also gives access to interactive television via satellite.

Being familiar with new information technologies will stand students in good stead as they move to the senior campus to tertiary training and into careers.

Josette Hocking Curriculum Resource Centre

Book Club

Keen readers from Year 7 and 8 met on alternate Fridays for lunch, discussion of latest releases for teenagers and selection of novels to share as part of their recreational reading

Book of the Year shortlists were read and discussed and students helped with displays for "Book Week". Lots of chat and gossip added to the enjoyment, with friendships strengthened and an occasional McDonalds lunch to add to the fun.

Highlight of the Year was an excursion to Eastland to visit the bookshops where each student chose a book for the school Resource Centre.

Next year it is planned to have a combined Year 7 and 8 group.

Ann Williams - Librarian

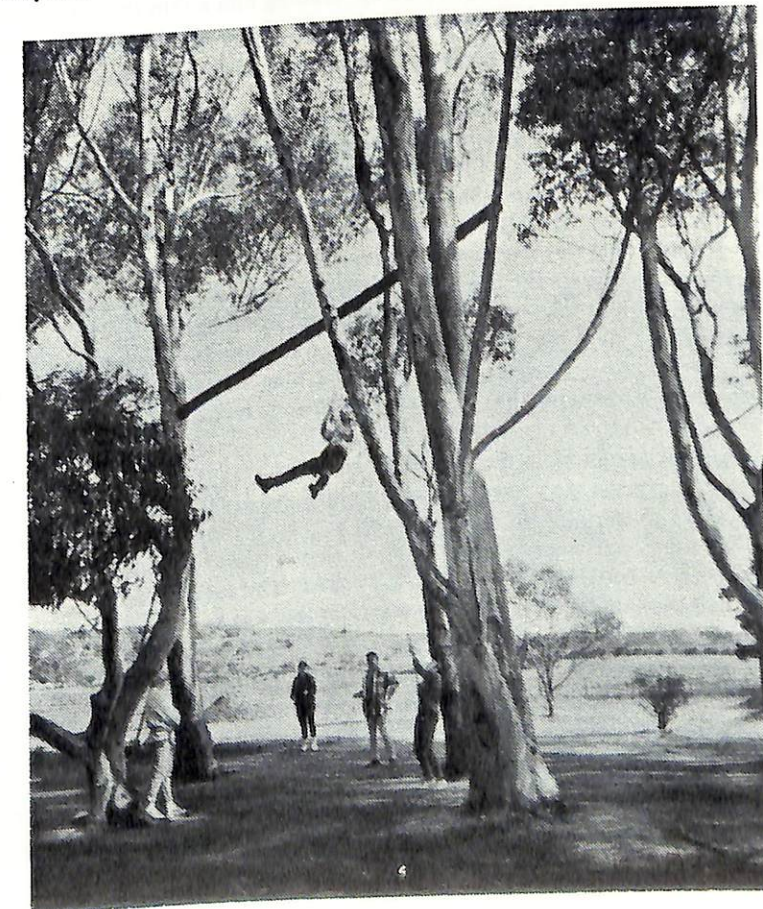
Police High Challenge Camp

During first term, a group of Year 10 students from Heathmont Road, had the opportunity to attend this camp at the Lady Northcote Recreation Camp, about fifteen kms. south of Bacchus Marsh. The students experienced a magnificent venue, fantastic food, great weather and a highly challenging and stimulating program.

The camp consisted of a squadron of police recruits and other personnel, including our students, who were integrated into teams. Each team participated in a wide range of activities, including ropes and orienteering. Each activity is designed to introduce and develop personal skills and leadership, initiative, discipline, acceptance of responsibility, self esteem, trust and assertiveness. Each session culminated in a debriefing to highlight the above skills.

The police recruits and instructors made this camp educational and a highlight that students will never forget.

Ian King & Tony Grayden



Surfscape: Middle School Short Story Winner

By: Michael Smith 10A

He stood on top of the dune, gazing at what lay below him. He smelt the salt in the chilling wind which blasted off the ocean. The smell was so strong he could taste it, and the taste filled him with excitement. He was wearing only a black wetsuit, and he had a brightly coloured piece of foam tucked under his arm. It seemed to belong there. He looked out over the ocean to see a great blue monster which swelled and dipped, sending up mountains of thick, white spray and foam. He could hear the roar of the sea, which served as a warning to those who dared to enter its kingdom. The sand on the beach was shades darker because of the thick grey canopy which refused to let any sun in. At this scene stood many seagulls, squawking, flapping and pecking in a never-ending fight for supremacy. The seagulls chatter seemed to be mocking him, daring him to enter the surf.

He remembered the same scene six months ago and it was barely recognisable. Brightly coloured umbrellas seemed even brighter because of the brilliant sun which shone down on them in all its glory. Children were screeching, swimming, running, dripping ice-cream everywhere. The lines of the beach were broken in places by numerous sand-castles and the odd game of cricket. That ocean was not the savage beast he now saw before him, but gentle rolling breakers which threatened no-one. The surf was then crowded by people with boards of all shapes and sizes, jostling and fighting, paddling around, like hundreds of balloons bobbing up and down in the surf. He smiled. There would be no wave hungry hoards clogging up the surf today.

He walked gingerly down the sandy slope and on to the beach, scattering the seagulls and wiggling his toes in the cool, soft sand. Deciding on the best point of entry, he took his first steps into the foaming vial of water. He was however instantly shocked by the icy-cold. He cursed, and told himself to ignore the temperature and continued wading until he was knee-deep in the water. Taking a deep breath, he plunged into the sea, lying flat on his board. The water numbed him immediately - he had forgotten how cold the water got in winter.

He then began to paddle out, concentrating only on each wall of foam as it approached him. Occasionally one would prove impossible, knocking him back a few feet - a stern warning about what was to come. But soon he found a channel, a strip of calm amongst the madness, which carried him out express - "out the back" - where the biggest waves the sea could conjure up that day were breaking. He paused for a few minutes when he had passed the breakers, to catch his breath, letting the gigantic blue walls bob him up and down.

Somehow everything seemed different from the water. The sand dunes were like a huge fortress, protecting the land that lay within. The grey sky was dark and foreboding. He felt very alone, only a few lights further down the beach remained to remind him of the civilisation he came from. More importantly, the waves seemed bigger and more daunting from out in the surf. A wave broke behind up, sending him a thin shower of spray which stung his face when it hit it, such was their coldness. He looked down at his board. The small chunk of foam seemed incapable of bearing the brunt of the wrath of any of these waves.

Then he saw it. It was larger than usual, much larger and it seemed that it was going to break a long way out from shore. The wave seemed to send out a message: Ride me or face a pounding from an advancing wall of foam. He chose the first option and slowly turned himself and board around. Don't panic, he told himself - be courageous - don't wimp out. However, these words of reassurance had little effect in ironing out the cramp that had formed in his stomach. He began to paddle for the wave. He felt the power of the wave surge up behind him, higher and higher, until he reached the crest. It was a long way down, and the sand he could see at the bottom did not look particularly inviting. He attempted to turn and cut across the face of the wave, but something went wrong. The wave musted, and instead of breaking across bit by bit, it all broke as one continuous wall of water. He let out a scream of terror as the wave spat him out, and threw him into the water. But now the wave was going to have its fun, sucking rider and board into the churning foamy mess. It played with the helpless rider, pushing him down, and dragging him along the sand - savagely beating him. Meanwhile he was struggling, kicking, desperately trying to battle his way to the surface.

Unexpectedly the wave let go of him, in the way that a cat lets an trapped mouse escape from its prey. He leapt out of the water and gasped lungfuls of air. Somehow he stumbled and splashed his way to the shore. He lay out on the soft, safe sand, coughing and spluttering. He was breathing heavily, his mouth parched from the taking in of salty water. He followed his arm leash down towards his board, only to discover that half of it was missing. The sea, as a fine for trespassing into the ocean's kingdom, had claimed his board. The seagulls were laughing now, laughing at him telling him how foolish he had been to put himself in the mercy of the ocean.

When he had regained his composure and forgotten about his dented pride, he staggered up the windswept dune. When he reached the top, he took one last glance at the wintry seascape, and saw a beauty he had not seen before - a windswept, rugged beauty of untouched dunes, wild oceans and grasses swaying in the wind. He laughed with the bitter wind, laughed at the summer beach - and the ones who would never experience this kind of landscape. He bowed to his Majesty the Ocean, for he had been defeated today. But he would be back tomorrow.

Lunchtime Activities

During 1995 many students of Heathmont College engaged in a number of lunchtime activities. Again Year 7 kickball was a great success. After fifteen games 7A received a pizza lunch for their grand final victory.

A volleyball knockout competition was run with all Year 8 forms allowed to submit two teams. After a close grand final 8G defeated 8H. Both classes received an out of uniform day and the team members of 8G went to the Pizza Hut for lunch.

Eight Year 9/10 teams entered an indoor cricket competition - congratulations to 9A who defeated 10A.

Toni Storey (Bayswater Electric Dance Connection) conducted a series of six entertaining and successful dance lessons for 20 students and staff during Term 4.

Andrea Poole - Co ordinator

S R C

While many people may just see the Student Representative Council as a token gesture, or just a bunch of kids sitting around handing out basketballs at lunchtime, this year's SRC has done quite a bit to help the student body and the community.

For example, our free dress days raised money for many different charities throughout the year, such as the Ravandan Appeal, Ringwood Extended Family Services and Cancer Research. We also sold Red Noses and Badges to help with SIDS and poppies to support Legacy.

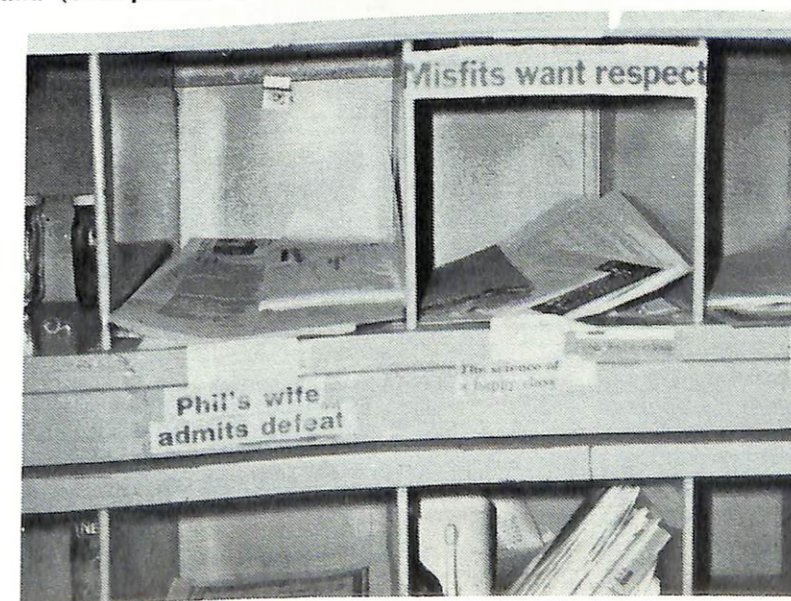
We had a member of the SRC on the School Council so that there could be clear and easy communication between the students and parents and teachers.

We also had a book where SRC members could write down things that other students had approached them about, like the ideas for improving the school or complaints they had, and then each suggestion was discussed and dealt with during our meetings.

We also had our lunchtime borrowing service that allowed students to borrow things like footballs and cricket bats at lunchtime.

Overall, the SRC consider 1995 to be a success and strongly encourage students to be involved next year.

By Susan. J. Carland (SRC president)



ARNE BREUER: On Exchange to Heathmont College

Names: Arne Breuer

From: Bonn, GERMANY

Family: Mum, Dad, Brother

Age: 17

1. How different is life in Australia to life in Germany?

Australians are more open and relaxed, they also like more sport, and everything always done together as a group.

2. Is school harder in Germany?

Yes, you don't work as much, but you learn more. School starts earlier and finishes earlier.

3. Are teachers stricter in Germany?

Yes, definitely, if you speak or interrupt, they won't give you a detention. Instead they give you bad marks on assignments and report cards.

4. Do you miss your friends in Germany?

Not really, because I have made friends here.

5. Do you like Australian Food?

Yes, but Australians eat too much at one time. In Germany we eat four to five times a day, but in small quantities.

6. Have you tried Vegemite?

Yes, but I don't like it too much.

7. Why did you choose to come to Australia?

I've always been a fan of Australia, and I don't like the lifestyle in the U.S.A, because it is too similar to Germany's

8. Have you seen any of our tourist attractions in Melbourne?

So far I've been to the Botanical Gardens, and have had a picnic on the Yarra River.

9. How are you finding the English Language?

English is very easy because it is similar to other languages, but I don't quite understand the slang.

10. In the future do you wish to come back to Australia?

Yes, after I've left school. I'll come back for a holiday.

Mathew Canterford & Suzanne Lawrence

Farewell Mr Burton, Hello Mr Shipton

I'll be on Teacher Exchange in 1996, bound for Lorne Jenkin High School, Barrhead, Alberta Canada. The exchange includes job, house, car and coffee cup. I will be teaching Canadian Social Studies in a little school on the northern prairie in early January 1996.

At Latitude 54° N, the temperature will average about -15c and during blizzards descend below -40c. Can you imagine water, oils, fuels freezing and bursting their pipes? Can you see me wiping my frozen hair and eyelashes (nose hairs included) and bits breaking off. Any skin exposed to -20°c and below causes frostbite and if you put any metal to your skin (eg. car keys between lips) surgery might be required after you remove them.

Cars have special winter tyres, survival kits (candles, watches chocolate, sleeping bags) and plugs (electricity) to prevent freezing.

"Egad!" I hear you say. How do people live and work there?

For starters, they dress up to go outside and dress down when they come in. My guess is that the January sun will creep out by 9am and be gone by 3pm. More than 85% of the students travel from farms where, incidentally, my family and I will be living 20 kms from town. My youngest son will attend Elementary School my daughter Junior High School and my eldest son and I will attend Senior High School.

There is much I have to learn but I am certain now that when I return I will never whinge (?) about Melbourne's winter again!

Tom Burton

V.S.S.S.A. JUDO

On Wednesday the 28th October the Annual V.S.S.S.A. Judo Competition were held at Monash University. Our team was ready to go with an air of excitement and apprehension. Many of our players had never entered an official tournament, and the nerves were really showing. Judo is a very popular elective of the Year 10 level where this semester 23 students undertook the study. After the weigh in, we were ready to go. There were many excellent results for Heathmont. Akira Yamada, the tournament convenor, commented on our players' determination and sportsmanship. At the end of the day we received 10 medals from 14 competitors.

RESULTS:	GOLD MEDALS		
	Sroy Chier 10f	Under 16	70-75kg
	Robert McLellan 10d	Under 16	Over 86kg
	Jimmy Hong 10E	Under 21	55-65kg
	Andrew Owen 10b	Under 21	71-78 kg
	SILVER MEDALS		
	Sean Bridges 10d	Under 16	55-60kg
	Brendan Green 10E	Under 16	70-75kg
	Nicole Jefferson 11C	Under 21	55-65kg
	Simon Luck 10f	Under 16	Over 86kg
	BRONZE MEDALS		
	Rohan McMahon 10b	Under 16	70-75kg
	Sean Dowling 10f	Under 16	55-60kg

Other teams members were: Jason Bergin 10E, Michael Jamieson 10f, Gregory Finkemeyer 10b, and Andrew McMahon 8G. Once again we have established ourselves as the BEST JUDO SCHOOL IN THE STATE and I am personally very proud of our Judo players.

Karl Broecker (Coach)



V.N.A. Schools Championship

During the last week in July V.N.A. Schools Championships Senior Students were involved in Competition in at the State Netball Centre, Royal Park.

Three teams were entered:

1. Senior Girls (Capt. Julie McLellan)
2. Senior Boys (Capt. Brett Long)
3. Senior Mixed (Capt. Kylie Nicol)

The students faced strong opposition in all three sections from Independent Catholic and Secondary Colleges. despite the fact that we did not win our rounds, the students enjoyed themselves immensely and represented the college well. It was heartening to see the number of boys who participated in the competitions.

Thanks go to Mr Kirchofer and Mr. Reynolds for driving the teams into Royal Park and to Leanne McRitchie (VCE1994) for umpiring for the College

Participants

Girls

Julie McLelland
Katie Shell
Michelle Dean
Bianca Snow
Jodie Jacobs
Liz Elliott
Kylie Nicol
Heidi Kerr
Kim Elliott
Michelle Rigg
Niomi Burton
Sally Quinn
Tori Beard

Boys

Brett Long
Dave Nicholl
Dean Semken
Brent Reid
Simon List
Klaus Brodeck
Nathan Frawley
Brendan Wallace
Dennis Tanzen
Chris Percy
Daniel Turner
John Blanck
Paul Raeck

D Harman
Coach

Bayswater Roller Skaters

There are four Australian champion roller skaters who go to Heathmont College. Just recently they held the Australian Championships in Victoria.

All four skaters came out with a place. Nick Linford (year 10), Melissa Stopford (year 8), both competed in freeskating pairs and they came second, Nick also competed in freeskating (solo event) and placed first.

Emma Kamsey (year 9) came first and second in her single events and now is going to be competing in Columbia in the World Titles and Shaylie Knight came first in her figure event. They will all be going to New Zealand to compete in April 1996.

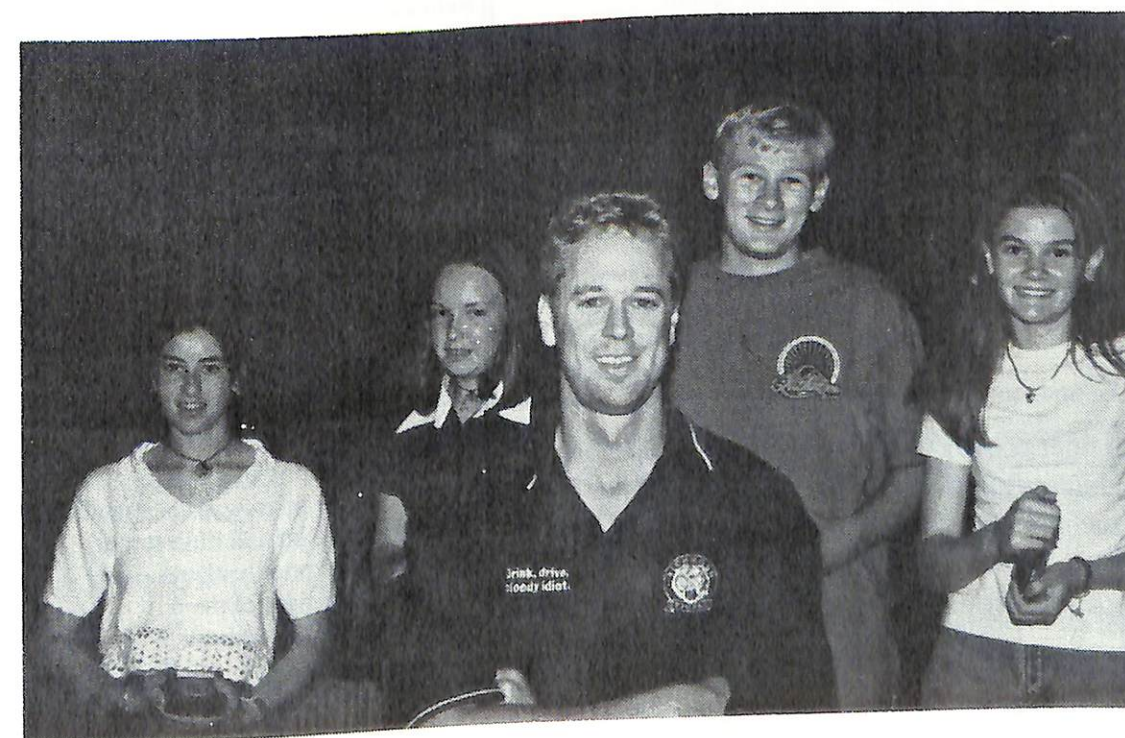
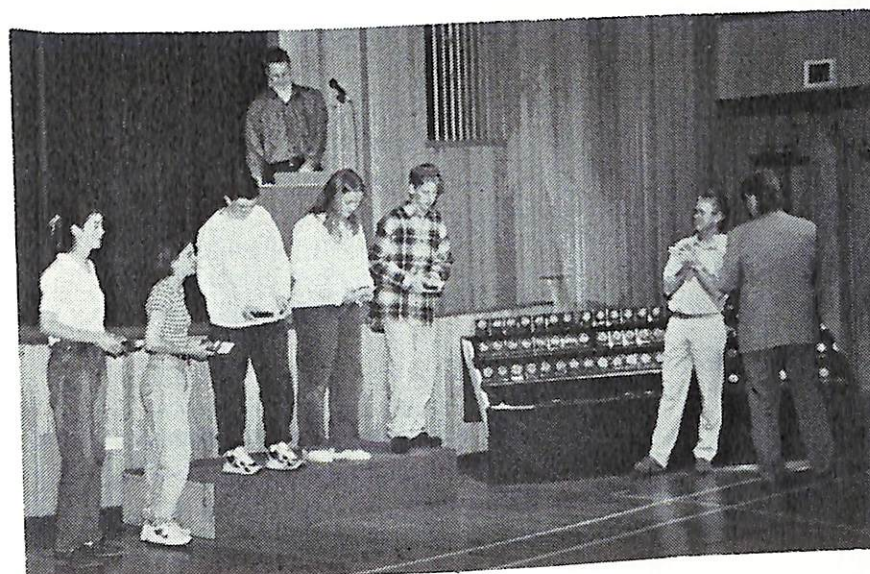
These skaters train very hard and some of them train up to 15-20 hours a week all year round. These skaters started in tots classes when they were 3-4 years old and they are still dedicated students now.

By 'One of the Team'

Sports and Academic Awards

Two Special Nights

Sport and academic achievement is recognised by the college in two separate nights of displays, guest speakers and prize giving.



Some of the highlights of the recent Sports' Night. Guest speakers included Richmond footballer, Nathan Bower and Australian Judo champion, Catherine Alcoe.

Missing You

I could sit and write
About what I've been doing.
How boring.

I could tell you
About places I've been.
How boring.

I could tell you
About people I've met,
But they're not you.

And then I could sit and cry,
and tell you that I miss you
With all my heart.

Now that would be something special.

Emma Ramsay Year 9

Parents

My life is a novel,
a story from within.
Every morning I awake
a new chapter begins.
The Introduction -
My Birth.

You are the author.
You are my parents.
I am your daughter.

Julie Havenschild Year 9.

Tiger

The tiger prowls through the night
In jungles full of fright.
Gracefully it stalks its victims,
Evil eyes in darkness,
Ripping apart its prey.

Justine Tinner Year 8

Senses (Or the making of a vegetarian)

I see a majestic bird.
I hear its lovely call.
I feel the soft feathers brush by.
I smell tea cooking.
I taste a lovely roast chicken.

Stephen Elford 9D

The Tree

The big, old tree
Stood in our yard,
Protecting us all
Like an army guard.

Janelle d'Souza Year 9.

Through My Frame - [A Closer Look at the West Courtyard]

My eyes are closed.
I'm trying to hear,
But Becky Barnard is singing.
The wind is moving through the trees,
The birds are singing, people are walking
And Mr James is talking.

Rebekah Rust Year 7

The leaves have freckles, like my sister's face.
There's slim ones, there's fat ones on the earth's base.
The grass like knives sticking out of the ground,
Ready to strike, ready to pound.
But in this frame I see a lifetime
of maybe a snail, with a trail of slime.

Joel Scott Year 7

As I looked through my picture frame,
I saw crippled leaves lying on bark.
I also saw little black ants
That were crawling in the dirt.
Then the ants ran around the strands of grass
Onto twigs and behind little stones,
And round the prickly plants.
But then I lost sight of them
Behind the lolly wrappers.

Mark Donald Year 7

Teacher

A teacher is grey.
He is the winter in a jail.
He is hailstones.
A teacher is a cardigan,
an electric chair.
He is "Married with Children",
a cold cup of coffee.

Michael Francis Year 8

A Legend

The tide is gushing out furiously and the thrashing waves are pulling and tugging at the casket of drift wood with the helpless child enclosed.

Dragging him out to sea, the waves pull him, around the shoal of rocks into the next bay. He is being sucked out of sight, existence and the real world.

The baby drifts swiftly around the rocks and into the next world of mountainous foaming waves of the salty, blue green ocean.

The gulls fly into the air, while the dolphins and sea lions dance through the ocean, rejoicing to the sea and sky about the sacrifice made that had saved the land and civilization of Garatogo Island.

Eugenie Collyer 7C

Things Are Beautiful

Hot things are beautiful:
A Pie at the footy.
A hot shower in winter.
A fire and hot water bottle.
The warm, morning sun.
The warmth of my jumper.
A hot, roasting bun.

And cold things are beautiful.
The breeze in the air.
The longer winter slide.
The wind in my hair.
A ski down a slope.
The ice block that freezes.
An air conditioner that pleases.

Vanessa Wong Year 8

Hello and Goodbye

Hello bus, Goodbye walking.
Hello taxi, Goodbye bus.
Hello car, Goodbye taxi.
Hello accident, Goodbye car.
Hello hospital, Goodbye injuries.
Hello mountain bike, Goodbye skateboard.
Hello brick wall, Goodbye mountainbike.
Hello chauffeur, Goodbye walking, bus, taxi,
car, mountain bike and skateboard.

Stuart Hall. Year 8

The Boy With the Bucket

There is a boy holding a bucket. His face is dirty and sad but his eyes show high hopes. His lips are very red and his face very pale. His face is surrounded by medium creamy coloured skivvy which is very ugly.

He has an old bag over his shoulder which contains his newspapers. He is standing at the side of an old street which isn't made of bitumen and industry. There are a lot of poor people in this part of town.

The boy is holding an old, dented bucket. He has water in it that he has to take up to the hut where he lives with his two sets of grandparents.

The boy's name is Charlie.

Charlie is thinking of what he would do to get the money so his bed-ridden grandparents could go to a nursing home where they would get the care that they need.

Charlie walks into the milk bar and buys a Willy Wonka chocolate bar.

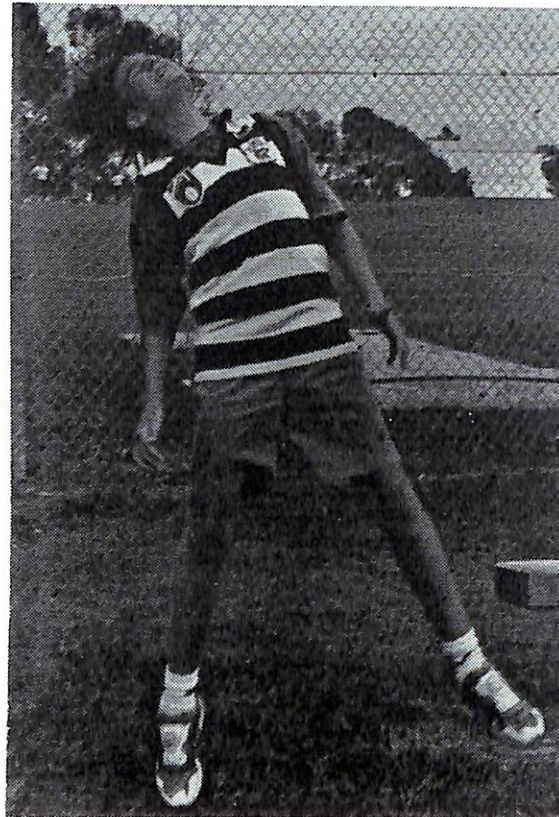
Stewart Peck 10D

Night Journey

The moonlight casts over a lone soul. He briskly walks to a secluded area. The gentle swaying of the trees rustle his hair. Cold air adds to the reddish colour of his pale face. Wait... Was that the sound of footsteps? No, it couldn't be. Clearing his mind he turns left, past some over-shadowing trees. Finally he reaches his destination. Entering quickly he sits down and relaxes to the comfort of his toilet seat. His outside dunny - a place known only to him.

Sok Maly Ben

Heathmont Legend Quiz : 1995 Brett Long



To commemorate Brett's final year we have designed a special Brett Long Quiz. What you have to do is carefully examine the photograph above and pick the correct answer from the 10 possibilities listed. Just complete the sentence correctly and you could win a night out in Heathmont with Brett Long! (Details below.)

Here is the sentence:

At the moment this photograph was taken, Brett had just realised that:

1. Gary Ablett was not God.
2. he needed to buy a size bigger jocks.
3. he had just stepped in something.
4. he had double Mr Donlon that afternoon.
5. his hair was caught in the wire.
6. he'd left the gas on at home this morning.
7. a blowfly had flown into his mouth.
8. Throwing the Gumboot was not his best sport.
9. Geelong had not won the '89 Grand Final.
10. his jaw had locked up and he would never be able to talk in English again.

Competition Details:

Your night out with Brett will include:

- * Looking up in the sky for Gary Ablett
- * Checking out cars with interstate numberplates on Canterbury Road.
- * Watching a train pull out of Heathmont station.
- * Watching the monitors at Heathmont TAB
- * Playing Spot the Beetle. (He learned this game from World Champion, Lainie Smallwood.)

Send your answer to Brett Long c/- Australia Post. They'll know how to find him.

Special Achievement Awards

W.Jacobson	Netball (VNA U/17)
G.Catto	Basketball (VBA U/16)
S. Wood	Softball (VSSSA U/18)
C.Manners	Rhythmic Gymnastics
M.Mason	Darts (VDA U/18)
S.Knight	Figure Skating (VIC & AUST.)
O.Wilhelm	Cricket(VCA U/17)
E.Ramsey	Figure Skating(VIC & AUST.)
M. Gillespe	Motorcross (VIC C GRADE)
M.Oredsson	Jazz Dance (VIC & AUST.)
D.Allsopp	Soccer (AUST)
A.Stalder	Speedskating (AUST)
	Cycling (VIC)
N.Allsopp	Speed skating(AUST)
N.Linford	Figure Skating (VIC)
M.Stopford	Figure Skating (VIC)
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