

# Heathmont College



# Magazine 1996

## Principal Team Report 1996

The year began better than many have in the past. Students were able to begin the 1996 program with little disruption, but unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond the control of the College, this stability did not continue. A number of changes to our staffing have meant that some classes have experienced disruptions that we would have preferred to avoid. We farewelled several staff who left us to take up promotion positions in other schools whilst some others took either long service leave or compassionate leave for illness. It has been a very difficult year in terms of staff changes. We believe that in 1997 the College can expect to have a more stable level of staffing once the alterations are completed at the end of this year and early into next year. It is distressing for us to be unable to alter this situation as easily as we would wish but we are looking forward to the calm promised in 1997.

There are many positive aspects of the program we can celebrate and it is good to have this opportunity to reflect on these occasions. In the sporting field, many of our teams were highly successful; football and netball teams won their way through to regional finals. The Year 11 debating team was the only Government school team to reach the regional finals in our zone. We are also the first Government school to have an official Sister School relationship with a school in Germany. Our visit to Kaufungen was an outstanding success and the program will continue next year. The morning tea held to celebrate the achievements of students in the Middle School was applauded by parents. One Year 10 student, Claire Adams, actually won the Australia-wide English Competition, quite a feather in her cap!

We have welcomed parent support and involvement in the working bees throughout the year, yet needless to say many more would be welcome in 1997! We believe that parents on both campuses have made good use of occasions like parent information evenings and parent teacher interviews. In 1997 we will be emphasising the benefits of students and parents attending on such occasions so that career decisions and the like are made on the basis of information and understanding.

1997 will see the opening of our long awaited Arts and Technology facility. The Science wing will be refurbished and the Computer facilities will continue to be upgraded and diversified. We will be providing yet another high quality Dual Certificate course - Sport and Recreation - at the Senior Campus. It will be an exciting year for the College.



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Planning Principal

Mr Jeff Cooper  
Junior Campus Principal

Mr Glenn Fankhauser  
College Principal

Ms Ruth Anderson-Smith  
Senior Campus Principal

## College Staff 1996

### College Principal

Glenn Fankhauser

### Assistant Principals

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Jeff Cooper

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June	ASHMAN
Margit	ATKINS
Chris	AUBREY
Mick	AUSTIN
Merrin	AYTON
Geraldine	BAKER
Jeannette	BARTON
Pam	BENDLE
Michael	BIGGART
Val	BIGGS
Lucy	BLAKEY
Jane	BLOODWORTH
Merrill	BOLTON
Ron	BOREHAM
John	BOURKE
Melissa	BRODIE
Susan	BURSZTYNSKI
Chris	BYRNES
John	CARBERY
Rita	CHIDO
Julie	CLARK
Joclyn	COMBEN
Martin	CORCORAN
Fran	CROFT
Yvonne	DE SILVA DIAS
Tony	DEVEREUX
Carol	DEW
Ross	DONLON
Liz	DOWNEY
Deborah	DOWNIE
Glenn	DUNCAN
Fiona	DUSTING
Louise	EADON
Matthew	EDDY
Kathy	ELLIOTT
Rita	EVERINGTON
Joe	FARRUGIA
Greg	FRANK

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Roger
Lyn
Margaret
Jane
Anne
Anne
Judith
Tony
Elizabeth
John
Deborah
Geoff
Louise
David
Michael
Josette
Pat
Bill
Rob
Jesse
Stephen
Lyn
Ross
Para
Linda
Robyn
Ian
Bruce
Marion
Melissa
Peter
Khim
Linda
Sabrina
Margaret
Ross
Graeme
Raphael
Carol
Marty
Eva
Mary
Heather
Eva
Jeff
Terri
Barbara
Don
Stephen

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Pat
Andrew
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Allan
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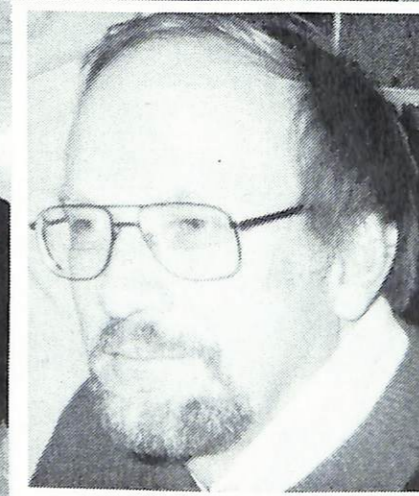
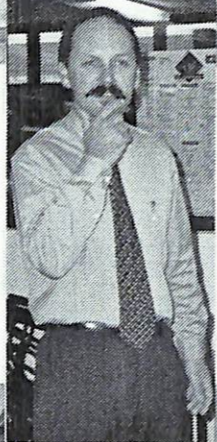
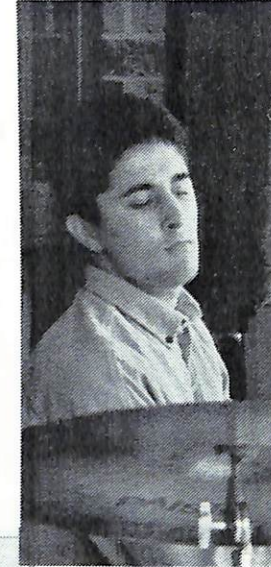
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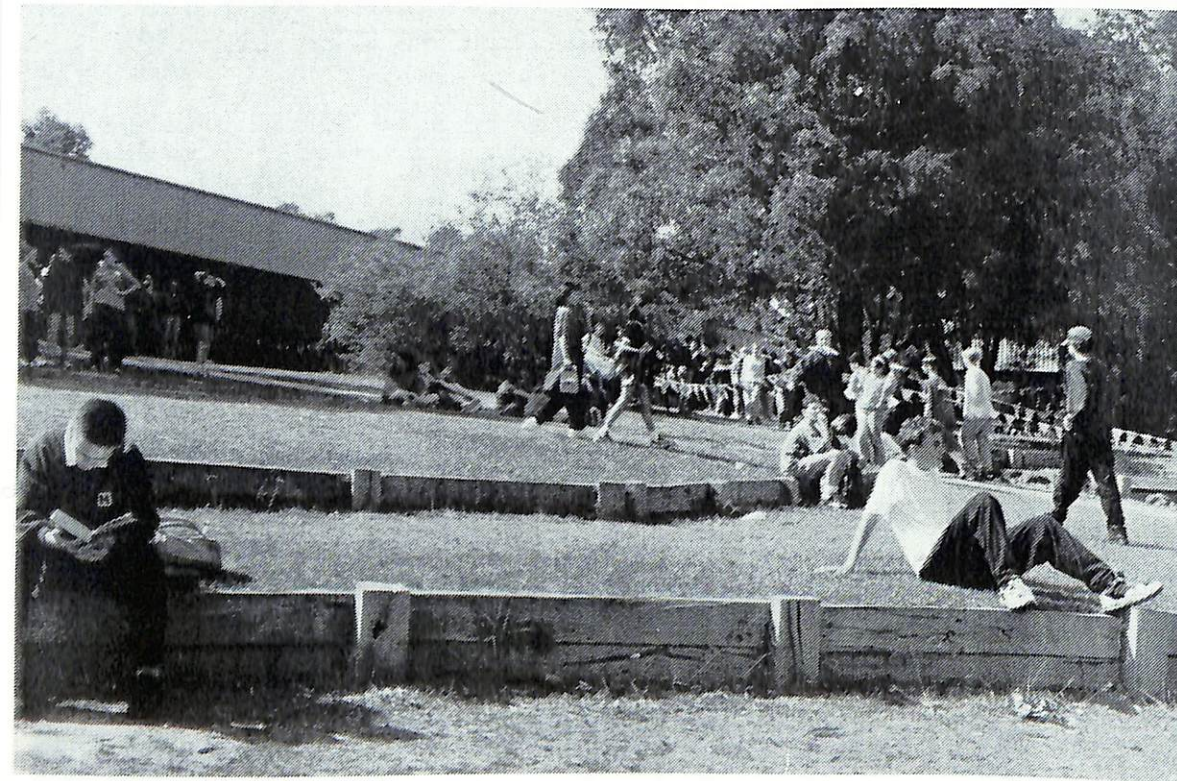


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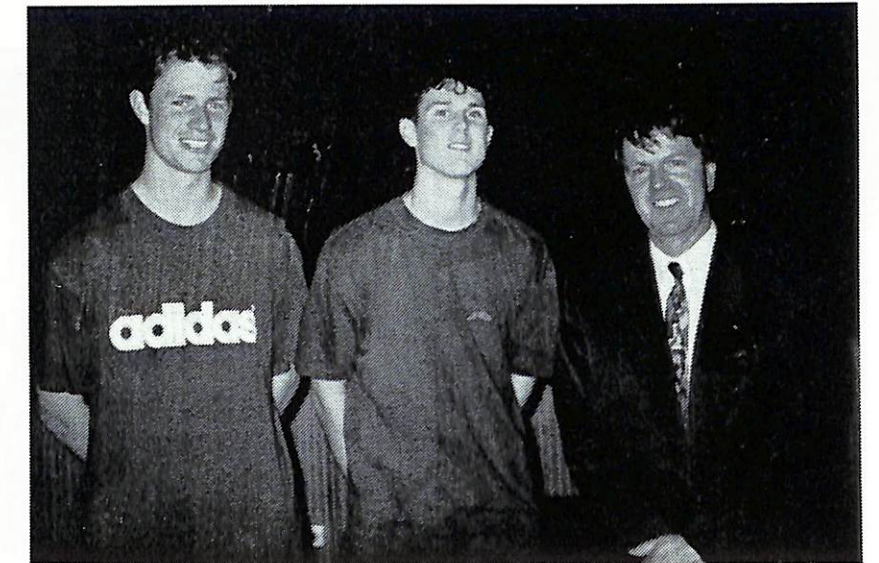
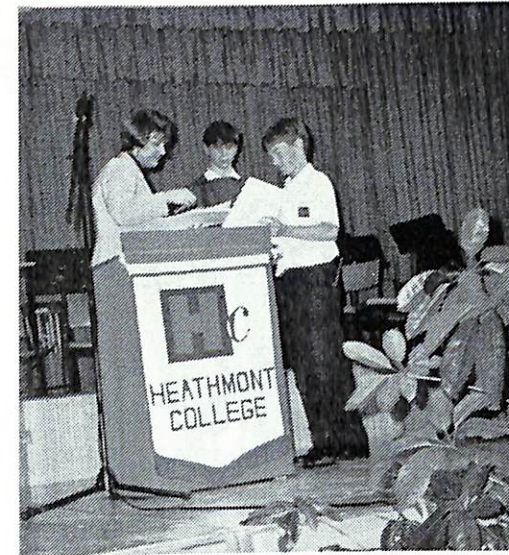
## Fun Run '96

On the 4th of April 1996 Heathmont College had a Fun Fun on the Heathmont Bike track along the creek, over the bridge and back to school. The year Sevens and Eights had to run three k/m, but for the older students the full distance. It was a terrific day, beautiful weather, lots of prizes and an icy pole at the finish.

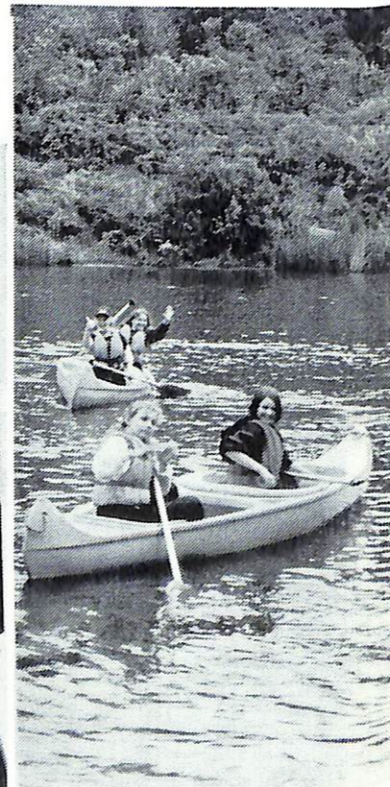
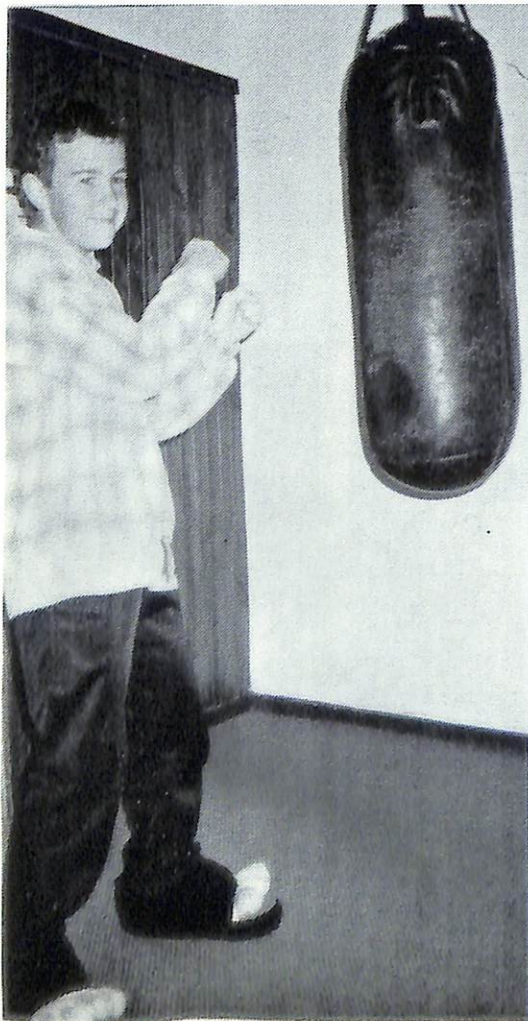
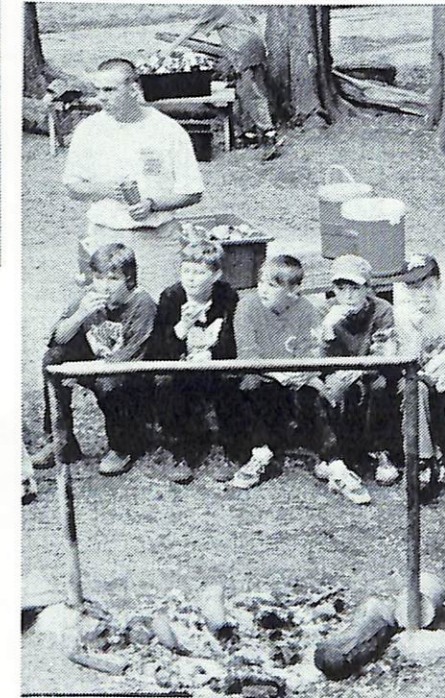
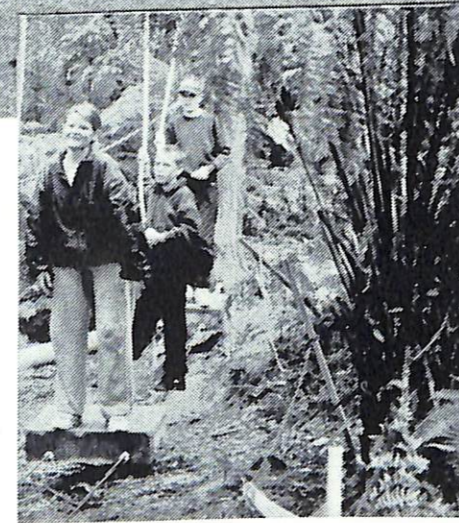


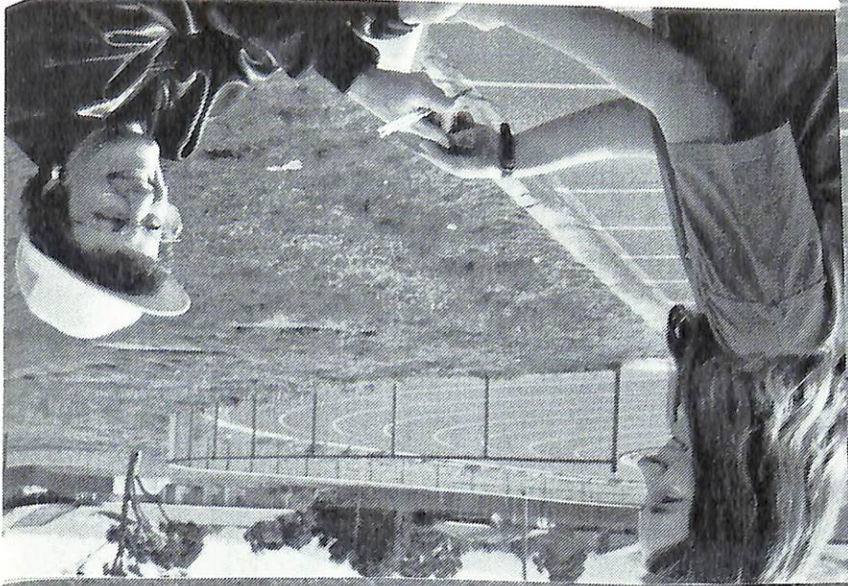
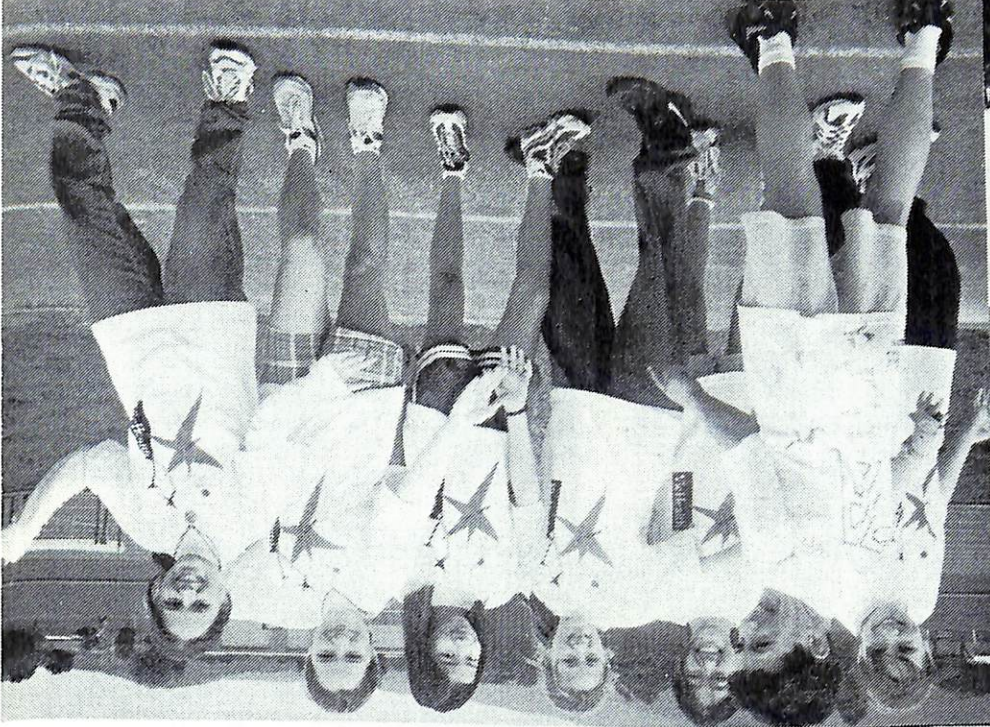
## Awards Nights

Sport and Academic Achievement Recognised in Two Special Nights

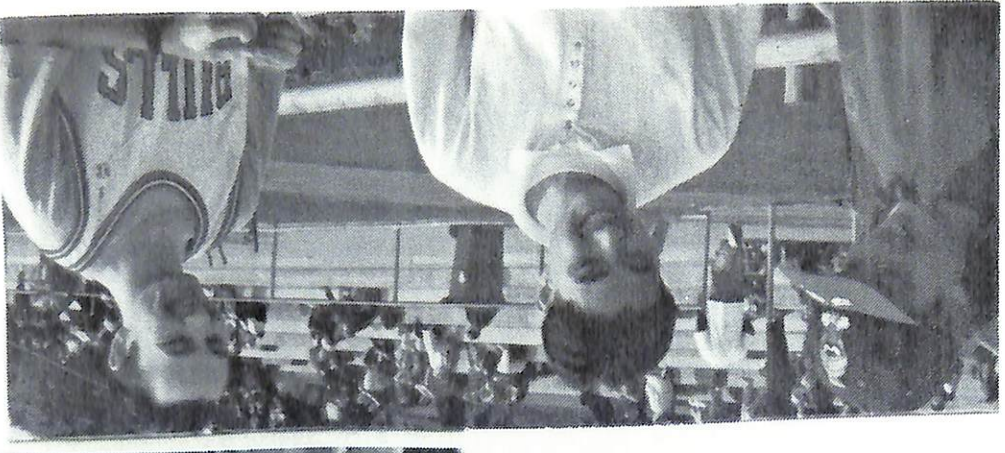
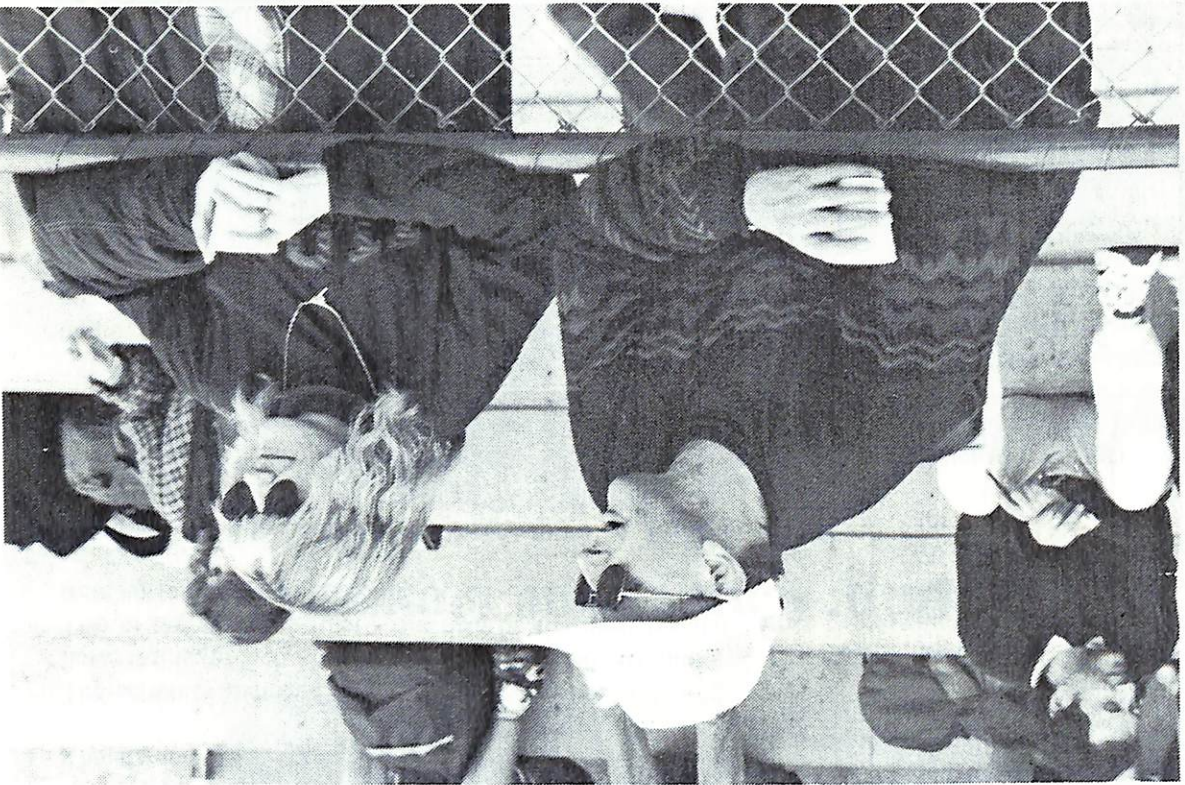
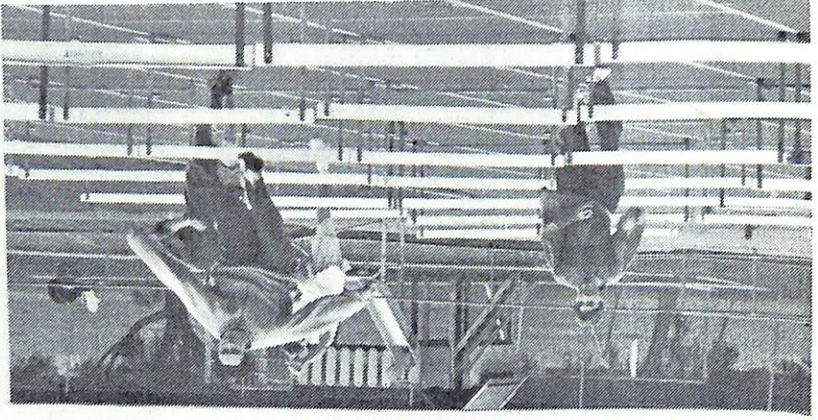


# Year 7 Camp: Camp Rumbug





Athletics Carnival



## Campaspe Downs Year 9 Camp

The year 9 Camp this year was at Campaspe Downs from just outside of Woodend past the Thunderdome

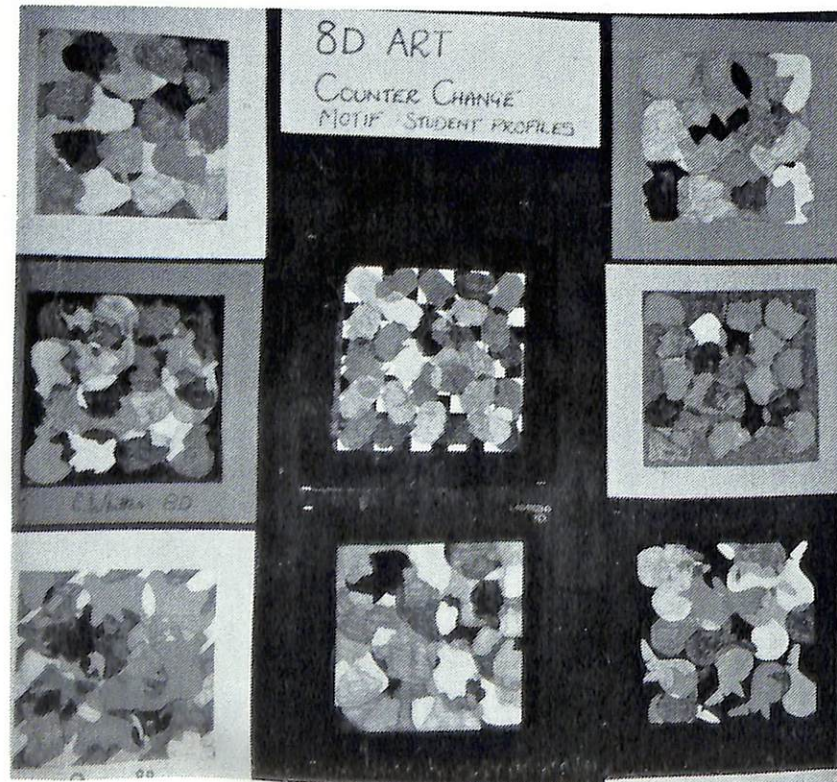
The activities included windsurfing, flying fox, abseiling, horse riding, archery, basketball, volleyball and swimming. Two of the activities that seemed to be the most popular were horse riding and abseiling.

There were also favourite horses, some being Red, Joe and my personal favourite was Freckles. Garry and Barry also seemed to be popular amongst the female students at Campaspe Downs.

At night we watched a movie, 'Outbreak' and went on a night hike. Unfortunately, the night hike was pretty unpopular as it was spent much of the time climbing over fences.

The food at Campaspe Downs was the best. Many people thought that there was too much food! Much of the food consisted of spaghetti bolognese, roast lamb and even roast chicken with apricot sauce! This was given to us in a beautiful dining room and our morning tea and afternoon tea was given to us in a building called the shearing shed.

Thank you to all the teachers who helped to make the camp fun.



## Camp Rumbug Year 7

On the 26th February we were going to camp. The camp we were going to was called 'Camp Rumbug.' It was down near Fosters. We were up at camp for three days.

It was a long bus trip to get there. On the way we watched 'The Lion King'; when a song came on everyone sang. When that finished we watched 'Mr Bean' I was on the second bus with 7b and 7c. On the way we stopped at Coalcreek for a break.

When we got there we unpacked and then we did the fun and fitness trail. My partner was Shaun. Beth had a boy called Alan. They were sent back quickly because they were not holding hands. But they soon caught up to us. Shaun and I did it without going back to the start. Then we started the activities. My three favourite activities were Abseiling, Canoeing and the adventure bridge. Abseiling was scary at the top but I did it. Canoeing was fun to w learnt what to do if someone's canoe capsized. Adventure bridge was great on the last part I fell of into the mud. It was all down the back of me.

On the first night we had a roast with vegetables. On Tuesdays had lasagne. It was all nice. I liked all the food we had on camp.

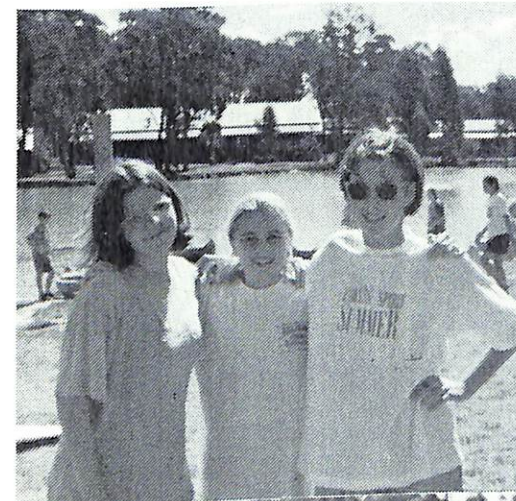
My cabin number was 8. In my cabin was Beth K. Amy, Cristy, Emilly, Jenny, Emma, April, Beth j, Jill, Robyn, Melinda and me there were a few others. We were happy with this arrangement. It was fun to meet the girls in my cabin.

I had a great three days at camp. It was great fun. I enjoyed all the activities. It was a pity it rained on Wednesday and we missed some of the activities.

OVERALL I think it was a greats camp. It had things for us to do and they were fun. It was wonderful.



## Year 9 Camp: Campaspe Downs



## Emma!

Emma Ramsey, is a sixteen year old teenage girl from Boronia, who recently finished fifteenth in the World Rollerskaing Championships in Argentina.

At the sweet age of three, while in the care of babysitter, Emma had her first taste of Rollerskating. It was at that moment in her life that Emma discovered her one true love. From that point on, she has never looked back.

Her illustrious skating career began in 1989. She began skating in figures and freeskating winning a gold medal in only her second competition. Emma is coached by Deborah Mestrinho, who was once a national champion.

As with any sport at such a high level of competition, a lot of sacrifices have to be made. To be number one it is tough and forever demanding. A lot of dedication is needed. Emma receives coaching eight times a week. On some days training can last for up to five hours. Over the week, Emma can be out on the skating rink for up to twenty to thirty hours. It's gruelling and hard work.

As well as taking part in her own high level training, Emma is also the coach of a group of younger skaters, something she loves to do and hopes to continue. Her students all look up to Emma and themselves would on day like to be just like her.

Over the past eight years in Emma Ramsey's life, she has managed to contend in over 17 major competitions. with these competitions, comes a lot of extensive travelling. Emma has been to just about every single state in Australia. She has gone to New Zealand, Colombia and now Argentina.

The cost to complete internationally is extremely high. Added to that is weekly coaching, use of the rink and various costumes. A pair of Emma's skates sell for around one thousand dollars each and there is no prize money associated with rollerskating.

This latest effort continues her wonderful career. Well done and good luck, Emma.

## Junior Boys Volleyball

On Friday 15th November the junior boys volleyball team played in the Eastern Zone Finals at Croydon Leisure Centre. Though we did not win any of our games, most played well.

Our team played three other schools which were Balwyn, Monbulk and Mullauna. In the first round in the first game which was against Balwyn, we started off quite well scoring the first few points. But Balwyn came back and we lost 10 -12.

In the second round Balwyn started out well and we caught up. Unfortunately for us once we lost possession of the ball, Balwyn started scoring like crazy again. Like in round 1, we lost 10 - 12.

In the second game we played against Monbulk, who were a very good team. In both the first and second round, we lost to Monbulk by five points. They had mastered every skill needed for volleyball. So we didn't really expect to win against them anyway. What kept us in the game was one of our players serving. He served really well, it was bad that we still lost.

Then it was Mullauna - our final opponent. All I could say was that they played really well and we had little chance of beating them. They beat us by 8 points in both sets.

Even though we lost all our games in Eastern Zone we did win the Ringwood/Croydon group. We all had fun. Team members: Danny Sampson (C), Allan Chan (VC), Brad Russell, Stuart McLellan, Russell Coyle, Jordan Tate, Jarrod Moore, Russell Jones, Vaughan Johnston, Michael Hammond, Adam McIntosh, Peter Landouris, Cameron Barlow. Coach: Miss B. Steinicke.

Allan Tran

## The Train

Running along through the plains,  
Comes the big monster - the train.  
With its shiny red engine, its little caboose,  
Better watch out, it's on the loose.  
The cattle are running and so are the sheep,  
But inside the monster, they they are asleep.

Cassie Adams

## YEAR 8 SOFTBALL

After 15 years of coaching school baseball teams, it was a lovely change to end my teaching / school coaching life with my very first, girls softball team.

Representing your school is a valuable opportunity for many keen young sportsmen and women. It also provides a rare chance for those active, exuberant, and sometimes even 'naughty' kids to get away from the restrictions of life in the classroom.

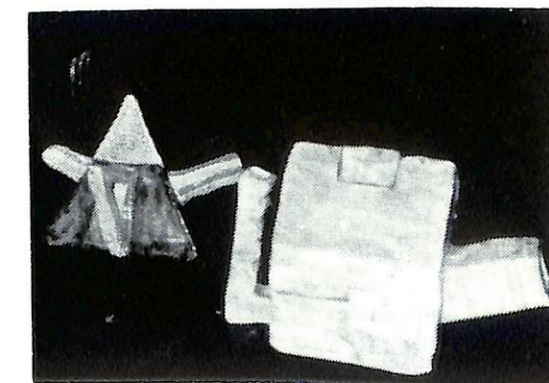
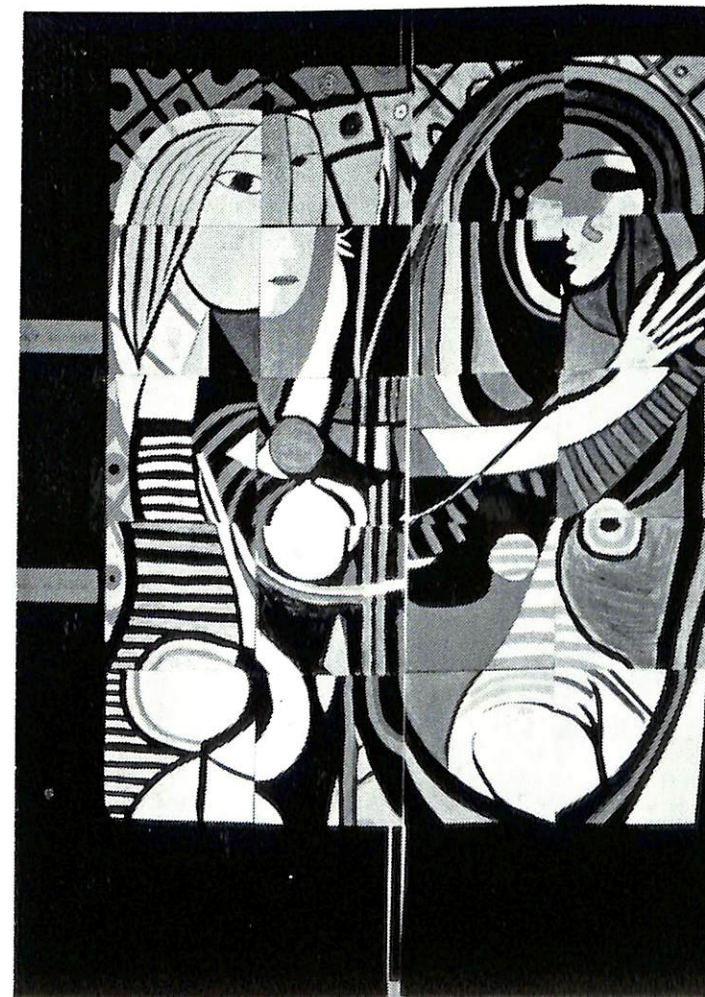
Emma Jones, Jessica Comb, Nikki Thompson, Melinda Dawson, Shaylie Knight, Rebecca Todd, Brooke Carthy, Pamela Durnan, Katie Bugeja, Melissa Bower, Kristy Oxtan, Chanel Dever, and our Scorer, Paul Whitten were simply a wonderful group of people to spend a busy day with.

Without a great deal of experience in Softball, the girls went through a rapid learning curve : They : Lost the first 2, Won the last 2, just lost 8 - 7 to the runners-up (Ringwood) and were the only team to defeat the eventual winners - Ringwood. They did this under the significant pressure of begging and borrowing basic equipment for each game - due to an administrative hiccup (not me) and one - not very sharing, losing, opposition team.

Not only did the girls triumph over adversity, but we all did a lot of learning about life. Whether as 40 year olds or 14 year olds that we share experience in growing up and facing the demands and issues of Life.

I was proud of every girl (and Paul ) on this trip. I could not have been more pleased with the cooperation, support and camaraderie of all of you, folks. You were great.

Thank you, Chris Aubrey.



## Sport at Heathmont College in 1996

### Swimming 1996

Winning Form: 7D 8A 9C 10D 11A 12E

#### Individual Champions:

Year Level	Boys	Girls
7	D Richards	K Plumridge
8	D Chamley	C Falcke
9	D Parks	L Tonkin
10	M Richards	L Richards-Williams
11	G Catto	B Hughes & S Wood
12	A Merritt	T Brown

### Cross Country 1996

Winning Form: 7D 8E 9C 10D 11A 12D

#### Individual Champions:

Year Level	Boys	Girls
7	J Tracey	C Chhor
8	A Forrest	M Bower
9	R Ware	D Marsh
10	P Willis	S Johnson
11	G Gunther	S Wood
12	G Houghton	W Jacobsen

### Athletics 1996

Winning Form: 7D 8E 9F 10D 11B 12E

#### Individual Champions:

Year Level	Boys	Girls
7	R Edwards	C Chhor
8	J Leggo	C Falcke
9	T Snow	J Stephenson
10	L Hemsworth	S Johnson
11	A Johnson	-
12	A Gibson	S Venn

## Eastern Zone Finalists 1996

Team		Coach
Cross Country	S.Venn, N.Swan, B.Carter, B.Joyner	B.Kirchhofer
Golf	B.Shannon, B.Walker	R.Donlon
Athletics	C.Hemsworth	B.Kirchhofer
Baseball	Intermediate Boys	S.Ruuska
Tennis	Intermediate Girls	J.Carbery
Football	Senior Boys	J.Ymer & J.Farrugia
	Intermediate Boys	S.Onisiforou & B.Poynter
Soccer	Senior Boys	J.Hallsworth
	Year 7 Boys	A.Oldman
Netball	Intermediate Girls B	M.Ludowyk
	Senior Girls B	D.Harman
	Year 8 Girls B	B.Steinicke
Basketball	Senior Girls	P.Reynolds
	Intermediate Boys	J.Cooper
Softball	Year 7 Girls	A.Shipton
Volleyball	Year 7 Boys	B.Steinicke
Table Tennis	Intermediate Girls	A.Oldman
Squash	Year 7 Boys	D.Harman

### CHAMPION STUDENTS 1996

Sport	Level	Boys	Girls
Swimming	Junior	R.Johnson	K.Plumridge
	Intermediate	D.Parks	L.Richards-Williams
	Senior	W.Ferguson	K.Roy
Cross Country	Junior	N.Swan	B.Joyner
	Intermediate	P.Willis	D.Marsh
	Senior	B.Carter	S.Venn
Athletics	Junior	C.Hemsworth	C.Chhor
	Intermediate	L.Hemsworth	J.Stephenson
	Senior	A.Gibson	S.Venn
Diving	Junior		C.Falcke
Golf	Senior	B.Shannon	
Cricket	Year 7	N.Swan	
	Year 8	M.Addison/M.Donald	
	Intermediate	B.Osborne	
	Senior	G.Plunkett	

Softball	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate Senior		K.Fenton C.Dever/J.Comb A.Dobson S.Wood
Baseball	Year 8 Intermediate Senior	R.Swinden/J.Holdren G.Kimberley M.Withnell	
Tennis	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate Senior	S.Webster J.Scott A.Ford B.Walker	M.Harrison B.Johnson S.Cornell K.Manners
Volleyball	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate Senior	A.Tran B.Holden D.Leonard	C.Johnson  N.Scarborough T.Walliker
Football	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate Senior	R.Coyle/D.Brown P.O'Sullivan/J.Leggo L.Hemsworth/B.Patterson H.Yusuf/A.Johnson	J.Glascott/J.Johnson  J.Curran/B.Snow
Soccer	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate Senior	J.Tracey J.Redosevic/R.Brimmer D.Goldsmith D.Allsopp	C.McCarthy  S.Harte/N.Burton
Netball	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate  Senior		K.Jacobs/L.Macauley R.Rust/A.Watters/K.Harding A.McEvoy/L.Wheare D.Marsh/K.Liokos W.Jacobsen/J.Jacobs S.Carns/V.White
Badminton	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate Senior	S.Webster D.Thomas B.Metcalf J.Bergin	L.Adams B.Johnson K.Balgarow
Squash	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate	R.Fisher J.Devine B.Metcalf	C.Ludlow
Hockey	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate	J.Kimberley M.Gawne M.Wilhelm	J.Elford S.Ung N.Scarborough

Table Tennis	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate	N.Morphett J.Redosevic E.MacMillan	C.Johnson E.Jones K.Bolgarow
Basketball	Year 7 Year 8 Intermediate Senior	C.Sims B.Carlin G.Wood/D.Richmond R.Littlejohn/R.Williams	M.Bower K.Broadway/A.Licciardi A.Sudweeks/J.Glazner

## SENIOR SCHOOL SNIPPETS

Through 1996, many students have pursued activities of a recreational and sporting nature outside of College. Here is a selection:

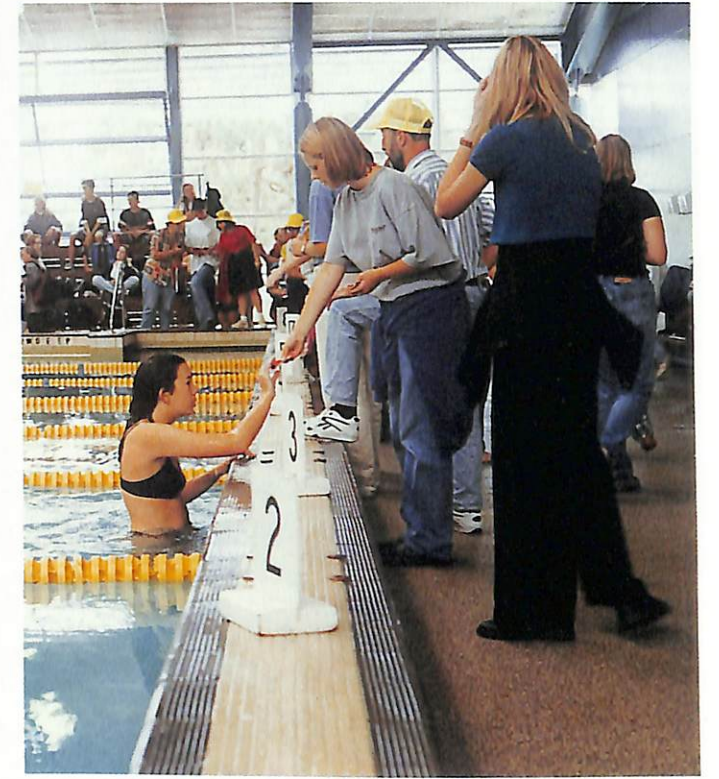
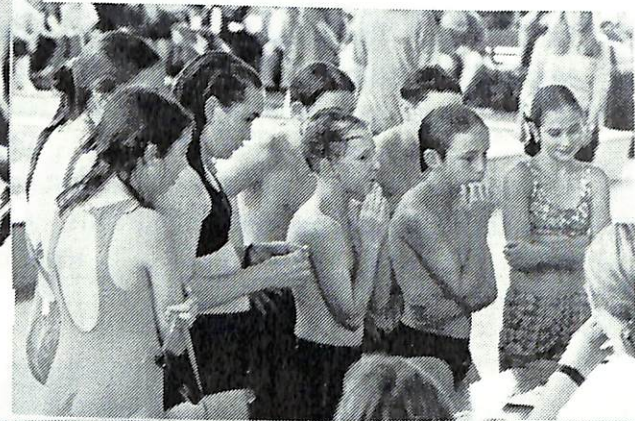
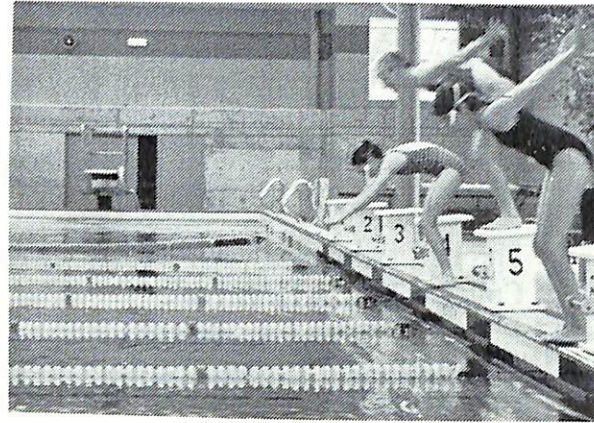
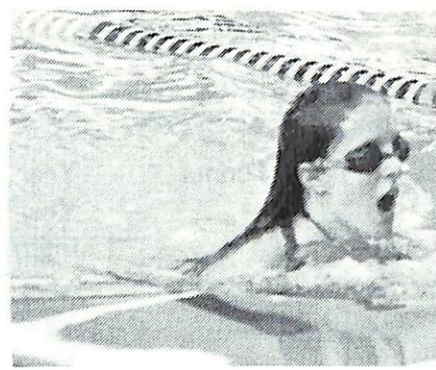
Katy Potter and Michelle Paisley - A Grade cricket for Hawthorn  
Oliver Wilhelm - Ringwood Cricket Club and and VIS scholarship  
Belinda Fagg and Amieka Sefton - Club 1st teams in calisthenics  
Peter Tepper - cycling has tapered down  
Paul Walker - Tie Kwon Do has tapered down  
Michael Jamieson and Robert McLellon - football fanatics  
Louise Scerri - equestrian activities, new foal

The diversity of activities is wide ranging amongst the senior students. Good luck to all students with their academic and recreational pursuits.

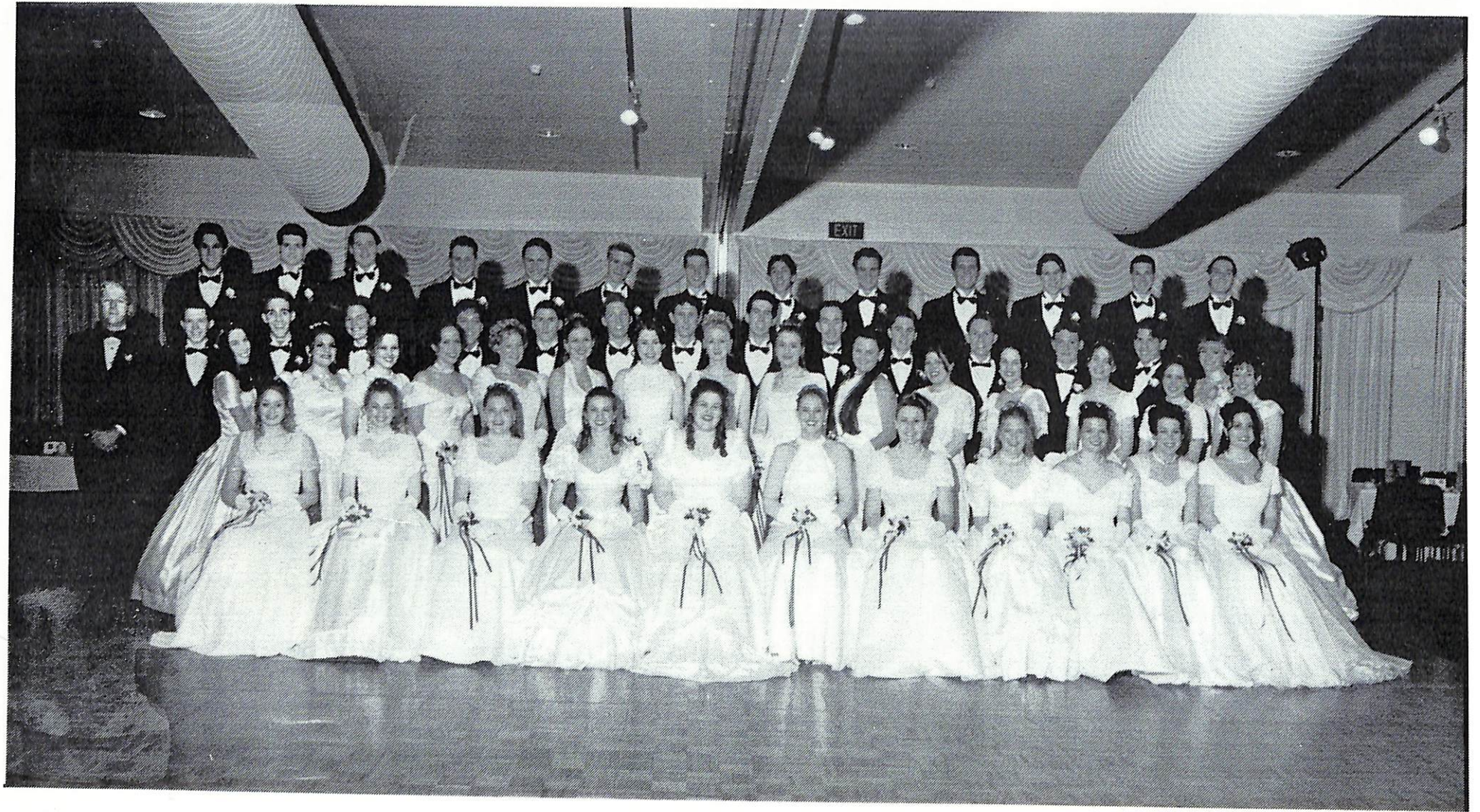
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# Swimming Carnival



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## Presentation Ball - 13<sup>th</sup> September, 1996

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T. Devereux, N. Wigley, D. Caldwell, B. Green, A. Steen, M. Jamison, W. Barraclough, G. Catto, M. Canterford, P. Milligan, T. Mcliver, S. Kenny, N. Lane  
L. James, E. McMaster  
D. Ramsay, S. Palau, S. Anderson, E. Caffyn, J. Glazner, R. Farmer, C. O'Brien, J. Christensen, K. Lovell, N. McLean, S. Turcinovic, B. Aaltonen, C. Miller  
T. Dawson, K. Liokos  
M. Mason, K. Snell, C. Mackay, S. Carland, J. Vandersluys, S. Hough, N. Goold, M. Paisley, S. Webb, B. Hughes, S. Fisher

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## Presentation Ball 6<sup>th</sup> September, 1996

L. Stephenson, G. Bettridge, G. Finkemeyer, S. Allan, A. Harding, B. Carter, C. Harrowfield, R. Carr, B Kay, M. Gosling, S. Chier, S. Jackson, G. Kerr, P. Onley  
Mr P. Reynolds, D. Atwill, C. Cox, C. Siegman, K. Ashworth, S. McMahon, T. Cattermole, M. Brownlie, A. Atkinson, J. Hand, B. Shannon, D. Paul, A. Johnson, Mrs. E. McMaster  
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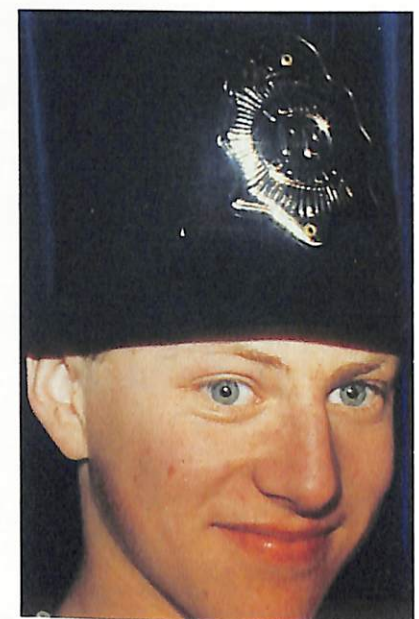
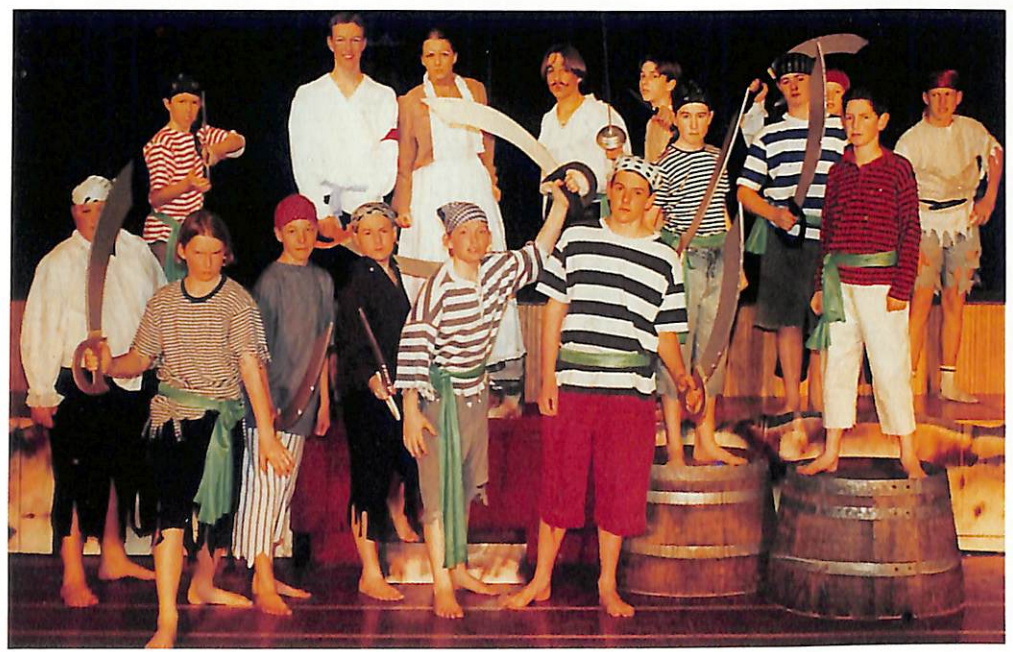


# PIRATES OF PENZANCE

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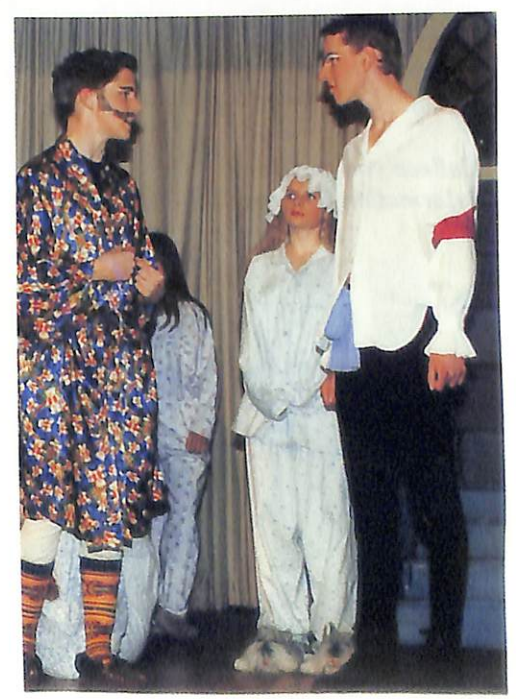


## PIRATES OF PENZANCE

This year's production was the performance of the *Pirates Of Penzance*. It was organized and Directed by Mr. Poynter. In rehearsal the forgetting of lines and spitting of dummies was disheartening but in the end it turned out to be simply Divine. Collyer, James, Lovell, Lovell, Exon, McDonald, Zocchi, Duus and a cast of thousands.

The plot was a typical Gilbert and Sullivan comedy/ romance - ie. A mixture of bad jokes and pathetic love turned into a witty comedy with plenty of audience involvement. An outstanding cast gave an even more outstanding performance organized by an even more outstanding organizer/director and supported by a willing band of musicians and backstage crew. Thanks everyone..

Review by Keri James and Eugenie Collyer (Alias Mabel and Mabel.)



## INFORMATION RESOURCE CENTRE

Let's pause for a moment to consider how many students, staff and parents have walked through the doors of the libraries at both campuses this year.

### VCE LIBRARY

At our senior library how many BAT'S & CAT'S to finish, so much to research, so many questions to ask, books and CD's to read, indexes to search, so many words written at those desks, all that revision for tests! Busy students and busy library staff, lending their support and assistance. Time to say goodbye to our Year 12's who spent so much time with us this year.



### Year 9 & 10 Book Club

#### 7-10 CAMPUS LIBRARY

The students, staff and parents have been busy here too!

#### The Mural & Displays

Mrs Chiodo and her Year 8 Art class created the "Books Can Take You Anywhere" mural, which thanks to Mr O'Brien's ingenuity, now hangs from the library ceiling.

#### Book Clubs

There is a loyal band of enthusiasts in the 7&8, and 9&10 Book Clubs who meet Friday lunch time in the library. They were responsible for creating displays, helping with the selection of new books and writing book reviews. Congratulations to the Year 9&10 Book Club who successfully organised and ran Book Week activities for students and staff. Thanks for your contributions this year, Book Club members!

#### Library Assistants

Aura Hammett 9A, Erin Gunther and Keri James 8C come to the library each morning before school to shelve and tidy books. So many books to put away! Such wonderful workers!

#### Parents: Friends of the Library

Many thanks to the three parents who help out regularly one morning per week, preparing books for the shelves, And to the parents who participated in the Working Bee in Term 4.

We leave the Year with the message from the students' favourite Shaq O'Neil poster: "READ".

Colleen van der Horst  
Information Resource Co-ordinator

### Year 7 & 8 Book Club



## MUSIC PROGRAM 1996

This year saw the introduction of the rock band program into the Instrumental music program. Bands were established at Yr 7 & 8 as well as the VCE band "FLEA CIRCUS". These bands proved to be popular at assemblies and concerts during the year.

The concert bands kept developing and we had three fantastic groups performing this year- Training band, Yr 9 Band and the Senior Concert Band. A highlight of this program was the joint concert with the students from Maffra SC. These bands also managed to play at venues ranging from Eastland to local Primary Schools.

Several of the students from our school were invited to tutor Primary students from Heathmont PS at their annual camp.

Some of our year 9 students attended the Summer Music Camp and performed at the Melbourne, whilst others were asked to perform with the South Eastern Laureate Youth Wind Symphony. Congratulations to these students- Than Poynter, Dymphna McQuay and Stuart Agnew.

All in all a very busy and rewarding year for all concerned with the music program.



## SCIENCE

This year the Science Learning Area took part in a number of activities. The first was the nation-wide Science Competition which was held on the 14th May and there were 108 entries from Years 7 to 11. There were numerous achievements ranging from a level of Credit to High Distinction. Congratulations to every participant. I couldn't possibly put in all the names. It would take up many pages.

This year we had two students who entered the State-wide Science Talent Search. Both students achieved a level of 'Excellence'. Of course, the two students are Joel Hulme and Stuart Thompson. Congratulations Joel and Stuart!

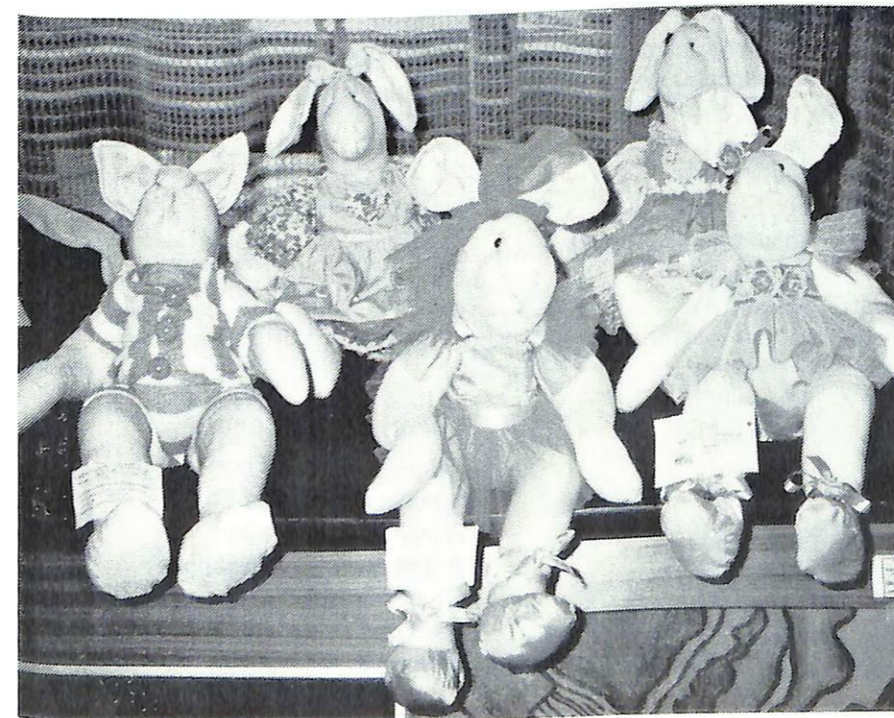
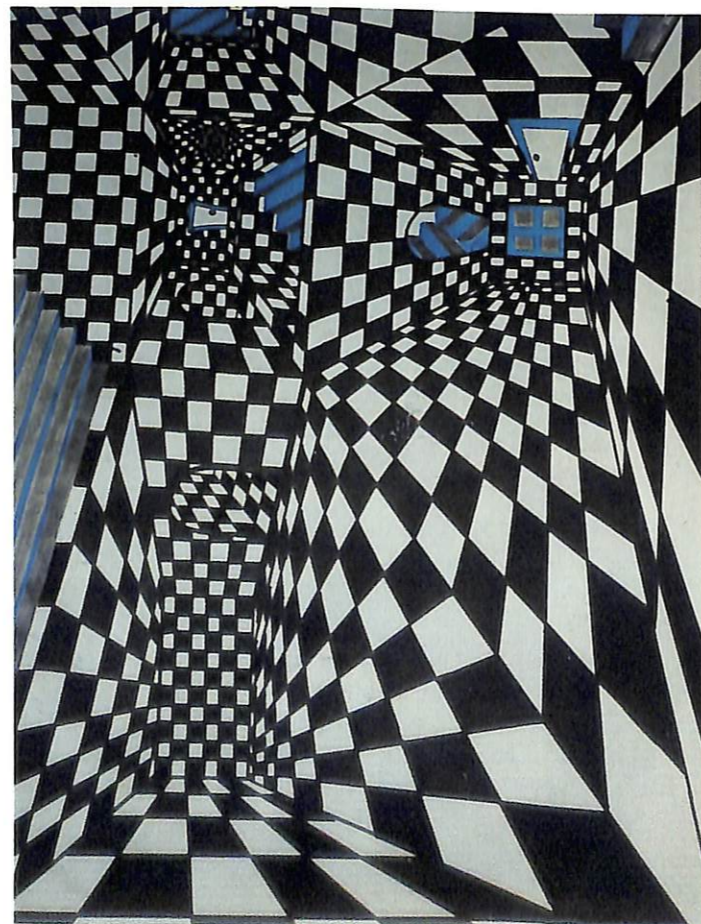
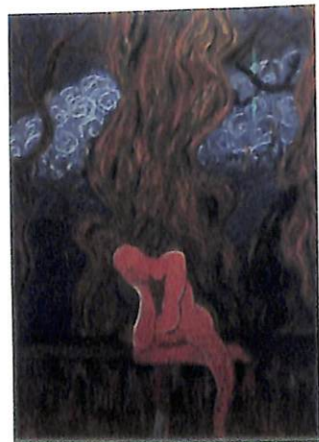
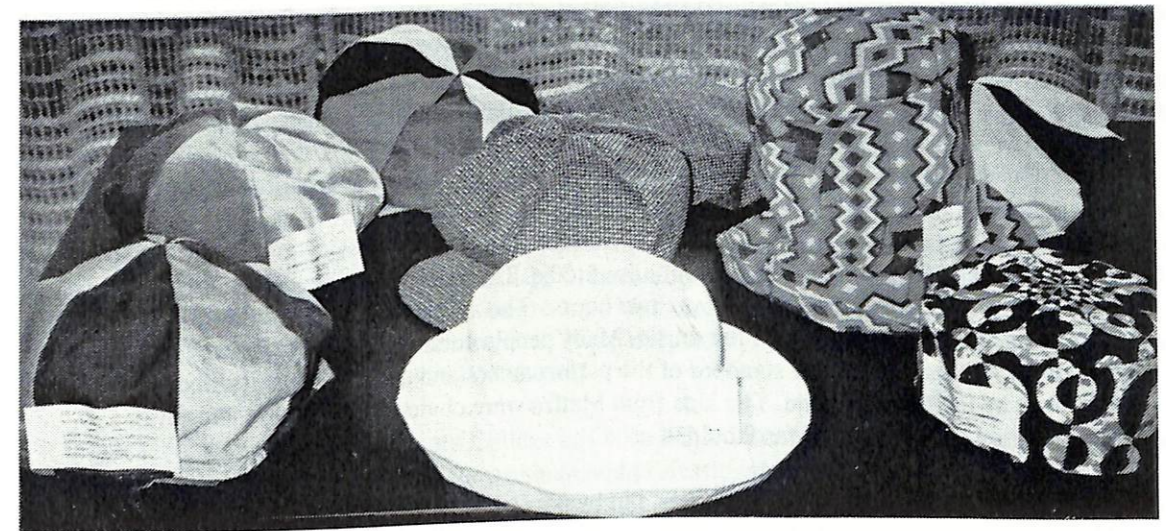
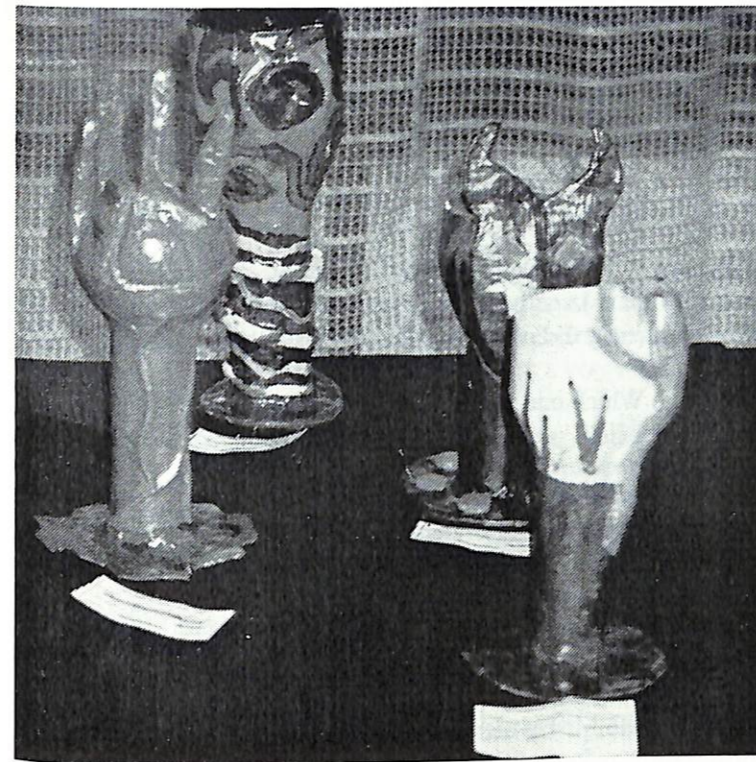
This year we ran a successful Year 7 zoo excursion and a Year 8 Science Works excursion. Students enjoyed the excursions immensely.

Overall, it has been a great year in terms of student initiatives and academic excellence.

Science Co-ordinator, Mr. K Len

# Creek Straddler Art & Craft Exhibition:

Heathmont College artists shine in annual display of student talent



## Maffra Band Exchange Trip

On Thursday and Friday last week we were hosts to 42 students and 5 staff members from Maffra SC band program. The idea of the visit was to promote music and to share ideas between the schools. Many brave families volunteered to billet the country visitors and really did not know what to expect.

When the students from Maffra arrived there was much curiosity. Which one have I got? I like the tall one! Look at the guy with the bright orange hair!!!!

The first activity we did was a get to know each other game. There were about one hundred students in a room designed to hold thirty. The students were asked to find every student in that room whose name started with the same letter as their own.....and then memorise all those names, and who they barracked for.....AND what instrument they played.....AND THEIR LIFE STORY!!! What a commotion! Hey these kids are no different to us. Even the one with the radical hair.

Then it was down to some serious rehearsal. The rest of the day was spent in either the combined Junior group with Mr Corcoran & Miss Tate or the Senior group with Mr Poynter & Mr Bartlett. Both bands prepared several pieces from each other's repertoire and the standard of the work was excellent. Players from both schools were experiencing the enjoyment of the sounds of such a large ensemble.

When the bell went and all the non musos went home, we moved all our gear outside and prepared for the evening concert. All bands did sound checks to get used to playing in the outdoor amphitheatre.

Then the highlight of the day. THE FOOD. Many thanks to Mrs Lyn Agnew and her troop of fantastic helpers, who put on a most terrific spread. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The GRAND CONCERT lived up to all that it promised to be. There were over a hundred musicians, who performed in 14 different ensembles for over two hours. The audience sat back, enjoyed a picnic, had a glass of wine and really appreciated the music. Many people commented on the huge variety of music, others were impressed with the standard of the performances and everyone was thrilled with the progress made by the training band. The kids from Maffra were obviously enjoying themselves and their contribution to our concert was fabulous.

Now it was time to go home with the host families, but by now we were all old friends and best buddies. The only problem seemed to be how to fit all we wanted to talk about into just one night. Lucky we were so tired from the day's hectic schedule.

The following day it was back to school, clean up the mess and do some primary school concerts on the way home to Maffra. They did manage to fit in a shopping frenzy at Knox City on the way as well.

The VERDICT.

A most enjoyable experience.....musically and socially.

It was not long enough. Perhaps two nights would be better.

The concert was a huge success. Letters of congratulations arrived the following day.

The Parent help and support were fantastic.

We will do a return visit next year. LOOK OUT, MAFFRA!

Brian Poynter

### Haiku

Bratty little kids  
Driving mum mad up the wall  
Pulling the cat's tail

Catriona Roberts

### Aliens

Live  
In  
Elephants'  
Noses

Roderick McLeod

### Poem About Poems

A poem can be strong  
A poem can be weak  
A poem can be a metaphor  
Or an acrostic  
But I don't care what type it is.  
As long as it's a poem  
I'll read it!

Lauren Adams

## REFLECTIONS ON THE TEACHER EXCHANGE

This year I have been privileged to be a teacher at Heathmont College as a part of a Teacher exchange with Mr. Tom Burton. We exchange homes, cars and lifestyles as well as jobs. It was a unique opportunity for me because I come from a very different background.

My home is Barhead, Alberta, Canada which is a small town of 4560 people. I live on a 160 acre hobby farm 20 km from school and rare beef cattle in my spare time. Coming to a Cosmopolitan city of several million like Melbourne gave me a great opportunity to experience a different lifestyle with its cultural, sporting, shopping and dining opportunities. Also coming in January from -40 to +30 was a shock. My school is Lurre Jenken High School which has 650 students in grades 10 to 12. It has an extensive vocational and academic program which is similar to Heathmont College. The organisation of our school is much differ - no form groups, no uniforms, no daily briefing, no extras, no sport days mainly more "after school" activities, more steaming of classes, more tests. The students in Canada and Australia are very similar - most are conscientious where a few in every class would rather be elsewhere. I do feel Canadian students work harder probably because they can "fail" individual classes and be held back, but this may be because I'm generally dealing with older students in Canada.

I have used this opportunity to see as much of Australia as possible. It is, like Canada, a huge and beautiful country and I have been luckily to see most of it - every state and every major city but Brisbane and Canberra. Every part of the country has its unique attractions but my favourites would have to be [ of course ] Victoria, Darwin, Central Australia, Great Barrier Reef and Tasmania. Every Australian should be proud and endeavour to see all the country - it's gorgeous.

As to my reflections on some things about Australian culture - vegemite - YECCH!! ; Australian-Rules - a great game. I wish we had it [ go Pies ! ] ; Cricket - boring ! [ then I learnt the rules ] - current reaction - boring ! ; - Melbourne - a great city - so green ! ; Melbourne weather - the rain can be so depressing but temperatures are great ; Melbourne traffic - YECCH!! Australian people - very hospitable and friendly ; Australian teachers -dedicated and competent.

My teacher exchange at Heathmont College has been better than I had hoped for in all most every way. It has been an immense opportunity for personal and professional development. I extend my sincere appreciation to the staff and students of Heathmont College for their help and hospitality during my year in Australia.

Allan Shipton.

### Teachers

Teachers  
Eat  
Anything, especially  
Children who are  
Horrible.  
Evil.  
Rude and  
Stupid.

Emily Bastow

### Pollution

Plastic  
Oil  
Litter  
Land  
Unclean  
Toxic waste  
Into  
Oceans  
Not at all clean

Chelo 7C

### I Wish

I wish I were a butterfly  
full of glittering colours  
I wish I were a lion cub  
all so cute and cuddly.

I wish I were my netball team  
never being beaten  
I wish I were a writing book  
being written all on.

I wish I were a poet  
writing stupid stuff  
I wish I were a reader  
'cos now I've had enough.

Kristy Hewitt

## MATHEMATICS

1996 - The year when Heathmont College students first got to use Graphic Calculators

The school purchased a class set of TI - 82 Graphic Calculators this year for use in mathematics classes. Initially this was for Year 10 students, but some students in Year 9 and Year 11 have also used them. The calculators are expensive( \$140), but this is one part of the mathematics technology of the very near future. In fact Year 12 students in 1997 will be allowed to use these calculators in the 1997 test CATs.

Apart from finding them enjoyable, students who have used them this year, are starting to realise the enormous capabilities that these calculators have.

The school is currently looking at economical ways for VCE students to purchase/lease these calculators in the near future.

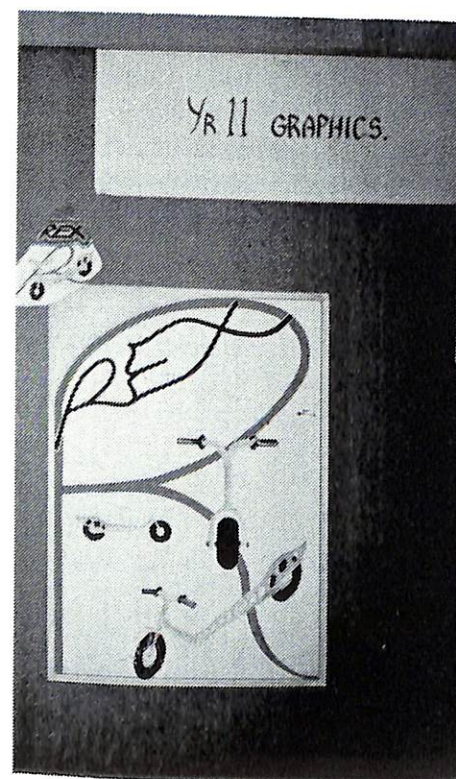
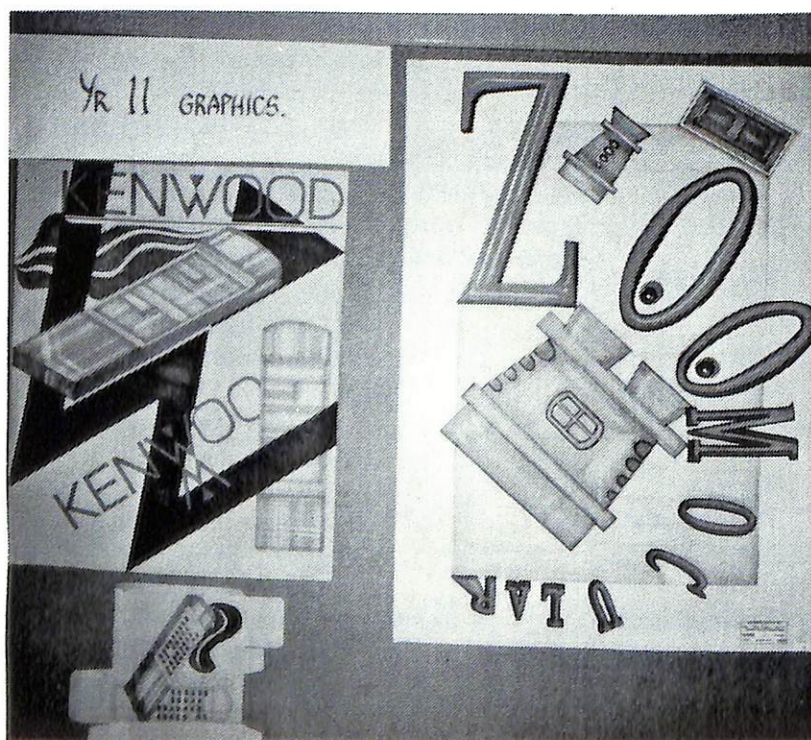
Other Computer packages are being used within the mathematics programs at all year levels.

VCE students have again worked very hard to complete their work requirements and assessment tasks. Many students have gained excellent early results and hopefully the Year 12 students will perform well in their test CATs to enable them to pursue whatever future career/studies they wish.

Apart from their normal duties the mathematics staff have been devoting a lot of time to the continued development of the curriculum along the CSF(Curriculum and Standards Framework). This year there has been development into assessing and reporting to the CSF. This will result in a new report format for students and parents next year.

Some of the highlights of the mathematics year have been the Mathematics Week and the Australian Mathematics Competition. The results from the Australian Mathematics Competition were excellent. 83 students participated with 41 students gaining a Distinction or a Credit. Special congratulations to Antoine Smiley of 7B whose result was so good that he received a Special Achievement Certificate. Antoine also performed extremely well in the Mathematics Challenge Competition earlier in the year.

Jim Ymer



## Debating

Once again our debating teams across the College have done an exemplary job in getting out into the wide world of school competition and making their presence felt.

With a run of fantastic performances the year 11 debaters topped the region by coming equal first and made it into the Victorian championships. Congratulations to Susan Carland, Michael Smith, Andrew Fitch and Minette O'Brian.

The year 9s also did a fabulous job for their first year in interschool competition. Debating against other schools in this region they held their own and managed to gain a place in the middle of the region ladder.

Congratulations to Leonie Tonkin, Rhiannon Devine, Katheryn Jones, Stacey Walton, Dymphna McQuay, and Rebecca Atwill.

The Year 10 team participated in Lions Club debating this year. Four local schools pitted their verbal skills and quick wit against each other and were rewarded with tea and bickies afterwards.

Congratulations to Grant Exon, Sally MacAdams, Emily Whitelaw, Alan Holdren, Dayna Swiatek and Marc Maschmann.

Judith Gray, Co-ordinator Debating



## Curriculum and Planning

1996 has been dominated by work on the Victorian Curriculum and Standard Framework and a fully computerised assessment and reporting package.

Other areas discussed in committee included:

- \* Gifted children
- \* Interim Reports parent/ teacher survey
- \* Work Education
- \* Subject submissions for 1997
- \* Information Day at the Senior Campus
- \* Flexible programs for Year 7-10 students

The Policy and Planning Committee spent a busy year updating school policies.

These included:

- \* Computer Aided Reporting
- \* Merit and Equity
- \* School Publicity
- \* Victorian Youth Development Program

I would like to thank all those who participated in this committee, particularly our two regular parent members - Jeanette Parks and David Collyer. Thank you both.

Merril Bolton  
Curriculum Planning and Implementation Manager

## STUDENT WELFARE

1996 has been a busy and satisfying year with the introduction of new programs, assisting students, staff and parents as well as seeking students opinions and acting on them. We have had many clients this year dealing with issues such as financial assistance, relationships with friends and family, planning and organisation of schoolwork and health issues.

Many year 10 students trained as Peer support Leaders and provided support for Year 7 students through formal sessions in Term 1 and informally throughout the year.

The Department of Education has highlighted Drug Education as a focus for 1997 and a number of staff have undertaken training in this area during the year. A parent forum will take place early in 1997.

The community is now becoming more active in condemning inappropriate relationships between people. Heathmont College has responded to this concerns by surveying parents, students and teachers to gather information about peer relationships. Planning began early and culminated in students, parents and staff completing surveys late in Term 3. Work will continue on the issue of bullying prevention in 1997. This year we have used students trained in mediation to work with other students in finding solutions to problems. Heathmont College has begun a new initiative--Living in a Family in the 90's--which has involved two successful programs involving parents and adolescents. In running these programs we have used our links with Community agencies--Knox K.I.D.S. and Ringwood Extended Family Service (REFS). Their involvement was greatly appreciated. We hope to continue with these programs in the future.

Many students, parents and staff have also been able to consult with our Guidance Officers (Mark, Mary and Rosie) who have provided excellent support to many in difficult circumstances.

An exciting new area that Heathmont College is involved in is the Fee Paying Overseas Student program. In 1997 three students will join our VCE Campus after spending the last 6 months at the Blackburn English Language School.

The Welfare Co-ordinators can direct families to places that offer help with finances. Whether it is Austudy, EMA, State Schools' Relief or negotiating levy payments. We are able to provide help when needed.

There are many things that influence a students ability to learn has been and fit into a school environment. Our priority has been the welfare of each student to ensure that everyone enjoys their school life.

Sue Wannan  
Glyns Smith

### The Victim's Cry

For eight years this has haunted me.  
The secret is out; I have now told.  
A secret like this I will never again hold.  
each day it will bruise deeper inside my soul.

I now have the courage to say and show how I feel,  
to weep from my heart  
with anger, fear, pain and my hurt  
that is slowly healing.  
Can I regain the feelings of love and dignity?

I now have to look inside myself for the strength I need  
with help from my family, friends and others  
who are there to fight this pain, so it won't come again.  
But if I live to see another day, I know this pain will stay.

The hurt is greater now it's out.  
I am lost in a place I don't know.  
If I go to court and this man goes to jail,  
fewer kids will suffer the pain he has brought to my life.

I hope to God other will come forward.  
It hurts - we have to stay strong.  
But whatever the verdict we have tried out best.  
The others might feel free just like one day I hope I will be.

Anon

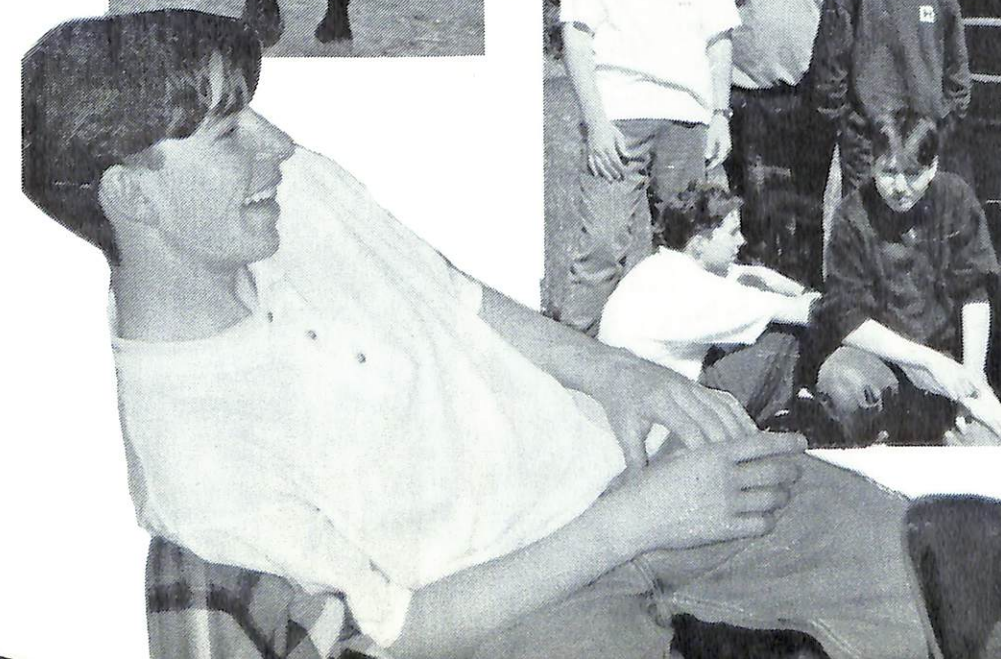
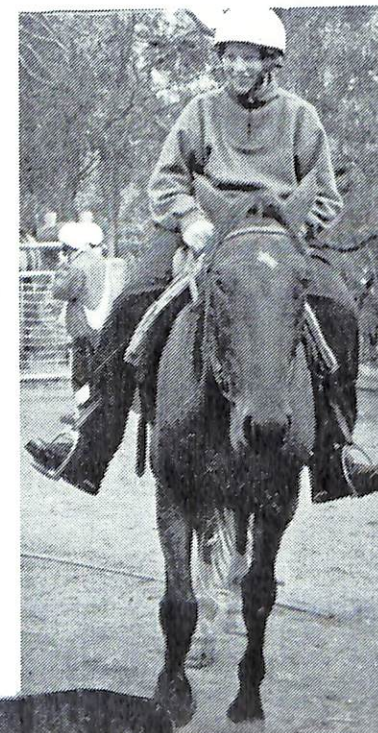
## FOCUS NEWS

This year was the pilot year for our year 10 FOCUS program run on the senior campus. 17 students started the year, looking forward to a very different program than the one they would have had, if they'd stayed with the rest of their year group, at their various schools. Only two students have left during the year; one students transferred successfully to a TAFE course, and the other has just recently started an apprenticeship, as a result of the work experience component of the course.

Highlights of the year have been a first aid course, a series of workshops with a storyteller, a visit to the magistrates' court, an excursion to Sovereign Hill, a series of adventure-based, risk-taking activities, such as rockclimbing, hang-gliding, and a ropes course, culminating in a week long camp where students camped out, hiked, carried packs, and cooked their own food, then white water rafted, and walked out to a ghost township. Students arrived back, totally exhausted but thoroughly challenged, and glad to get back to their own beds, and home cooking! The camp was run and funded by the Maroondah City Council Youth Department, to whom we are indebted also for a regular commitment with the students every week throughout the year.

Studies have been theme based, rather than subject based, with themes such as The Law, Music, Art, The Community, Business Management, Worldwide Issues and the Media and Life Skills. Work Experience has been an ongoing part of the program, as students have had one day a week every week at work. Some students have gained part time work as a result. Most students will continue at the college in 1997.

Anne Gordon, FOCUS Program Coordinator



## Technology Report

Staff in the Technology learning Area have been busy in 1996. With the introduction of CSF, Technology is divided into 3 strands: Information, Materials and Systems. To keep in line with the continuing changes, staff been involved in revising, devising and evaluating courses.

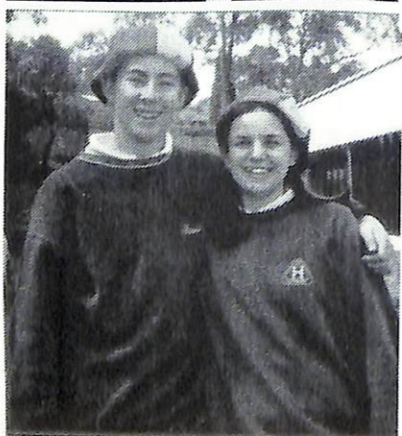
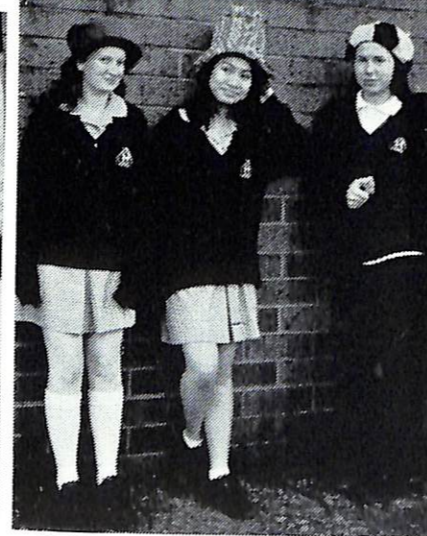
As the work on the new technology facility commences, staff in this area have had the opportunity to express their ideas and have played an active role in the designing and planning of this new and exciting facility.

To ensure that staff are kept informed of new initiatives they have attended Professional Development in-services both in the school by visiting professionals and out of school at selected venues.

It was very rewarding to see students' work on display at the Creek Straddler Art/Technology Exhibition. The standard and quality of students' work improves every year.

Congratulations to those students who exhibited their work.

Virginia Timbury  
Technology Key Learning Area Co-ordinator



## Train Surfing - A thrill to Die For

Just imagine. You are sitting in Train with a group of friends. You have a good time all day just hanging out. Maybe someone has had a few drinks or even been smoking marijuana but most of the group are like you, as straight as an arrow. The group is laughing and talking but some of them are bored. Someone has an idea.

"I dare you to surf the train" you hear. Everyone knows that surfing the train is a stupid and deadly activity, but it's the nature of a 'No Rules' Generation to never back down from a dare. The windows fly open and one at a time most of the male contingent of the group clamber out of the window and surf the train. It comes to your turn. Everyone else is doing it why not you?

You climb out. The wind is rushing past you. The cold air stings you but it's nothing compared to the heat of the adrenalin. It's like nothing you've experienced before. You stand there for a while, yelling, screaming, loving every minute of the thrill. Suddenly you hear the others screaming to you from inside of the train. But you can't understand what they say. You turn back to the front of the train just in time to see the bridge. The bridge that kills you at about 60kmh

The metal structure knocks your lifeless body far away from the train, maybe on to another track maybe into a nearby wall or building. Maybe your body is lying lifeless in the bushland by the train tracks. The truth is, you will be found but you will never know. You are dead or dying and you will never know the grief you have caused your family or your friends. It was a thrill while you were on top of the train, like the conquering hero of a huge metal beast, but the thrill wouldn't last, it couldn't last. It was a thrill, was it a thrill to die for?

For most of us, the idea of standing atop a speeding train in order to pretend to be surfing on the train is not an activity we would associate with fun. However for an increasing number of teenagers in Australia, train surfing is all the rage. It all seems perfectly sensible to most of us, you would have to be mad to ride on the outside of a train. Then what is it that makes the concept so inviting to our teenagers? After a victim dies, his or her friends are interviewed to find out why this person was outside the train, why this person died. In most cases the victim was either surfing the train or doing and "under and over" which involves going out of a window and going down underneath the train up the other side of the carriage and over the top then back in side the window. When asked "why?" the most common reply is, "for fun ..... cause we were bored". Police say there is very little they can do, they can hardly ban kids from the trains and they cannot police every carriage of a train, they simply do not have the man power to do it.

Inspector Brian Malone says- We can hardly be expected to patrol every carriage and parent knows, the more we say "no" the more the kids rebel against us. We can't remove the windows from the train. There really is no way to stop the Surfers. It's like the Graffiti problem, there is always going to be someone doing it somewhere. All we have to do is preach common sense to the kids and hope they have a conscience". This is the sad truth, There really isn't a whole lot that can be done. Civillians are to scared to stop kids who are messing around on the trains for fear of their retaliation. Just as inspector Malone has said, there aren't enough police to patrol every carriage of the train. We can only hope that the craze will die out, it may take a few more deaths until the teenagers who do anything for thrills will realise there has to be a better way, an easier way to amuse themselves. There have been suggestions of bands playing on trains or other forms of entertainment on the Public Transport System, but it will be a question of price and responsibilities.

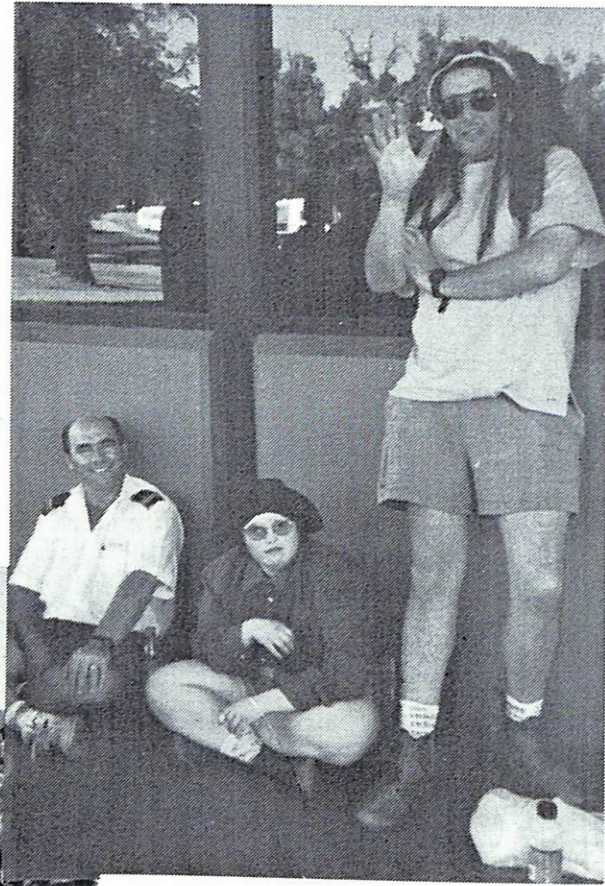
## Grant Exon

### The Angel

She looks like a rose with petals all soft.  
Her hair is like silk it's been carefully woven.  
Her voice is like the sun bright in the sky warming you up in the twinkle of an eye.  
Her face is like a cloud as soft as a cotton wool ball.  
Her nose is like a button it is so small.  
Her eyes are like stars, they twinkle when she smiles.  
Her teeth are like pebbles smooth and white.  
Her arms are like twigs thin and light.  
Her legs are like poles long and slender.  
She walks like she glides on a cloud in the sky.  
She sits like a cat prim and proper.  
She smiles like me on a really good day.

### My Father's Hands

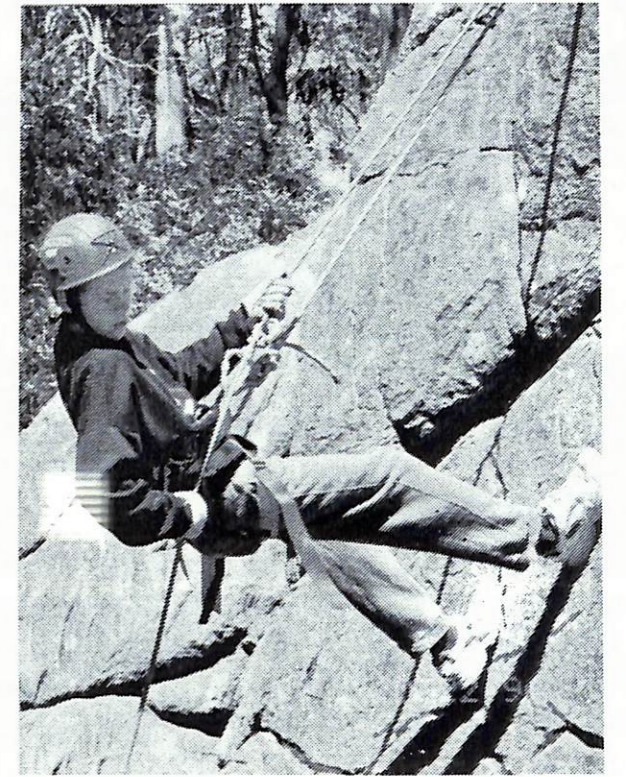
Someone told me that my father's hands are not simple.  
Some body told me that they are dirty.  
I see, and all I can feel is dirt on my father's hands.  
A person at work said my father's hands are golden.



Central '96



### Year 10 Adventure Camp



## HEATHMONT-KAUFUNGEN SISTER SCHOOL

Earlier this year we welcomed to our College ten students from Kaufungen, in central Germany. Accompanied by their school Principal, his daughter and their English teacher, the group was hosted for four weeks by families with students at Heathmont College. They attended classes, took part in excursions to the city and Hanging Rock and participated in family events at weekends. "Social" life after school was completely different from what they were used to in Germany - many of our students have part-time jobs as well as hours of homework to complete. In Kaufungen it is not uncommon for a large group to meet at someone's home or at the local cafe. By the end of their stay in Melbourne it was obvious that their English skills had improved and new friendships had been established.

On Monday 20 September the 10 students from Heathmont, along with Senior Campus Principal, Ruth Anderson-Smith and LOTE CO-ordinator, Lynette Tonkin, flew to Frankfurt. We were part of a Victorian contingent of about eighty, all headed to various schools in the state of Hessen. Touching down twenty-four hours later, we were transferred by mini-bus to Kaufungen, a village founded nearly one thousand years ago. Kaufungen has a population of 12,000 and consists mostly of half-timbered buildings.

The Integrated Comprehensive School (our sister-school) caters for students from Years 5-10, after which they move on to the type of Senior College which best suits their needs. Most of the host students now attend the Herderschule in Kassel (for Years 11-13), and our students accompanied them to various classes, some starting as early as 7:15am. But don't be too alarmed - the school day is over by 1:30pm.

To appreciate the history of the Hessen region, trips to interesting towns had been organised. Some students travelled even further afield with their host families - to Berlin, Cologne, the North Sea, and even Austria and Paris! Most of us also benefited from traditional German cooking - Kaffee und Kuchen (coffee and cake) every afternoon. Sauerkraut, boiled potatoes, Bratwurst, Abendessen (evening meal consisting, typically, of sliced bread, cold meats and cheeses.) No threat of starvation here!

Obviously one of the main aims of such a programme is to improve the students' language ability (and there is no doubt that this has occurred), and to gain an appreciation and understanding of another culture (which only really takes place when one is immersed in that society); but it was also interesting and rewarding to see the personal growth and self-assurance of each of the students as they coped with new situations.

The 1996 participants were:

Susan Carland  
Shane Devine  
Andrew Fitch  
Chris Gunther  
Anja Hauenschild  
Lisa Jones  
Sally MacAdams  
Marc Maschmann  
Michael Smith  
Dayna Swiatek

Their German partners were:

Laura Schumacher  
Simon Heeger  
Michael Schmidt  
Marc Wetzel  
Pamela Stange  
Nina Hilgenberg  
Dani Brubach  
Thorsten Kohlhaase  
Henrik Brethauer  
Sara Hofmann

"We were treated like royalty"

"Germany was fantastic"

"My host family were absolutely brilliant - they wanted me to stay for half a year"

"It is certainly four weeks of my life I will never forget"

"It wasn't long enough"

"If you're thinking about the exchange next year - go"

"It was a wonderful experience and I would love to go back again"

"It has been a real thrill to talk and communicate in German with German-speaking people"

## LOTE

This year has been very event-filled and busy, with forays into new technology, other schools and countries and, of course, with LOTE becoming compulsory in Yr 9 for the first time. At the start of the year we also welcomed Jane Bloodworth as our second Indonesian teacher.

In February, we celebrated the end of Ramadan, the Islamic fasting month, with a satay BBQ for all Indonesian students. Other events on the Indonesian calendar included a theatre performance about a trip to Bali and a Yr 8 visit to the Indonesian Consulate to experience wayang kulit (shadow puppets) and play gamelan (Javanese orchestra). The Yr 10s continued to support Foster Parents Indonesia by putting on two Indonesian lunches for staff to raise money for our sponsored child.

The LOTE learning area has also been active in promoting German and Indonesian in primary schools in the area, through networks and student and teacher visits. The German cross-age tutoring link with Marlborough PS is alive and well, with weekly visits by Yr 8s and the Yr 10s putting on a range of activities for the Marlborough children for Oktoberfest.

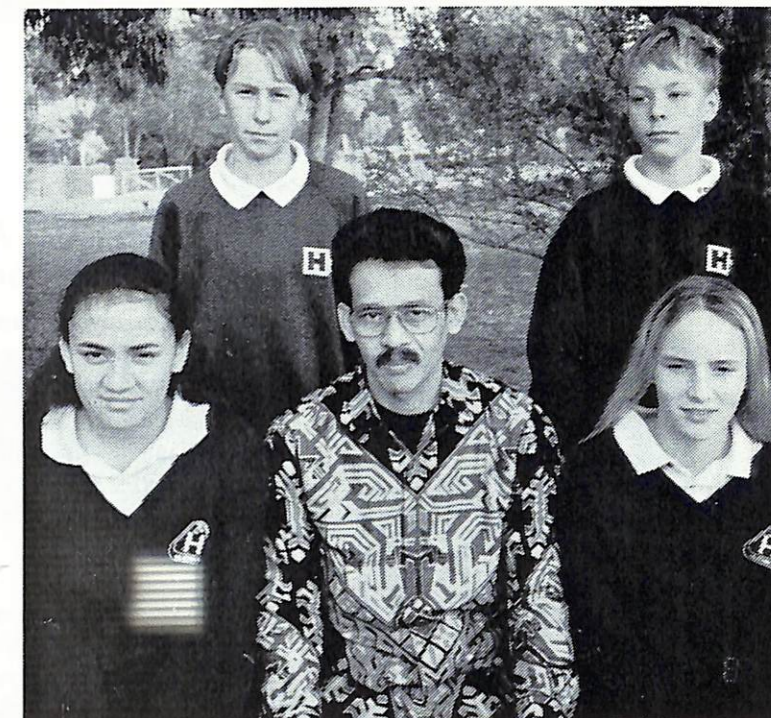
We have also begun to spread our boundaries beyond the local area. Read elsewhere in the magazine about the German trip. Mrs Bloodworth is busy planning the College's first Indonesian trip for next September. In addition, some students have begun to have e-mail contact with peers in Germany and it shouldn't be long before the same happens for Indonesian students.

The Goethe Poetry competition was well contested, with Honourable Mentions going to Marc Maschmann and Peter Forster.

At the important time when Yr 9 & 10 students were deciding on their courses for next year, we were visited by head of LOTE at Monash University, Professor Thomson, to talk to students about the merits of further LOTE study. It seems that for some years to come, all VCE LOTE students will gain a significant bonus on their TER score. The visit has had a positive effect, with an increase in the number of students choosing LOTE as an elective in Yr 10 & 11.

The annual LOTE week was a great success with a good turn out at both the trivia quiz and the prawn cracker and pretzel eating competition. It has been a productive and satisfying year and we plan to be ever more 'event-full' in 1997.

Lynette Tonkin  
Matthew Eddy



## S.O.S.E LEARNING AREA REPORT 1996

1996 has seen the SOSE Learning Area involved in many different activities covering all Year Levels. Students have enjoyed excursions and field trips to:

- Year 7 Local commerce and government facilities.
- Year 9 The Port of Melbourne, Docklands Project and the Victoria Market
- Year 10 State Parliament, Old Treasury Buildings and the Old Melbourne Gaol
- Year 11 Phillip Island (Coastal Management)  
Footscray and Prahran (Contrasts in Living Conditions)  
Law Courts  
Business Enterprises
- Years 11/12 Regional Constitutional Convention at Kingswood College. 17 students were invited to participate at this Cooperative Schools event. Kylie Webster was then selected as a Representative at the State Convention at Government House.

Students participated in all these activities enthusiastically, and represented the College extremely well.

Our joint venture with the Arts Learning Area to stage the 'Environments Through the Ages' Exhibition was a great success and showcased the talents of our Junior students. Equally pleasing were the opportunities afforded to the Year 12 Politics class which saw Tracey Walliker enjoy 2 week's Work Experience with Phillip Barresi (MHR Deakin), and an ongoing Youth Advisory Panel membership with Shannon Meadows for Peter Nugent (MHR Aston).

The first year of our Immersion Program at Year 7 (integrating SOSE studies with the students' LOTE), was also most successful as was the Cooperative Learning Project with Monash University involving all Year 7 SOSE classes.

It has indeed been a busy and demanding year for all staff and students, but undoubtedly, a most rewarding one.

Deborah Harman  
SOSE Learning Area Coordinator.



## Valedictory Dinner VCE Students Celebrate the End of College Life.



## JUNIOR SCHOOL SOSE/ARTS EXHIBITION JUNE 1996.

The combined efforts of the Arts and SOSE Learning Areas focussed on the talents of all students in the Junior School during Term 2. Classes were engaged in many different activities celebrating the theme- 'Environments through the Ages'. The finished work was then proudly displayed at the Waters Grove Campus and was viewed with great pride by parents, staff and students on the Parent-Teacher evening. The Exhibition was officially opened by Mr. Gordon Ashley, MLA Bayswater, who spoke of his delight at seeing the integrated approach undertaken by the Learning Areas.

Many students were rewarded with Participation Certificates. The major winners who received cash prizes of \$25 each are listed below:

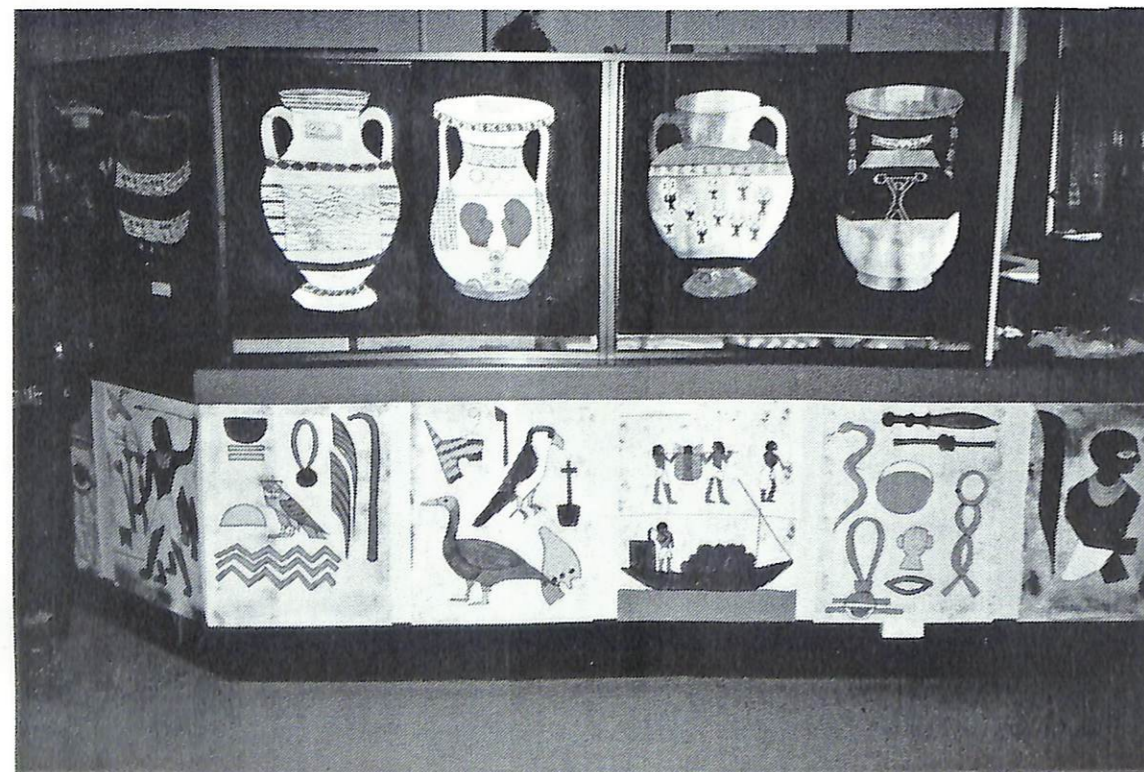
SOSE	Year 7	2D	Allan Tran
		3D	Paige Hodgetts
	Year 8	2D	Chanel Dever/Jenny Maschmann
		3D	Kellie Floyd

ARTS	Year 7	2D	Alex Benic
		3D	Brad Geddes
	Year 8	2D	Shaylie Knight
		3D	Rebecca Adams

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Congratulations to all students and staff involved in this highly successful venture.

Judy Petch (Head of Junior Subschool)  
Deborah Harman (SOSE Learning Area Coordinator)



### Creek Straddler

Sunday November 17 celebrated the third Annual Creek Straddler Exhibition at the Bayswater Community Center. This highly successful exhibition, coordinated by Mr Gordon Ashley, MLA for Bayswater and the Bayswater Rotary Club - showcased the work of students from the combined Colleges of Heathmont, Bayswater and Ringwood. Students across all levels 7 - 12 were entered in arts, technology and photography categories. Competition was fierce within junior, intermediate and senior levels winning entries coming from each of the three schools. As usual, Heathmont maintained its excellent standards in all areas.

Those members of the community who have visited this exhibition in previous years will recognise the work of some students over time the immense developments made in terms of skills and individual style. The Arts/Technology staff are proud of their students who have

worked with passion and commitment throughout the year leading up to this exhibition. The Heathmont College staff and its community congratulates the following prize winners on their success

**Senior Photography**  
Highly Commended Vanessa Riley  
**2D Junior Arts**  
Commended Carole Hodges  
Highly Commended Gemma Tyson  
**2D Intermediate Arts**  
Highly Commended Nick Allsopp  
**2D Senior Arts**  
Commended Amy Cornell  
Winner Helen Mason  
**3D Intermediate Arts**  
Highly Commended Alan Holdren  
Winner Daniel Lane  
**3D Intermediate Technology**  
Winner Rebecca Atwill  
**3D Senior Arts**  
Winner Kim Arrowsmith

### Storm at Night

Crimson sky, a flash of white.  
The busy day turns peaceful night.  
Lightning flashes, lights up the scene  
Of peace and harmony, nature so serene

Gentle rain, a cleansing force.  
Erasing the day so speedy and coarse.  
The sky is black, hand beneath a glove  
Lightning pure, the peaceful dove  
But few are wise to the peace of night.  
So quiet yet strong, an eagle's force.

### Nightmare

The light is sombre, no embers burn.  
My restless mind begins to churn.  
A monster's shadow, a vampire's teeth  
A bloody sword in silver sheath.  
A picture forms of sky a misty grey  
Oh, how I wish for light of day.

Keri James

### Nightmare of the Future

Skyscrapers reach up, high above the clouds.  
Smog billows thickly around the hollow shells of these abandoned buildings.  
The few people left, walk along the streets with sunken eyes,  
Coughing on the fumes of yesterday's pollution.  
The alleyways smell of rotten flesh.  
Through the darkness can be seen.....  
A light!  
It flickers,  
And the smell of roasting bones and human flesh contaminates the air.  
Mad folk have set fire to the corpses of their loved ones.  
The stench grows stronger as the flames devour the bodies.  
Through the eyes of living, dead or unborn,  
It's plain to see the disaster that has been caused,  
By the folly of man and his technology.  
The conceited, rich and idle man, thought that he'd pull through.  
But, this disease has caught him too.

Eugenie Collyer.

### Port Arthur

There was a bad man at Port Arthur,  
But no one knew that till after  
He went insane and shot people dead  
Went right for them and aimed for their heads.

Bang, bang the gun went and the person was gone  
Why did he do it? They weren't in the wrong.  
Some were young, some were old  
Some in between with tales untold.

Kelly Broadway

## YEAR 10 UNPLUGGED

The views and ambitions of students are often overlooked by busy adults in today's society. The following two interviews are given to show us what an average sixteen year old is thinking in this fast-paced generation. Two typical year 10 pupils at Heathmont College have offered their opinions on a range of light hearted subjects as examples of what the youth today thinks about.

### Megan Jones\*

- (N) "If your house was burning down what three things would you save? "
- (M) "I would save my family, pets then money(she laughs). "
- (N) "What do you want to do when you finish school? "
- (M) "Live at the beach, surf and be a bum. But before that I want to travel. "
- (N) "Where?"
- (M) "Hawaii, around the islands"
- (N) "What takes up your spare time? "
- (M) "Water skiing"
- (N) "How good are you? "
- (M) "I don't know, pretty average "
- (N) "If you could make a guy, what would he be like? "
- (M) "Tall, blond, blue eyes, surfer, a bum and um..... a good personality "
- (N) "On a scale of one to ten how would you rate yourself as a friend. "
- (M) "Ten, a big fat ten!!!!"
- (N) "What's the most embarrassing thing you have ever done? "
- (M) "Everything (laughing). I've done so many embarrassing things. When I went water skiing, I was coming out of the biscuit up to the bank, I hit a stick and went flying out of the biscuit, face planted into the mud! You should have seen me when I came out!!"
- (N) "Who do you look like first thing in the morning;? a) Claudia Schiffer b)Roseanne c)Oscar the Grouch
- (M) "I'd have to go for Oscar."
- (N) "What is the most important thing in life to you? "
- (M) "Having a happy life. Live life to the max, .....write that down. "
- (N) "If you had the choice of a date with Kelly Slater or \$10,000 dollars, Which would you choose? "
- (M) "\$10,000 definitely, Kelly I can meet any day!"

### Jordan Taylor\*

- (N) "If your house was burning down what three things would you save? "
- (J) "Me dog, me motor bike, me car mags and pomos.
- (N) "What do you want to do when you finish school? "
- (J) "Own my own business, panel beating and spray painting. "
- (N) "What takes up your spare time? "
- (J) "Football, basketball, Technic Lego (a friend laughs) I have \$2000 worth of Lego! "
- (N) "What is your idea of a perfect partner? "
- (J) "I like a guy with a cute a--- ( laughs) . I like a girl about 5.10, nice a---, fair sized chest area, slim but not to slim, easy to talk to, likes to have fun. "
- (N) "On a scale of one to ten how would you rate yourself as a friend. "
- (J) "About a six. I'll be there for my mates if they get into a fight. "
- (N) "What's the most embarrassing thing you have ever done? "
- (J) "Came to school! Nah, do you want a list. Probably reading in front of the class. "
- (N) "Who do you look like first thing in the morning;? a)Brad Pitt b)Meatloaf c)Oscar the Grouch
- (J) "Oscar with a big boof!"
- (N) "What is the most important thing in life to you? "
- (J) "Children, I have to continue the "Taylor"\* name."
- (N) "If you had the choice of a date with Claudia Schiffer or \$10,000 dollars, Which would you choose? "
- (J) "The money so I can buy my own car "

\*For the purpose of this interview names have been changed to protect their identities.

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## Heathmont Legends : 1996 Canadian Exchange Teacher, Alan Shipton

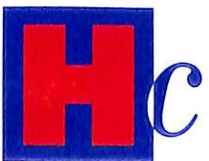


In the short time he was with us our Canadian colleague became a very popular member of the school and of the SOSE team in particular. Yet we did sometimes wonder about his sense of direction. We put it down to the effect of low temperature on brain cells. In this photograph, for example, we see Mr. S. on his way home to Canada. Apparently a man in a bar told him that you could walk back to Canada as long as you kept the ocean on your right. We asked him about the sign. Being an honest man he agreed that yes, he had been perplexed for a moment until he realised what had happened. 'You Aussies,' he laughed. 'One of you has obviously turned the sign back to front trying to fool me, but you don't trick a Barhead man so easily.' Then he headed across the Nullabor towards Perth. Quick calculation by Deborah Harman and the SOSE team worked out that this will slow his return to Alberta somewhat. Unless he knows that shortcut through Ulan Bator.

## Sports Special Achievement

G.Catto	Vic Ref	<b>Basketball</b>
N.Linford	Vic and Aust	<b>Rollerskating - Freestyle</b>
A.Stalder	Vic	<b>Cycling</b>
D.Allsopp	Aust	<b>Soccer</b>
S.Wood	Vic	<b>Softball</b>
G.Wood	Vic	<b>Basketball</b>
D.Lorrimer	Vic and Aust	<b>Ice Hockey</b>
M.Mason	Vic	<b>Darts</b>
L.Scerri	Vic	<b>Dressage</b>
E.Ramsay	Vic and Aust	<b>Rollerskating - Figure</b>
G.Kimberley	Vic and Aust	<b>Baseball</b>
S.Stopford	Vic	<b>Rollerskating - Figure</b>
N.Allopp	Vic and Aust	<b>Rollerskating - Speed</b>
W.Jacobsen	Vic and Aust	<b>Netball AIS</b>
B.Linford	Vic	<b>Rollerskating - Speed</b>
M.Stopford	Vic and Aust	<b>Rollerskating - Freestyle</b>

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