



Timaru Boys' High School

March Newsletter 2020

13-15 March SISS Rowing
15 March TBHS Open Day
17-20 March Year 9 Camp 5 (Totara)
22 March STAC Summer Exchange
25-27 March Year 13 Geography Camp (Karitane)
28-30 March Lower South Island Team Sailing Regatta
30-31 March Year 12 Geography: Mount Cook
31 March Board of Trustees Meeting
1 April Otago Uni Maths Competition
7 April Year 12 RYDA Course
9 April ANZAC Service
9 April Final Day Term 1
27 April ANZAC Day Holiday
28 April Term 2 Commences



Rector's Message - March 2020

Kia ora everyone

Time moves quickly on and we are already over half way through Term 1. The Year 9 classes have been up at John Scott Lodge at Godley Peaks Station for a week each. I went up and stayed a night with Kowhai and was immediately struck by the absolute beauty of the setting - it's good for the soul! The cold, clear water of the Godley river was put to use as a swimming spot, an obstacle course and a field for mud rugby. The boys worked together in groups and learned important skills. I don't think I'm overstating it by saying that the Year 9 camps are a profoundly positive experience for the boys, the peer support leaders and the teachers. We are so lucky to have access to John Scott Lodge. Thanks so much to Rob and Karen Glover, the managers of Godley Peaks Station, for their incredible support.

Another highlight of Term 1 was our Athletics Day. As with all TBHS sporting and cultural events, it was tremendous fun.

However, it was also a day of real competition, with Tait House taking the overall honours, just like they did in the swimming sports.

Last week, the Rite Journey had the first of its major events, 'The Calling'. Year 10 boys walked down to the port area to cast a stone into the Pacific Ocean. Written on the stone was a trait or childhood behaviour they want to leave behind on their journey to manhood. I found it moving, but, like anything done by 15 year old boys, the seriousness was interspersed with lots of laughter. Things they do on the 'Rite Journey' and at John Scott Lodge camps will resonate with students long after they leave our gates.

There are lots of leadership opportunities offered to senior boys at TBHS. So far this term, I have seen true mentorship and care of younger students shown by our Peer Support Leaders and I have seen our Prefects organise a mufti day and commemorative assembly this Friday to mark the tragic mosque shootings of 2019. Also, this week a group of our seniors gave up a day to help with the organisation and running of the regional schools' Special Olympics - their good natured and kind approach was appreciated by everyone there.

This Sunday, 15 March, we have our Open Day between 1pm to 3pm. Come and have a look at what goes on at TBHS. Bring your neighbours and friends.



John Scott Lodge

All students have the opportunity of attending a camp when entering Timaru Boys' High School in Year 9, and some may have further opportunities through participation in Outdoor Education and Geography trips.

This is a very special experience in unique surroundings and the school continues to be grateful for access to this untouched, scenic spot in the Godley Valley that is reserved

for our use.

Although not open to the general public, we would like to share some wonderful photos taken on the recent Rata Year 9 Camp and also extend our sincere thanks to the owners of Godley Peaks Station for the continued opportunity of using this wonderful facility.



TBHS Open Day: Sunday 15 March

Join us at our Open Day on Sunday 15 March, 1pm-3pm.

Bring the family, have a look around the school, enjoy a sausage and refreshments. Everyone welcome.



Rite Journey Update

The Rite Journey programme is underway with over one hundred and thirty boys across all Year 10 classes participating.

This programme is designed to give the boys a greater understanding of who they are as a person, who they would like to become and how to get there.

Throughout the year, the boys are challenged in a number of different areas. On Sunday 1 March and Thursday 5 March the boys completed two elements of the program.

1 March saw approximately 110 Year 10 students and seven staff take part in the *Hadlow to Harbour* fun run and walk. The boys completed this as a challenge in the *Rite Journey* Programme; it is one of the initial challenges in a programme that is extremely special to Timaru Boys' High School.

The boys all challenged themselves to complete either the 3km or the 10km run; this is what makes the programme special, as boys are challenged to extend themselves out of their comfort zone. This is where a large part of a boy's personal character growth happens.

With such large numbers from TBHS competing in the event, we were very fortunate to gain two prizes - both the *Team Effort* award and also the *Timaru Schools'* award for participation. This was the third year in a row we have won the *Timaru Schools' Trophy*.

The second event on the calendar was *The Calling*, where every student walked down to the beach as a class. Whilst at the beach they discussed things they are thankful for in their lives and reflected on who they are as a person.

Part of this reflection process is to identify an element in their life that they feel they would like to change or discard. They then write this attitude or behaviour on a rock, then as a class, all boys symbolically cast their stones into the ocean.

This was a great morning walk to the beach in beautiful weather conditions; the boys represented themselves and the school extremely well.

We look forward to the next challenges where the boys will be looking at *Mother's Day, Attitude*, and competing in clash of the classes *Haka* and *The Rite Journey Sing Off*.



TBHS 1st XI Hockey

Having had an extremely successful 2019 result on the playing field, TBHS Hockey is excited to announce a two-year partnership between KPMG and the TBHS 1st XI.

This partnership is the first of its kind for hockey at Timaru Boys', and will give a significant financial injection to the 1st XI programme. This partnership is set to be a big contributor

in allowing the 1st XI to continue in their quest for success on the local, regional and national stage.

"KPMG is delighted to be part of TBHS Hockey for the next two years. South Canterbury has a fantastic hockey environment and TBHS Hockey is a significant contributor to that, including their success in recent years in both regional and national level competitions. We are looking forward to actively following the team and their supporters for a successful 2020 season." Brent Love – Canterbury Office Managing Partner, KPMG

As part of the two-year partnership, the 1st XI will be sporting new KPMG branded kit for 2020, which includes playing strip and team bags.

TBHS Hockey, and in particular the 1st XI, wish to thank Brent and his team at KPMG for both their extreme generosity but also their positive support in what is shaping up to be an exciting 2020 season and beyond.



Pass2Pub Congratulations

Congratulations to three of our students who competed in the recent Pass2Pub bike race.

Jani McLennan was second in the Under 15 Division in the pass to pub bike race Sunday 1 March, completing 36 km in 1 hr 38.19. Reef Roberts was first in the 36km and Corban Sprague was first in the U15 16km ride. Well done Jani, Reef and Corban.

The Pass2Pub is a spectacular ride in the South Canterbury back country, with a wonderful, carnival atmosphere and provides the thrill of competing and cycling down the finishing chute to the rousing celebrations of family and friends. A magical experience!



New members of the Workforce.....!

Timaru Boys' is proud of its record in guiding our young men into fulltime jobs.

This happens continually throughout the year, and we often don't take the time to acknowledge their achievements.

Congratulations to the following young men, our latest students who are heading out into the workforce this month:

Miller Butler to Timaru Construction
Charlie Mansfield to Mainfreight
Bailey Kingsbury to Kirk Irrigation

Well done and all the best with your future.



Ice Hockey Success.....

Congratulations to Flynn Linton who was named not only in the New Zealand U16 Ice Hockey Squad for January 2019 but has also been selected for the NZ Men's U18 Ice Hockey side that was to be travelling to Luxembourg for the World Championships in April 2020.

The squad was to face South Africa – Luxembourg – Hong Kong – Kyrgyzstan with Bosnia & Herzegovina and were targeting a semi-final and final opportunity to further New Zealand's progress up the International Tier system.

However, due to the Corona Virus outbreak, the decision was made last week by the governing body to cancel the tournament.

Plans are afoot for an International Tri series in Australia in 2020 and Flynn will continue his training and New Zealand camps to make sure they give the higher ranked Australian side a good work over.



National SS Keelboat Championships

Rainer Willcock (Year 11) and Nathan Harbutt (Year 12) represented Timaru Boys' High School at the 2020 Harken National Secondary School Keelboat Championships held at the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron in Auckland from 6-8

March.

This regatta attracts sixteen sailing teams from all over New Zealand to compete in the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron's fleet of Elliott 7s.

The boys sailed in different South Island combined teams so competed against each other -an exciting weekend of racing!



Triathlon Success

Three keen TBHS Year 10 students were part of the 77 contestants in the Timaru Triathlon on Sunday 23 February.

Thomas Kyle led off first as they dashed into Caroline Bay for a 750 metre swim; Josh Young cycled the 20 kilometre circuit through Timaru's streets and Baxter Mason finished the team's stunning performance with a 5km run around the bay.

The boys won the Open Men's Team Section.

This is a great result for boys of this age and the fact it is their first triathlon together.

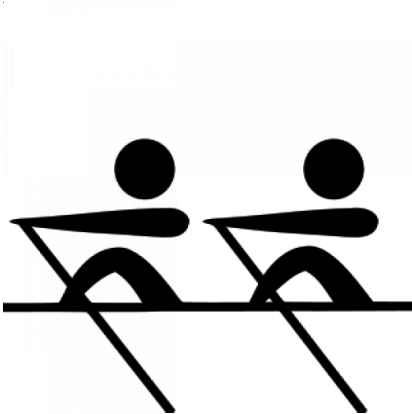
Watch out next year Timaru!!



Aoraki Bowls

TBHS had two teams competing in the Aoraki Bowls Competition.

Congratulations to our B team of Jock Urquhart and Mitchell Bowmar who successfully competed in the Aoraki Bowls Competition. This was a grand day out.



Timaru Boys' Rowing

With less than three weeks to go until the Aon Maadi Cup at Lake Ruataniwha TBHS rowing have only two school regattas (one being the Maadi Cup) left to race after the squad competed at the Canterbury Junior Championships, held at Lake Hood.

Brian Smith, Head Coach was pleased with the result in what was, at times, tough conditions.

"This regatta marks the first of the secondary school regattas for the season and out of twenty two heat races, TBHS rowing managed 21 A Finals. Out of those A Finals fell eleven Golds,

three Silvers and three Bronze placings, which means the whole squad placed at this regatta" added Smith. *"The squad are continuing to commit to their training and focus on their strengths"*

We wish our boys every success at the South Island Secondary School Championships to be held at Lake Ruataniwha this weekend, 13th-15th March.



SI Town and Country Swim Competition

TBHS students competing at the South Island Town and Country Swim Competition made a clean sweep of the 200 breast.

Congratulations to Cale, Jack and Josh who competed in the 13 to 14 age group.



McNoe and O'Keefe break records at TBHS Athletic Sports

Saxon McNoe and Flynn O'Keefe were the record breakers at the annual TBHS Athletic sports held on Monday and Tuesday 17-18 February in fine conditions at the Aorangi Stadium all weather track.

Year 9 student **O'Keefe** broke the long jump record in setting a new mark of 5.37 metres. He also gained titles in the Triple Jump, 400 and 200 metres as well as dead-heating with **Mac Falupega** in the 100 metre final, to emerge along with **Baxter Mason** who swept all the middle and longer distance track events as the dominant Minor athlete.

Saxon McNoe dominated the Junior events where his four titles in the 400 metres, High jump, Long jump and Triple jump included a new record mark of 12.28 metres in the Triple.

Reuben Bowen (100 metre hurdles, High and Triple jumps) and **Jackson Ross** (200 metres, Discus and Shot Put) both claimed three titles in a keenly contested Intermediate grade. Bowen also recorded 2nd placings in the 100 metres, Javelin and Long Jump to complete a fine day's work.

In the Senior Grade, **Jed Syme** (100 and 200 metres) and **Josh Earnshaw** (800, 1500 and 3000 metres) were dominant on the track, with Syme adding a long jump title. **Quinn Motley** was the best performed field athlete with Discus and Javelin titles. Syme won the Champion of Champions 100 metres title in a slick 11.4 seconds.

To the delight of Deputy Rector Mr Sparrow, Tait's swimming dominance flowed through to the track with Tait taking out the Inter-house competition.



Pushing for Excellence in Science.

There has been an outstanding turnout for the lunchtime session of Pushing for Excellence in Science.

Boys who are working hard to achieve at Merit or Excellence gather to develop their ability to complete their investigation to a high level.

Well done to those boys who took up this opportunity!



Science Fun

Our boys certainly get out and about....

The Level 3 Agricultural Science class recently participated in a field trip for water sampling in the Pareora.



Special Olympics Helpers

Timaru Boys' High School has a strong tradition with the annual Special Olympics.

Special Olympics New Zealand aims to provide children and adults with an intellectual disability year-round sports training and competition opportunities enabling them to

learn, grow, compete and to recognise their achievements.

Thank you to the following seniors who assisted as officials at the Special Olympics Athletics on Tuesday. Your support was appreciated.

Year 13: George Mulder, George Small, McKenzie Annett, James Martin, McGregor Isbister, William Snuggs, Ryan McNulty, Matthew Moore

Year 12: Bailey Booth



South Island SS Tennis Championships

The South Island SS Tennis Championships were held in Timaru over the weekend 29 Feb - 1 March at the Trust Aoraki Tennis Centre.

Our boys found it tough going against some strong opposition led by Christ's College who have 150 Tennis players, including some boys who have high National

rankings.

The most competitive tie for us was against Ashburton College. **Aidan Watt** and **Go Tumaru** were the best performing TBHS players.



PTA..... New Members Sought!

TBHS has a small but committed Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

We focus on 3-4 small fundraisers each year that can be managed in school, and host activities that support the school with the aim of putting the money back into the curriculum and areas that the school would otherwise struggle to source funds.

We would love to be a larger PTA!

We are an informal and pain free way to be involved in the school. Bring a friend, and come along. The AGM is to be held on 8 April at 7pm in the Learning Centre (Oxford St entrance by Thomas House).

Everyone is welcome; we are also looking for a new Chairperson as our current Chair has increased her work commitments. You will be well supported by the rest of the team and the Chairperson will continue to be involved but not as an office bearer.

Coming up: We are looking for volunteers to help serve muffins and run the BBQ for Open Day on Sunday 15 March - anytime between 12:30-3:30pm would be awesome.

We are also hoping to be involved in serving refreshments in the interval of the upcoming production at the end of May. If you would like any further information, please contact Lee on leelindbom@gmail.com or Sally hiltonsa@timaruboysschool.nz, or come along to one of our meetings.

The Learning Centre is on the left as you come in through the hostel entry off Oxford Street.



Waitaki Edge Timaru in Summer Exchange

The annual Waitaki vs Timaru Boys' Summer Exchange was held in Oamaru on 3 March, played in cool conditions with intermittent morning showers.

The **1st XI Cricket** fixture played at Milner Park was an even contest. Timaru bowled first in difficult conditions with a damp outfield. Rain reduced the game from 50 to 44 overs.

Waitaki applied themselves with the bat and worked their way steadily through to 169-7. Alex Doyle was the most successful of the TBHS bowlers, picking up four wickets, while Caleb Donaldson was the most economical. Timaru seemed on target for a comfortable win when they were 145-4 on the back of good 40s from Donaldson and Fletcher Rhodes. A late collapse saw a tense finish with Harry Schmack hitting the winning runs to sneak Timaru over the line.

An athletic Waitaki **Volleyball** side were too good for Timaru winning 3 sets to 0. This result was reversed by TBHS who took out all three **Touch** matches. The **Open Tennis** tie was an even encounter with a number of tight three set matches which saw Waitaki emerge as 6-3 victors.

The result of the exchange therefore hinged on the **Croquet** match where Timaru's Brent Meyer and Adam McEwan were beaten by the nationally ranked Waitaki pair 2-0, ensuring Waitaki took overall honours 3-2.



YES Programme

TBHS student, Robert Chapman, spoke in assembly about how his experience with the YES programme has encouraged him to join the Pleasant Point Fire Service as a volunteer.

The YES programme is a 10-week course that runs between late April to the end of June. It has hands-on involvement in practice scenarios with the Red Cross, Land Sar, St John, and Fire and Emergency New Zealand. This is a course offered to two pupils between the ages of 16 to 19 from each secondary school in South Canterbury.

The course is split into three phases: 2 weeks with each organisation, hands-on experience with a chosen organisation, followed by graduation at the end of the course which involves a scenario day with all the organisations involved.

If you are keen then please see Mr Poulter in the Careers room for more info and an application form.



Impetigo

Impetigo (you say, im-pa-ty-go), also known as school sores, causes blisters on exposed parts of body, such as hands, legs and face. The blisters burst and turn into a sore with a yellow crust that gets bigger each day

With suspected cases of impetigo in our school, if you suspect that your child might have school sores (impetigo), it's a good idea to have them assessed by a medical professional to make sure.

A medical professional will be able to advise whether or not your child should be kept home to stop the infection spreading to other children, and when they can return to school.

Time off from school:

Until sores have dried up or 24 hours after antibiotic treatment has started.



Cups and Trophies Returns asap.....

Could all Summer Sports Prizegiving Cups and Trophies (including Athletics awards), please be returned to the Student Office asap.

They must all be returned by the end of March.



PDF Version

The pdf version of the March 2020 Newsletter is available here



Rotary Youth Exchange

Wanted: Secondary Students for Youth Exchange

Rotary Youth Exchange is an official programme of Rotary and we are now seeking applications from motivated secondary school students interested in spending a year overseas as part of this long established successful educational and cultural exchange.

This is your chance to obtain a Study Abroad "Scholarship" worth about \$30,000 and to immerse yourself in the culture and become fluent in a foreign language in a supportive exchange programme. Become fluent in Swedish, Mandarin,

German, French, Danish or Spanish.

Students must be aged between 15 and 17½ at departure in January 2021.

Exchange partners for 2021 will include: Sweden, France, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Chile, Denmark, Belgium and Taiwan

- No family Rotary affiliation required
- Applications close 30 April 2020.

Rotary Youth Exchange offers student training and preparation, a strong student support structure and oversight by a reputable global service organisation. Students attend a local school but stay with several host families for variety and a true cultural experience. The effective “scholarship” is worth about \$30,000, as through RYE there is no foreign student fee or need to pay for accommodation.

Students benefit from personal growth and development, independence and self confidence while making worldwide friendships and learning a new language. If you want to gain a fresh understanding of yourself and others, have fun and a whole lot of new experiences consider being a Rotary Youth Exchange student for 2021.

If you are ready for a life changing experience and for the rewarding challenge and the unique and life long rewards that come from living in another country as a RYE student, then check out www.rotaryyouthexchange9980.wordpress.com or contact us for more information and an initial application form.

Contact: Gary Williams

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YFU Student Exchange

Scholarship applications are now open.

YFU Student Exchange is offering 20 Global Young Leaders Scholarships to eligible secondary school students.

Scholarships will be awarded to students who are demonstrating community or issue based engagement.

Scholarships are valued at up to \$4,500 off the program fee.

For all the details visit our website. <https://www.yfu.com.au/info-evenings/>
