



Timaru Boys' High School

July Newsletter 2021

6 July John McGlashan Exchange (Home)
6-9 July Combined TGHS/TBHS Production *Chicago*
9 July Final Day Term 2
26 July Term 3 Commences
27 July Board Meeting
30 July Mid Winter Parents' Dinner (Thomas House)
13 August Teacher Only Day
11 August Aoraki Mathematics Competition
18-24 August Senior Examinations
25 August Waitaki Day (Away)
31 August Board Meeting
10 September TBHS Ball
27 September SC Anniversary Day
1 October Final Day Term 3



Rector's Message - July 2021

Kia ora te whanāu

I began the last newsletter in May by writing, "What foul weather!" As we enter the last week of Term 2, I must say I am thoroughly enjoying this recent spell of frosty mornings and sunny days - wonderful South Canterbury winter weather. Long may it last!

As usual, the end of term comes with a flurry of activity. Assessments often happen in the last few weeks of a term and students will be hurrying to get work in. This stage of the year is often when some senior boys feel swamped and give up. This is always an over-reaction. Counting the holidays, there are still 18 weeks to go before our Senior Prize Giving - more than enough time to turn things around. If you have a son in Years 11 to 13, ask him how his NCEA assessment work is going - what he's passed and/or failed and what he needs to do to get his NCEA Certificate. Feel free to email his form teacher or his class teachers if you want some information - their email addresses are on our website:

<https://timaruboysschool.nz/about-us/staff/>

We will be checking the credit tallies of senior students at the start of Term 3 and we will contact you if we see any early problems. The above advice also stands for Junior students. We expect our juniors to complete the learning tasks and assessments they have been given and will definitely chase them up. If you are worried about your son's progress or just want to ask questions, please email the relevant teachers.

Winter sport has been full of excitement, with wonderful victories and deep disappointments. It's all character building, of course. Kipling said that to be a grown man (or woman) you had to be able to "*meet with Triumph and Disaster and treat those two impostors just the same.*" Sport helps us get the ups and downs of our lives into perspective. We need to know what's truly important - being with our friends, engaging in hard fought games with other teengaers just like us and having loads of fun. Don't get me wrong, though; I still find winning deeply satisfying! We scooped all the major prizes in our recent exchange with St Andrew's (although, we did somehow manage to lose the overall exchange). We won the 1st XI Hockey, the 1st XV Rugby, and romped home in the 1st XI Football (Pero Forman scoring a hat trick). Watching the 1st XV despatch Christchurch Boys' at School Park last Saturday was glorious after the disappointment of losing to St Bede's the week before - such is the pain and joy of sport. It's been great to see parents and old boys on the sidelines of the various codes. Thank you so much for everything you do for TBHS sport.

Many of you will no doubt be taking some time off during the school holidays. Have a great time and keep safe. For those of you who were hit hard by the recent flooding, I hope your lives are returning to some sense of normality now.

See you at the joint TBHS/TGHS production of 'Chicago' at Timaru Girls' this week. It's going to be great!

Nga mihi

Dave Thorp



Arts Extravaganza - a Real Celebration

What an exciting time we had in Week 7 this term from 16-18 June.

The Arts Extravaganza was a hit with the students, teachers and workshop tutors. It started on Wednesday with **Tracy Johnson** from Designer Cakes coming in to work for three mornings with a small group of boys to mould chocolate flowers. Day 1 saw our boys learn to ice a cake with ganache while Day 2 saw them learn to use fondant to finish their project on Day 3. The boys were all able to eat their creations or take them home although it is uncertain how many made it home!

Wood turning saw two small groups of enthusiastic boys challenge themselves with a new skill that saw them learning

to use lathes. We would like to thank the **Timaru Wood Turners Club** and their members who came along and helped our boys create the most amazing wooden bowls in a day and a half.

Improvisation games were taken by local **Abigail Austin** and the *School of Rock* was ably taken by **Megan Holden** with Lee Parcell. This saw our boys taken through the basics of how to balance sound and set up a performance.

Calligraphy was taught by friend of the school **Alison Gray**. Her enthusiastic style made for an entertaining course.

Wes from **TeAna Rock Art Centre** arrived, and the boys created Maori musical instruments and a Maori strategy game. Wes has a great manner with the boys, and they appreciated his skills and knowledge.

KBB Music was on the scene to work with our boys on the audio desk in the Music room.

Approximately 30 boys visited the South Canterbury Drama League - most of them had never been to the theatre before, so it was a thrill to see them engage with the volunteers who run the lighting and sound as well as the people who do the "on stage" work.

Friday was a real learning curve for our Year 9 boys with an Acappella workshop overseen by NZ award winning singing quartet **Promenade**. We found much hidden talent amongst our students. This talented group also worked with our choir and within 40 minutes had 4-part harmony sailing through the Tait Block. They have promised to work with them again.

Staff members who assisted with leading workshops included **Kelvin Furze, Cameron Gibb, Paul Bennison, Lee Parcell, Wayne Doyle** and School Counsellor **Tony Bunting**.

All in all, we had 30 workshops with over 170 boys taking part and the majority of these young men participated in more than two workshops.

The school extends its sincere thanks to all in our community who made this event possible - your support is very much appreciated.



Timaru Boys' High School Rugby Club

Congratulations to our Timaru Boys' 1st XV Rugby team who, after a tremendous 15-8 win against Christchurch Boys' on Saturday, have taken a major step towards a semi-final spot in the Miles Toyota Championship.

We will be keeping an eye on this week's Saturday competition game when they face St Thomas of Canterbury

College - 12pm, School Park.

With games yet to played against Marlborough Boys' and Nelson College, our boys will need to win two out of these three games to secure their spot in the top four. We wish them every success.

<https://tinyurl.com/TBHS-vs-CBHS>

Timaru Boys' also gives a shout out to the many volunteers who contribute countless hours to ensuring the success of our Rugby Club across all grades - coaches, managers, parents, fundraisers..... without your support, it would be impossible to cater for the over 250 students who choose this winter sport.

Rugby teams across all grades are to be congratulated for their commitment to the sport and we commend you all for your dedication on these cold winter days.



World Vision 40 Hour Famine

Well done to the group of 24 young people who spent the weekend of 25-27 June raising funds for the World Vision 40 Hour Famine.

With representatives from Timaru Boys', Craighead and Geraldine High Schools, the weekend was spent in the Timaru Boys' Gymnasium where participants enjoyed a range of sports and competitions.

This was a major undertaking for these young people who not only forfeited their normal food intake during the weekend, but worked around their busy schedules.

Taking time out of their normal lives allowed time to appreciate the comfort that we live in here in New Zealand and to not take things for granted - especially food security.

The big breakfast on Sunday morning was a highlight!

Donations are still being received on their fundriasing page: <https://tinyurl.com/TBHSWorldVision>



Chicago Combined Schools' Production

Come and support our wonderful cast for the 2021 joint school production of *Chicago*.

To be held at Timaru Girls' High School from 6-9 July, it is \$15 student ticket and \$20 adults - purchase your tickets from the TBHS Student Office or from TGHS.

We wish all cast members the very best for the upcoming show and will be looking out for the following boys who all have a role to play in making it a wonderful success:

Charlie Anderson
Andrew Blake
Nicolas Cousau
Jakeb Fahey

Aidan Griffin
Aris Ocon
Sam Roadley
Jayden Robinson



Trapshooting

On Sunday 27 June, a large number of the TBHS Trapshooting Group competed at the Timaru Intercollegiate shoot.

This competition had over 80 shooters from a number of different schools, as far south as Oamaru.

Weather conditions in the morning with a heavy fog, certainly made for challenging shooting conditions.

Harry Smith won the single rise competition.

The next major Trapshooting competition is the South Island Secondary School Championships on Saturday 10 July in Timaru. The following students will be representing TBHS at this event; Harry Smith, Jack Innes, Jack Scott, Thomas Fulton, Josh Mills, Digby Giles, Toby Porter, Lachlan Lovett, we wish them all the best for this event.



2021 SISS Swimming Championships

This event was held in Timaru on 19-20 June with the TBHS team consisting of Dominic Coleman (Captain), Thomas Kyle, Jack Boorer-Lilley, Harry Sargent, Luke Tompkins, Alex Tudgey and Lochlan Crawford.

It was a very successful meet with Timaru Boys' awarded top boys' school, which was an impressive achievement considering that we had three boys who did not compete in all sessions due to other commitments and injury.

The boys 15 and under relay team of Thomas, Jack, Alex and Harry swam extremely well to win the Freestyle relay, and gain a second place in the Medley relay.

Individual results are as follows:

Thomas Kyle had an outstanding meet. He gained three first place finishes, in the 100 Individual Medley, the 100 Breaststroke and the 50 Breaststroke. He then gained two second place finishes, in the 100 Freestyle and the 50 Freestyle.

In addition Thomas placed second in the 15 and under SKINS event. The top ten swimmers were chosen from the Medley races. The swimmers then have to swim 50 meters in a stroke chosen at random. The slowest two swimmers are then removed. Another stroke is chosen at random, and another two swimmers removed. This continues until the final two swimmers compete for first placing. Races take place one after the other so there is very little rest. Obviously swimmers have to be able to swim the full range of strokes.

Thomas was also second in the 15 and under 200 Freestyle elimination race. The top ten fastest swimmers from the 100 Freestyle are chosen to race. At the end of each 50 meters the two slowest swimmers are taken out, without pausing the race. Again it came down to the two last swimmers, who swam the last 50 by themselves to see who wins overall.

Alex Tudgey swam well. He gained one first placing in the 50 Backstroke, two second placings in the 100 Freestyle and the 50 Freestyle, a third placing in the 100 Individual Medley and a fourth in the 50 Butterfly. Alex also qualified for the 15 and under SKINS race where he finished fourth. Alex swam three personal bests during the meet.

Dominic Coleman also did well. He gained a first placing in the 50 Butterfly, two second placings in the 100 Breaststroke and 50 Breaststroke, a fifth in the 100 Butterfly and a 6th in the 100 Individual Medley. Dom also swam four personal bests in his races. He qualified for the 16 and over SKINS

event.

Harry Sargent gained one second placing in the 100 Backstroke in a personal best time. He also gained two fifth placings, in the 100 Freestyle and the 50 Breaststroke, and one seventh placing in the 50 Freestyle.

Lochlan Crawford gained a third placing in the 100 Butterfly taking 4.75 seconds off his previous personal best. Lochlan also took two sixth placings in the 50 Breaststroke and 50 Butterfly, a ninth in the 100 Breaststroke and an eleventh in the 100 Individual Medley. Lochlan swam personal bests in all of his five races.

Luke Tompkins had his meet interrupted when he ended up with his hand in a cast after he departed swimming to play rugby before his return to swimming. This was unfortunate for Luke, but he did manage to swim two races before his injury. He gained a third place in the 50 Backstroke and a fifth placing in the 100 Individual Medley. We all wish Luke a speedy recovery in the hope that he can compete in New Zealand Secondary Schools.

Jack Boorer-Lilley swam one individual event finishing sixth in the 50 Butterfly.

Congratulations to the team, and a big thank you to Heather Tudgey and Frances Coleman for their assistance over the weekend.



Rockquest 2021

Congratulations to our young men who participated in the recent Rockquest where they displayed some outstanding talent and performances.

Smokefree Rockquest is New Zealand's only nationwide, live, original music, youth event. Now in its 33rd year, the series of over 40 events reaches audience numbers in excess of 10,000 every year.

Smokefree Rockquest aims to motivate young musicians to prove their ability and realise the heights they can reach in their music careers, and to encourage their peers to support original New Zealand music.

With Covid affecting last year's competition, it was great to have the opportunity to perform once again.

Performances were of a really high calibre this year, with **Jacob Cox** receiving the Musicianship Award for best guitarist while competing in the TBHS band *Third Junction*. The female lead singer Beka Clark from the combined TBHS and Mountainview *Delightful Dniggles* was recognised as best lead singer while St Kevin's band *The Pills* won overall.

Well done to all our boys for their commitment to this big event.



Muay Thai Congratulations

Well done to **AJ Foster** who successfully defended his Aotearoa Muay Thai Association (AMTA) New Zealand Youth 63.5 Kg title.

Originally winning the title in October 2020, AJ said *"The fight was tough and more challenging than I expected. My opponent put up a good fight, but I managed to come away with a win and defend my title. I wouldn't have been able to pull this win without the support of my fight team, coaches and sponsors Lena Transport and Independent engineering."*

Keep up the good work AJ - we will be watching your progress with interest.



Chess Success

The TBHS Chess Team had an outstanding day at the Chess Regionals Tournament, taking out the top three places in the Senior event:

First: Jacob Adam

Second: Lachlan Crawford

Third: Lachlan Adam

All three players now qualify for the NZ National Chess Championship taking place in Rotorua in October.

Jacob Adam, still only in Year 9, won all seven of his games and finished with maximum points. Second placed Lachlan, also still in Year 9, finished undefeated with five wins and two draws. Lachlan Adam, a decidedly ancient Year 11, finished only half a point behind in third place.

The future of Chess in the school is certainly looking bright. The TBHS Chess Team which included Dominic Coleman and Mitchell Brookland, also took FIRST place in the team event which means we can take our entire team to the Nationals in Rotorua. Places are still up for grabs if we have any other strong chess players out there.



STAC Just Edge Overall Honours in TBHS Exchange

This year's STAC Exchange was played in cool, settled weather in Timaru on 14 June.

St Andrew's took the overall win by the narrowest of margins but TBHS enjoyed wins in three of the four 1st team fixtures.

The **1st XV Rugby** match featured several momentum changes in an even, physical encounter that resulted in an important 34-26 (5 tries to 4) bonus point win for the home side. For the home side, the pack worked hard led by number eight Tai Pangi, hooker Ben Bartlett and prop Bede Fisher, while the inside back pairing of halfback Ned Milne and first-five Taine Cordell-Hull controlled play well.

The **2nd XV Rugby** game was another even encounter won by the visitors 21-19, while the Under 16 match also went to St Andrew's 36-25. The Colts game saw TBHS record a tight 21-17 win.

The **1st XI Football** side recorded a resounding 8-1 win on the back of a dominant second half performance. For TBHS, Pero Forman scored a memorable hat-trick of goals while Ryan Bagrie also scored a double.

The **Junior Football** game saw another convincing win for Timaru 4-1 with two goals from Finn Gollins and one apiece to Marshall Soloman and Taylah Hurrell.

In **Hockey**, the 1st XI continued the good results with a strong and important 3-0 win. This result sees them joint leaders of the Christchurch schools' competition with St Bede's College. A first quarter double to Kai Reid put TBHS in a strong position before Liam Andrew's late goal confirmed Timaru's win. Steven Ramsay put in a superb performance in goal to help Timaru keep a clean sheet. St Andrew's scored from a penalty corner to snatch a last minute 4-3 win in the 2nd XI game while the respective **Hockey Colts** teams battled out a 2 all draw.

The **Trap Shooting** at the Levels Timaru Club saw St Andrew's come out on top 408-393.



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Aoraki Road Cycling Championships

Our Road Cyclists had a successful day out at the Aoraki Road Cycling Championships held out at the Levels Raceway.

Achieving more podium finishes than any other team assured them of winning the overall cup on the day.

Congratulations to **Noah Hollamby** for his standout performance which saw him win all three U16 events. The individual time trial, team time trial (with **Reef Roberts** and **Payo O'Sullivan**) and the scratch race saw our boys attain an average speed of 44km/hr.

Jesse Johnston took third place in the U16 individual time trial and scratch race whilst **Ferg Sail** also achieved a third placing in the Over 16 scratch race.

The day finished with TBHS bagging two firsts, a second and a third in the only team races of the day, which meant that all twelve members of the team took home a podium finish.

The team continue their training as we look forward to the South Island Champs held during the first weekend of the school holidays, and a cyclo-cross race on the last weekend.

We wish our cyclists well for both of these events which will take place in Christchurch.



Big 100 for 1st XI Captain

The big 100 for 1st XI Striker and Captain Liam Andrews!

Congratulations to Liam Andrews who walked on to the hockey turf for the 100th time as a member of the 1st XI recently. Liam is in his final year at TBHS.



Congratulations Johnson

Johnson Cleland travelled to Hawera, Taranaki for the rescheduled NZSS Cross Country on 19 June.

In challenging conditions, Johnson ran very well to place 40th in New Zealand for Year 9 boys. Johnson joined with the Canterbury region for the National Relays on Sunday. Although he had qualified for the A team (which won) he was allowed to run in the Canterbury B team which finished seventh overall.

It is great to see one of our young men pit himself against New Zealand's top young runners - well done Johnson.



Otago Cross Country Championships

The TBHS cross country team challenged themselves by heading south to the Otago Championships.

The weather turned cold and wet on arrival which made for challenging conditions. Although our runners were unable to score in the Otago competition, Payo O'Sullivan was first across the line in the U14 race and Johnson Cleland was 4th.

Also in the top 20 were Ryan Bell 13th and Jonty Porter 18th.

If the team had been allowed to score, we would have been a close 2nd to King's High School. Our U16 boys would have won this division with Malachy Cleland 4th, Josh Young 5th, Tom Allan 7th and William Talbot 8th.

Our boys can be proud of their achievements.



1966 Old Boys' Visit - Thomas House

A number of 1966 Old Boys visited Thomas House as part of their Timaru Boys' High School Reunion on Monday 14 June.

The day was set to coincide with the St Andrew's College exchange. It was great to see so many Old Boys back at the hostel, be it somewhat different from what they remember. The group spent some time visiting the modern hostel facilities and recollecting the differences compared to those of the "open airs"

It was incredibly humbling to see the passion that these men had, and continue to have, for Thomas House.

We would encourage any hostel Old Boys who want to have a look around the hostel to get in touch.



Music Instrument Opportunity.....

Are you a year 9 or 10 student?

Ever wanted to play flute, saxophone or clarinet? We are looking for boys who seek a challenge and who may wish to take up the opportunity of learning an instrument through the itinerant scheme.

Spaces are limited. Please see Ms Parcell if you are interested to arrange a suitable lesson time.



Local Cadet Services

There are three cadet services that are available for young people to join locally - the Army Cadets (TimCU), The Navy Cadets and the Air Cadets (15 Sqn).

These groups are currently seeking young people aged between 13-15 to join their organisations.

Please see attached information. Any queries may be directed to:

Wayne Dyche
Support Staff TIMCU
027 923 9243

www.cadetforces.org.nz



Policy Review: Reporting to Parents

Timaru Boys' values feedback from our board members, staff and parents on policies and procedures.

A review of the school's *Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement* policy is now underway via our SchoolDocs link, with feedback closing on 9 July. To have your say:

1. Visit the website <https://timaruboysschooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (timaruboyss) and password (power).
3. Follow the links to **Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement**
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. Submit your ratings and comments.

9. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.



Race Tekapo 2021

11 September 2021

Race Tekapo is an exciting destination race located in the heart of Tekapo, where you will can indulge in stunning lake and mountain views, relax and soak in local hot pools, play up the snowy mountains and be blown away by the serenity

of the international dark sky zone.

Offering numerous race options Race Tekapo prides itself in providing unique courses, a great race environment and fun for all!

All finishers will be presented with a beautiful medal that has been designed to reflect the heart of Tekapo.

For further information, check out their website:

www.racetekapo.com



Aidan Theatre Holiday Programme

Aidan Theatre is a Timaru based company owned and run by Artistic Director Kimble Henderson MTA.

These holidays they are excited to be joined by some young professional theatre practitioners who are in the South Island touring their show *Too Much Punch for Judy* and have agreed to share their skills during this exciting week.

Check out the attached flyer for details.



TIMARU BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

ANNUAL SPORTS
EXCHANGE

TBHS vs John McGlashan

Tuesday 6 July 2021



OCEANS Grief and Loss

OCEANS Grief and Loss is a peer support programme for children, teens, and adults who have experienced loss in their life.

The losses they work with usually come from the death of a significant person, or a personal experience of separation/divorce.

The focus of this programme is providing a safe environment for participants to talk about their loss/es and the change/s

that have occurred then look ahead to a preferred future living and coping with the loss/change.

The group meets once a week for eight weeks in the children's programme and six weeks for the teen and adult's programme.

Many people have gone through the programme with numerous success stories of how it has helped (Over 500 since Oceans started in 2006).

To enrol in a grief and loss programme please visit the website: <https://www.anglicancare.org.nz>



Street Smart Young Driver Programme

Street Smart is a world-class, cognitive based driver programme that aims to positively influence the lives of young kiwis across the country, and help them to become a safer and more aware driver on our roads.

Offering a practical hands-on learning experience, Street Smart is a one-day event providing young drivers and their parents/caregivers the opportunity to undertake supervised driving practice. There is a focus on developing good decision-making strategies for safe driving, including assessing themselves, reading the road environment, resisting peer pressure, managing or eliminating distractions and planning ahead.

Street Smart takes place in safe, controlled, off-the-road environments, under the watchful eye of qualified coaches plus the parent/caregiver. This provides the parent the opportunity to also assess themselves, in order to be a better coach and mentor to their teen.

Coming to Timaru's, Levels raceway on **Wednesday 21 July**, and to register for Street Smart, visit:

www.streetsmart.nz

<https://www.facebook.com/StreetSmartKiwi>

<https://www.facebook.com/events/141894371164578>



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