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Upcoming Events

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- ◆ 1st XI Cricket @ Michaelmas Week
- ◆ 1st Team Water Polo @ Clifton
- ◆ DHS U16 Water Polo Tournament
- ◆ School Opens for 4th Term
- ◆ **School Photos by Prestige**

Grade 12 Art Boys Excel!

We are very proud of our Art boys who excelled in the recent Matric Art Practical examinations, with a very high number of A symbols awarded. Below are a few photos of the work they produced which was displayed in the form of an exhibition for the Department of Education markers.

Congratulations to the boys and to the Art Department on the exceptional work their exceptional art and their excellent results!



Grade 11 Dance : Under the Tuscan Sun

Under the Tuscan Sun was the theme for this year's Grade 11 Dance which took place on Saturday, 7 September 2019.

The Grade 11s and their partners were all looking quite dashing in their semi-formal attire when they arrived at school, despite being wind-blown on this beautiful spring evening.

The evening of fun commenced from the moment the couples arrived as they were warmly greeted by the teachers and immediately had their photographs taken by Ms Drew. The AJ Human room was splendidly decorated with black table cloths and alternating orange and yellow themed centre pieces. The candles and the Led lighting gave the venue a very warm yet summery feel to it.

After the formalities was completed, which was quite short, everyone

proceeded to enjoy a scrumptious 3 course dinner of roasts, salads, pasta and a delicious trifle.

The dance commenced with a beautiful slow song provided by DJ Marlin. Just when we thought this would continue, the ear splitting popular "Teenage" tunes were played.

The learners and their partners had a ball and it was good to see the dance floor always full. A great atmosphere and spirit of camaraderie existed.

A huge thank you to all the teachers who attended and especially the moms and Cynthia Ntuli who helped make this a special night for our boys.

Mrs S Nagiah

Grade 11 Dance Co-Ordinator

Electives Corner : Bridge Building

Members of the Science Club Electives Programme entered the annual schools Bridge Building competition, run by the South African Institute of Civil Engineers.

The competition is for Grades 10 to 12 learners from Durban schools and serves to bridge the gap between the civil engineering profession and the youth of South Africa.

Three of our boys went along to the competition, Troy Getkate and Mohamed Ismal (Grade 8) who competed and Storm von Mollenberg (Grade 9) who made this record of the event.

"Coastlands Hotel recently hosted the 29th Annual Bridge Building Competition. When we arrived we attended a talk by MKK Group and had other interesting conversations about engineering.

Most of the competitors were also first timers and so the bridge designs

varied from heavy but straight bridges to light current bridges.

In order to have a regulated bridge you first have to pass the "car test" in which they poke a wooden platform through the bridge and if smooth you pass.

Then onto the weight test, bridges many not exceed 300 grams. The DHS bridge was the lightest bridge in the competition, weighing in at 124 grams. Having the lightest bridge did make it an uphill battle for us, making us question our bridge's structural integrity.

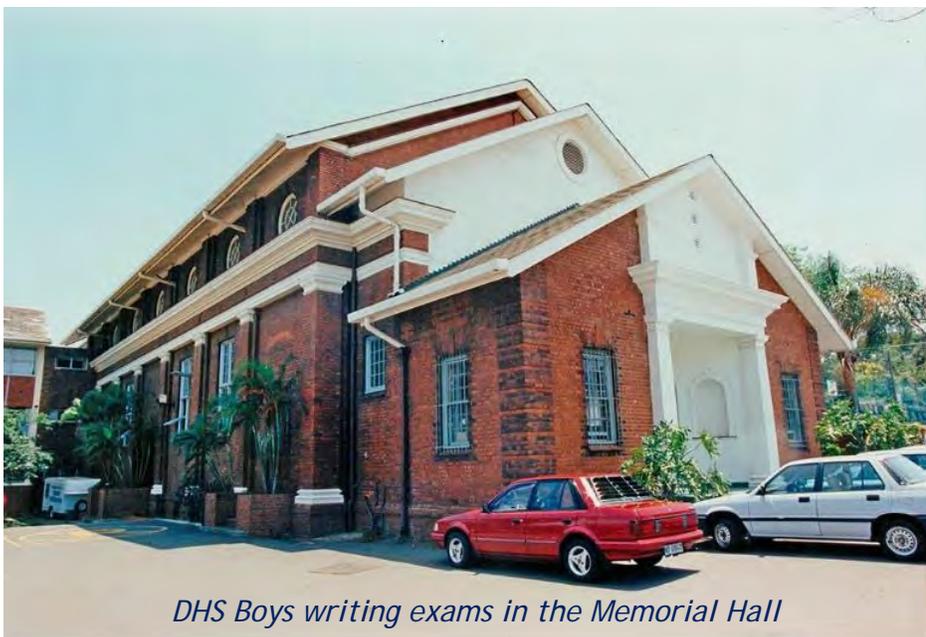
Although this was a competition there was a strong sense of community with like-minded people who enjoy some fun and seeing our creations being put to the test ... It was almost as scary watching others face their fears when their bridges were tested as it was when ours was tested.

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*Bridge Building Competition
Mohamed Ismal and Troy Getkate with
their bridge and Storm von Mollenberg*

The Old Lady of DHS by Jeremy Oddy - Part Two



DHS Boys writing exams in the Memorial Hall

THE OLD MEMORIAL HALL 1919-2019 (Part 2) by Jeremy Oddy (Class of 1962)

The New Hall of 1919, a magnificent structure, was the centre of attraction to the general public, and of course its neo-classical, late 18th century style reviving the precision and symmetry of Rome and Greece, reinforced Head Master Langley's mission to educate his boys in the classical languages and philosophy of Ancient Greece and Rome.

This Memorial Hall would, under Langley, be the mentor of all activities carried out within its walls, and would be the place to display respect for the Fallen, discipline and the good name of Durban High School.

Discipline was administered in the form of severe strokes with a light cane, referred to as 'tough love'. Accompanied with these thrashings, Mr Langley would refer to the miscreants as scum and suggest that they should exit School and find a place further down the Berea at the Technical High School. He would impress upon the whole School that the Tech was something contemptible. Then he would thrash the boys publicly on the raised platform in front of the assembled School.

It is alleged that Langley, summoned six boys found guilty of smoking, to the lectern. They were severely caned six cuts each before they were invited to return to the assembled School body. The Head then requested all boys, who were also smokers, to step forward. Approximately 400 responded. Several staff members were commandeered on the spot and instructed to help administer the punishment. This was not the end of proceedings. Mr Langley invited the rest of the School to the stage because he felt they were either liars or prigs anyway.

The Hall over the years was the venue staging wonderful play productions, talent shows, end-of-year Speech Day Prize Giving assemblies, visiting speakers, an examination centre where the boys sat for the Junior Certificate and Matric.

Len Baumann, a Blackmore boy, Class of 1939, recalled recently to the writer that dance lessons were offered in the late 1930s on Wednesday evenings in the Hall from 7 00pm. The boys were required to be dressed in suits and the cost was 10 shilling a term. (That is about one rand). At the commencement of the first hour, the boys were divided into groups and a teacher instructed and demonstrated the footwork to the boys. The second

hour saw the arrival of a bevy of young ladies from a local nearby school. The boys had the opportunity to display their skills! These evenings, understandably were fairly popular.

When the present, D C Thompson School Hall was built, the Memorial Hall became a general purpose room and a thoroughfare for staff to cut along from the New School (built in the 1970s) to the pre-existing Science Block.

In 1985 the Memorial Hall was handed over to the Basketball fraternity. They had a good following and were to be the top basketball school in South Africa for a number of years.

The next phase of the evolution of the Memorial Hall to be developed by Old Boy and Architect, Chen Sagnelli and his team of professionals was to come about in 1999. However, a fellow Blackmore pupil and friend of the writer, an entrepreneur, visualised the possibility of opening a lucrative business without permission from the Head to operate a business in an out of bounds area! His name, Neil Hampson. He had over 40 years earlier, in the late 1950s, discovered a vast area under the stage just waiting for development. He set up a barber shop. He had electricity at hand and the salon was well illuminated. There were many of the comforts one would have enjoyed at other commercial barber shops in town. The best 'comfort' was Neil's price was less than half the price of his competitors. And, one could have the option of buying on credit. His clippers originally manually operated, were soon replaced with the most up-to-date electrically powered instruments because he found them more efficient, and clients were happy with his proficiency. This business was very well supported and happily my friend soon opened a second salon in a secluded position 'off the beaten track' at Dear Old Durban High.

(PART THREE The Memorial Hall and Library to continue)

Extra-Mural Results

CRICKET vs CLIFTON

T20 Competition

1 st XI	DHS	110/0
	Clifton	133/5
	DHS lost by 23 runs	

Cricket Fixtures

1 st XI	DHS	170 All Out
	Ramanand	59
	Clifton	212 All Out
	Bryan	51/4
	DHS lost by 30 runs	
2 nd XI	DHS	104/5
	Clifton	102 All Out
	DHS won by 5 wickets	
3 rd XI	DHS	116 All Out
	Clifton	126/8
	Makhanya	10/5
	DHS lost by 10 runs	
U15A	DHS	126 All Out
	Tsanwani	54, Wanda 30
	Clifton	127/6
	DHS lost by 4 wickets	
U14A	DHS	92 All Out
	Clifton	291/5
	DHS lost by 199 runs	
U14B	DHS	183 All Out
	Naicker	110
	Clifton	185 All Out
	DHS lost by 2 runs	
U14C	DHS	103/4
	Mazuba	29
	Clifton	105/8
	DHS lost by 2 runs	

BASKETBALL vs CLIFTON

	DHS	Clifton
1 st Team	32	27
2 nd Team	23	18
3 rd vs U16A	54	22
4 th vs U16B	38	26
U15A	25	23
U15B	2	10
U14A	25	22
U14B	29	5
U14C	25	0
U14D	22	0

SOFT BALL : U16 Grand Slam Championships Semi Final

U16A Match Report

This was a match that shone brightly for the future of DHS Softball, and the quality of all round DHS men.

This year the U16A DHS Softball side was placed in the B league and dominated every team that they played. DHS won the U16 B league for the first time in five years. This is such an impressive achievement, especially considering that this team consisted of mostly 13 and 14 year olds playing in an U16 division

Winning the league allowed us to play for a spot in the 2019 U16 Grand Slam Championships where we would face three of the top teams in the A division.

We won our Quarter Final against Westville U16B, winning 7-0.

This meant that we had to go up against the Glenwood U16A team (who placed second in the A league this year) in the semi-finals.

This game was one of my proudest moments of being a DHS coach over the past 4 years.

The boys played their hearts out and made me and their school very proud. Unfortunately, they lost the fixture by 1 run (score: 10-11). However, this was not the only thing to make me so proud to be their coach. The way the boys conducted themselves on the field, despite the poor sportsmanship showed by the opposition, filled me with pride. The boys did not take the bait and rather focused their attention to their actions in the field and putting in everything they had to pull off a win for their school. I still get goose bumps thinking about it. I believe this is a true reflection of the positive steps that are being taken at DHS.

As an Old Boy I can say that I am so proud to call those boys Horseflies! As a coach, I burst with pride to be able to call that team mine.

Justin Diedericks
U16A Softball Coach



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U16 Water Polo Tournament

All games to be streamed on Digi TV!

26 - 29 September
at Durban High School POOL

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Electives Corner : Bridge Building cont'd

At the end of the day, we all laughed and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

After all the bridges were tested we listened to a farewell talk that taught us how civil engineers have a hand in everything in our day to day lives, from bridges, hospitals, schools, even our homes were designed by a civil engineer. We proceeded to the awards ceremony.

Top 5 Schools:
Positions 1, 2 and 3 was Fairville Secondary High School
4th was Reddam House Umhlanga
DHS placed 5th."

Storm von Mollenberg

Well done, Gentlemen!

Weeks Ahead

Friday 20 September

Final Assembly for Term 3 : 07h50
Reports Issued
School Closes at 11am
Teams arrive for the Charl van Rooyen
U14 Cricket Festival

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

20-24 September

1st XI Cricket @ Michaelmas Week
@ Maritzburg College

21-24 September

U14 Charl van Rooyen Cricket
Festival (various venues)

21-24 September

1st Team Water Polo @ Clifton
Tournament

21-24 September

U17 DHS Shedders Academy
Stayers Cricket Festival @ Kloof
High School

23-29 September

Academic Development
Programme Tuition

26-29 September

DHS U16 Water Polo Tournament

Monday 30 September

Boarders Return after 3pm

Tuesday 1 October

School Opens for the 4th Term : 07h30
Neatness Checks @ Assembly

Wednesday 2 October

Grade 11 Career Talk : Varsity College
Grade 12 NSC Final : VSLA P2

Thursday 3 October

Grade 12 NSC Final : VSLA P2
**SCHOOL PHOTOS - CLASS,
INDIVIDUAL, EXTRA-MURAL**

Friday 4 October

Grade 12 NSC Final : VSLA P2
Awards Assembly Rehearsal @ 10h20

Saturday 5 October

Sport vs Maritzburg College (h)

Monday 7 October

SPORTS & CULTURAL AWARDS
ASSEMBLY @ 10H25

This Holiday's Fixtures

CRICKET - 1st XI @ MARTIZBURG COLLEGE OPPENHEMEIR FESTIVAL : 20-24 September

Date	Opponent	Venue	Format
21 September	KES	Barns	
22 September	St David's	Varsity 1	
23 September	St John's	St Charles 2	
24 September	Jeppe	Richmond Club	



CRICKET - U14 @ CHARL van ROOYEN FESTIVAL : 21-24 September

Date	Opponent	Venue	Format
21 September	St Andrew's	Theobald Oval	Time Cricket
22 September	Bishops	Theobald Oval	50 Overs
23 September	Paul Roos	Theobald Oval	50 Overs
24 September	Selborne	Theobald Oval	T20

WATER POLO - 1st @ CLIFTON TOURNAMENT : 21-24 September

Date	Time	Opponent	Venue
21 September	11h00	Kingswood	Clifton
21 September	19h15	Jam	Clifton
22 September	13h15	St David's	Clifton
22 September	14h45	Play Offs Begin	Clifton

WATER POLO - U16 @ DHS TOURNAMENT : 26-29 September

Date	Time	Opponent	Venue
26 September	14h20	Affies	DHS
27 September	09h00	KES	DHS
27 September	18h20	Selborne	DHS
28 September	07h00	Play Offs Begin	DHS



Charl van Rooyen U14

CRICKET

Festival

hosted by Durban High School

Participating Schools:

DHS, Kearsney, Paarl Boys', Bishops, Paul Roos, Grey High, St Andrew's, KES, Jeppe, Affies, Pretoria Boys', Waterkloof, Selborne, KZN Development

21-24 September

(various venues, including DHS)

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U16

Water

Polo

Tournament



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