

# The DHS Herald

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## Prefect Body for 2020 Announced!

Congratulations to the following young men who have been appointed as Prefects for 2020:

Head Prefect:

Quincy Hitler

Deputy Head Prefects:

Avumile Bongco

Brian Dosemba

Prefects:

Mu'aaz Bassa

Sinakhokonke Dhlomo

Benjamin Hulett

Fuzail Khalil

Grant Khuzwayo

Kwanele Manukuza

Dylan Morgenrood

Awande Ndlovu

Hlumelo Noncembu

Thiyashan Pillay

Rowan van Rooyen

Ayanda Yengwa

Sandise Cezula

Nqobani Dlamini

Azhar Karolia

Sithembiso Khubeka

Sonqoba Makhanya

Muhammad Moosa

Ntando Mpuqa

Sisipho Nofuya

Nqobile Piri

Joshua Stride

Joshua Winnaar

Sibongisipho Zondi

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We wish them all the best for their year of leadership and servitude and know that they will do their School proud!

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Cricket, Basketball & Water Polo vs Maritzburg College (h)
- ◆ Special Awards Ceremony - Sport & Cultural Awards Assembly
- ◆ Senior Prize-Giving & Matric Bell Ringing Ceremony
- ◆ Trials Reports issued to Matrics



*Congratulations to our new leaders for 2020!*

**DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL**  
**Annual Senior Prize Giving &  
 Grade 12 Bell Ringing Ceremony**

Thursday 10 October  
 at 10H00  
 in the D.C. Thompson Hall  
 Dress: Jacket & Tie

Guest Speaker: Neil Coppen  
 (Class of 1999)

Guests: Parents and Matric Boys are invited for tea  
 in the Seabrooke Foyer after the ceremony

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# Senior Prize-Giving & Matric Bell Ringing Ceremony

Durban High School will be holding their annual Senior Prize-Giving & Matric Bell Ringing Ceremony on Thursday 10 October. The ceremony starts at 10am and will be held in the DC Thompson Hall. The Prize-Giving will be followed immediately by the Matric Bell Ringing Ceremony.

The guest speaker at this year's Prize-Giving is DHS Old Boy, Neil Coppen, Class of 1999. Neil Coppen is a South African theatre maker and activist who has won several major

awards for his playwriting, acting, design and direction work. He is one of the six South African playwright's to have been granted a staged reading of his work at The Royal Court Theatre in London.

This event is a highlight on our calendar, a solemn occasion at which we honour and bid farewell to our Matrics. All parents are invited to attend. We look forward to another memorable event.



*The DHS U16 Water Polo Tournament team, with Sam Spooner and Nqobile Phiri from DHS*



*The winning team at the U16 Water Polo Tournament from St Stithians*



*The DHS U16 Team placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the Tournament*



*Sam Spooner*



*Nqobile Phiri*

## DHS U16 Water Polo Tournament

The DHS U16 Water Polo Tournament was held over the period 26-29 September. Originally, we had received 20 positive responses but unfortunately, we had three late withdrawals from Kearsney, Reddam Umhlanga and Pearson from Port Elizabeth. We were still fortunate to attract the powerhouses of water polo from around SA.

The pool matches were all closely contested matches with no single result having a goal difference larger than 10.

The DHS team did exceptionally well and were very unlucky not to win or even squeeze a draw against a fancied Selborne College team. This saw our boys finish second in our pool and had us face Jeppe in the cross-pool playoff to qualify for the quarter finals. We ran out comfortable winners against Jeppe which had us paired against St John's College in the quarter final.

This match ended in a draw and the result was decided by penalty shootout, which we lost 1-3. We then played Clifton for the right to play for 5-6 positions. This was an incredibly close game which Clifton won 3-5.

Our final match was against Glenwood for 7-8 position. We had

an erratic start but in the end, we ran out 3-2 winners and secured 7<sup>th</sup> position.

Sam Spooner and Nqobile Phiri were selected into the Tournament Team and together with Mahle Makhanya, were also selected for the All Stars Team that will be traveling to Malta in July 2020.

### DHS Results:

vs Affies	won	7-2
vs KES	won	7-3
vs Selborne	lost	5-6
vs Jeppe	won	8-5
vs St John's	drew	5-5
	(lost 8-6 on penalty shootout)	
vs Clifton	lost	3-5
vs Glenwood	won	3-2

### Final Positions:

- 1 St Stithians
- 2 St John's
- 3 St David's
- 4 Selborne
- 5 Clifton
- 6 Westville
- 7 DHS
- 8 Glenwood
- 9 Jeppe
- 10 St Benedict's
- 11 Hilton
- 12 Affies
- 13 Maitzurg College
- 14 St Andrew's
- 15 Michaelhouse
- 16 KES
- 17 Northwood

# The Old Lady of DHS by Chess Sagnelli - Part Three

THE OLD MEMORIAL HALL 1919-2019  
(Part 3) by Chess Sagnelli

## DHS MEDIA CENTRE

As a former pupil (1970-1974) and whilst serving on the Governing Body of DHS in the 1990's as an advisory on the buildings and the property of DHS. The Projects committee headed by Don Spiers came up with the vision to unlock the full potential of the "Grand Old Lady", The Durban High School Hall.

As an Architect I was commissioned to gather and lead a team of DHS professionals in the Architecture, Engineering and Quantity Surveying fraternity to tackle this new venture. As a team we collectively agreed that this beautiful historical building structure would have to be retained and whatever we did, would have to happen within the envelope without affecting or touching this old lady. Essentially we were like surgeons going to operate on the interior of a very old lady who needed some vital new organs that would give her a new lease on life and would project her into the 21st century with vigour and unmatched excellence.

If you look at the design we came up with which had 3 levels each independent yet connected through stairways. These 3 levels would be supported independent of the outer body of the old lady and the form that came out of the design was the shape of a violin which has a sense of classic elegance. At each level you would be able to look to the level below or above and be part of an overall state of the art media centre. The project was finished in 1999 and was hailed as the top media centre in South Africa.

Today as I write this article, things have changed and the same old lady is going through a number of operations to bring her up to date with the needs of the moment.

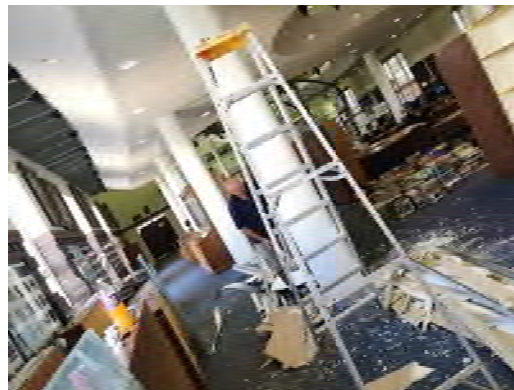
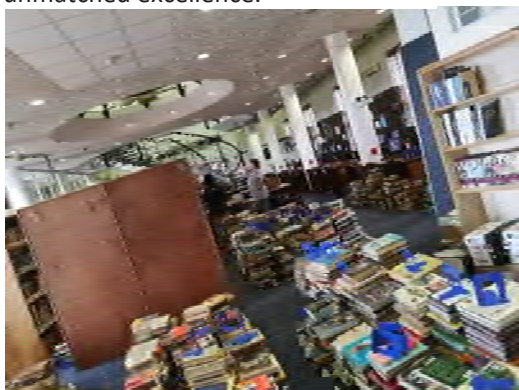
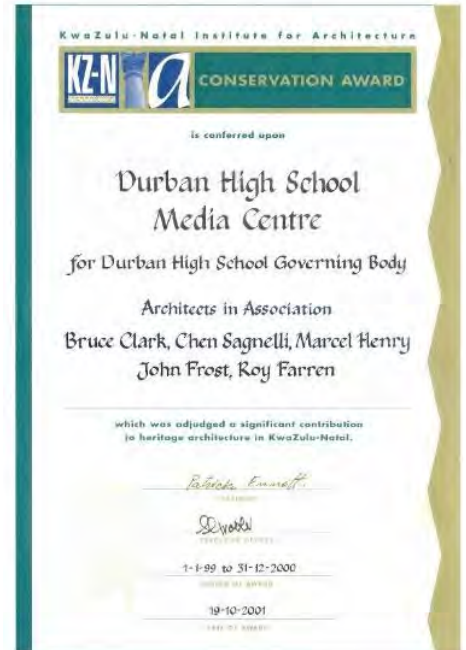
This beautiful building has some extraordinary history of housing many old boys in various journeys of their school career. The school hall was dedicated to men who lay down their lives for their country and today this ethos has never changed. I can only dream what she could become in the days ahead.

Chess Sagnelli

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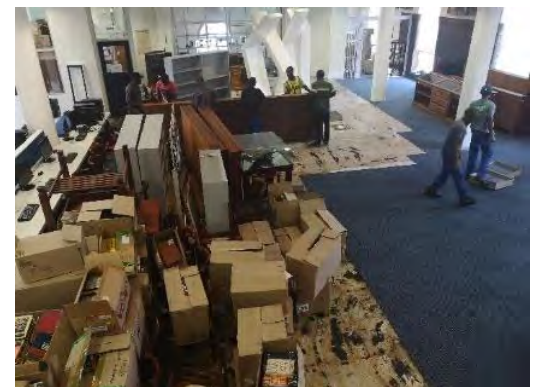
The Durban High School Media Centre is currently undergoing a revamp, which is nearing completion. It has been exciting watching the developments and we look forward to the finished product, which will be soon.

Below are few photographs of the



*The start of the process - unpacking the 100s of books from the shelves and taking down the partitioning*

*Old carpets being pulled up and the brand new ones going in*



## Cricket - 1<sup>st</sup> XI @ Maritzburg College Michaelmas Week

Maritzburg College celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> edition of Michaelmas Week this year and it was again a privilege to be part of this prestigious Cricket Festival. DHS attended their 59<sup>th</sup> Michaelmas Week this year which is an achievement in itself.

Michaelmas Week must be one of the toughest Cricket Festivals in South Africa and there is never an easy game. In the 2019 edition of Michaelmas Week DHS, played KES, St David and St John's in a 50 over fixture and finished the Festival off with a T20 against Jeppe.

### Saturday 21 September - DHS vs KES - 50 Overs

The first game was against a very powerful KES team. DHS won the toss and elected to bat. DHS did not get off to a good start, losing two early wickets. DHS batters failed to construct a solid partnership, as batters just got themselves in then proceeded to give their wickets away. New team member Humphrey van der Merwe was the only batter to apply himself with a well-played 38. DHS struggled their way to 148 all out.

KES batters got off to a slow but positive start. Although DHS were defending a relatively low score against a powerful batting line up, a crucial dropped catch when their opening batter was on 6 could have changed the early complex of the game as DHS picked up two quick wickets shortly after that. The KES opening batter went on to score a well-played 80\*. KES reached 151 for the loss of 3 wickets.

The game ended on a disappointing note as we lost Humphrey van der Merwe with a hamstring injury. This loss proved crucial for the remaining fixtures as he is a vital member of the squad.

DHS: 148 all out  
H van der Merwe - 38  
KES: 151 for 3  
DHS lost by 7 Wickets

### Sunday - 22 September - DHS vs St David's - 50 Overs

DHS won the toss and again elected to bat. Together with some indifferent bowling from the St David's bowlers, the DHS openers got off to a good start. Again batters got in and once a partnership was developing batters got themselves out. DHS reached 228 for 8 after their 50 overs, with Captain Taine Owen top scoring with 38.

St David's have a strong top order so it was crucial for DHS bowlers to pick up early wickets. St David's got off to a slow start, against a disciplined DHS opening attack. DHS soon had St David's 3 down but a 70 run 4<sup>th</sup> wicket partnership bought St David's back into the game. DHS broke the partnership with the 1<sup>st</sup> ball after tea. With the game delicately balanced and with rain and bad light threatening it did not last much longer after tea, with DHS ahead on the run rate after the overs bowled. Pity rain had the final say.

DHS: 228 for 8  
T Owen - 38  
St David's: 126 for 4  
J Stride - 2 for 25 (7 overs)

Match Drawn

### Monday - 23 September - DHS vs St John's - 50 Overs

DHS won the toss and decided to bowl first. Josh Stride bowled superbly up front, with his 1<sup>st</sup> 5 overs being maidens. Unfortunately, although DHS picked up 2 wickets, he was not supported from the other end.

Our three spinners bowled well in the middle order but at times were not backed up in the field. St John's eventually reached 199 in their 50 overs, with Josh Stride and Ross Shedlock the pick of the bowlers. DHS set after St John's total but unfortunately again our batters got themselves in and as a partnership was developing, they got themselves out. Captain Taine Owen kept the run chase together with a well-played 47. The game eventually came down to a

knife edge with DHS needing 8 runs on 12 balls with 1 wicket in hand. Josh Stride, who had batted brilliantly to get DHS into a winning situation, sadly finally got out and we lost the game by 8 runs. Who said cricket isn't a game of margins, a yard either to the fielders left or right and it was 4 runs. A disappointing end to a game we should have won.

St John's: 199 all out  
J Stride - 3 for 20  
R Shedlock - 2 for 36  
DHS: 182 all out  
T Owen - 47  
DHS lost by 8 runs

### Tuesday - 24 September - DHS vs Jeppe - T20

DHS lost the toss and were put in to bat on a slow wicket against a top Jeppe team. DHS battled their way through their 20 overs with the bat against a strong Jeppe bowling line up. Braydon Sambhu batted well up front for a patient 34 (37) and Ross Shedlock with a well-played 23\* (20) at the back end of the innings, helped DHS reach a competitive 110 for 9 in 20 overs.

DHS defense of 110 could not have got off to a better start with Josh Stride picking up 2 wickets on the 1<sup>st</sup> over. DHS bowlers continued to put the Jeppe powerful batting line up under pressure with some very disciplined bowling and the game came down to Jeppe needing 7 runs to win off the last over and 1 run off the last ball. A really intense and exciting game that Jeppe managed to pull off.

DHS: 110 for 9  
B Sambhu - 34  
R Shedlock - 23\*  
Jeppe: 114 for 7  
J Stride - 3 for 27(4)  
R Shedlock - 1 for 20(4)  
M Moosa - 1 for 25(4)  
J Bryan - 1 for 27(4)

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## 1<sup>st</sup> XI Cricket @ Michaelmas Week cont'd

The entire team can be extremely proud of their performances this week. The early loss of Humphrey van der Merwe was really disappointing but the boys stuck together and proved to themselves that they can compete with the best schools in the country. They just need that self-belief and winning mentality that they can beat these teams. This Festival proved that they have the ability.

Thank you to my assistant, Sparks Takodza, for all his tireless hard work and support, Captain Taine Owen, for leading this squad with distinction and every member of the DHS team for the way they played and conducted themselves during Michaelmas Week.

*A Shedlock*  
*Head of Cricket/ 1<sup>st</sup> XI Cricket*  
*Coach*



## Weeks Ahead

### Friday 4 October

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

### Saturday 5 October

Cricket, Basketball & Water Polo vs  
Maritzburg College (h) & (a)

### Monday 7 October

SPORTS & CULTURAL AWARDS  
ASSEMBLY @ 08h00

### Tuesday 8 October

Grade 12 Career Talk by Varsity  
College @ 08h35  
Moms Com Meeting : 13h00 : Bill  
Payn Boardroom

### Wednesday 9 October

BE Awards & Valediction Evening  
1<sup>st</sup> XI Cricket vs Ink Hub - T20 (h)  
Grade 11 AFDA Talk (during Electives)

### Thursday 10 October

Senior Prize-Giving & Matric Bell  
Ringing Ceremony : 10h00 : DC  
Thompson Hall  
Lunchtime Concert : 13h40 : Chris

Seabrooke Music Centre  
U14A Cricket vs DPHS 1<sup>st</sup> XI

### Friday 11 October

Trials Reports Issued to Matrics  
KZN Top 10 Water Polo  
(U14/U15/Open)

### Saturday 12 October

Cricket, Basketball & Water Polo vs  
Westville Boys' (a)

### Sunday 13 October

U14A Cricket vs KZN U13A

### Monday 14 October

U14A Cricket vs KZN U13A

### Wednesday 16 October

Grade 11 Edulink Talk (during Electives)

### Thursday 17 October

NSC Final Exam : INFT P1 (3h) Practical  
Lunchtime Concert : 13h40 : Chris  
Seabrooke Music Centre

### Friday 18 October

DoE Financial Literacy Workshop for  
Staff

## This Weekend's Fixtures

### CRICKET vs MARTIZBURG COLLEGE : Saturday 5 October

Team	Time	Venue	Overs
1 <sup>st</sup> XI	09h00	Theobald Oval	50
2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	09h00	College - Goldstones	50
3 <sup>rd</sup> XI vs 5 <sup>th</sup> XI	09h00	College - PMB Collegians	30
4 <sup>th</sup> XI vs 5 <sup>th</sup> XI	09h00	Danville 1	20
U15A	09h00	Durban Collegians	50
U15B	09h00	College - Barns	40
U15C	09h00	College - Lamonds	25
U15D	09h00	Danville 2	20
U14A	09h00	College - Snows	50
U14B	09h00	College - Nicholsons	50
U14C	09h00	College - Leaches	30
U14D	09h00	College - Tech 1	20
U14E	09h00	College - Tech 2	20



### BASKETBALL vs MARITZBURG COLLEGE (h) : Saturday 5 October

Team	Time	Venue	Team	Time	Venue
1 <sup>st</sup> Team	10h35	Court 1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team	10h30	Court 2
3 <sup>rd</sup> Team	10h30	Court 3	U15A	09h30	Court 1
U15B	08h30	Court 1	U14A	08h30	Court 2
U14B	09h30	Court 2	U14C	09h30	Court 3
U14D	08h30	Court 3			

### WATER POLO vs MARITZBURG COLLEGE (h) : Saturday 5 October

Team	Time	Venue	Team	Time	Venue
1 <sup>st</sup> Team	10h20	DHS	U15A	08h30	DHS
U14A	09h40	DHS	U14B	09h10	DHS

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