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From the Principal High Talent



Talented sailor, Phillip Kurts, won the Tri-Series radial Laser division (1,2,1) against many competitors from

GPS and CAS schools. Well done, indeed! Congratulations to Jason Kok and James Mackay (Year 11) who are to compete in Brisbane as members of the NSW State Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble in the Open A Division of the Australian Band championships in April. Great work by Tim Burston (Year 9 Drama) for his great review of the Short and Sweet festival of plays. A big thank you to D'arcy Blaxell and mum Carolyn for giving up a Friday night (unscheduled) to help out cricket parking in an emergency.

Sir Roden Cutler Charities



On March 7 in the evening, Mrs Roser, Will Clegg and I, accompanied by School Captain Adam Farrow-Palmer, cadets, Year 11s and Prefects, attended a

ceremony where one of Sir Roden's walking sticks was presented to the Sir Roden Cutler Charities by Lady Cutler. As you know, this charity has been assigned to Year 11 under the new charities policy. Along with a dozen others connected with the charity, I have been made an Honorary Custodian of the Sir Roden Cutler Walking Stick for 2006. The real one was accepted by Alan Jones on behalf of the group. He thanked our boys publicly in his acceptance speech for taking on the charity as one of their own. Our boys helped distribute promotional material and acted as waiters to distribute finger food at the reception. I was proud of their demeanour and social poise. They promoted the school very well indeed among some high profile supporters of the charity, including the Leader of the NSW Opposition, (Mr Debnam), The Speaker in the NSW Parliament (Mr Aquilina), The Commonwealth Minister for Health (Mr Abbott), Parliamentary Secretary (Mr Turnbull), and several Councillors. High profile businessmen and philanthropists, including Dick Smith and Harvey Norman, mixed with sporting greats from all codes, including league legends John Raper, Ron Coote and Swans coach Paul Roos. Given Sir Roden's history with our school, the connection with this charity promises to be mutually beneficial, as we have access to prominent people who may help us in some of our goals too. Getting stuck in was one of Sir Roden's great qualities. I will be asking Year 11 to get stuck in to help at various events for Sir Roden Cutler Charities this year.

Jumped on at Joeys 4/3

In first and second grade basketball, Joeys sides were very physical but also skilful. They out muscled and pressured our boys into low percentage shots. The home sides were favoured by an 'anything goes' style of refereeing, where only 3 fouls were called in a quarter in first grade. While fair to both sides, this style of officiating produces rough games, favouring intimidating physiques more than skill and using the rules to gain advantage. Needless to say we were overwhelmed by the unique Joeys experience. Coaches will need to prepare sides for a different kind of game when we visit. It was the same at the cricket where we talked ourselves out for 58 in first grade and were belted for 200+ in reply. Self belief was not a feature of our day. At the tennis we faced a tough team with a good game plan. We lost the doubles. Mitch Kelly took it up to the Joeys and CIS number 1, winning the first set 7-5 before succumbing in 3 sets. A dogged performance from Ivan Cerecina was our only win.

Riverview Rampage 11/3



I have watched many basketball games since 2000, but I have never felt as much pride in our boys, nor satisfaction for just reward for hard work, as I did last Saturday witnessing High's

big away win against Riverview in first grade. After a start full of 'hustle' showed that we had come to play, High lost the first quarter 13-25. Long passes were intercepted or went out of court at least 8 times during the game but we were applying pressure to our opponents each time. By half time the boys snuck ahead 34-32. They held that margin until 34 time at 49-47, inspired by the penetration to the basket of Dale Sun, the big rebounding, offensive and defensive, by Moussa Farhat who really played well and the occasional downtown bomb from Harry Walker. The boys really stepped up in the last quarter, the intensity in their attack, defence and communication lifting noticeably. Some late free throw shooting accuracy from Lewis d'Avigdor and a couple of late lay ups from Francis Wong, our ball distributor, caught the defence off guard. The boys kept their cool in the dying minutes to record a great win 74-69. The High supporters went wild. It was a huge team effort.

High's Regatta



Congratulations to Con Barris and his staff for presenting a very efficiently run rowing regatta at Hen and Chicken

Bay on Saturday last. I spent time in the marshalling boat with Mr Coan and with Mr Luscombe in the chase boat accompanying the races. Thanks to their efforts and many more volunteers like them, the morning ran smoothly, despite erratic boat handling by several crews. Our Year 8 first quad showed potential but like all crews need to concentrate on the speed of their own boat by facing straight ahead, rowing hard and smoothly and letting the coxswain inform them of their position on the race course. I enjoyed my morning.

Dr K Jaggar

INVITATION TO YEAR 7 PARENTS

Please come along to the first meeting of the

Year 7 Parent Group 2006 at 6:30 pm Monday, 20 March

in the Staff Common Room, Sydney Boys High School (near the main office).

The Year Group meetings are an ideal opportunity to meet other parents in your Year, to raise questions, make suggestions and air any concerns you may have. The Year 7 Parent Group is open to all Year 7 parents. In previous years, the group has put together a Year 7 contact list; organised social functions for Year 7 families; started up a Year 7 chess club including coaching; nominated a Year 7 parent to the P & C Executive.

LETTERS RE ABSENCE/LATENESS/ EARLY LEAVE

When your son returns to school from being absent he is required to provide a letter of explanation signed by a parent or guardian. If your son is going to be late for school a note is also required.

If your son has an early leave note he is required to have his note signed by either Mr Beringer, Mr Dowdell or Mr Prorellis **before 8:55 am** and handed in to the Main Office immediately after. Each letter should be signed by a parent or guardian with the <u>name date</u> and <u>roll class</u> of your son <u>printed clearly</u>. Your son needs to pick up a leave pass from the Main Office before he leaves the school.

LEAVE

If you require leave for your son please, apply in writing and address your application to the Principal, Dr Jaggar, stating the reason and length of time of the leave. Your son must then present this application to Dr Jaggar for permission for the leave. Please remember to apply before the leave and not after.

The Principal must approve all leave applications.

Another email service for parents

Parents who supply the school with an email address can now have two useful information streams. A reminder about High Notes with a link to the current edition can be emailed to you each week. An updated report on your son's attendance record can now be sent to you on a daily or weekly basis. To get your electronic High Notes, enter your email on the High Notes page of http://ww.sydneyboyshigh.com.

If you would like to have your son's attendance record sent to you send your email address to dowdellb@sydneyboys-h.schools.nsw.edu.au.

Please include your son's name and date of birth in the email.



Words of Wisdom

"Whether you believe you can do a thing or not, you are right." (Henry Ford 1863 - 1947)

The human mind is like a TV set. When it goes blank, it's a good idea to turn off the sound. (Anon)

We will be known forever by the tracks we leave. (American Indian Proverb)

FENCING NEWS

There are still some vacancies for fencing. But you will need to be quick!

REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE NOW

Don't miss out.



Make sure you complete a registration form available from Ms May (Welfare Room 305).

Congratulations to Yu Lin who gained first place



in the NSWFA Novice #1 Men's Foil in Lidcombe and also won a bronze medal in the Gilt Series 2006, Cadet Men's

Well done!

High Regatta – 11 March 2006



Last Saturday was a warm. slightly day with overcast little wind - perfect conditions for rowing and also for running a

barbeque and food stall for spectators. While Mr Barris and the team of coaches ran a seamless regatta on the water, High rowing parents (past and present) were busily engaged in running the movable feast which accompanies any GPS regatta. There is quite a lot of work involved in moving everything to Bayview Park and back as well as the actual purchasing, cooking and selling, but all the effort yielded a significant boost to Rowing finances.

A small army of helpers deserve thanks for keeping up High's reputation for running the best regatta. Thanks from the Rowing Committee to anyone who came along and helped out. Special thanks to 'retired' rowing parents Selim Stamati and Paul Girdler who must think they have jobs for life at this regatta. Liz Hurrell was on the scene early and late to manage finances for the day. Core catering was organised by Antoinette Farrow, Vicki Angell and Craig Phillis. Drinks were expertly managed and rapidly transported by Andrea Freiman, while Steve Whiting and Paul Eriksson also assisted with transport and the barbeque. Maree Phillis and Sandra Stojanovic worked tirelessly behind the counter all morning and then some. Celebrity chef this year was former Captain of Boats and School Captain from the seventies, David Blomberg. It is to be hoped that some of our current rowers will one day return to work on the parent barbeque at this regatta!

A final reminder to all parents and supporters of Sydney High Rowing about the huge Boatshed Dinner in the Great Hall on Wednesday 22 March. Please pay through the school office.

Steve Tiedgen – for the Rowing Committee



SYDNEY BOYS HIGH CRICKET



www.sydneyboyscricket.info

As we near the end of the season there are some encouraging signs coming from our junior teams who are growing in skills and strengths each week. The three (Year 7) teams in the Under 13 Competition as well as the Year 8 teams are gradually closing the gaps between High and our opponents. The boys have been working hard at sport afternoons and their efforts have translated into better batting, fielding and team skills. We still have plenty to do, but they have put pressure on spots in our top team for term 4, which will add to the competition to be provided from the 10 club cricketers who will become available also.

PARKING ROSTER – 10th.MARCH 2006- SAVED BY THE FEW;

The cricket section absolutely embarrassed itself last Friday night when only 3 people turned up to assist at 5-0pm and 2 others fitted in at a minutes notice when dropping a family member attending the Rugby. With the exception of D'Arcy Blaxell (assisting at a minutes notice) not one senior cricketer attended. Just as poor was that no parent attended, from a total of 196 cricketers representing 11 school teams. The task was left to Hugh Huang (Year 8 –U.14Bs), Hugh Howey and myself from 5-0pm and thankfully the assistance of Mrs Blaxell and D'Arcy at a minutes notice. Without Serdar Bolen's parking organization, this would have been a disaster for our regular parking public. My thanks to those who saved us on this occasion and for those who suggested they were unaware of the times and date, I can't do more than mention it for the past 6 weeks in advance through High Notes.

Our next Parking Duty is Friday 31st MARCH report time between 4-45 and 5-0pm at the Gymnasium. Please email me of your availability to attend.

THE BUSKER AWARD: Young Hugh Huang (Year 8) on Friday night claimed the award for Best Busker in the school. For two and half hours he worked alone, kerbside, on the main gate directing vehicles into the school and engaging car patrons in dialogue and some great off-the-cuff one liners. He's got my vote.!! Well done Hugh-you'll do us anytime in our team.

AROUND THE GROUNDS

1st XI St.Joseph's 4/238 -defeated- High 10/58 and 10/113 . Outright Run Scorers Gehan Karunaratne (40) and Mark Samarasinghe 17 No report submitted.

$2^{nd}\;XI$ $\;$ St. Joseph's $\;$ 7/189 $\;$ -defeated- $\;$ High $\;10/103\;and\;10/82$. Outright. No report submitted

$3^{rd}\;XI-St.Joseph's~6/260~$ -defeated- High 10/120 and 10/92. Outright

Run scorers -1st Innings Amalesh Sukumar (38) and Michael Coutts (35) 2nd.Innings Garbaj Singh (23) and Oswin Perera (20). Wicket takers Rommo Pandit 3/38 and Radashan Baskaran 2/30. See match report on cricket website.

16A St.Joseph's 10/244 -defeated- High 10/67

Run scorers Nicholas Lochner (10) and Tom Lindeback (9).

Wicket takers Varan Peranathan 4/54 and Matthew Coutts 3/53. See match report on cricket website.

15B Riverview 5/347 - defeated- High 10/107 (32 overs)

Run scorers Julian Byrnes (35 n.o.retired), Rohit Shenoy (10) and Matthew Wong (10) Wicket takers Anthony Hopkins 2/29 (6 overs), Matthew Wong 2/55 (6 overs) and Julian Byrnes 1/72 See match report on cricket website

14B Riverview 5/104 -defeated- High 10/97

Run scorers William Lee (48) and Bill Wang (27)

Wicket takers Hugh Huang and Bill Wang took 2 wickets each. See match report on cricket website

13A Riverview 3/130 -defeated- High 5/104

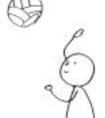
Run scorers Michael Phung (32 n.o. retired), Michael Wong (28 n.o. retired) and Leon Sheldon (13) Wicket takers Eric Ovadia took 1/13 and Samuel Beston 2/22. See match report on cricket website.

Riverview 2/72 -defeated-High 7/63

Run scorers Nathan Kok (18), Cornelius Do (10) and Vinodan Anandaselvakumar (5) Wicket takers Samir Kinger 1/11 (3 overs) and Nathan Kok 1/20(4 overs). See match report on cricket website.

Laurie Heil MIC - Cricket

House Volleyball



"Volleyball is played at Sydney Boys High School as a winter sport for all Years from 7 to 12 and involves competition with CHS, GPS and some Independent schools. We compete in age divisions U14, U15, U16, U17, and Open. Sydney High also competes in the Metropolitan Schools Tournaments, the CHS Knockout and the National Schools Championships held in Melbourne during the last school week of term 4. Sydney High has one of the best volleyball facilities in NSW, with a 3-court gym with high ceilings, a sprung floor and first class lighting." - School Website

High Volleyball is run by Mr Kay from the science department. Quinton Yang is the newly appointed Prefect of Volleyball and is responsible for improving the image of volleyball at High.

House Volleyball Games for Year 7 will be held in the following weeks on Mondays or Fridays. Everyone is encourage to participate, to discover a new style of team game that is both enjoyable to play, and suspenseful to watch.

Volleyball is played at both a national and international level. It is one of the most intense sports in the Olympic Games. At High, you can experience playing volleyball at a state and interstate level. Every year, boys from 1st and 2nd grade volleyball travel to Melbourne for a 7 day tournament, from which High always come home with great success and memories.

Here is just a basic rundown of the rules of volleyball, to familiarise you with the game before the House Games start:

Rules:

6 people on each team, two rows of 3. Front row (closest to the net) are the

Setter: sets up a spike

Outside hitter: smacks the ball Blocker: Blocks a return

The three people in the back row cannot move up to hit a ball. The front can move back.

- 2. (stating the obvious) The ball cannot touch the floor.
- 3. There are boundary lines, and the net with two flags on each end of the net. All shots must travel in between the two flags (or poles).
- 4. Your team serves if you win the point. If you are receiving the ball, and you win the point, everyone in the team must rotate one position clockwise.
- 5. Every player gets to serve. Same player can serve if the team wins the serve, if not another player must serve when the serve is returned to that team.
- 6. Everyone gets only one serve, i.e. no faults
- 7. Game does not stop if the serve clips the net, i.e. no lets.
- 8. Maximum three hits on each side.
- 9. One person cannot hit the ball consecutively.
- 10. No touching of the net, or stepping over your half of the court.
- 11. You can step outside the boundary of the court to hit the ball.
- 12. The ball cannot hit the roof.
- 13. You can hit the ball with **ANY PART** of your body, but you can't hold the ball.

To make these rules simpler, here's an amended edition:

- 1. You must have fun!
- 2. Make it enjoyable for yourself and everyone else.
- 3. Remember that it is a team game.
- 4. Encourage everyone to have a go.



Have a go at volleyball at HIGH! Just like any other sport, if the response is good, then the school would devote more energy into it to make it more accessible for other years, and the future years of High. Hope to see you participate next week!



NETWORKING

GO FOR COURTS - ISSUE #5

FIRST GRADE:

Sat 11th March – St Ignatius vs High (R5)

St Ignatius 12 - High 0 Dbls 1: 6-3,6-3: Dbls 6-0,6-2 Dbls 3: 6-1,6-2 Singles 1: 6-0, 6-1 :,Sgls 2: 6-0,7-6(7-2):Sgls 3: 6-0, 6-1: Sgls 4: 6-2, 6-2: Sgls 5: 6-3, 6-1: Sgls 6: 6-2,6-0

High came up against a formidable foe on Saturday in the form of Iggies. Although they are out of contention for the premiership, they showed form which was premiership worthy, as they white washed us.

In the doubles, Hai and Mitch played a well controlled match, however, their opposition were able to win the more important points and pull off a win. Matt and Ivan showed signs of brilliance; however, they too, were outplayed by their more drilled opponents. Daniel and David played fantastic tennis at times; however, they were unable to keep up at the high level, which handed the win over to their more consistent opponents.

In the singles, Mitch struggled to keep focus and find form in a lack lustre performance – his worst of the season, to go down to an opponent who he would have beaten easily on a good day. Matt had the closest score line in the singles, and was unfortunate to lose, with only a few points here and there proving the difference. Daniel was overwhelmed by his opponent, scrambling from side to side; however, he was able to hit a few spectacular forehands. Ivan played well, but was outlasted by his more consistent opponent. Hai started off extremely well, however, he could not keep up the high intensity throughout the match. David also displayed good form, and the score line was not indicative of the quality of the match.

Though we were dealt a crushing defeat, we can only look forward and forget about this loss, as we try to perform better against a consistent Newington team this weekend.

David Cao – 1st grade captain

SECOND GRADE:

High Lites: DBLS1 1-6, 2-6; DBLS2 0-6, 0-6; DBLS3 0-6, 0-6

No.1 3-6, 1-6; No.2 0-6, 0-6; No.3 2-6, 3-6; No.4 0-6, 1-6; No.5 0-6, 1-6; No.6 0-6, 0-6

This week, High played the red hot school which is leading the ladder by a mile – Riverview. Their previous dominations over the schools coming second and third really proved their skilfulness and determination to win.

Thomas and Nelson played a strenuous match that went for over one hour. The quality of play was not reflected in the score line (an injustice suffered by most of our players), and the tough pair fought the last game to 8 deuces before relenting. Jordan's lateness by over half an hour resulted in the forfeit of the Chapman-Jordan pair, which was regrettable. As with the first doubles, Henry and Kevin had numerous close games with them coming off second best.

In the singles, Thomas played an impressive match, at one point forcing a dive and a frustrated "What a fluke!" Chapman played some of his best tennis and dramatically reduced the number of double faults, but it was not enough to overcome his opponent. Henry kept pace with his opponent in the early parts of both sets, but lacked the oomph to really dominate the games. Nelson underwent a complete reversal of his game: he started smashing winners, missed his first serves, and forgot to approach the net. Pity it didn't work. Without the warm-up of the doubles, Jordan went into his singles unprepared and he was sorely punished. Kevin had a great start in the first game, but choked, and gave points away to his opponent.

Despite the one-sided result, our performance was no worse than most of the other schools. Without a win and with only two weeks left in the season to get one, 2^{nd} Grade matches are about to become a whole new ballgame! **Henry Liu** 2^{nd} **Grade Captain**

UP & COMING – GOOD RESULTS !!!!

16s	As Bs Cs Ds	LOSS LOSS WIN LOSS	0 - 6 1 - 5 5 - 1 0 - 6	Dbls 2, Cary/Jason 3-6,Sgls Cary 3 – 6,Jason3-6 D26-3Sgls2D Chim6-2,J Ip6-4 SRusli6-0Hayes6-0Montoya6-2 Jonthon6-0Alex6-3Anthony6-1
15s	As Bs Cs Ds	LOSS LOSS DRAW LOSS	0 - 6 2 - 4 3 - 3 2 - 4	S2 Danny Lam 3-6:S3 Kent Nguyen 3-6: DHuda/Lee5-6,SLee/Huda6-1/5 D1Yu/Siu6-0,S.Yu/Sin6-0/2 D2Quah/Burnham6-2SQuah6-3
14s	As Bs Cs Ds	LOSS LOSS DRAW LOSS	2 - 4 1 - 5 3 - 3 6 - 0	D E Hui/Trang 6-4 Sg 3 Enoch 6-4 Dbl2,Ben/Richard,4-6Sheng6-5 SDeclan6-5(7-1)Justin6-2Frank1 S Richard 6-4
3/6	As Bs Cs Ds	LOSS LOSS LOSS	0 - 6 1 - 5 0 - 6 1 - 5	D1,R Luo/Boris 4-6 D1,A Klocker /E Deng6-5 Sgl 2.Victor Lui 4-6 S2,J Fang6-4D2Lou/Stadnik5-6
13s	As Bs Cs Ds	LOSS LOSS LOSS LOSS	2-4 $1-5$ $1-5$ $1-5$	S1G Panas 6-5(7-5) S2VGeorge6-4 S2 William Stefandis 6-3 S3 Daniel Li 6-4 S1 Gabriel Garayadle 6-1

16s MATCH REPORT After a relatively good performance against St. Joseph's, the 16As were at home to the GPS tennis powerhouse, St Ignatius College. The Riverview 16As side was well-drilled but unspectacular from 1 to 4. Nevertheless High had its chances in the doubles. Poor strategy cost us the number 1 doubles, but one couldn't fault the effort of our second pair. Ben played a consistent and heavy hitter at 1, while Jason lost to a hard but rash hitter at 2. Alex served himself out of the match at 3, while Cary went down to an able opponent at 4. The mental component in tennis is probably greater than that in any other sport and if we can build in that area, coupled with our ever-improving stroke-play, the players in the side can go on to much bigger and better things in the next few years. Our immediate focus though will be on the fixture with Newington this week.

Despite losing all the As matches, it was pleasantly surprising to find that the Bs were more than capable of providing resistance and ensure SIC would not have a walkover. It was especially satisfying to see Daniel Chim winning so comfortably in his match. James Ip also backed up from the Cs to play as B4 and did not disappoint winning 6-4.

The Cs and Ds experienced one way traffic as usual in favour of High. Congratulations to Matthew Rusli for winning in style 6-0. The Ds bounced back from last week's massive losses to have a clean sweep winning all 6 matches.

High VS Joeys

Term 4 2005 (last time)

Term 1 2006 (This week)

TEAM	RESULT	SCORE	TOP SCORER
1st	LOSS	102-49	H.WALKER 15
2nd	LOSS	41-45	E.WONG 18
3rd	LOSS	56-15	TEAM RESULT
4th	LOSS	36-40	S.CHOOR 15
5th	WIN	26-20	A.WANG 9
6th	LOSS	18-28	M.KELDOULIS 10
7th	LOSS	19-31	R.BI 7
8th	WIN	38-11	J.PHU 14
16A	LOSS	30-25	W.TRAC 4
16B	LOSS	26-21	J.SHIH 7
16C	WIN	23-20	A.NGUYEN 6
16D	WIN	22-19	R.JI 8
16E	WIN	24-17	B.LUNG 10
15A	LOSS	55-39	L.TENG 10
15B	LOSS	22-12	C.REEVES 6
15C	LOSS	47-22	T.TRAN 5
15D	WIN	28-13	N.WONG 12
14A	WIN	26-20	A.PAUL 13
14B	LOSS	14-16	Y.LIU 4
14C	DRAW	30-30	T.XIAO 12
14D	WIN	36-2	L.LI 12
14E	WIN	42-38	H.VI 12

TEAM	RESULT	SCORE	TOP SCORER	
1st	LOSS	86-36	D.SUN 9	
2nd	LOSS	57-32	R.HUYNH 18	
4th	LOSS	12-29	S.WANG 7	
5th	WIN	24-10	L.WONG 7	
6th	LOSS	20-23	R.ALCHIN 5	
8th	WIN	22-16	J.LU 7	
16A	LOSS	22-31	DANNY NG 11	
16B	WIN	22-18	D.CHIU 6, A.LEUNG 6	
16C	WIN	19-18	C.YANG 4	
15A	LOSS	21-49	MVP STEPHEN DONG	
15B	WIN	9-5	S.ZHANG 4	
15C	WIN	22-11	K.LIM 4	
15D	WIN	29-21	T.ZHONG 6	
14A	WIN	32-25	J.LIANG 15	
14B	DRAW	20-20	M.LI 8	
14C	WIN	32-21	T.XIAO 8	
14D	WIN	27-25	J.CASTILLO 6	
13A	LOSS	67-13	A.YE 8	
13B	LOSS	17-10	D.NGUYEN 6	
13C	LOSS	42-6	2 POINTS PER PLAYER	
13D	LOSS	32-2	SCORER NOT NOTED	

If your coach has not returned his result remind him after the game!

EVERY TERM THE RESULTS ARE BETTER THAN THE PREVIOUS- KEEP UP THE AWESOME ENTHUSIASM IN BASKETBALL EVERYONE!

1st Grade Match Report / Score: 36 – 86 (loss) /Top Scorer: D. Sun 9

After coming off the recent win over Woolooware, High were confident of staging an upset against Joeys. However, High were given an immediate reality check with Joeys achieving a convincing victory over them.

High started the game well, denying the ball to Joeys' star point guard and rep. player Lachlan Kirwan, and also making most of their shots, thereby gaining an early lead 13-12. However, High's shooting percentage dropped dramatically for the rest of the match, allowing Joeys to slowly pull away through fast passing to their big men under the ring for easy baskets, for a big lead of 48-26 at the main break.

The third and fourth quarters were much the same story. High took too many shots under pressure, while Joeys slowly accumulated their points through solid play by their forwards. The game coming to a lacklustre end with Joeys comfortable winners 86-36.

It was an extremely disappointing performance from High who could not seem to rebound from the easier playing conditions posed in the CHS competition, and regain the consistency required in the GPS. However, some positives from the match were the performances from forwards Moussa Farhat and Wei Zhuang. Each pulled down a respectable 12 rebounds, with Moussa taking a charge as well. Rising star Justin Chow also made the most of his time on the court, running the floor well and starting some well constructed baskets.

Francis Wong Captain of 1st grade

2nd Grade Match Report / Score: 32 – 57 (loss) /Top Scorer: R. Huynh 17

The darkest gym in the GPS is home to St Josephs College, High's opponent for round 11 of the GPS.

High started the game on the defensive end with a full court press once again, however the strategy was no surprise for Joeys and they calmly passed the ball and scored easy buckets. On the offensive side High were struggling from a tough man to man defence that limited our options and forced us to rush shots and decisions. The end of the first quarter however ended with a few solid shots to close the quarter 11-15 in Joey's favour. The game proceeded with tight defence and evenly matched play from both sides. In the third quarter however the exhausted High side from great defensive pressure from their opponents opened the door for Joeys to engage in a run of easy fast break lay-ups.

This pushed the margin to as much as 15 points in the quarter. The game was still played with passion from the High boys and this was reflected in a mini run which showed glimpses of a great press and running game involving High guards, Alex Vertoudakis and Stuart Sugito. Full credit goes to forwards Eugene Wong, David Hu and Kenny Huang for containing one of the Joey centers who weighed about twice the combined mass of the High guards. Overall the game was played with High intensity but on the day Joeys came out winners.

Raymond Huynh Captain of the best 2nd grade team in 5years

From the coaches:

16Cs

A THRILLING VICTORY!! The scores were tied at 18 all with about 2 seconds left, and **Adrian Ng hit the second of his free throws** to win the game! Well-deserved result from the hard work placed in training!

M.Lam 16Cs Coach and ex-first grade star.

<u>14As</u>

Joeys were hacking and fouling the whole game but our guys were strong with the ball and sank our free throws. (We were in the foul bonus with 10 min to go in each half). It was a tied ball game with 3 min to go and we got stop after stop on defence and ran it down the other end for easy lay-ups. Special mention must be made for Michael Wang who had a roll of 'and 1' baskets which spurred his team on.

Sydney high basketball is on fire!!!!

Matt Conacher 14As Coach and Razorbacks player

13As

Our final result for Saturday's game was: Joeys 67, High 13. Joeys had very good young team full of kids who have obviously played for a while. We struggled to get the ball over half way and defence seems to be a concept not yet grasped. However, our boys fought hard. Andrew Ye top scored with 8 points, while Max Kobras hustled well for the whole time. Chris Morrow showed a lot of promise rebounding well and changing a lot of shots with his height and long arms. This team could have a lot of success in future years. All the boys listened very well and have a lot of potential. See you Thursday boys - lets work hard!

Adam Darragh 13As Coach and Razorbacks player

High vs Riverview 1st grade wins again!

After a disappointing performance against St Joseph's last week, the High boys were eager to prove themselves against traditional basketball powerhouse St Ignatius.

Unfortunately, St Ignatius started the better of the two teams, running a disciplined transition game and rebounding well to build a solid lead 30-15.

However, the second quarter saw a dramatic change as High took control of the game. An effective press was employed, which led to many defensive stops and transitions baskets for High. Meanwhile, High's half court offense was led by the accurate shooting from ever-reliable guard Harry Walker (17 pts.) and strong drives to the basket by small forward Dale Sun (17 pts.), who was able to wrong foot the defence numerous times with his superior speed. This enabled High to go on a 19-2 scoring run to enter the main break 34-32.

Despite High's seemingly unstoppable momentum, Ignatius fought back well, scoring the first basket of the 3rd quarter, quickly levelling the scores. However, High's forwards put out one of their best performances of the season. Moussa Farhat (10 pts., 7 rebounds) and Wei Zhuang (13 pts., 8 rbds.) dominated the area under the ring with help from the experienced Victor Wei. Meanwhile, an explosive 5 minutes from super-sub Lewis D'Avigdor saw him score 4 points and gather 3 steals, 3 rebounds and an assist to help High maintain the two point lead over St Ignatius entering the final break, 49-47.

Ignatius once again started the better of the teams in the 4th quarter, and similar to the 3rd quarter, they quickly levelled the scores. However, urged on by a large crowd of High supporters, the High boys lifted, and with several drives by Captain Francis Wong, were able to establish a 5 point lead. However, just as High looked comfortable to take out the match, with 10 seconds left, an Iggies player was fouled shooting a 3, resulting in 3 free throws. He made two, but with the remaining 10 seconds, High inbounded the ball, and when Captain Francis Wong was fouled, he was able to calmly put away the two free throws, and lead High to a very memorable victory 74-69.

Finally and very importantly, the High boys would like to give a HUGE thank you to Dr Jaggar, the statisticians, David and Hugo, the rowers and everyone who attended the 1st grade match after their respective games at Riverview. The support from the sidelines was phenomenal and definitely contributed to the win, thank you.

~Brought to you by Francis Wong, Johny Shih and Justin Liang. ~Thank you to Mr Hayman for all his contributions to basketball and results information

SBHS Debating 2006

THE EASTSIDE DEBATING COMPETITION.

Round 4 will be on VS Grammar AT HOME the 24/03/06 (topic area- Domestic Politics) and the final heats are VS SCEGGS AT HOME on 31/03/06 (topic area- The Environment).

Teams rotate throughout this competition and information about the teams and venues etc are emailed to you each week.

PLEASE ENSURE YOU CHECK YOUR EMAIL or the notice board outside 603 regularly. Also check that you have set your junk mail filter to accept emails from sbhsdebating@gmail.com

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW CLOSED.

Over 140 people are registered for debating this year. If you did not register please see Ms Brewer ASAP.

COACHING is now up and running details are as follows. ALL BOYS should be attending training sessions EACH week.

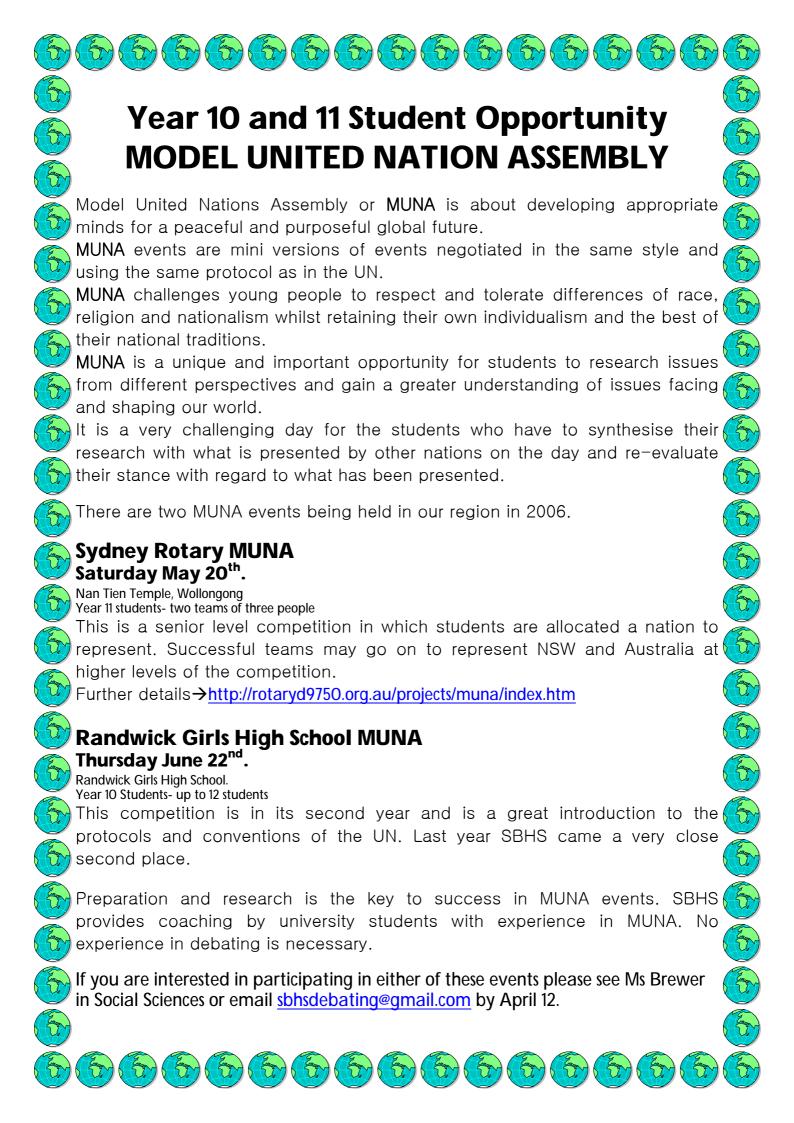
YEAR	DAY	TIME	COACH	ROOM
7	Friday	3.20pm- 4.30pm	Evan Solomons Gabriel McManus Tom Kaldor	603
8	Wednesday	3.10pm- 4.30pm	Tanvir Ahmed William Clegg	608
9	Friday	3.10pm-4.30pm	Dr. Joe Suttie	608
10	Thursday	7.45am- 8.45am	Daniel Wodak	603
11	Tuesday	7.45am-8.45am	Julia Bowes	603
12	TBC	various	Hamish Nairn	603

DEBATING SUPPORTERS GROUP

The DSG has a new email address-sbhsdsg@gmail.com.

Information relating to all DSG matters such as meetings agendas and minutes, the home debate supper roster and parking will be emailed to you from this address. The next meeting is Tuesday April 4th at 6.30pm in the Teachers Common Room.

For more information contact **Ms Jocelyn Brewer, MIC Debating** by emailing sbhsdebating@gmail.com or visit www.sydneyhigh.org.au/debating



INVITATION



Tennis students, family and friends are cordially invited to attend the

SBHS TEAM TENNIS 2006 ANNUAL AWARD PRESENTATION DINNER

to be held in the SBHS Great Hall at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm on Saturday 25 March 2006

The evening will be presented by
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Please note: We urge you to book early as

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Closing date for payment: Tuesday 21 March 2006

Attire: Smart casual Cost: \$25.00 per head (Soft drinks included) Adults BYO

(Please advise if vegetarian meal is required)

HEAD OF THE RIVER

Saturday 1 April, 2006

PARENTS' & SUPPORTERS' BUS

We have a special bus ordered to take rowing parents and supporters to Penrith for the Head of the River Regatta.

The bus will leave from the rowing sheds at 8am and return there after the last event, in time to meet the rowers and for the post-Regatta function.

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