



NDHS  HPC

CENTENNIAL REUNION

23 - 25 MARCH 2012

WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL



It is an honour as a past pupil, to be part of the 100 year celebrations for Hauraki Plains College, Ngatea District High School, Orchard School.

As these names indicate, one hundred years has brought significant change.

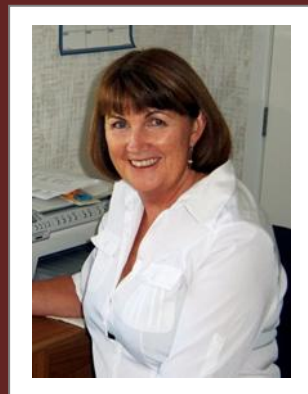
From 14 pupils learning the 3 R's, first in the borrowed Lands and Survey Hut and then in the 'Dog Box' from 1914, the school has grown to a roll of 670 students with 70 staff. Once from around the Ngatea area only, students now come from one of the largest educational zones in New Zealand, stretching from Netherton to Patetonga to Mangatangi and Orere Point.

While change is a continuous reality, some things remain constant. We frequently remind our students of their privilege in having inherited the ground, the traditions and the values from those who have gone before; it is their responsibility to hold and guard these for those who come after. Our school motto, *Quisque Pro Omnibus* (Each for All) is as relevant today as it was many decades ago.

On behalf of current staff and students, our hope is that the centenary celebrations will be a wonderful occasion for all, both past and present, who are proud to be called by the name of Hauraki.

Ngaire Harris
Principal
Hauraki Plains College

WELCOME FROM THE COMMITTEE



One Hundred years to Celebrate!

On behalf of the Centennial Reunion Committee I take great pleasure in inviting you back to school to celebrate one hundred years of memories, recollections and reconnections. I am

delighted to Chair this hard working Committee to bring to you a school centennial to be enjoyed by all, from 18 to 80+ year olds!

Our focus is to provide something for everyone; a weekend event that is affordable and well attended by past students, staff and community. The event programme and costings have been finalised a year in advance to allow those living far and near time to plan. We have kept event costs to a minimum without compromising quality to encourage our past school community to attend not just one event but all of them.

The friends we made at High School and College stay with us for the rest of our lives. The success of a reunion is not judged on how much money is made but how many return and have a great time.

This Centennial is a once in a lifetime opportunity and we plan to make this reunion an unforgettable experience.

We look forward to hosting you all!

Gill Leonard
Chairperson
Centennial Reunion Committee

PROGRAMME

FRIDAY MARCH 23RD

- 10:00 am **Registration opens for the weekend** *(College Hall)*
Pick up your registration pack from the College Hall. It will contain your name badge which must be worn at all times!
- 10:00 am **School Alive**
The College will be open for you to view classes in action. Feel free to visit and see what has changed since your school days.
- 1:00 pm **District Tour** *(Bus Bay – Kaihere Road)*
For those who wish to enjoy a bus tour of the Hauraki Plains as it is now. Visit the towns of the Plains, view the changes and spark the memories. Bookings must be made on your registration form.
- 4.30 pm **Past and Present Staff Get Together** *(HPC Staff Room)*
This unique event is for staff only and will be a chance for past staff to catch up and enjoy being back in the staffroom environment.
- 6.30pm **‘Class Catch-Up’** *(Main Marquee on the school field)*
Identifiable areas in the marquee will ensure you meet up with your old friends and classmates. A Cash Bar will be available and supper will be served from 8:00 pm onwards.

SATURDAY MARCH 24TH

- 9:45 am **Decade March** *(Hugh Hayward Domain)*
Please assemble promptly in your signposted era. The March will begin at the Ngatea Hall, walking down the main street to the college. Alternative transport will be available for those who need it.
- 11:00 am **The Official Opening Ceremony** *(Main Marquee)*
This will include a welcome, speeches and cutting of the cake. A must for all participants of the reunion.
- 12:00 pm **Lunch and Decade Photos**
Enjoy memories of the old days with your classmates and a “paper bag” lunch. Decade photos will also be taken at this time so make sure you listen for your decade call. College classes will also be open for viewing.
- 2:00 pm **Past and Present Sports Games** *(Venue to be confirmed)*
We are planning to have Rugby, Netball, Hockey, Rowing, Soccer, Basketball and Cricket games available. If you are interested in participating in any of these games please indicate on your Registration Form. Support from the sidelines recommended! This is sure to be an enjoyable event for all.
- 5.30 pm **Pre-dinner drinks**
Pre-dinner drinks will be available at the Cash Bar. Relax and unwind after the day’s events.
- 7:00 pm **The Centennial Dinner** *(Main Marquee)*
This is a more formal event where you can enjoy the company and a meal with your reacquainted friends. This is followed with live entertainment at the Music Suite Outdoor Stage for those who are more energetic or just stay in the main marquee and talk.

SUNDAY MARCH 25TH

- 10:00 am **Reunion Service and Morning Tea** *(School Hall)*
Finish the reunion with a remembrance service of your school and community. Morning Tea will be provided by the college Hospitality students.

Tick the boxes of the events you will be attending so you have a reminder of what you have registered for.

GENERAL INFORMATION

All efforts are being made to make this Centennial celebration an enjoyable event for you but we also need your help. This is a chance for you to track down old school mates and let them know the Reunion is happening.

You are more than welcome to photocopy Registration Forms and hand them to others. Registration forms are available at the College Office and if you talk to the Office staff, they will be happy to send the forms to you. They are available to download from the College website at www.haurakiplains.school.nz and you can also keep up-to-date by becoming a 'friend' of the Haurakian Facebook page.

Accommodation

Campervans are welcome on the Hugh Hayward Domain from March 22nd to 26th. If staying with friends or family is not an option there is a Hotel and Motel and B & B's in the local area:

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| Bonniebrae Farmstay | (07) 867-3387 |
| Clark's Country Touch | (07) 867-3070 |
| Green Valley | (07) 867-3166 |
| Miranda Holiday Park | (07) 867-3205 |
| Quarry Cottage | (07) 867-3080 |
| Ngatea Hotel | (07) 867-7090 |
| Ngatea Motel | (07) 867-7189 |
| Westwind Homestay | (07) 867-3305 |
| Wize Owl Studio | (07) 867-3092 |

For Paeroa Motels phone the
Paeroa Information Centre (07) 862-8636

For Thames Motels phone the
Thames Information Centre (07) 868-7284

Automatic Payments

The Organising Committee has tried to keep costs to a minimum to encourage people to come and attend as many functions as possible. An Automatic Payment option has been made available. This allows you to start paying small amounts now. If you wish to use this method please make sure that full payment is made by 10th February. If you have any problems or concerns please make contact with us. We are here to help.

Centennial Book

This book is not part of your Registration pack and needs to be purchased separately. Please make sure you indicate on your Registration Form if you wish to purchase one. Do not miss out on this record of the last 100 years.

Centennial Website

Visit the Centennial website to view the list of registrations received to date. You can also download more Registration Forms - www.haurakiplains.school.nz

Memorabilia

If you have any photos, or other items of interest you are more than welcome to bring them along. If the College doesn't have a copy we would love to add to our collection. Scanning will be available during the weekend so you can take them home with you.

Parking

Parking will be available on the College field accessed from the Hayward Road entrance. The College bus bay will be used as a drop-off point only.



Celebrate 100 years with us



GENERAL INFORMATION

Past vs Present Games

If you are interested in participating in these matches, please fill out the form. They will only go ahead if we get enough people to make a team. Please bring appropriate clothing and footwear. And bandages!!!

Photographs

A professional photographer will be taking decade photos on Saturday from 12pm-2pm. All orders and monies will be handled by them. We ask that you please be prompt when your decade or year is called.

Registration

Please pick up your Registration Pack from the College Hall. You will be given your Registration Lanyard with your Name and details of events you have registered for. It is essential you **wear this at all times.**

Souvenirs

Souvenirs are available for pre-purchase on the registration form and will be ready for you to pick up with your Registration Pack. There will be limited quantities for sale during the weekend. If items need to be ordered after the Centennial then a charge for postage will be added.

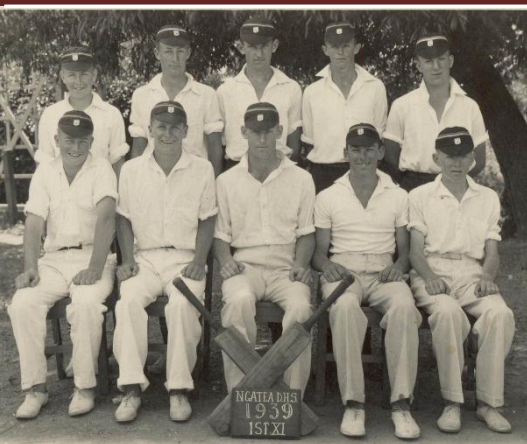
Student Participation

Today's students at Hauraki Plains College have great pride in their past and will be taking an active part in this reunion both in preparation and throughout the weekend. They will be happy to help you at any time.

Transport

If there is enough interest, there will be buses running from Thames and Paeroa to the evening events. A Taxi and mini-van service will also be available at your cost.

LET'S MAKE IT A WEEKEND TO REMEMBER!



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