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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER OF MARITZBURG COLLEGE

It is a great pleasure for Maritzburg College to host not just its own community, but the staff, boys and supporters of Clifton, for our first home winter fixtures of 2024. We are also hosting staff and boys from Howick, St Charles, Midlands Development, Michaelhouse and Northwood, who have assisted us with filling all the matches.

We welcome you all to our campus, for what are bound to be highly enjoyable and keenly contested winter sport fixtures.

A hearty "Thank you" goes to all the sports coaches, officials and Estates staff from our schools – their hard work and dedication make these fixtures possible.

Lastly, I ask that all spectators read the College Way, and read and adhere to the Code of Conduct for Spectators – so that the matches between the boys are played out in a spirit of mutual respect, camaraderie and sportsmanship.

I trust that you will all enjoy the day with us, and wish you safe travels back home.

Dr CL Luman
HEADMASTER

PROGRAMME

Friday

15:30-18:30 U14A, U16, 2nd XI & 1st XI hockey

Saturday

08:00 First matches kick off.

12:00 - 13:30 Lunch for coaches in the AJ Wiblin Boardroom.

Post match function for coaches and staff in the Kent Pavilion.

All the main games on Pape's, Goldstone's and Snow's will be live-streamed by SuperSport Schools.

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THE COLLEGE WAY

- We pride ourselves on doing the simple things very, very well.
- Hard work, resilience, discipline and a strong, historic culture remain the backbone of College sport. Players and coaches at our #RedBlackWhite school have a common identity.
- We want to be the BEST, but never at the expense of the Core Values of the College.
- We pride ourselves on our physical ability and strive to be the fittest, strongest and fastest teams and players.
- Our grounds are always of the highest quality, with everyone playing their part.
- We play hard, but fair, and the way in which we carry ourselves (on and off the field), both as players and coaches, is one of extreme respect.
- Relationships with umpires, referees, sponsors and parents are always healthy and appropriate behaviour is ALWAYS expected.
- We aim to remain relevant, positive, trustworthy, accountable, supportive and have a growth mindset.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SPECTATORS

Maritzburg College promotes sport for the enjoyment derived there from, and for the contribution it makes towards the total development of the child. Maritzburg College encourages spectators to adhere to the following

PLEASE:

- Adhere to our Anti-discrimination policy
- Encourage the players to play by the rules.
- Encourage and applaud good play from both teams competing in the match.
- Support the umpires and referees in every respect.
- Stay off the field of play at all times.
- Assist the players (off the field) with positive coaching.
- Ensure that all school pupils coming onto our campus wear their full school uniform.

PLEASE DON'T:

- Promote cheating or bending of the rules.
- Reprimand players for mistakes.
- Publicly question the referee's decisions.
- Promote "winning at all costs".
- Abuse referees / players / fellow spectators.

All parents, scholars, supporters and visitors are invited to enjoy refreshments at the following venues:

KHWELA'S CORNER	Freshly cooked burgers, chips and soft drinks
COLLEGE TUCKSHOP	Tuck shop fare
KENT PAVILION	Tea, coffee and light snacks (10h00 and 13h00)
	College 'Cheese Zarms' pancakes and soft drinks
HOCKEY HUT	Tea, coffee and light snacks (10h00 - 11h30)
GOLDSTONE'S COFFEE SHOP	Speciality coffee, soft drinks and eats

PLEASE NOTE THAT DEPARTMENTAL RULES PREVENT US FROM SELLING ALCOHOL ON THE SCHOOL PROPERTY. DRINKS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE MARITZBURG BOWLING CLUB ACROSS FROM GOLDSTONES IN PRINCESS MARGARET DRIVE

THE COLLEGE SHOPPE: We will have a Pop Up stand on Goldstone's, and the Shoppe will be open from 08h00 to 12h00 (school uniform and College memorabilia)

Why not take up the whistle and stay involved in the game? We are looking for volunteers that have a passion for the game of rugby - coaching and assistance supplied. Anyone keen from 16 years and older - please contact Willy Bull on midlandsrugbyrefs@gmail.com or 083 236 3509.



DID YOU KNOW...

- A modern school in every sense, Maritzburg College retains a strong sense of its history and heritage. Founded in 1863, this year, College is 161 years old. From humble beginnings to a POWERHOUSE school...
 - The school unashamedly embraces and promotes its Core Values of Commitment, Courage, Honesty, Respect, Integrity and Self-discipline, which all our boys are expected to live out each day. Our College Credo includes an individual pledge for each boy to remain true to all that is College, its values, brotherhood and traditions.
 - As the largest and oldest all boys' school in KwaZulu-Natal, we have 1270 boys of whom 500 are boarders residing in 5 boarding houses, supported by 50 live-in staff. Our staff to pupil ratio is 1:14.
 - Having the boys fulfil their academic potential is our highest priority and we are committed to providing each boy with a well-rounded relevant and excellent education experience.
 - Our innovative pastoral care programme, managed through the 10 school day houses, aims to build a community within the school, creating supportive systems and positive relations, and promoting a strong ethos of mutual care and concern. Through mentorship, we help each of our boys develop his sense of value and virtue-based character.
 - Maritzburg College is a modern, relevant multi-racial school that embraces all that is best in South Africa's ever-changing environment, and has a crucial role to play in nation building. Our Social Awareness Programme, involving pupil, staff and parents, is actively seeking ways to embrace and manage diversity in the school, and ensure this becomes embedded in the quality education we offer.
 - Our sports facilities are world class, catering for all the major sports – and a number of lesser ones too. Covering 25 hectares, the campus includes a High Performance Sports Centre, two indoor and two outdoor basketball courts, a world-class hockey AstroTurf, a full size heated water polo pool, seven tennis courts, four squash courts, seven sports fields, an indoor shooting range. In addition we have the Dusi River on our doorstep, and access to the AB Jackson astro, cycling velodrome, Maritzburg cricket oval, Harry Gwala soccer stadium and Msunduzi Athletics Track.
 - Currently there are 330 College Old Boys who have played sport at an international level, more than any other school in the country.
 - We have for many years excelled on the rugby field, and currently have 30 rugby teams. Mr JM “Skonk” Nicholson was one of College's greatest catalysts for future rugby success; when he retired after 35 seasons as the coach of the First XV, 22 of his teams were unbeaten or lost only one match.
- College's Red Army 1st XI have also dominated the school hockey rankings over the years. 2022 saw six College OCs represent their country at the African Cup of Nations. As defending champions, South Africa faced Egypt in the final which saw OC 2017 Brad Sherwood, playing in his first international tournament, secure the win for his country, and World Cup qualification.



HISTORY OF **RUGBY**

Early Years

Founded in 1863, Maritzburg College played its first rugby match in 1870, against Hermannsburg. Playing on the old Market Square in the centre of town under Winchester Rules, College won by two goals to nil, in the first recorded rugby match played in the old Colony of Natal (let alone the whole of Africa – but that's another story altogether).

Rugby quickly became the game of choice at College and, apart from a short period of time in the 1880's and 1890's, when football enjoyed a considerable following, has remained the most popular winter sport at College.



The 1900 College First XV, captained by AS “Madevu” Langley, with its prized silver-ware – the Murray Cup. The dapper figure on the right is the headmaster, Mr RD Clark (MA) (Oxon).

Three Old Collegians appeared in the 1924 Springbok team to take on the touring British Lions: Bertram Vanderplank (front row, second right), Walter Clarkson (middle row, far left) and Bill Payn (middle of the middle row). The much-loved, versatile Payn represented what is today KZN at five sports, and famously ran the 1922 Comrades Marathon in his rugby boots.



A stand-out player in the early years was strapping farm boy, Philip Nel, who was the First XV captain and all-powerful head prefect of the school in 1921. Nel captained the Springbok team on its all-conquering tour of Australia and New Zealand in 1937. It remains the only Springbok team in history to have defeated the All Blacks in New Zealand. Such was the quality of the play of his imperious team that it was given the tongue-in-cheek accolade of being “the greatest team to leave New Zealand's shores”. On the ship returning home, Nel formally announced his retirement from Springbok rugby by throwing his trusty old rugger boots into the sea. Like Alexander the Great, he had no more worlds to conquer. The Philip Nel Pavilion on Goldstone's was opened in October 2022, and was named in honour of this famed Springbok captain and leader of men.



The captain of the 1937 Springboks to New Zealand, Philip Nel (OC 1921) (far right), introduces a local dignitary to his team, during his team's triumphant tour of Australasia. The future rugby boss, Dr Danie Craven, appears second from the left.

Enter the Skonkwaan

Although rugby enjoyed great prestige in the first few decades of the 20th Century, the appointment as First XV coach in 1948 of Mr JM “Skonk” Nicholson was the great catalyst for future success. Skonk's effect was immediate: his 1948 side lost only to old rivals, Durban High School, and in the following year Skonk (himself a former head prefect of “School”) produced his first unbeaten team. He retired in 1982, after 35 seasons as the coach of the First XV. During that time, 22 of his teams were unbeaten or lost only one match.



Skonk Nicholson poses with some of the senior members of his unbeaten 1963 Centenary XV, which included a record 10 Natal Schools' players, was unbeaten in a 17-match season, and set many records. The players are (from left to right) Andre Bruyns (future provincial cricketer), Anthony Egner (future Natal flyhalf), Colin Marsh (future MD of Shell SA), Andrew van der Watt (future Springbok winger) and David Anderson (captain).

Last 50 years

Outstanding teams in the last five decades include the 1972 First XV, which supplied 10 Craven Week players and conceded only one try in 19 matches; the 1978 First XV, which won all of its matches; the record-breaking 1985 team, which won all of its 18 matches, including a 44-0 triumph over Bishops and a 10-4 win over a Grey College side brimming with five SA Schools caps; the 1987 side that included SA Schools' captain Brenton Catterall and three other SA Schools' players; and the 1988 First XV, which won all 15 of its fixtures.

Despite the retirement of the much-loved Mr Nicholson in 1982, that decade was a period of almost unbroken triumph for Maritzburg College rugby, and from 1981-1990 losses were suffered only against Glenwood (twice), Hilton and DHS (once each) among KZN schools.

This rugby success continued into the 1990s, with the 1994 team delivering an unbeaten season against all South African teams, losing only to Gisborne BHS in the final of the World Schools' Tournament in Bowral, Australia. Another highlight of the decade was the unbeaten 1995 side, which enjoyed wins over Ermelo, Selborne, Grey High and Paul Roos Gymnasium, and big wins over Glenwood (61-13), Westville (62-6) and Kearsney (43-3). Skipped by Zane Aszalos, the 1995 XV contained two SA Schools' captains – Pieter Dixon (1995) and Richard Kelly (1996).

By 2024, the explosion of professional rugby around the world meant that the number of Old Collegians playing the sport on the international stage had increased dramatically, and Maritzburg College alumni have in the last 30 years won caps for the Springboks (including Joel Stransky, Butch James, Peter Grant, Jesse Kriel and Ntuthuko Mchunu), England, USA, Italy, Germany, Cyprus and Spain.

2018 First XV captain and 2022 Springbok prop vs Wales, Ntuthuko Mchunu, gallops across Goldstone's, during a 70m dash towards the Michaelhouse try-line. On 9 July 2022, he came off the bench to represent the Springboks in the 2nd test vs Wales – in doing so, becoming Maritzburg College's 320 international cap. That tally has since increased to 330.



Maritzburg College First XV's have continued to play with pride and old-fashioned guts, and all 30 of the school's rugby teams play with fire, passion and some skill. Long may that continue.

Other Prominent Players

Amongst the school's 330 international sportsmen and officials at all codes, the following 17 Old Collegians have represented, or formally been selected for, South Africa at 15-man rugby:

Ernest "Baby" Shum (1912), Walter Clarkson (1921-1924), Cecil "Bill" Payn (1924), Bertram "Beevee" Vanderplank (1924), Philip Nel (1928-1937) (captain), George van Reenen (1937), Keith Oxlee (1960-1965), Ormond Taylor (1962), Andy van der Watt (1969-1970), Joel Stransky (1993-1996), Jeremy Thomson (1996), Pieter Dixon (2000), Butch James (2001-2008), Peter Grant (2007), Craig Burden (2012), Jessie Kriel (2015-), Ntuthuko Mchunu (2022-)

In addition, several Old Collegians have represented other countries, notably:

For England: Hubert Freakes (1938-1939), Geoff Appleford (2002), Don Armand (2018)
For United States: Juan Grobler (1997-2001), Chad Erskine (2005-2007), Matthew Hawkins (2010)
For Italy: Wim Visser (1999-2002)
For Germany: Frank Goedeke (2000-2001), Marcel Coetzee (2016-2019), Andrew Reintges (2023-)
For Zimbabwe: Brenton Catterall (1991)
For Cyprus: Andrew Binikos (2009)
For Spain: Andrew Norton (2019)
For Singapore: Warren Ansell (2016)

A further eight Old Collegians have earned selection for international teams in the popular seven-man version of the game:

Frank Goedeke (Germany 1999), Wayne Munn (SA 1999), Geoff Appleford (England 2001), Justin Hundley (USA 2007), Grant Rees (SA 2007), Matthew Hawkins (USA captain 2008), Andrew Binikos (Cyprus 2010), Marcel Coetzee (Germany 2016).

South African Schools' representatives (Rugby)

The first South African Schools' team was selected in 1974. Many fine players, therefore, did not have the opportunity to win a cap. Since 1974, the following Maritzburg College players have been chosen for South African Schools' teams:

1974	MK Thompson (also cricket), BV "Bimbo" White
1976	PJ "Bullo" Lindsay, NB Johnson
1977	PJ Lindsay
1978	DJ Mills
1979	CM Jamieson
1984	JT Stransky
1985	SR Glover
1986	JRD Thomson
1987	BW Catterall (captain), UH Goedeke (also cricket), DAG "Hika" Reed, WG Wilson
1989	CD Mayer
1994	WGA Munn
1995	PJ Dixon (captain)
1996	RC Kelly (captain)
1997	RF Linde
2002	PJ "Bash" Grant, EA Penzhorn (also cricket), B Squires
2012	JA Kriel
2017	FBZ Mbatha
2019	WL Hlophe
2022	L Bester
2023	P Kubheka, L Kunene

It's a College try, and the bashers fly high on Basher Ridge!



Rugby in 2024

These days, the school still fields up to 30 rugby teams and participates in the foremost rugby festivals in the country.

In 2024, in addition to playing its fixtures against traditional rivals from near and far, the First XV will take part in the St John's College Easter Festival in Johannesburg and the Wildeklawer Festival in Kimberley. Six overseas tours have been undertaken, most recently to the United Kingdom in 2019.

In 2023, six College boys were selected for the KZN (Sharks) Schools team that played at Craven Week, with today's skipper P "Rambo" Kubheka and today's fullback LS Kunene earning selection for the 2023 SA Schools' starting team.



SA U18 player, P (Rambo) Kubheka, has been appointed as the captain of the First XV for 2024.

RUGBY VS CLIFTON

Today, we welcome Clifton College from Durban to Goldstone's, in the first inter-schools fixture played in Maritzburg between the two schools.

Last year, the schools played their inaugural derby fixture, in Durban, with the visitors at times made to puff hard for their 32-5 away win.

College, under burly front-ranker, P Kubheka, will this afternoon be eager to show that last week's narrow loss at Botha's Hill to Kearsney was but an aberration, while Clifton will look to build on their tidy 49-0 win over Durban Development.

The long-awaited return of rugby to Goldstone's for a winter-sport pipe-opener gladdens the hearts of the College faithful, and not only do we offer a warm welcome to ALL our visiting players today (from a number of schools), but also all their supporters, in what we hope is a celebration of the oval-ball game.



Rugby Fixtures 2024

9-Mar	Kearsney College	(A)
16-Mar	Clifton College	(H)
24-28 Mar	Skonk Nicholson Festival (u14 and u16)	(H)
26-30 Mar	Francois Swart Festival (u15)	(A)
28-Mar	St John's College Festival: Boland Landbou	(A)
30-Mar	St John's College Festival: SACS	(A)
1-Apr	St John's College Festival: Lions Invitational XV	(A)
6-Apr	Glenwood High School	(A)
13-Apr	Pretoria Boys High School	(H)
20-Apr	Durban High School	(H)

27-Apr	Westville Boys' High School	(A)
2-May	Wildeklaar Festival: Grey College	(A)
4-May	Wildeklaar Festival: Paul Roos	(A)
	St Charles (B-F teams only)	(H)
11-May	Michaelhouse (MCOBA Reunion Day)	(H)
18-May	Free Weekend	
25-May	Northwood	(A)
1-Jun	Hilton College	(H)
13-Jul	Afrikaanse Hoër Seunskool (Affies)	(H)
20-Jul	Pretoria Boys High School	(A)
27-Jul	King Edward VII School	(A)
3-Aug	Glenwood High School	(H)

Hockey Fixtures 2024

Date	Day	Teams	Event	Opposition	Venue
March					
02-Mar	Saturday	All	Trials	College	Papes and ABJ
			Coaches Meeting		Hockey Hut
07-Mar	Thursday	Parents/Coaches/OC	Hockey For Dummies and Opening of lights		Hockey Hut
08-Mar	Friday	A Teams	KZN Inland 4 Festival		
09-Mar	Saturday	All	Kearsney	Kearsney	Kearsney
		Trials	All	College	College
		A Teams	KZN Inland 4 Festival		
10-Mar	Sunday	A Teams	KZN Inland 4 Festival		
16-Mar	Saturday	All	Fixture	Clifton	College
20 - 23 Mar	Tour	1st	NOMADS Festival	Various	College
20 - 23 Mar	Tour	16A	NOMADS Festival	Various	PBHS
20 - 23 Mar	Tour	16B	Jeppe Mercian Festival	Various	Jeppe
22 - 25 Mar	Tour	2nd	Keith Fairweather Festival	Various	Michaelhouse
22 - 25 Mar	Tour	14B	Ken Florens Festival	Various	Northwood
25 - 28 Mar	Tour	14A	NOMADS Festival	Various	Hilton
27 Mar - 2 April	Tour	1st	K.E.S Easter Festival	Various	K.E.S
April					
06-Apr	Saturday	All	Fixture	Glenwood	Glenwood
12 - 13 April	Friday/Saturday	All	Fixture - Exchange	Pretoria Boy's	College
19 - 20 Apr	Friday/Saturday	All	Fixture	Durban High School	College
26 - 27 April	Friday/Saturday	All	Fixture	Westville	Westville
May					
3 - 4 May	Friday/Saturday	All	Fixture	St Charles	College
11-May	Saturday	All	Fixture - Reunion Day	Michaelhouse	College
24 - 25 May	Friday/Saturday	All	Fixture	Northwood	Northwood
June					
01-Jun	Saturday	All	Fixture	Hilton	College
July					
12 - 13 Jul	Friday/Saturday	All	Fixture - Exchange	Affies	College
18 - 20 Jul	Friday/Saturday	All	Fixture - Exchange	Pretoria Boy's	PBHS
26 - 27 Jul	Friday/Saturday	All	Fixture - Exchange	K.E.S	K.E.S
August					
03-Aug	Saturday	All	Fixture	Glenwood	College

MARITZBURG COLLEGE



Fixtures



Maritzburg College vs Clifton

16 March 2024



Team	Opposition	Venue	Time	Coach
1st	Clifton	Goldstone's	14:40	Orchard / Elder
2nd	Clifton	Goldstone's	13:20	Bremner / Du Plessis
3rd	Midlands Dev	Goldstone's	12:15	Taljaard / Sinclair / Smith
4th	Howick 1st	Goldstone's	10:00	Taljaard / Sinclair / Smith
5th	St Charles 3rds	Goldstone's	09:00	Sutherland / Abrahams
6th	St Charles 4ths	Goldstone's	08:00	Sutherland / Abrahams
7th	Clifton 3rds	Snow's	12:00	Paterson / Sikelela
8th	Michaelhouse 7th	Lamond's	10:00	Paterson / Sikelela
9th	Michaelhouse 8th	Lamond's	12:00	Sparrow / Eva
10th	Hilton 8th	Hilton	12:00	Sparrow / Eva / Buncwane
16A	Clifton	Goldstone's	11:00	Sherriff / Maritz
16B	Midlands Dev	Snow's	09:00	Sherriff / Maritz
16C	Howick A	Lamond's	08:00	Kritzinger / McCabe
16D	Clifton B	Leach's	09:00	Kritzinger / McCabe
16F	Michaelhouse 16E	Leach's	11:00	Goliath / Goddard
15A	Clifton	Snow's	11:00	Botha / Stopford / Dick
15B	Howick A	Snow's	08:00	Botha / Stopford / Dick
15C	Clifton B	Leach's	10:00	Bosch / Myburgh
15D	St Charles B / C	Leach's	08:00	Bosch / Myburgh
15E	Northwood	Nicholson's	11:00	Fourie / Tyler
15F	Northwood	Nicholson's	09:00	Fourie / Tyler
14A	Clifton	Snow's	10:00	Du Plessis / Morlong
14B	Midlands Dev	Lamond's	09:00	Kyle
14C	Howick A	Nicholson's	08:00	Smorfitt / Greyling
14D	Clifton B	Hill's	11:00	Smorfitt / Greyling
14E	Northwood	Hill's	09:00	Mazibuko / Ayliffe / Nzimande
14F	St Charles B / C	Hill's	08:00	Mazibuko / Ayliffe / Nzimande
14G	Northwood F	Hill's	10:00	Mazibuko / Ayliffe / Nzimande

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RUGBY TEAMS



NUMBER	College 1st XV	College 2nd XV	College 16A
15	L Kunene	F Jozi	M Harris
14	L Makhathini	R Jacobsz	S Xaba
13	S Mbatha	A Hadebe	A Cahill
12	N Sithole	N Mthiyane	L Kosani
11	L Sinkfontein	K Jeke	S Kuzwayo
10	J Slevin	O Da Costa	S Hadebe
9	R Maartens	R Armoed	D du Toit
8	I Kemka	K Wichmann	C Mountford
7	N Isaacs	P Kruse	R Stanton
6	S Oosthuizen	C Cherayi	B Jean-Louis
5	J Jansen	M Nel	J Thomson
4	W Vyambwera	D Haines	C Fymn
3	A Botha	A Ngubane	L Mabanga
2	S Nyathi	L Khumalo	T Boshoff
1	P Kubheka (c)	I Mhlotswa	E Mpapa
COACH	T Orchard/ K Elder	R Bremner/ W du Plessis	D Sherriff/ F Maritz

NUMBER	Clifton 1st XV	Clifton 2nd XV	Clifton 16A
15	H de Bruin	K Sokhela	T Renken
14	E Marcon	B Maloba	J Joughin
13	N Ntshangase	L Myeni	A Dube
12	B Beeslaar	I Mbili	D d Amico
11	B Ngubane	S Ngcobo	D Boola
10	A Selikow	D Schwartz	T Mc Clean
9	K Akal	M Farquharson	M Van Blerk
8	A Jiyane	M Hammond	L Stocks
7	R Castle	T Mileham	C Niehuser
6	J Brown	M Ropertz	C Harris
5	L Madikizela	F Baldi	C Donaldson
4	L Nala	C Naidoo	D Crystal
3	S Ngcobo	B Nhlabathi	T Bam
2	K Mgabi	S Sibande	J Woollatt
1	N Dlomo (c)	K Maseko	J Masumbulo
COACH			



HOCKEY AT MARITZBURG COLLEGE

Hockey has only had official sport status at Maritzburg College since 1974. Since then, the game has grown in stature, with College hockey being relocated from the lush greens of Barns' to having had the honour of being the first school in South Africa to lay an artificial surface on its premises. The new home for the 'Red Army' was to be named after the fifth Maritzburg College Headmaster, Mr Septimus Pape (1926-1937). The facility saw timely resurfacing at the end of 2018. The most recent inclusion to the Pape's complex brings forth the opportunity for College hockey to be enjoyed under lights, with the first official home fixture for the 2024 season being played against Clifton on a Friday night. The completion of this project endeavours to add great value to the hockey fraternity for generations to come.

Since 1951, College has had 36 Old Boys picked to play for South Africa and one for Canada, more international players than any school in the world, including three captains. M Guise-Brown, T Dlungwana, T Kok, T Paton, and S Nolutshungu and N Lembethe recently competed at in the 2021 Tokyo Olympic Games. B. Sherwood, made his debut in 2022 at the most recent Africa Cup of Nations, scoring the winning shootout in the final against Egypt, to secure World Cup qualification.

In 2024, A Walstroom, became the 36th Old Boy to be picked for South Africa. He will be making his debut at the 13th African Games in Accra, Ghana. This national call up follows both his and J.Campbell (OC 2018) inclusion in the SA squad at the 2024 Hockey 5's World cup recently held in Oman, Egypt. The school has now produced 103 SA Schools Caps in its history with 91 of these having been earned since 1980. Last year, One first XI player, N. Holmes was selected for the SA Schools U17 High Performance training squad who participated at the Dito Mirnawan Cup in Kuala Lumpur in Malaysia. Four boys namely D.Jackson, C.Jenkins, S.Sithembu and B.Thorton-Dibb were selected for the SA U16 High Performance Camp. 2023 saw 35 players being included in KZN inland teams at the U14, U16 and U18 level. this comprises 40% of provincial selections for Maritzburg College Hockey. These annual representations positively contribute to and strengthen the consistency of Maritzburg College hockey culture.

HOCKEY VS CLIFTON

Clifton is one of College's newer rivals and the first match played between the two teams was in 2009.

The summary of results between the two schools are as follows; 10 matches have been played, College have won 8, Clifton has won 1 and 1 have ended in a draw.

We are looking forward to welcoming Clifton to Pape's for our first night fixtures as well as on Saturday.



MARITZBURG COLLEGE



Fixtures



Maritzburg College vs Clifton

15 March 2024

Team	Opposition	Venue	Time	Coach
1st	Clifton	Pape's	18:30	Emerson
2nd	Clifton	Pape's	17:30	Coutts
16A	Clifton	Pape's	16:30	Barnard
14A	Clifton	Pape's	15:30	Sanders



16 March 2024

Team	Opposition	Venue	Time	Coach
3rd	Clifton	Pape's	11:00	Joshua
4th	Clifton	Pape's	12:00	Ngcobo
16B	Clifton	Pape's	09:00	Gonlag
16C	Clifton	Pape's	10:00	Brokensha
16D	Clifton	AB Jackson	10:30	Kritzinger
16E	Clifton	AB Jackson	11:30	Shange
14B	Clifton	Pape's	08:00	Diaz
14C	Clifton	AB Jackson	09:40	Croeser
14D	Clifton	AB Jackson	08:50	Stoute
14E	Clifton	AB Jackson	08:00	Mkhize

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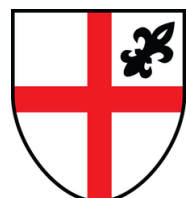
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HOCKEY TEAMS



NUMBER	College 1st XI	College 2nd XI	College 16A
1	N Holmes	M Barnardo	V Ndlovu
2	D Jackson	N Jackson	C Francis
3	G Askew	R Bernstein	N Lessing
4	S Sithembu	T Fulton	A Lembethe
5	U Dlamini	H McIntyre	R Willson
6	I Mosupye ©	K Botha	H Hackland
7	J Konigkramer	A Mthalane	C De Billot
8	R McKean	R Van Der Vliet	S Mchunu
9	K Jenkins	A Dlamini	L Sishi
10	B Dlamini	L Fitz	K Mngwengwe
11	E Maynard	B Hosking	L Shelembe
12	M Gibson	S Mkhize	G Hosking
13	R Schirge	N Mpanza	S Schirge
14	M Smith	M Borchers	J Pembridge
15	E Fabre	S Deane	G Motswadire
COACH	K Emerson	R Coutts	L Barnard



CLIFTON

NUMBER	Clifton 1st XI	Clifton 2nd XI	Clifton 16A
1	G Wolhuter	S Rajcoomar	M Malek
2	T Milne	L Dinsdale	L Makholiso
3	T Ehrich	P Govender	K Human
4	J Wilson	G Vermulen	B Johnson
5	R Brisset	A Laaks	M Mun Gavin
6	Z Williamson	N Reinders	L Carolan (VC)
7	J Pareson (C)	R Futcher	D Rea (VC)
8	T Saulez	M Mthethwa	D Holliday (C)
9	J Adams	K Mphakathi	G Gatony
10	D Hompes (VC)	N Northend	S Johnson
11	B Ward	S Dryer	L Christodoulou
12	T Smith	S Mletshe	M Asmal
13	T Sauez	D Mkuzo	H Driesselmann
14	D Joss	J Maingard	D Nothard
15	N Bejia		Y Panchpersadh
16			B Watson
COACH			

To all parents and rugby supporters

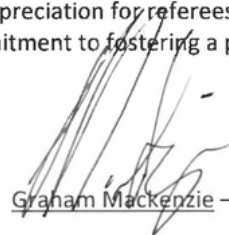
Rugby is founded on principles of respect, sportsmanship, and camaraderie. It's crucial to remember that referees are volunteers who dedicate their time to ensure fair play on the field. They work hard to understand and apply the laws of the game to the best of their abilities.

Abusing match officials not only goes against the core values of rugby but also undermines the efforts of those who positively contribute to the sport. Instead of hurling abuse at the referees, let's channel that energy into becoming a part of the solution. Consider joining your local referee's society and contributing to the game in a more meaningful way. Becoming a referee not only enhances your understanding of the laws of the game but also allows you to play a vital role in the development and promotion of rugby within Kwazulu-Natal.

Let's work together to create an environment where respect and appreciation for referees are integral to the rugby experience. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to fostering a positive rugby culture in our schools and KZN.



Kamal Rugbar – President of KZN Rugby Referees



Graham Mackenzie – KZNRU President

Tackle safety law changes for school and club rugby

- Tackles in open play must be made at the base of the sternum (breastbone) or below.
- Double tackles (as per Law) are permitted in open play but must be made at the base of the sternum or below.
- The tackle height law does not apply to the tackle assist on condition no head & neck contact is made.
- The ball carrier in open play may carry the ball into contact in a forward bent body position, but must have head and shoulders above the hips, and must make the 'safe zone' between the sternum and mid-thigh, accessible to the tackler.
- The ball carrier in open play may not carry the ball headfirst into contact with the body fully bent and horizontal, or with head lower than the hips.
- The ball carrier may 'pick-and-drive' or "pick and go" with their head & shoulders lower than their hips (lower risk of danger).
- The ball carrier at the 'pick-and-drive' may not place a hand on the ground before contact to propel themselves forward into contact (the technique known locally as the 'cannon-arm').
- A player may only bind (latch) onto the 'pick-and-drive' ball carrier once they have already made contact with the defender.
- A ball carrier may have their head & shoulders below their hips when they are in a realistic position/opportunity to score a try.

50/22 Law applicable to all school and club rugby

- If an attacking team kicks the ball from anywhere in their own half and it bounces inside the opposition's 22 before then bouncing into touch, the kicking team gets the throw at the resultant lineout.
- If the ball is "taken back" into the attacking team's half, they cannot be awarded the resultant lineout in the 50/22 law unless a phase of play takes place (maul/tackle or ruck) and after which the kick is made.

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