

## Swimming Report

Our swimmers have continued to produce remarkable achievements in the face of ever changing challenges. The enthusiasm, spirit and loyalty shown by the entire A Team has made it a great team. We managed to win all our galas this season but more notable was the way in which they were won. Our greatest achievement of the season was winning the Johannesburg Inter-High Gala and the most disappointing part of the season was not being able to swim the Alan Burt Gala and compete against our formidable KZN cousins.

The seniors must be mentioned for once again, (it seems to have become a tradition) leading from the front and by example. Their swimming was spectacular. The venue for the Inter-High in Boksburg added to the atmosphere of the event and the participation of each individual swimmer was appreciated and important. It is quite clear from what this team has achieved that swimming can indeed be regarded as a team sport.

A Swimming Dinner was held at the end of the season and was very well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all. A huge thanks must go to Mrs Gioia for arranging this very successful event.

I would like thank Mrs Gioia and Mr Acres on behalf of the A Swimming Team for their tremendous commitment and encouragement throughout the season.

*Marco Schepers, Captain*

## From the Coaches, Mrs Gioia, Mr McEvoy and Mr Acres.

What a season! Right from the very start, it was apparent that this season would bring with it a couple of added responsibilities and pressures to do well and be successful. At the end of the season I can quite proudly say that the team certainly did rise to the occasion and deliver even more than was expected of them.

There were changes to the way that the season operated on a day to day basis and the boys responded well to the new expectations of them. As we have come to take for granted at Pretoria Boys High, the boys were committed, reliable and enthusiastic. I believe that our swimmers exercise a spirit rivalry and a sense of humour that is unique to our school. Mrs Gioia and I have been most grateful and appreciative of this on more than one occasion. I must include a most heartfelt thanks to all the swimming staff who have this year, more than any other, closed the cracks through which talented swimmers fall, motivated them as never before and administered caringly and creatively.

The 2007/8 swimming season will demand even more commitment from both boys and staff if we are to revisit the successes already achieved and strive for even higher goals. I look forward to the coming season.

*John Acres, Coach*

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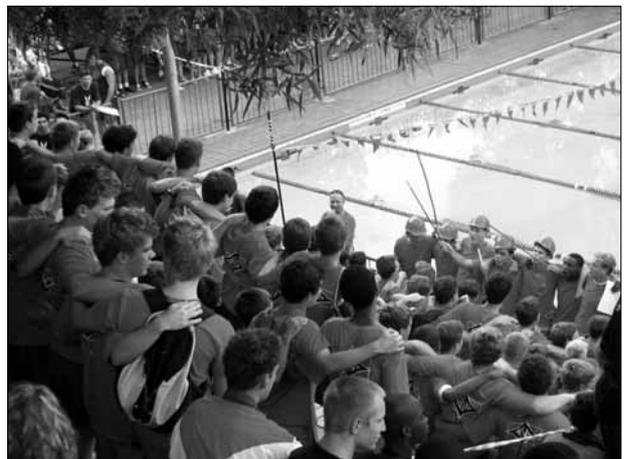
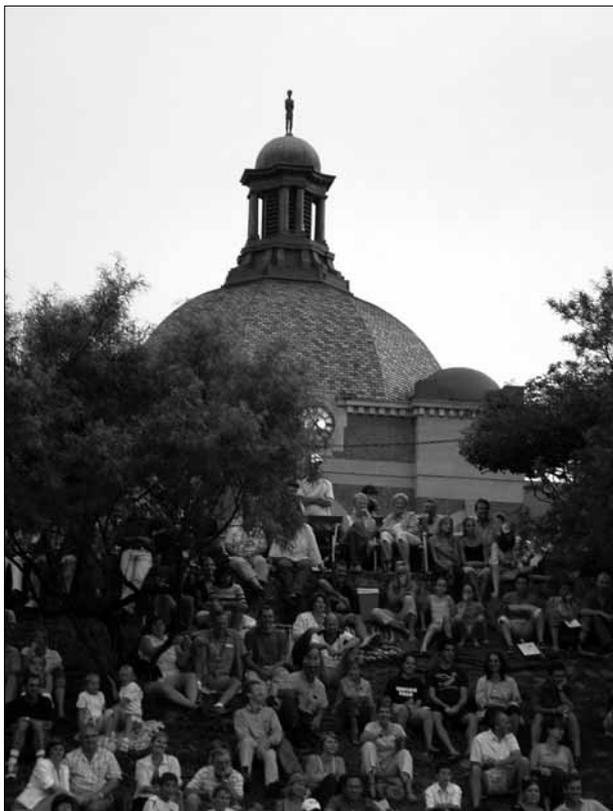
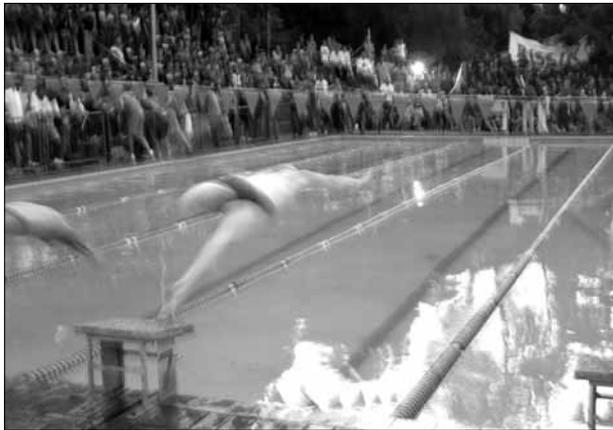
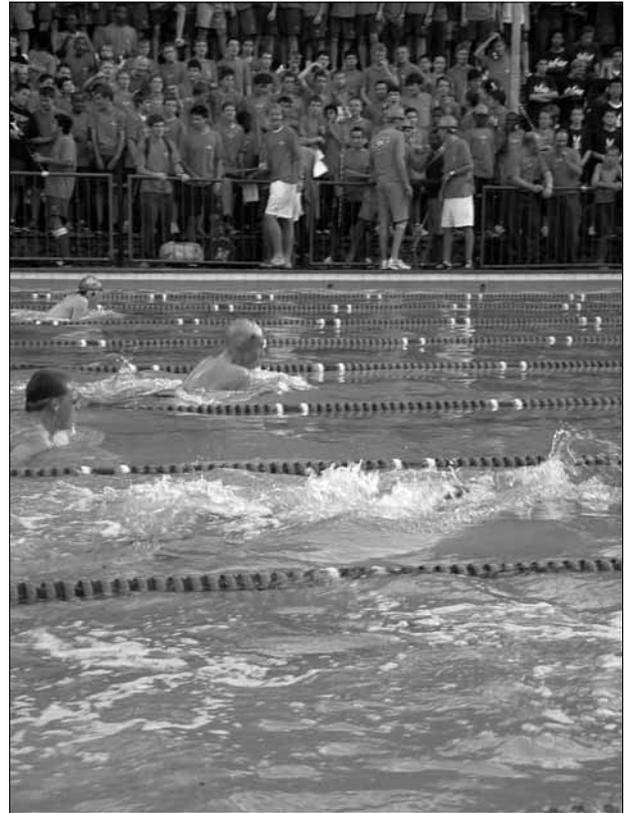


*Front Row L-R: T Matus, K Lentz, K Booyesen, J Erasmus, M Schepers, C Sheppard, V de Jager, H Armstrong, L Martin.  
Middle Row L-R: Mr J Acres, R van Tonder, L Bekker, S Appelgryn, M Yiannou, G Potgieter, E Marais, M Bowden, J Fourie, G Kurz, Mrs H Gioia.  
Back Row L-R: L Kruger, S Tucker, M Sheppard, N Korb, D Murray, R Haagener, D Poultney, R Engelbrecht, M du Plessis, C Bartlett.*



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*Scenes from the 2006 Inter-house Swimming Gala*