

WAIHĪ COLLEGE



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Thames Valley/Waikato Tennis Championships

Six tennis players represented Waihi College at the TV/Waikato Champs on Weds 29th October. Daniel Carson, Xavier Hope, Jimi Randell, Owen Laing, Noah Menary, and Jack Kayes. All players had 3 matches, and all with some wins and losses. The tournament was a round robin format and they had some epic battles, as tennis tends to inspire.

Well done boys, you have done us proud.



Thames Valley Basketball Championships

On Thursday 6th November we had 3 teams entered into the annual Thames



Top Sports Awards Evening

On Wednesday the 29th of October we celebrated our top sports achievers at the Waihi Beach RSA. It was a fantastic night recognising the outstanding achievements, dedication, and sportsmanship of our students and volunteers throughout the year.

Thank you to Waihi Beach RSA for the hospitality and sponsorship of our College A Netball UNISS Campaign. Thank you to Ross Cooper, who was our guest speaker and also a huge mihi to those who attended, supported, and helped make the evening such a memorable success.

The Recipients were:

Rider of The Future - Equestrian
Tayha Lysaght

Team Spirit / Sportsmanship - Equestrian
Loren Knight

Golfer of The Year
Kobe Phillips

Surfer of The Year
Jack Kayes

Blues Award

Valley Secondary School Sports Championships.

Here are the results:

WC Celtics

vs Morrinsville 3 - Loss 10-14

vs Te Aroha Maroon - Loss 7-9

vs TK Be Happy - Win 8-7

vs Morrinsville - Loss 8-13

WC Raiders

vs HPC White - Loss 8-10

vs PC Eagles - Loss 4-12

vs Te Aroha Blue - Win 8-4

vs Morrinsville - Loss 9-6

WC Allstars

vs TK Not Funny - Win 17-4

vs Morrinsville 2 - Win 11-9

vs HPC Black - Loss 12-14

QF vs HPC Black - Win 10-9

SF vs Thames - Win 10-9

Final vs Katikati Red - Loss 13-11

Well done to all our Allstars boys on making it through to the finals taking on Katikati College in a very tight contest. What a way to wrap up the day.

Massive mihi to Joanne Heath for all you help on the day.



Opoutere Adventure Race

Rose Morley - Rowing North Island Champs

Blues Award

Ryan Adams - Thames Valley Touch Nationals

New Zealand Representative - Inline Hockey

Declan Coxon

Laurus Nobilis Award

Tayha Lysaght

Madsen Cup (1st XV Top Rugby Award)

Andre Buskermolen

Fair Player of The Year

Tiana Reynolds

Multi Discipline Cup

Palace O'Brien

Team of The Year

College A Netball

Tournament Team - Upper North Island Secondary Schools Campaign Award - Selected top 10 - D Grade, over 384 players

Jaylah Rolleston

Significant Service to Sport (student)

Rylee Morgan

Significant Service to Sport (adult)

Jessica & Kenny Crockett

Rookie Coach of the Year

Joel Clarke

Highly Commended Coach of the Year

Leah Butterworth

Coach of the Year

Chantelle Archer

Year 9 Sportsperson Runner-Up

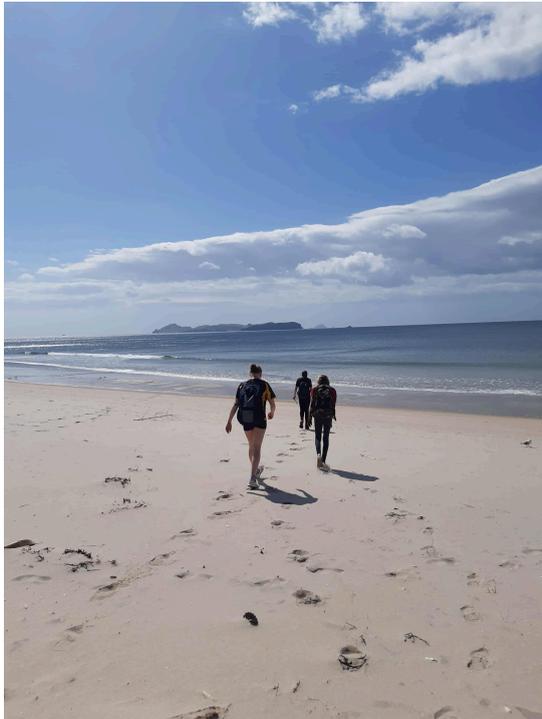
Tayha Lysaght

Year 9 Sportsperson of the Year

Mitchell Paynter

Last Term we entered 2 teams into the Opoutere Adventure Race. It was a fabulous day had by all. Waihi Adventurers scooped up a whopping 2,050 points. The team was Jack Kayes, Daniel Carson, Xavier Hope, and Beau Wilson. Well done boys.

Our girls team came in 3rd, as they came in late and got penalised points. But they nearly cleared the course which is a huge achievement in itself.



Winter Sports Prizegiving

On Tuesday 28th October we held our Winter Sports Prizegiving. Recipients received recognition for their hard work and dedication. Thank you so much to Dynasty Holtz-Taylor - Eves Realty and the 'Clay Family' - Clay Construction Ltd for donating our new Rugby trophies.

Here are the results:

Squash Champions

Year 7&8 Boys - Jordan Holmes

Year 10 Sportsperson Runner-Up
Leah Kelly

Year 10 Sportsperson of the Year
Ra-Anthym Selwyn

Sportswoman of the Year Runner-Up
Palace O'Brien

Sportswoman of the Year
Rylee Morgan

Sportsman of the Year Runner-Up
Luke Butler

Sportsman of the Year
Max Morley

Supreme Award
Luke Butler



Waihi College Mountain Biking

Our newly formed Waihi College Mountain Biking Team has been an exciting initiative to get students involved in the sport with Michael McManemin and Josephine Carson forming the backbone and pouring lots of energy into the group. The team has been heading out on regular rides and learning heaps along the way. It's been awesome to see how much they are enjoying it.

Junior Girls - Leah Kelly
Junior Boys - Alex Townsend

Captains Awards

College A Netball - Brooke Kelly / Evah Carey

College A Boys Basketball - Peke-Tupaea Ropiha

College A Boys Volleyball - Rian Morgan

1st XI Girls - Charlie Joyce

1st XV Girls Rugby - Rylee Morgan,
Wairaraua Noa-Paul

1st XV Boys Rugby - Aidan Butler, Andre Buskermolen

Year 7 Boys Basketball

Luke Crockett - Most Valuable Player
Reggin Tukaki - Most Improved
Carter Hewlett - Sportsmanship
Nate Phillips - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 8 Boys Basketball

Joel Crockett and Lachlan Hewlett
Most Valuable Player
Xavier Hope - Most Improved
Owen Laing - Sportsmanship
Neo Morias - Contribution to Team/Sport

Junior Boys Basketball

Dominic Bismark - Most Valuable Player
Daniel Parker - Most Improved
Byron Perkinson - Sportsmanship
Max Walton - Contribution to Team/Sport

College A Boys Basketball

Cole Nidogma - Most Valuable Player
Niels Hansen - Most Improved
Lachlan Osborne-Sole and Peke-Tupaea Ropiha - Sportsmanship
Lincoln Alexander - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 7&8 Boys Football

Taylor Bigham - Most Valuable Player
Te Whakawa Osborne - Most Improved
Daniel Carson & Kobi Picard
Sportsmanship
Jonah James & Caleb Giles



North Island Secondary Schools Rugby 7s Championships

We entered a u15 Boys team into the recent NISS Rugby 7s Championships in Hamilton. In the lead up to the tournament the boys trained hard for several weeks, focusing on endurance and fitness to ensure they could go the distance in very game.

The team was Ra-Anthym Selwyn, Truman Alexander, Marlo Nopper, Mitchell Paynter, Ryder Holtz-Taylor, Jamie Hughes, Lortress Thompson, Blake Silk, Paitoa Peka, and Syris Noa (Whangamata Area School).

Tournament day brought the heat and a fantastic atmosphere, with plenty of tough competition and great rugby on display. The boys took away valuable learnings from tournament and now know what to expect for the 2026 championship.



Thames Valley Touch Team Announcements

Contribution to Team/Sport

U14 Girls Football

Sophie Oates - Most Valuable Player

Michaela Wickham & Malena Casillas -
Most Improved

Lexie Davies-Young - Sportsmanship

Skye Munro - Contribution to Team/Sport

1st XI Girls

Charlie Joyce - Most Valuable Player

Zara Davies-Young - Most Improved

Kate Townsend - Sportsmanship

Tiana Reynolds - Contribution to
Team/Sport

Year 7&8 Kea Netball

Marlie Cochrane - Most Valuable Player

Isla Crompton - Most Improved

Patience Meares - Sportsmanship

Sophie Oates - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 7&8 Kereru Netball

Makuini Aupouri-Ederveen - Most Valuable
Player

Poppy Young - Most Improved

Emily Wharry - Sportsmanship

Indigo Smith - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 7&8 Korimako Netball

Ella van der Hulst - Most Valuable Player

Olivia Petterd - Most Improved

Xavier Motley - Sportsmanship

Millie Ryan - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 7&8 Development Netball

Waikawa Hauraki - Most Valuable Player

Sophie Perkinson - Most Improved

Kaddence Thompson - Sportsmanship

Kimiora King - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 7&8 A Netball

Olivia Callaghan - Most Valuable Player

Poppie Newing - Most Improved

Georgia Sanderson - Sportsmanship

Alayna Ng Wun - Contribution to
Team/Sport

Year 9 Development Netball

Jorja Watson - Most Valuable Player

Harlem Leach Coleman - Most Improved

Tia Brightwell - Sportsmanship

Congratulations to the following students
who trialed successfully for Thames Valley
Touch Representative teams in their
respective grades.

u16 Mixed

Isla Freeman, Marlo Nopper, and Mitchell
Paynter

u14 Girls

Rikki Morgan

u14 Boys

Carter Hewlett and Lachlan Hewlett

Good luck to all other students who are
trialing for u21s



Year 7&8 Athletics

On Tuesday the 4th of November our year
7&8 students went head to head in our
school athletics championships. It was a
scorcher of a day! Despite the heat, it was
fantastic to see so many students getting
involved in the field events. There was
some outstanding performances and plenty
of personal bests. Well done to all students
for getting involved and congratulations to
those students who placed in the top 3 in
their year groups.

The results were:

Year 7 Girls

Champion 1st - Addisyn McIntyre (15
points)

2nd - Rikki Morgan (11 points)

3rd - Sophie Oates (7 points)

Year 7 Boys

Equal Champions - Sonny Buskermolen &
Kahu Appleton (14 points)

Brooklyn Archer - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 9 a Netball

Aaliyah Houston - Most Valuable Player
Tegan Clare & Marley Mapu - Most Improved
Tiara Buskermolen - Sportsmanship
Lexie Davies-Young & Aaliyah Houston - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 10 Development Netball

Paige Hermond - Most Valuable Player
Riley Clay - Most Improved
Lockie Patea - Sportsmanship
Libby Sammons - Contribution to Team/Sport

Year 10 a Netball

Donna-Bella Paul - Most Valuable Player
Ruby-Rose Sandford & Abby Henderson - Most Improved
Eveana Watson - Sportsmanship
Leah Kelly - Contribution to Team/Sport

Senior Girls Development Netball

Malea Hutchins - Most Valuable Player
Aliya Smith - Most Improved
Asha Davies-Young - Sportsmanship
Reese Neame - Contribution to Team/Sport

College A Netball

Evah Carey - Most Valuable Player
Savarna Brightwell - Most Improved
Rylee Morgan - Sportsmanship
Brooke Kelly - Contribution to Team/Sport

Youth Girls Rugby

Isla Freeman - Most Valuable Player
Genevieve Unsworth - Most Improved
Riley Clay - Sportsmanship
Tegan Clare - Contribution to Team/Sport

Youth Boys Rugby

Ra-Anthym Selwyn - Most Valuable Player
Elijah Cornes - Most Improved
Lewis Hutchins - Sportsmanship
Truman Alexander - Contribution to Team/Sport

1st XV Girls

Rylee Morgan - Most Valuable Player
Moana Magee - Most Improved

2nd - Carter Hewlett (11 points)
3rd - Rhapid Wallace (6 points)

Year 8 Girls

Champion - Emma Clark (12 points)
2nd - Scarlett Holtz-Taylor (9 points)
3rd - Poppy Bolderston (8 points)

Year 8 Boys

Champion - Lachlan Hewlett (16 points)
2nd - Joel Crockett (15 points)
3rd - Realm Witika (14 points)



Calling all Coaches

If you're keen to coach in 2026, please send through your expression of interest to Ariana Te Wake at arianat@waihicol.school.nz to apply directly.

Waihi College Sport Coach Appointments 2026

KEI KŌHĀ PĀHOU E TĪUĀNA
HERE WE STAND

Call for Expressions of Interests for 2026
This will be via email and our Waihi College social media platforms.

WE WANT YOU!

Thames Valley Volleyball Championships

Last term our senior Volleyball teams competed at the annual Thames Valley Volleyball Championships held at Katikati College.

Brea Peka - Sportsmanship
Palace O'Brien - Contribution to
Team/Sport

1st XV Boys

Aidan Butler - Most Valuable Player
Nikora MacCalman - Most Improved
Tayte Porter - Sportsmanship
Ben Paulsen - Contribution to Team/Sport



Do you have news to share of your tamariki and their sporting achievements, yes individual and club achievements as well. Remember we can only share what we know. Please email details through to Jess via email: jesso@waihicol.school.nz

The results were:

Girls

1st Katikati College
2nd Te Aroha
3rd Te Kauwhata
4th Hauraki Plains College
5th Waihi College
6th Thames High School

Boys

1st Te Aroha College
2nd Te Kauwhata College
3rd Waihi College
4th Katikati College
5th Paeroa College
6th Morrinsville College



COMING UP

- Friday 14th November - Waikato Intermediate Golf
- Tuesday 19th November - WBOP Zone Athletics Championships