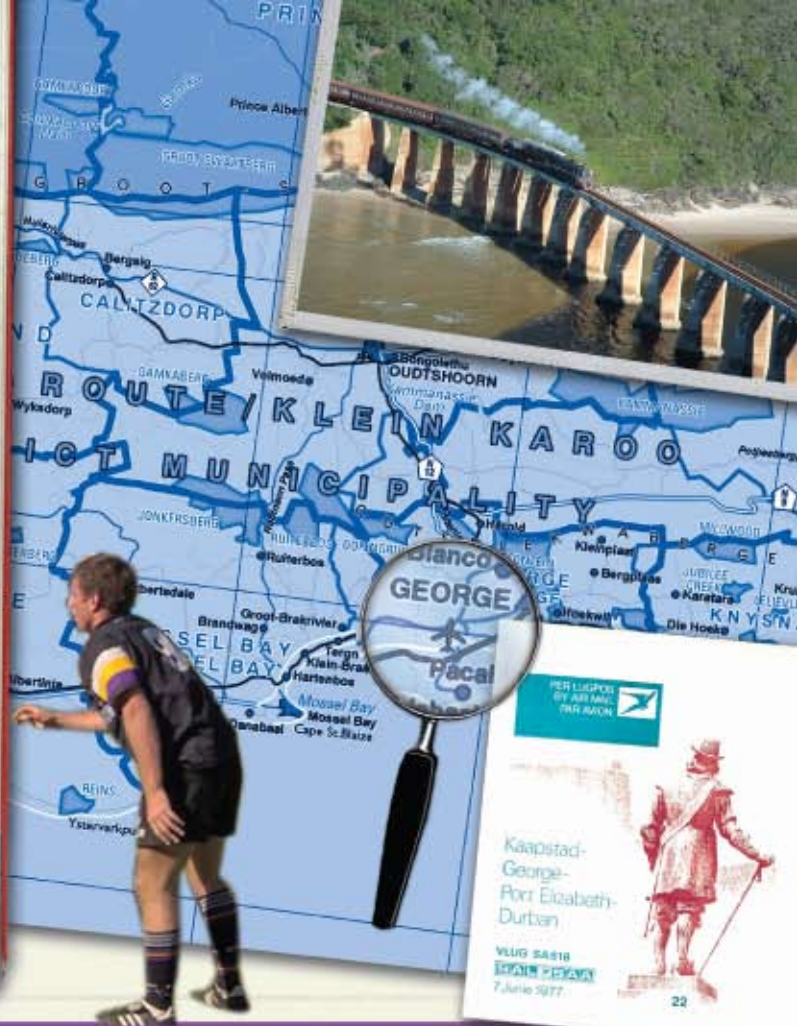


# GEORGE

Outeniqua? It's a Xhosa word meaning the man loaded with honey. It's a land flowing with milk and honey, one of the most beautiful parts of the world – mountains, green rolling hills, ancient forests, fynbos and close to the sea. The mountains are called the Outeniqua Mountains. The pass up them to Oudtshoorn in the Karoo is the Outeniqua Pass and the school in George is Outeniqua High School. The school is in George, the first town founded by the English in South Africa back in 1812 and then called George Town, named after King George III who gave a Bible to the church which became a cathedral in 1911, turning George Town into a city. George III, the first of the Hanoverian monarchs to be born in England and to speak English, reigned from 1760, when he was 22, till his death in 1820 (the second-longest reign of a British monarch). It was not altogether a happy reign. He fought with his prime minister, Pitt the Younger, lost the American colonies and was declared mad in 1810. He suffered from porphyria. A film, *The Madness of King George*, starred a South African, Nigel Hawthorne, in the leading role. He was also regarded as an especially cultured king, as distinct from other Hanoverians, and took a keen interest in agriculture, which earned him the nickname *Farmer George*. When George III was Prince of Wales, he is believed to have had a son by Hannah Lightfoot, the Fair Quakeress, whom he is reputed to have married secretly in Kew, a marriage not later acknowledged. In 1795 George Rex, a young man, arrived in the area and lived near Knysna. He was believed to have been the son of George III and Hannah Lightfoot. He is buried in Knysna.



# Outeniqua High School



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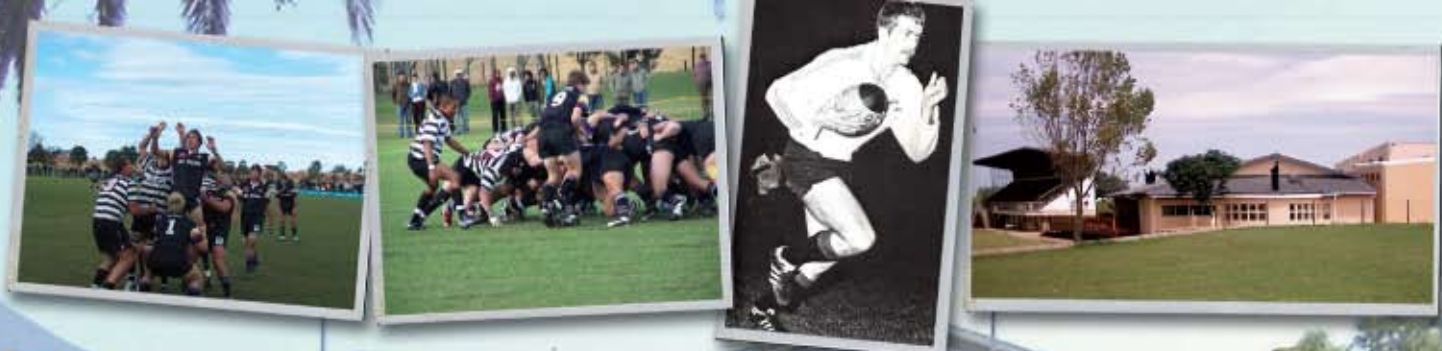
## School History

The school is an Afrikaans-medium, co-education school with roughly 1 700 pupils, roughly 800 of whom are boys and just over 130 boarders. The school's badge depicts a honeycomb – representing healthy, wholesome food in a milieu of order and discipline, the teamwork of diligent bees. The mountains nearby are also represented, symbolising the heights to which the pupils should strive. All of this is summed up in the school's motto.

## Outeniqua Rugby

From the start rugby has played an important part in the life of the school when a famous schoolmaster at the school was Sas de Kock, a Springbok in 1921–24. The school has increasingly played a leading role in schools rugby in South Western Districts, especially since the 1990s. The school has a sports centre with a biokineticist in attendance. Moreover, The Kwagga Rugby Academy was founded in 1999. Rugby has become a part of the school's curriculum.

Since 1995 the school has run the Kwagga Junior Week for Under 15 and Under 14 teams. Each year top sides from around the country attend the week. For 2008, 30 teams are enrolled. The first unbeaten side was that of 1957, building on the promising side of 1956 with Mr Scholtz as the coach. They toured South Africa with great success. In 1988 Outeniqua had ten sides – every one of them unbeaten. But the greatest period in the school's rugby history has been since 2001. In that time the coaches have been Dawid Minnie, Frans de Swardt, Martin Oosthuizen, Herman Martins and Piet Cloete (who also coached the South Western Districts Craven Week



side). In 2008 Outeniqua ran 15 teams. The 1992 side was unbeaten and started Outeniqua's strong run of successes into the next century. It has faced tough opposition, a lot of it away, from the South Western Districts. Paarl Gim is probably its toughest opposition year in and year out, but Outeniqua beat Gimmies in 2003 and 2004. In 2004 Outeniqua won the Burger Trophy for schools from Cape Town to Port Elizabeth and the Media24 Trophy for schools throughout the country — not competitions that all schools were involved in, but nonetheless demanding. In winning the Media24 Trophy Outeniqua beat Paarl Gim, Marais Viljoen and, in the final, Dr EG Jansen of Boksburg at Ellis Park. They scored four tries to one in the final. In 2005 Outeniqua won the Burger Trophy again.

Many Outeniqua players — well over 150 of them since 1964 — have gone to Craven Week. In 2006 they had 12 in the South Western Districts Craven Week side and in 2007 nine. In 2005, 13 Outeniqua players went to the Grant Khomo Week for Under-16s; in 2006, 12 and in 2007, 14. Hans Scriba, the neatest of flyhalves, played SA Schools in 1983. Since him there has been Jeremy Plaatjies (2001), Johan Snyman (2004) and Earl Snyman (2007). Jeandré Fourie played for the SA Academy side in 2001 and Wilton Pietersen for the South African B side in 2006. Many of its Old Boys have played provincial rugby. They include Sarel Theron (SWD) and Dawid, Shaun Minnie (SWD), Abri Minnie (Griquas), Serge Pietersen (SWD), Werner Kemp (SWD), Deon Thiesen (Transvaal), Hans and Ernst Scriba (Western Province), Jan Kuyler (Eastern Province), Freddie Stander (Griquas), Martin Stander (Boland), Rikus Lubbe (SWD, Boland, Western Province, Stormers), Fila van Zyl (SWD, Western Province), Ruan du Preez (Boland), Marco Wentzel (Pumas, Cheetahs), Giscard Pieters (Griffons, Pumas, Cheetahs), Jeandré Fourie (Pumas), Werner Bester (Border),

Ockie van Zyl, Griquas, Griffons), Liaan Scriven (Eastern Province), Gavin Williamson (SWD, Lions).

Three Old Boys have been chosen for South Africa — the late Faan Conradie, who went to Ireland and Scotland in 1965 as a replacement without playing a match, the great fullback of the 1980s, Johan Heunis, and versatile forward Marco Wentzel who later went to Europe to play. In addition Johan Snyman played for SA Under-19 when they won the World Championship in 2005 and Wilton Pietersen and Earl Snyman played in 2007. The international referee Frans Muller, the last South African to referee a match involving the Springboks, is an Old Boy. Chris Heunis, who played provincial rugby for Eastern Province and South Western Districts, was the president of the South Western Districts Rugby Union, restoring the union to prominence and developing the ground, Outeniqua Park, as the union's headquarters. He was a member of SARFU's executive committee. Outeniqua's biggest rivals are Hoërskool Oudtshoorn. Other traditional rivals in South Western Districts are Punt of Mossel Bay, Oakdale Landbou of Riversdale, Langenhoven Gimnasium of Oudtshoorn and PW Botha Kollege of George; although PW is no longer as it was in the days when Abri Minnie, an Old Kwagga, was coaching there. Then there are big matches with Hoërskool DF Malan of Bellville on the second weekend of the second quarter, Nico Malan of Humansdorp, HTS Daniel Pienaar of Uitenhage and Framesby of Port Elizabeth.

### Internationals

**South Africa:**  
Faan Conradie  
Johan Heunis  
Marco Wentzel