



The following is a list of awards and the citations for award winners at the 2008 Senior Prizegiving.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

The Strivers Awards are presented to the male and female student in each class that demonstrate consistently hard work in a range of subjects. High Achievement Awards are presented to a male and female in each class who demonstrate good all round academic performance, and the Highest Achiever Awards go to the top academic male and female in each class.

Thank you to Mitre 10 who have provided a gift for each Striver, and the following businesses that have donated prizes: Konica Minolta, MacTodd, Salmond Architecture, Mainly Tramping, Racers Edge, About Cleaning, Art Upstairs and Wanaka River Journeys.

Thank you also to those families that donate prizes anonymously.

10CD Strivers Award	Jean Padget Hayden Dickey
10CD High Achievement Awards	Tom Hewson Madi Chamberlain
10CD Highest Achiever Awards	Dominic Schwarz Abigael Ayre

10SP Strivers Award	Joshua Nijhuis Natasha Blackwood
10SP High Achievement Awards	Michelle Lewis Kape Sinnott
10SP Highest Achiever Awards	Brooke Hawkins James Rowe

10TC Strivers Award	Franziska Stapper Henry Schikker
10TC High Achievement Awards	Mathew Green Saasha Bruce
10TC Highest Achiever Awards	Hugh Haworth Alexandra Winsloe

10SF Strivers Award	James Bryan Alaska White
10SF High Achievement Awards	Elle Scurr Gregory Redai
10SF Highest Achiever Awards	Brianna Still Michael Jolly

Year 11 High Achievement Awards	Anna Hogg Michael Hammerich Laura Prescott Andrew Stewart
Year 11 Highest Achiever Awards	Amy Kennerley Tom Sherson

Year 12 High Achievement Awards	Kirsten Roxburgh Fraser Hunter Katarina Schwarz Beach Thurlow-Meyer
Year 12 Highest Achiever Awards	Sarah Cashen James McCaughan

Gateway Programme Award	The first award goes to a student who has achieved excellence both in the classroom and in workplace while on the Gateway Programme. This student has been outstanding in the workplace and has gained 73 credits whilst on placement with Back Country Saddles. The Gateway Programme Award goes to Megan Robertson .
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The following students were all the highest achievers in their Level 3 subject:

Level 3 Mathematics with Statistics Award	Annaliese Devoy
Salmond Architecture Award for Level 3 Visual Art Design	Ellen Plank ** Ellen was also presented with a Massey University High Achiever Scholarship.
Level 3 Music Award	Fabian Shaw
Salmond Architecture Award for Level 3 Graphics	Fraser McDougall
Level 3 Visual Art Photography Award	Grace Ross
MacTodd Award for Level 3 English	Lincoln Haworth
Level 3 Visual Art Painting Award (sponsored by Art Upstairs)	Megan Coup
Level 3 Biology Award	Nicholas Russell

These students have all achieved first place in more than one Level 3 subject:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 3 Café Culture Award • Level 3 Economics Award • Level 3 Drama Award 	Charlotte Gardiner
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 3 Outdoor Pursuits Award • Level 3 Enterprise Award 	Elsa Hunt

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 3 Physical Education Award • Level 3 Mathematics with Calculus Award • Level 3 Physics Award • Level 3 Chemistry Award 	Glen Riley
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 3 Geography Award • Omer-Cooper Memorial Award for Level 3 History 	Silvia Curin Brown

NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

This group of awards recognise students who have been chosen to represent New Zealand in their sport, or have gained a New Zealand title.

Snowboarding:

<p>Joram Makuru Leah Pihama Lucca Sidey Mackenzie James Connor Faircloth Harding Stefi Luxton</p>

Alpine skiing or Freeskiing:

<p>Wilbur Coote Mikey Austin Hamish McDougall Fraser McDougall</p>
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Members of the Nordic Skiing Junior National team:

<p>Samantha Williamson Anna Hogg Sarah Lees Katie Conroy</p>
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The Gojyu Ryu Karate Black Belt Under 15 World Champion:

<p>Samuel Crone</p>

SPORTS AWARDS

Cross Country Champions	Gregory Redai Jean Padget Tom Mulqueen Hannah James Richard McLeod Samantha Williamson
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Swimming Champions	Sarah Lees Emma Jackson Robert Saunders Anneke Martin Christopher Rogers
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Athletics Champions	Cholena Perry Nicholas Brooker Samantha Williamson Fraser McDougall <i>(Jesper van Eekelen was the joint senior boys champion with Fraser, but has since left the college to return to Holland)</i>
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Alpine Skiing Girls Award	Courtney Tate
Alpine Skiing Boys Award	Wilbur Coote
Cardrona Alpine Resort Freeskier Boys Award	Fraser McDougall
Cardrona Alpine Resort Freeskier Girls Award	Mikey Austin
Snowboarding Girls Award	Leah Pihama
Snowboarding Boys Award	Connor Faircloth Harding
Cross Country Skiing Girls Award	Samantha Williamson
Cross Country Skiing Boys Award	Michael Jolly
Wanaka Rowing Club Top Rower Award	Georgina Galloway
Beattie Trophy for Netball	This year's recipient of the Beattie Trophy for contribution and achievement in netball has completed four years in the Mount Aspiring College A team, this year as captain. The recipient is Hayley Scurr .

Premier Sports Awards:

<p>Heslop Cup for Fairplay.</p>	<p>This young man embodies all the qualities you would hope to see in a sports person and role model. He is a talented cricketer, captain of the MAC 1st XI, member of the Albion Senior Reserve and the Otago Country Under 19 teams; as a rugby player he plays for the MAC First XV and the Upper Clutha Under 18 team. He was the Year 13 Quad tournament captain and the Senior Boy Cross Country Champion, and is also a member of the basketball team. In spite of his achievements he remains modest about his achievements and is a great team player and role model for younger students. The Heslop Cup for Fairplay goes to Richard McLeod.</p>
<p>Faulks Family Trophy for Junior Sport</p>	<p>This talented young sportsman has performed with distinction in a number of sports. He was a member of the Upper Clutha Senior B Hockey team that won the Central Otago Senior B Competition. In recognition of his performances this season he was named the most valuable player. In Nordic skiing he is currently ranked first in New Zealand for under 14 year olds and was named rookie of the year. He has shown he has ability in sailing, placing first in the local Optimist competition and he attended the national teams racing event in Whangarei. It is in karate that this student has excelled. He attended the Gojyu Ryu Karate Association World Cup in India where he placed first in Kumite (fighting) and second in Kata, and from this he was named the Gojyu Ryu Black Belt Under 15 World Champion. The Faulks Family Trophy for Junior Sport goes to Samuel Crone.</p>
<p>Paul Campbell Trophy for Boys Sports</p>	<p>This talented athlete was the MAC freeski champion and joint senior boy's athletics champion, having also broken the record for the 1500m. In his chosen sport of freeskiing he placed first in the Under 20 division of New Zealand Junior Nationals Big Mountain event in 2008 and has been recognised as a carded athlete for his present and future potential. He is a member of the New Zealand Freeski development team for Big Mountain, Slopestyle and Halfpipe and has been selected for the Snow Sports NZ winter performance programme. He was an Otago Daily Time Class Act recipient in 2008. The Paul Campbell Trophy for Boys Sport goes to Fraser McDougall.</p>
<p>Bayne Family Trophy for Girls Sports</p>	<p>This young woman is a superb example of an all-round sportswoman. She was the 2008 MAC senior girls cross-country champion and record breaker, the athletics champion and the recipient of the Girls Cross Country Skiing award, and will be representing the college at the NZ Secondary Schools athletics competition later this month. She is also a member of the MAC sailing team, the girls Rugby team and the girls football team, and is the recipient of a Gold Duke of Edinburgh award. The Bayne Family Trophy for Girls Sport goes to Samantha Williamson.</p>

CULTURAL AWARDS

The next group of awards all recognise contribution to the cultural life of the college.

Thomson Award for Dance	As both a talented dancer in her own right and a tireless supporter of dance in all its many forms, this student thoroughly deserves the premier award for Dance at Mount Aspiring College. The Thomson Award for Dance goes to Katarina Schwarz .
Junior Music Award	For excellence on saxophone, and contributions and involvement in Jazz Band and Rock Quest, the Junior Music Award goes to Kape Sinnott .
Senior Music Award	For outstanding achievements as guitarist, vocalist, songwriter and member of The SlurTones, and for achieving the National Rock Quest award for Best Song, the Senior Music Award goes to Fabian Shaw .
Haskell Award for Excellence in Drama	Requiring more than academic ability and motivation, the Haskell Award for Excellence in Drama is awarded to a student who has the courage to look deeply within themselves to find the source for roles of power and grace. The recipient is Charlotte Gardiner .
Thomson Wright Award for Direction and Backstage	This student was a mainstay in the successful school production "The Groovy Show". She committed time, talent and energy to writing the script and co-directing the show. Selected from a large group of talented contenders this award goes to Rosemary Wolfin .
King Family Trophy for Performing Arts	Demonstrating passionate commitment and talent across the entire field of dance, drama and music, this student has shone in every field. The King Family Trophy for Performing Arts goes to Breanna McNeill .
Te Korowai o te Matauranga Award	For his enthusiastic contribution to Maoritanga at Mt Aspiring College, Te Korowai o te Matauranga Award goes to Lane Halba .
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aspiring Writers Award • Senior Debating Award • Tecorians Award for Senior Speech sponsored by MacTodd 	<p>The winner of the next 3 awards is a highly creative, mature, literary student. His contribution to debating has been comprehensive since Year 8 and this year he has been part of the College "A" Team which won the Central Otago Rotary Debating Competition. As an accomplished public speaker, he has shown that his economy with words, perception and ability to engage an audience are impressive. His creative writing style demonstrates both an acute observation of detail and an operatic sense of time and place.</p> <p>The winner of the Aspiring Writers Award, the Senior Debating Award and the Tecorians Award for Senior Speech (sponsored by MacTodd) is Lincoln Haworth.</p>

SERVICE AWARDS

The following awards all recognise the contribution students have put back into the college and the community through their voluntary activities:

These students were recognised for their outstanding contribution to house spirit at the college:

Roy House Award	Jack Beattie
Pisa House Award	Jessica Mahoni-Rae
Iron House Award	Charlotte Gardiner
Barker House Award	Nicholas Russell

Students in the Community

Students in the Community is a service programme which has been running successfully at the college for many years now. Students in Year 13 give voluntarily of their time to the community in areas such as the elderly, pre-school and primary school, sports coaching and community organisations. Tonight we acknowledge those students who have performed with distinction.

Students in the Community with Distinction	Ellen Plank Grace Ross Charlotte Spencer-Bower Kelly Stuart Tiffany Taylor Kate Turnbull Emily Ward Renata Wiles	Heather Allington Silvia Curin Brown Annaliese Devoy Amy Doolan Charlotte Gardiner Elsa Hunt Christa Jungen Bridget King Richard McLeod
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The Duke of Edinburgh Award

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is a programme designed to challenge the individual in a range of pursuits.

Bronze Medal	Eleanor Adams Mikey Austin Abigael Ayre Callum Ceci Whitney Coers Mathew Green Mikaela Mason Charlotte Penniket Elle Scurr Kape Sinnott Jordaine Wilson Alex Winsloe Matthew Jackson Samantha Clayton
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Silver Awards	Sarah Cashen Shilo Gibson Hannah Lumsden Sierra Roberts Tom Sherson Peyton Sweeney Hugo Topping
Gold Awards	Samual Austin Campbell Mason Samantha Williamson

The following awards each recognise contribution to different aspects of college life.

Maude Rosebowl Award	This award goes to a young woman who has fully participated in all areas of the hostel programme. Whilst staying true to herself, she has shown compassion, loyalty, humour and a friendly and positive attitude. The Maude Rosebowl Award for contribution to hostel life goes to Emily Ward.
Dianne Scott Memorial Award	This student joined us in 2005 and over the past three years he has, through tenacity and application, mastered the English language and now translates documents for his fellow countrymen. Not only is he famous in the college for his breakdancing, he is a model student and a great ambassador for his country. We wish him well for next year in the Korean Army. The Dianne Scott Memorial Award goes to Hae-Hyeok Kwon.
Racers Edge Award	This student's involvement and effort in the wider life of the college has been outstanding. On the sports field she has been a member of various teams, including the Upper Clutha U15 netball team, the Locations basketball team, the girls rugby team, the MAC bowls team and the MAC novice four rowing crew. She has also been a netball umpire and was a member of the Year 10 summer quad team. She was a make-up artist for the Groovy Show, is currently completing her Bronze Duke of Edinburgh certificate and was a member of the 40 Hour Famine committee. The Racers Edge Award for wholehearted involvement in a range of extracurricular activities goes to Saasha Bruce.

PREMIER AWARDS

<p>Simpson Family Trophy</p>	<p>This award recognises significant and wholehearted contribution to the College. This year, for the first time, we are acknowledging the input that two “survivors” have made to the College in the time they have been here, but particularly for their efforts this year. They have both been active members of different school Houses, both members of the College “A” Netball Team and Year 7/8 Netball coaches. Both have had vital roles within the major production, “The Groovy Show”, and both gained Distinction in Students in the Community. Additionally, they have both been significant forces within the Student Council, one as an efficient Treasurer and the other as a highly organized and reliable Chairperson. Thank you both! This year’s joint winners of the Simpson Family Trophy are Biddi King and Grace Ross.</p>
<p>Principal’s Award</p>	<p>Our second award goes to a young man who is a student of the highest integrity and enthusiasm. His academic performance (1st in Year 13 Biology, 2nd in Chemistry and 2nd in Physics and History), openness to ideas and comprehensive commitment to the College are outstanding. He has been a member of the Summer Quad Team, the Upper Clutha Men’s Hockey Team, “The Groovy Show” cast, 40 Hour Famine Committee, Student Council, College “A” Debating Team which won the Central Otago Secondary Schools’ Competition, a strong Whanau leader and winner of the Barker House Trophy for committed Leadership. Additionally, he has won a University Of Otago Leaders’ Of Tomorrow Scholarship and intends to begin his Science studies there next year. This student is highly respected by staff and his peers and has, above all, set new school standards in “cheerfulness”. I have pleasure I announcing that the winner of the Principal’s Award is Nick Russell.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breen Construction Limited Scholarship • Central Otago Master Builders Scholarship 	<p>These two scholarships, each worth \$1000, have been offered to assist a student going on to a Carpentry Pre-Trade course next year. The successful recipient has had an excellent work record in carpentry this year and has already completed six units towards his carpentry apprenticeship. The Breen Construction Limited Scholarship and the Central Otago Master Builders Scholarship go to Mickey Rawlings.</p>
<p>Stars in Your Eyes Scholarship</p>	<p>For excellence in drumming, and for reaching 2nd place at the Rock Quest National Finals with The Slur-Tones, this scholarship goes to a young man who will be studying at the New Zealand School of Music in 2009 – Alistair Mawhinney.</p>

Joss thanks Lynne.

The next scholarship is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Wanaka, and provides a scholarship of \$3000 over the next three years.

<p>Rotary Club Scholarship</p>	<p>The Rotary Club of Wanaka very generously offer a scholarship to a local senior student from this College who is intending to pursue tertiary studies next year. The recipient of this award tonight, in their eyes (and in ours) is a student who has been a major role model at the College and has made a significant impact over the last seven years. Their academic, sporting and cultural input is complemented by a significant community involvement. When interviewed, the recipient displayed a thoughtful maturity in response to questions as well as a very clear view of the possibilities for their future career. The interview panel has summed the winner up as a pleasant, relaxed, confident self-assured, well balanced young person. We completely agree and invite Charlotte Gardiner to come forward to receive this valuable scholarship tonight.</p>
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<p>Findlay & Co Accounting Scholarship (\$1000)</p>	<p>This young man is enrolling at the University of Otago next year to begin a double degree in Commerce and Law, striving to attain honours in Commerce. He has an outstanding academic and personal profile and his quiet leadership, courtesy, inclusiveness of others and positive role modeling have made him a valued student in each of the seven years he has been here. This community-minded student was selected this year as a recipient of an Otago Daily Times Class Act Award in recognition of his membership of the New Zealand Junior FreeSki Team and as a New Zealand Academy of Sport Carded Athlete. He is also a Scholarship candidate in Economics and Mathematics with Statistics. The worthy winner of the Findlay and Co Accounting Scholarship is Hamish McDougall.</p>
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<p>Otago Polytechnic Scholarship</p>	<p>This generous scholarship is offered for payment of tuition fees for one year of study in a chosen programme at Otago Polytechnic. The winner of this scholarship this year displays a passion for his specialist subject in which he already has a real focus for the future. Alongside this, he has also been a committed member of his Whanau, a member of the Student Council and the College Ski Team. He has recently completed his Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award. The recipient, who intends to begin studying towards his Diploma in Architectural Draughting at Otago Polytechnic next year is Sam Austin.</p>
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<p>Galloway Cook Allan Law Scholarship (\$500)</p>	<p>This young woman has had full involvement in the life of the College over many years. She has been the recipient of academic awards in each year she has been here – a fine record indeed. She has also been selected for every Quad Team since Year 9. This year she has Captained the “A” Netball Team, coached junior netball, been a member of the Snowboarding Team, Basketball Team and the College “A” Debating Team which won the Central Otago Secondary</p>
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	<p>Schools' Competition. This student is the current secretary of the Student Council and is a recipient of a Central Lakes' Trust Scholarship. Next year she intends to study Law and Commerce at Victoria University. The winner of the Galloway Cook Allan Law Scholarship is Hayley Scurr.</p>
<p>Rose Scholarship (\$500)</p>	<p>The recipient of the Rose Scholarship this year is an enthusiastic, cheerful student who has balanced her academic achievements with a real commitment to others. She has shown excellent leadership in her final year at the College with a strong commitment to Whanau and the College Production, and by gaining a Distinction in Students in the Community. Additionally, she has been a member of the Otago U21 Canoe Polo Team and has dedicated time and expertise to coaching others. She has enrolled at the University of Otago next year, intending to pursue Physiotherapy as a career and we wish her every success. The winner of the Rose Scholarship is Christa Jungen.</p>
<p>McDougall Scholarship (\$500)</p>	<p>The winner of this scholarship tonight epitomizes a quiet and consistent dedication to both the College and the Community which has led to many areas of success. He has been an excellent contributor to our Students' In The Community Programme and valuable member of the Students' In the Community Advisory Committee. He has been a member of the College Ski Team and as captain of the Sailing team has given time and expertise to coach and support younger members, while also acknowledging the value of his family (thanks, Dad) in supporting him. He has been a member of the Youth Council and helped design and build the set for the College production, "The Groovy Show". Next year he will begin a Bachelor of Design (majoring in Transport Design) at Massey University in Auckland, hoping to pursue a career in Yacht Design and is aiming to join the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron Team as a development member (we hope he can restore our America's Cup glory in the near future!) We are delighted to award the McDougall Scholarship to Callum Conroy.</p>
<p>Kane Scholarship (\$500)</p>	<p>This young woman exemplifies the value we place on academic and cultural excellence. It has been a pleasure to have had a student of her calibre and enthusiasm at Mount Aspiring College this year. She has been a member of the Student Council, a Whanau Leader, dancer in the College Production of "The Groovy Show", placed 3rd in the Senior Girls' Cross Country and a member of the Hostel Netball Team. Her academic performance has been reflected in her 1st placing in Level 3 Art Painting and 2nd in both English and Biology. She has been a positive role model to all students. The Kane Scholarship is awarded to Megan Coup.</p>

Dux of the college

The recipients both receive a scholarship of \$5000 towards their studies at Otago or Canterbury University.

Humanities Dux Award	The Humanities Dux Award goes to the highest achiever in Geography and History, and for high achievement in Economics and Maths with Statistics – Silvia Curin Brown
Science Dux Award	The Science Dux Award goes to the highest achiever in Mathematics with Calculus, Physics, Chemistry and Physical Education – Glen Riley

The Lions Club of Wanaka awards for best all round boy and best all round girl:

Lions' Club Trophy for Best All Round Girl	Input to the College's academic, sporting and or cultural life, leadership roles and citizenship are all criteria for nominees for this award. The young woman who receives this award tonight has set benchmark standards in each of these areas. She is an excellent role model who excels in all curriculum areas, this year gaining first place in Economics, Drama and Café Culture. She is a member of the College "A" Netball and Basketball Teams, placed 3rd in the Senior Girls' Athletics Championships, is the Otago and South Island Secondary Schools' High Jump title holder and has qualified to compete in the National Secondary Schools' Athletic Championships next week in Hamilton. Not only did she have a lead role in the College Production of "The Groovy Show" but she was also a choreographer and dance instructor. She is the Iron House leader, a Whanau leader, Student Council member and has received a Students' In the Community Distinction Award. Above all, she has an amazing enthusiasm and energy for life and has been valued by us all at Mount Aspiring College. I am delighted to announce that the winner of the Best All Round Girl Trophy for 2008 is Charlotte Gardiner .
Lions' Club Trophy for Best All Round Boy	Academic, sporting and or cultural input, leadership, role modeling and citizenship are all areas in which this highly respected student has excelled. He is a well rounded young man of the highest integrity and humility. This student has displayed academic excellence in each of the years he has been at the College, this year being placed 3 rd in Economics, 2 nd in Biology, 2 nd in Physics and Mathematics with Calculus and 1 st in English. He is a Scholarship candidate in English, Biology and Economics. Complementing this are his skilled roles in the Production Lighting Team and membership of the College "A" Debating Team which won the Central Otago Secondary Schools' Competition. He has also been a participant in Interhouse Debating since Year 9. He is a highly valued, judicious Student Council member, Whanau role model, excellent contributor to the Students In The Community Programme, and has given selflessly to the Kahu Youth Trust. This young man has also been awarded a Central Lakes' Trust Scholarship. He intends to pursue a career in Law and Genetics at the University of Otago next year. In all he does, he displays a quiet but effective leadership. I am delighted to announce that this year's winner of the Best All Round Boy Award is Lincoln Haworth .