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Farewell from Pamela

Dear OSE,

After three and a half happy years in the OSE office I have now moved on to pastures new taking up the role of Deputy Registrar at Teddies (still in the Lodge, just across the hall!). I am now responsible for admissions for Fourth Form and Sixth Form pupils as well as the duties of Overseas Registrar. The Registry is extremely busy and my experience in the OSE office will certainly stand me in good stead, particularly as I will be looking after future OSE!

It has be wonderful to meet so many of you and share your memories, good news (and bad) and know how fondly you regard your former school. I am delighted you remain

in touch and thank you for your friendliness and warmth; particularly in my early days, for your support for the work of the OSE Office and not least your good humour in response to my regular 'nagging' emails.

We have instigated some great new events over the last three and a half years with the resurrection of the regional events, reunions overseas and the new rhubarb pub nights. The highlight for me and for many of you, will have been the 150th Anniversary celebrations including the Christ Church Dinner and the Rhubarb Festival on Gaudy Day. I would like to extend special thanks to those OSE who have kindly given their time and energy

Corrections

We apologies for the misprint of Bridge problems in the previous issue, with the example for new players intended for those with existing knowledge of the game.

Keeping Up to Date

Moved house? Changed your phone number? New email address? We love to keep in contact with OSE, so if you have changed your contact details in the last year, please do let the OSE Office know, by telephone: 01865 319438 or email ose@stedwardsoxford.org.

to help make these events so successful, particularly our Regional OSE Reps.

I would be delighted to hear from you should you wish to keep in touch, and if you are considering a Teddies education for your children at some point in the future, you know where I can be reached! keeleybutlerp@stedwardsoxford.org

I wish my successor Laura Hill good luck with her new role and hope she will enjoy her time looking after all things OSE as much as I have.

Warmest wishes,
Pamela

President's Report

Georgina Dennis (D, 1986-1988)



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It was a great honour to be elected President of the Society, especially as the first woman to hold the post. I have very much enjoyed meeting many OSE at dinners, pub nights, a house reunion and gaudy over the past year and I look forward to meeting many more of you. Whenever I talk to fellow OSE, old and young, it is always a delight to hear how the School was in their day. We all have a vivid picture of School as it was for our own generation; it is constantly changing. While part of the fun of coming back is to re-visit old haunts it is also to see all the new developments. I am very much looking forward to reading Malcolm Oxley's new History of the School when it is published later this year and at the same time will be watching the new Music School emerge. There is one common theme that endures however, the warmth and affability of OSE.

My first year as President has been hugely enjoyable. It has been lovely to see young OSE attending Society Committee meetings and to hear their views as well as talking to Past Presidents and Hon Vice-Presidents. The combination of youth and experience is invaluable. A highlight for me has been the chance to see what the School is like now and if you haven't been back recently, I would thoroughly recommend a trip to see what a dynamic and purposeful place it is today. The Society is lucky to have such a dedicated and friendly support team in the Development Office. Led by Rebecca Ting, they take care of all the administration (and more) for the Society and we are very grateful. We were all very sad to wave goodbye to Pamela Keeley-Butler who has

been such a fantastic asset to the Society since April 2011 and who, I know has become a dear friend to many of you. Luckily Teddies has not lost Pamela completely as she has only moved to the Registry and we wish her well in her new role. We now welcome Laura Hill as Alumni Relations Officer and I am very much looking forward to working with her over the coming year. We are also very fortunate to have the support of our excellent and tireless archivist, Chris Nathan, who currently looks after 640 boxes of archive material and fielded over 150 queries regarding OSE in the past year. He must surely know more about the School and individual OSE than anyone ever has! Finally I must applaud John Wiggins, our Hon Sec, who travels the country scouring Universities for recent leavers, attends every OSE meeting and event, tweets us the latest rowing news and still somehow finds time to teach maths.

One of the aims of the OSE committee is to make the Society better known to the current pupils and we are looking into ways of doing this. The OSE network spreads far and wide, crosses generations and extends beyond the bounds of friendship, offering help in many and varied ways. This has included careers guidance and mentoring, offers of internships, specialist help for sixth form students writing their EPQs and providing a familiar contact for gap students on their foreign travels. It is important that the current students know this before they leave and that that OSE continue to offer this support. To improve our communication with and between you, the members, we are trying to make greater use of social networking beyond our existing OSE group in LinkedIn. We are now on Twitter and the Martyrs have their own webpage under construction. A survey will be going out shortly to all of you to try and find out about the sorts of communication that suit you best, events you enjoy (and don't enjoy) and what you would like to be able to find on the website. Laura is looking forward to collating the results and tailoring events accordingly.

Thanks to the re-invigoration of the Society's finances following the raising of the subscription after many years, the Society has been able to support a small number of

projects, one of which was the programme for the recent, highly successful concert in St John's Smith Square. We are also contributing to the much needed refurbishment of the Cowell Gates at the entrance to the School.

As the School moves forward into the second half of its second century and the number of female OSE nears 2000, I hope that I can encourage more of you - women in particular - to get in touch, to come back and visit the School or to attend one of the gatherings around the country. For this we need your contact details so if you haven't been receiving news and updates by email, please get in touch today!

From the Warden

Message from the Editor



Hello, my name is Laura, and I am the new Alumni Relations Officer at St Edward's and the new editor of Rhubarb. My role involves working with OSE, organising events and acting as the first point of contact within the School for any of you wishing to get in touch.

Oxford has now become my permanent home after studying History of Art here (St Catherine's College, 2011), where my journey into Alumni Relations began. Now, after editing Oxford University's History of Art Society Journal, and interning at an arts charity in London, I am at the beginning of my latest adventure.

A keen arts and crafts enthusiast, outside of the office you are sure to find me getting involved with the varied range of arts activities at St Edward's, particularly at The North Wall.

I hope to meet as many of you as possible at our OSE events, and if you have any suggestions or questions, then feel free to get in touch, or you can email or telephone me to arrange a meeting or a tour of the School.

I look forward to hearing from you soon, and seeing you at our events in the coming months.

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Over 1000 OSE are already networking on LinkedIn. Join us by searching 'St Edward's Oxford: OSE'.

Teddies Two Wheeler

The second Teddies 2-Wheeler,
Sunday 26th April 2015

Combining an exploration of the springtime Oxfordshire countryside on two wheels and a visit to St Edward's, not to mention a physical challenge, the Teddies 2-Wheeler promises to be a fantastic day out.

The Teddies 2-Wheeler is a sponsored cycle sportive and sets off from St Edward's on 26th April 2015. All are most welcome to take part.

Pick whichever route length suits you, whether 25, 50 or 100 miles, or choose the local five mile route designed for families. You can enjoy a hearty complimentary breakfast to start you off on the longer rides, and lunch will be provided for all back at St Edward's as well as feed stations on the route.

Back at the start/finish area there will be a range of fun activities for children, sports massages and stretching to help you recover from the ride, and plenty of refreshments.

We are raising money for Oxfordshire charity SeeSaw, who provide grief support



for children, and the St Edward's Bursary Fund. We would be delighted if you can join us and feel free to bring friends and family too. Sign up at www.stedwardsoxford.org/teddies-2-wheeler and quote 'teddies' when prompted for a promotional code.

Entry fees:

- 100 miles - £35
- 50 miles - £30
- 25 miles - £25
- 5 mile family route - £10

If you raise more than £50 in sponsorship you will be given a free, bespoke cycling jersey kindly provided by professional cycling team Tinkoff Saxo. We have a fantastic prize for the top fundraiser; you could win an Orro Oxygen road bike worth £1400!

For further information, or to find out which other OSE are coming, please contact Viola Kerr on development@stedwardsoxford.org or 01865 319325.

An all-access experience at the Invictus Games

Tristan Mackie (C, 2012-2014)

After leaving Teddies last summer, I started an incredible three-month journey helping to organise the Invictus Games. The Games featured 400 wounded, injured and sick service personnel from 14 countries, each competing in nine adaptive sports. I worked alongside the main management team as a runner, delivering messages, including a full week delivering messages to HRH Prince Harry. I also supported the organisation of the closing ceremony, sourcing award givers to present medals to the British team.

Every competitor is awarded a medal for taking part in the competition, each presented to them by a competitor from another nation, but for our home team, we arranged something a little different. Each service man or woman competing was presented their medal by someone who was involved in saving their lives during combat, or worked with them during their rehabilitation. I worked alongside the BBC using battle reports to track

down the medical officers who saved lives on the front-line. One competitor was presented a medallion by the medic who stopped him bleeding to death when his leg was badly injured. It was amazing to reunite them, knowing the incredibly unique bond they share.

The experience of reuniting service heroes with the heroes who saved and improved their lives was a life-changing process. I spoke to an ex-service man who had suffered the loss of both his legs, one of his arms, and had a severely injured other arm, who told me that the track events in which he had competed had changed his life. After being part of the games I have come to realise how much people's lives are turned upside down through the injuries obtained during combat, which change their identities as service personnel as they come to terms with the fact that they can no longer serve in that role. It wasn't just their lives in which the games inspired positive change, but the lives of those who

viewed the competition when it was televised. We received a call from someone suffering a life-threatening illness, who had witnessed the courage and strength of those competing in the games, and decided to fight their illness.

After the games commenced I was given an all-access pass to the events, and managed to watch the final of the Wheelchair Rugby, GB versus the USA. I have never sat and watched a sporting event with such energy and electricity. Noise and cheering were pouring out from the supporters – no matter who was winning! It seemed that the sport itself was momentarily forgotten, and people wanted to cheer on the players in support of their new challenge which had given them a completely new chance in life.

Recently I was contacted to see if I would be interested in working at the next Invictus Games, due to take place about a year and a half from now. I have no idea what I will be doing in my life then, but of course, I said yes!



Tristan Mackie, third from the right, with HRH Prince Harry and volunteers at the Invictus Games

Calling all musicians and singers!

St Edward's will be hosting a music weekend in Autumn 2016, and we are on the look-out for any musicians and singers who would like to take part. Those who wish to express an interest should contact the OSE Office on ose@stedwardsoxford.org or telephone 01865 319438.



Rewriting History

Malcolm Oxley, former Second Master and author of *A New History of St Edward's School, Oxford, 1863 – 2013*, discussed his new book and long relationship with the School, with Marketing Manager Tracy Van der Heiden.

How did you find yourself writing the second history of St Edward's?

I had thought about the notion of writing a new history on a number of occasions, and then about five years ago, I was approached by a school Governor, Chris Jones, who had had the same idea. I must confess that I hesitated initially – in part because I felt I was too old! – but also because, having spent some time looking after the school Archive, I knew it to be somewhat disorganised: I anticipated a long period of re-organisation before work could even begin on a new history. I was happily mistaken in that assumption. The current School Archivist, Chris Nathan, has worked tirelessly to bring order to the Archive and, on discovering its glorious transformation into a carefully-catalogued resource, I was content to accept the commission.

Is the content of the book drawn entirely from the Archive?

In large part, yes. I also carried out a few interviews with former staff and current pupils, and drew on written memories of OSE, some of which were already in the Archive, some of which were supplied in response to my request for material for the book. I was also given access to Governors' papers and to the necessary administrative paperwork.

There are scores of OSE memories in the book – do they give a sanitised view or have you aimed for a realistic approach?

I was conscious that, in general, school histories paint a picture of unrelenting positivity and progress – ever onward and upward. Everything is depicted as wonderful. I wanted this new book about St Edward's to be more realistic than is the norm. As a consequence, there are sections which some might find controversial. There are personal opinions on Wardens, for instance, and there

is a degree of commentary on sexual activity in School, and on the widespread practices of fagging and flogging. It is important to remember, of course, that the culture of St Edward's – then and now – is a reflection of the culture of similar schools – and of wider society. So I would say that overall, I hope to have given a balanced view of life at the School over the years.

As you say, the culture of St Edward's reflects the culture of wider society – can you give some examples of how the book illustrates this point?

Many examples could be cited but amongst other developments, the decline of religious observance and the growth of secularism in society at large have their counterparts in schools. The rise of the 'teenager' or the ever-encroaching role of the State would be two further examples. Formality and deference are not what they were, anywhere!

Which section was the most difficult to write?

Undoubtedly the recent past. It is not yet history, and of course I have participated in some of this 'contemporary history' so it is impossible to give a dispassionate view. There are live issues, live matters of policy, and we are not distant enough to make commentary on them easy. I remember arriving as a new member of staff in 1962 shortly after publication of the first history of the school by RD Hill. I encountered some grumbling in the Common Room – the immediate past is simply too hot a potato. And in fact, we anticipated this difficulty. Readers will find that the last 10 years or so are covered very briefly. I bequeath all the fascinating detail of this period to the next official historian!

Which period of the School's history do you find most interesting?

Without question the Victorian period up to WWI. It was an eventful period – the School was nearly forced to close on a number of occasions. There were moments in the 1880s and then again in 1900 and 1905 when it seemed it wouldn't survive. It was not until the Wardenship of John Millington Sing that finances were stabilised. Along with Sing, key figures in securing the School's future and

steering it through these rocky times were supporters Lord Beauchamp, Lord Aldenham and Lord Halifax. They gave the School influence, prestige and – sometimes – money, the latter enabling the School to ward off such threats as the Duke of Marlborough's desire to build on what is now the vast sweep of playing fields.

What are your fondest memories of St Edward's?

I was among the last generation of schoolmasters for whom a teaching post was a way of life. Many teachers of that era never moved on, or if they did so, they moved just once or twice. St Edward's provided me not just with employment for 38 years, but a home, and it is this near-perfect combination of life and work I remember most fondly.



There have of course been enormous changes to the School since its foundation. Is it possible, though, to identify any thread of continuity in the past 150 years?

From its foundation and throughout my time at St Edward's, there was an informal quality to relationships. The School was in no way 'snobbish' – it was in fact grounded and unpretentious. Having spent some time in other schools over the years, I would say that St Edward's was pleasantly informal compared to many other similar schools – and I would like to think this is still the case. Size matters of course, and it is easier to maintain the 'cosy' atmosphere in a smaller school.

Having spent so much time considering the School's history, what is your view of modern-day St Edward's?

I would say – treading carefully! – that it is different: neither better, nor worse.

I have always believed that no contemporary school could survive if its pupils were not happy. The pupils of St Edward's have always been at the heart of its success. They love the opportunities, the location, and – of course! – the fact that they live in a semi-autonomous, vibrant teenage community. Whatever the management, whatever the strategies, whatever the marketing – it is the happiness and success of the pupils that will give the School strength and secure its future.

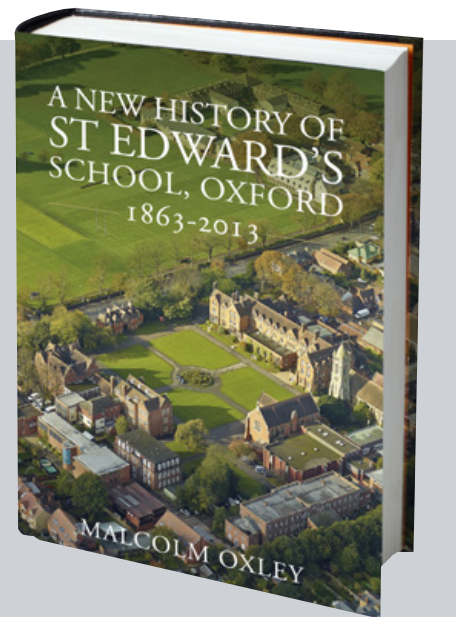
The book is priced at £25.00 + £4.95 for postage and packing within the UK. If you would like a price for international postage, or to arrange collection from the school, please contact the OSE Office on ose@stedwardsoxford.org or 01865 319362.

Book Review

A New History Of St Edward's School, Oxford 1863-2013, Malcolm Oxley

When Malcolm Oxley retired from St Edward's in 1999, the Warden David Christie wrote in the *Chronicle*: 'Malcolm inspired affection, respect and loyalty in a wide range of people of all ages, genders and conditions. When a new history of the school comes to be written he will bulk large in its pages. Unless, of course, he writes it.' Now, almost 16 years later, he has written it, in celebration of the school's 150th anniversary.

In his opening paragraph Malcolm acknowledges his debt to Desmond Hill, whose earlier *History* was published in 1962 for the school's centenary, but he makes it clear that he is 'approaching the subject with aims and perspectives different from Hill's.' In addition to having access to the Governors' Papers for the 20th century and a mountain of other archival material, he draws extensively on the recollections of OSE (and not – some may feel – without courting controversy in doing so), he identifies significant periods of change in the School's ethos while also recognising patterns of continuity, he lauds the 'giants' in the school's history without being uncritical of them, and he gives due appreciation to the 'unsung heroes'. Indeed it is a major strength of the book that the author has viewed the school both from the bridge and from the engine room: the correspondence between parents, boys and wardens in the early days is especially enlightening. He presents a vivid picture of the Tractarian years under the first Warden, Algernon Simeon, and details many other equally important landmarks such as the school's expansion in numbers and buildings, the impact of two World Wars, the 'winds of change' in the sixties, the introduction of co-education in the eighties, the development of pastoral care (so different from the earlier rougher days of 'prefects and fags'), and the steady increase of state interference in independent schools throughout the 20th century.



OSE of every generation will recognise personalities, practices and attitudes from their own time at the School, but more than that, they will find that they are explained in the larger scheme of things. As Malcolm says, the school was almost 'monastic' in its early days, and the combination of changing public attitudes and wise governance from within ensured that it moved with the times. Although never a rich school, it has been blessed with generous benefactors whose names are to be found in buildings, scholarships and academic prizes. But there were dangers too: how close St Edward's came to foundering in its infancy, the 'Battle of Wiblin's Wall', the hostile press that attacked the school for the 'papist' rituals enacted in its new Chapel, and the crucial, even desperate negotiations that took place before the school was able to purchase, in 1910, the playing fields without which it is hard to imagine that it could have survived.

Malcolm Oxley's fascinating 'History', so meticulously researched and so clear in its account of the generational changes that have occurred in a St Edward's education over the past 150 years, is a distinguished addition to the list of public school histories, but more importantly a revelation about the school that we may have thought we knew so well. Read it and be edified!

Nick Quartley, Former English Teacher at St Edward's

The Scottish Referendum

Cameron Buchanan (C, 1960-1965) MSP

The whole Scottish Parliament is dominated at the moment by the Scottish National Party and everyone will be familiar with the recent Referendum. I took a very active part in this, dealing mostly with the international media as I was able to use my language skills to speak on French, Swiss, Canadian, US, German and Spanish television/radio. I even made the front page of the New York Times waving a Union Jack handkerchief that I happened to have in my pocket, after we realised we had won the vote.

The parliament is run by committees and I am on a Local Government Regeneration Committee and the Standards, Procedures and Appointments Committee. I am the Local Government spokesman of a 15-strong Conservative Group out of 129 seats in all. In fact, the Local Government Regeneration Committee has proved very interesting because we are dealing with legislation on air guns, taxi fares and the licensing of black and mini cabs, and the re-organisation of Community Councils (in England – Parish Councils). Standards and Procedures is about the disciplining of Councillors and the procedures as to how the parliament works.

As everybody realises, we have just gained new powers and there is a challenge here for all parties to behave responsibly and show that we are capable of enacting them. It is going to be extremely complicated, particularly tax matters. However we are all going to have to deal with these matters and prepare for the General Election in May 2015.

The Conservatives had a very good Referendum campaign and are currently on an upward curve (though not as much as the Scottish National Party, who have not really accepted the result of the Referendum). I think we have won the battle but if we are not careful we will lose the war.

If one is going into politics I must say this is probably the most fascinating time to enter it and although I consider myself a relatively new entrant it is a hugely enjoyable challenge. In an interview with St Edward's English Teacher and fellow Scot Ewan Gault, Cameron gives us a close insight into his political life:

Was there anything about your time at St Edward's that you felt prepared you for your life in the worlds of business and politics?

I was interested in politics and in the sixth form went to a current affairs society, but I would not say that it exactly prepared me for it, but the School gave me a good all round education.

The last year in Scottish politics has been incredibly exciting. Did you have any interesting experiences during the referendum campaign?

Millions. I had to deal with some abuse, which I think I handled well. As I speak a number of languages I had great fun appearing on a range of TV channels, which was most amusing. A few years ago I had a brain tumour, so I cannot really canvas on the doorsteps. Instead I spoke to people in cafes.

Most commentators felt that the referendum has energised the electorate in Scotland and raised interest in political debate to an extent that has not been witnessed in The UK for decades. Do you think there are any lessons that the parties in Westminster can learn from this process?

I think the first lesson we learned is the value of enthusiastic participation from 16 and 17 year olds. During the referendum campaign they were well-informed and did not simply vote the way their parents had done. Those that appeared on televised debates were very impressive. During the political debates they were highly engaged and less aggressive than older voters. There was a lot of aggression during the campaign, mainly from the yes side, with people saying that they felt that they were dominated by England. While there was lots of abuse, not much of it was physical.

In your article, you talk about the possibility of winning the battle but losing the war with regards to the referendum. Are there any specific circumstances that you feel could enable the SNP to demand another referendum?



Cameron Buchanan MSP

No one wants a neverendum, as the Canadians call it, because people will get bored of them continually calling for a referendum, but whatever we offer the SNP it can never be enough. They are a one policy party and they remain focussed on their goal of achieving independence. Many of them have not accepted that they were defeated in September's referendum and indeed you still see Yes stickers and posters all over the country.

You entered politics later in life than many of today's much maligned career politicians ...

I stood for the Conservatives in 1999 and was initially interested in standing for the European parliament, then I stood in the Scottish elections and I was third on the list and someone died, so I was selected rather than elected under the proportional representation system.

Do you think it's important for a politician to have had a separate career before entering the political arena?

Absolutely. I think it is terribly important that you do not just have people who have been researchers. You need a balanced parliament. Parliaments need to reflect people as a whole, the community as a whole.

You have just returned from the Conservative party conference. Were there any particular highlights?

It was very well attended and a lot of younger people were there. A lot of people were engaged in it. Ruth Davidson spoke really well and I think she is changing the face of the Conservative party in Scotland. Ruth is quite distinctive and very good as a public speaker. It was also good to hear reassurance of where we stand on policies, with the Westminster elections approaching and our own elections next year. That's when the Tory conference will really come alive I think.

The Conservatives were initially against the establishment of a Scottish parliament. Do you feel that devolution has been a success in Scotland?

It is in Scotland's best interests to have the best of both worlds – the right powers in Scotland within the strength and stability of the UK. How the Scottish government and each party will aim to use devolved powers is the key question.

There are famously more pandas than Conservative MPs in Scotland. What are the challenges of representing a minority party?

We would like to have more influence, because in Scotland there is a dominant major party. So the challenges are to influence policies from committees and in parliamentary debates. It is working in a way now, and we are getting one or two liaisons with other parties, but it will not work unless we get more representation. It is perceived that we have the opportunity to increase the number of MPs we have. If you look at the Welsh Tories they went from zero to three, then from three to eight. In 1997 they had none. We need to get a few more seats at Westminster, which will make us more credible up here, and then we need more seats in the Scottish parliament.

Dear Mr Jones

Ronald Holcroft (F, 1930-1935), received a birthday card from the Warden on his 98th birthday. In his reply, he reveals memories of his time in Oxford.



Ronald Holcroft

Dear Mr Jones,

I do so little writing these days that I have gone back to lined paper; I used to use a typewriter, using two fingers and a thumb on each hand, but I lost that skill too!

I want to thank you very much for your birthday card. At 98 it must be unusual to get a greeting card from the Head Teacher of one's old school.

I lived in Oxford as a small child. My father was in the local government, I don't know what he was called. We lived on the Woodstock Road, near Davenant Road. My father had a house on land belonging to the Duke of Marlborough. Whoever owns the house now must be nearly at the end of the 99-year lease. It was just after the Great War and there was no wood that was fit for building, it had all been used for trenches in France.

My parents were very great friends of the Warden of St. Edward's – I can't remember his name¹, but I was put down for Teddies, before he left to go to Radley. That made a problem – did they send me to St Edward's or send me to Radley? I am glad to be an OSE.

My father's boss had a daughter who ran a kindergarten in the Chapel at the Banbury Road end of South Parade. I attended it. She had some unusual ideas – we learnt to write, the left leaf with the left hand, the right leaf with the right hand. We had to go up one form before we could choose with which hand to write with! Then she closed it down.

The road between the workhouse at Oxford and the one at Chipping Norton was covered with old soldiers walking back and forth to both of them. I made friends with them all – I would sit under the hedge with any tramp. I never had any trouble. Miss Rose's kindergarten

closed up and we went to the kindergarten at the Oxford School for Girls. We went there by taxi in the morning and walked home. I walked down the Banbury Road to South Parade, down the Parade, then went to watch the progress of workmen who were making the tunnel under the road for St Edward's boys to use.

One day a man crossed the road from the pub². I can't remember its name. He looked different, I must have stared at him. As he came level he swung round and hit the side of my head with his hand. It knocked me over. An errand-boy got off his bicycle, beat up the tramp, popped me in the basket of his bike and took me home.

Just about then, father was appointed Assistant Clerk of the Peace for Essex. After a few years the Clerk of the Peace retired and father was appointed to succeed him. In a year or so there was a Deputy Clerk of the Peace and four Deputy Clerks to the County Council. London was growing and so was Essex.

After one more term at my prep school, I came to St Edward's. My first term was miserable, the rest of the year was unhappy. The remaining three years were the happiest I have ever had.

Yours Sincerely
Ronald Holcroft

¹ The Warden was the Reverend William Ferguson (1913-1925).
² The pub in the Woodstock Road was probably the Red Lion – the site now acquired by the School.

Notes.
It is believed that Ronald Holcroft is one of oldest living OSE. He was a House Prefect. After leaving the School he went up to Selwyn College, Cambridge in 1935. From 1936 to 1939 he was a law and drama student. During the Second World War he was a member of the Security Police, Intelligence Corps and was a Prisoner of War from 1940 to 1945 held in Stalag VIII B and Stalag 344 Lumsdorf. After the war he attended the Lackham School of Agriculture, Wiltshire in 1946 and left for Canada in 1952. There he took up sheep farming and taught horticulture. He achieved a Social and Teaching Certificate at McMaster University and Toronto University. He has also been a Lay reader and teacher in Ontario, and attended several OSE events in Canada and Oxford.

OSE exhibits at the North Wall

Miranda Stewart (D, 2009-2011), recently hosted her first solo exhibition at The North Wall. Getting ready for her private viewing, Miranda, an Anthropology student at the University of Exeter, sat down with the editor of Rhubarb to reveal her creative motives and future ambitions:

I have been preparing for this exhibition for about a year now, and it's something that I made a very deliberate decision about. I studied Fine Art Foundation for a year at Falmouth, and exhibited as part of group shows, but this is my first solo exhibition. My sister was very encouraging at the start as I had done a few commissions, and I missed being creative in this way.

How would you explain your relationship with Port Meadow and Wytham Woods which recur throughout the exhibition?

I grew up spending a lot of time in Wytham Woods; I am a real country girl! The atmosphere used to seep into my mind and create wonderful memories. I recreate this experience in my paintings. Painting landscapes has become my obsession, and they have become part of a family, whether they are blue, orange, or pink, they are all so important to me.

The style of your landscapes is very abstract, has your work always been this way?

It's become more abstract over time, but I have always enjoyed landscape as a subject matter. I used to be far more realist, but found that it restricted my creativity. I enjoy how abstraction allows elements of the

paintings to seem mysterious, and although I see something in the paint, I love how someone can see something totally different. My father also paints landscapes, and although his style is more realist than mine, we spend a lot of time talking about art – he is like a tutor to me.

You have worked on this project for a year and you're now only a few hours away from your first private viewing, how do you feel now?

I used to feel quite fearless when it came to my work. I didn't mind if someone didn't like something, but now I think I'm a little less fearless! Art is a bit of you, your soul, it's you on

paper, an exposed expression of you which is very revealing and intimate. When I'm painting it's like meditating, but I'm very excited about the show.

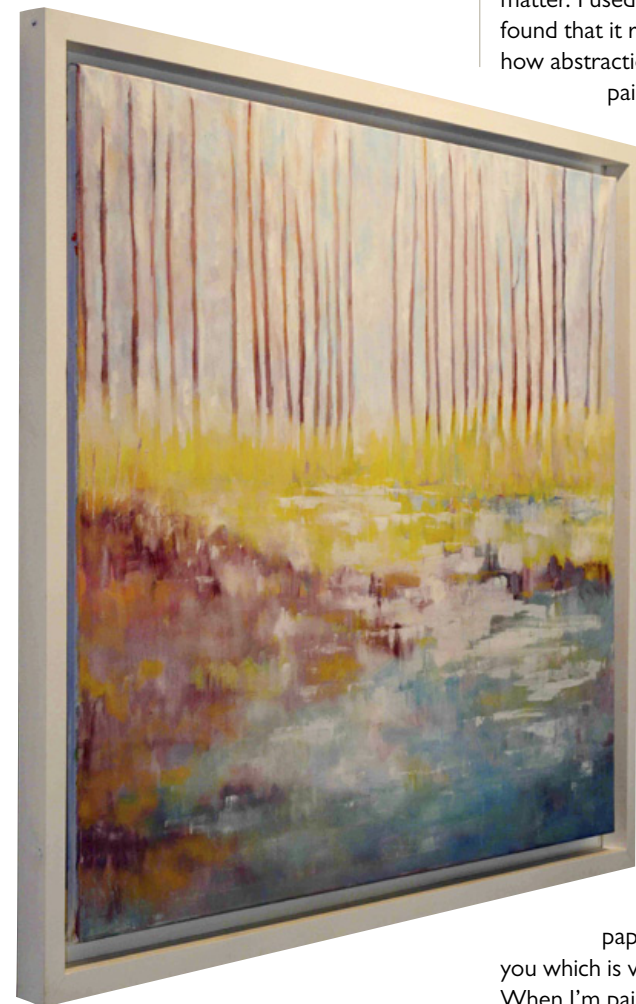
How does painting fit in with your other creative ambitions?

I enjoy acting, and recently played Abigail in *The Crucible* at University, but acting unlike painting is not about exposing who you are as a person. I really want to be a director, and have just written a play that I hope to take to Edinburgh after testing it out at University next term. I hope to paint always, whether anyone buys any or not. At School when learning how to produce portraits I wanted to focus on the landscape; it's a part of me.



Miranda Stewart

Miranda's exhibition *Expressions of the Oxford Landscape* exhibited at the North Wall during February 2015. Further information about her work can be found at www.mirandastewart.webs.com



Spotted!

An article by **Mike Fulford** (E, 1962-1966) was spotted in March 2015's issue of *Current Archaeology*, detailing his early interest in archaeology, and the influence of renowned historian **Derek Roe** (E, 1950-1956). Derek went on to become an Archaeology Professor at Oxford, a governor at St Edward's and a founder of the North Wall. Sadly, he passed away in 2014, and whose obituary may be found in the Obituaries Section. Professor Fulford was appointed CBE in 2011, and currently works at the University of Reading.

Roses in the Quad

David Balfour (E, 1958-1963)

If I am not mistaken they are my mother, or rather named after her – 'Della Balfour'.

They were donated by my father Dick Balfour (E 1930-34).

I thought that you might be interested to know that Teddies is in good company.

There are three Della Balfour's planted in Buckingham Palace Gardens. My brother Michael (E, 1960-1965) wrote to the Queen and she graciously accepted our gift of three rose bushes.

PIC OF ROSE?

Where are they now?

Peter Eveleigh, (G, 1961-1965) has sent in a photograph of a group of Teddies boys on the 1964 D of E Gold expedition in the Lake District, with base

camp believed to be at Muirside. Peter has provided the following identifications for those in the photographs, and wishes to find out about those he cannot identify,

and what everyone has been doing since the photograph was taken over 50 years ago. If you recognise someone, please contact the OSE Office.



From the left: James Dubois (C, 1960-1964), Johnny Scott (F, 1959-1964), Chris Cunliffe (D, 1961-1966), Sir David Lewis (B, 1961-1966), Griffiths, ? Hutchinson, ? (Standing), Andy Orton (F, 1959-1964), Peter Hall (F, 1960-1965) Daryl ?

Young Love c.1900

'My dear Ella, Thanks very much for your letter which I received with Elsie's yesterday morning. I have started to paint you something but as it is rather a large thing I am afraid I shan't be able to let you have it just yet. I am painting it in sepia, so I hope you like that colour.... Yours affectionately, Bertie'

Bertie, or Alfred Hubert Tresham Andrew (A, 1897-1902), wrote a series of illustrated letters to a Miss Ella Church, which were recently discovered in the attic of Ella's old house. Donated to the school last year by

Ella's Great Niece Sarah Chritchley, with help from Current Parent Jo Hopkins for which we are most thankful.

'...We have had a good deal of snow here and also some skating, but it is all washed away now and the floods are all out...A friend and myself nearly got the sack for smoking the other day. We were in an old barn next to the road, smoking like blazers then we heard someone coming, so we put out our lights and I pulled out a pocket book and began drawing some horses, just to avert suspicion...'

'...The other day a friend and myself were floating and smoking, when two of the masters caught sights of us from the bank and came running towards us, so of course we chucked the lights away and sank down under the water, and then we swam as far as we could under water and managed to get in some reeds a little way passed the masters...after about a quarter of an hour they went away, and we were able to get out. Fortunately they hadn't recognised us being some little way off so we have heard no more of it...'

'...Hope you won't laugh at this writing as I have some German and French to prepare before school....'

'...We are going away next Saturday to play Bath College, at Bath, which will be great fun I expect so am looking forward to it very much...'

'...I hear you are very likely going out to Germany for a short time, again I expect you are looking forward to it aren't you? I do wish we were all out there together again!'

'...I should like to come and stay with you immensely if Elsie comes to England. I don't much care about going over to Germany as now you aren't there it takes half the pleasure away...'

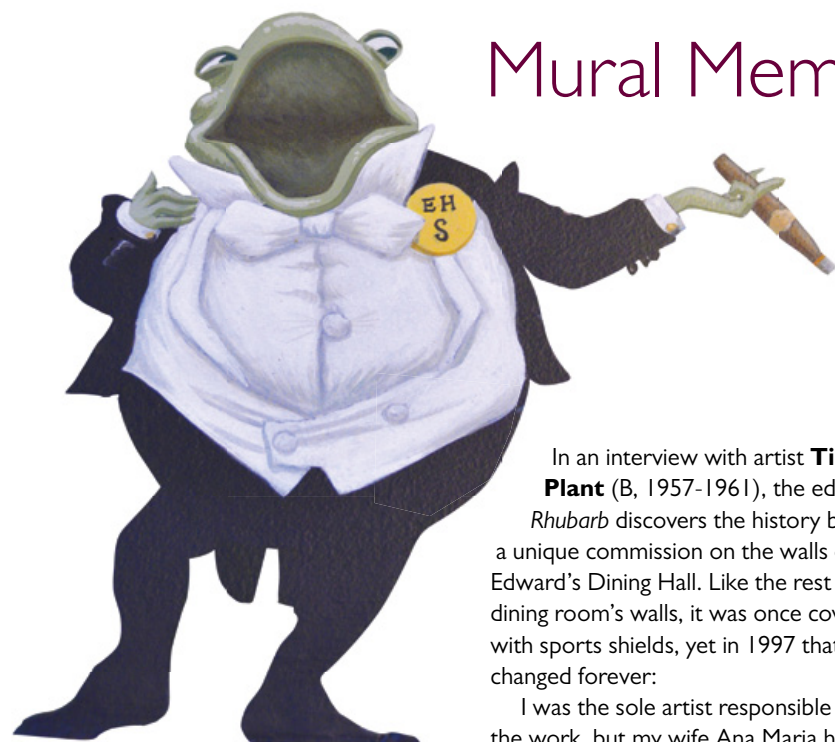
'...I am awfully sorry I have not written to you for such a long time, but have been very busy working for a horrid exam. Thank you very much for your two letters and especially for your photo, which I have in front of me now, as I write, and which reminds me of some very much better days than I am having at present...'

Our Archivist Chris Nathan discovered that Bertie was a thespian and a sportsman, playing for the School's Rugby XV and the Cricket XI in 1900 and 1901, and a School Prefect. After leaving Teddies, he attended

Edinburgh University to study medicine, where he represented the University at Rugby Football. Prior to the Great War he held a commission in the Territorials and enlisted at the outbreak of the war with the Royal Army Medical Corps, attached to the 1st East Anglian Field Ambulance, serving throughout the Gallipoli Campaign with the 29th Division. He was later transferred to France and worked in the Casualty Clearing Zone, first an anaesthetist and then as a surgeon, reaching Captain's rank. After the war ended, he continued in general practice at Leiston and then Holbrook, where he became Medical Officer to the village's Royal Naval Hospital. He died in March 1937, aged 54.

Ella never married, and lived with her sister in Beaconsfield. She kept all of Bertie's letters in a Victorian writing case in the attic, where they were found, over 100 years after they were first written.





Mural Memories

In an interview with artist **Tim Plant** (B, 1957-1961), the editor of *Rhubarb* discovers the history behind a unique commission on the walls of St Edward's Dining Hall. Like the rest of the dining room's walls, it was once covered with sports shields, yet in 1997 that changed forever:

I was the sole artist responsible for the work, but my wife Ana Maria helped

me paint it as she often does. She is a long-established artist in her own right. I was commissioned to do the mural by the Warden, David Christie and I believe that Anne Brooks may have had a hand in this. I did several projects over a period of weeks, all of which were given to The Warden to choose from, and the painting work was completed in less than a month.

The painting is mainly a homage to Kenneth Grahame and E.H. Shepherd, who illustrated *The Wind in the Willows*, but it contains other things as well. Going from left to right – the young Lawrence Olivier is shown as Ariel 'putting a girdle around the world in forty minutes.

The big house on the back left is an extrapolation of the drawing of Toad Hall

in Grahame's fiction. Ratty is crossing in the boat and nearly gets hit by a St Edward's four, to the horror of Mole. We used to row down along Port Meadow and at times there were so many boats that we did have collisions. Badger is harassed by some small animals, maybe stoats.

The young **Kenneth Grahame** (1868-1875) is leaning against a fence in the middle whilst a cricket match is being played by the 'Vagtails', the only recognized team I ever played for, and quite the worst cricketers in the world. We used to play on the bottom field to the left by the water gardens and the old swing bridge over the canal. It was usually waterlogged, and the only cricketing manoeuvre we ever perfected was the

overhead wide. So, the cricket ball flying high in the painting is an overhead wide, conveniently painted over a mark on the wall where the fire alarm had previously been. There are also one or two aeroplanes flying around in honour of the OSE flying aces of WW2.

What was the initial reaction to the painting?

Everyone seemed to like it, notably the head of the Kenneth Grahame Society, but you never know if people are sometimes just being polite. The most memorable reaction was a piece of classic schoolboy voodoo – I went down one morning and found a cold roast potato sitting on my palette ... We loved doing the painting and

were greatly honoured to get the job. We wanted it to fit into the School's splendid literary and academic history, and also to appeal to the new pupil profile (including younger persons and girls). Hence the couple playing music on the wall.

What do you think current students might think about the painting today?

Most will probably think it's a typical example of how not to paint. I remember that the Art School at Teddies has advanced a lot since my day! The best impressions of my life at St Edward's are contained in my book *The Phytanthrope*. Further details about Tom and his wife Ana can be found by visiting their websites: www.timanaplant.com and www.anamariaplant.com





Doctor Who?

Rob Hughes (former MCR) has been in touch with a story of the strong connection between Teddies and Dr Who!

Pippa Bennett-Warner (J, 2001-2006) acted in an episode of *Doctor Who* in September 2014; 'The Time Heist' Damian Kell actor (G, 1989-1994) was in Dr Who, season six's episode 'A Good Man Goes to War'. **Georgia Moffett** (J, 1998-2001) starred in Dr Who's fourth series episode 'The Doctor's Daughter' as The Doctor's artificially-created daughter, Jenny. She then went on to marry David Tennant. David Tennant was *Doctor Who* for five years until 2010 and came back in 2013.

Peter Moffett (better known as Peter Davison) is the real father of Georgia Moffett, who was *Doctor Who* for three years.

Desmond Briscoe, member of the BBC Radiophonic Workshop, was booked by me to give a talk on the BBC Radiophonic Workshop in the School's Saturday night subscription concerts. I then discovered that he was related to Linda Lyne (Head of Classics for many years). The Radiophonic Workshop had about 16 members and they created all of the music for the Dr Who show including the iconic theme.....and incidental music.

Even more remote is the fact that I now live in Bathgate, West Lothian. David Tennant (*Doctor Who*) was born in this small town where his father was the vicar.

I have never found THE blue phone box in the town!

Old Rhubarb 'Down Under'

Michael Harrison (F, 1955-1960)

For much of the year Seaview in the Isle of Wight is a sleepy little village – its grand past as a Victorian seaside mecca is long gone. The village however has always had its roots in sailing and today in the summer it is home to a thriving and vibrant sailing community.

Uniquely Seaview boasts two of its very own classes of sailing boats – the Seaview Mermaids, fixed keel day boats, and the Seaview One Design dinghies – (SVODs for short) which are small clinker built dinghies. Both classes are the source of much highly competitive but enjoyable racing – with sailors ranging from beginners through to former Olympic sailors.

SVODs have been hand built in Seaview since the early 1900s. Today they number over 200 and at peak times in August there can be as many as 150 boats out racing, which makes for interesting starts and a bit of crush at the first mark!

I learnt my sailing whilst at Teddies in the 1950s – taught by a Tilly's friend of mine, **Keith Beaver** (F, 1955-1960), who kept his GPI4 on the river at the Teddies 'Sailing Club', just upstream from The Trout.

Of relevance to this magazine is my SVOD – *Old Rhubarb*.

One of the characteristics of the SVOD Class is that whilst every boat has to be identical (the rules and scrutineers are very strict) the colour scheme of the sails is completely optional – making for a very colourful sight on the water. It is also how my dinghy came to be

christened *Old Rhubarb* – the colours of which make great looking sails!

A few years back a small group of Seaview Yacht Club members decided to hold a SVOD regatta in Kiel, Germany. Emboldened by the success of this, it was decided to hold the next overseas regatta a bit further from home – so why not in Sydney, Australia?

The base for the Regatta was to be Rushcutter Bay, home to the Sydney Olympics sailing competition. By chance at that time one of my sons (Peter, F, 1983-1988) was working in Australia and his apartment overlooked Rushcutter Bay – so for me this was an opportunity not to be missed.

As soon as the summer sailing season was over *Old Rhubarb* and 13 other SVOD's were carefully packed into 2 x 40" containers and shipped off to Sydney.

The sailors and supporters followed later by air.

Over several days many 'races' were held in the magical setting of Sydney Harbour – in front of the opera House, under the Bridge and out to the Heads – where the ocean swell made our little dinghies feel very small!

It seems that all the dinghies and yachts in Sydney harbour have white sails - so the unusual sight of all 'those strange little pommy boats with colourful sails' attracted so much attention that the fleet and *Old Rhubarb* appeared in the local press and on Australian TV!!



John Hayman, MB.BS., LMSSA (C, 1938-1943)

I am a very OSE, tucked away in a beautiful retirement village in a corner of New South Wales, where I see lots to interest me in how the School develops - particularly in the quite extraordinary inclusion of females in its ranks, and the very desirable inclusion of music in their achievements - both unheard of features of my life under the guidance of my very dear Warden, Henry E Kendall.

I had the good, good fortune to live in our old Field House, under the warm and fatherly housemastership of Bim Barff, and am eternally grateful to Bertie Ovenden, for his efforts at engendering the love of music in me, "but of course, dear boy, only as far as Schubert - NOT that Brahms!," although he did include some Bruckner in his choir pieces, and I often wonder about the nature of much of that composition of his which never saw the light of day. I was to learn piano and organ from him, but never got nearer to the organ than a surreptitious experimentation at night when I was a sacristan. Whatever happened to that grand old organ, which had been converted from the old hand pump, to wheezy electric action? I always thought it had a lovely sound.

I should also record my gratitude to Leslie Styler, of the lower Classical Sixth who, when he noticed me misreading my Plato crib, said it was about time I decided what I really wanted to do in life, and was instrumental in getting me transferred to the 'Science Side'.

The only time when I started to appreciate that loathed 'Rugger', was when the time came for House Matches, when those inscrutable rules were largely forgotten and it was a free for all. The summer and walks across Port Meadow to the boats were my favourite times for games - yes, I did appreciate the team effort of the 'Eights', but individualism in athletics was otherwise my preference.

I'd be most interested to hear from any surviving contemporaries, especially any who have been discovered to be autistic. I am very surprised to be still on my feet at age 89, and still walk about three to four KM, and swim in a heated pool up to 200M, daily, the year around.

Alan Richards (G, 1961-1966)

Alan has kindly written to the OSE Office, detailing the school memories of his late father

Richard M. Richards (1929-1934), which focus on several members of the MCR.

He remembered L.H. (Bertie) Ovenden (1924-1946), was one of the truly great violinists of the 20th century, playing for Queen Victoria at the age of six, and giving his first London recital at the age of 11. He was asked by Ysaye, the Belgian violinist to go as his accompanist on a world tour at the age of fifteen, and retired at the age of nineteen on the outbreak of the First World War. That information was given by S.W. (Stan) Tackley, MCR 1930-1969.

Amongst the other characters of my father's time was G.H. Segar (1925-1953), who was well known for his enthusiasm for physical fitness. Amongst the stories that went around the School was one that he cycled up Boars Hill with the brakes on. It wasn't until my father was up at Oxford and a friend was driving a group out to The Fox for a drink, that he found out it was true!

The career of H.G.C. Mallaby (1924-1935) is well documented in the School's records, but there are one or two less important items which are worth recording. He was never one to think too much of his own importance, announcing, when he saw the Quad neatly cut and ready for a Gaudy, 'I haven't had a roll for a long time' and proceeded to lie down and roll on the grass. He liked to digress from topic during lessons, especially on the subject of Wordsworth, on whom he was an acknowledged expert but he would be interrupted by the question 'Is this in the syllabus sir?', 'No', 'Then we don't want to hear about it'.

E.P. Hewetson (1926-1936) was no great academic, but put on his application that he could speak Spanish, assuming, not unreasonably for those days, that no one would want to take the subject. Unfortunately somebody from Spain joined the school, and so, along with another pupil, was assigned to Hewetson's care. One day the Warden, Henry Kendall, needed to speak to him, and on entering the classroom, found Hughie and the other boy being taught by the Spanish student. What the outcome was my father could not remember, but he suspected Kendall merely laughed and the lessons were abandoned.

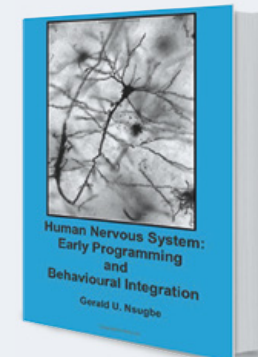
Books

Human Nervous System: Early Programming and Behavioural Integration

by Gerald Nsugbe (G, 1974-1979)

As a scientist manqué, Gerald Nsugbe is pleased to announce the recent publication of his book.

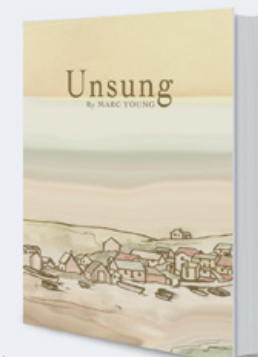
Amongst a wide range of other things, the book postulates the origin of human brain waves—the culmination of twenty-three years of alternate writing and reappraisal summed up tersely in the comments of a neuroscientist and three medics.

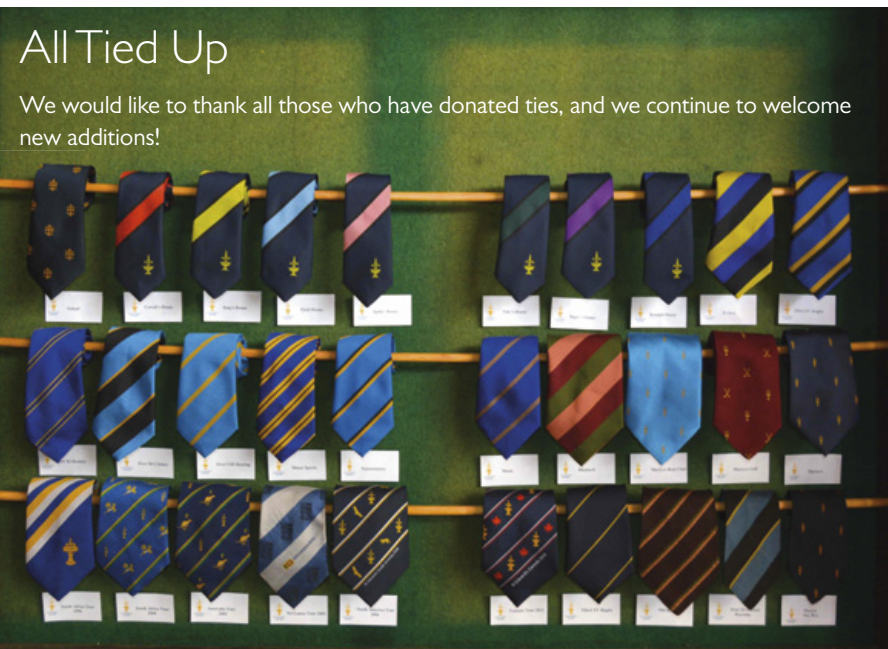


Unsung

by Marc Young (E, 1972-1977)

You have to start a journey somewhere and, at its source, you may not expect very much. Everything may just remain in a pond nearby. But, what if your waters nudge the bank and create a new stream, slipping a seeping vein into virgin soil, and carving out a fresh direction? It may be a turbulent flow, muddy, curling, curving and twisting but, somewhere in amongst, it discovers purpose and direction. It is vibrant, picking up a pebble as it passes the silent swishing tails of sipping cows and rides the current of Father Time's gathering speed. Make the most of the life force, before enjoying the lazy meander as your journey embraces the wide mouthed silver shine of the vast reflecting ocean beyond. There, on the beach, your pebble comes to rest. It forms part of a beautiful view whilst its journey there lies untold. Until this moment. A long forgotten old Cornish tale by Marc Young.





All Tied Up

We would like to thank all those who have donated ties, and we continue to welcome new additions!

Rhubarb on Tour

We know of many OSE who met in strange and distant places after recognising a rhubarb tie or other regalia. We thought it would be an interesting experiment to see where in the world and in what situations this might occur if we set the challenge. Please do send us photos of you in *rhubarb* in interesting places with a short anecdote of where you were at the time.

Teddies Needs You!

Here at the OSE office we want to make sure that we provide all the services you need. To ensure that we continue to serve you in the best way possible, we will be sending out a short survey very soon, assessing everything from the content in Rhubarb, to our OSE events. Your feedback is essential in developing events and publications, and enables us to discover more about you, giving current pupils a greater knowledge of the community they will soon join. Want to see more business profiles in Rhubarb? Perhaps you want to attend more events in your area, or even organise a sports event? The survey will give you the opportunity to tell us how you feel. A summary of the results will be sent out to OSE, allowing you to find out more about the world-wide OSE community, comprising of over 8000 members.



Rhubarb Fact

Rhubarb is usually considered a vegetable. In the United States, however, a New York court decided in 1947 that since it was used in the United States as a fruit, it counted as a fruit for the purposes of regulations and duties. A side effect included a reduction on imported rhubarb tariffs, as tariffs were higher for vegetables than fruits.

Submitted by **Phillipa Straker-Nesbit** (D, 1997-1999)

Rhubarb Chutney

Ingredients:

- 2 pounds rhubarb
- 2 pounds Demerara sugar
- 1 pound of sultanas
- 1 pint brown malt vinegar
- 1 ounce of salt
- 1 ounce of ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon of ground white pepper
- 1 large onion

Procedure

1. Chop rhubarb into small chucks and chop the onion finely.
2. Place all dry ingredients into a pan, mix together and pour vinegar over all
3. Bring to a gentle boil and simmer for about 1 and half hours
4. Pot up into warm jars, cover and label. Allow to mature for 6 weeks.
5. Will yield about 6 jars depending on size. Serve with cold meats or cheese, or with a stew or mince.

With thanks to **JHW Harrold** (A, 1944-1949)

Spiced Rhubarb Pickles

Ingredients

- 2 pounds (900 g) rhubarb
- 2 cups (455 g) granulated sugar
- 1.75 cups (425 ml) cider vinegar
- 1 orange
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 4 teaspoon yellow mustard seeds
- 6 cloves
- 1 cinnamon stick

Procedure

1. Cut the rhubarb into 1 cm pieces. Do not peel.
2. Dissolve the sugar in the vinegar and add the zest and juice of the orange, the ginger, mustard seeds, cloves and cinnamon stick.
3. Add the fruit and bring to the boil. Simmer carefully for fifteen minutes.
4. Strain the fruit and reduce the liquid by boiling until syrupy. Mix it with the fruit.
5. Pour the pickle into sterilized jars and seal.

With thanks to **Harriet Mainds** (M, 2009–2014)

Bridge

Patrick Jourdain (C, 1956-61) has been Bridge Correspondent of the Daily Telegraph since 1992, reporting bridge news. In 1960, with Robin Ewbank, Richard Sharp and Geoff Dashwood, he was a founding member of a bridge club at the school.

Bridge is a trick-taking mind-sport for four people at one table. The two facing each other e.g. North-South and East-West are opposing partnerships. Bridge is played with a standard pack of 52 cards (ace counting high within each suit). So each player starts with 13 cards concealed from the other players.

A trick consists of one card faced on the table by each player round to the left from the person who played first. The first card of each trick determines the suit of the trick with later players to the trick required to play a card of that suit if they have one, else any card in their hand. The highest card played of the suit led to the trick wins the trick and the player who wins the trick chooses any card remaining in his hand to play to the next trick.

One suit may be given priority over the other three, called the trump suit. A trick containing a trump is won by the highest trump played to the trick. The requirement to follow the suit led to any trick remains.

Problem 1

How should West play 3NT on the lead of the ♠3

♠ A K	N	♠ 8 5
♥ J 8 3	W E	♥ A 9 7 4
♦ A 9 7	S	♦ K 8 4 3
♣ 8 7 5 3 2		♣ K Q 6

Problem 2

How should West play 5♣ after North has opened 1♥? North leads the ♠K

♠ 9 6	N	♠ 8 3
♥ Q 10	W E	♥ K 9 8 3
♦ A Q	S	♦ 8 3
♣ A Q 10 6 4 3 2		♣ K J 9 5

Lost for Words

See if you can locate the listed words in the grid. In this issue we have used a range of Teddies Lingo from c.1950. If you know of other Teddies slang from other decades, please do let us know!

Basher – straw hat worn outside school grounds

Bonfire– coloured ties worn by prefects during term and by the entire school in holidays

Chaosing- Fighting

Chimneys – Run between the School and Five Mile Drive

Cribbing – Cheekiness or silliness

Crystal Palace - Toilets

Grip – Self control

Hell – An area in the basement for storage of tuckboxes in Mac's

Horsebox- Cubicle for private study

Ragging – Silly behaviour

Rears – Toilets

Smiling – Burning (especially toast)

Stodger – Cross between a doughnut and a Danish pastry

Surl – Bad mood

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W T T B M A A I L R U S D F J
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The Corfe Cricket Club

Chris Nathan-Archivist (G, 1954-1957) from an idea by David Nash (F, 1960-1964) The summer of 1955 marked the foundation of the Corfe Cricket Club within the School. The leadership and driving force behind this new and experimental venture were three well respected and admired members of the Common Room, namely the late Fran Prichard, whose obituary may be found in the Obituaries section of Rhubarb, Brian ('Gusty') Gale and Duncan Williams.

The aims of this new venture were to 'combine members of the Common Room, staff and senior pupils, who for the most part could not find places in the first two Cricket XIs'. The whole purpose was to play a series of relaxed and enjoyable cricket matches, while at the same time breaking down some of the social barriers then normal in school life.

Fran Prichard placed on record at the time that 'the club tries to play a good many games away and to give amusing cricket to interested boys'. A small charge would be made (three to four old shillings per season) to help with the costs of transport, teas etc., - 'The Corfe Exchequer is a minor department in a Benevolent Despotism with sides playing here as well as on their own grounds don't usually charge for tea'!

Once the club was underway, fixtures were usually arranged for the following year 'over this year's pint of beer' - careful planning was needed so not as to upset the School's own cricket itinerary, A Levels and the Martyrs matches.

It soon became a common sight to see 'cars outside Mac's at appointed times which swallowed up a gaily dressed crowd of cricketers'. Old school colours came out of moth balls (including preparatory school attire) with elder members 'in all their June finery - one dressed virtually from the waist

up in Cheltonian black and red with a pork-pie hat on top and another in the blazer which Uppingham so carefully designed not to resemble the Free Foresters! Such was the variety and diversity on view, one nervous village side felt it necessary to state that they were only a small side and not a club!

Regular opponents included Dorchester-on-Thames, Shipton-Under-Wychwood, The Baldons and Minster Lovell but to name a few. The locations were picturesque with the village pub and church usually in close proximity. Between 1955 and 1977, thirty members of the teaching staff (including one Warden), 156 pupils (including a later Chairman of Governors), seven OSE and 14 non-teaching staff and friends took part in matches.

At a time when day to day school discipline was very buttoned down with penalties for deviation very severe, the Corfe Cricket matches provided a time of relaxation including turning a blind eye to such matters as having an after-match beer, usually ordered and paid for by one of the fraternity who, at other times, would be the very people dealing out retribution for breaking school rules such as these. It was a team of players and that what was mattered not the position they held at other times. The mix of the Corfe sides was a good and harmonious one and outstanding individual achievements were played down 'in case the school stole them for the 3rd XI' - one Common Room member was universally congratulated when scoring his first run in four years. By the second summer season the Club was obviously thoroughly enjoying itself and 'with regards to results we broke about even which was satisfactory' - this hides a multitude of sins including the open question 'which member of the Common Room forgot to take his white flannels to one match'? The answer was 'the same individual who had to play in

black shoes in another game, and then left his batting gloves behind on another occasion!' In a key match against Sandford, the ball was lost in the long grass which nearly resulted in a run-out when it was suddenly found and rapidly returned to the opposing wicket keeper!

By their fifth season the club was able to boast that 'we are on our second scoring book!' If the reports of the games were even half as entertaining as the matches themselves then it must have been a joy to play this kind of cricket in the 1950s. Their regular opponents were friends off the field but this did not detract from the cut and thrust of the games themselves.

By 1960 the standing of the Corfe Cricket Club had reached a point where their score cards were being printed in the Oxford Times - including one match when the opposing captain hit sixes in all directions 'necessitating prolonged searches along the river bank' and another

when 'a loyal member had torn his flannels on barbed wire for the sake of the club!' The Chronicle even got in on the act and in 1963 printed a column about their season just past, including the idyllic description of the Baldon's ground: "trestle tables under a hot sun, and struggling back somewhat reluctantly to resume the contest, one felt that there could hardly have been a more delightful end of the season. Here is a ground typical of the English scene. Deep mid-wicket, usually kept busy, enjoys the bowling from one end a view of the 'Seven Stars' and the old church behind it, and from the other the hazards of the main highway between his outpost and the centre of operations."

By 1964 the club headquarters 'to have moved to the Piggeries Pavilion'. A year later traditional opponents of the Corfe Cricket Club were included in Martyrs Week for the first time who would 'guarantee occupation

for those approaching or have already passed senility!' By 1966 tactics had come into play; 'trying to field first whenever the toss was won. How often does it turn out in these circumstances that the opposing tea urn has not quite come up to the boil, slowly working up its pressure as we endure this first four dangerous overs?'

Warden Frank Fisher's first appearance in the side in 1970 resulted in a personal half century against Bedlow, but witnessed by no-one as it clashed with the England versus Argentina soccer match (the 'Hand of God' game) on television!

The club continued and thrived into the 1970s with a 'full' set of fixtures of around 12 matches per season including entry into the Oxfordshire Cup competition - even reaching the semi-finals in 1979, a season when seven victories were achieved and necessitating the 'talents of no less than thirty-three school dignitaries'. The following season, and in direct contrast to the fortunes of the school's own teams, they were almost unbeatable with only one defeat in the whole season and that by three runs - all achieved 'with the usual mixture of Common Room, miscellaneous boys and other interested parties!'

The 1980s was a continued era of Corfe CC activity summer after summer, not necessarily very successful on the pitch but much enjoyed by those involved. 'If we happen to win it is a pleasant bonus' was a statement made in 1983. A year later the team again reached the semi-finals of the Oxfordshire Cup, no mean feat in a competition entered by higher classes of opposition, with ten members of the Common Room taking part during the campaign. This was a welcome change at a time when the school's own cricketing success progress was lacking which was only really reversed in 1986. The Corfe Cricket Club

announced in the 'Chronicle' that 'the club is still in action and is a force to be reckoned with. The emphasis is on participation and keeping everyone interested in the game and that often includes the opposition'! A trip to play the garrison in Berlin was also on the cards - this match sadly didn't materialise.

The club was still active well into the 1990s but with little mention in the archives of the time - certainly in 1995 it celebrated its first unbeaten season ever with an 'unusual amount of boys being kind enough to play' which 'added athleticism in the field' and was thought to be a key factor.

The club still exists today and since the nineties has been in the capable hands of various members of the Common Room including Miles Peregrine, Edmund Hunt and more recently James Gaunt. The pattern has changed somewhat (usually involving local schools' Common Room groups these days but also including a Jazz Musician group XI in 2006 for a 20/20 game!) and few away games are now undertaken. However the spirit of the club persists with Edmund Hunt recalling that 'we always tried to balance the game so that it lasted until the final over, and provided a good tea for our visitors and enjoyed the Woodstock Arms afterwards'!

A series of statistics have survived up to 1977 noting every player, individual highest score and bowling averages, catches held, matches played, clubs contested with, record partnerships and so on. It also lists that up to that time 209 masters and senior boys had participated 'against local clubs and villages'. The club had flourished under the Presidency of Fran Prichard and another founder, Brian Gale, who was quoted as having said that qualification for Corfe was 'To be a good chap - you don't have to be able to play cricket'. Amen to that.



Congratulations

Archive

Over the last few years we have received a tremendous amount of support from OSE donating photographs, school records and memorabilia to the Archive and we are so grateful for your wonderful support. To build an ever clearer image of past, and preserve memories of Teddies for the future, we continue to welcome any contributions. For further details of how to be involved, please email ose@stedwardsoxford.org or telephone 01865 319438.

Births

CREE – To Robert John Pinder Cree (C, 1983-1988) and Sarah Asquith, Alexander William Lowther Cree, on 12th August 2014.



Rob Alex and Sarah Cree, with baby Alexander

SHEPHERD – To Jade (née Bowtell) (J, 2001-2006) and husband David Shepherd, Harry Edward Shepherd, on 10th March 2014 at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford.

Engagements

LLOYD/FAUL – William Lloyd (C, 1997-2002) to Patricia Faul. William produced this ceramic ring box to hold the engagement ring he commissioned, imprinted with their initials.



DEVENISH/RAYNER - William Richard Frederic Devenish (C, 1998-2003) to Penelope Sophie Rayner. The ceremony will be held on 18th July 2015.

WILSON/ROBERTS - Iain Robert Wilson (B, 1992 – 1997) to Kathryn Jade Roberts. The ceremony will be held at Teddies on 26th September 2015.

Weddings

ANTHONY/ MUELLER-TENCKHOFF - Andrew Anthony (E, 1977-1982) and Markus Mueller-Tenckhoff, at Northcourt Manor on the Isle of Wight on 29th June 2013. Other OSE in attendance were John Anthony (E, 1946-1951), Nigel Anthony (E, 1952-1956), Simon Anthony (C 1977-1982), Stuart Anthony (E, 1988-1993) and Gregory Wright (E, 1978-1982).



Andrew Anthony and Markus Mueller-Tenckhoff

BREWER/MINTY - David Brewer (H, 1999-2004) and Christina Ann Minty (D, 1999-2004), at the Chapel of St Edward's on 15th March 2014 in a service officiated by Revd David Wippell. Other OSE in attendance were Rob Powell (C, 1999-2004), Milo Ruane (E, 1999-2004), Kristina Kuhnke (D, 1999-2004), Robert Hazelton (H, 1999-2004), Guy McDougall (C, 1999-2004), Freddie Hustler (C, 1999-2004), Sophie Borthwick (J, 1999-2004), Andy Holland (C, 1999-2004) and Chris Manners (C, 1999-2004).

BRIERLEY/ GOLDSPIK - Susanna Louise Brierley (A, 2000-2002) and Graeme Goldspink of Oakville, Canada, on 24th August 2014.

PANTCHEFF/RADCLIFFE-MARRS – Sarah Pantcheff (K, 1997-2002) and Noel Radcliffe-Marrs (B, 1998-2001), at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford on Saturday 10th May 2014. The reception was held in the church halls of St Michael & All Angels' in Summertown. Other OSE in attendance were Sophie Pantcheff (K, 1999-2004), Oliver Bujic (B, 1998-2003), Stuart Thomas (B, 1998-2003), Greg Myhill (B, 1998-2003) Anna Jay (B, 1994-1995) and Lilly Haines-Gadd (D, 1994-1996).



Sarah Pantcheff and Noel Radcliffe-Marrs

PENNY/JIMENEZ, Charles Askham Penny (H, 2002-2007) and Lisa Jimenez on 20th September 2014.

RODGERS/BRICE - Dominic Oliver Rodgers (F, 1997-2002) and Annabel Brice on Saturday 6th September 2014 in Kent. The service was officiated by Revd David Wippell.

WIGGINS/HENDERSON – Natasha (Tash) Mary Wiggins (D, 2000 – 2002) and Charles Henderson at St Edward's School on 23rd August 2014.



Natasha Wiggins and Charles Henderson



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Careers Reception

St Edward's hosted a Careers Reception in February 2015 at The North Wall, for those members of the Sixth Form who have shown an interest in working in the financial services industry. We had experts of a wide age range and from an array of businesses in the sector, covering an extensive range of jobs. Pupils discovered what employers look for in potential new recruits, and what (as new recruits) they need to be prepared for (and what they should avoid) to bag their first job. Work experience was one expression that seemed to come up time and again in conversations between experts and pupils. Many thanks to Kieran Bundhun (C, 2004-2009), Kelvin Lam (A, 1994-1998) and Julian Ashby (C, 1993-1998) for sharing their experiences. If you would like to support our current pupils as they prepare for the world beyond Teddies, The SES Careers Support Network welcomes anyone who wishes to share their experiences. Members of the Network offer a variety of opportunities to pupils, including careers presentations, work experience provision and careers advice and mentoring.

Do you have careers advice which might be useful to current Teddies students? Maybe you have worked in a competitive sector, or a foreign country? Share your experiences with current Teddies students through the SES Careers Support Network by contacting the OSE Office on 01865 319438 or email ose@stedwardsoxford.org

Don't forget, over 1000 OSE are already networking on LinkedIn. Join us by searching 'St Edward's Oxford: OSE'.

1960

Christopher JE Price (B, 1955-1960) is a Wine Producer in Portugal. Founded in 2004 by Christopher Price, a film sound engineer and his wife Helga Wagner, Vinhos Cortém Is a small (four and a half hectares) organic winery set in the hills and valleys a few kilometres east of Caldas da Rainha. The winery won two medals a silver and a bronze at the prestigious London international wine challenge. www.vinhoscortem.com. Chris visited Teddies in November 2014 to host a tasting for the St Vincent's Society.



Christopher Price with his wife Helga Wagner

1982

Andrew Anthony (E, 1977-1982) is now Deputy General Manager at Cliveden House Hotel in Taplow, Berkshire (www.clivedenhouse.co.uk), having spent nine years in Africa with the Tsogo Sun (Southern Sun) group and four Years in the USA with Phillips Hotel Group and Trump after leaving the UK in 2000.



Paul Stanfield

1983

Paul Stanfield (B, 1978- 1983) is the CEO of Claremont. Claremont has been pioneering services in the field of health and psychological well-being for older people for the past 12 years. Claremont offers a multidisciplinary spectrum of services and activities for older people, ranging from arts activities and general fitness and illness-recovery type activities, to art therapy, as well as one-to-one psychotherapy and art psychotherapy.

Claremont won the Royal Society for Public Health (RSPH) Arts and Health Award 2014 for significant contributions to research and practice in the rapidly developing field of creative arts and the wellbeing of older people.

The research is part of Claremont's Flourishing Lives programme, funded by the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, which explores the role that social, creative and physical activities play in enhancing well-being and health in later life. The programme informs and supports the day services sector by researching, developing and disseminating 'best practice' in this growing field. Flourishing Lives distils key success factors for service providers, pointing to the importance of a wide and varied programme of activities. The

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importance of inspirational leadership, and the development of high quality and equal relationships between all those involved, also emerge as critical areas of focus in the provision of outstanding services.

Claremont has added the outcomes of the research to its programme of day service activities, further developing creative methods of meeting older people's needs and designing and delivering training and guidance. Furthermore, Claremont and a range of other organisations across the country have formed a national Flourishing Lives coalition, which will soon publish a National Charter for Outstanding Day Services. This charter will help service providers, older people using these services, as well as those helping to fund them, identify best practices and use them as a guide to set and exceed expectations.

For further information about Claremont, please contact Paul Stanfield at paul@claremont-project.org.



Tom Fremantle and Matt Todd

1984

Tom Fremantle (E, 1979-1984) Keen to supply fresh, local, seasonal produce to food lovers all over the City of Dreaming Spires, Tom Fremantle and his business partner, Matt Todd, set up Farm Fresh Oxford last summer. Whether fruit, veg, dairy, eggs, meat, fish, bread, honey, wine, beer, cider or pantry items, Matt and Tom try to source the very best of local produce for their customers' weekly shop. Tom knows a bit about cycling having ridden a bike over 12,000 miles from England to Australia about which he wrote the book, Johnny Ginger's Last Ride (Macmillan, 2000).



Amantani working with children in Peru

"We are basically a Farmers Market online, delivering produce right to our customers' doors, sometimes even by bicycle. We get our milk from Jess's Ladies Organic, a tiny dairy farm surrounded by clover meadows. It started off with just two cows called Bluebell and Gypsy back in the 1950s but is now producing prize-winning milk, cream and yoghurt for dozens of customers each week. Our customers really like to know exactly where our food and drink comes from, and they love the fact it's almost all local. Anyone from Teddies, past and present, would of course, always be welcome to drop in." To find out more about Farm Fresh Oxford, visit www.farmfreshoxford.co.uk

1999

Alastair Delafield (E, 1994- 1999) is MD of Ivy Tutors in London.

Ivy Tutors will soon be expanding with the appointment of George Marsh (former head of Dulwich College Prep and Governor at the Dragon) and offering consultancy as well as tutoring. With this expansion they will be changing their website from <http://www.ivy-tutors.co.uk/index.aspx> to www.ivyeducation.co.uk

2005

Ben Riley (A, 2000-2005) and friend Hugo Shephard started Role Models (Childcare with a Difference) early in 2014. "Our business aim is to provide well educated individuals to London families. We are looking to target people on their gap years, students and people in between jobs. We aim to provide something slightly more than a nanny, more of a tutor, big brother type

character." For more information see the website <http://www.rolemodels-london.co.uk/>, email info@rolemodels.me or telephone 07825 598344

2006

Thomas Haddock (H, 2001-2006) writes: "Amantani is small charity and our predominant focus is on youth education in remote parts of Peru as such we are always keen to get involved with schools, particularly in the local area. I was awarded the position as part of the Vodafone World of Difference scheme which basically gives 500 people each year the funding to work at their chosen charity, over 10,000 apply. Perhaps more interesting is in August I'm planning to cycle from London to Bangkok to raise money for Amantani a trip of about 14,000 miles which is going to take me about four months." For more information, visit <http://www.amantani.org.uk/peru>

2007

Sam Akers (E, 2002-2007) is the Business Development Manager for Global Sports Jobs, a specialist digital media platform for the international sports industry. The company is currently recruiting for two roles, and they would be delighted to hear from any interested OSE: Internship - <http://www.globalsportsjobs.com/job/955242/internship/> Business Development Executive - <http://www.globalsportsjobs.com/job/955535/business-development-executive/> You will be in good company with two other OSE besides Sam on board already; CEO - Will Lloyd (H, 1986-1991) and Account Manager - Joe Lloyd (H, 1995-2000).

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1939

Theodor Abrahamsen (D, 1933-1939) Theodor celebrated his 95th birthday last year, which was attended by the Warden in Norway. As well as playing in the school's 1st XI and 1st XV, he was selected for the English Schools' XV in 1938. By 1940, he was a student at Oslo University and, like many students, became involved in the resistance movement, helping to distribute illegal news sheets. Teddy and his friends were at the University on 30th November 1943 when news came that the campus had been surrounded. All students from Nazi supporting families and all female students were released; the men, including Theodor, were imprisoned and underwent interrogation by the Gestapo. As a result, Teddy was sentenced to life in a camp and was despatched – on the notorious prison ship Donau – to Buchenwald, the largest concentration camp in Germany. Eventually, at the end of April 1945, Teddy found himself, along with all Norwegian and Danish prisoners, first exempted from work and soon afterwards transported to Sweden, arriving on 4th May 1945, four days before Germany surrendered. He spent almost a month in a Swedish hospital regaining his strength and finally arrived home in Norway in June. After the war, Teddy became a teacher in Lillehammer, taking further teaching roles in Montreal and Seattle in the 50s. He was a lecturer at the British Institute of Oslo from 1966 – 1971 and a Headmaster in Norway until his retirement in 1987. Teddy stays in close contact with St Edward's attending many of the school's significant events. Many happy returns to Theodor.



Theodor Abrahamsen's Birthday



Right: Head Boy Oscar von Hannover (A), M Gervase Peel (C, 1937-1941) and the Warden, at the presentation of the commemorative bar.

1941

M. Gervase Peel (C, 1937-1941) Son Philip (C, 1963-1968), contacted the office to let us know that his father Michael Gervase Peel (C, 1937-1941) was a Lancaster Bomber pilot in WWII who was shot down and became a POW.

"Now I've been sent the newly issued Bomber Campaign Bar and was looking for a way to make some sort of ceremony for him to be given it."

"He's now 91 so it's a bit of a long way to go over to the RAF airfields he flew from in East Anglia, though we did take him on a taxi ride in a Lancaster last year for his 90th birthday."

"He thinks he first flew with the air cadets at St Edward's. It's certainly why he joined the RAF. (I have recorded a long interview with him including his school days) and I wondered whether it might be possible to have some sort of little ceremony at St Edward's with the CCF and have his medal bar presented to him. He lives not too far from Oxford."

Mr Peel was presented with his bar in a School assembly on 10th November 2014 and will be Guest of Honour at the CCF Parade in May 2015, subject to his health.

1960

Peter Tucker (C, 1955-1960), writes: "I came to Teddies in the first place because my uncle, Peter Standfast (E, 1925-1930), had been there, which gave my parents a reduction in the cost of tuition. Peter (after whom I am named) went to RADA and had just made his first break in the West End when war broke out. He joined the RAF and flew as a pilot officer in a Blenheim squadron. Sent to Malta he died making a successful bombing run over an Italian freighter taking supplies to Rommel's army in North Africa. I found his name on a memorial in Malta and followed up this clue, visiting the airbase he flew from and finding information on his time on Malta and his crewmates. After my time at Teddies I studied at the School of Architecture in Headington. I moved to Sweden in 1969, as a guest student at the Royal Academy School in Stockholm. After several years living in the countryside painting the landscape, I moved back to the city. After further studies at the Dramatic Institute in Stockholm I worked for some years as a set designer in theatre, on both a national and local level, and especially with children's theatre. For a short while I had my own experimental theatre. The 80s and 90s were spent teaching children to paint, both at



The Royal Palace, Drottningholm, Autumn 2009-2011, by Peter Tucker

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primary and higher levels in the school system. My wife Cilla and I have developed an art teaching system for small children now used in many primary schools in Sweden. I have also used painting as a therapeutic tool in the treatment of veteran soldiers and militiamen suffering from combat PTSD. These men were immigrants with several years of battle experience from Lebanon, the Iraq-Iran war and the first Gulf War. This experience led me to study what is known about the workings of the brain, especially in regard to memory, a key issue in PTSD. Finally, I worked for ten years as an illustrator in a scientific project exploring the relationship between the sun and climate, another fascinating subject of study. Throughout this time I continued to paint. Since year 2000 this work has almost exclusively focussed on portraying the 'English' 18th century royal park at Drottningholm, visible from the windows of my studio, in all weathers and seasons. I have to thank my time in the art room at Teddies and my first art teacher Lawrence Toynbee for my interest in landscape art. Lawrence was a lovely man; wine gums and gentle encouragement combined with a critical comment or two is a fine teaching method for the young and inexperienced painter. On my website www.petertucker.se you will find a presentation of my landscape art, as well as a journey into the inner workings of the solar system, and a strange story about a couple of cranes."

1962

Robert Barnes (G, 1957- 1962) After the 'Rhubarb Goes to Town' event in London earlier this year kindly provided an update: "I am a Chartered Surveyor and was a partner in Porter & Cobb, the largest firm of Chartered Surveyors in Kent at the time. In 1987, we succumbed to an offer from General Accident and sold up for what seemed like silly money at the time. From then on, I never had a regular office job although I continued as a Consultant in property matters for a bit. I got involved in local politics and had a fascinating time as Chairman of the Maidstone and Weald Conservative Association and was deeply involved in three general elections with Ann Widdecombe. My other great interest was in Abbeyfield, a Charity looking after the elderly. After fourteen years I have just handed over

the Chairmanship of the Kent-wide charity currently employing 590 staff with an annual income of £12.2M. The Society achieved considerable recognition for its philosophy of assisting those marginalised in the community. It is exploring a new homes project to assist more in the future. I will be continuing as a Trustee as well as a member of the Property and Development Committee and Link Trustee for St Martins and Greensted. I will remain a member of the Abbeyfield South East Regional Council and finally Chair of the Abbeyfield Kent with Sussex Borders Cluster Group."

1965

Jon Dance (E, 1960-1965) is currently in the middle of his first year as President of the Rugby Football Union. Teddies was home to Jon, his two brothers, and his two sons. At School he played rugby and rowed. After leaving St Edward's he went on to Law School and became a solicitor, then working at Hoover and Calor Gas, where he was Company Secretary. Jon played rugby at hooker for Grasshoppers in London, and then Bracknell Rugby Club and Berkshire, playing 1st XV on a regular basis. He was forced to retire with injuries, and from there began his rise up the administration ladder, with club, county and now country. He loves St Edward's, and has pictures of the quad, Apsley and the School displayed in his house. Jon continues to keep an eye out on the School's sports results, and is currently involved in the Six Nations. Jon's family are immensely proud of his achievements and wish to celebrate his success with all who know him.



Nick Dance, Mary Dance and Jon Dance before the England v South Africa game in October 2014



Peter Eveleigh

Peter Eveleigh (G, 1961-1965)

"I make bespoke cider mills and presses and have managed to win what became called the 'Battle of Brogdale' and attach some photos of the event having 'munched' our way through 200kg of apples in the two hours. I have to express some surprise at this because the other technique (juice & strain) is certainly much faster to begin with.

On a different tack, I recall an occasion whilst at Teddies, in Spring term in the Shell dayroom at Segar's – probably 1963, some of us decided to contact the famed Radio Luxembourg Sunday evening request program – after the Top 20 which was compulsory listening in those days. We asked the 208 to "please please us by playing 'Please Please Me'" (Beatles) and asking any 'nice girls out there' to write to us.

The letters started to stream in on Monday's afternoon post and by the next day we had more than 50 and an interview with Bill Veitch!! "Wazza-form boys?" Whilst he was clearly quite amused, the Warden (FFF) took a different view, banning us from receiving any further letters on the basis that he would respond personally!! I believe there were over 300 letters eventually and from the content of some of those that we received, were fairly sure they would cause a raised eyebrow or two.

There is also a post-script; Easter CCF camp in the Brecon Beacons (D of E silver expedition etc). Evening inspection at our campsite near Sennybridge by Mr Cochrane drew a comment from him related to a number of girls on the bridge about 50 metres away – by appointment!"

1966

The Revd J Malcolm Acheson (G 1961-1966) has retired after nearly twenty years as Rector of Storrington in West Sussex. He was given a wonderfully warm send-off at two full church services by hundreds of parishioners and friends, who were also thanking Malcolm's wife Pauline and their son Joseph for their notable musical contributions to the Church. Malcolm and Pauline are now living in Eastbourne.

1967

Keith Page MBE (D, 1963-1967) Was awarded an MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours list for services to education and voluntary service to young people. After 47 years in teaching he retired from Cowplain Community School, Waterlooville, Hampshire July 2014. The personal and social health teacher was also Duke of Edinburgh Award leader and coordinator.

1976

James Barnes (G, 1972-1976) still keeps in contact with several OSE from his school days, including those pictured here at his son's wedding: Rick Smart (C, 1970-1975), Bishop Peter Hullah – (assistant Chaplain at St Edward's) – James Barnes (G, 1972-1976), George Barnes (B, 1967-1971) and Will Higgins (B, 1971-1976).



James Barnes (third from the left) and...



Martin Lynch, second from the right, at his most recent cycle ride

1979

Col Mike Vernon (B, 1974-1979) has recently left the Army (Coldstream Guards) after just over 35 years of Service, starting as soon as he left Teddies. He has taken up the appointment of Secretary to the Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood in the Royal Household and was appointed as an Extra Equerry to the Queen on 1st January 2015. He continues to live in the Scottish Borders with his wife and two sons.

Neil Protheroe (F, 1974-1979) runs Manakau Lodge, near Kaikoura, New Zealand.

Situated in beautiful mountain surroundings amongst groves of manuka trees, and enjoying panoramic views towards the blue waters of the South Pacific, Manakau Lodge is a luxury rural retreat, offering the discerning traveller the finest in boutique bed and breakfast lodge accommodation and warm, friendly, country hospitality. www.manakaulodge.co.nz

Neil writes: "We had a visit from (F, 1958-1963) and his wife a couple of weeks ago as part of a long-awaited post-retirement trip, and in anticipation of the morning breakfast service, I donned this custom-made rhubarb kitchen apron in his honour. The apron was made by my own wife's fair hands with a little material-sourcing help from the OSE Office a few months ago!"

1983

Martin Lynch (H, 1979-1983) has completed a second cycle ride for charity, and is gearing up for yet another! He writes: "Ok, it wasn't smart the first time, when we did Perth to Sydney (4,200km), so we're only going to be doing Adelaide to Darwin (3,000km) this time. Unfortunately, it still requires cycling 150km a day for eight days as part of a relay, which is about six hours a day on a very uncomfortable seat to raise money for the Black Dog Institute. So,



David Self and Neil Protheroe

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whilst I will, no doubt, still be the worst cyclist on this jaunt, I can hopefully be the biggest fund raiser again. All support very gratefully appreciated as it keeps me going on the ride!" If you would like to support Martin, please visit <http://tourxoz.gofundraise.com.au/page/MartinCLynch>

1986

William Farrington (D, 1981-1986) Recently made contact with the office to relate a chance meeting with an OSE: "I've met an OSE here by chance on a ski-lift – Hugh Griffin (D, 1975-1980) – we were in the same house but he left just before I arrived. We went through all the familiar places and names – the other two skiers couldn't get off the lift quick enough at the top!"

Ben Broadhurst (C, 1983-1986) writes: "My job roll has changed to that of Sales Director of Concorde, an IT and office equipment specialist covering the South West. I live just outside Port Isaac on the North Cornish Coast with my wife Sophie and two daughters Abbie and Izzie and spend every available opportunity either on the beach or on the boat."

1989

Nick Roe (D, 1984-1989) is fundraising for Pancreatic Cancer UK in memory of his father Derek (E, 1950-56), by running the London Marathon. It will be his twentieth marathon. If you would like to support Nick, you can do so by visiting www.justgiving.com/nickroe/



Helen Phillips (nee Cook)

1991

Ben Mays (B, 1986-1991) lives with his wife Maria in the British Virgin Islands. Ben is a partner at offshore law firm Carey Olsen where he is the head of BVI litigation.

Helen Phillips née Cook (G, 1986-1988)

"I have carved a career in HR following a graduate programme in banking. I am currently HR director for the Corporate, Wealth (Courtts) and Ulster Bank businesses at RBS. A crazy life - but keeps me out of trouble - Teddies prepped me well for life in banking! Very few women in my world (in my day girls only in Sixth Form. And not a lot of us!!) Married to Lance 2002 with two children - Sam eight and Clara four. Both Dragons!!"

1997

Iain Wilson (B, 1992 – 1997) is working as a researcher Oculab at the Nuffield Department of Clinical Neurosciences, University of Oxford. Specifically Iain is working in the field of augmented vision for the blind and partially sighted developing Smart Specs to aid visually impaired people in their daily lives. Iain and his fiancée Kathryn Jade Roberts will be married in 2015 (see Engagements).

1999

Marcus Calvani (C, 1994-1999) writes: "After graduating from Cornell University's School of Hospitality Management in 2003 with a concentration in hospitality concept design and development, I worked for a design firm based in Providence, Rhode Island for a number of years, travelling all over the USA and Caribbean. After various relocations, I found myself based in Orlando, Florida for five years, where I met my wife Ana. In 2010 we relocated back to my home of Jersey from the USA. Since returning, I have designed and built us a home, and we had our son Leo in 2012 and most recently our daughter Liliana on 23rd June 2014. Upon returning, I took over the family restaurant business La Cantina, started an Italian wine importing firm, worked with local farmers to start rearing Jersey cows for beef and rose-veal and been blessed to gain some great media exposure on local radio, magazines & international television on a few occasions, recently with

ITV's Hungry Sailors. In 2012 I founded the Jersey Royal Distillery Company where we're busy turning 'incorrectly shaped' Jersey Royal potatoes into premium vodka and gin using a sustainable & eco-friendly process."

2000

Richard Hegarty (A, 1995-2000) left St Edward's and then returned promptly as one of the Grads; he now teaches at Uppingham. He is running the Marathon des Sables on 4th April, running 150 miles across the Sahara Desert in six days whilst carrying all food and sleeping equipment. He is running to raise money for Isiqalo, a charity based in South Africa, which aims to try to get children back to school – and hopes to provide a car/van to enable the charity workers to be transported from place to place. The charity was set up by OSE Tim Conibear (E, 1995-2000). His charity page is on <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/RichardHegarty/> if you would like to donate and support.

2002

In 2013, **Tom Alden** (G, 1996-2002) was given the opportunity to row 3000 nautical miles across the Atlantic just before Christmas. Tom seized the opportunity and at a week's notice joined Matthew Collier, Simon and Eoin Hartwright – who at 16 is the youngest person to row the Atlantic. Their team is called Atlantic Quad and even though their boat started 19 days after the rest of the fleet they soon caught up and overtook two boats! Tom said he had the experience of a lifetime despite living off purified sea water and dehydrated food and rowing relentlessly in a two hours on, two



Tom Alden and his crew



William Robert Lloyd

hours off routine! For more information you can visit the website (www.atlanticquad.co.uk). Eoin Hartwright, who was instrumental in setting the blades in motion, was just 13 when he dreamt of undertaking the Talisker Whiskey Rowing Challenge – true testament of the fact that you really can achieve your dreams with perseverance and determination. Atlantic Quad raised money for Helen & Douglas House – a local hospice supporting children with life limiting conditions and their families.

William Lloyd (C, 1997-2002) received his QEST Scholarship, pictured with Alec McQuin, the President of the Royal Warrant Holders Association at the Royal Warrant Holders Association Annual Luncheon held at the Hilton on Park Lane. Photographed by John Stone.

2003

Sam Branson (C, 1998-2003) grew up around challenges and has undertaken many of his own. His adventurous spirit was reinforced on a 1,400 mile, three month dogsled expedition in the Arctic, to raise

awareness of climate change amongst young people in the US. He has since gone on to break a marathon world record, climb Mont Blanc and currently holds the word record for the fastest cross-channel kite surf. Sam founded Sundog Pictures, a new age production company, set up to tell stories that matter and bring new audiences to important topics. Sam is the visionary behind the Strive Challenge. Other OSE taking part included Holly Branson (J, 1998-2000) and Freddie Andrews (C, 1995-2000). More information can be found at <https://www.strivechallenge.com/>

2004

Morgan Ritchie (K, 1999-2004) has received £10,000 from the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA) to help him become an animator, directed towards a Masters in directing animation at the National Film and Television School. Mr Ritchie said: "It's an incredible honour to receive this scholarship and I'm absolutely thrilled to have been chosen. The financial assistance will go a long way to facilitate my studies. I'm looking forward to accessing resources from

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the best and brightest talent in the British film and television industry. I never thought at this stage in my career these things would be possible and I am enormously grateful for this amazing opportunity.” Morgan was one of 21 students to be given financial support. As well as the grant, they will be mentored by BAFTA members, award winners and nominees, and be given free access to BAFTA events.

Beth Kealy (M, 2002-2004)
When I came to the reunion some years ago, I was working as a hip hop dance teacher in Brighton. I left Brighton in 2010 to live in London, where I was offered a job with a genealogy firm, tracing beneficiaries for intestate estates. I taught myself A Level Biology and Psychology over the course of the next year alongside my job, and was offered a place at St George's University in London to study Physiotherapy. I then spent the summer of 2012 on a trip to America, where I travelled around Montana and Wyoming, exploring Yellowstone National Park, and working cattle from horseback in the Pryor Mountain Reservation. I left the degree course in November, and began to plan my move to the USA. I set up my own

genealogy company here in the UK, Red Trace Ltd, which is now starting to make real strides. I am currently studying for a Diploma in Manual Therapy in Seattle so that I can work in Washington, both on humans and on horses. I am now married and living in the US permanently.

2007
Arjun Sinsinwar (G, 2002-2007) writes: “I have been working in the travel trade in various roles travelling all over the world to remote and culturally rich destinations, such as in December trekking to the only Everest view hotel. Last year I succeeded in becoming a Fast Stream Desk Officer in the Home Office. Most recently I have established my own travel firm based in North Oxford called Discerning Journeys, specialising in South Asia. This includes unique tours to the remote Himalayan Kingdom of Bhutan, luxury trains in India, and pioneering river cruising along the Ganges for the first time in over a hundred years. I have completed a BSc in Geography from UCL, an MA from Westminster, MBA with Distinction at the University of Greenwich, a certificate in Management/

Strategy from the Said Business School, and am pursuing a Professional Doctorate (DBA) at Nottingham Business School which I am due to complete in 2017 focussing on digital media marketing in the travel trade. I have been elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and a Member of the Institute of Directors. Currently I am standing as the Conservative Party candidate for Summertown in the upcoming City Council elections, and would greatly appreciate and welcome the support from any OSE or St. Edward's Community in the area.”

2010
Grace Robinson (K, 2005-2010) graduated from Durham University with a 2:1, and then flew to climb Kilimanjaro two days later raising money for brother Joe (H, 2003-2008)'s charity JR4JR. She is now studying for a Masters, and has a job awaiting her upon its completion. Grace has kindly provided the following description of her journey: “Over the course of the past academic year (2013/2014), my final year at Durham, I decided to embark on a series of challenges to raise money for the John Radcliffe Neuro ICU under the banner JR4JR. This is a charity close to mine and my family's hearts because the JR worked around the clock to save my brother's life after a mere 3% chance of survival from a car accident in 2009 leaving him with a TBI (traumatic Brain Injury) and the death of fellow student and friend Grace Hadman. I undertook several challenges before Kili to help raise awareness and money: The Salisbury Aquathlon, The Blenheim Palace Triathlon and The Thame 10km run. Then in July the biggest of all, climbing Mount Kilimanjaro. It took 7 days, via the Lemosho Route to the summit. I undertook the challenge with some naivety about how hard it was going to be, and it is safe to say it was definitely one of the hardest things I have ever done. I began suffering from altitude sickness on day two, and every night woke up in temperatures of minus 15 and frost on the bottom of my sleeping bag. However, I managed somehow to keep putting one foot in front of the other, and



Grace Robinson, at 5895m Africa's highest point, known as the 'Roof of Africa'

after a gruelling eight hour night time ascent of vomiting, dizziness and asthma attacks, I successfully made it to Uhuru Point, the summit of Kilimanjaro, the roof of Africa at 5895m.

It was an incredibly difficult challenge, and I think it's safe to say my walking boots will not be used for a VERY long time, but I wanted to help raise money and awareness for TBI's, because they turn lives upside down. As well as trying to give back a small percentage of what the JR not only gave myself, my family and Joseph, but other families and patients who enter the Neuro ICU. I really hope I have done that, even just a little.

In total I managed to raise £1500 through JR4JR for the John Radcliffe Neuro ICU. Thank you to all who donated-I am overwhelmed by all the support I received along the way.”

2012
Lt Alex Burns (E, 2007-2012) was commissioned into the Army Reserve Commissioning Course 142 Unit: 6 Rifles at the end of September 2014.

2013
Liz Isles (J, 2011-2013) ran the London Marathon on 13th April 2014, having trained in her gap year. She raised money for Well Child, the national charity for sick children.

2014
Florence (Flossie) Pugh (D, 2009-2014) was nominated for Best British Newcomer for her part in 'Falling' also nominated for Best British Film at the 58th BFI London Film Festival.



Alex Burns



Arjun Sinsinwar

Common Room Obituaries



Fran Prichard

PRICHARD – On 31st December 2014, Francis Hesketh Prichard, Former Common Room, aged 90.

Known always as Fran, he was a dedicated and popular schoolmaster, able to move with the times and to bring everyone with him. He dropped anchor at St Edward's, Oxford in 1952, and stayed there, in a variety of guises, for more than four decades.

His father, the only one of four brothers to survive the Great War, served with the Indian Civil Service in Assam, where Fran was born on 30 October 1925. An only child, he was dispatched to England when he was barely two, and farmed out to distant (and, he reckoned, dusty and reluctant) relatives until his parents returned ten years later. Stability of a kind arrived when he was moved to The Elms at Colwall and began holidaying with the Chesterton family at the vicarage in Tenbury Wells. Their son George, who was to become one of the finest amateur bowlers of the 1950s, provided much needed brotherly support and spirited opposition as The Ashes were endlessly contested on the family's front lawn.

Fran was then educated at Marlborough College, where he became Senior Prefect. During school holidays in the early years of the War he volunteered for night fire watch in Hereford Cathedral. He joined the Royal Navy in 1944 and served aboard HMS Zealous on the Arctic convoys. As he crossed the Arctic Circle for the first time, the Captain asked him for a noon sun-sight. He responded with his customary honesty, though without the bluff confidence that normally went with it: 'Well, sir... we appear to be about eight miles north of Derby...'

His grandfather and father had both been up at Brasenose College, Oxford, and in the tradition of that time Fran's name had been put down at birth, so he assumed that a stroll around Christ Church Meadow with the Principal in his last term at school had been his interview. On demob he phoned that august personage from a public box in Portsmouth dockyard to announce his imminent arrival. His father considered this to be extraordinary behaviour – as, upon reflection, did Fran himself. But it worked. He embarked upon his history degree two weeks later.

After a brief flirtation with industry, he tried teaching; first at Summer Fields then St Edward's – where a job became a vocation. He taught history at all levels, some Latin, sports to those that mattered – the 3rd XI and below – and went on to become secretary of the old boys' society, appeal director and compiler of the School Roll.

It was as the housemaster of Sing's that he was perhaps most revered – though the very mention of such a word would have embarrassed him

hugely. Whilst pupils, colleagues and parents considered him an extremely gifted and at times inspirational commanding officer, he preferred to say that his place was in the engine room with an oily rag.

Fran valued people for who they were, not on account of their plumage, and never ceased delighting in connections and possibilities. His ability to absorb, remember and recall personal detail, even from the most fleeting of exchanges, was legendary. He was an old-fashioned networker, always for the benefit of others, never himself. Amusement and appreciation were his rewards.

He remained a pillar of stability – but never inflexibility – in a changing educational world. He always valued loyalty, discretion and integrity. He eschewed tittle-tattle, backbiting and displays of immodesty. He was good company. He would lead his audiences in laughter, never at their expense. His humour was wonderfully mischievous, self-deprecating, and peculiarly British. His generosity of spirit and the warmth of his hospitality remained undimmed by Multiple System Atrophy, the rare, aptly named disease he bore so courageously. Claret was always on offer, even when Fran could only sip it from his favourite beaker, the Horn of Plenty, through a plastic straw.

In 1951 Fran married Pat, a War Widow and daughter of Lieutenant General Sir Frederick Morgan, the chief planner of the D Day Invasion. Together, they bought the Martin Luther, an old Rochester barge, firmly stuck in the mud in the River Blyth, as a holiday bolthole, and later graduated to a much loved cottage next to the Harbour Inn. She died in 2005.

He is survived by two sons – the elder an employment judge, the younger a former commanding officer of the SAS – and a stepdaughter in California.

ALDEN – On 4th March 2014, Robin Wenham Alden (D, 1946-1950) and Former MCR (1965-1970). The brother of JJW Alden (1946-1947), he studied for his MA at Worcester College, and his Diploma of Education at Oxford University Department of Education. He was Captain of boats at Worcester College, Henley RR, and Leander Club, CoE. He was Assistant Master at King's School, Chester, from 1955-1961, taught at St Paul's School, London, from 1961-1965, and returned to St Edward's from 1965-1970. He was Housemaster and Head of the English Department, as well as Secretary of Arts Society, participating in Choral singing in Chester Bach Choir, Rugby Philharmonic Choir and Woodstock Music Society.

CUMMINGS – On 14th May 2014, Douglas Cummings, (MCR, 1997-2007). Mark Sellen (MCR) has kindly provided the following obituary:

It is with great sadness that I record here the death of one of the greatest British 'cellists, Douglas Cummings. Dougie came to St Edward's in 1997 and through the warmth and generosity of his personality immediately established a rapport with pupils and colleagues alike. He was a larger than life figure, personally and musically.

Among the most celebrated of British orchestral 'cellists from the late 1960s to the end of the last century, it seemed that his was the only name to be talked about repeatedly both in and outside the capital. Born



Douglas Cummings

in London in 1946, his father Keith, a distinguished viola player, put his son to the 'cello where he made rapid progress. He came under the influence of Pini and after attending UCS Hampstead he entered the Royal Academy of Music at the age of 15 where he studied with Cameron and won every 'cello prize. A scholarship provided for study with Navarra in Paris and another with Piatigorsky in California, where he also came under the influence of Heifetz. On returning to London he was appointed, at the age of 21, to Principle 'Cello with the LSO. At the time, this was the youngest ever appointment to a principle position in that orchestra. It was here that he was to work with such great conductors as Kertész, Previn (whose 'cello concerto he premiered), Abbado and Bernstein, to name but a few. His playing and personality helped to define the LSO, on the Board of Directors of which he served, for several decades. He was a Fellow of and professor at the Royal Academy and a professor at the Royal Welsh College.

It was a sad day in 2006 when ill health prevented him from continuing his teaching at St Edward's, although he continued to attend our concerts. We

were very fortunate to have such a distinguished 'cellist and musician on our staff and to have counted him among our friends. Those of us who played with him will never forget the charisma both of his personality and of his playing.

EVANS – Mervyn Evans, (MCR, 1947-1979). The following was kindly provided by his friend and fellow teacher Malcom Oxley (1962-1999).

Mervyn Evans taught Classics at St Edward's from 1947-1979 and was Housemaster of Segar's from 1964-73. Before the War, at Oxford, he flourished in the Presidency of Edward Heath and lived for a while in Paris. Both left him a lifelong Liberal and a convinced Europhile. He fought in Italy and was one of that group of talented schoolmasters appointed by Henry Kendall in his closing years.

Well read, he had a consuming interest in the world around him, a fierce commitment to the plight of the underdog and wide cultural interests. He soon made his mark in the school joining those few masters who set a high value on academic achievement and interests beyond the games field. Many pupils recall his excellent teaching, his encouragement of open discussion and debate



Mervyn Evans

about the post-war world, his cosmopolitan appreciation of the arts and his urbane tolerance of the young as well as his enthusiastic devotion to their interests. Pupils were introduced to debating, modern cinema, contemporary drama and overseas travel. Above all they were aware that he believed that such things mattered and should matter to an educated man or woman.

He was possessed of great personal qualities which made him such a good schoolmaster. He wore his principles on his sleeve but never stridently, often wittily, frequently persuasively. He was spontaneously sympathetic to the needs of others which made him active in local social voluntary work such a prison visiting and this humanity made him an influential force in the lives of many he taught. He was a committed and practising Christian. These skills he brought to bear as a housemaster when, on the premature death of Bill Veitch, he took over Segar's. In this and in all his school-mastering Mervyn was helped enormously by his first wife Yvonne, who amongst her many qualities, had the ability to tease his occasional over-seriousness or mild touches of vanity, for he was a dapper dresser and pupils readily speculated about his next bow tie! Their happy family life with their three children was pervasive in the school community. Many young teachers, like me in the 1960s, found the hospitable welcome in their home encouraging and supportive. We became life-long friends. Mervyn had many such both within the School and outside it.

He was one of those schoolmasters who, all too aware of the Pre-war Depression which he had experienced as a London Welshman, and the War which set the tone for much of

his life, contributed towards a new outlook on the world for the independent schools. That they became more outward-looking, more liberal and more humane was in large part due to men like Mervyn Evans. His closing years, where he was still engaged with the world around him, still travelling and keeping up his friendships were enormously enhanced by the great success and happiness of his second marriage after Yvonne's death, to Sally, who survives him.



Peter Irvine

IRVINE – Peter Neill Irvine (MCR, 1990-1993), aged 82. The following is an extract taken from the *Wanganui Chronicle*:

Originally from New Zealand, Peter decided on a teaching career after completing a degree in Architecture at Auckland. He was a Mathematics teacher but also coached rugby and rowing. He was on the Wanganui Collegiate School teaching staff from 1958 to 1977, from 1981 to 1990, and in 1996.

Mr Irvine was also a school master at Huntley School (1956-1957), headmaster at St George's School (1978-1979), and taught in the United Kingdom at St Edward's School, Oxford (1990-1993) and Eton College (1993). He was awarded a Winston Churchill Fellowship to Cambridge University in 1975. Mr Irvine is survived by wife, Janet, son Sam and daughters Kate and Mandy.

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ARENTSEN - Raymond Tomas Leif Arentsen (F, 1936-1940).

Aero Engineering at Chelsea College from 1942-1945, 1st CI Dip, before becoming a Licensed Aircraft Engineer. Olley Air Service, Croydon 1945-1949 BOAC, Bristol 1950-1952 BAC then Br Aerospace, Filton 1953-1983 Flt Insp 1953-1959 Spares Engineering, Britannia and Concorde Aircraft 1959-1983, before retiring in 1983. He was also a Glider Pilot (C03S) and served on the Honorary Consul of Chile at Bristol since 1976.

BARROW - On 14th December 2013, Geoffrey Wallis Stuart Barrow (C, 1937-1939) in Edinburgh. Born in Headingley, Leeds 28th November 1924, he obtained an Hon, DLitt from, Glasgow, and at Newcastle upon Tyne, FRSE, FRHistS, FSAS, where he then became Professor of Mediaeval History from 1961-1974. He was Professor of Scottish History at the University of St Andrews from 1974-1979, and the Sir William Fraser Professor of Scottish History and Palaeography from 1979-1992. He went on to become the Joint Vice-President, Commission Internationale de Diplomatie from 1994-2005 and the Joint Literary Director, Royal Historical Society, from 1964-1974. He was also Chairman of the British Academy Anglo-Saxon Charters Committee from 1978-1988, a member of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts from 1984-1990 and President Saltire Society from 1987-1990.

BARCLAY - Peter Barclay (B, 1936-1940) aged 92. Brother to Tim Barclay, (B, 1938-1942). Peter was in the Royal Northumberland Fusiliers from 1941-1947, as a Major. He studied for his MA at Hertford Oxford, from 1947-1950. He was an Assistant Master at Portsmouth Grammar School from 1950-1987, and Careers and Housemaster, before retiring in 1987.

BIRD - On 23rd April 2014, Donald William Kemp Bird (F, 1942-46), in Cumbria. Mrs Bird has kindly provided the following obituary.

After leaving St Edward's, Dr Bird went to St Catherine's College, Cambridge, where he attained a BA and went on to University College Hospital in London, qualifying as a Doctor in 1952. He joined a general practice in Maidstone, where he became interested in mental health, and in 1963 moved to London with his family to retrain as a psychologist and psychiatrist. While studying, he worked as a psychiatrist and medical assistant, and then in 1971 became a consultant at the Tavistock clinic in London, and then chairman of the Adolescent Department and Dean of Postgraduate Studies. Having always taken part in amateur dramatics, he continued that interest when he retired to Cumbria, taking part in many of the Caldbeck Players productions and village activities such as Meals on Wheels and the Village Hall Committee. He also found at Potts Ghyll, a garden big enough to grow old-fashioned roses, and to have a dog, and was able to die at home, as he wished.

BOODLE - In January 2014, Arthur Trelawny Boodle (C, 1932-1936), aged 96 in Limington, Somerset. He was a self-employed Solicitor at Messrs Marsh Warry & Arrow Solicitors and a Solicitor Commissioner for Oaths. He served as a Major in the Royal Artillery from 1939-1945. Husband of the late Jean (née Page), father of Gillian and David (C, 1968-1973) and grandfather of Oliver.

BRUCE - In March 2014, Douglas S Bruce (A, 1943-1948) aged 84. He obtained a BSc from Birmingham University from 1948-1951, RE 1951-1953 2nd Lt. Ind Mngmt 1953-1974. Member of the Local Government for Gloucestershire County Council since 1974, and a Senior Consultant. Branch Chairman Inst Br Foundrymen 1973-1974 MBIM MMS.

CARSTAIRS - On 6th January, Timothy John Carstairs (B, 1972-1976), after a long illness. He studied at Reading University, and went on to be Director of Communications for Mines Advisory Group. Throughout his career, he was dedicated to the campaign against landmines as well as broader humanitarian goals.

COX - In January 2014, Jeremy Munro Cox (E, 1948-1952) Jeremy's brother John Cox (E, 1948-1952) has kindly provided the following obituary notice: After service in the RAF, where, after study at the School of Oriental and African Studies at London University, he was posted to Hong Kong to monitor Chinese radios. He followed this working for a consulting engineering firm engaged on contracts in the near



Jeremy Cox

and far east and in this country.

On retirement he worked for the Tear Fund, became a Deacon in the Baptist Church as their local treasurer and was also responsible for the finances of the Gideon Society in the area when he died.

COX - On 20th January 2014, John William Andrew Cox (C, 1952-1957), aged 76.

The following obituary was kindly provided by his friend David Bevir (C, 1952-1957).

Apart from being struck by a car while crossing the Woodstock Road on a run in his second term and losing several front teeth, John Cox had a successful career at school. He became a School Prefect and Head of House in Bim Barff's last year as Housemaster and Senior Under Officer in the CCF, he sang in the Choir for five years and acted in several school plays, including *Morning Departure* in 1955 when it was reported that



John William Andrew Cox

his Scots accent would have done credit to the Black Douglas - unsurprising, perhaps, given his Scottish ancestry.

On the river he rowed in the 1st VIII for two years and was Captain of Boats in 1957. The Chronicle described John as 'a fine captain of both crew and club' and the VIII as 'the fittest and most successful St Edward's crew at Henley so far', which undoubtedly helped to lay the foundations for the Princess Elizabeth Cup wins in 1958 and 1959. After two years at Sandhurst John was commissioned into the Black Watch, serving in Cyprus during a period of relative calm there and later in Germany, as well as in various UK postings.

He left the Army in 1969 and joined Rank Xerox, working in Scotland and England, then as General Manager of South Asia based in Singapore where his son Toby was tragically killed in a road accident, and finally in India.

Following a brief period running his own management and marketing training consultancy in India and then initiating and managing the marketing of an American alloys company's products, John joined Knight-Ridder's financial information service as Manager, Asia and Australia, moving first to Singapore and then to Hong Kong to cover Japan.

Blessed with enthusiasm for any task, a wonderful sense of humour and the ability to lead, it was while working in Hong Kong that John met his second wife, Toni. They made an immensely happy marriage, and she looked after him with skill and devotion for more than 30 years, moving after a while to London and then on retirement to the south-west of Scotland.



Anthony Dodd

John was instrumental in arranging reunions of the six who joined Field House in September 1952 - himself, Malcolm Axtell, Philip Darley, Hugh Privett, Iain Wilkinson and me. We last dined together in Oxford in July 2012, by which time the cancer from which he had begun to suffer in 2000 had taken hold, but of which he made light both then and in the months that remained to him. We shall miss him.

DODD - On 15th August 2014, Anthony Robert Fletcher Dodd (A, 1947-1952), aged 80, after a long illness. The brother of Philip Dodd (A, 1943-1948), he went to Magdalene Cambridge, from 1954-1957, obtaining an MA in Mechanical Sciences. He worked in Management Services in New Zealand, and was an Information Systems Manager at Pitman Moore New Zealand Ltd.

His widow Mrs Lynley Dodd told us "Tony loved his years at St Edward's and although he made his home here in New Zealand, he never lost his interest in the doings of the School."

ELLERTON - On 28th March 2014, Nicholas G Ellerton (D, 1962-1967), in Sri Lanka. His brother Chris Ellerton (D, 1966-1971) has kindly provided the following obituaries for both



Nick Ellerton

Nicholas and Nigel.

Nick died suddenly near his home in Sri Lanka. He was born in Kenya in 1949 and after St Edward's spent all of his working life with animals. For most of his career he was with Chester Zoo, where he was Curator of Mammals; after leaving there Nick ran the animals side of the Knowsley Safari Park. On retirement, Nick went to a relatively isolated part of Sri Lanka where, with his courageous partner Penny Boyd, he built a home from scratch and developed a large garden, in spite of the worst intentions of the elephants that he managed to keep out, with a combination of ditches and fences. Nick had no academic qualifications but became an expert of world renown on elephants and on improving the life quality of animals in captivity. Nick was a larger than life character with a huge appetite for living; he found compromise with people he disagreed with a difficult skill but had an enormous and sensitive empathy with the natural world. Shortly before his death in his adopted country, Nick encountered an elephant which had been struck by a bus, and was dying by the side of the road and having to helplessly endure the idle curiosity, prodding and other torments from passers-by. Lacking the

means to deliver the animal a humane death, Nick stayed with the elephant and protected her, refusing to leave her side for the two days it took her to die. Nick leaves his partner Penny and his daughter Kate.

ELLERTON - In May 2014, Nigel Ellerton (D, 1960-1966). Nigel was born in Amersham in 1947. He had recently retired from a peripatetic series of careers ranging from design to catering and was living in Chipping Campden. A few weeks before Nick died, Nigel learned that he had a malignant melanoma, an unwelcome legacy from an idyllic but sun tan lotion-free childhood in Kenya. He told no one of his condition until the cancer prevented him from walking, just a fortnight before his death. He endured the chronic pain with patient and uncomplaining fortitude. Nigel leaves a son, Timothy and two daughters, Chloe and Jessica.



Douglas Fox

FOX - On 18th July 2013, Douglas Charles Fox (D, 1935-1939), after a short illness. His son Richard kindly provided the following obituary:

Born in Blackheath, London on 30th December 1921, Douglas Charles Fox lived his early life in South East London. He attended Belmont Prep School and

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then in 1935, Douglas passed Common Entrance to become a pupil at St Edward's School in Macnamara's House. Douglas found Arthur Macnamara a very kind and friendly housemaster who became a great friend until he died in retirement. He enjoyed his time at St Edward's very much, playing rugby and rowing at a senior level. Mac was fond of giving small tea parties in his study and he always provided doughnuts; the house therefore gained the tag of "the doughnut house" and for Bumpers, the rowing races in Easter term, the house crew had a large doughnut baked and fixed to the bow of their boat. Douglas made many friends at St Edward's including Guy Gibson, Adrian Warburton, Jim Heyworth and Arthur Banks, all highly decorated for their war service but with only Jim to survive the War.

In 1939, Douglas left St Edward's and became an articled clerk with King & Chasemore of Horsham, West Sussex. War intervened and, in 1940, Douglas joined the RAF. After induction, Douglas was sent to the US Naval Air Station Pensacola in Florida to learn to be a pilot; one of the first British pilots to be trained in the United States. After training, he learned to fly Catalina's, a flying boat used by the RAF. In later years, Douglas came to look forward very much to reunions and visits to the base at Pensacola to see the many friends he made during his time there.

On his return to England, Douglas joined Coastal Command, flying anti-submarine patrols in the Bay of Biscay. He also saw service in Malta, flying night patrols prior to the invasion of Sicily.

In 1944, he married Vera and their first home together was a small flat in South Kensington, close to Imperial College.

In 1945, Douglas worked on the British Bombing Research Mission, flying many times to Germany to inspect and report on the effects of Bomber Command attacks. After the war, Douglas obtained a job with Humber & Flint, a well-known firm of surveyors, in Lincoln's Inn Fields. He qualified as a member of the Chartered Land Agents' Society. In 1951, he was invited to return to King & Chasemore to become a partner, and over the following years, he set about extending the firm's rural management practice in Sussex, Oxford, the West Country, Cumbria, Norfolk and Yorkshire.

When the Chartered Land Agents' Society amalgamated with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors in 1970, Douglas immediately became involved with the Sussex branch of the RICS and was elected chairman a year later. Douglas became senior partner of King & Chasemore, a position he held for ten years. He retired in 1987, just after King & Chasemore was acquired by the Nationwide Building Society.

In retirement, Douglas and Vera continued to enjoy the house and garden that they had built near Horsham in Sussex. They went on many cruises and travelled the world on a number of extended holidays. He also learned to ski and loved their annual skiing trips to Austria.

Douglas died on 18th July 2013 after a short illness. Vera also died in September of that year. They are survived by their son, daughter-in-law and two grandsons.

FRERE – On 2nd January 2015, Lionel Peter Dyve Frere (F, 1940-44), in Bexhill. A funeral service to celebrate Peter's life was held in Hastings on Thursday 15th January. The following obituary was provided by his daughter Norma.

Peter died peacefully at Eridge House, Bexhill. He was born and grew up in the Hastings and Sedlescombe area of East Sussex as an only child and much beloved son. He was educated at St Edward's School in Oxford, from September 1940 to July 1944 and was in Tilly's House. After leaving school, he enrolled in September 1944, in the Kings Royal Rifle Corps in York and in April 1946 transferred to the Royal Army Pays Corps. He was commissioned in June 1946 and was de-mobbed in January 1948.

In August 1948, Peter started training as a chartered accountant, working in London until November 1952, when he moved to Bexhill. 1952 was also the year of his marriage to Mavis Adeline Adamson, a Student Nurse from Newry, County Down. Peter joined Chartered Accountants Hamilton & Wilton in Bexhill where he later became a partner. He retired in 1986.

He joined the Freemasons at Bexhill Lodge in February 1969. In November 1980 he joined the Hastings Unitarian Church, where he became chairman. He was also a member of the local Probus Society, as well as of the Liberal Party, later the Liberal Democratic Party.

He has two children, Norma and Jonathan, seven grandchildren and one young great-grandson and will be very, very sadly missed by all.

Tribute has been paid by his family, his former work colleagues and by many, many long-standing

friends, not only to his gentleness, kindness and loyalty, but also, as an avid reader, to his intellect and knowledge, his love of travel and of maps, his sense of humour, wit and prowess in public speaking, as well as to his willingness and ability to guide others through financial affairs and accountancy training. Although a quiet person, his life has had an obvious impact on all who knew him, and, above all, he is remembered with deepest love, affection and respect.

GIRLING – On 14th February 2014, Revd Francis Richard Girling (C, 1942-1946), aged 85.

Brother to John Girling (C, 1941-1944). Revd Girling was formerly of the Community of the Resurrection in West Yorkshire, professed CR 1957. He went to Worcester College Oxford, obtaining a BA in 1952 before going to London University.



Ambrose William Halliburton-Smith

HALLIBURTON-SMITH – On 3rd March 2014, Ambrose William Halliburton-Smith (C, 1943-1947). Several mini-strokes, starting about two years ago, had left him speechless and, for the last

16 months, in hospice care. St. Edward's School gave him an excellent foundation for life and he had many fond memories. Before his final illness, Ambrose and his partner A. Ian Fraser

wrote a memoir, published last year through Amazon Books. The title is *A Sow's Ear*. Lived in France with his partner.

HAMPSON – In 2011, George Edward Hampson (E, 1963-1965). Brother of Peter Hampson (E, 1963-1965). George went on to be an Engineer at Rees Bros in Aldershot.



John William Hills

HILLS – On 1st June 2014, John William Hills (C, 1974-1978), aged 53. The following obituary has kindly been provided by Michael Vince (G, 1972-1976).

John Hills' death at the age of just 53, little more than two months after being diagnosed with cancer was a huge shock to his friends and everyone in the world of Racing. It is just impossible to imagine how deep his loss is to his wife, Fiona, his four daughters and his immediate family.

John was odds-on to end up in the world of racing from the day he arrived at Teddies, but he was the last person to realise it. For him in those teenage years the dream was all about flying, being a pilot and knowing everything about the skies. His father Barry, one of the outstanding trainers of his generation, even arranged for young Master Hills to absent himself from Field House in his second year to ride in the great Amateur event the Newmarket Town Plate. Victory was duly

secured on a horse that went on to win at Royal Ascot the following year. John's photo lit up the back pages the next morning, his triumph acclaimed but explanations demanded (not for his absence, but for the fact MCR and friends alike had not been tipped off, and not helped themselves to the 8-1 price on offer!)

John's Riding career, which included victory in the Amateur Derby at Epsom, he was thrilled it was sponsored by Moet, gave way to a training career in Lambourn, his home until his untimely death. Twice he came close to Classic success with second place for Wind in Her Hair in the Oaks and Broadway Flyer in the St Leger (beaten by a horse trained by his father). He also conquered Hong Kong with a horse called Docksider.

John was one of the good guys in racing and in life- a friend, supporter and encourager to everyone- he even spent time on the National Trainers Federation, a thankless role to which he was elected by his peers.

It says more about John Hills than any words of mine that at the Thanksgiving Service held on a sun-kissed afternoon in his beloved Lambourn it was standing room only half an hour before the start, hundreds listened outside and two of racing's greatest icons Frankie Dettori and Tony McCoy gave up their rides for the day to attend.

I was one of at least five OSE who attended that service. To me, and I am sure all of them who had known him the best part of 40 years, John's friendship dating back to Teddies was something to cherish.

HUTCHINSON – On 1st February 2014, Paul D Hutchinson (B, 1940-1942)

Brother of Stephen Hutchinson (B, 1918-1924) and Peter Hutchinson (B, 1936-1941).

He studied at Trinity College Oxford, from 1943-1946, where he obtained his MA before becoming Assistant Master at Sebright School near Kidderminster from 1946-1954, and Clifton College Preparatory School from 1954-1988, Housemaster from 1962-1977, Second Master from 1977-1987, and becoming Acting Headmaster in 1982 before retiring in 1988.

KENDALL - Thomas Hugh Kendall (F, 1949-1954). He attended Southampton University from 1956-1959, receiving a First Class BSc, before becoming Communications Engineer at Marconi Ltd in 1961.



Lt Col Michael Knight

KNIGHT – Lt Col Michael Knight, aged 94.

The following obituary is taken from the *Telegraph*.

Lt-Col Michael Knight, witnessed the end of Britain's Indian Empire, fought throughout the Second World War and was awarded a Military Cross for gallantry. Knight transferred to the British Army in 1948 and joined the Royal Army Ordnance

Corps. A series of postings took him to Germany, Scotland and Cyprus and then, in 1963, he became Commandant of the Central Ammunition Depot at Longtown, Cumbria. After a spell in Singapore, in 1974 he retired from the Army and for the next 17 years, based in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, he raised funds for the Conservative party. He was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant in 1985. His wide range of interests included golf, sailing, fell walking, shooting, hunting and polo. Michael Knight married first, in 1946, Bridget Maude who died in 1979 and secondly, in 1980, Jane Reid who survives him with three sons of his first marriage (a daughter predeceased him).

LANSDELL – In February 2014, Anthony Roy Harrie Lansdell (A, 1946-1949). He began as a trainee at Rootes Group automobile company, Coventry from 1949-1953, before becoming Deputy Examiner Association GCE BD from 1963-1965 and Assistant Secretary of the Institute of Electrical Engineers from 1965 -1977, and a Marketing Consultant from 1976.

LATTEY -. On March 2014, John Irvine Lattey (G, 1943-1947) aged 84.

The following obituary has kindly been provided by his son Nick (G, 1972-1976):

My father was born in Alexandria in Egypt in 1929. His brother Derek was born in 1930. His father had a legal practice and it was a classically colonial household with a nanny and staff doing much of the hands-on care.

He went to Memphis Preparatory School followed by Victoria College in Alexandria.

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John Lattey

Aged 11, he returned to the UK with his mother and brother - travelling through Calais a month before it was taken by the German army. His father remained in Egypt, and the family never reunited. His father died in 1950.

John attended Manor House Preparatory School, Horsham and then boarded at St Edward's from 1943 to 1947.

He was a house prefect at Segar's House, and Captain of Cricket and Swimming. He played cricket for the 1st XI 1944-1947 and also played 3rd XV rugby.

I also went to St Edward's and remember him telling me the following: The toilets did not have doors. You swam naked in the outdoor pool. A boy was punished for turning up in trunks. A bad report in History led to him and Richard Whittington (later Birmingham's coroner) cramming selected past paper topics. Their favoured topics all came up in "O" levels and they both got top grades much to the surprise (and disgust) of their teacher.

National service in the RAF was following by reading mechanical engineering at Clare College, Cambridge. The advice to me from this period concerned sharing a flat and cooking duties. When asked to cook - do so.... do it badly so that you will never be asked again!

He continued to play cricket at Clare. He had played cricket with his brother for years claiming Derek wanted to bat so he became good at bowling. Derek followed him to St Edward's and Clare. His love of cricket is displayed by a meticulously kept record of all bowling and batting 1948-1968.

He was graduate trainee at Rolls Royce Aero Engine Division between 1952 and 1954. He then worked at the Guided Weapons Division, of Vickers Armstrong and BAC at Brooklands. He was group leader and manager working on the Vigilant anti-tank missiles and TSR2. The latter was a fighter jet which was scrapped due to governmental finance issues. He was made redundant because of this in 1966 but the

TSR2 was always the work for which he was most proud.

He met Sheila at a party, and they married on 1st January 1955 despite her spending much of their courting watching him play cricket.

They had three children Nick (1959), Sara (1961) and Pip (1963).

The family moved from Weybridge to Bournemouth in 1966 where he was technical manager for the traffic light division of Plessey. In 1968 he got a job as head of technology services for GKN Screws and Fasteners division in Smethwick. They moved to Solihull which was much more to Sheila's liking than Smethwick.

Between 1977 and 1983 he worked as a project manager for GKN projects concerning cold storage and chickens in Iraq.

He then worked for British Aerospace, Kingston on a project in Iraq, I suspect, on the back of his previous contracting experience there. He explained to me once that this experience largely consisted of knowing the likely cost of bribes!

After he retired in 1988 he threw himself into Olton Golf Club. He was B Team Captain 1991-1993 and after this continued to organise working parties and play an active role within the club.

I suspect John never really appreciated how much he relied on Sheila until she died in 1999.

He had half his colon removed for cancer in 1979. In 2002 the remaining half of his colon twisted, leaked and had to be removed. When I first visited him in Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham a few days after surgery the first thing he expressed was concern over the Olton Golf Club B Team captains. He asked me to run the database

and make sure everything proceeded as it should do. It was typical. If he said he would do something he would, whatever circumstance he found himself in. Grim determination and a sense of duty.

Sadly Pip died in 2003 after a long term eating disorder and latterly heroin addiction. The last few months of her life were extremely difficult for John as he tried to steer her to a better path.

Despite saving his life he never forgave the QE hospital for, as he saw it, giving him MRSA. He joined the MRSA support group and visited the Houses of Parliament with them. He also took up the Equitable Life cause writing to and visiting local and national politicians with letters detailing the monetary losses he felt he had suffered at their hands including fiendishly complicated spreadsheets and calculations.

In November 2013 he fell into a bunker and fractured some ribs spending a month in hospital. I feared his Christmas message saying "I enjoy defeating my geriatric health problems" was wildly inaccurate. He continued to deteriorate generally and was admitted with pneumonia in February 2014. He was discharged with a care package and was only coping due to his grim determination. He was re-admitted a month later and sadly died on 28th March 2014.

MARPLE - On 7th January 2015, David Rodney Marple (F, 1948-52), after a long illness in the South of France. He was the brother of Robert Marple (F, 1944-1949). He attended London University from 1953-1954. RM 1954-1955 MN 1956-1957, was a Steel Broker from 1959-1988 and had lived in France since 1988.

McCARTNEY - In January 2014, Raymond LS McCartney (E, 1938-1940). He attended Rashtriya Indian Military College Dehra Dun from 1941-1942, and was a Major in the Gurkha Rifles from 1942-1946. He worked at CF Anderson & Sons, London from 1947-1989, and was Associate Director and General Manager from 1980-1989, before retiring in 1989.



Joe Musgrave

MUSGRAVE - On 23rd March 2013, Joe Musgrave (B, 1941-1945). He attended Cambridge from 1945-1946, and was in the Royal Navy Volunteer Reserve from 1946-1948. He was in the timber trade from 1948-1973, a trainee in Manchester from 1948-1949, before establishing Joseph Musgrave & Co, Timber Importers, from 1949-1973. He then went on to Mg Dir. College of Law 1975-1976, Solicitor in 1979 at Walker Smith & Way, Chester. He represented Ski Club Great Britain in Alps 1973-1975, and was Captain at Delamere Heath Golf Club.

NORMAN - On February 25th 2014, Lieutenant Commander Norman Peter Charles Dudley Norman (A, 1950 - 1954) aged 76 years, following a long illness of Parkinson's disease and bowel cancer. At St Edward's, Peter was in the Rugby XV, Athletics, Harriers and Boxing teams.



Norman Peter Charles Dudley Norman

In 1955 he joined the Royal Navy (BRNC Dartmouth), and proceeded on to Royal Navy Engineering College, Manadon in 1956. He had a career as a supply officer and in early Word processors and computers. Peter left the Navy in 1983 and joined CSC where he worked as a consultant with various agencies till 1994 when he retired due to ill health.

In 1996 with his wife Wendy and a skipper and friend Barry, Peter sailed to the West Indies from Cornwall, then on up the Intercoastal Canal in USA and back via the Azores .The voyage lasted two years.

Peter leaves a widow, Wendy, four sons and seven grandchildren.

NORTON-WELSH - In November 2013, Dr Christopher Norton-Welsh (G, 1948-1953). The following obituary was kindly provided by Eric Balmer (G, 1950-1955) and Bill Graham (F, 1961-1965).

Brother of Alexander Welsh (G, 1946-1950). He attended St John's Oxford from 1955-1958 where he obtained his MA, before going to Vienna Music University from 1966-1969 where he studied for Diplomas in both International Civil Service and Music. He worked for the International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna from

1962-1981 and was a European Correspondent for the Opera magazine in London from 1961, the Opera News in New York from 1979 and became a freelance Singer and Teacher in 1980. He was Master of the Old St Edward's Masonic Lodge three times, travelling from Vienna, as well as holding senior offices in Freemasonry in Austria.

ORCHARD - On 15th February 2014, Hugh C Orchard (D, 1942-1946), aged 85.

The following obituary has been provided by his son Howard.

After National Service in the RAF Hugh obtained a diploma in electrical engineering at Faraday House. He worked as a research engineer at Ferguson Pailin Ltd. (1955-1956). He then joined the Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB) in 1956, first working as an assistant engineer in the system operations department before joining the

fledgling nuclear power branch as a Nuclear Health and Safety Physicist. He retired from the CEGB in 1988 after a triple heart bypass, and pursuing numerous hobbies and interests including gardening, photography and maintaining his large collection of clocks and cameras.

In his spare time, he was closely involved in village life and chaired various local committees. He was life president of the dramatic club and over 50 years served as a director, performer, sound and lighting man and backstage helper. He leaves a widow, Felicia, two children, Howard and Elizabeth and seven grandchildren.

RALLIS - On 4th February 2015, Dimitri (always known as Taki) Rallis (A, 1953-1958), aged 75, in America following a heart operation. Malcolm Gill (A, 1953-58) kindly provided the following obituary.



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After leaving St Edward's he went on to Cambridge where he graduated. For many years he lived in the USA. Before retirement he worked for the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey. His office was in the Twin Towers but fortunately he was not in his office on 9/11. Although Greek by birth and a resident of the USA he was extremely proud of his old school and university and considered himself an Englishman first and foremost. As one of his closest friends at St Edward's and subsequently, I will miss him very much.

REISS - Frank Jacob Zweigenhaft Reiss (A, 1937-1940). Royal Navy Volunteer Reserve from 1942-1946 and attended London University from 1946-1949, before becoming a Mechanical Engineer, and working for the Canadian National Railways in Montreal.

ROE – On 23rd September 2014, Professor Derek, (E, 1950-56), aged 77. The following was kindly provided by Derek's wife Dr Sarah Milliken: Derek Roe, OSE and Governor of 44 years, was an archaeologist who is best



Derek Roe

known for his pioneering studies of the British Palaeolithic period. His PhD thesis, *A Study of Handaxe Groups of the British Lower and Middle Palaeolithic*, represents a milestone in Palaeolithic Studies. The method for the description and analysis of handaxes which he devised is still widely used throughout the world, while the appendix to his thesis, the *Gazetteer of the British Lower and Middle Palaeolithic Sites*, continues to represent an invaluable source of reference for scholars of early British prehistory.

Derek was born in 1937 in St Leonards-on-Sea, East Sussex. At St Edward's he was a Scholar, a School Prefect, editor of the Chronicle and in the 1st team for golf, squash, tennis and shooting. He became a talented painter under the art tuition of Art Teacher Lawrence Toynbee, and won the Edward Milson Art Prize in 1956. From an early age he had an interest in anything old, such as fossils, Roman coins and field monuments. After fulfilling his national service with the Royal Sussex Regiment and the Intelligence Corps in Berlin, he went up to Cambridge University in 1958 with an Exhibition State Scholarship to study Archaeology and Anthropology at Peterhouse. It was during his last year as an undergraduate that Derek contacted *The Times* to enquire about the possibility of working for them as their Archaeology Correspondent. His first report, on new radiocarbon dates for Irish Neolithic tombs, was published in September 1961, and over the following five years he published more than 150 articles on excavations, current research, exhibitions and book reviews. Before he

had completed is postgraduate studies, Derek was appointed University Lecturer at Oxford University in 1965. For the next 38 years, until his retirement in 2003, he taught Palaeolithic archaeology to generations of Oxford students, at first only to graduates and then, from 1994, to undergraduates too. At Oxford he conceived the idea of setting up a research facility for graduate research students. He raised the funding by approaching Francis Baden-Powell for a generous benefaction in memory of his father, Donald, who had been Roe's predecessor in teaching Palaeolithic archaeology in the university. The Donald Baden-Powell Quaternary Research Centre was officially opened in 1975. Under Derek's guidance and direction, the Centre, which was located at 60 Banbury Road, became an international hub of Palaeolithic studies, as well as a home away from home for postgraduate students and visiting fellows.

Derek was a founding fellow of St Cross College, and served as Vice Master for three years (1988-1990). He showed a particular gift for fundraising, and his efforts were crucial in bringing to the College a major benefaction enabling the construction of the first purpose-built College building. After his retirement he continued to play an active role on the art Committee, cataloguing and publishing the College's collections of watercolours and silver. Derek also maintained close ties with St Edward's. Invited to join the Governing Body in 1970, he continued to serve until his death. Upon retirement, Derek tried to withdraw as much as

possible from the world of archaeology, in order to have more time to indulge in his long-standing passions for fly-fishing, photography, and collecting watercolours, glass and silver. Nevertheless, he continued to honour long-standing friendships with colleagues by agreeing to write introductory chapters for edited books, and giving advice on Palaeolithic finds to professionals and amateurs alike. Derek's son Nick Roe (D, 1984-1989) will be fundraising for Pancreatic Cancer UK in memory of his father by running the London Marathon. Nick has asked if anyone would like to support his cause to visit his fundraising page: <https://www.justgiving.com/nickroe/>

The following memory was kindly provided by Nigel Hamilton (E, 1951-1956):

When we went for our National Service medicals by bicycle to Headington, we were told that if we opted first to go to Oxbridge, we would in all probability miss it, as it was coming to an end. Although he had an Exhibition to Peterhouse, Cambridge, Derek chose to join the Colours and was duly put into his County regiment. For once, the War Office woke up and recognised a talented recruit, and he was fairly soon put in the Intelligence Corps in Berlin where in the rank of Corporal he did very useful secret work.

RHYS – On 16th February 2014, Revd David Edwin Rhys (E, 1951-1956) aged 76 years.

Mrs Rhys has kindly provided the following obituary:

David Edwin Rhys was born on 3rd November 1937 to Edwin and Hilda in Sutton Coldfield, a brother for Peter.



The Revd David Edwin Rhys

Educated at St Michael's, Tenbury Wells, St Edward's, Oxford, and Peterhouse, Cambridge, where he read Theology, he trained for the ministry at St Stephen's House, Oxford, following in the footsteps of his father, grandfather and two uncles. He was ordained Priest in Lichfield Cathedral in 1964 and served his first curacy at St Michael's, Tividale. In 1965 he was appointed Priest-in-Charge of St Francis, Horn Park and Curate of St John the Baptist, Eltham, where he met Judith whom he married on 4th February 1967. For a brief period he was Warden of the Lady Margaret Hall Settlement in Lambeth and for eight years worked for the ILEA in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

He returned to full-time ministry in 1983 when he was appointed Rector of St Mary Magdalene with St Michael and All Angels, Woolwich. During his twelve years there he became Sub Dean of Woolwich, Rural Dean of Greenwich and was made an Honorary Canon of Southwark Cathedral. He was awarded a police medal for his work in helping to set up the first Greenwich Police Community Consultative Group. Ill health led him to take up a part-time post as Vicar of St Mark in the North Downham Team Ministry in 1995 but in 1998 he retired, again on the grounds of ill-health.

He was received into the Roman Catholic Church in 1999 and ordained Priest on 14th April 2000 by Bishop Charles Henderson at St Edmund of Canterbury, Beckenham. For the next nine years he assisted Fr. Gerry Flood at St Theresa of the Child Jesus, Biggin Hill and regularly said Mass there and in the churches nearer to Beckenham in the Bromley and Lewisham Deaneries.

Inn 2009 David and Judith returned to Eastbourne and David quickly became involved in the parish of Christ the King with the Holy Rood and St Joachim where he was able to say Mass on a regular basis as well as in the other Eastbourne churches. Following a series of falls and minor strokes in 2013 he spent some in hospital and returned home in November where he was looked after by Judith and a team of carers. He died at home on 16th February 2014.

During his school and college years he played rugby and cricket and was a keen follower of Welsh rugby and Aston Villa FC. He was an avid reader, a John Wayne fan and enjoyed foreign travel, classical music, opera and art.

SANDERS – In July 2014, John Herbert Sanders (A, 1942-1945). Royal Corps of Signals from 1945-1948, before becoming an apprentice with the North British Locomotive Company, Glasgow from 1948-1950, moving to BR Motive Power Department from 1950-1955. He moved to Canada to work as an Instrument Calibrator from 1957-1964, and later became a Model Maker and Engineering Assistant at Hunting Engineering, Ampthill.

SAXEL – On 25th June 2014, Michael Saxel (B, 1948-1951). He worked in the Wine Trade in South Africa from 1952-1961, before going to Keele University from 1963-1967 to obtain his BA. He was Assistant Master at Grange School, Aylesbury from 1967-1970, and the Head of Geography at Churcher's College, Petersfield from 1970.

SMYTH – On 3rd March 2014, Peter Mark Smyth (G, 1953-1958), aged 74, in Perth, Australia following a heart attack. After leaving St Edward's he attended Pembroke College Oxford.



Peter Mark Smyth

STUART-PRINCE – On 30th June 2014, Richard Geoffrey Stuart-Prince (E, 1940-1944), aged 87. Very peacefully at his home, with all his family present. Beloved of Trudy, Mary, Timothy and Felicity and of his four grandchildren. He attended Corpus Christi, Cambridge, where he studied natural science, and was the longest living First XV Captain for Chiltern RFC.

THIRSK – On 28th September 2013 and 19th October 2013 respectively, John (C, 1947-1951) and Peter Thirsk (C, 1947-1951),

both aged 80, after battles with bowel cancer. Born in Bridlington on 14th September 1933 to Thomas 'Tommy' Thirsk (renowned golfer and flour mill owner) and Gladys (Dewhirst) Thirsk.

Their lifelong friend Paul Rollason (C, 1947-1951) has kindly provided the following obituary: The twins and I arrived at Field House, Teddies in September 1947. At first we had to present ourselves to Manning, the music teacher, to see if we could sing. Peter could and from then on sang in the School Choir looking quite angelic in his choir robes. We all played rugger in the winter. Peter and I played cricket in the summer; John rowed. There was still rationing. We were always hungry. John started the SSS (Sunday Scoffers' Society), other than Chapel twice a day every day, we had Sundays to ourselves. We would share out what food our parents had filled our tuck boxes with and what little was available from the tuck shop. Peter did his National Service in the Navy as I remember, finishing on a Mine Sweeper and John in the Army finishing in command of a Landing Craft, so both of them had a watery time. Afterward, Peter returned to the Thirsk Mill and John joined the overseas branch of Commercial Union insurance company where he covered a wide area in the Middle East. Both twins are greatly missed by their families and many friends.

Peter Thirsk (C, 1947-1951) Top row second from the left, John Thirsk (C, 1947-1951) Top row third from right, Paul Rollason (C, 1947-1951) Top row end right.

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Navin Lachmandis Tolani

TOLANI (SUKHWANI)

- Navin Lachmandis Tolani (formerly Sukhwani) (D, 1979-1984), aged 48 after a long illness. James Pierce (D, 1979-1984), provided the following:

Friends and family of Navin gathered at the School Chapel for a Memorial Service to celebrate his life on January 11th. Navin was a much-loved character at St Edward's, a keen artist, swimmer and rugby player and above all, a great friend. The Reverend David Wippell conducted the service assisted by Gabs, the School Organist, and remembered Navin fondly having once coached his rugby team. Navin's sister, Deepika and brother, Raj mentioned how touched they were by the service. Deepika read the beautiful poem, *To an English Friend in Africa* by Ben Okri, which reminded her of Navin and his love of travel. Tom

Fremantle read the eulogy, reminding everyone of Navin's great gift for friendship, his zest for life and his irrepressible laugh. The congregation sang 'Jerusalem' (Navin's favourite hymn) and 'Let it Be' by The Beatles, before visiting a bench dedicated to Navin with the words: IN MEMORY OF NAVIN SUKHWANI – WHO LOVED THIS SCHOOL. The last port of call was The Dewdrop pub in Summertown to toast Navin and where the stories about him rolled out long into the afternoon. The congregation included: Family - Deepika and Raj Sukhwani, Friends - Chris Driver (G, 1979-1984), Tom Fremantle (E, 1979-1984), James Fry (H, 1988-1993), Geoff Goodman (A, 1979-1984), Alexander Goodman, Mike Harvey (D, 1979-1984), Nicky Henderson, Dan Hillyer (F, 1979-1984), Jono Moles (F, 1979-1984), Peter

Sinclair (D, 1979-1984), Frances Stanley, and Matt Todd.

Navin was a popular, friendly and happy guy to have as a friend, keen to join in activities and take part in the community of the School. After school he tried his hand at various city jobs, gained a place at Leeds University, and stayed in touch with his many school friends despite



Donald Verity

experiencing poor health and associated difficulties.

He will be missed by all his friends from school and the many he made in life beyond Teddies, not only for his generosity and warmth, but for the courageous way he bore illness, always maintaining a brave face.

TUMIM – In August 2014, Anthony Elliot Tumim, (A, 1940-1943), aged 89. Brother of Stephen Tumin, (A, 1944-1948), he was in the Royal Navy Volunteer Reserve from 1943-1946. He later became a Chartered Engineer (MICE MIHT) and was a member of Local Government from 1946-1990.

VERITY - On 17th October 2014, Donald Wrathall Verity (C, 1938-1942).

Brother of Colin Verity (C, 1940-1944), he attended Exeter College, Oxford, from 1942-1945, and George's Hospital (MRCS LRCP). He was a Medical Officer in the Parachute Regiment from 1951-1954, and the Territorial Army from 1954-1966. He went on to become a General Practitioner in Tadcaster, a Prison Medical Officer, and a Police Surgeon.



Charles Anthony Wilmot-Smith

WILMOT-SMITH – On 3rd September 2014, Charles Anthony Wilmot- Smith (A, 1940-1943), aged 88. RAC from 1944-1947. Magdalene College, Cambridge from 1947-1949, where he obtained his MA, before becoming a Sales Manager at British Aluminium Co, Twickenham and a Barrister, Inner Temple in 1968.

WINKLEY – On 16th June 2014, Roger Michael Winkley (F, 1959-1964) aged 68. His widow Clare, kindly provided the following obituary:

Roger Winkley, who spent much of his professional life focussed on the Education sector, has died at the age of 68. As a partner at Barron and Smith Architects for 25 years until retirement in 2010, he developed the firm's reputation for innovative school design established by the founders.

Roger studied architecture at the University of Bristol and was elected to the RIBA in 1971. After graduation he worked for Bristol City (later Avon County) Architects Department on the early phases of Bristol Polytechnic and a number of schools including Brimsham

Green. In 1979 he joined the PSA working on the design of a large MOD campus before transferring to London in 1981.

Roger joined Barron and Smith in 1983 where he led the design of a new high school for the children of United States Air Force personnel at Greenham Common, which received a USAFE European Schools First Honour Award. In 1985 Roger entered into partnership with practice partner Jim Cross and the two went on to design and deliver major new school buildings, notably Pate's Grammar School in Cheltenham.

Following Jim Cross's retirement, Roger swapped the original cellular office space in Church Row, Hampstead for an open plan studio environment in Islington, encouraging more open communication and sharing of ideas and where he was better able to pass on his

specialist knowledge to his staff. A particular highlight of this period was the new Williams Studio at Uppingham School which was a tangible expression of a lifelong love of music and opera. He had designed sets for Bristol University Operatic Society and Bristol Intimate Opera (1965-1981) and as a keen trumpet player he had played with Bristol Concert Orchestra and later with Lawyers Music in London.

Under Roger's leadership, no school's ambitions were too small to benefit from the firm's specialism and he maintained strong relationships with local authority education departments and Diocesan Boards of Education. He embraced the developing Grant Maintained schools sector and the firm grew confidently, providing an expert design service for nursery, primary

and secondary maintained and voluntary aided school clients. His expertise in the preparation of an effective Education Brief, informed by rigorous curriculum analysis, was a particular strength to schools bidding for capital funds and led to DfE research and several London BSF programme Client Design Advisor commissions.

Roger always sought to deliver the best possible learning environments often within severe cost constraints, particularly perhaps in 1999 with completion of a high quality, low cost, primary school in South London in time for the next century, whilst down the road a more celebrated project had triple the budget. In the office, his genial personality rejoiced in these triumphs and a trusting encouragement of his staff ensured a harmonious working environment.

His professional legacy is the modern, educational environments of hundreds of schools which continue to make a positive impact on the lives of so many young people, exemplified by the new Bishop Justus CoFE School, Bromley, opened by Lord Adonis in 2006.

In a fitting finale, with the practice now part of Norfolk Property Services, Roger and Clare retired to a converted old school house in Norfolk where he continued to offer his expertise, notably to North West London Jewish Day School and Michael Sobell Sinai School in Brent. He died peacefully on 16th June 2014. He leaves his wife Clare, daughters Alice, Emily and Felicity and four grandchildren.



Roger Winkley

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Photo: Stephen Winkley (second from right) with other HMC heads at the HMC Conference. (left-right) Andrew Trotman (St Edward's 12th Warden) Nick Haddock (F, 1972-1977, St John's Leatherhead), Tim Manly (G, 1977-1982, Hurstpierrepont), Howard Blackett (A, 1974-1978, Royal Hospital School Ipswich), Stephen Winkley (F, 1957-1962, Uppingham), Geoffrey Boulton (F, 1970-1975, Giggleswick).

WINKLEY – On 3rd April 2013, Stephen C Winkley (F, 1957-1962), aged 69, after a long illness.

The following obituary has been taken from the Lancashire Evening Post:

Dr Winkley came out of retirement at the age of 63 to take on the headship in 2008. In the years that followed he was credited with transforming the Lancashire Independent School, attracting record numbers of pupils and spearheaded a major investment programme.

After more than 40 years working in the independent education sector he was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award.

He started his career at Cranleigh in 1969 and 16 years later became second master at Winchester College, the last holder of the joint office of deputy head and master in college.

Married to Jenny, he had sons Leo and Mungo and his daughters, Imogen, Isabella and Jess.

WOOLCOTT – On 16th November 2014, Chris Woolcott (B, 1971-76), in Africa. His brother Justin provided the following obituary. My brother Chris was in Sing's from 1971-1976. He wasn't particularly academic. He didn't aspire to be so. He was good



Chris Woolcott

at sports without trying. I remember watching him win the school diving medal three years in a row, by simply showing up at the old outdoor pool, walking on his hands to the end of the high diving board and then dropping in - without a splash. Above all he loved the camaraderie at school and built many lifelong friendships. The highlight of the week for Chris was to nip down the canal towpath on a Saturday afternoon for a pint or two at the Vicky in Jericho and then spend the rest of the afternoon at the Nosebag, nursing a single pot of tea with his friends.

Chris's true love was always Africa. We lived in Zambia when we were at Teddies. As soon as we got home for the holidays, Chris would march off into the bush, airgun across his shoulder, two very happy dogs in tow and not be seen again until the sun set. After Teddies, Chris went to Cirencester Agricultural College. The goal was to allow him to return to Africa. It worked. He returned to Zambia, where

he met and married Jeanette. Then they moved to Botswana, with Chris starting as a farm manager. They soon bought a farm in Ghanzi - on the edge of the Kalahari and Okavango. There, after starting with a dairy - where no refrigeration meant milk in the morning, yogurt at lunch and cheese by nightfall - the business evolved to become a bush camp. Together Chris and Jeanette, and their children Samantha, Hayley and Laurie, created a little oasis in the desert. On November 16th, close to home, Chris's life ended early in a car accident. He was buried on the farm, in Africa where he belonged.

YOUNG – On 4th July, 2014, Bradden Hamilton Young (C, 1988-1993), aged 39. The obituary is taken from the *Washington Post*:

Bradden Hamilton Young, born in Oxford, England, passed away suddenly at his home in Washington, DC. He was the Founder and CEO of Young & Inspired, an events and promotion company based in New York, Executive Producer of the Global Poverty Project Citizen Festival, and the Chief Strategy Officer of Noise 4 Good. His passion was to promote and raise support for worthy causes including Many Hopes, an orphanage in Kenya, Charity Water, Film Raise, and the Nelson Mandela Children's Foundation. His warm, creative and caring spirit will be missed by many. He is survived by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

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Events - OSE Regional Luncheons



Edinburgh 31st May 2014



OSE at Dinner Newcastle

Edinburgh Lunch 2014

This was held in the Pollock Halls, a residence for Edinburgh University students, which proved to be an ideal venue. The food, wine and service were excellent. 11 OSE attended, with years of entry ranging from 1944 to 1991. Also present were John Wiggins (Hon OSE Secretary), Cameron Cochrane (Former MCR) and the Warden. I had never been able to attend previous Edinburgh reunions, and this was a rare opportunity to catch up with news about the School and its impressive expansion since my time (1950 to 1954). John gave us chapter and verse on Teddies recent sporting successes, including last year's superb Henley performance – the second fastest time ever for the Princess Elizabeth Cup in the final. The Warden painted a wide-ranging picture of the School's academic and artistic achievements, and his ambitions for the future.

Martin Johnson (D, 1950-1954)

Newcastle and Durham University Visits 2014, by John Wiggins

Prior to the short train journey to Durham which provided a stunning view on arrival at the station and a meeting with some of Teddies' finest, Ian Rowley and I had the pleasure of visiting a healthy number of equally fine, OSE undergraduates at Newcastle University. It is also true to

say that we met a number of healthy undergraduates, clearly benefitting from a solid grounding (at Teddies) in a balance of academic and exercise that has seen them somehow survive the rigours of university life. Ed Lea (H, 2006-2011) was kind enough to take time out between his interview for Sandhurst and completion of a dissertation proposal to show us around the impressive library and the heart of the University buildings.

Visiting, as we did, in the last week of the University term and with major deadlines the following day, it was difficult for all OSE to meet us in the evening but we were delighted that 13 turned out



Clockwise from left: John Wiggins, Cameron MacRitchie (H, 2006-2011), Hannah Reed, (K, 2007-2012), Mr Ian Rowley, Mikey Dicks (H, 2008-2013), Isabella Ogston (J, 2007-2012), Ollie Smith (C, 2007-2012), Freddie Kerr-Dineen (C, 2007-2012), Lily Hinton (M, 2008-2013), Ella Phillips (K, 2008-2013), Sam Macdonald-Smith (H, 2008-2013).

for a meal and a drink (or two). Another, unable to join us, was Hamish Atkinson (C, 2006-2011) who was required for training by the University Rugby Club; the following day they beat Swansea University in the semi-final of the cup.

Mr Rowley's excitement at the contents of the Durham Cathedral only just surpassed the visit to 'both' of Newcastle's Cathedrals whose architecture and organs provided much to admire.

We were very grateful for the time taken by Ella Phillips (K, 2008-2013), and Mikey Dicks (H, 2008-2013) in showing us around the Cathedral and later, in an unscheduled visit, by Pollyanna Mainds (M, 2007-2012), around the Castle.

The Durham contingent of OSE were delighted to welcome Mr Rowley and Mr Wiggins up to the North for a reunion last Tuesday. Despite the pouring rain, Mr Rowley and Mr Wiggins were very keen to see the sights of Durham, and so we took them on a whistle-stop tour of the Castle and the Cathedral (where Mr Rowley got very excited upon seeing the impressive organ). This was followed by a fabulous lunch in Zizzi's with a large group of old Teddies boys and girls. It was great to pass on our shared experiences of the university, and to hear all the news from Teddies. Thanks to Teddies for generously giving us a break from college food! **Ella Phillips** (K, 2008-2013)

Events - Ose Regional Luncheons



Spring Devon & Cornwall Lunch, April 2014

The Cornwall and Devon OSE held their Spring Luncheon on Friday 25th April 2014. Once again we met in the Arundel Arms in Lifton and this time 21 OSE attended. This was our 19th Luncheon and we are pleased to report that the majority of the ten who were at the first lunch in May 2005 were able to join us this year.

The following attend the luncheon: Alan Nixon (F, 1937-1939) and his grandson James Nixon (F, 1993-1998), Peter Cronk (E, 1945-1949), Tony Robathan (F, 1946-1950), Hugh Gould (C, 1949-1952), Mark Daymond (E, 1950-1955), Nicholas Payne (B, 1951-1956), Gerry Williams (B, 1952-1957), John Bogle (B, 1955-1960), Roger Davis (E, 1955-1960), John Crosse (B, 1955-

1960), Michael Goodearl (B, 1956-1960), William Hunt (E, 1956-1960), Christopher Scott (A, 1957-1962)

John Crill (D, 1958-1963), Jeremy Griggs (E, 1958-1963), Nigel Hunt (E, 1959-1963), Antony Naish (A, 1960-1964), Peter Hall (F, 1960-1965), David Smith (D, 1970-1974), Martin Bishop (E, 1943-1947).

The Cornwall and Devon OSE met once again on Friday 24th October 2014 for the Autumn Lunch.

This was the 20th lunch for the Devon and Cornwall Group and we were pleased to have 19 attending this time. We were happy to welcome five new faces to our group and it is always a great pleasure to see two Old Boys meeting, sometimes for the first time in forty or fifty years – and never a word in anger!!

The Arundel, as always, did us proud with good food, good service and lots of parking and it was unanimously agreed to meet there for the Spring lunch in 2015.

The following attended the lunch: Alan Nixon (E, 1937-1939), Martin Bishop (E 1940-1947), Tony Robathan (F, 1946-1950, Fraser Meikle (F, 1947-1950), Hugh Gould (C, 1949-1952), Nicholas Payne (B, 1951-1956), Gerry Williams (B, 1952-

1957), Robert Newhouse (D, 1953-1958), David Pusey (G, 1953-1958), John Bogle (B, 1955-1960), Roger Davis (E, 1955-1960), John Crosse (B, 1955-1960), William Hunt (E, 1956-1960), Hugh Newhouse (D, 1956-1961), John Crill (D, 1958-1963), Nigel Hunt (E, 1959-1963), David Pether (F, 1959-1964), Simon Croft (C, 1965-1968), Niel O'Neill (E, 1967-1971).

Regular luncheons are held in Cornwall and Devon. If any new residents to the South West wish to attend please get in touch with Devon and Cornwall OSE representative Martin Bishop (E, 1943-1947), telephone: 01566 880019, or by email: martinbishop404@btinternet.com



Bangkok Reunion

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A reception for OSE and parents was held in Bangkok on 13th February 2015. The event coincided with a visit by the Warden Stephen Jones and Deputy Registrar Pamela Keeley-Butler, to the British Boarding Schools Fair. A large group assembled in the Plaza Athenae Hotel for a happy reunion. OSE in attendance included: Kamtorn Sila-On (G, 1983-1988), Louis Pumin Yuvacharaskul (A, 2003-2007), Simon Baxter (A, 1958-1963), Suphajate Sinthunont (H, 2007-2009), Chalumon Lotharukpong (H, 1996-2001), Chalothorn Lotharukpong (H, 2001-2006), Chawin Chantharasenawong (G, 1998-1999) and Panita Looareesuwan (K, 2007-2009).



Devon and Cornwall lunch, Oct 14



In the picture: L to R – Oliver Dashwood, Nick Deane(behind Oliver),Michelle Hopkinson, Mark Hopkinson, Christine Stuart, Fiona Potter, Ian Stuart, Simon Marchant, Chris Hartley, Jamison Sharpley (behind CH), Elgan Potter and Steve Luker.

Sydney Reunion

On Saturday 1st November 2014, OSEs gathered at the Three Weeds, Balmain, Sydney.

We had a range of attendees who left Teddies between 1965 and 2006. Age range from 26 to 67!

The original intent was to have a pub crawl having a few Jars (schooners) at each pub with some food thrown in along the way. However the pub ambience turned out to suit the “older” OSEs and we stayed put for the duration of the evening. We could actually hear ourselves talk which has been a request from many OSEs!!

The younger set turned up somewhat later so it was fortuitous that we had decided to stay put.

Oliver Dashwood (B, 1960-1965), who lives in Queensland, came armed with some stories of Teddies in the 60's along with a few school photographs. Oliver is a third generation OSE as both his father and grandfather attended the school.

Nick Deane (F, 1961-1965), same vintage as Oliver, also brought along some school photographs of his time there. This

included his 1st XV team photograph.

We were treated to the LATIN version of the school song which is remarkable after 50 plus years. No crib sheets used!

It was a relaxing evening and the “youngsters” were particularly interested in finding out what Teddies was like in the 1960's and 1970's. Somewhat different today - particularly the infrastructure.

The event was attended by: Ian Stuart (C, 1971-1976) and his wife Christine, Oliver Dashwood (B, 1960-1965), Mark



William Browne, Jamison Sharpley, Daniel Ball, Edward Stephens, Edward Womersley, Max Brunner.

Hopkinson (B, 1969-1973) and his wife Michelle, Simon Marchant (C, 1972-1976), Nick Deane (F, 1961-1965), Chris Hartley (D, 1975-1980), Steve Luker (B, 1977-1982), Elgan Potter (F, 1976-1981) and his wife Fiona, Jamison Sharpley (F, 1996-1998), Ed Womersley (F, 2002-2007), Daniel Ball (H, 2000-2005), William Browne (H, 2000-2005), Max Brunner (E, 2001-2006) and Ed Stephens (B, 2001-2006).

Thanks to all who turned up. We will organise another gathering in the 1st week of November 2015. Please register your interest to Ian Stuart at: ses150sydney@gmail.com



Old St Edwards' Lodge No 5162

Of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons within the Province of Oxfordshire

Master 2014-15, Eric Balmer

We are keen to reach OSE around the country who are in Freemasonry (or interested in it) but are unaware of our existence.

Meetings are held four times a year, on Saturday afternoons, in Oxford. The Installation Meeting is in May.

The next meeting is on Saturday 21st March 2015

The following meetings will be on Saturdays of 2nd May, 26th September, and 14th November 2015, then Saturday 19th March 2016.

Further details and information on Freemasonry are available from either the 2015 Secretary, Guy Williams, on 07752 814144 - grwilliams56@live.co.uk, or the Treasurer, Bill Graham, on 01363 83047 - bg4847@aol.com

Henley Memories

My Experience at Henley Royal Regatta

Henley was without a shadow of a doubt the best week of my school years, and one of the best weeks of my life. I thought I knew what to expect when arriving in the town; it was bustling with activity and my fellow crewmembers and I were glued to the van windows. I was lucky enough to be in a crew with very experienced oarsman, some of whom had taken part in the event before, and who instilled a certain amount of confidence in the lesser-experienced oarsman such as myself. My Captain, Oli Knight had told me countless times that Henley was the highlight of a rower's year, and he was right. However, no amount of description and chatting could have prepared me for the memorable experiences I was about to have. The first day was (in my eyes) the longest - rowing down to the start line blew my mind. Every direction I looked, people swarmed the banks. I had never attended a Regatta with such a large gathering of spectators. Our first race was against St Paul's School, known to be a tough crew to beat, so we went into the race determined to make a big start. We lined up on the start and my hands began to shake uncontrollably; all I wanted was to start pulling my blade. I had never experienced such a powerful rush of adrenaline. The Umpire's flag dropped signalling the start of the race, and we were more than ready to go. After the first stroke all the adrenaline seemed to disappear and my mind cleared, all I thought about was pulling as hard as humanly possible and keeping our bows in front. We leaped out of the blocks and before long we had secured a safe boat length. Six minutes later we crossed the line victorious, and very out of breath! It had been one hell of a first day and a serious eye-opener. We were lucky enough to be lodged by the very generous Innes family, who cooked very large delicious meals and made us feel quiet at home. The next three races against KCS, Radley and Hampton, seemed to follow this trend of rushing adrenaline on the start line and clear-headedness in the race.

Somehow as the days went on we became closer as a crew. Our racing also improved, and we each pulled harder and did everything we could to support one another. We seemed to pay more and more attention to our cox Hugo Marsh, relying on his every command to secure victory. We trusted one another entirely and knew that none of us would hold back, and each one of us would give it their all on the water. This mentality formed a strong bond in the crew, an *esprit de corps* that has remained with me.

The Final on the Sunday was unforgettable. Our coach Jonny Singfield gave us a talk that has stuck with me to this day. Whilst boating we didn't talk much as we were already in racing mode, we all had stern faces on and were pumped to go and take down Eton College. Being finalists, we were honoured to row down the racing course to the start line. We received so many cheers and cries of support from our families, friends and strangers that only seemed to increase our will to crush the

opposition. On the start line I was calmer, probably because I had already been in that position four times prior, patiently waiting for the Umpire's launch to arrive. Our eyes were entirely in our boat and we were focused. The Umpire arrived, the flag came down and the race began. At this point the adrenaline kicked in and it was overwhelming, it made me feel vicious and fierce toward our adversary. We came out the blocks shifting masses of water and began to pull ahead; eventually we secured a little bit of clear water. However, half way down the course they started to come back at us. I was hoping that we would be able to hold them off until the line, but sadly this was not to be. In the last five hundred meters they pushed through, I can safely say that I had never experienced as much pain as I did in that last quarter of the race. I had the impression that all my joints were about to rip apart. All I wanted was the race to end, but the *esprit de corps* was what kept me going. I buckled down and kept pulling as hard as I could as to not let my crew



members down. Sadly, we crossed the line exhausted and defeated; it was however a great race. Demoralised after the final is in my eyes when we came together the most as a crew, hugging and supporting one another. Of course heavily relying on emotional support from our families, friends and coach.

The St Edward's crew arrived in Henley as a band of good friends who shared a passion for a sport they loved, but left Henley a band of brothers who shared an experience that will stick with them forever.

Finally, even knowing the outcome of the final, I for one would race in that crew all over again, any day of the week.

Tristan Mackie (C, 2012-2014)

Our VIII in 1974 was not a great vintage, and we were the first Teddies crew to row at Henley after an absence of a few years. In the 1974 Henley crew there was a notable absentee, Mark Lees. Mark was very competitive and had been an ever-present member of the VIII up until a week or so before Henley. He then had a major falling out with coach Richard Simmonds, questioning his coaching methods and our preparation for Henley. Not very diplomatic! As a result, he withdrew from the crew. As if to prove a point, Mark then went on to be a very successful rowing coach, coaching the Cambridge Blue boat and National Squad crews before dying at the relatively young age of 38 in 1994.

Teddies rowing had reached a relative low point at that time and was run down with few experienced coaches available to coach crews through the full age range. Our coach Richard Simmonds was trying to change this with the enthusiastic support of Henry Christie, the Warden. After I left, coaches such as John Lever and Mike Rosewell were to arrive transforming the fortunes of Teddies rowing.

My brother Duncan, one of the beneficiaries of these appointments, captained the VIII in 1979 that won the QMC at the National Schools and lost narrowly to St Paul's in the final of the Special Race for Schools at Henley.

The standout junior crew in 1974 was a Wallingford School IV that contained a certain John Wiggins...

David Hughes (D, 1971-1974)

Please congratulate the Henley crew from one who was in school rowing in 1945-1946. It is remotely possible the edge was in the finish of the stroke. When I was rowing in school we never achieved anywhere near what the boys have shown they are capable of; we were told the finish of the stroke can provide the edge that won and lost races. Three years ago I was invited to Cambridge (NZ) to watch my grandson rowing. It was very exciting and a wonderful experience, but I did not know what my daughter was up to at the time. When grandson George got out of the boat she said, "Dad, it's all arranged you were number three, get in the eight!" I did what I was told despite being 83 at the time! Well we rowed across the lake Karapiro where we later watched the world rowing championships. My daughter said I really looked as if I knew what I was doing! Well maybe, but I did not put quite so much effort into the oar work! The advance in design really impressed me. The design of the blade is so much nearer what I used to say to the coaches would be more effective. The comments were always, "Maybe you are in the right direction." It was wartime in 1945 and there were more important issues. My grandson (now at Otago University) attended St Peter's College, Cambridge which could not be more like an English Public School. Even the buildings looked the part. They have a huge velodrome which is leased out frequently for elite level racing.

This country is really still quite a bit like England down under, although the climate is wonderful here. Midday temperatures seldom drop under 14°C in Auckland, although it is colder down south.

Thank you so much for sending the final report. I know Teddies have won the Princess Elizabeth cup in the past. I always follow rowing.

John Disbrowe (C, 1942-1946)

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Rowing

1992 VIII Reunion

This was no random coming together of old mates but was months in the planning, driven on by Captain, Rick Morris. *Rhubarb* kit was specially made and with a rigorous Martyrs crew training to refresh the blisters, the scene was set for an impressive pair of races against

the current VIII during the 2014 Boat Club Barbecue on Sunday 1st June. The outcome was open to interpretation but safe to say that the OSE finished first even if they also *started* first! Well supported by families and friends from way back then, the numbers

for the annual barbecue swelled to sell-out proportions. Boatman-cum-ferryman, Phil Colborne, somehow managed to get well over a hundred people from the boathouse across Aeroplane Reach onto Port Meadow to watch the racing upstream over 250m towards Godstow Lock. While this was an excellent opportunity for a crew to get back together it was also a boat club fundraiser; inspired by a conversation in the summer of 2013 by one of our pupils in the annual telethon to OSE. The 92 crew was not quite complete as sadly Punyo Sakhareh (B, 1987-1992) couldn't make it but he was adequately replaced by Tim Waite who was a member of the 92 2nd VIII and 93 1st VIII.

The OSE crew as pictured from left: Edd Boughton (E, 1987-1992) (Bow), Lucas Jones (F, 1987-1992), Tim Browning (E, 1987-1992), Tim Waite (F, 1988-1993), Rick Morris (F, 1987-1992), Dave Burton (C, 1988-1993) Hamish Floyd (F, 1988-1993) Ted Jones (F, 1988-1993) (Str) with current School shell coxswain, Sam Shuker. The 1st VIII from bow: Tristan Mackie, Hugh Reilly, Rupert Singfield, Charlie Smith, Sam Hamilton-Peach, Albert Mitchell, Sam Gillingham, Oscar von Hannover and cox, Hugo Marsh.



As Rhubarb goes to press there is much activity amongst rowing OSE. Stewart Innes (H, 2004-2009) continues to bang at the door of Jurgen Groebler's senior GB squad with two impressive performances in the 5km GB sculling trials, But he is now joined by 2014 BC Captain, Oli Knight (H, 2012-2014) who, rowing fellow Newcastle University student, James Rudkin, finished an extraordinary 6th in the open pairs event at the Boston trials in February.

2014 was quiet with only Alex Simmonds (E, 2007-2012) switching lycra from Oxford Brookes to race in Martyrs colours at Oxford City Regatta over the summer holidays. He and Freddy Myatt (H, 2010-2012) have raced with distinction for Oxford Brookes but Callum Jones (H, 2009-2013), a little more so in Brookes' Henley winning 1st VIII.

At the 2014 Boat Club Barbecue (see above) the '92 VIII reformed and put on an impressive turn of speed to show the VIII how to start and finish first. Inspired by their performance, three of them determined to see how far they might get in a more public arena and on February 14th the St Valentine's Day massacre risked being re-enacted on the Thames at Henley. Hamish Floyd, Ted Jones and Dave Burton (all 1993) were joined by Andrew Bird and cox, Matthew Barrett (both 1996). The '93 boys reflected on their first competitive race at this same event racing in a (victorious) J14 VIII - the days before



compulsory sculling - in 1989. Sadly the feat was not, on this occasion, to be repeated despite their best row of the three they have had together this year!

February has been a bumper month for returning rowers as, at the time of writing, we see the emergence of a 'Noughties' VIII, planning to race at the national, Vesta Veterans Head at the end of March. The current version of this star-studded crew is Mike Lambourn (E, 1997-2002), George Adams (G, 1997-2002), Will Morgan (B, 2002-2004), Dave Lambourn (E, 1999-2004), Ben Smith (F, 1999-2004), George Kitovitz (H, 1999-2004), Jonathan Basher (H, 2000-2005) and Dan Cadoux-Hudson (C, 2001-2006) with cox, Mrs Nicky Cadoux-Hudson and ably supported by sub, Ed Nurick (E, 2000-2005) for one of the two days of training in advance of the head race.

It is hoped that there will be a re-emergence of the Martyrs Boat Club committee with the dual aims of getting more OSE racing and raising funds to help SESBC maintain the highest standard fleet of boats. Anyone interested in either or both of these activities should contact the Hon Sec, John Wiggins via the OSE office.

John Wiggins

Martyrs Sports Day

March 2014

For the Martyrs Sports day on Sunday 23rd March 2014, the weather delivered wind, hail and sunshine in unequal measures presenting at times, tricky conditions for the many OSE proudly competing in Rhubarb against the School.

As ever, the incessant cajoling of Peter Swainson brought together sufficient hockey players for two teams to play the 1st and 2nd XI though it must be said that both School and OSE had some remarkable lookalikes playing in both matches. By the end, the Martyrs had recorded two victories despite the best and heroic efforts of the School goalkeeper, Gero Traem. A couple of the hockey players (Joe Robinson and Harry McHugh) did a turn on the football pitch before hastening to the mud-free, fluorescent, AstroTurf. Their departure is surely coincidental with the OSE turning around a 2-nil deficit in the second half to win 2-3. Thanks go to several but in particular Zack Taylor for pulling the team together.

Martyrs 'A' XI 4 – SES 1st XI 3
Giles Blanchard x2, Charlie Blanchard, Own Goal

Martyrs 'B' XI 2 – SES 1st XI 1
Will Kerr-Dineen Chris Lewis

Other activities were less weather dependent:

Squash was only sparsely populated by OSE but it is hoped that this will be the start of a renaissance in OSE-School matches. A round of matches between Charlie Everett Harries-Jones and Jack Morland, several School players and MCR, Alastair Cook and Andrea Antoniazzi was much enjoyed but no overall winner was recorded.

In the shooting range – possibly for the last time – a full team of OSE took on a depleted School side as one was delayed

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1992 VIII and SES crews on river

waiting for the weather to subside and do a charity parachute jump while another found an unexpected clash. Nonetheless, by the power of statistics, it became clear that the OSE were better shooters even though lower sixth former, Andrew D’Alton came away with the top individual score of 79/100. The best OSE was Henry Thomson with 78/100. The winning average score was 57 points for the OSE and Pupils average score was 50.75.

The competition now named ‘The David Pain Cup’ thanks to the generous donation of a commemorative trophy from the family of OSE Lt Cdr David P Pain (B, 1942-1945) a keen shooter, who died in September 2013. The trophy was duly awarded for the 3rd successive year to the Martyrs by Lt Cdr Pain’s daughter Sophia Pain.

If or where this fixture can happen next year when the site is flattened for the new Music School remains to be seen but generous or enterprising OSE are invited to come up with solutions.

The final sport to be reported was indeed very much dependent on the wind but on this occasion relied on the MCR to field a team against pupils and Old Radleians. The Warden (helm for the MCR boat) was sparing in his reporting about the

standings against Radley but did admit to a 2-0 victory by the pupils.

As with the Squash we hope very much that those available might increase for future fixtures. Those interested in participating next year are urged to contact the OSE office. James Dubois, newly appointed Squash Rep will be delighted to hear from you while the post of Martyrs Sailing Rep remains open – any offers.

Thanks go as ever to the individual sports Reps, Pamela Keeley-Butler for her tireless efforts in ensuring all is in place on the day and of course to the excellent Catering team that provided a delicious curry lunch.

John Wiggins MCR/OSE Hon Secretary



1992 VIII on the river

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September 2014

Shooting Results

OSE

Paul Smith (B, 1994-1999) - 69
Henry Thomson (B, 1999-2004) - 65
Nick Shott – (C, 1971-1976) - 5
(target crossover incident!)

Boys

Bart Pawley (A) - 66
Andrew D’Alton (H) - 41
Franklin Shaw (C) - 24

Squash Results

Well done today Team - a very close result at 9 - 7 in the old Boys favour but there were some good matches and even classy squash creeping into the fixture. Players included James Dubois (C, 1960-1964), Charlie Everett (G, 2008-2013), Ed Craven-Smith (B, 1994-1999), David Smart (C, 1968-1972) and Michael Bury (F, 1999-2004). Many thanks to Alastair for organising the games and to Pamela and the School for the hospitality.

Football

A hastily assembled yet relatively experienced team of OSE football stars took to the hallowed turf of Corfe pitch. A formidable defence, pivoted by Simon Barrington-Ward and Henry Maas in the middle with the ever energetic duo of Joe Robinson and Harry McHugh in the fullback positions. The Martyrs, setting themselves up in a 4-3-1-2 formation, had Zack Taylor, Ben Clayton and Anders Fries anchoring the midfield, with Rob Morgan and Folarin Bajomo playing free roaming roles linking the midfield to the attack. Up front was the secret weapon, our very own WMD, Duncan Wilson MacDonald - supported by the tireless Mikey Standing.

After a fairly positive start from both sides the game soon settled into something reminiscent of a Stoke v

Sunderland match. The game needed a spark, and out of nowhere a relatively harmless cross was sensationally headed in by the St Edward’s XI star striker. What followed was equally as bizarre, a philandering goalkeeper stranded awfully out of position (Maas had picked up the gloves at this point) was left embarrassed after a fairly mediocre shot rustled in the back of the net.

2-0 down at half time, with the majority of the old-timers complaining about one injury or another, it was looking bleak for the Martyrs. A quick reshuffle in defence, with McHugh taking the gloves and a switch to the unorthodox 3-5-1-1, as the Martyrs set out to restore some pride. However, with only 13 minutes left on the clock the old boys were still 0-2 down. A stone wall penalty provided the inspiration they needed, with Taylor calmly slotting home to make it 1-2. Two quick fire goals in the space of three minutes, the latter a goal mouth scramble with WMD and Morgan both claiming it, did the job for the Martyrs who managed to hold on for a well-deserved ‘W’ and the beers that followed during lunch in the Martyrs pavilion.

Henry Maas (H, 2004-2009)

2005 Martyrs

On a cold crisp winters morning the Class of 2005 Martyrs descended on West London to set about avenging last year’s penalty shootout defeat of to the old enemy. After the success of last year’s game that was set up by Ben Riley (A, 2000-2005) and Marcus Turner of Radley, there was a great turnout with 14 of the 2005 leavers coming from near and far for the match.

The opposition featured mainly old boys from the same year group with a few ringers from other years, fittingly with connections to the 05 teddies year group. After a solid warm up of corners and long shots, the match begun at noon with the dull drone of the M40 in the back ground. The Rhubarb team started strongly with some good early possession and a couple of shots from distance that failed to trouble the Radley gloveman.



Back Row -Ross Kerr, Jonathan Skull, Bertie Conibear, Mark Perry, Nick Gleave, Ben Ridgway, Tom MacDonald, John Barrett. Front Row - Tom Allen, Georges Haines, Jack Teasdale, Ben Riley, Adam Reeve, Will Power

The first clear cut chances fell to the boys from North Oxford in identical fashion, first Adam Reeve (C, 2000-2005) and then Ross Kerr (F, 2000-2005) managed to sneak in round the back off corners and head wide when unmarked. With Teddies failing to convert their early chances and use the low sun to their advantage, the reds went on the attack testing Nick Gleave (F, 2000-2005) between the sticks and forcing him into a couple of smart saves in the frosty goalmouth. The rest of the half was an even contest with no side really taking the upper hand and chances were few and far between.

Radley started the second half the stronger forcing a corner and managed to capitalise where the teddies boys had spurned chances earlier heading in unmarked t the back post to take the lead like they did last year. The Rhubarbs looked to get themselves back in the game and were caught on the counter attack with the reds captain playing in their left winger. Two Teddies defenders went diving in but could not stop a lovely strike from going into the far corner.

The OSE were up against it and had to emulate last year’s comeback to draw with the South Oxfordshire side, just to force penalties

and avenge for their shootout heartbreak. Yet, the midfield were caught too far up the field, as was the referee missing the Radley captain a good couple of yards offside when he was played in on goal and duly slotted past the hapless Gleave in goal.

3-0 down and with a mountain to climb and with the feeling of unjust the Martyrs rallied with Will Power (F, 2000-2005) and Tom Allen (B, 2000-2005) working tirelessly up and down the touch line running at the reds full backs trying to create a chance for the North Oxford outfit to having a glimmer of hope at getting back into the game. This finally came with Power cutting in off the right and slamming a left footed shot past the stricken Radleian keeper.

There were 10 minutes left when Teddies forced a corner on the left and a goal mouth scramble that resembled a ruck in rugby and the ball fell to Jack Teasdale (E, 2000-2005) who bundled it into the net. With the Martyrs pushing for the equalising goal in the final minute a ball lumped into the box was cleared by the Radley centre back who followed his clearance and managed to beat the retreating teddies defence to the bouncing ball and go one on

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one with Gleave to which he lobbed to give a rather grand looking score line to what was a fairly evenly matched game.

After handshakes all round both sides retired to the local pub for a well-earned drink and a catch up.

Golf

Spring Meeting - Oxford Golf Club

The first Martyrs Golf Society meeting of the year took place on a beautiful spring day at Oxford GC, with a good turnout of 26 players, including Society debutants Ed Skilbeck (C, 1979-83), Tom Freeman (A, 1993-98), Mark Stott (K, 1993-98), Tim Sutton (C, 1993-98) and Harry Leitch (E, 1999-2003). We also welcomed John Simpson and Peter Rudge from the MCR for the first time.

Under glorious sunny skies Alex Hawkins (H, 1995-2000) (15 handicap) won the Talent Cup with 38 points, with Rick Powell (K, 1993-1998) (16) coming 2nd with 36 points and Peter Neal (K, 1993-1998) (5) coming 3rd with 32 points. Pete Neal claimed the Spring Cup for the best scratch score with 27 points and also won the A Division (for those with 14 handicaps and under). Alex Hawkins won the B Division (for those with 15 handicaps and above) and also took the prize for the longest drive. Harry Leitch won the nearest the pin competition.

A competitive, but fun afternoon was enjoyed by all, with a good number going on to the annual OSE Dinner in the School dining room in the evening.

Peter Swainson (F, 1995-2000)

Hockey

Martyrs Day

The Martyrs' inaugural fixture against Old Waynfletes (MCS old boys) resulted in a high scoring 4-4 draw and was followed by an even higher scoring 5-4 victory over the Old Dragons.

Peter Swainson (F, 1995 – 2000)



The victorious squad pose with the coveted Haileybury Sixes Trophy: Back row (L to R): Andrew Baggs (A, 2001-2006), Nick Henderson-Williams, Will Kerr-Dineen (G, 2003-2008), and George Creed (G, 2005-2010). Front Row (L to R): Nick Whiteley, Peter Swainson (F, 1995-2000), and Jasper Joyce (H, 2005-2010).

Haileybury Sixes

The Martyrs retained the prestigious Haileybury Sixes title, becoming the first Old Boys side to do so! The squad of Andrew Baggs (A, 2001-2006), Will Kerr-Dineen (G, 2003-2008), George Creed (G, 2005-2010), Jasper Joyce (H, 2005-2010), Nick Henderson-Williams and Nick Whiteley, ably led by Peter Swainson (F, 1995-2000), dispatched Aldenham, Felsted, Dean Close, Sherborne and Tonbridge in the Pool stages, before beating Framlingham 2-1 in the semi-final and, with Jasper Joyce scoring a golden goal in extra-time, and RGS Guildford 2-1 in the final!

Andrew Baggs (A, 2001-2006)

Cricket

The Martyrs Cricket Club continues to grow from strength to strength and had another very successful season. In preparation for

Cricketer Cup, the Martyrs enjoyed fine wins against the Marlborough Blues and Radley Rangers – our fourth in a row against the old enemy! – before producing an uncharacteristically poor display to lose to Old Bedfordians in the 1st Round of the Cup.

We also enjoyed another incredibly closely contested game against the 1st XI at Gaudy – with the Martyrs falling just two runs short of the unbeaten 1st XI's total – and four games during Cricket Week.

Peter Swainson (F, 1995-2000)

The Martyrs Hockey Club and Cricket Club are always looking for more players, so whether you're playing regularly or haven't picked up a stick or bat in years please do get in touch if you fancy a game!

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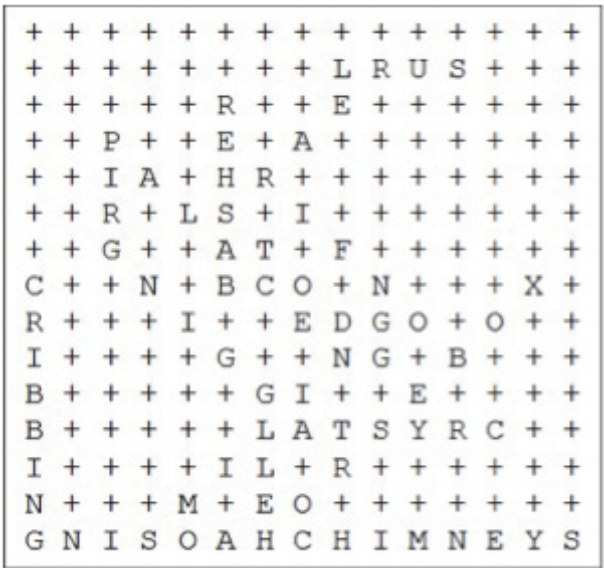
Answer to Bridge Problem 1 on page ____.

Win the spade and lead a club to dummy. If that wins you must return to hand with a spade(!) to lead another club. North, who has clubAxx, can take the ace and cash three spaces, but you can win the next lead in dummy, unblock the clubs and return to the diamondA for two more clubs. If a Trick 3 you return to hand with a diamond to lead a club, North takes his ace and plays a second spade to isolate the clubs.

Answer to Bridge Problem 2 on page ____.

Duck the spade lead, win the next spade, ruff dummy's third space, draw trumps ending in hand and lead the heart10 to the king. When that wins, return a heart to the queen and North's ace. If the heartJ has not already appeared from South, North is endplayed.

Solution to the wordsearch on page 17



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OSE South West Regional Luncheon

Saturday 25th April, 12.30pm
Cardiff and County Club

Teddies 2-Wheeler

Sunday 26th April
St Edward's

An all day event, For
more details please visit
the School's website
www.stedwardsoxford.org.

OSE Midlands Regional Dinner

Friday 15th May, 7.00pm
The Granville, Barford

'Rhubarb Goes to Town'

Thursday 21st May
London – Venue TBC

OSE North West Regional Luncheon

Saturday 30th May, 12.30pm
Marsh Cat, Parkgate

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All OSE at the School
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Friday 19th June, 6.30pm
North Wall

OSE Henley Tea Party

Friday 3rd July, 3.30pm
Henley Cricket Club Car Park

Autumn Term 2015

OSE House Reunion (Macnamara's)

Saturday 12th September

OSE Martyrs Sports Day

Sunday 13th September

Golf, Hockey, Rugby, Harriers

Evensong at St Paul's and OSE London Drinks

Monday 28th September

OSE 1975 Rugby First XV 40th Anniversary Reunion Dinner

October (Date TBC), 7.30pm
Martyrs Pavilion

OSE South West Regional Autumn Luncheon

Friday 23rd October
TBC

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November (Date TBC)
Sydney

OSE Carol Service

Sunday 29th November, 3.30pm
Chapel