

The 2013 OE reunion

This year's reunion was held on Saturday 21 September and was for all Old Eastbournians who were, or would have been, in the sixth form in a summer term between 1965 and 1979.

Among the day's activities were a guided tour around the College, taking in a number of the new developments that have been built in the last few years, tea in the College Theatre (Big School) and Choral Evensong in Chapel. In the afternoon the Stags played the Old Oundelians on College Field, followed by the 1st XV taking on Reigate Grammar. A drinks reception was held in the Birley Centre before the guests headed up to the Dining Hall for dinner. Over 200 people attended during the day and more than 175 came along to the evening meal. The reunion is not just for OEs, and we were pleased to see a number of former staff were able to attend as well.

It was a truly international gathering with guests from the length and breadth of the UK, not to mention those who travelled from France, Germany, Hong Kong, Mexico, New Zealand, South Africa, Sweden, Thailand, the United Arab Emirates and the USA to be with us.

The 2014 reunion will be for leavers in the years 1980 to 1994 and will be held on Saturday 6 September. If you would like to attend please contact Lulu Brown on 01323 451911 or vlbrown@eastbourne-college.co.uk. More details are in our events listing opposite page 1.



During the afternoon a group took a tour of the College



Fr Iain Forbes (S69-74), at the far end of the table, said Grace before the meal

Reunion guests

The following were on the table plan for dinner:

Sarah Aitkenhead (née Lyell) (N74-76) and Stuart Aitkenhead
Hadi Al-Hillawi (W67-70)
Richard Ballerand (S71-72)
Dermot Bambridge (R62-65)
Jennie Barnett (N71-73)
Jonnie Barr (W63-68)
Bill Baxter (G74-79)
Jill Beech (née Greenwood) (N71-73) and Eric Beech
Robin Bishop (Pw65-71)
David Blake (Eastbournian Society)

Bert Boltjes (G61-67)
Tom Boltjes (G64-69)
Tony Bowker (Pw66-70) and Jennifer Bowker
Sam Bradford (S64-67) and Sandra Bradford
Philip Brice (B70-75) and Deborah Brice
Timothy Brice (B74-79) and Helen Brice
Ian Buckley (S68-73) and Sue Buckley
Ben Bull (P67-70)
Adrian Chandler (B70-74)
Malcolm Chapple (P63-67)
Nicholas Churcher (Pw73-78)
Nick Clough (P62-67)
Jack Cluer (College staff 1976-93) and June Cluer
Jeremy Cole (S68-73) and Wanthana Cole

Nicolette Collins (née O'Brien) (N72-74) and Charles Collins
Sara Cooke (née Richards) (Tenby Lodge 1969-71)
Simon Cornford (S62-65)
Simon Cotton (B70-74)
Harry Cracklow (S69-74) and Julia Cracklow
Ian Cracknell (G74-79)
Robina Davies
Simon Davies (Headmaster)
Mike Davis (C66-68; R69-70) and Jeannette Davis
Nigel Day (Pw67-72) and Sara Day
John de Brugha (B68-72)
Bernard Drake (College staff 1967-96)
David Dunn (Pw68-73)

Peter Durrant (R67-71)
Roger Edmondson (College staff 1972-2002) and Beryl Edmondson
Hugh Ellison (G62-67)
Richard Fairclough (G62-66)
Nick Ferguson-Gow (Pw63-69) and Heather Ferguson-Gow
Fr Iain Forbes (S69-74)
Elizabeth Foster (née James) (N69-70)
Mark Foster (W69-71)
Aidan Gardner (C75-80)
Nigel Gearing (C70-74) and Sally Gearing
Iqui Gelu (P64-69)
David George (Pw64-68) and Jenny George
Clive Glenister (B68-73) and Katharine Glenister
Ian Greig (Pw65-67) and Lucy Greig

William Harper (N62; W63-66; N67) and Dee Harper
Ian Henley (G70-75)
Peter Henley (G68-73)
Vicky Henley (née Crawshaw) (N75-77)
Philip Hepburn (B61-66) and Hilary Hepburn
Jaafar Hillawi (W66-70)
Chris James (Pw64-67) and Angela James
John James (W65-67)
Mark Jensen (R73-75)
Nick Johnson (S71-74) and Sarah Johnson
Hafiz Khandwala (S69-73)
Pip Kirtley (née Perrens)
Margi Lawrence (née Ballantine) (N69-70) and Ian Lawrence



Iqui Gelu (P64–69), left, gave an amusing speech during the dinner about his memories of the late 60s, and finished by proposing a toast to the College. We are very grateful to Iqui for the amount of time he spent promoting the reunion amongst his friends and contemporaries; he was responsible for persuading 25 guests (spread over three tables) to come to the meal



We were delighted that Donald Perrens, right, who taught at the College from 1946 to 1981, was able to attend



Gen Sir David Richards (W65–70), at the head of the table, had recently retired from his role as Chief of the Defence Staff and was part of the large contingent of early 70s leavers who attended



Possibly the OE who travelled the furthest to attend was Jeremy Newton (G64–69), right, who arrived in the UK on Saturday morning and flew back to Hong Kong the following day

Philip Le Brocq
(College staff 1962–88)
and Sally Le Brocq
Richard Lewis (R65–69)
and Cathy Lewis
Charles Lewis (R67–72)
Jenny Lush
(College staff 1959–94)
Harry Lyth (Pw62–67)
Mike Maccoy (W65–70)
Neil MacKichan
(Pw71–76)
Julian Martyr (Pw65–69)
and Jo Martyr
David McKeown
(B67–70; C70–71)
Andrew Milton-
Thompson (W69–74)
and Maeve Lynch
Culain Morris
(College staff 1975–88)
and Merry Morris
Roly Morris (P65–70)
Wayne Morris (P63–68)
Tony Muskat (B65–70)

Tim Mynott (Pw68–73)
Jeremy Newton
(G64–69)
Chris Nicholson
(W61–65) and
Marina Nicholson
Mark Norton (Pw68–73)
Caroline Pack
Christopher Palmer
(G67–72)
Muff Palmer
Michael Partridge
(B46–51;
College Archivist)
and Sheila Partridge
Nick Pendry
(College staff 1975–2010)
Jim Penrose (P66–68)
Donald Perrens
(College staff 1946–81)
Alan Pickford (B62–65)
Rowan Planterose
(Pw67–72)
Brian Prentis
(College staff 1955–91)
and Margaret Prentis

Christopher Ray
(B72–77)
Sir David Richards
(W65–70) and Lady
Caroline Richards
Gillie Richardson
Brian Robinson
(College staff 1971–84)
Geoffrey Sartory
(G62–67) and
Anne Kohler
Vaughan Schulze
(College staff 1971–77)
and Jane Schulze
Ted Seabrooke (W67–71)
Simon Seath (Pw66–69)
and Patricia Seath
Hadi Shubber (P67–72)
Jawad Shubber (P65–70)
and Shireen Shubber
Sally Simpson
Paul Skinner (B63–67)
Jane Slade (N75–77)
Robert Smith (R60–65)
and Anne Smith

Colin Soole (P63–67)
Charles Spanton
(S68–73)
David Stewart
(Eastbournian Society)
Brian Thorne
(College staff 1962–67)
John Thornley
(Eastbournian Society)
Christine Todd
(Eastbournian Society)
Andy Venus (W67–72)
Morven Voorspuy
(R64–69)
Rufus Voorspuy (R63–67)
and Lyn Voorspuy
Chris Wadman
(Pw70–75) and
Deborah Cox
Brian Waldy (S64–69)
and Kate Waldy
Chris Walker (S68–73)
Forbes Wastie
(College staff 1961–88)
and Di Wastie

David West (B68–72)
and Sandra West
Nick Weston (G67–72)
and Emma King
Stuart Weston (G11–13)
Julian Wheeler (B67–71)
and Celia Wheeler
Nigel Wheeler
(College staff
1976–2006)
Rob Wicks (Pw74–79)
David Winn (S54–59)
Christopher Wood
(W64–68) and
Carolyn Wood

...plus some others who turned up in the evening but weren't on the table plan. Our apologies if we have missed you off the list.

News of OEs, staff and some others

The OE news pages are compiled from updates submitted by OEs and others, and also from items that appear in newspapers, magazines and online. If you have any news that you would like us to feature please contact David Blake at drblake@eastbourne-college.co.uk or write to the Eastbournian Society office at the address in the *Contacts* section on page 86.

Charlotte Austen



Charlotte Austen (S99–04) helped create a lifesize model of a Spitfire made out of egg boxes as part of a project to support the Help for Heroes charity for wounded servicemen and women. It took six weeks to build the model, using 6,500 egg boxes, five litres of glue, 5,000 nails, ten litres of paint and 10,000 staples, as well as wooden battens, canvas, steel, plywood and foam. Charlotte and her fellow artist Jack Munro used 'Eggs for Soldiers' egg boxes, a brand which donates part of its profits to Help for Heroes. The finished model later went on display at the Imperial War Museum at Duxford in Cambridgeshire. Charlotte is pictured here putting some finishing touches to her handiwork.

Ed Atkinson (P79–84) has taken over as OE rep in the United Arab Emirates from **James Young** (B80–85), who left Dubai at the end of December 2013. Ed is Head of Waste to Energy at TAQA, The Abu Dhabi National Energy Company. He helped host one of the Eastbournian Society events in Dubai held in February 2013, more details (and photos) of which are on page 7.

Mike Barford (R63–68) appeared in an episode of the BBC family history programme *Who Do You Think You Are?* in August 2013. In his capacity as curator of Christ's Hospital School's museum, Mike helped former England footballer Gary Lineker trace his great-great-great-grandfather Thomas Billingham, who was thought to have been a scholar at Christ's Hospital from 1798 to 1804.

Marcus Bate (P93–98) and his wife, Annaliese, have a baby daughter, Isobel. Marcus is working as a solicitor at Pinsent Mason, specialising in planning law, and Annaliese works in

employment law with Nabarro. He tries to play fives when he can. This news came from Marcus's mother **Nicolette Collins** (née **O'Brien**) (N72–74), who says: 'I am a very proud grandmother!'



Martin Bengé (S57–62) visited the College in October 2013 when this picture was taken. He and his wife were on holiday from their home in New South Wales, and called in to the College while visiting Martin's cousin and his wife.

Hassan Bey (G70–72) is the IS/IT manager at Mabruk Oil Operations in Libya, a joint venture between Total and NOC (National Oil Corporation). On leaving the College he went to the USA, graduating in electrical engineering and computer

science from the University of Colorado, Boulder. He then returned to Libya and worked in oil companies in IT. He is married and has five children; one is a medical doctor, one is a chemical engineer and the others are still attending school.

Chris Binge (G70–75) has been principal of the Island School, Hong Kong, since 2009, where he also teaches maths and theory of knowledge. He has been involved in international education for 30 years, having previously worked in Singapore and Switzerland, where he was secondary principal at the International School of Geneva. He has also worked for the International Baccalaureate Organisation. Chris is married to an OE, **Helen** (née **O'Connor**) (N73–75). In October Chris and Helen were

guests at the OE reunion in Hong Kong organised by the Eastbournian Society, photos of which appear on page 7.

Peter Birchall (P56–60) has volunteered to be an additional OE rep in France. Peter's details are listed in the OE rep section at the back of the magazine. His memories of his schooldays are on pages 12–13.

Sarah Blackmore (B05–10) is studying French, Spanish and Portuguese at the University of Nottingham. This has included spending a year abroad and Sarah has worked as an English teacher for primary aged children in Paris, followed by two months' teaching on a summer camp in Spain. She is going to apply for a PGCE with the intention of taking up teaching as a career.

Roger Blackburn



Roger Blackburn (W54–59) has written to tell us of his involvement in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee river pageant in June 2012. He tells us: 'I am chairman of a rather eccentric rowing club based in Oxford called City Barge. One of our activities is rowing the Drapers' Barge *Royal Thamesis*. This is a vessel called a shallop. We also row Venetian boats.' Roger was in *Royal Thamesis*, which he was stroking, pursuing *Gloriana*, the royal barge which was leading the flotilla. In the photo, *Gloriana* is in the centre and his boat is the one immediately to her left with the light blue oars and light blue canopy with a white hull. He continues: 'It was a long row but luckily we were near the front so didn't get as wet as some of the later boats. It was a marvellous experience and not being far behind the chiming bells we rowed through London with all the churches echoing the chimes of the Bell Barge. The crowds were quite amazing and you felt there was a danger of the buildings falling into the river as there were so many people on the riverside side of the building. What was even more surprising, after we had finished we had to row on round to the Trinity House Wharf where our boat was taken out of the water. There were crowds all the way down the reach to Greenwich and further. An amazing if cold and wet experience.'



Fiona Bottomley

Fiona Bottomley (née **Caffyn**) (N79–81) has published her third novel under the pen name Fiona Cane. *The Gate* was released initially as an e-book on Kindle in August 2013 but is now also available as a paperback from Amazon. It is a psycho-



logical thriller set in and around St Peter's prep school in a Sussex coastal town. Her previous novel *When the Dove Cried* is about a destructive group of university friends, and is set in a sleepy Sussex village. Fiona graduated with a BA in philosophy from Exeter University before moving to London where she worked in public relations in the film and entertainment sector. After a year travelling with her future husband, she qualified as a tennis coach and moved to East Sussex with her young family where she set up Smash Tennis. She has coached in schools and clubs and ran a series of spring and summer camps for local children. Her first novel, *Killing Fame*, is also available as a paperback on Amazon.

Sam Brooks (C07–12) is studying natural sciences at Robinson College, Cambridge. He is goalkeeper for the university hockey club, and has played a number of first team matches in the 2013–14 season. Before joining the Blues he was in the Wanderers (second team).

Nick Brown (R97–02) tells us that in February 2013 he took part in the Wadi Bih 72 km endurance run in Oman. The annual run is for teams of five runners, with each runner completing about 15 km to give a total distance of about 72 km. Other members of Nick's team included **Jamie Garrett** (W99–04) and **Jo Haggerty** (N00–02), soon to be Nick's wife. He says: 'I am happy to say we all survived and actually posted a good time!'



David Charman, former Head of Geography, visited the Eastbournian Society office in February 2013. David was housemaster of Nugent 1980–85 and then Wargrave 1985–89,

before leaving to become Headmaster of Sexey's School in Somerset and then the Sultan's School in Oman. He now lives with his wife Ann in Cyprus, having recently retired as the Principal of the English School of Kyrenia there. David is pictured here, centre, with John Thornley and David Stewart.

David reports that his son **Jon Charman** (R84–89) is settled in Al Ain with his wife Laura and three daughters. It is a very pleasant oasis town where Jon works at the UAE equivalent of Sandhurst. David's daughter **Nikki Charman** (N84–86) lives in Nairobi, Kenya, with her husband Piers and their three children, two girls and a boy.



Harriet Chartres (N91–93) was married in August 2012, as we reported last year, and we now have a photo of the happy day. Pictured are, left to right, **Jon Bathard-Smith** (Pw88–93), Harriet's brother **Alex Chartres**

(S92–97), who gave Harriet away, **Jane Bathard-Smith** (née **Everist**) (N91–93), Harriet, her husband Mark Restall and **David Macafee** (P89–93). In the background is Canford School where Harriet lived and worked for 15 years, as biology teacher and assistant housemistress. She and Mark now live in Bristol.



Warren Chiu (S92–97) is Director of Project Development at Warwick International Hotels, based in New York. He is in charge of the hotel brand's project development, focusing on design, renovation, and construction. A graduate of Rhode Island School of Design, Warren practised architecture and project management at Palmer and Turner, architects and engineers in Hong Kong.

Patti Clark (N83–85), who is better known as Patti Clare in the ITV soap opera *Coronation Street*, where she plays Mary Taylor, won the award for the best comedy performance at the British Soap Awards in May 2013.



Sally Clark (née **Edwards**) (N74–76) visited the College in June 2013 and had a chance to look round the Birley Centre. She was in the UK on a short holiday visiting friends around the country, having travelled from home in New South Wales, where she lives with her husband Richard and sons Adam and Matthew.

Rupert Clevely (B71–74) has stepped down from his executive role as managing director at Geronimo Inns, the pub chain which he built up, ran

and eventually sold to Youngs Brewery. He remains on the board of Youngs plc as a non-executive director.

Nicolette Collins (née **O'Brien**) (N72–74) has retired from full time teaching to do the occasional bit of supply work. She has a few private pupils for English, Maths, 11+, French and German. She is also a 'proud grandmother' of Isobel, the baby daughter of her son **Marcus Bate** (P93–98) and his wife, Annaliese.

Ken Cookes (P58–61), known as **Ken Colsell** at school, was in correspondence with us following the death of his brother **Robert (Tony) Colsell** (P52–56) earlier in the year. He gave us some information about his own life: 'I was at Granville, Ascham, from 1951 to 1958 and in Pennell from 1958 to 1961. I left school rather too young to secure a rugby Stag although I did play for the 1st XV. However, on returning home to Cornwall as a teenager I played for Truro in the rough and tumble of west country rugby. In those days Truro had two England internationals in the team which I played for; hard to believe these days? I also played for the county team in a friendly match. All I can say is that it was a considerable culture shock to play rugby against Cornish tin miners after Eastbourne's genteel school matches! I then did 34 years retail banking with Lloyds throughout the UK, retiring at area management level. I eventually pitched up living in Bath which, to many ex-naval types, is known as the 'graveyard of ambi-



Ken, left, with his brother Tony on Eastbourne Pier in 1952

tions'. On being posted there by the Admiralty they usually declined all further promotions! This applied to me too. For the last 20 odd years I've built up and run two property development companies in Bath, which I'm now in the process of winding down for my second retirement. I have been married to Shirley for 43 years and we have a son and a daughter plus four grandchildren. Life in Bath continues to be very agreeable.' Ken's connection with the College goes back two generations. Both his father, **Robert Kenneth Colsell** (S30-33), and his grandfather, **Robert Frederick John Colsell** (G1902-06), were OEs. Tony's obituary is carried on page 66.

Chris Cracknell (G72-77) featured in the *Sunday Telegraph* in March 2013 in a feature on how well-run family firms have overcome the problems of financing, management, succession and liquidity during the recession. Chris is chief executive of cleaning and services business, OCS, which can trace its beginnings back to The New Century Window and General Cleaning Company, founded by his great grandfather, Frederick Goodliffe, in 1900. OCS now employs 76,000 people, including 26,000 in the UK. With a turnover of £800m, it is one of Britain's largest privately owned companies.

James Cutler (C03-08) appeared in the BBC hospital drama series *Casualty* in June 2013, and played the part of Goggles in the film *Kick Ass 2*, released in the summer. He has also filmed an episode of



a new comedy drama series for Hartswood Films called *Edge of Heaven*, which is due to be shown on ITV in 2014.

Patrick Davies (Pw08-13) spent two months travelling round China with **Max Walker** (C08-13) in September and October 2013. Max's account of their trip is on page 31.

Jon Diboll (B69-71) has taken over as one of the OE reps in South Africa, after **Robert Collins** (S48-53) decided to step down. Jon's contact details are in the OE reps section at the back of the magazine. In June Jon and **Deon Morris** (B82-87) met **Eddie Izzard** (P75-80) after they had seen his stand-up show in Cape Town.



Simon Dickson (C03-08) is an associate at Iwerne Holidays, a company which runs activ-

Jane Currell (née Ingram)



Jane Currell (née Ingram) (N85-87) moved to Kyrgyzstan in August 2012 with her husband Jim and children Felix and India-Rose. They are helping the local charity Oasis Kyrgyzstan in two main areas: The Vulnerable Youth Project, which works with

both current and former street children living in government institutions, enabling them to live beyond institutions and the streets through training, mentoring, sports, and for some, transitional help and accommodation; and Anti-Human Trafficking, to prevent people being sold into slavery and prostitution. The family have been keeping a blog about their experiences (which they call their 'e-pistle') and you can find out more about their work at www.currell-pistle.blogspot.co.uk.

Vernon Dobtcheff



Vernon Dobtcheff (Pw48-52) visited the College in June 2013 to award the annual literature prizes that carry his name. Vernon has had an extensive career as a character actor in television and film, most recently appearing as Cardinal Versucci in the historical drama *The Borgias*, which was shown on Sky Atlantic in the UK. He is pictured here with Head of English Oliver Marlow, left, and Director of Drama Tim Marriott, right.

ity holidays for teenagers from boarding schools, giving them the opportunity to explore the Christian faith. In February 2013 he visited the College to preach in the Chapel, and is pictured here with his fiancée and Chaplain Chris Macdonald.



Gareth Doodes (R90-95) was appointed principal of George Heriot's School in Edinburgh and started there in January 2014. He was previously headmaster at Milton Abbey School in Dorset. Gareth is married to Jessica and they have a son, Humphrey, born on 5 August 2012. See the entry for **Jeremy Eustace** for a picture of Gareth and Humphrey.

Torin Douglas (G64-69) took voluntary redundancy from the BBC at the end of May 2013, after almost 24 years at the Corporation. He started there as media correspondent in August 1989, having worked in media journalism since joining *Campaign* magazine as a junior reporter in 1973. He also worked for the Independent Broadcasting Authority and *Marketing Week*, and wrote media columns for *The Times* and *The Independent* as well as presenting an LBC radio show about advertising. He was awarded the MBE for services to the community in 2013. Torin has not retired and continues to write and speak on media issues, and is actively involved in community issues, specifically as director of the

Chiswick Book Festival. He also works with the Media Trust, which brings charities and the media together, and is a trustee of the Sandford St Martin Trust, which runs the annual awards for excellence in religious broadcasting. Although Torin's life as a professional journalist started in 1973, a few years earlier he was making a significant contribution to the development of *The Eastbournian* magazine, which he edited in 1969. At the time the magazine had just completed a number of changes, with an increase in page size, a redesign and a more logical and coherent layout. It also included pages for the OEA annual report, later to become a separate publication, the *Old Eastbournian*. Torin's editorial in March 1969 dealt with a number of comments and criticisms of the changes and concluded with the words: 'The transition period is over and the foundations have been laid: now *The Eastbournian* must progress.' We'd like to think it has.

Rob Emmanuel (Pw83-88) was prompted to contact us when he saw that the Eastbournian Society had organised a visit in June to the Shard, the tallest building in Western Europe, close to London Bridge. He writes: 'A fair proportion of the video material within the whole View From The Shard experience was actually shot by an OE. I know this, because it was me!' As well as shots from street level, Rob also filmed views of London at night from the top of the building. He says: 'I spent a sadly windy, windswept night out on the 87th floor, just below the three jagged tips that form the top of the Shard, and which is inaccessible by the public, with everything having to be tied down, awaiting the sunset and sunrise that never came! We

did at least achieve some rather nice images of the likes of Tower Bridge, some of it as time lapse, in very hi-resolution HD. Even better, we managed to return to ground level the next morning without having lost anything at all over the side, and still with all our fingers and toes intact, although a warm coffee was greatly welcomed!' At the time of filming the building had not been completed and the high-speed lifts were not yet fitted. Rob continues: 'We had access to the one works lift that only went as far as something like the 45th floor, so yes, you guessed it, we had to walk, with all our equipment, up the final 30+ floors. (Unfortunately we had more than our group could carry in one go, so at least two of us probably covered almost double the amount of steps.) Thankfully, a benefit of a pyramid-shaped building is that they get smaller and smaller towards the top, which helps as obviously the gear and your legs start to feel heavier and heavier!' Rob was commissioned to do the filming by Elbow Productions, who specialise in audio-visual work for museums and heritage sites. Other projects he has been involved with include the British Museum's Afghanistan exhibition, the William Morris Gallery Museum in Walthamstow, the Museum of Somerset in Taunton and the National Museum of Flight in Scotland. He was also camera supervisor and lighting designer for the premiere of *The London Requiem*, by composer Benjamin Till, which was streamed live on the internet from Abney Park Cemetery in North London. Further projects include work at Bletchley Park, and the Royal Naval Museum at Portsmouth Historic Dockyard.



Jeremy Eustace (P90-95) is pictured here on the right with his second son Charles at Charles's christening on Sunday 12 May 2013. On the left are **Gareth Doodes** (R90-95) and his son Humphrey, who was born in August 2012.

Ian Fletcher-Price



Ian's profile in *Sussex Business Times*

Ian Fletcher-Price (B76-80), CEO of Posturite, the UK's largest ergonomics company, was profiled in *Sussex Business Times* in June 2013. The company, founded in 1991, has an annual turnover of £15m. It offers a broad range of products from chairs and desks to mice, keyboards and workstation accessories. Ian says that 75% of their income comes from curative rather than preventative solutions, a percentage that he would like to see reversed, with more being spent on preventing workplace-related pain. The company is based in Berwick, East Sussex, and, although business is expanding internationally, they intend to stay there. Ian says that Berwick 'is a good place to work and live and it contributes to our fantastic team spirit.'

Katie Evans (B01-06) is a member of Marrow, the student branch of the Anthony Nolan Trust, the charity that has created the world's first register of people willing to donate their stem cells. In March she spoke to the sixth form at the College about organ donation, blood donation and stem cells transplantation.

Lt Tom Evans (W05-10) has been commissioned into the Welsh Guards. During a two-week leave in November 2013 Tom came to the College to talk to Year 11 cadets in the CCF about careers in the army. He was then due to be deployed to the Falklands and, later, Belize.

Mo Faouaz (P84-89) graduated in chemical engineering and then gained a PhD in the same subject. After working for a few years in the UK he now lives in Morocco and spends his time travelling to the Persian Gulf states selling technology to oil and gas industries. He is married and has two boys, Hassan, aged 11 and Hussein aged 9½.

Chris Field (R97-02) was married to Imbi Sorensen on the island of Koh Samui in Thailand on 11 June 2013. Chris's mother **Carry Field**, who worked at the



College as marketing and PR manager until the end of 2011, says 'it was a truly wonderful occasion' and sent us this photograph of the happy couple. She says: 'They met three years ago when they both worked as tour leaders for Tucan Travel in Thailand, so it seemed appropriate that they should get married there. Imbi is from Melbourne and it also seemed right that the wedding should take place half way between Australia and the UK ... more or less! They are currently living in Melbourne though no doubt will soon be on the move again ... they are both inveterate travellers!'

Harry Finch (C11-13) has been awarded a junior professional contract with Sussex County Cricket Club for the 2013 season, following his graduation through the club's academy setup. He made his first-class

debut in the match against Durham at Chester-le-Street, in early September and earlier had taken part in the England under-19 tour of South Africa. Harry was the first recipient of the Peter Bibby Award, which provides bursary funding for a College education for a talented local cricketer, and spent two years in the sixth form in Craig House. Peter Bibby's daughter, Mirren Mace, commented on Harry joining the professional team: 'This is fantastic news. I feel that together we have made a difference to someone's life and that is a very special thing. Many congratulations to Harry - he has clearly taken this opportunity and made the very best of every moment'. Harry also took part in the Foundation Golf Day and is featured on page 29.

James Fletcher-Watson (G27-30) is regarded as one of the leading British watercolour landscape painters of his time. In May 2013, on the anniversary of his birth in 1913, a centenary exhibition was staged by The Pure Watercolour Society at the Windrush Gallery in Burford, Oxfordshire. Fletcher-Watson was a member of The Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolour and the Royal Society of British Artists. As well as being a qualified architect, he exhibited at the Royal Academy, and received an award at the Paris Salon. He retired from architecture in 1980 and wrote a number of articles and several teaching books on watercolour painting, including *The Magic of Watercolour* and *Watercolour Secrets*. He died in June 2004 and his obituary was carried in the 2004-05 edition of the *Old Eastbourne Annual Report*.

Harry Foster (C99-04) is engaged to his long-term girlfriend Catherine, with the wedding planned for 29 August 2015 in Ely Cathedral. Harry's mother **Liz Foster** (née **James**) (N69-70) told us the news and said that as Catherine was a King's School scholar, she has the privilege of being married in the Cathedral.

Mark Freeland (S76-81) has been promoted to the new role of 'controller, fiction and entertainment' at the BBC.



Andrew Gadsden (R88–93) has his own company, All About Tea, a tea importing and blending company based in Southsea, near Portsmouth. In February 2013 the company won Retailer of the Year at the *Portsmouth News* Business Excellence Awards. Andrew is also a Guinness record holder for the largest tea bag in the world, which was unveiled on HMS *Warrior* in Portsmouth Harbour in November 2011. The tea bag weighed 120kg and measured 2.4m square. It took three hours to fill with the company's special 'Portsmouth' blend of English-style breakfast tea. Andrew supplies tea to the public as well as the trade, so if you are interested in what is available please see his website at www.allabouttea.co.uk.

Jamie Garrett (W99–04) took part in the Wadi Bih 72 km endurance run in Oman in February 2013, in a team of five which also included **Nick Brown** (R97–02) and **Jo Haggerty** (N00–02).

Peter Geyer (W89–90) has moved to Berlin from Virginia, USA. He was previously one of the US OE reps, and has agreed to continue as a rep in Germany. His contact details are in the back of the magazine.

Pat Graham (Pw02–07) is working as a sales and marketing executive at World Cargo Logistics, the logistics and supply chain management company.

Dr Simon Grange (C82–84) is now the consultant shoulder and trauma surgeon at Barnsley General Hospital NHS Foundation Trust. He has returned to the UK from Canada where he was a senior research fellow at the University of Calgary. There he was involved in musculo-skeletal translational research, his main interest being in upper limb surgery.

Philip Gray

Philip Gray (P40–44) was awarded the Futers Gold Medal for 2013 by his professional body, the Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Materials (IOM3). He says: 'There is no greater honour than one that is bestowed by one's fellow professionals'. Philip regrets that he was unable to join us at the John Nugee Lunch in May, commenting: 'I have a very high regard for what John Nugee accomplished for me and the diminishing numbers through the Radley years.' Referring to the gold medal, he says: 'Somewhere in this award is a small input, long ago, from John Nugee and Eastbourne College.' The citation for the award reads as follows:

'For outstanding services to the international minerals industry. Philip Gray FREng HonFIMMM graduated in 1947 with a BSc in Metallurgy, Royal School of Mines, and has been engaged in the extractive metallurgical industry ever since. His distinguished career has covered all the disciplines in his chosen field, including research and development, engineering and design, business development and consulting. Following his first role as a Research Officer at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, he continued his R&D activities at the Commonwealth Science and Research Organisation in Melbourne, Australia, from 1951 to 1955 where he worked on hydrometallurgical methods of extracting uranium from Australian mineral deposits.

*In 1955 Philip returned to the UK and joined the Research and Development section of the Imperial Smelting Corporation at Avonmouth, and became Technical Manager in 1971. From 1978, he became an independent metallurgical consultant engaged by many mining companies worldwide. During this time he also worked with Professor Warner on the Warner Process for smelting zinc and lead from low-grade ores and Research and Development into extracting rare earths. While in London, he was able to become active in the Institution of Mining and Metallurgy and was elected President in 1984, the same year he was made a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineers. His most recent paper was published in a 2006 edition of *Materials World* reflecting his continued interest in pyrometallurgy.'*

Philip also this year donated his Radley era handwritten diaries to the College archives.

Derek Granger (Pw35–39) appeared in *Goodbye Granada-land*, a television documentary celebrating Granada TV, following its move from its studios in Manchester to MediaCity in Salford in June 2013. Derek was the executive producer of *Brideshead Revisited*, the landmark Granada production broadcast in 1981. He was also the second producer to work on *Coronation Street*, overseeing 26 episodes in 1961–62. More recently he has given lectures on his experiences filming *Brideshead Revisited*, including one at Lancing College in April 2013 for its annual Evelyn Waugh Lecture and Dinner. It is hoped that Derek will be able to speak to pupils at Eastbourne in the near future.

Jo Haggerty (N00–02) was one of a team of five who took part in the Wadi Bih 72 km

endurance run in Oman in February 2013. Others in the team included **Jamie Garrett** (W99–04) and **Nick Brown** (R97–02), Jo's husband-to-be.



William Harper (N62, W62–66, N67) tells us that, having retired in 2006 on medical grounds, his life is now largely centred on a growing family with four grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. Nevertheless, both he and his wife Dee remain lay ministers under the Diocese of Rochester with their ministry to offenders in

prisons and the community. Continued ill-health, however, has resulted in William standing down after a number of years as President of the Southborough and High Brooms Branch of the British Legion, although he still remains active within other regimental and veterans groups. He has also relinquished membership of the MCC 'after 42 wonderful years; having initially gained membership as a player, thence as a match manager'. As he is no longer able to get to Lord's and there being a 25-year waiting list for membership, William felt that he was denying someone else the opportunity he was given in 1971. But he says that both he and Dee can often be found now throughout the summer at Hove, Arundel or Horsham supporting 'God's own County'. They both attended the OE reunion in September, which William says 'brought into focus what Eastbourne means to me.' He and Dee would love to hear from and meet up with his peers from the College. You can contact William by email at lht600@btinternet.com or by phone on 01892 655979 or mobile on 07908 977026.

William and Dee are pictured here as guests of the Gibraltar Government in 2004 to celebrate the 300th anniversary of the taking of the Rock – a Royal Sussex Regiment Battle Honour.



Philip Hepburn (B61–66) met old school friend **Richard Perkins** (B61–66) in Bristol just before Christmas 2012, when this picture was taken.

Matt Hobden (C09–11) has been awarded a junior professional contract with Sussex County Cricket Club until the end of the 2014 season. Matt, a right-arm fast-medium bowler, was previously part of both the Academy and Academy Plus setups at the club. At the time the contract was announced in June 2013, Sussex Club Coach Carl Hopkinson said: 'We've

been really impressed with Matthew since he has been playing for his university side, and when he has returned he has looked really consistent. He has bowled with more pace and his attitude has been superb. We're really looking forward to seeing more of him in the future'.



Paul Houchin (P46–50) visited the College in July 2013 with his wife Kay, pictured. Paul told us that he spent 27 years in the army, was a major in the Royal Corps of Transport, and served in Germany, Hong Kong, Singapore and Borneo. After leaving the army he obtained a diploma in applied social studies and the certificate of qualification in social work at the Polytechnic of Central London. He then worked for 18 years as a probation officer, including three years working in a prison. He and Kay have three children.

Tom Hutchinson (C05–10) has been awarded a 2.1 degree in English Literature at Durham University. In January 2013 he secured a training contract with the international law firm Herbert Smith Freehills, leading to a move to London in September to begin his law conversion course, which will last 18 months. He will then join the firm full-time, initially in their London office then at their other offices around the world. Tom writes: 'Overall the past three years, and in particular my final year at Durham University, have been immensely fun and exciting. I have enjoyed rowing and playing rugby for my college in the 1st VIII and 1st XV respectively, coupled with a minor incursion into student journalism. Durham has happy memories for me, as does Eastbourne College, and I now look forward to moving on to the next chapter of my life'.

Eddie Izzard (P75–80) said during the Labour Party Conference in September that he

wanted to stand as a candidate in the London Mayoral elections in 2020. In a later interview with the *Independent* he said that he would not want to challenge a sitting Labour Mayor, so may consider standing as an MP instead. He also reassured his fans by saying that if he were successfully elected, his stand-up career would go into 'deep hibernation' for the period of time he was in office, but he would return to comedy afterwards. During the first part of 2013 Eddie was touring internationally with his show *Force Majeure*, taking in the Baltic states, Eastern Europe, Turkey, Scandinavia, the Netherlands, Switzerland, the UK, Russia and South Africa. A further stand-up tour across Canada from Halifax to Vancouver took place in November and December.

Mark Jackson (S75–77) took part in a 17-day sail across the Atlantic in November and December to help raise funds for London's Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital. He said at the time: 'For some this will seem like the opportunity of a lifetime (which I certainly subscribe to), but for others it will seem like madness. The thought of wide open seas, dried food, constant swell and ensuing sea sickness fills them with horror. This doesn't even touch on the fact that you have to live in close confinement with five smelly blokes for almost three weeks.' Starting from Gran Canaria, the yacht *Goodwinds* crossed the Atlantic in 17 days, reaching Grenada on 9 December. At the time of writing, Mark had raised over £6000 for the charity.

Poppy Jamieson (S07–11) ran in the Bath Half Marathon on 5 March 2013, completing it in 2 hours, 11 minutes and 48 seconds. She was raising money for Cancer Research UK and, once the Gift Aid donations had been included, had helped raise over £1,000 for the charity.

Nasser Judeh (B75–79) got in touch with his former housemaster, Forbes Wastie, in September 2013, with news about his family. Nasser wrote: 'The twins are starting university this autumn. Tariq got a place at Edinburgh University where he

will read ancient Mediterranean civilisations, and Zein who, after taking a gap year mainly in Africa, decided to change her potential art career path and go into nursing at King's College. Ali is in his final year at Harrow and has just been named head of his house, The Park. And my youngest is in her tenth year at school in Jordan'. Nasser continues as Jordan's minister for foreign affairs, having retained this role in Prime Minister Abdullah Ensour's second cabinet which was formed on 30 March 2013. At the time his portfolio was expanded to include expatriate affairs.

Andrew Kearney (84–89) lives in the Netherlands with his wife and family, working for a cable company, having previously trained as a graphic designer and worked in broadcasting at the BBC and ITV. He describes himself as 'a slightly reluctant O level music student' while at the College but says that his interest in music has stayed with him all his life. He has been singing in an amateur Anglican choir for a few years after two or three years of singing in various community choirs and events in the UK. He also performs on the flute and is taking both jazz and classical flute lessons. His choir performs regularly in UK and European cathedrals including a recent performance of the Poulenc flute sonata in Malta's Anglican Cathedral. He has recently joined a singing group which performs more light-hearted close harmony songs, much like the Cornwall Singers that many OEs may remember under the instruction of Director of Music John Walker in the 1970s and 1980s. Andrew says: 'Music is probably the thing I am most grateful to the College for, and the outstanding training that I had has allowed me to step into any musical situation with confidence.'



Roderick Koops (G66–68) celebrated his 60th birthday in January 2012. Pictured here

at the celebrations (and, we note, all wearing OE ties!) are **Roderick**, second left, with his brothers, **Eric** (G59–63), left, **Michael** (G67–72), centre, and **Jan** (G71–76), with his nephew **Will** (G05–10) on the right.



Mark Le Brocq (C79–84) will be touring New Zealand in February 2014 offering a variety of opera recital programmes and masterclasses. 'An evening of opera and operetta' includes arias by Purcell, Handel, Bizet, Verdi, Wagner, Lehar and Weill. English song recitals include works by Britten, Vaughan Williams, Warlock and Finzi. He says he is keen to work with local professionals and students during his visit, having worked extensively with education projects for Opera North and English National Opera and an assortment of schools and universities. For more information about Mark please see his website at www.marklebrocq.co.uk.

Jonathan Lea (W92–97) has been practising as a freelance solicitor since December 2012 and now works on an ad hoc basis with three London-based firms and one New York firm. He has also developed his Jonathan Lea Network web platform, an international business content hub and community covering the frequently overlapping areas of law, finance, marketing and politics. The site hosts guest posts on its blog, acts as a business services agency, has a forum for users to crowdsource advice, provides free law document downloads and holds YouTube interviews with people of interest. He has also recently started the Pivotal Tribes meetup group that organises business-focused events in London.

Alicia Leckie (Wt03–08) completed her degree in fashion design and marketing at the University of East London in 2013, and was one of six pupils in her year selected to show off their collection during London Fashion Week.

Mark Lethem (B73–76) is the co-founder of the Institute of the Arts in Barcelona, which was inspired and supported by Sir Paul McCartney’s Liverpool Institute of the Performing Arts (LIPA). Opened in February 2013, the institute, which is based in Sitges, offers one-year diploma courses in acting, dance and musical theatre, with BA degree courses across the same subjects planned from 2014. Other subject areas, including popular music and film production, stage manage-

ment and arts entrepreneurship, as well as MA courses will also be available from 2016. Shortly after the launch, Mark said: ‘It has been a quite a journey getting this far and now the real work of attracting students and developing their skills begins.’

Duncan Little (C87–92) completed his second marathon in Paris in April 2013 and says that he is enthusiastically learning French as his passion for the country grows daily. He no longer works in journalism



Richard Meier (C93–98) is an architect and partner at Argent Group. After reading engineering at Cambridge, and gaining a masters in property law and valuation from Cass Business School, Richard joined Argent in 2003. He has worked primarily on the King’s Cross redevelopment, where he was responsible for delivering the new Central Saint Martins, University of the Arts London campus, a £155 million project which was completed in 2011. The development won a number of awards including the Mayor’s Award for Planning Excellence and Building Magazine Public Building of the Year. He is now leading a series of residential, cultural and infrastructure projects at King’s Cross. He is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and was a judge at the 2013 Young Architect of the Year Awards.

but has recently qualified with a diploma in hypnotherapy and psychotherapy from The Clifton Practice in Bristol. More information can be found on his website at www.duncanlittlehypnotherapy.co.uk Meanwhile, his academic paper on the British POWs sent to E715 Auschwitz in the Second World War has been published in a collection: *The Holocaust and its contexts, Britain and the Holocaust: Remembering and Representing War and Genocide*, published by Palgrave. His book *Allies in Auschwitz* continues to sell well.

The Honourable Mr Justice

Andrew Macrae (S69–74) was appointed a Justice of Appeal in the High Court in Hong Kong in October 2013. He will be one of two non-Chinese members of the 12 judges who make up the Court of Appeal. He was called to the Bar in England and Wales in 1979 and in Hong Kong in 1983. Having been appointed as senior counsel in 1999, he next served in the then Attorney-General’s Chambers in Hong Kong from 1982 to 1983, and was then in private practice from 1983. He served as a Deputy Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court for periods in 2002 and 2003, was appointed as a Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court from 2006 to 2010, and then as a Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court in April 2010.

Jez McQueen (W83–88) is the OE rep in Shanghai. In September 2013, he met two young OEs who were travelling around China: **Max Walker** (C08–13) and **Patrick Davies** (Pw08–13). Jez had lunch with them and another OE based in Shanghai, **Rachael Macpherson** (N87–89). A picture of their meeting and further details about Max and Patrick’s travels are on page 31.

Sophy Mills (S98–03) is the business development manager for UK ATMs at Travelex, where she is leading the development of the company’s off-airport ATM strategy for the UK. She has been with Travelex since September 2011, having entered on their New Entrepreneurs Scheme. She has worked on a number of different projects including eight months as project co-ordinator for the Brazilian business (four of which were spent living in São Paulo), and then five months as project manager for their tender for Heathrow airport, which was won in February 2013.

Ian Mortimer (W80–85) presented a three-part television adaptation of his book *The Time Traveller’s Guide to Elizabethan England* on BBC2 in May and June 2013. The three episodes covered the themes of ‘The Common People’, ‘The Rich’ and ‘The Brave New World’.

Diana Moss (N70–72) (née **Sparrow**) regretted that she was unable to attend the OE reunion in September, but unfortunately the date clashed with her eldest daughter’s birthday. She told us: ‘I was in Nugent between 1970 and 1972 and count my time there as amongst the happiest of my life. I have had an amazing career as a theatre nurse, married late and had

Chris Lewis

Chris Lewis (W52–57) was awarded the Dalrymple-Champneys Cup and Medal in September 2013. The award is the highest honour that the British Veterinary Association can bestow, and was made to Chris for his exemplary service to the veterinary profession and, in particular, the sheep industry throughout an active career of 50 years. Chris told us: ‘In my response I made it clear that without the part played by the College in my education I would never have succeeded as I have. Tom Rodd was a marvellous housemaster and an inspirational teacher. The award is made on the recommendation of one’s peers which makes it doubly satisfying.’ The citation to the award reads:



‘Since graduating from the Royal Veterinary College in 1963 Chris’s career has encompassed a variety of sectors, including private practice, pharmaceutical industry, Veterinary Investigation Service (now AHVLA), scientific research and publications, education and political endeavours. His enduring talent has been in presenting the common-sense voice of practical and scientific knowledge, providing invaluable advice to MAFF (now Defra) stakeholder groups during the foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) outbreaks of 2001 and 2007, and the bluetongue outbreak 2007–09.

His apparently limitless energy and unquenchable enthusiasm for sheep veterinary matters has continued to provide inspiration to colleagues in the UK and worldwide. In his various professional roles Chris has provided invaluable advice to a huge number of general practitioners and the farming fraternity. Chris was awarded Honorary Life Membership of the Sheep Veterinary Society in 1999, having previously served as Honorary Secretary and President; and he has continued to represent the society on numerous occasions with very significant contributions to the FMD outbreak in 2001. It is acknowledged that the advice he provided contributed significantly in controlling this major disease outbreak, particularly in the field of biosecurity. Subsequently he acted as an advisor in the 2007 FMD outbreak and in Defra’s bluetongue vaccination strategy group, being a major contributor to the effective control of this disease.

An internationally renowned member of the veterinary community, Chris is a founder diplomate of the European College of Small Ruminant Health Management, and is also the inaugural secretary of the recently formed International Sheep Veterinary Association. As an extremely erudite, informative and entertaining speaker, he has spoken at many conferences both at home and abroad, and has authored many papers and articles.’

children even later. My husband Tim commutes daily to London from our home in Suffolk and I did hope that he would get to meet some of my old school friends... I would particularly like to be remembered to Mr Le Brocq as my memories of his lessons return to me regularly and his attitude to life has been my inspiration! If any of Diana's friends from her school days would like to get in touch, her email address is dianamoss@virginmedia.com.

Annabelle Nyren (N82-84) has moved back to the UK from Spain and started working in August 2013 at the admissions office at Milton Abbey School in Dorset. Annabelle told us that despite loving her life in Spain, 'especially the culture, climate, activities, people, cuisine and lifestyle', the economic problems and lack of employment opportunities there had made it increasingly difficult to remain. She is now living in Sherborne and says she is looking forward to catching up with family and friends old and new over the coming months.

Matthew Oliver (Pw88-93) is the consultant trauma and orthopaedic surgeon at East Kent Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (William Harvey Hospital and Kent and Canterbury Hospital). His special clinical interests include knee, hip and hand surgery and Dupuytren's disease, a condition that affects the hands and fingers. Matthew qualified from St George's Hospital Medical School in London in 1998. In 2003-04 he took an academic post carrying out research on the human knee joint, and from 2009-10 was a Joint Reconstruction Fellow at the University of Calgary in Alberta, Canada. He returned to the UK in 2010 and was appointed as a locum consultant in orthopaedics at the William Harvey Hospital, obtaining a substantive post there in 2012. In recent correspondence with Forbes Wastie he said that he and his family were settled in East Kent and that he was enjoying his job. He and his wife Charlotte have two daughters: Ruby, 6, and Jesse, 3.

Nick Owlett (W82-87) visited the College on 11 October 2013 and John Thornley showed him



round Wargrave House, where this photo was taken. Nick later wrote: 'I was delighted to visit the College and see for myself the tremendous progress that has been made in the three decades since I joined Wargrave in 1982. Perhaps with the perspective of becoming a father along with a twenty-year career as a teacher and school leader in the UK, USA and Switzerland, it is clear to me how the College has gone from strength to strength over the years while maintaining the same enduring standards and values. Everyone I met on my tour was unfailingly polite and the students great examples of what a College education continues to offer. I am sure I didn't appreciate it fully at the time but now I am extremely grateful to all those staff who taught me and gave me such a good foundation in life. Based in Basel with my family since 2011, I would be very happy to assist any OEs who are in the area for business or leisure'. Nick teaches at the International School in Basel and has offered to become an additional OE rep in the country. His contact details are in the OE reps list at the back of the magazine.



Cyril Panda (S67-71) called in to the Eastbournian Society office at the College in February 2013, when this picture was taken. He was returning to Sierra Leone at the end of a visit to the UK.

John Parker (R90-95) worked for nine years within the army as a combat infantryman. Since



leaving the military in May 2013 he now works as a security consultant and bodyguard, both internationally and in the UK,

and as a threat and risk assessment specialist. In June he visited Eastbourne and bumped into College teacher Paul Lowden (right) at the Aegon International tennis tournament in Devonshire Park.

Suzy Parsons (N74-76) has trained as a hypnotherapist and counsellor. In October she wrote in the Daily Mail's *Weekend* magazine about her father Nicholas Parsons, the host of Radio 4's *Just A Minute*, who had recently celebrated his 90th birthday. Her children Annabel, 24, a fashion buyer for a London

David Price

David Price (S67-69) has created his own food company, The Spicy Chef, based in Maidenhead, Berkshire. David provides catering for events, makes 'curries for the freezer' ready meals for sale in local shops, and also sells hot food in markets at Maidenhead and Didcot and at other local events. He says that he first got a taste for spicy food from his father, who had developed his taste while serving in a Sikh regiment in India during the Second World War. As a boy, David would accompany him on trips to curry houses in Brighton. Later, aged 19, he went on a two-month motoring trip with his two closest friends.

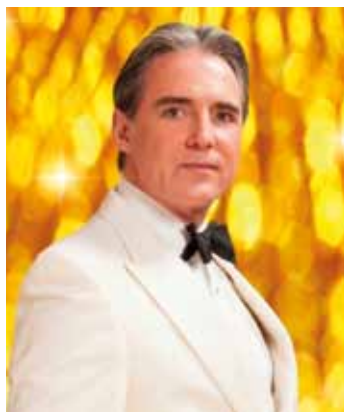
This trip involved driving a car from Brighton through to Eastern Europe including Bulgaria (then still in the Warsaw Pact), and travelling through a large part of the Greek mainland. It was during this time that David developed an interest in eastern Mediterranean cuisine. He says that several of his current recipes can trace their inspiration back to this trip. In 1972 he studied for an HND in hotel management at what is now Bournemouth University. The course involved two periods of industrial training, the first of which was in Switzerland, where he worked for five months at the Belle Vue Palace hotel in Bern, doing silver service. However, having now seen the hotel industry at close quarters, he decided that this was not a career that he wished to pursue. He maintained his culinary interest over the next few years, cooking at home and for friends' dinner parties.

In the early 1990s he decided to supplement the family income by selling spicy snacks in local markets. This led to a number of bookings to cater for private events and in 2008 he started the Spicy Chef brand. Sourcing fresh produce inspired him to create and write down an increasing number of recipes and he now has a portfolio of over 500 dishes from which customers can choose. The love of spicy food has also passed to the next generation, and the business is now run by David and his son Alex, who is a full-time business partner. The rest of the family also help to pitch in with the food production. With a growing presence and success in their town of Maidenhead they are looking to expand their passion for spicy food to as many people in the local area as possible and further afield in the near future. David and Alex are continuously looking to improve the range and quality of the products and services, and there are many plans for expansion now in the pipeline. Please take a look at David's website at www.thespicychef.co.uk.



boutique, and Tom, 21, who has recently graduated from University College London with a first in classics, attended the birthday party held for Nicholas at a London hotel.

Richard Perkins (B61–66) is pictured with old school friend **Philip Hepburn** (B61–66) on page 52.



Michael Praed (G73–78), known as **Michael Prince** at school, visited Eastbourne's Congress Theatre in June 2013 during the national tour of the musical *High Society*, in which he was starring as Dexter Haven. Michael was interviewed by the *Eastbourne Herald* and talked about his schooldays in Eastbourne. He remembered life at Ascham as being harsh, with a strict disciplinary system that he found difficult at times. At the College he found active encouragement from Director of Music John Walker and Headmaster Simon Langdale which helped him pursue his acting dreams, resulting in a place at the prestigious Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London. He became famous with his role as Robin in the 1980s TV classic *Robin of Sherwood*, which led to a wide range of stage, film and television roles.

Annabelle Radcliffe-Trenner (N78–80) is the founding principal of Historic Building Architects, LLC, based in Trenton, New Jersey. Having been awarded a BSc in architecture at Dundee University, she trained as a preservation architect at Edinburgh University and then at ICCROM in Rome, before moving to the USA in 1988. She has a keen interest in the long-term planning for historic buildings, and in the ethics of intervention and adaptive use of existing buildings. She also

lectures on preservation issues internationally.

Elisabeth Rambridge (née **Shaw**) (N71–73) visited the College on 30 May to attend the annual School Archivists' Conference which was held this year in the Birley Centre. She was able to renew acquaintance with **Jenny Lush** (with whom she stayed) and **Liz Foster** (née **James**) (N69–70). She enjoyed a guided tour of the College and inspected all the new additions and developments. Elisabeth is archivist at Malvern St James School.



Tom Reeson-Price (G08–10) played for Oxford University in the Varsity match on Thursday 12 December 2013, which Oxford won 33–15. This makes Tom the third OE to win a Rugby Blue in 62 years, the others being **Robin Harrison** (P42–47) in 1951 for Cambridge, and **Mark Chapple** (G82–87) in 1991, also for Cambridge. Tom is reading archaeology and anthropology at St John's College.

General Sir David Richards GCB CBE DSO (W65–70) retired from his position as Chief of the Defence Staff in July 2013 after three years in the role. In an interview with the *Daily Telegraph* at the time, he said: 'I do not associate the military with wars and bloodshed in a narrow sense. I actually associate the military with doing good, with bringing down tyrants, with releasing people's ambitions'. On 24 January 2014, it was announced that The Queen had been pleased to confer a life peerage on Sir David. The appointment is one of a few each year that the Prime Minister nominates on the

retirement of distinguished public servants.

Tony Riddick (R82–87) is a consultant urological surgeon. Having spent eight years in Edinburgh, in early 2013 he was appointed as a consultant surgeon in Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge.



Ian Sacré (W46–48) met his former housemate **Tom Holden** (W46–49) in Australia in March 2012, some 63 years after they had been at College together. Ian, who lives in Vancouver, Canada, had been trying to track down Tom to let him know of the death of their mutual friend, **Brian Freeman** (W46–50). [Brian's obituary was carried in the 2011 *Old Eastbournian*.] Unfortunately Tom had moved from the address we had in our records, but luckily enough Ian's cousin Anne lived close by in Brisbane and was able to contact the new owner, who passed a message to Tom. This led to Tom telephoning Ian and the two of them arranging to meet when Ian was on a trip to Australia shortly after. Ian says: 'We had a delightful lunch and afternoon together. After a lapse of some 63 years there was rather a lot to talk about! Needless to say our friend Brian's name was frequently mentioned'. The two are pictured here with Tom on the left and Ian on the right.

Grace Salzer (N99–01) has volunteered as an OE rep in Hawaii, where she lives on the island of Oahu with her husband and two children. Her contact details are in the OE reps section at the back of the magazine.

David Sandberg (B40–44) has been in touch to send his best wishes to the College but regrets that, at age 86, he is unable to travel to Eastbourne from his home in Colchester, Essex. He is looking after his granddaughter who is cur-

rently studying for a BA in music at Brunel University, her main instrument being the violin.

Piers Sargent (W97–02) was married to Elaine in December 2012.

Liam Sharp (P81–86) has seen continued success with Made-fire, the digital publishing company he co-founded with **Ben Wolstenholme** (Pw88–93), more details of which are in Ben's entry in this section. Liam has worked as an artist for a number of major comic publishers over the years. His latest title, *Captain Stone is Missing...*, has been created with his wife Christina McCormack.

Jane Slade (N75–77) has set up Retiremove, a website dedicated to providing articles and information about property and lifestyle issues. Although its main focus is on property, it also includes features on gardening, golf resorts, health, technology, finance and investment opportunities. Jane was property editor of the *Sunday Express* for eight years and contributor to the *Sunday Telegraph* and *Mail on Sunday's* property supplements before that. The website is at www.retiremove.co.uk.

Rose Slavin (B04–09) is currently doing a masters degree in broadcast journalism at City University, London, having graduated with a degree in English. She hopes to have a career in television, and had an internship at the video department of the *Financial Times* last summer and a work placement in the newsroom of ITV West Country at Christmas 2013. She has also applied for a placement at Sky News.

Ed Speleers (W01–06) ran in the London Marathon on Sunday 21 April 2013, with a time of 3 hours, 14 minutes and 58 seconds. Ed was running in support of the charity Pets As Therapy, which provides volunteers who take cats and dogs to hospitals, hospices, residential care homes, day centres, special needs schools and many other establishments, where they provide comfort, companionship and



therapy. His run raised £2,250 for the charity. Ed has his own dog, Frank, a young Border collie, who has accompanied him on the set of the drama series *Downton Abbey*, in which Ed plays the footman Jimmy Kent.

Paul Steen (Pw90–95) studied engineering at university and his first major project, after leaving Cambridge in 2000, was to work as a geotechnical engineer on the new BBC Broadcasting House extension. He worked on it until about 2006 and was involved in Phase 1 which included the design of the deep excavation of the basement. This was made particularly challenging by its location adjacent to the Grade 1 listed All Souls Church and over the Victoria Line tube tunnel. He says that he spent many long nights monitoring the impact of the works above on the tunnel below. The project gave him his first published paper, an extract of which was published in the magazine *Tunnels and Tunnelling* in May 2009. Paul was prompted to write about his involvement when he saw that the Eastbournian Society was organising a number of behind-the-scenes tours of the building in December. He now works for Ramboll Energy in Edinburgh where he is a consultant working on technical and economic analysis of energy projects, principally in the field of energy master planning, district heating and low carbon technologies. Most recently this has included a six-month project for the Scottish Government mapping Scotland's heat demand.

Sarah Stevens (S98–03) is a consultant at global communications firm Grayling, working in the agency's London-based Brands division. Sarah graduated from Liverpool University with a first in marketing and went on to do a masters degree at City University.



Peter Thomas (N58, W58–61) visited the College in early October 2013, when this picture was taken. Peter told us that he always wanted to work in retail management, and joined Hepworths menswear soon after leaving Eastbourne as a trainee manager in the Leeds, Commercial Street store. He gradually worked his way up to managing his own stores in Selby and Bradford, from where he was promoted to store manager at Kensington High Street in London. From there he moved to the Croydon store, and was subsequently promoted to area manager, overseeing 15 stores. Shortly afterwards Hepworths was wound down, when George Davies took over and renamed the company as Next. He was one of the few people to be transferred to Next, as an area manager, learning the womens-wear trade. He stayed with Next until his early retirement due to ill health at the age of 55. Since that time he has enjoyed retirement with his wife, two daughters, and three grandchildren. He lives in Cheltenham, where he has enjoyed lots of golf, and, more recently, table tennis, which he plays with the U3A (University of the Third Age). He enjoys watching any sport, including rugby (both codes), football, golf and tennis. He also says that he loves most types of music, and points out that his contemporaries at the College may well remember him fronting the school pop group, which used to play before the film shows in Big School.

Guy Thorpe-Beeston

Guy Thorpe-Beeston (S72–77) was part of the medical team present at the birth of HRH Prince George, son of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge. He works as a consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist at the Portland Hospital and at the Chelsea and Westminster Hospital. He has been a consultant for 16 years, focusing on ultrasound and pre-natal diagnosis and deliveries. Following the royal birth, Guy's signature appeared on the official announcement put on the easel outside Buckingham Palace, pictures of which were featured in the media worldwide.



Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Cambridge was safely delivered of a son at 4.24 pm today.

Her Royal Highness and her child are both doing well.

Signed

Guy Thorpe-Beeston

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Dr Guy Thwaites

Dr Guy Thwaites (B84–89) has taken up the role of Director at the Wellcome Trust's Vietnam Research Programme, which he has joined from King's College, London. Guy is also resuming his clinical research on tuberculosis and brain infections with an academic appointment at Oxford University. The Vietnam Research Programme is recognised internationally for its excellence in research into infectious diseases, including infections of the brain, dengue emerging infections, enteric fevers, malaria, tuberculosis and zoonotic infections. It is hosted by the Hospital for Tropical Diseases in Ho Chi Minh City and the National Hospital for Tropical Diseases in Hanoi, and it is home to the Oxford University Clinical Research Unit (OUCRU). Guy said that he was 'thrilled and honoured to become Director' and commented: 'This is probably the most exciting job in clinical infectious disease in the world.'





Charlotte Thompson (née **Nicola**) is married to **Jason Thompson** (Pw84–89) and they are both teachers in Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. Charlotte visited the College in October with her children Jake and Hannah, when this picture was taken.

Marcus Urbye (R67–71) is a fully qualified PGA professional who has been giving golf lessons in Bournemouth, Poole and throughout Dorset for over ten years. He is a teaching professional, and dedicates his time to developing his coaching abilities rather than his own game. He is a professional at Parkstone Golf Club, Parley Golf Club and Wareham Golf Club where he provides individual, group and junior coaching to beginner, intermediate and advanced golfers on the long game, the short game, awkward lies and course management. For more details see his website at www.marcusurbye.com.

Alfred van Lennep (S47–51) wrote to us concerning the picture of the Philosophy Circle, which was published in last year's magazine. He said: 'I was amused to read your story of 'the Philosophers', a name we definitely did not use upon its creation, preferring 'the Pseudos' as more in keeping. It all started I recall some time in either the Michaelmas term of 1950 or the following Lent term. **Berry Parlett [Beresford Parlett** (S46–51)], then our Head Prefect [in School House], had organized a very successful mock Parliament and I suggested that it needed a follow up. My English being far from perfect and public speaking not my 'forte', this led to the discussion group under the lively guidance of the then very new and very bright maths teacher Paul Hirst, a double

first and barely two years older than myself. That first season we struggled with a book on modern physics by Eddington. Initially our evening sessions were somewhat frowned upon when we would come back when all the juniors had long been asleep, until at the end of that year at least one of that group gained a scholarship to Oxford or Cambridge.'

Max Walker (C08–13) spent two months travelling round China with **Patrick Davies** (Pw08–13) in September and October 2013, during which time they met OEs **Jez McQueen** (W83–88) and **Rachael Macpherson** (N87–89) in Shanghai. His account of their travels is on page 31.

Jean-Paul Westgate (Pw07–09), having completed his studies at Cambridge, was offered a place on the RBS graduate training scheme, starting in September 2013.



Ben Westwood (C89–92) visited the College in June 2013 to talk to pupils about creative writing and careers in journalism. Ben has worked as a travel writer for the *Daily Telegraph* and written a number of travel books on South America. He has combined his writing with teaching, covering all aspects from essay to literature, travel writing and journalism, especially news. He is pictured here, second left, with some of the pupils who attended his talk, and Oliver Marlow, Head of English, right.

Katie Windle (née **Knight**) (N89–91) has been appointed Chaplain at St Helen and St Katharine, the independent day school for girls in Abingdon. She is married to Roy and has three young children, twins Anna and Danny, and Jonah.

She previously worked as an English and drama teacher, a curate in both Hullavington and Nottingham, a vicar in Bath and a primary school chaplain in Malmesbury.

David Winn OBE (S54–59), chairman of Winn and Coales International Ltd, announced on 21 April 2013 that the company had been awarded the 'Queen's Award for Enterprise: International Trade 2013'. David said that the award had been given for outstanding overseas trade which had been measured over the previous three years, 'a fantastic achievement considering the worsening recessionary times the world is experiencing'. He paid tribute to the team effort, thanking all who worked for the company, from the factory to the sales office, overseas subsidiaries and agents. Winn and Coales are leaders in corrosion prevention and sealing technology. David continues as President of the Eastbournian Society, which incorporates the Old Eastbournian Association.



Mark Winstanley (W65–69) visited the College at the end of January 2013 and took the opportunity to have a game of fives with Spencer Beal. He later told us: 'What a pleasure to grace those hallowed courts again, especially with such a distinguished player as Spencer... I was completely overwhelmed by happy memories... It was such great fun laughing about the old days as the ancient stories came flooding back.' Mark owns the Wývern Bindery in Clerkenwell Road, London, specialising in bespoke book, magazine and portfolio bindings, as well as repairs. One of the more unusual projects he worked on was to provide fine embossed leather bindings for books of spells seen in the *Harry Potter* movies.

Ben Wolstenholme (Pw88–93) has had continued success with Madefire, the media and technology company which he co-founded with **Liam Sharp** (P81–86) in 2011. Madefire has built an end-to-end publishing platform and launched the Madefire App which delivers Motion Books, a new type of reading experience for the iPad, embracing the move to digital publishing of comic books and graphic novels. As well as producing its own original content, Madefire has also agreed licensing deals for Motion Book titles including *Star Trek*, *My Little Pony* and *Transformers*. The Madefire App was recognised by Apple as a 'hidden gem' in its Best Apps of 2012, and it has had a great deal of positive press coverage. Ben is pictured at the Los Angeles OE event on page 8.

James Young (B80–85) has stood down as OE rep in the United Arab Emirates, having left Dubai in December 2013. He had been General Manager of the Crowne Plaza Dubai since June 2010. James hosted a number of OE and Eastbournian Society events there, including one in February, more details of which are on page 7. His successor as OE rep is **Ed Atkinson** (P79–84). James has now become InterContinental Hotels' area general manager for South Vietnam, based in Saigon.

Chris Zanetti (P71–76) retired from Merck Consumer Healthcare at the end of April 2013 after eight years running the Europe, Middle East and Africa division from the HQ in Darmstadt, Germany. He had worked at Mars and Allied-Domecq in the years before that. He has since become an angel investor and mentor to small and medium-sized businesses in Yorkshire. He is in regular contact with **Behnam Djazaeri** (P71–76) and **Suzy Parsons** (N74–76) who were contemporaries of his at the College. He lives in Hessle, East Yorkshire, and is happy to see any OE friends who may be passing. Chris's email address is zanetti@zanetti.karoo.co.uk if you would like to contact him.

The Cricketer Cup

Alex Halliday (S85–90) writes about the first round match on Sunday 16 June 2013

The young OE team travelled to Rugby for their first round match against the Meteors. Batting first, Eastbourne managed to post a total of just over 200, despite the regular loss of wickets at the top of the order. This could have been a challenging and winning total but one of the Rugby batsman managed to do what no Eastbourne

player had done, that is to score a fifty. In fact, his century proved to be the difference between the two teams, as Rugby recorded a deserved victory despite the keen efforts of the Eastbourne bowlers and fielders.

The 2014 first round match against the Repton Pilgrims will be equally challenging, but we hope that a strong side will be available. It is on College Field on Sunday 15 June and we hope to welcome as many visitors and supporters as possible.

OE Fives

Most of the noteworthy OE fives this year has been played by our two stalwarts, Andy Pringle (R81–86) and Marcus Bate (P93–98). Playing together as a pair, they reached the semi-finals of the South West Open, but a hand injury to Marcus forced them to retire with the score at one game all. Then, teaming up with James Toop in the West of England Open, Marcus again made it through to the semis but lost to the eventual winners. Andy's best performance of the season came in the National Veterans – yes, he really is that old now, but I should keep it quiet as I actually taught him. Andy played a brilliant semi-final against the eventual winner Hamish Buchanan (former National Singles champion), going down by the narrow margin of 7–11, 12–11, 11–3, after squandering match points in the second game. And then he went one better in the doubles (with Sam Roberts) by reaching the final, only to lose another very close match. In the Owers Trophy the OEs, captained by Andy, again came up just short, losing in the semis to a very strong Old Pauline side. But Andy did win a title, partnering Alex Steel to beat Kathleen Briedenhann (College teaching staff) and Tony Hamilton in a very competitive Winchester Fives Mixed Doubles final. Marcus in singles and doubles, and Andy in doubles, both retain top fifteen positions in the national rankings.

In the National Ladies' Championships the singles final was an all-Eastbourne affair with Kathleen defeating pupil Tessa Mills (N08–13) 15–9, 15–9 in a high quality game. Later in the year Tessa won her fourth consecutive singles title in the National School Girls' Championships – a remarkable achievement – without conceding a single point on her way to the final which she dominated 15–2. She then teamed up with Izzy Why (Wt11–13) to take the doubles title too. The boys' College 1st IV, captained by Chay Kent (Pw11–13), recorded their most successful season for 15 years, winning all 10 of their school matches. In the SE Regional Schools Competition, Chay won the singles and joined Dominic Barnes (Pw08–13) to win the doubles. They also won the National Schools'



Tessa Mills – a fourth national singles title

Doubles Plate Competition. Spencer Beal (College teaching staff) paired up with Tony Hamilton to reach the final of the Vintage doubles, ending as runners-up (11–4, 6–11, 11–6). The final, described as a 'classic' in the RFA match report, may have had the spectators on their toes, but it had the players on their knees well before the final rally. Two club matches were played this season, home and away to Old Tonbridgians: a narrow defeat away (49–58), followed by an emphatic win at home (121–49). The College Fives Club, enthusiastically led by the evergreen Tony Hamilton, plays regularly on Tuesday evenings at 8pm throughout the year. Anyone and everyone is very welcome to join us, especially any OEs living in the area. **Spencer Beal**

OE Football

The team started the season with great optimism which was enhanced with good early season results in Arthurian League 4 against Old Amplefordians (5–2 win) and Old Harrovians 3 (2–0 win). Defeats to Old Epsoms and Old Cholmeleians 3 were followed by what was to be the best performance of the season, a 4–1 away win at Old Berkhamstedians. There then followed a mixture of indifferent results with defeat to Chigwell 3, Foresters 3 and Epsom, but a good win away to Old Cholmeleians ensured safety in the division for another season.

In the cup competitions the team played an entertaining game with Old Radleians in the Arthur Dunn Cup, losing 7–3, and beat Old Witleians before losing 5–2 to Old Etonians 2s in a last-16 game of the Junior League Cup.

New recruits are always welcome as the team is ageing fast. Anybody interested in playing competitive football in the right spirit in London should contact me at andrew.appleyard@avivainvestors.com.

Andrew Appleyard

OE Golf Society

Adrian Sharpin (C87-92) reports on the Halford Hewitt Tournament on 11-14 April 2013

May I start proceedings by thanking Chris 'Boom Boom' Walker (S68-73) for organising such fantastic accommodation this year for the team. I am sure that our 'pad' for the week would have been the envy of the majority of the teams in the Halford Hewitt. An eight-bedroom, four-bathroom house backing on to the 5th tee of Royal St Georges! Not bad at all and all thanks to Mr Walker. Not only that, but he has already managed to secure the same property for next year's tournament.

As the task of organising accommodation had been duly lifted from my shoulders, it was my sole task to collate a team of OEs ready to challenge the best Blundell's could throw at us.

As we had been handed an afternoon tee off at RSG it was decided that a practice session at nearby Princes would be the perfect location to hone our skills and bond as a team. Bond we did and spirits were high as we arrived at RSG in agreeable weather conditions.

First out were Geoff 'Grip it and Rip it' Campbell (R98-03) and Adrian Sharpin. A nip and tuck front nine found Geoff and Adrian 2 up. Some phenomenal ball striking from Geoff and some outrageous putts from Adrian on the inward half wrapped up a 4 & 3 victory.

The tried and tested pairing of Martin Patmore (B79-82) and Mark Stewart (S80-84) played extremely well against a very strong pair and earned a well-deserved halve.

After a few years out Chris Bradshaw (R82-87) returned to the Hewitt and all were delighted to see that he hadn't lost his charm on and off the course - good to see you back, Chris. Having paired up with

The East Anglia reception



A number of OE golfers attended the Eastbournian Society East Anglia reception, which was held at The Dabbling Duck in Great Massingham on the evening of Saturday 20 April. It coincided with the Spring Meeting in Brancaster. Other OEs from the local area also attended and the group is pictured here outside the pub

Chris Hampton (G00-05) and had a good battle against a strong pair, the guys came out a valiant second in that duel. You may have won that battle Blundell's, but would you win the war? Unfortunately they did!

Anthony Ross (W93-98) and John Hollands (G05-06) played well in practice and carried their form to the match, but Blundell's were a lot stronger than we had given them credit for and another match went the way of the opposition.

Alas, we come to Chris Walker and the young whipper-snapper Calum Marris (G06-11). Although the intention and desire was there, Blundell's were just too strong again and with only one and a half points in our favour we were soon channelling our thoughts to The Plate!

After a thoroughly enjoyable, but 'drink reserved' evening, we set out on the Friday morning at Princes to take on Merchiston. With hopes high and the property booked for two more nights it was paramount that we showed resilience from the day before and performed to the best of our abilities.

Again, the weather was kind, albeit a little breezy, and the pairings of Adrian Sharpin/Geoff Campbell, Chris Walker/Anthony Ross and Calum Marris/John Holland set off trying to make it through to the dizzy heights of Saturday.

Merchiston have a good history in the Hewitt and we were quite shocked to see them as our opponents, but saying that, they had only just lost to Clifton the day before and pedigree doesn't come much higher than that!

Sadly our Halford Hewitt 2013 ended roughly 150 minutes later with two losses and the match that was still alive accepting a halve.

May I thank the team for their efforts this year. I would also like to especially thank Chris Walker and his delightful wife for not only finding and booking the accommodation but for also providing the team with fantastic food for breakfast and dinner every day. The camaraderie shown and exhibited by the team over the few days is a testament to the College in producing 'jolly nice blokes'! I have thoroughly enjoyed my year as captain and should I be lucky enough to don that cap again I will endeavour to enjoy it to the same degree.

Many thanks and happy golfing to all.



Spring Meeting

At the OEGS Spring Meeting at the Royal West Norfolk GC in Brancaster, Chris Walker, left, presented George Eve (P50-55) with a College shield as thanks for his sterling organisation of the meeting over a number of years

OE Hockey

A fundraising hockey match took place on Saturday 1 September at the Beresford astroturf pitches to help raise money for Charlie Howden (R92-97).



Charlie Howden

Charlie's brother Tom (R89-94) had contacted the Eastbourne Society office a few weeks earlier to explain that at the beginning of August Charlie had been diagnosed with stage 3 pancreatic cancer. This, Tom said, had come as something of a shock, given that he is still young and leads a healthy lifestyle. In Florida, where Charlie lives, he had already received some tremendous support from his friends, and back in

Eastbourne some of his old school mates including Matt Copping (R92-97) and John Taylor (R92-97) had organised the fundraiser hockey match for him and were hoping to get as many people along to join in.

By coincidence a group of OE girls had also organised a hockey match that day. With the College caterers putting on a barbecue as well, the event soon attracted a lot of interest.

The match was advertised on Facebook: 'For those that know Charlie (Chopper) or have ever had the pleasure to meet him, you will know how much of a genuinely kind, caring, thoughtful and all round top bloke he really is and this has come as a massive shock to him, his family and all his friends. In true Charlie fashion, he is currently living in the USA where he spends his time paddleboarding, surfing and generally being ridiculously active whenever possible. He is looking to have treatments from specialists in the US and of course this is likely to be very expensive. It is our aim to help raise as much money as possible for the treatments and to help him be as strong as possible in his fight to beat this thing.'



The boys line up for the fundraiser



The OE girls team

OE Rugby

The Stags have enjoyed an exceptional 2013, with some extremely positive results coming from the lads this year. A dogged 14-11 win to the Stags against Egham RFC on a glum February afternoon in Surrey was the perfect tee-off to the season.

The social that followed and a local connection saw the team subsequently invited to the 7th Annual Egham 7s, which has seen such teams as The Household Cavalry and Luxemburg Exiles take part in previous tournaments. A fantastic turn-out of seventeen teams gave a beautiful June day a festival atmosphere with Stags flyers such as Richard Evans (R03-08) and Richard Anderson (R03-08) ensuring qualification from our group with riveting

Oscar Orellana-Hyder (R02-07) reviews the sporting year for the Stags



Play on College Field



Alex Hinchliffe (C04-09) going for a line out at Egham 7s

tries up both wings. Numerous link-ups between the powerful centre partnership of Ben Pilbeam (W05-07) and Charlie Hinchliffe (R02-07) ensured The Stags made their way into a quarter-final against regional 7s side Hastings & Bexhill Seahorses.



The Stags

Tries from the ever lively Patrick Graham (Pw02-07), Alex Stimpson (W01-06) (captain) and bulldozing runs from Yannick Mukoro (P07-12) secured The Stags a spot in the semi-final against Old Windsor, who went on to win the main competition. 28 sides applied, 17 entered and The Stags came 3rd – a sterling effort!

Reunion day, 21 September, saw a rather eager herd of Stags gathered on College Field to front up against Old Ounde-

lians RFC. The hallowed turf looked pristine as always and The Stags' performance did not let it down. 27-13 was the final result with flair tries from James Hawthorne (Pw06-08), Charlie Hinchliffe and Stuart Garratt (W06-11) getting a delightful brace. Oli Priestman's (G02-07) points with the boot complemented his all-round performance which won him the Man of The Match tankard awarded by the opposition.

One final point worth noting has been the range of strong players from Rhodri Luff (C94-99) and Jonathan Burbidge (W98-03) dusting off the boots, playing alongside Alex Barbour (G08-13) who left only in the summer just gone. Great form and a special day.

We rounded off the year with a Christmas meal and social on 7 December in which we discussed forthcoming fixtures for 2014 and the constant development of this fantastic club.

Football at the College

This article was written by Mr Vincent Allom, author of the centenary history of the College *Ex Oriente Salus*, and was published in the July 1950 *Eastbournian*.

I suppose that all Eastbournians know that once upon a time the College played Soccer, and that they changed over to Rugger at the turn of the 20th century; what is perhaps less well known is that Soccer was not the original kind of football played here.

At the start the College played Harrow Football, a game in which, although the ball may not be run with in the hands, it may be caught in mid-air, and then either kicked, or put down and dribbled. From the beginning of 1870, however, we changed to a form of Rugger which contained some rules peculiar to ourselves. The Rugby Union was not founded until 1871, and before then schools and clubs played to their own rules, which were, however, in many cases based upon those of the Rugby School game. It was not until considerably later that the rules became standardised;



The Football XII in 1890

and, whenever two teams met, the captains had to agree about the rules; generally those of the home team were adopted for

the match.

The rules of Eastbourne Football can be found in the very first number of *The*

Eastbournian, dated 21 May 1870. They number seventeen but, as a year or two later we read of a game being brought to an end under Rule 21, the game must have undergone some development in its early years. In the first number of *The Eastbournian* for 1920, fifty years later, a writer remarks that the rules did not seem to differ greatly from those now in force; but this was in reality far from being the case. The rules give one a fair picture of the game, but leave many interesting points unsettled; the answers to some of these problems can be found in the accounts of matches printed in subsequent numbers of *The Eastbournian*.

Originally the team seems to have consisted of eleven players only; but it is not long before we read of the 1st and 2nd XII, nor much longer before we have the familiar 'Characters of the XV'; even after this, matches continued to be played with twelve or fourteen players a side. This shows the continuing influence of the Harrow game here, for that was played between teams of eleven; the ordinary Rugby team of 1870 was one of twenty players, a number which was reduced to fifteen in 1875.

The rules about drop-kicks, place-kicks, punts, goals, and throwing-in from touch are identical with those in force today. There was a rule, however, that the ball might not be picked off the ground except in-goal, but might only be caught on the bounce; this too was, I think, a survival in part from the Harrow game. In any case, when the ball went loose, it must have necessitated kicking it into the air before handling it. There is no mention of the shape of the ball; but up to 1870 footballs were made of pigs' bladders, not of rubber, and we can therefore assume an oval ball, but less pointed than is the case nowadays.

There was at this date nothing quite like the tight scrummage of today. We read much, however, of 'squashes' and 'mauls'. In the squash the opposing forwards got together much as in a loose scrum of today, but without putting their heads down, and tried to force the ball through with their feet; the ball was always taken, never heeled. The maul took place whenever an attacker was tackled ('collared') behind the goal line. It consisted of a sort of wrestling match between the attacker and his tackler, the winner securing the ball. In one match played at St Leonards, we read of an Eastbourne defender running out with the ball after winning his maul, and scoring at the other end of the field. This was not allowed by the rules of the home side, but their courtesy prevailed.

One is glad to note that the Eastbourne rules barred 'hacking'; by this was meant the deliberate kicking of your opponents' shins. Hacking was not banned by the Union until some time later, and, when it was, it caused many old players to think

that the game was becoming effeminate. In thus banning hacking from the start, Eastbourne was ahead of the Union, as indeed it was in two other respects: the development of a passing game, and in their method of scoring (to be considered later). In early rugby the ball was seldom passed, but whenever a back found himself in possession, he tried to run through; the passing game started among the forwards, and from them spread back to the three-quarters.

Scoring at Eastbourne was by goals, touch-downs, and rogues. A touch-down was the same thing as a modern try, and, if not converted, four of these were the equivalent of one goal. A rogue was scored when you forced your opponents to touch down behind their own goal

important part in the game than it now does. After a rogue, or when the ball went 'out behind' (now called touch-in-goal) it was dropped out from 10 yards in front of the goal line.

An almost cricket-like feature of the game at this period was that sometimes matches lasted three, or even four days; though the time of play on anyone day seems to have been usually one hour, occasionally an hour and a half; the days moreover were not necessarily consecutive.

The captains of the two teams were umpires (sic) in disputed points, though they could appoint independent umpires at their discretion. The College boy of today may well picture a series of disorderly squabbles; but I can assure him



The Rugby 1st XV in 2013 in their new strip

line, and three rogues were the equivalent of one touch-down. In 1870 only goals counted in ordinary rugby; in 1875 tries were allowed to count whenever the two teams tied on goals. Point scoring was not introduced until 1886. The rogue seems to have been a feature peculiar to the Eastbourne game, and one wonders whether its name was not a deliberate perversion of the 'rouge' found for instance in the Eton Field Game.

After a touch-down, a place-kick was taken at goal 20 yards from the goal line and in a line with the touch-down; except that when the touch-down had taken place between the goal-posts, then the kick was taken in a line with one of the posts, but not between them. The ball seems to have been placed as we now do for a penalty kick, and not held by another player; charging was allowed when the kicker started his run. Nor does the ball seem to have been dead after an unsuccessful kick at goal; for on one such occasion we hear of an energetic player following up so hard that he succeeded in catching the ball and scoring another touch-down. Dropping at goal by the forwards played a much more

that in my own schooldays we never had a referee for anything less than a house-match; yet serious disputes were very infrequent. One wonders rather what took place in the absence of the set scrum when the rules were infringed. There is no mention in the account of any match of penalty kicks, still less of a penalty goal being scored.

Michael Partridge adds: *The Eastbournian* of December 1900 carried an article, no doubt inspired by Mr Arnold, which laid down the school football colours, consequent upon the change from Association to the Rugby game. Notably, the following rule was tabled: The rugby vest [shirt], blue and white squares, made so there are three squares across the breast; the stag's head worked in white on the blue square in the centre of the breast (see photo on page 12).

We have recently framed and hung in the Long Room a colour print from an early 1900s *Boys' Own Paper* which illustrates the football regalia of the leading public schools – our own very much in accordance with Mr Arnold's edict.

Bishop Walter Carey, Rugby Player

In the *Old Eastbournian* of 2006 we published Roger Holloway's tribute to Bishop Carey. Since then we have come across more information about the 1896 British Isles tour of South Africa (they were not called Lions in those days) of which Walter Carey, following his four consecutive Blues at Oxford, was a member. The team included ten Irish internationals and two subsequent winners of the Victoria Cross, Tommy Crean (seated third from the left) and Robert Johnston (standing sixth from the left). The team won 19 matches out of 21 and beat South Africa three times out of four. Carey (seated on the ground second from the left) played in all four tests. Irishman Tommy Crean was the vice-captain, and laid down the team's drinking rules. As Carey later wrote: 'The stars of the tour were Irish... my particular fancy was – and still is – Tommy Crean, the Irish forward. Tommy was the handsomest man I have ever seen; he weighed 210lbs and was always the fastest man on the field. At some athletic contest he did 100 yards in ten and two-fifths seconds, and that for a 15-stone forward is phenomenal. I am bound to say that the match we drew



The 1896 British Isles team

[against Western Province] was after a lunch... when Tommy Crean's order was that nobody should drink more than four tumblers of champagne.'

The late Derek Wells-Brown (W36–39) recalled once meeting the Bishop in the cloisters while on the way to his next class.

He was asked 'Do you think God played rugby?'

Bishop Carey also played for Blackheath and the Barbarians, whose famous motto he coined: 'Rugby is a game for gentlemen of all classes, but never for a poor sportsman of any class'. **MP**



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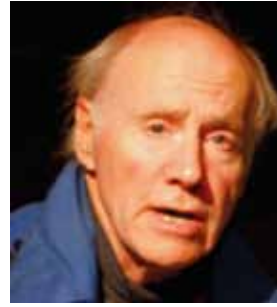


Serena Allott



Serena Allott (N72–74) (**Mrs Serena Courage**) died suddenly of a heart attack on 24 May 2013 aged 56. At the College she was head of house, won English and biography prizes, was a Cavendish librarian and sub-editor of the *Eastbournian*. She next attended Exeter University where she read English. She began her career in journalism as 'Girl Friday' to Peter Uttley, the blind *Telegraph* leader writer and columnist, when she would read newspapers out loud to him, take him to conferences, attend luncheon engagements and discuss and type his articles. She moved on to *Vogue* where her column Shop Hound was much admired, and then on to a short-lived stint at *Working Woman*. After this she rejoined the *Telegraph* as a feature writer on the magazine. Although she became assistant editor of the *Telegraph* magazine, after the birth of her second son she became a freelance writer for the magazine and wrote the weekly column My Mufti. In 2001 she had a major heart attack which she survived due, it was said, to the extraordinary care that she received at St Thomas' Hospital. Two years later she moved out of London and, with her husband Robin, bought Bullen Mead Nursery behind Seaview on the Isle of Wight. There they launched a successful shop 'Made on the Isle of Wight' selling everything of quality made or grown on the island while she continued to write for the *Telegraph*, *Saga* magazine and the *Mail on Sunday*. In 2010 she ghost wrote *Shame*, the autobiography of Jasvinder Sanghera, the Muslim founder of a community-based project in the Midlands; this was followed in 2012 by the follow-up *Daughters of Shame*. In 2012 she launched the Isle of Wight Literary Festival and had secured an impressive cast list to appear at the second festival when she died. She is survived by her husband Robin Courage MBE, whom she married in 1990, and by their two sons Kit and Caspar, and two step-children, Marcus and Camilla.

Rod Beacham



Rod Beacham (B54–58) died on 12 February 2013 at the age of 72 following a massive heart attack. A member of the Modern VI, Rod attended university in South Africa before returning to England to train at RADA between 1960 and 1962. He spent his early acting life with Olivier's National Theatre in its inaugural seasons at the Old Vic and with the Chichester Festival Theatre. In rep he worked at Leicester, Worcester, Leatherhead and Liverpool and with the BBC Radio Rep. With the BBC his many broadcasts included *Mai-gret*, *Waggoner's Walk* and Wilkie Collins' *The Haunted Hotel* which he also adapted in 2012. As a writer he wrote scripts for *The Bill*, *Coasting*, *EL CID*, *Blake's 7* and *Bergerac*, for which his many episodes included creating the Ice Maiden character, played by Lisa Goddard. For BBC Radio his plays included *Sunday Voices*, *The Hubris File*, *The Gorylys Triangle*, *The Sleepers of Fallow Cross*, *The Inter-City Contract*, *Prince of Thieves* and *The Kiss*. His biggest success as a writer was *Lies Have Been Told*, a one-man play about Robert Maxwell which appeared at Edinburgh, Hampstead and finally at London's Trafalgar Studios in 2006. He enjoyed occasional acting in his own radio plays and particularly in his final role at the Orange Tree Theatre in *Three in the Back, Two in the Head*. Rod is survived by Jenny, his wife of 45 years, whom he met at Chichester, their children Jonathan and Clare, and three grandchildren. We are grateful to Clare and the journal *The Stage* for much of the above information.

Roger Carter



Roger Carter (G46–52) died on 3 January 2013. Roger was an Entrance Scholar, a distinction which he improved to Top Scholar in 1947. He was a Stag in 1951 and was awarded hockey and cross country colours. A CSM in the Corps, he was also curator of the Archaeological Society and a member of the Classical VI. His National Service was spent as a 2/Lt with the Royal Artillery, following which he attended St Edmund Hall, Oxford, to read Law. On graduating he was articled to a firm of chartered accountants in Birmingham but soon found that he and Helga, whom he met while at Oxford and married in 1957, could not survive on the pittance that was then paid to such students. Roger proceeded to make his career in personnel

(later to be called human resources) and worked for Tube Investments, Forward Trust, Midland Bank and Lloyds TSB, rising to director level. On retirement he continued to work on a consultancy basis for some of these companies, as well as for the charity Relate.

Roger was a true eccentric. His sons recollect some of his ways: an avid collector of almost everything: 78 and 45 jazz records, paintings, books, magazines, model cars, stamps, postcards, coins, watches, pens, pen knives... the list is endless. But above and beyond this he was infinitely kind, a wise and generous friend and adviser with an extraordinary empathy for everyone regardless of their age or social standing. Helga died in 2002 and they leave two sons, Mike and Andy, and we are grateful for their help with this obituary.

Michael Partridge (B46–51) adds: 'Roger and Helga became lifelong friends when we were both struggling to build careers and bring up families in 1950s Birmingham. More recently Roger attended innumerable September OE reunions when he would come to stay at our home and contribute to a delightful weekend. This year's OE reunion was not the same without him.'

Geoffrey Bishop (R55–57) died in 2013. On leaving the College, Geoffrey joined Price, Forbes and Co Ltd at Lloyds.

Major John Richard Ellis 'Berty' Bowes (B49–54) died on 2 July 2013. A full obituary will be carried in the next issue.

Alan Richard Cattley (HB29–33) died at Ipswich in January 2007. Alan was head of house, won 2nd running strings and was a social commando. On leaving the College, he worked as a teacher at King's Mill prep school, Cromer, and at Springfield Park school at Horsham. He then served as a corporal with the Intelligence Corps during the Second World War before going up to Worcester College, Oxford, where he gained a BA. He next worked as an assistant master at Maidwell Hall school at Northampton and then at Ludgrove prep at Wokingham.

Lt Col Kay Coates (S49–54) died on 29 December 2013. A full obituary will be carried in the next issue.

Robert Anthony (Tony) Colsell (sometime **Cookes**) (P52–56) died peacefully at Apollo Bay, Victoria, Australia, on 13 September 2013 after a short illness. He was 75. He used to recount how, aged just seven, he was flown back to the UK from South Africa in a Sunderland flying boat to attend Ascham and then the College in the footsteps of his father and grandfather, both of whom were OEs. Tony was at Ascham from 1946–52. He was a Stag in 1955–6, captain (and Victor Ludorum) of swimming and captain of gym.

When he left College he joined the Bristol Aeroplane Company on an engineering sandwich course, more or less on the advice of his school chum [Sir] **Charles Masefield** (S53–58), whose father was a director of BAC. Tony was quite a good mathematician and soon found himself working on an early Ferranti valve computer called Pegasus. BAC had acquired one of these machines to do the complex calculations for the Concorde, which by then was only a drawing board concept. BAC also sent him to City University, London, where he gained a degree in computing. IT jobs were few and far between in those days, so in 1965 he emigrated to Australia with his wife Wendy and their one-year-old son. Computer programmers were virtually unheard of down-under but he soon found a job with Hewlett Packard selling hand-held calculators, which were the new fad.

He went on to become General Manager for the Antipodes, which involved flying all over the world. This travelling was unpopular with his family which by then had grown to two sons and six grandchildren. So, for a quieter life, he left HP to set up one of the first chains of computer shops in Sydney and Melbourne. He ran this for about ten years before retiring to the beautiful Apollo Bay where he much enjoyed off-shore sailing. Tony's brother is **Ken** (Ascham 51–58, P58–61) who provided much of this information; their father was

Robert K Colsell (S30–33) and their grandfather **Robert FJ Colsell** (G1902–06). A picture of Tony as a boy is on page 49.



John de Mierre (Pw61–66) died on 31 October 2013. A member of the history sixth, John was a Tigers rugger player, a 3rd XI cricketer and a member of the 1964–5 athletics team. Living in and around Haywards Heath, John set up and ran de Mierre Communications for over 20 years, specialising in media and community relations, on-line design, branding and public affairs. But his real passion was politics, as a result of which he became a county councillor for West Sussex in 2005. He held a number of chairs in two periods as both county and district councillor, culminating in his election as chairman of the

Mid Sussex Conservative Party where his focus was on sustainable economic development as well as health and social welfare services. He also served as chairman of the local business association, chairman of the community partnership, and governor of two local schools. He once described himself as an active lover of theatre and music and a more armchair-based fan of cricket and rugby. His two sons **Alex** (B85–90) and **Charles** (B88–93) both attended the College.



Major Bruce Douglas-Hamilton (Ebn DB and S45–47) died peacefully at home on 3 June 2013. Born in Singapore, Bruce joined the wartime outpost in Gonville as a day boy and moved on to School House when the school returned in

1946. He was a house prefect, a member of the 1st Four and a Stag in 1947. His end of season rugby report says 'He tackles with great courage and determination and will go down on any rush'. After initial training as an accountant, he entered Sandhurst, was commissioned into the 13th/18th Hussars with whom he served for 16 years, retiring as a Major. He served in Malaya on three separate tours including during the Malayan Emergency and the Indonesian-Malaya conflict, in Germany with the British Army of the Rhine and in England. This he followed with a 25-year career in the City where he played a major role in setting up a streamlined non-marine claims system in Lloyd's of London. In 1993 he retired as managing director of RF Kershaw, a Lloyd's Members Agency. In April 1960 Bruce married Jane Ann Butler with whom he had two children and 53 years of happy marriage. A keen countryman, Bruce enjoyed game shooting and fly-fishing for trout and salmon and was a keen gardener. He served as a governor of Horris Hill, a boys' preparatory school, between 1980 and 1990. Bruce is survived by his wife, his daughter and his son.

Vic Ferris



Vic Ferris died on 18 November 2013 aged 82. Vic came to the College in 1967 to take over as head of mathematics. He had previously taught in the RAF, at Bristol Grammar school and for nine years in Nigeria. He would frequently return to Africa, running British Council mathematics courses in Ghana in 1968 and 1969 and in 1981 spending a two-term sabbatical in Nigeria. He left the College in 1987 to become head of mathematics at Kamuzu Academy, the leading secondary school in Malawi. He co-authored no fewer than 19 books for the African market, selling 1½ million copies.

At the College, he became house tutor at Nugent, then Blackwater, both then boys' houses. He next took over Reeves and ran it successfully until 1978. His speciality was 'pure' maths in the A level courses but it was he who masterminded the College's first stumbling steps into the area of computing. He supervised the installation of an Apple network and organised and ran the first courses. Soon after he came he took charge of sailing (having never sailed before) and ran it for 13 years. He joined the CCF, later taking over the RAF Section and instigating the winning of many flying scholarships. For six years he was chairman of the Common Room when he would act as the staff's spokesman to the headmaster and Council.

Vic enjoyed many activities outside of the College. He was for eight years chief examiner in mathematics for the Malawi Board and was at one time chief examiner for GCSE mathematics for the Southern Examinations Board. He was also for a while secretary to the junior branch of the Sussex Mathematical Association and was for ten years a member of the feasibility study team that set up new 16+ examinations. He sang with the Interlude Singers and, a committed Christian, was an Elder at the Edgmond Chapel in Old Town. In retirement Vic and his wife Nora lived at Stone Cross for many years. He leaves four children and three grandchildren.

Paul Feiler



Paul Feiler died on 8 July 2013 at the age of 95. Paul was Head of Art at the College from Lent 1942 until Michaelmas 1946. Born at Frankfurt-am-Main, he came to England in 1933 and, after Canford school, attended the Slade School. Interned on the Isle of Man and then in Canada at the outbreak of war, he returned to Britain in 1941 and taught at the College during the Radley years and then until 1975 at the West England College of Art in Bristol. At Radley he helped to coach rowing.

He moved his studio to Cornwall in the early 1950s and became associated with the post-war modernists at St Ives, teaching at Peter Lanyon's summer school there for several years. Feiler was at the heart of the St Ives generation of painters, building on the achievements of such figures as Ben Nicholson and Christopher Wood. Initially influenced by Abstract Expressionism, during the 1970s his work changed and he began painting 'thinly glazed surfaces of mechanically organised geometric forms', as one record has it. From 1953 he had many solo exhibitions in London, New York, Paris, South Africa and Germany among others. Paul in 1945 married June Miles with whom he had a son and two daughters; the marriage was dissolved and in 1970 he married Catherine Armitage with whom he had twin sons.

Dr John Windsor Garraway

Dr John Windsor Garraway (HB28–32) died on 31 December 1992 at the age of 77. At the College he was head of house and a social commando. He joined Middlesex Hospital and qualified MRCS, MB, BS and LRCP in 1939. He was commissioned into the RAFVR and served in north Africa as a Sqn Leader and Senior Surgical Officer with the 2nd ATAF. He also served at the RAF Hospital base at Vereeniging in South Africa where he met and married Margaret. After the war ended he served as Officer i/c at the RAF hospital at Ely and later at Wroughton, Wilts. In 1952 he toured the West Indies with the Royal family in the suite of Princess Margaret. He took early retirement with the rank of Group Captain. In 1957 he was admitted FRCS. In the late 1960s he returned to South Africa, becoming Surgeon Superintendent at the Eben Dönges Hospital in Worcester. Then in 1973 he moved to Durban where he joined the Medical School at the University of Natal, running the casualty department at the King Edward VIII Hospital. Here he was known by the Zulu staff as *Khanyisani*, which means 'the light'. He was a father figure to staff and counselled them in a personal and professional capacity. As his friend and colleague Professor JV Robbs said in a tribute: 'John was a man of great dignity and wisdom. He was a humanitarian and served as an example and role model'. John is survived by Margaret, his wife, three children and three grandchildren.

We thank the *South African Medical Journal* for information about his work in that country.

Ian Ronald Britton Fraser (S51–55) died in Lewes in July 1996.



Robin Frost (Pw47–50) died from pancreatic cancer on 19 May 2013, aged 79. Son of the Eastbourne Chief Constable, Robin joined Powell in 1947. A notable boxer, he gained 1st colours in 1948. He served as a 2/Lt with the RASC in Cyrenaica for his National Service and then worked for many years in advertising and public relations in London and Bristol. After five years with the advertising

agency BBDO in London, from 1971 until 1992 he was head of public relations at Harveys of Bristol, international sherry shippers. This involved a large programme of arts sponsorship: the Leeds Piano Competition, London ECO, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Dublin Theatre Awards, Bristol Old Vic, Bath Festival and others. Friends and family remember his sharp dry wit, dead-pan humour and ability to lighten the moment with an amusing comment. He had a direct, frank and unpretentious manner; a man who knew his own mind and had the courage of his convictions. Robin was married to Bridget for 49 years and they had three children and five grandchildren. Also much loved was his 1967 Mark II Jaguar, his Somerset Old Rectory where he lived for nearly 40 years, as well as the family house in the south of France.

Major Alister 'Harry' Gauntlett



Major Alister 'Harry' Gauntlett (B46–48) died on 25 August 2013. Born in Shanghai, in 1941 Harry and his family were imprisoned by the Japanese, first under house arrest and subsequently in a POW camp. They suffered great hardship and Harry's oldest brother died from typhoid – the Japanese withholding all medication. After 1½ years, there was an exchange of prisoners and the family was taken to the south

east coast of Africa. Their father joined the South African army as a surgeon, and Ian, the older surviving brother, became a pilot in the South African Air Force.

In 1945, the family returned to England, the father going into practice in Colchester while Harry joined Blackwater at the age of 16. He soon established himself as a sound rugby player (2nd XV colours in 1947–8) and a good Fives player, captain in 1948. He was also a house prefect. In 1951 he entered Sandhurst, represented the Academy at modern pentathlon and became a Junior Under Officer. Commissioned into the Royal Tank Regiment, he was posted to Korea, then seconded to the Federation of Malaysia's Armoured Car Regiment and subsequently to the 16th/5th The Queen's Royal Lancers, where he became involved with the Junior Leaders' Regiment. He also spent time in Brunei, where he was equerry to the Sultan. He retired as a Major after 28 years in the army. Subsequently he worked voluntarily for SSAFA, joining their Council and becoming the Hampshire branch chairman and president. He married Stephanie, known as Stephie, in 1977. He was a keen sportsman, his great love being deep-water sailing and golf. His dogs too were a very important part of his life. He was devoted to his grandchildren in whose progress he took the keenest interest. Harry will be remembered for his many qualities and, perhaps, above all, for his enormous and usually self-deprecating sense of humour.

General Sir (Basil) Ian Gourlay



General Sir (Basil) Ian Gourlay KCB CVO CBE MC (S34–38) died on 17 July 2013 at the age of 92. Sir Ian was commissioned into the Royal Marines in 1940 and served on the aircraft carrier HMS *Formidable* from 1941–44 in the Pacific, the Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean, with the RM Commando 1944–45 and with 45 Commando 1945–48. In September 1944 he led his troop in the capture of the enemy-occupied Adriatic island of Solta. The operation succeeded largely because of ‘his inspiring leadership and devotion to duty’ which ‘were beyond praise and an example to all’. Gourlay, serving in 43 Commando as part of the Vis Brigade, formed in 1944 to work with Yugoslav partisans, had first made a reconnaissance of the island off the rugged Dalmatian coast, then seized and held a dominant feature that the enemy were using as an artillery observation post. This place, vital to the defence of the island, was strongly fortified, mined and wired – but Gourlay, the account says, ‘pressed home his attack with speed, tactical skill and determination, forcing the enemy to withdraw.’ The achievement was all the greater because physical handicap attended it: ‘Although wounded in the head early in the action, he refused to leave his troop and continued to take charge of the tasks of consolidation and patrolling.’ The action took place over several days, from 17 to 25 September. The recommendation continues: ‘On the 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd his positions were heavily engaged by artillery, mortars and machine guns, and for 24 hours no rations could reach his position, but in spite of weakness from his wounds, hunger and lack of sleep, he showed complete disregard to personal danger, and outstanding courage.’ ‘Strongly recommended’ is the comment typed in beneath, in the space signed by Field Marshal Henry ‘Jumbo’ Wilson, Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theatre. He was awarded the Military Cross.

At the end of September 1944, 43 Commando was redeployed to northern Italy, but they soon renewed the campaign to drive the Germans from Yugoslavia by landing at Dubrovnik. For three months they fought the crack German XXI (Mountain) Corps in inhospitable terrain. However, as Hitler, suspecting an eventual Allied landing in the northern Adriatic, diverted reinforcements to the Dalmatian coast, the campaign faltered.

Back in Italy, in March and April 1945, Gourlay’s commandos took up positions in the marshes around Lake Commachio, north of Ravenna. They advanced across the Quaderna canal, cut the Argenta road, and then, on 2 and 3 April, successfully stormed heavily fortified buildings in open country north of the road – this was a bitter and difficult battle, with little natural cover, during which Gourlay and his men traversed minefields towards well-prepared German defences. They held off strong counterattacks and, after regrouping on 18 April, went on to clear the banks of the river Reno.

He was an Instructor at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich, 1948–50 and Adjutant with the RM Forces Volunteer Reserve City of London 1950–52. Next he served as an Instructor with the RM Officers’ School 1952–54 and at the Staff College, Camberley, in 1954. Then followed service as Brigade Major with 3 Commando. The Marines went to Cyprus and he was mentioned in despatches during operations against the Greek Cypriot Eoka.

In July 1956 President Nasser of Egypt nationalised the Suez Canal. During the four-month delay between Egypt’s seizure of the Canal Zone, and the British and French attempt to win it back, Gourlay planned the commandos’ landings. This was when, for the first time as a senior officer, Gourlay got to know a man who came to admire him – the First Sea Lord, Admiral Lord Mountbatten. Mountbatten, Acting Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff, had doubts about the campaign. Though commandos could seize the Canal Zone in three or four days, Mountbatten thought, not enough troops could be sent in fast enough behind them to maintain the position. For his work on Operation Musketeer – Suez – Gourlay was appointed OBE.

After another spell as an instructor, Gourlay became second-in-command of 42 Commando from 1959 until 1961, then GSO1 at HQ Plymouth Group until 1963, when he became 42 Commando’s Commanding Officer until 1965. The route to the top progressed via a post at the Ministry of Defence, following which Colonel Gourlay was Commander, 3rd Commando Brigade until 1968. He was Major-General, Royal Marines, Portsmouth until 1971, and

Commandant-General, Royal Marines, at the Ministry of Defence with the rank of Lieutenant General until 1973, when he was promoted full General. He retired in 1975 at the age of 55.

Almost immediately he was persuaded by Lord Mountbatten to join United World Colleges (UWC) as Director General. In this role, which continued until 1990 and less officially in the years that followed, Sir Ian played a major part in UWC’s development into a worldwide movement. Several new colleges were added, there was massive growth in the national committee system and an alumni network was developed. The movement was transformed. An obituary tribute by UWC’s Executive Director Keith Clark is worthy of record: ‘Many of the people I have spoken to since the terribly sad news of Sir Ian’s death have spoken about one quality above all others: Ian’s modesty. That self-effacing character was what made him such an inspiration. Nothing ever seemed too much trouble. He would seem genuinely surprised that you might remember something about him. Any appreciation was quietly deflected with the idea that it was others who deserved the thanks. There was something deeply kind about Ian and he was interested in everybody he met; the result was that you were centre stage, not him.’ OE **Richard Taylor** (S53–58) was Sir Ian’s deputy at UWC for eight years and writes of him with affection: ‘one of our most distinguished Old Eastbournians... he brought huge credit during his life to Eastbourne College’. He also spoke at Sir Ian’s memorial service, saying: ‘Chaucer wrote in the Prologue to the Canterbury Tales of the Knight, who loved chivalry, truth and honour, freedom and courtesy, who was full worthy in the art of war. Who was wise and spoke no discourtesy in all his life to anyone. ‘He was a verrey parfit gentil knight’. But perhaps we should leave the last word to the man himself. ‘No-one is indispensable’ Ian used to say, ‘but some are irreplaceable’.

In 1949 Sir Ian actively canvassed financial support for donations to the Bishop Walter Carey Fund which, following his retirement as College Chaplain, was designed to help the Bishop to purchase petrol and repairs for his car. He was also a loyal Devonshire Society member.

Sir Ian married Natasha Zinovieff in 1948 and they had one son, **Michael** (S63–68) and a daughter Ann. His brother **Nigel** (S37–41), Nigel’s son **Richard** (S70–75) and his daughter **Alison** (N70–72) were all at the College. As were **Michael Gourlay** (S63–68) and **Alastair Graham** (S54–59) who were their cousins.

We are indebted to excellent obituaries that appeared in the *Independent*, the *Daily Telegraph* and the *Times*.



W Hugh Goodchild

(Ascham 53–58, Pw59–62) died on 21 January 2013 after a stroke followed by pneumonia. On leaving the College Hugh attended the Eastbourne School of Art for two years, followed by a course at the Central School of Art

and Design in London where he obtained a BA in textile design. His first job was as art teacher in a large comprehensive in Scunthorpe; he then became head of the art and craft department at Repton Prep in Derbyshire. He travelled widely, visiting art galleries all over Europe, becoming an expert on the history of art and artists. He built up an extensive collection of art books and reproductions which he bequeathed to the College art department. His career as a teacher ended when at the age of 38 he had a severe mental breakdown due to overworking. His main role in later years was as companion to his mother in Eastbourne.

Dr Seton Robert Tristram Headley (HB28–32) died on 26 November 2013. A full obituary will appear in our next issue.

Richard Horne



Richard Horne (G40–45) died on 30 June 2013. At the College Richard spent all of his schooldays in exile at Radley where he was house prefect and a talented sportsman, a rugby Stag, a 2nd XI cricketer who also represented the school at fives, shooting, squash, rowing, gym and running. He played wing three-quarter in the College XV which beat the all-conquering Radley side 4–3 in 1944. On leaving the College in 1945 he undertook a six-month naval short course to study maths and physics at Worcester College, Oxford, and then served until 1947/8 as an ordinary seaman with the RNVR on HMS *Venus* in the western Mediterranean. After demob Richard worked as a manager at a

limestone quarry at Much Wenlock and was later director and divisional chairman of Boddy Industries Ltd of Sheffield. Richard was a chartered engineer, a Fellow of the Institute of Energy, the Institute of Petroleum and the Institute of Quarrying. A magistrate for 27 years, High Sheriff of South Yorkshire, Master of the Clothworkers and Fuellers Livery Companies, National Chairman of the Coal Industries Society and Coal Trade Benevolent Association, Richard led a full life. He was also a trustee of the Cavendish Hip Foundation, undergoing no fewer than seven hip replacements himself. By 1983 he had established his own business consultancy working from his home in Baslow, Derbyshire, and operating all over south Yorkshire. In recent years he had suffered from arthritis and osteoporosis. Richard married Cherry in 1951 and together they had three daughters and, in turn, six grandchildren. Richard's father was **Lester Horne** (B14–18) and his brother is **John** (G41–46).

John Houghton



John Houghton

(P34–38) died on 6 February 2013. At the College John was a social commando and a corporal in the OTC. He moved on to attend the City and Guilds College of the University of London to read engineering. The war terminated his studies after one year and, after training at Bangalore and Kakul, he was commissioned into the Royal Indian Army Service Corps. At

the battle of El Alamein in November 1942 his jeep was blown up by a landmine; his life was saved by his driver who, also badly wounded, crawled back to base with John on his back. He recovered to serve through the Italian campaign including action at Monte Cassino. Leaving the army a captain, he came home to England with a great love of Italy, Florence and Italian opera. In 1945 he joined the Ford Motor Company at Dagenham and in due course became Chief Export Sales Manager. He left in 1962 to become managing director of the London General Cab Company.

John had married Betty in 1948 and in 1966 they settled in Swanborough and together opened Meridian Designs in Lewes High Street – a shop with everything for the house and home. John became immersed in Lewes and its

organisations and led the campaign to save All Saints church in Friars Walk and superintend its conversion into a concert hall, educational centre and meeting venue. He was the founding chairman of the Lewes Archaeological Group and embarked on the massive task of investigating the ownership and occupancy of every tenement in the borough. From this came *Burgage tenure and topography in Lewes* (1986), *Unknown Lewes, an Historical Geography* (1997) and *The Great River of Lewes* (2002). He served on the governing body of the Sussex Archaeological Society from 1977 to 1981, when he became General Administrator, and in 1992 President. His achievements in these roles were immense, his dogged persistence bringing conclusion to many a seemingly intractable problem.

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Ted James



Ted James, College cricket professional and manager of the College sports shop from 1963 to 1992, died on 2 April 2013. **Nigel Wheeler** writes:

Ted was born on 7 August 1924 in Newton Longville, Bucks. His father was a cobbler – and a keen cricket-watcher but not a player. Sadly he never did see Ted play for Sussex. Ted's brother Bernard initially taught him his cricket and they played together in local sides until Ted joined the RAF and found himself in 1946–7 playing in Pakistan – and also in South Africa.

In 1948 he made his debut for Sussex and Wisden for that year announced 'James, the young right arm off-break exponent from Bletchley, Bucks, headed the averages'. Indeed the all-conquering

1948 Australian side came to Hove and Ted had the great Don Bradman dropped by wicket keeper Billy Griffiths when only 4. 'A little percher, a little percher! Straight in and out'. All Christmas cards in the future from Billy Griffiths to Ted had but one word: 'Sorry'. Needless to say Bradman made 100 and Sussex were given a good hiding.

By the time of the Australians' next visit in 1953 Ted had taken to bowling medium pacers and had been titled The Bletchley Flyer by fellow player Hubert Doggart. In the Australian game this time Ted took 5 wickets in their first innings including Miller, Craig and Lindwall and at the close Sussex were holding on with 9 wickets down, 160 adrift and AE James not out 10. *continued overleaf...*

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Ted had 13 years of first class cricket; he bowled over 10,000 overs and took 843 wickets. In that great year for Sussex of 1953 when they came second in the championship he took over 100 wickets as he did again in 1955. Wisden of that year records: 'Thompson and James formed a most effective opening pair as Yorkshire, for one, could testify. In the match with the Northern County at Hove, James with 9 wickets for 60 in the first innings and Thompson with 6-55 in the second paved the way to victory by 21 runs'. Hutton/Watson/Sutcliffe/Trueman and Appleyard – all England players – were among Ted's victims in that historic bowling performance.

Ted never bowled a wide – and only one No Ball and that was a planned, put-up prank arranged by his Sussex players and Frank Chester, the umpire. The total amazement and surprise on Ted's face caused great amusement for all.

In 1961 John Lush, master in charge, and Michael Birley, headmaster, asked Ted to come as part-time coach while still running his newsagency in Worthing. In 1963 he accepted a full-time post at the College. He, Kitty, Joanne and Ian left West Sussex for East. Kitty agreed to help out with the school tuck shop for a couple of weeks – and stayed for 27 years! Ted ran his sports shop – a marvellous meeting place, an Aladdin's cave of ageing sports equipment – where cricket was discussed summer and winter alike – where boys always found a sympathetic ear and a warm welcome. Somewhere that wasn't school – and yet was part of it.

Boys enjoyed his coaching. We didn't need a bowling machine in those days; Ted *was* the bowling machine! He could place the ball just where he wanted it – and those dulcet tones would ring out from the nets at College 'Come on, David, get on the front foot! Hit it! Hit it!' He always reckoned that he could judge a player's ability and potential in two balls – one was for the benefit of the doubt!

Golf was a great source of family enjoyment. Ted was an uncanny

player 'never three putt' he used to say, 'waste of energy'. Their Christmas turkey was invariably won by one member of the family in the Downs Golf Club Xmas competition... usually Ted! Joanne described her father as one of those boring golfers who would always hit the ball straight down the middle and if she, as his partner in a match, hit the ball anywhere but on the fairway, Ted wouldn't actually say anything but would start whistling through his teeth – not good for the partner's confidence!



Ted and Kitty James in 2006

One remembers, of course, Ted and his garden shed... he spent many an hour in the shed. I'd phone him up, Kitty would answer 'He's down the shed'. 'What's he doing there?' – 'I've no idea!'

Some of you may recall his enjoyment in playing his mouth organ – he was rather good. He would play it often to the amusement or possible irritation of the family during a television programme that had lost his attention – and would often be accompanied enthusiastically by their excited dog, Ambrose.

We all have fond memories of dear Ted. It was Simon Langdale, former

headmaster, who wrote: 'I never heard him utter an unkind word or known of one said against him'; he went on to say: 'what a fine body of men those old County players were and what a really good influence they had on the schoolboys whom they coached – Maurice Tate, George Geary, Bert Robinson, Ray Dovey, Charlie Oakes to name but a few. Ted was as good as any of them'.

Sad days for Eastbourne to lose Ralph Bryant, former groundsman and close friend of Ted, John Lush and now Ted himself, all in a short time. They were giants of College cricket, great exponents of Fair Play and the great value of the game. All will be sadly missed.

Ted was a man much loved and greatly respected. To Kitty and the family, we know how fine a man he was as a husband/father/friend. One can still hear his voice on College Field. No, for me, a good player, a good player – and what a fitting epithet for Ted himself – for in every sense of the words – he was 'a good player'.

Alexander 'Alec' Frank Johnston



Johnston in the high hurdles

Alexander 'Alec' Frank Johnston (Crosby 34-39) died on 19 June 2013 at the age of 92. Born and bred in Bexhill-on-Sea, Alec was a school prefect, head of house and held first running strings in 1938 and '39. He excelled as a leader and as an all-round athlete specialising in field events, the shot put, discus, high

jump and high hurdles. He was fortunate in establishing a close relationship with his house master – Kemys Bagnall-Oakeley (whose daughter Charmian was to become his goddaughter) and who, no doubt, was an excellent role model, being an accomplished athlete in his own right. Well above average height (Alec measured 6'7" in his prime), he held school records for the high jump and shot put and was a member of that extraordinary trio of great athletes that included **Tony Chadburn** (S34-39) and **Roy Donaldson** (B35-39) that so nearly won the trophy at the Public Schools Athletics Meeting at the White City in 1939. He won the shot put with a throw of 45' 8¼" and was third in the discus and fifth in the high jump. In the 1939 AAA Junior Championships he won with a throw of 48' 5", the best ever by an English schoolboy.

He decided on the army and in 1939 was accepted for Sandhurst. He was commissioned into the East Surrey regiment and got a job as a dispatch rider, on one occasion carrying 'Monty' (General Viscount Montgomery) on the pillion. Conventional

soldiering proved not to be his metier and he applied for Airborne Forces as a glider pilot at the time of their original formation. Evidently 25,000 applied, 3,000 were accepted, of which 1,500 failed to meet the specialised requirements of the RAF and Glider Pilot regiment. In 1943 he suffered a serious glider accident in a night time training operation – he was thrown 80 feet into the air on impact, breaking his neck, both legs and an arm. This put him out of action for seven months. He was always very appreciative of the professional care he received from the military hospitals. He fought at Arnhem and was captured after nine days of furious engagement with the enemy. He once recounted how a German fighter pilot who, after his capture, on noticing his wings said: 'I saw from your wings that you are a British glider pilot'. After Alec acknowledged the remark he added: 'you glider pilots are trained to do anything, aren't you – fly a plane, fire any gun, use any weapon?' When Alec nodded with pride he commented: 'Didn't do you much good, did it?' Alec enjoyed recollecting this event.

A Brigadier Chatterton wrote in 1946 about the qualities needed by a glider pilot: 'It is difficult for the average layman to appreciate the difference between the relaxed and mentally supple airman and the highly disciplined soldier trained to withstand the full rigours of war in the field. It must be even more difficult for the layman to appreciate the task of selecting men who must needs combine the skill of an aviator with the fearlessness of the finest type of infantryman – a man, in fact, who must be prepared to change from one to the other in a matter of seconds'.

Alex left the services to avoid the disruption to the family of a posting to Greece and so began a career in civvy street. He became an aviation executive, writer, raconteur, philosopher, conversationalist and father. In short a very complete man. After the war he continued to compete as an athlete and was shortlisted for the 1948 London Olympics. The story goes, or so it is recalled, that the night before the Olympic trials he was up late drinking and partying which may have affected his performance the following day. This would have been in keeping, perhaps, with the very best, or worst, of British amateurism!

After a stint in PR with the *Times* newspaper, he landed a position with the Society of British Aerospace Constructors

(SBAC). Thus began a career in the aircraft industry in which he held a number of senior positions with Bristol Siddeley, Hawker Siddeley and, finally, with British Aircraft Corporation at Wharton in Lancashire. His sons remember watching the Farnborough Air Show from the SBAC enclosure with their father consorting with foreign dignitaries. A close friend in this industry was 'Bee' Beamont DSO*, DFC* (Crosby34–37), with whom he collaborated on many projects. His favourite project in his career with BAC (now British Aerospace) was the international collaborative project known as Panavia for the construction of Tornado fighter aircraft. This gave him the opportunity to work with his continental counterparts – namely Italians and Germans – some of whom became lifelong friends. Despite an age gap of 20 years he forged a close friendship with the 'enemy' – a young German called Foulkhard whose father had been a Second World War SS officer. The two formed a special friendship until his friend's premature death in 2008. Alec took pride in having improved Foulkhard's spoken English to the point where he reckoned he sounded like a true Englishman.

He survived his wife, Kathleen, whom he married in 1945, by nearly 15 years. Alex and Kathleen had retired to Burgess Hill

in order to be back in Sussex and enjoyed their retirement there for many years. They both did voluntary work and Alec did book reviews especially on aviation. Kathleen died in 1997. He continued to write – including book reviews, correspondence and began writing papers and articles for pleasure.

He did not relish the idea of clubs or associations and enjoyed the company of a few select individuals. Alec would enjoy hobnobbing with neighbours and was generally regarded as a character in the town. Recently the British Legion interviewed him to establish his eligibility for a free shower. The tortuous process of answering questions was too much for him. When asked for his service number he proclaimed that as a professional soldier he had more interest in killing Germans than remembering his service number!

Alec's sons Michael and Kevin are thankful for having such a wonderful and principled man as their father and for so long – he was the very best kind of his generation. A friend recently described him as 'a giant of a man, both in stature and integrity'. His name will live on through Kevin's son Daniel and his wife who recently brought a young Alec into the world. Michael's eldest son is also an Alexander.

Major General Pat Kay

Major General Pat Kay CB MBE

(P35–39) died peacefully at his home on 19 September 2013, aged 92. At the College, Pat was a school prefect, 2nd XV captain, won the junior sculls in 1938, was a social commando and won the Raybould Cup. He was commissioned into the Royal Marines in January 1940 and between 1941 and December 1943 joined the battle cruiser *Renown* in the Mediterranean and the Arctic. On leaving the *Renown* early in 1944, he joined Brigadier 'Jumbo' Leicester's 4th Special Service Brigade (later renamed 4 Commando Brigade) as Staff Captain. In the Normandy landings, the Brigade had to overcome the vigorous German defence of the towns and villages on the extreme Allied left flank. Pat Kay was Brigade Liaison Officer at HQ 41 Royal Marine Commando. On 8.45am on D-Day, 6 June 1944, his landing craft grounded 200 yards off Sword Beach and Kay waded ashore under sniper and machine gun fire. By 11.40 all the Commando tanks had been put out of action; an hour later they withdrew to their starting position where they resisted a number of German counter-attacks and consolidated their perimeter defences. By 7 June 1944 the unit had had 140 casualties, over a third of its fighting strength



including the CO, in the tough battle for Lion-sur-Mer. During the advance to the River Seine from the Normandy bridgehead, Leicester sent Pat Kay forward to 46 (RM) Commando, which had just lost five officers to one mortar bomb. When Kay arrived, the CO asked, 'are you armed?'

When Kay replied in the affirmative, he said 'You will lead Z troop this evening'. The objective, Hill 13, Petit Enfer, on the approach to Dozule, from which the enemy had earlier ejected the 5th Parachute Brigade, was captured in an attack that took the German troops completely by surprise. The Marines took 65 prisoners and a considerable quantity of arms and equipment.

Subsequently, the Brigade was to conduct the bitterly opposed landing and battle for the strategically vital island of Walcheren at the mouth of the Scheldt estuary, and the approaches to the vital port of Antwerp. During the landing at Westkappelle, Pat Kay was severely wounded when his Buffalo amphibious landing vehicle hit a mine. With conspicuous courage, he lived thereafter with the consequences of this serious injury. 'This might have been a very serious consequence for the whole operation', the recommendation for the award of his MBE, dated 5 February 1945, says, 'had it not been for Captain Kay's foresight and care in the preparation of load tables, which enabled the force to carry on with its initial supplies and without seriously impairing its efficiency, until the enemy were finally eliminated from the island.'

After the war, he served in Combined Operations Headquarters and attended Staff College. He joined 40 Commando in 1954 based on Malta but with operational tours in Cyprus during the EOKA Emergency, and took part in the Suez landings in November 1956. He instructed at the Joint Services Amphibious Warfare Centre at Poole before returning to London to fill the RM billet in the Plans Division of the Admiralty, leaving on promotion to Lt Colonel to command 43 Commando Royal Marines based at Plymouth.

During his time in command he took part in an arduous NATO autumn exercise in northern Norway during which his Commando carried out a bold outflanking move over the mountains involving marching almost non-stop for two days and a night, led by the CO at a cracking pace. Despite his long-term injured back, he could out march most people half his age. While in Norway, he appreciated that operating on this NATO flank was an ideal task for Royal Marine Commandos. On the aircraft returning to England Pat Kay discussed his idea with the then Lt Colonel Peter Whiteley, the senior umpire on the exercise. They were to see their concept come to fruition in the late 1960s when 45 Commando was trained for winter warfare in Arctic Norway and, in the early 1970s, most of 3 Commando Brigade.

He commanded the Amphibious Training Unit, Royal Marines, at Poole until 1959 before embarking on a long stint in Whitehall. Pat Kay had amassed a deal of expertise of joint operations, and of the ways of the Ministry of Defence. He had also enjoyed a mind-broadening year at the Imperial Defence College. This experience stood him in good stead as Colonel General Staff and, later, as Chief of Staff to the Commandant General Royal Marines, **General Sir Ian Gourlay** (S34–38), his friend since his schooldays.

Always industrious and blessed with keen intellect, a prodigious memory, a courteous demeanour and dry wit, Pat Kay was a mainstay during some delicate times for his Corps, which had as many foes in the Navy Department as in the Army Department! Perhaps because of a reluctance to appropriate for himself some of the credit for successes that came their way, the Royal Marines of today may not be aware of just how much they owe him. He was awarded the CB in the 1972 New Year's Honours and retired in 1974.

Pat Kay, together with his Royal Netherlands Marine Corps counterpart, Colonel Adrian Lamers, was the force behind the creation of the United Kingdom/Netherlands Amphibious Force in 1973. There had been friendship of long-standing between the two organisations and it was perceived that there were clear military and political advantages if the Netherlands Marines Amphibious Combat Group which, in the early seventies had no defined NATO role,

and 3 Commando Brigade, Royal Marines could be affiliated formally. The novelty of attempting such an integrated international approach encountered resistance. However, by dint of the efforts of the Naval and Marine staffs of both countries, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed in May 1973. It has proved to be a conspicuously successful alliance, and one of the best examples of military teamwork in European defence. It was also an astute move politically, when, as happened from time to time, either Marine Corps found itself being considered for 'the axe'. A quiet word to the relevant minister of the potentially detrimental effect on a key NATO ally was said to have changed minds on more than one occasion.

Pat was to remain in Whitehall as he was asked to take over as Director of Naval Security on the sudden death of Colonel Jack Macafee, another Royal Marines officer. His years between 1974 and 1981 were ones of rigorous consolidation. After handing over as Director, Pat Kay subsequently carried out a number of security studies for the Ministry of Defence and, between 1984 and 1986, was Secretary of the Defence Press and Broadcasting Committee (The D Notice Committee).

In the wake of the Falklands War, it was decided in 1982 to appoint a retired senior officer as part-time Associate Secretary of the Defence Press and Broadcasting Committee (as it was then named) to stand in for the full-time D-Notice Secretary when the latter was on leave or heavily committed in time of war. Pat Kay was the first holder of the new post, being particularly well qualified by virtue of his previous appointments. When the Secretary retired in December 1984, no suitable volunteer to replace him was immediately available, so he became the full-time Acting Secretary until mid-1986.

He was confronted with a number of contentious security matters of interest to the media, including the story of the sinking of the *General Belgrano* by HMS *Conqueror*, and other Falklands War revelations, the publication of the identities and photographs of the Heads of MI5 and of MI6, new information about the Second World War Ultra code-breaking, and the ongoing Northern Irish terrorist campaigns. With a mixture of firmness, wisdom and dry humour, Pat Kay gained the respect of both officials and journalists for his scrupulously independent advice as to what could and should not be published about national security.

Into his late 80s, Pat Kay was a fine golfer and he was proud of the active role that he played in the Royal Navy Golfing Society, being President from 1973–76. In 1974, he instituted the Admiral's Bowl (a competition for Admirals and Royal Marines General Officers) – and won the initial event and on four other occasions! He played in the annual match between

the Admirals, the Army Generals and the Air Marshals on 28 occasions, winning more matches than he lost. He was captain of his home club, North Hants, from 1990–93. *The Centenary History of the North Hants Golf Club* records that his robust organisational skills and drive made him an ideal chairman of the club's committee. After eight years work, over 100 meetings and with some acceptable adjustments to the course layout, the committee successfully negotiated a new 999-year lease at a peppercorn rent – and gained a capital payment which enabled the building of a fine new clubhouse.

Pat Kay was an ardent supporter of RM Commando Association pilgrimages to Normandy as well as being a regular attendee at the annual Walcheren commemorations organised by the Stichting Steun Bevrijders (Foundation Support Liberators).

Pat Kay married Muriel in 1944, shortly before D-Day. She died in 2013 and he is survived by his sons, **Alick** (P58–63), **Richard** (P58–63) and **Jonathan** (P63–67) and daughter Liz. He was a College governor for some years in the 1970s when **Michael Birley** once described him as 'frighteningly efficient'.

We are grateful to the *Daily Telegraph* and the *Independent* for information garnered from their excellent obituaries.

Forbes Wastie has penned the following tribute: 'On his retirement as Contingent Commander of the College Cadet Corps in 1968, **Tony Henderson** asked me to take over the command of the contingent from him. It was a daunting task to follow such a distinguished soldier. However I was fortunate that there were three OEs working alongside each other in the Ministry of Defence, **Admiral Sir Derek Empson GBE KCB**, Second Sea Lord, **General Sir Ian Gourlay KCB CVO OBE MC**, Commandant General of the Royal Marines and **Major General Pat Kay CB MBE**, Deputy Commandant of the Royal Marines. They invited me to meet them in London to encourage me in my new task and to assure me that I could rely on their assistance. It was Pat Kay who arranged a challenging summer camp for the contingent at the RM Special Boats Section at Poole in Dorset. So began a strong liaison with these three distinguished OEs, with Derek Empson later taking over as Chairman of Governors. All three had been at the College together and had remained firm friends throughout their lives. It was Pat Kay who was responsible for having the plaque erected in the cloisters in memory of Sir Derek. At Pat Kay's memorial service on 9 October 2013, Richard Kay, one of his three sons, gave an eloquent account of his father's qualities and achievements. A Royal Marine Bugler in full dress sounded the Last Post and Reveille as a final tribute to a great and brave man.'



The Revd Anthony King (S47–53) died on 3 December 2012 following a fall, aged 78. Anthony was head of school, a member of the science VI, a social commando, chapel warden, CSM in the CCF, secretary of five societies and won prizes for music, physics and chemistry. After National Service as a 2/Lt in the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry in Germany, Anthony entered Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and graduated with a BA in history in 1958. He next attended Ely and then Lincoln Theological Colleges and was ordained in 1963. Curacies at Benwell St James (Newcastle) and Thirsk with South Kilvington led to

his appointment as vicar of a parish in a depressed area of Halifax, Halifax St Augustine. From 1974 he was for 25 years Rector of Upton on Severn in Worcestershire, and Rural Dean of Upton. As a parish priest he was thoughtful, hard working and sensitive to the needs of his parishioners. He developed a style of service which attracted a loyal and grateful congregation, and initiated and nurtured strong ecumenical relationships with local non-Anglican churches. His many achievements in the parish were complemented by his various interests which included music, watercolour painting and sailing – not only did he build a Mirror 16 dinghy in his rectory study, he also somehow managed to get it out of the building. As a member of the Worcester Choral Society he sang in many Three Choirs Festivals. One of his extra-parochial assignments was to take his former housemaster **William Bett's** funeral under conditions of strict security as William's son-in-law, Michael Mates, was Northern Ireland secretary at the time. He served

on the National Executive Committee of the Industrial Christian Fellowship.

In 1999 he retired to Colyford in East Devon and died peacefully in Seaton hospital. His last few years were rendered difficult for him and for Gillian due to Parkinson's and heart troubles, but he bore these misfortunes without complaint. Anthony married Gilly in 1960 and was father to Lizzie, Richard, Catherine and Andrew. Anthony's brother is **Christopher James King** (S50–56).

Dr Herbert Keith Norman Lister (Crosby 36–41) died on 11 September 2013 at his home at Chapel Knap, Somerset, at the age of 90. Dr Lister was a school prefect, head of house, captain of tennis and hockey and hon sec of the boat club. On leaving the College, in 1944 he entered Queens', Cambridge, to read natural sciences and medicine. He graduated BA in 1946, MA and BChir in 1950. He also represented Cambridge at lawn tennis. He next trained at St Thomas' Hospital, qualifying MRCS and LRCP in 1949.

Subsequently he worked as a house surgeon and physician at the South Devon and East Cornwall Hospital at Plymouth; then as an ENT house surgeon at St Thomas' 1946–49; then in practice in Harlow, Essex, from 1951–60, and at Minehead/ Porlock in Somerset 1960–83. In 1952 he served as a temporary captain with the TA. He was medical officer for the British Red Cross, Essex Division, a founder member of Pony Riding for the Disabled and chairman of the Abbeyfield Society in Porlock. He published various articles on gardening and was involved with TV documentaries. Keith was married to Caroline and father to three sons and three daughters. He was a loyal Embellisher and contributed generously to the Second World War memorial project in 2003. In 2010 he donated a number of photographs to the College Archives.

His brother was **Derek Lister** (Crosby 33–37) who lost his life as a Wellington bomber pilot with the RAFVR in north Africa in 1942.

John Lush



John Lush, who died on 15 March 2013, joined the staff in 1951 and served the College as a teacher for 37 years; this was followed by many more years running the library and bookshop, tutoring in School and Reeves Houses and helping with College cricket. Educated at Sherborne, he spent three years there in the cricket XI and was captain in his last two seasons of a side that contained David Shepherd, future test batsman and Bishop of Liverpool. John

represented the Public Schools at Lord's and was head of school in his last year. A misdiagnosis of a hip injury when he was 16 robbed him of full mobility for the rest of his life. Going up to Emmanuel, Cambridge, in 1948 to read history, he found the university XI containing players such as Peter May, Hubert Doggart, David Shepherd and John Dewes, all playing test cricket while still undergraduates. John became secretary and captain of the Crusaders (the university 2nd XI) for an unprecedented two years. During this time he also played minor counties cricket for Dorset.

Having played for the Free Foresters against the College in 1950, in 1951 he was invited by **John Nugee** to join the staff and take over College cricket from Claud Burton. He ran College cricket for 25 years before handing it on to Nigel Wheeler.

After a short spell living in the Masters' Lodge he moved into School House as a tutor, as well as running cricket. He persuaded the 'powers that be' to allow hockey to become a major sport and even for it to be played on the sacred turf of College Field. Joint head of history, housemaster in Powell for ten years and then, in 1972, Gonville for a further eleven were to follow. He enhanced the status of dayboys by insisting that they stayed for supper and prep every evening. **Admiral Sir Ian**

Forbes (Pw60–65), now Chairman of the College Council, recalls 'a lively, exuberant man, full of purpose and leaving an indelible impression on the lives of the boys he coached, taught or cared for in the House'.

In the early 1960s John invited **Ted James**, who had just retired from playing for Sussex, to come and coach part-time at Ascham and the College. He and Kitty soon moved to Eastbourne where Kitty ran the school shop and Ted became the full-time cricket coach as well as running the school sports shop. **Nigel Wheeler** has written: 'I enormously admired his humility and grace in giving me the control of the cricket when I arrived, and yet always being available with wise words and perceptive observations. **Ed Giddins** (Pw84–89) was not the only player who found a special relationship with John that gave them direction and success. His enormous interest in and affection for the game was infectious, and time spent discussing and considering the sport was always enjoyable'. Nigel also tells the story of **Simon Langdale** phoning one evening to enquire if there was room for two more boys in Gonville. Twins. 'No, I am afraid we are full' John asserted. 'But, John, they are good cricketers'. Silence for a moment, then 'Well, if that's the case, we can probably squeeze them into Bushey Ruff'.

In 1969 he introduced the Schools' Cricket Festival at the College after Clifton had asked in the previous year whether they could have a practice game with Eastbourne before going up to Lord's to play Tonbridge. John invited Felsted, Tonbridge and Clifton to come and play during the first week of the summer holidays. Winchester soon joined in and there followed many years of cricket based on friendship and spirited competition.

In 1983 John and his wife Jenny moved on from Gonville and into Crosby Lodge on the old Ascham site; and John took the opportunity to introduce politics into the curriculum.

In 1988 John retired from full-time teaching and took over from **Brian Harral** as the College Librarian and at the same time ran the paperback bookshop which Jenny had started in 1978. He also returned to School House as a tutor with **Philip Le Brocq**.

He was not a revolutionary, more a pioneer when the time was right or when opportunity or need existed: he enhanced the status of Day Boys. He introduced the new politics department when he came out of Gonville (inspired no doubt by his last house tutor's attempt to secure election for a constituency in Hull while based in Bushey Ruff).

As the time came for him to hand on his various responsibilities, he supported



his successors to the hilt. **Brian Prentis** in Powell (into whose care his sons Chris, David and Jonathan were entrusted); **David Welsh** in Gonville (who produced the remarkable farewell production of *1066 And All That*) and Nigel Wheeler with the cricket.

In 1993 he finally retired from the College although he maintained his interest in the school and helped run the OE Cricket Week in July each year, succeeding **Ronald Howell** as President of the Club. John regularly attended reunions and cricket weeks

until his mobility problems prevented it. And the College organised a celebratory lunch for his 80th birthday in October 2008.

His increasing immobility meant that his world gradually became smaller until eventually he was unable to leave the house. Sky TV kept him in touch with all the sport and regular visits and correspondence from OEs and former colleagues were much enjoyed.

Robin Hindle-Fisher (R73-78) writes: 'I guess we all have a small number of people in our lives whom we can single out as having made a significant impact on our development. John was one of those special people for me. His enthusiasm and encouragement contributed to my confidence as a teenager, and thus helped me to achieve whatever I have in life. The trust he put in me – not always deserved – was very special and brought out the best in me. I did not want to let him down and wanted so much to justify his confidence.'

And another tribute: 'Respected, admired, consciously emulated by some, subconsciously by many. A quality man and a quality schoolmaster. A life to be celebrated and remembered.'

John and Jenny, sister to **Richard Thwaites** (S53-57), were married in 1959. Their four children, **Christopher** (Pw73-78), **David** (Pw77-82), **Jonathan** (Pw80-84) and **Nicola (Awdry)** (N87-89) are all OEs.

John Maccoy OBE FICS



John Maccoy OBE FICS (W35-39) died on 17 June 2013. John was the middle one of three Maccoy brothers, **Alan** (W30-33) and **Brian** (W37-40). He was a house prefect, boxed and fenced for the school and was in the gym and athletics teams. During the Second World War he served as a Lieut RNVR on HMS *Malaya* in the Mediterranean and in Italy organising road-mending gangs; he always had a soft spot for that country and its inhabitants. After the war he followed his father's footsteps and became a shipbroker, joint managing director of Anderson Hughes & Co in the City, in a small firm that was eventually swallowed up by P&O. He served as a director of the Baltic Exchange for a number of years. On semi-retirement he became Honorary

Freight Adviser to the Department of Trade during the Thatcher years and this was his role at the start of the Falklands War. John rather relished this position and was instrumental in the brokering of all vessels for the government that were not actually requisitioned. He had to attend top-level meetings at this time and the pressures were tremendous. He was awarded an OBE for those services.

A loyal Old Eastbournian, he was a great supporter of the College and always interested in its progress, development and achievements. He was a lifetime, active Arnold Embellisher and Chairman between 1972 and 1997. The concept of the Embellishers was to him absolutely the right approach and he was proud of all that they do and have done. He was a generous donor to their Second World War memorial project.

He met and then married his beloved wife Margaret during training for the Royal Navy at Waxwing in Scotland; they lived for many years outside Farnham, Surrey, then Hurstpierpoint, finally retiring to Beaminster in West Dorset. There he became very much a part of the community and was involved in organising many of the local church and parish affairs, particularly in the hamlet of Hooke, near Beaminster. Margaret died in 2003 and John continued for as long as he could in his own house until a stroke put him into a home near Dorchester. He was extremely popular there and well-looked after until his death. John is survived by his daughter Anthea, sons **Michael** (W65-70) and Peter, and their respective families.

David McFall (P64-67) died on 24 May 2013.



David Patterson (G45-49) died on 22 February 2012, aged 81, after a short illness. David was a house prefect and gained his Stag in 1947-8 as a speedy wing three-quarter. He also won 2nd running strings as a sprinter. On leaving school he undertook a three-year apprenticeship with the Rootes Group, manufacturers of Hillman and Humber cars, near Coventry, and gained an HNC. From there he joined the RAF for National Service and was commissioned as a Pilot Officer specializ-

Patrick Parry Oakden



Patrick Parry Oakden (S & W45–48) died on 19 July 2013 from prostate cancer at the age of 83. Patrick was head of school, a Stag in 1947–8 and won 2nd XI cricket and fencing colours. He was a CSM in the JTC, won several academic prizes for classics and English and was hon sec of the Cavendish Debating, Shakespeare and Campanological societies. He was awarded an Open Classical Exhibition to Keble College, Oxford. Following National Service as a 2/Lt with the Northamptonshire Regiment in Austria, he entered Keble to read classics in 1950, graduating BA in 1953, MA in 1956. In 1953 he entered Cuddesdon College and was ordained in 1956. He served as a curate at Bladon and Woodstock, Wakefield Cathedral and Potgietersrus (now Mokopane) in the Limpopo province of South Africa. He spent five years there, his

parish covering a vast area. A vehement opponent of apartheid, he was often shadowed by the police. When severe drought devastated crops and livestock, he set up welfare schemes to help the local people. Returning to England in 1965, he became vicar of Cowley, Oxfordshire, and head of Oxford Samaritans.

His experience in Africa influenced him into leaving the church at the age of 50 to study psychotherapy. He became an agnostic, but a Church of England agnostic, as he put it. He began studying psychoanalysis and, after training in London, became a member of the British Association of Psychotherapists. He next joined the staff of a Richmond Fellowship House in North Oxford, followed by a post at the Isis Centre in Oxford (an NHS counselling service), becoming a leading figure there.

Patrick remained a keen England rugby fan, frequently travelling from his home in Oxfordshire to Twickenham, and often taking his children or grandchildren with him. His other great love was badgers and he worked tirelessly for the local branch of the Badger Trust. In 1953 Patrick married Crystal with whom he had three children and ten grandchildren. She survives him.



It was at this time, 1952, that he met and married Patricia, his wife of 60 years. The first of their four children was born in Bristol before they moved to Taunton where he lived for the rest of his life. He set up his own architectural practice, Steel Coleman Davis and Partners, where he continued to work into his 70s. He was known for his imaginative barn conversions, housing developments, a sixth form centre for Taunton School and industrial and marina developments.

Family was the most important part of Kenneth's life and by his 88th birthday, a few days before his death, he was able to boast four children, eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Holidays spent in Cornwall and North Wales became special times. His two principal recreations were model railways and painting. He became a skilful model railway engineer and was one of the founders of the Taunton Model Railway Group. He would travel around the country to exhibitions with their Green Park 00 gauge layout. He also painted to a high standard in both watercolour and oils.

Peter Robert Oman Stuart (HB30–35) died in Dorset in January 2007. A house prefect, Peter won prizes for English literature, French, history and public speaking. He next studied at Magdalen College, Oxford. He served with the RASC in the Second World War, reaching the rank of captain. A solicitor by profession, he co-wrote the 1975 book *Mercantile Law*. He married Pamela in 1945.

ing in photography. He next joined Linread as a technical designer and produced the push-to-open 'touch-latch'. Thereafter he worked for British Petroleum and later for Shell Mex and BP as Domestic Fuels Superintendent, retiring in 1996. In retirement he devoted much of his time to his love of photography, steam trains and cruising with P&O. Since 1985 David would meet for lunch each September with **David Kidd-May** (G45–50), **John Klyberg** (G45–50) and **Peter Davis** (G45–49), to recall memories of their first meeting as new boys in Gonville. Last September they met without David, their agreed plan being that the last surviving member will take lunch on his own. David married Mary in 1953, remarried and leaves a son and two daughters from his second marriage. His father was **Keith Patterson** (B18–21) and his brother **Robin** (G46–51).

David Paul (R48–51) died on 4 October 2013 aged 79. A full obituary will be published in our next edition.

Geoffrey Peake (B59–64) died on 1 February 2013. 2nd XI hockey, tigers rugby, 3rd XI cricket, the history VIth and a 4th



year history prize led to Warwick University where he read art history and graduated BA. He founded GT Vehicle Exports of 53 Upper Brook Street, W1, in the 1980s. Geoffrey donated to an extensive number of charities and provided for a scholarship in art history for undergraduates at Warwick University to support their study in Venice, an accomplishment of which his family are very proud. Geoffrey had a passion for cricket born in his school days and this led him to travel throughout the Caribbean and to meeting his wife Margaret. Geoffrey is survived by Margaret and three children, Christina, Antoinette and William.

Jonathan Robert Peel (S56–59) died on 12 September 2011.

Richard Philcox MRCVS (B36–40) died on 7 February 2013 aged 90. Coming to the College from Aldro school, he was a social commando, hon secretary of the Meteorological Society and won a prize for natural history. He attended the Royal Veterinary College in London 1940–45 and qualified as a veterinary surgeon. At first practising in Warwick, then Faversham, he joined the Cliffe High Street Practice in Lewes where he worked until his retirement. In 1946 he married Elizabeth with whom he had three children of whom **Paul Philcox** (B66–70) attended the College. He married Jackie in 1946. Richard's brother was **Nigel Philcox** (B39–42).

Kenneth John Steel (B39–42) died on 11 April 2013. Kenneth spent much of his schooldays at Radley where he was a social commando and won a junior drawing prize for an oil painting of a ship battling stormy seas. He would often recall leaving Eastbourne on a special train and being waved off by the public. On leaving the College he began an engineering course at Plymouth; then followed two years' military service before he completed his studies as an architect at Bristol University.

Geoffrey Albert Swain (B35–39) died in 2000. He attended the City and Guilds College in South Kensington in 1940–41 and then served as a Sub-Lt with the RNVR 1942–45 in the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean and then in 1945 in Germany.



Ian Symington (P47–51) died on 4 February 2013. Ian was a house prefect, a social commando, a member of the Maths VI, and a Stag in 1950. He shot at Bisley for the College, won 2nd athletics colours and was a member of the Drums. He spent his National Service as a 2/Lt with the Royal Artillery in Gibraltar. He then did a year's course at the Royal Agricultural College at Cirencester before taking his first steps as a farmer at Louth, Lincolnshire, in the late 1950s. He struggled to farm this heavy clay land but it sparked his lifelong interest in drainage issues. In 1967 he was able to return to Norfolk at Terrington St Clement where he invested heavily in drainage. By the mid-1990s he was farming about 1,500 acres which expanded to about 5,000. For a quarter of a century he ran one of the country's most northerly vineyards, his half acre making about 1,000 bottles of dry white wine each year.

Ian was an enthusiastic sportsman, a founder member of the West Norfolk Squash Club, a good lawn and Real Tennis player and a good shot who also loved salmon fishing, golf, sailing and skiing. From 2003 he played golf for the OEs. Ian leaves a widow Mo, four sons and ten grandchildren.

Ian was the son of **Laurence Symington** (G1906–14) and his brother is **Duncan Symington** (P45–49).

David Hugh Trevanion



David Hugh Trevanion (P60–63) died from a malignant melanoma on 27 May 2013. Coming to the College from a family farm at Blackboys near Uckfield, he enjoyed the CCF, shooting, running and golf. On leaving, David entered an apprenticeship with the Rolls Royce car division at Crewe and obtained an HND in mechanical engineering with distinction. His apprentice days were, according to Hazel, his wife, notorious for activities that included hang gliding, car rallying and many escapades with his Austin 7. David and Hazel married in 1970 and together they had three daughters for whom he bought Suzuki motorbikes – and for which he built jumps. Daughter Christina is an antiques auctioneer and stars in the TV programme *Flog It*. David moved to the Military Engine

Division of Rolls Royce at Shrewsbury as sales manager and graduated to export sales, then military sales, focusing on exports to the USA and France. He moved on to GKN Defence (which subsequently became Alvis Vehicles) in 1995 and became sales manager for NATO and Europe, as well as the UK Ministry of Defence. In 2001 he joined the Army Base Repair Organisation, soon to become their head of business development. In 2008 David moved on again to become business development manager at Vosper Thornycroft where he was responsible for over 30% of the MOD's vehicle inventory. From 2011 he was a consultant for SAAB Barracuda.

He was an enthusiastic member of the Woodhouse and Gelli shoot where he is remembered with great fondness. His dislike of the European Union was well known and in 2001 he came 4th in the General Election for Shropshire North, standing as the UKIP candidate and polling 1,165 votes.

David, according to Hazel, was 'a charming man and a hit with the ladies. He was also a man's man and good company in male groups. He was forthright, sometimes tongue in cheek, an amazing engineer, a consummate business professional, a wonderful father but fanatically independent. He bore his final illness in a positive way – perhaps he denied the very poor prognosis'.

Mackenzie 'Mac' John Urquhart

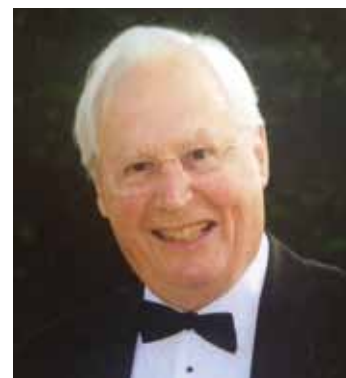


Mackenzie 'Mac' John Urquhart (R58–64) died on 28 January 2013 at his home in Spain. After leaving the College, he spent most of his life in Gijon, a town in the province of Asturias on the northern coast of Spain. He taught English for 40 years. Professor of English Ana Maria Garcia, one of his former pupils, said: 'He was a great human being. A tireless worker, an exceptional teacher, a humanist in the broadest sense of the word, a polyglot and a lover of all insight on the origin of things'. Rodriguez-Noriega Guillen, Professor of Greek at Oviedo Lucia University said: 'What Mac offered was more than just an English class. It was a time for conversation to discuss in depth any topic that might interest his vast wisdom and culture'. He married Maria del Carmen Faya Villa and they had two sons and four grandchildren.

David Washbourne (G46–51) died in 2013. A full obituary will be published in our next edition.

Guy Wickman FRICS (W38–40) died on 29 May 2013 at the age of 89. At the College Guy was a house prefect and a social commando. He left at 16 in order to help out in his father's surveyor's practice due to the war. He spent the years 1943–49 with the army in northern Europe and the last 18 months in Burma with the Royal Indian Engineers, retiring as a captain. He flew back to England, joined Shell's property department

and qualified as a chartered surveyor. After 10 years, he left Shell and established his own practice, Howarth Wickman and Buchele of St James's, London. He subsequently worked for Capital & Counties and Wates. Guy played good tennis until his early 80s and at 50 took up golf which gave him great pleasure. He turned out for the OEs in the Cyril Gray for three years. In 1951 he married Betty with whom he had one son, **Paul Wickman** (S69–73) (who also plays golf for the OEs) and a sister Jennie. Brother **Nigel Wickman** (W45–49) and nephews **Guy Aclouque** (G53–56)



and **David Aclouque** (G53–57) all attended the College. We are grateful to Guy's son Paul and to **Ken Ohlson** (G37–41) for much of the above information.

College drama review

This review covers the College academic year from September 2012 to July 2013 and is an abridged version of the drama review which appeared in the 2012–13 *Eastbournian* magazine.

This year the drama department was overrun with vampires as the school took on an adaptation of Bram Stoker's *Dracula*. The highly accomplished performances from the Upper Sixth leads Rory Ellis, Toby Marriott, Tiggy Melloy and Elizabeth Prideaux held audiences to rapt attention throughout the week. These drama stalwarts, who have taken part in nearly every school production possible over the last five years, did themselves proud in their final year, with highly charged, slick renditions. All were supported by an ensemble cast, an imaginative fluid set, smoke and lighting effects galore, creating a real spectacle. Special mention must be made of our Year 9 understudy, Hugh Turnbull, who took up the challenge to perform the lead role of Dracula for two nights.

The College is lucky to be able to host a number of high-quality, inspiring professional shows each year, for the benefit of students, staff and the local public. This year's performances have included a trip to *Alaska*, a return to Victorian England for Gonzo Moose's *What the Dickens*, and a thoughtful exploration of isolation in our very own freelance practitioner Gavin Robertson's *Crusoe*. The opportunity for students to watch shows of this calibre and interact with professionals on a regular basis is an important enhancement of their school career.

Our regular September professional collaboration was *Snared*, a script first devised and performed by Upper Sixth pupils as an A level performance. It was subsequently re-developed as a full length play with a professional cast, giving a powerful personalisation of the issues surrounding conservation and corruption in Africa. After a number of performances for the students, *Snared* took the Eastbourne College name on tour around theatres in the south east, fundraising for the Born Free Foundation.

Year 9 drama: Reinforcing the team ethos which is so much a hallmark of the College, each house took a short adaptation of a Shakespeare play and performed to an invited audience of parents, teachers and friends. Every pupil in the year group has a role on stage and everyone provides support to each other. These plays are produced by Lower Sixth pupils getting a



The Brides of Dracula

taste of leadership and creative direction. It was the perfect occasion with which to celebrate the refurbishment of the Le Broc Studio, and it is always fantastic to see each and every new student rise to the challenge of being on stage.

Seeing new talent emerge from the younger year groups is very exciting and Paul Lowden's *The Musicians* encouraged just that. Using the gifted and talented students from Years 9 and 10, this disastrous school trip to Soviet Russia took us on a journey back in time to 'when communism was king but rock was God!' A really dynamic and entertaining production.

The last week of Lent term saw the drama department deliver nine plays in a single week. Terrific performances and highly imaginative set, costume and lighting designs all gained top-band marks from the visiting examiner. Highlights at AS level

participants, parents and friends gathered for an extravaganza of creative interpretations of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The imaginatively varied and committed performances given by every school that took part were hugely appreciated by the large audience.

The year ended with the traditional outdoor performance, Fen Marriott directing *'Allo 'Allo*, a farcical depiction of wartime France. The Dell play provides a great opportunity for the Lower Sixth to work together and let off some steam after their exams and before entering their final year. With bread roll hair curlers, trouserless Hitler dummies, some dubious French accents and fake parrot sellers, not to mention moustachioed airmen popping up all over the place, *'Allo 'Allo* finished the year with a real bang. In both rain and shine, we were treated to a madcap adventure in René's Café.

Audiences were given a treat at the end of the summer term with not just one but two performances to attend. Using our studio performance space, *Gosforth's Fête*, a satirical take on traditional English summer fetes, was brilliantly executed by a small but dedicated cast of Lower Sixth students and directed by the eternally energetic Paul Lowden.

As ever, none of the wildly eclectic events that take place in the drama year could take place without the indefatigable support of 'PT'. Paul Turner's *Dracula* adaptation was meticulously crafted and a great text for the cast to draw from and he continued throughout the year to be a superb support to every event in the calendar from non-stop house concerts to major productions. Likewise, new recruit Laura Neal has been terrific in her first year, mentoring theatre design candidates to top A level and GCSE results, designing major shows, costuming fancy dress at zero notice and equipping madly disorganised Year 9 drama directors.

Tim Marriott, Head of Drama



The cast of 'Allo 'Allo

included an emotionally charged performance of *Betrayal*, and a comical depiction of love and its complications in *The Real Thing*, difficult relationships explored in *Secret Rapture*, and a dark and thoughtful version of *Someone to Watch over Me*.

A2 level devised pieces were dynamic, funny and affecting and GCSE drama in May also saw some highly effective drama come to life.

The nineteenth Eastbourne Schools Shakespeare Festival (ESSF) took place at Causeway School in June. In excess of 200

College music review

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Eastbourne Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, Eastbourne College Choral Society and singers from the Phoenix Choir at the choral concert at St Saviour's Church on 21 April 2013. Former Director of Music Graham Jones was the conductor and OE Andrew Wicks (Pw77-81) tenor soloist

September is always a busy period for musicians as we welcome new pupils to the musical life here and ensembles take on a new shape; this year we had the arrival of a new Director of Music too. The Chapel Choir began the Michaelmas term's musical offerings with an OEA evensong in the Chapel on the second Saturday back, quite a challenge for new choristers. The choir sang regularly for Sunday chapel services and led the worship in an evensong at Chichester Cathedral. Remembrance Sunday was marked by a great deal of musical activity and began with a Chapel service featuring our choir, assisted by two buglers. Also on that Sunday evening was a concert in the Chapel featuring the Symphony Orchestra, String Orchestra, Swing Band and the Wind Quintet, with a stunning viola concerto from Lily Rogers.

During Michaelmas term we had a number of superb Tuesday night informal concerts, allowing all pupils to perform in the Jennifer Winn Auditorium in front of a very appreciative audience. The JWA was then transformed into Broadway for a week of cabaret performances featuring solo and ensemble songs from musicals to a swaggering Rat Pack. Musical visitors during the term included the return of Yes Sir Boss and an inspirational evening of jazz from the Trinity Jazz Ensemble. As the Advent season approached, the Chapel Choir and Chamber Choir sang in the annual Advent service and two school carol services. The dining hall became a venue at Christmas as both Euphonix and a prefects' choir (also featuring Simon Davies and Mark Turnbull) entertained diners during lunch.

Lent term was no less busy with a programme of informal concerts, Sunday

services and the annual Battle of the Bands, highlighting some excellent contemporary musical talent. The international concert pianist Young-Choon Park gave a recital and masterclass, New York rap and traditional African music were fused together by Sekou Kayate and Joe Driscoll, and we were tapping our feet to our very own ensemble in residence, the Birley Centre Quintet. The annual prep schools Jazz Day was extremely well attended and very entertaining; seeing so many gifted young musicians enjoying themselves gave us all hope for the future.

Much of the hard work throughout Lent term rehearsals came to fruition at the start of the summer term, well before public examinations got underway. Our singer songwriters gave us another enjoyable Birley Unplugged, we enjoyed many informal concerts and the Eastbourne College Choral Society joined Eastbourne Symphony Orchestra and Chorus for the annual choral concert in St Saviour's church. We danced to visiting Balkan 'folkists' Sheelanaigig and marvelled at the improvisation of American jazz stars Leonore Raphael and Howard Alden. The summer orchestral concert gave us stunning solo performances of Vivaldi and Mozart from Jenni Hreben, Liskin Jellings and Chay Kent plus a multimedia treat of music from *Lord of the Rings*, *James Bond* and *Dambusters* performed by the Symphony Orchestra in darkness with accompanying film clips on the big screen in the JWA. The Swing Band enjoyed the sunshine at the annual luncheon for St Wilfrid's Hospice, the chamber concert highlighted the depth of ensemble playing here at the College and the Chapel Choir's choral midsummer concert was very well received. A Niemann-Pick charity concert from Guy Johnston, Alasdair Beatson and Esther Hoppe and another swing evening rounded off our musical year in the Birley Centre, but our final musical offering was Speech Day in St Saviour's church, where the whole school joined our Chapel Choir, a string quartet and brass ensemble in a programme including Zadok the Priest, Rutter and rousing hymns to give thanks for a great year. And what a year it was musically!

Nick Parrans-Smith, Director of Music



Nick Parrans-Smith

Nick joined the College in September 2012 as Director of Music from Lichfield

Cathedral School. He is a trombonist and singer who has pursued a varied career as a performer on stage, in the recording studio and on radio and television in addition to his work as an instrumental and academic teacher.



The Swing Band

CCF review

This review covers the College academic year from September 2012 to July 2013 and is an abridged version of the CCF review which appeared in the 2012–13 *Eastbournian* magazine.

Introduction

It is difficult to sum up the great variety of achievements from what is the largest CCF in the South East of England (bar the military academies). We had a record number of cadets attend externally provided courses: seven cadets attended adventure training courses this year, while four attended leadership courses (one RAF and three Army led). We were delighted that two cadets achieved their gliding wings this year and three pupils completed a two-week sailing challenge around the Channel. For the second year we competed in the Military Skills competition, hampered this year by very poor conditions. Rachel Williams (Watt, Upper Sixth) was again selected as one of only eight cadets in the country to receive second year sponsorship by the Council for Cadet Shooting to attend the prestigious Imperial Meeting at Bisley over the

summer. Rachel has been training weekly on our own indoor range and her recent winning performance at the county small bore shooting competition certainly strengthened her application.

We say farewell to a number of officers this year: Lt S Morison has served with us for 12 years and has been hugely supportive of DoE and our weapons training programme and will be sorely missed; SLt JPS Toy is also leaving us having been a huge support to the RN Section; Lt SFG Mattingly has been a stalwart support to the DoE programme and climbing; Mr B John leaves us for New Zealand and was a great help to the A Company programme; and Mrs P Green assisted in the B Company training programme.

Contingent Commander: Lt Col AT Lamb

Army

Three quarters of Year 11 spent the Michaelmas and Lent terms in the Army Section, supported and overseen by 21 sixth form NCOs. The initial focus was on weapons training, in readiness to fire blank on the A Company Field Day at the end of September. Training in more advanced tactics then followed until Christmas, after which the emphasis shifted from training the cadets to preparing them as potential NCOs within the CCF and possible future leaders within the College. The programme included preparing and delivering orders, leading command tasks and how to deliver lessons.

Meanwhile, with just three introductory sessions under their belts, those 72 Year 10 pupils who had chosen to spend their compulsory year of CCF in the Army Section were thrown into their first Field Day: a day-long circuit of stands on the South Downs and on Memorial Field. After this successful event, Monday afternoons for the rest of the year began with an opening parade from which the sections would scatter to the four corners of the College environs to undertake a wide variety of training including camp-craft, elementary tactics, first aid, individual field-craft, leadership, lifesaving, map and



Cadets at the summer camp at Longmoor

compass work, paintball target shooting, radio work, shooting, and weapons handling.

The June Field Day is the culmination of CCF training for all Year 10, regardless of which colour uniform they have worn all year. Eight sections of Army cadets, two of Royal Navy cadets and two of RAF cadets conducted evening reconnaissance patrols, spent a night under shelters they had built

for themselves, and competed against one another through the following day. Activities included air rifle shooting camouflage and concealment, capture the flag, orienteering, mountain biking, raft building, a Royal Signals activity, survival skills, target indication, and two teamwork challenges.

Summer Camp this year was at Longmoor in Hampshire. We took just ten cadets and spent a day doing field-craft, a day learning survival techniques, and a day on the ranges. Evening activities included archery and paintball, a talk by a regular Army unit, and a quiz night. We were delighted to win the coveted March and Shoot competition, and pleased with the strong teamwork we displayed during a second competition of team and individual challenges.



The CCF Corps of Drums on Remembrance Day

Our overnight tactical exercise was a big success and the highlight of the week. Here the cadets had to establish a harbour and conduct a night time reconnaissance patrol, an early morning attack and an ambush as the finale.

Capt PD Martin

Royal Navy

As ever the new cadets had a busy Michaelmas term with an introduction to RN drill in preparation for the field day visit to HMS *Bristol* in Portsmouth and also for Remembrance Day. The field day followed a similar format to last year. We arrived at HMS *Bristol* on Thursday afternoon and went straight out onto the water sailing a combination of Bosuns and Laser 2ks. After a very enjoyable afternoon the cadets were shown their billets on-board the warship. We then visited Gun Wharf Quay for an evening meal and a walk along the waterfront. The following day the cadets followed a varied programme on board a flotilla of different sailing and power boats. The expanding links with the Maritime Volunteer Society gave us access to the Rigid Inflatable Boat and East Sussex 1 in the Lent term. We welcomed more outdoor training once the weather started to get warmer. The highlight of the summer term has been the field day at Pippingford Park where the RN cadets competed against the army cadets. Sadly S/Lt Toy is setting sail for a new horizon and he will be greatly missed. We welcome on board Ms Boorman, who currently teaches Classics, and Craig Coope, the Chief Instructor at Spray Watersports, who will be helping to run CCF RN next year.

Lt Cdr GL McDonald RNVR

RAF

FLt DJ Ruskin RAFVR writes: What better way to highlight life in the RAF section than to hear it first hand from Cadet Flight Sergeant Chay Kent (Upper Sixth, Powell):

'Over the last couple of years I have had some incredible experiences through the CCF at Eastbourne College. As an Upper Sixth pupil and aviation enthusiast I was lucky enough to be chosen in Easter

2012 to complete an RAF Gliding Scholarship on a Vigilant aircraft at RAF Odiham, Hampshire. I took on the challenge hoping to gain some invaluable knowledge from the base's experienced training pilots. After ten exhilarating days and over 12 hours' flying time I completed a solo circuit, gaining my Silver Wings, enabling me to pilot this aircraft on my own.

Over the summer holidays of 2012 I participated in an Air Cadet Leadership Course at RAF Cranwell, Lincolnshire. It was a gruelling week of intense leadership tasks and exhausting activities, but the course has taught me some useful communication and team skills.

At the start of my Upper Sixth year, I underwent a two and a half day first aid course,



Cdt Fl Sgt Chay Kent, on successfully completing his solo flight

becoming a qualified first aider, a stepping stone to the next qualification of First Aid at Work. The course covered all the essentials such as treating minor cuts and scrapes right through to responding appropriately in the event of cardiac arrest.

I also joined the Air Cadet National Marching Band, which started with a week of marching and rehearsals and culminated in two performances at Chatham Historic Dockyard and Dover Castle, closely followed by another performance in Whitehall in

London for St George's Day. Having maintained my link with the Band, I had the opportunity to participate in several performances during the summer months, including the Birmingham Tattoo, Lord Mayor's Show and abroad in Germany.

Being a member of Eastbourne College CCF and the Air Cadet Organisation has given me the opportunity to participate in some amazing camps and courses, meet friendly new people and create links that will not be forgotten.'

College sports review

This review covers the College academic year from September 2012 to July 2013 and is an abridged version of the sports reports which appeared in the 2012-13 Eastbournian magazine.

Athletics

Four relay teams competed at the Sussex Schools, all winning medals, with the senior boys beating Brighton College and Christ's Hospital in the process. The squad struggled with hurdling but with Robyn Mackay's guidance the Year 9s may have discovered some ability in Tate Sun, Grace Porter and Eden Higgins-Stockden. Tate also discovered that he could long jump, clearing almost five metres by the end of the season. Hannah Legg and Lia Dunn demonstrated extreme commit-



The 1st XI team



Robyn Mackay

ment, competing in several events in each competition, including some long distance races.

For the intermediate boys and girls Luke Howard ran exceptionally well, often competing in both the 800m and 1500m within an hour of each other. Robyn Mackay, Georgie Moore and Augusta King consistently developed over the course of the season and their superb 'can do' attitude was an example to the rest of the squad.

The seniors struggled on with so many of the competitions being held over the exam period. The girls and boys in the Lower Sixth stepped up and, boosted by the determination of Dom York and the frame of Matt Brittain, competed hard over the course of the season, with the senior boys beating Brighton and Sevenoaks in

the opening fixture. The girls were blessed with sprinting ability: any one of the five squad members was capable of winning the 100m races at many of the competitions. It fell to Maddy Mann and Tilly Odedina, however, to sprint their way to victory over the season, while Hannah Manton and Abi East worked consistently hard over the middle distances.

Cricket 1st XI

The 2013 side can look back with a great deal of pride at the way they approached the season, showing plenty of spirit and togetherness in training and matches, winning two thirds of the games they played on a competitive circuit.

Those in their final year led by example and fully deserved the colours they were

awarded at the end of the season. Harry Finch captained the team with skill and represented both England U19 and Sussex in the YB40 during the term – a fantastic achievement for a schoolboy. All connected with the College will watch his onward progress with great interest. He scored three centuries and finished leading run scorer with 751 runs, while also picking up 18 wickets. Four other leavers scored over 300 runs to show that different people contributed at different times, always a necessity for whole team performances. Sam Hyne enjoyed a very good first half of the season and steered the side to victory v Hurstpierpoint with a mature, chanceless 81*; everyone will remember Charlie Hobden's rapid and brutal century for the Sussex Martlets and his hugely effective economical bowling; Jack Skinner will think he should have scored more runs but his 95 v Ardingly underlined his class; Toby Marriott finished second in the run tally and was the archetypal team player, his move into the middle order proving profitable and his cajoling of the troops invaluable. Henry Smith and Ben Saunders were likewise wholehearted contributors in their last year and were awarded their colours with the boys above.



Harry Lloyd (Year 10) keeping wicket for the 1st XI

Alex Goble finished the season as the leading wicket taker, with 27 scalps at the staggering average of 8.77; he has the makings of a promising all-rounder. Jacob Smith was arguably the most consistent bowler with 23 wickets and his move back to opening the batting should prove to him that he belongs there. Harry Lloyd kept wicket as a Year 10 boy and took some outstanding catches. He should set his sights on batting in the top four next year.

Equestrian

Joining the National Schools Equestrian Association in April has enabled pupils to compete in show-jumping, cross country and dressage in a number of inter-school

competitions. The overwhelming support from parents, the girls, and our inspirational British show jumping coach Judi Piper-Dadswell have been instrumental in turning an exciting proposal into reality. At Duckhurst Farm Show Centre, Phoebe Gale, Natasha Gale, Minna Hornsby and Helen McAll all successfully competed in the 80 and 90cm individual and team course. The girls demonstrated skill, confidence and timing when tackling the course and Phoebe Gale and George went on to win the 1m individual class, a thrilling



Minna Hornsby and Oh Oaklahoma, Natasha Gale and Brandy, Helen McAll and Miro Diamond, Phoebe Gale and George

achievement against exceptional riders from Bede's and St Leonard's Mayfield. At Felbridge Showground Serena Flower and Lily Kelly proved themselves to be assured, confident competitors, with Serena and Milly bravely entering and successfully tackling the 85cm Derby course first and the excellent partnership of Lily and Thunder demonstrating how to do it in minimal time. The girls' enthusiasm and commitment to the team is unwavering; they have very much impressed our coach.

Fencing

This year, fencing has run in all three terms, and has continued to attract both those who wish to try it for a term or two and those who are keen to fence for longer. Over the year, more than thirty fencers have participated in either senior games or junior activities. Matches have been played against Brighton and Hove fencing club at under-15 level, and against Ardingly College in all age groups. Although we were beaten in these matches by more experienced fencers, the improvement by Eastbourne against both teams on the second occasion was huge and a testament to the hard work put in during games and activities sessions. In addition, Jason Tam and Sunny Wong both gained valuable experience by competing in the senior boys' foil in the Public Schools Fencing Championships at Crystal Palace in March.

Fives

The 1st IV have enjoyed their most successful season for 15 years: victorious in all ten of their school matches and winning cups at the regional and national competitions. Success was based upon six players. Chay Kent (capt) and Dominic Barnes formed a formidable left-hand/right-hand first pair; Joe Leale-Green, another left-hander, and three strong right-handers, Philipp Teterin, Joe Tickle and Ed Richards, completed the team. Quality in number was crucial when players were unavailable due to injury etc,

and thus we were always able to select a strong team.

The season began against St Dunstan's, traditionally strong opponents, but we secured a very comfortable 122-55 win. Other wins were at Tonbridge (134-44), Alleyn's (153-72), and the RFA (111-81). At the Southeast regional competition held at Christ's Hospital, Tonbridge fought very hard in both games of the final, but Chay and Dominic won the doubles competition fairly comfortably, 11-7, 12-11. In the singles final Chay found himself up against his old adversary, Gemade, from CH, who had beaten him in a thrilling final the previous



Izzy Why and Tessa Mills – National Senior Doubles champions

year. This time the result was reversed as Chay won 12–11. After half term we travelled up to St Paul's (a 122–81 win), then Christ's Hospital (129–58 win). On our annual exeat tour north to play Bedford and Oundle, Eastbourne led Bedford after the singles, but by a mere one point, and after the first round of doubles the scores were level. Ed and Philipp went into their final game unsure of the match situation, and although they lost the game 7–11, we had won the match overall by four points (108–104). Against Oundle we ran out easy winners 148–24. The final two matches of the season were very straightforward, an

his match Eastbourne won by 2½ – ½. The Smarden Bell competition against five other independent schools resulted in sixth place for the College but a victory in the individual competition for Adam Godfrey, who scored 30 Stableford points playing off scratch on the challenging Chart Hills course. The team had more success the following week in the annual match against the OEs, winning the match by three matches to two, with Jonny Robinson winning his match on the final hole to secure a win by the team in a very exciting finish. Thanks go to all who played for their enthusiasm and good humour and to Jack Hughes for his excellent captaincy.



Ben Saunders goes for goal

easy win against Whitgift (104–31), and a crushing victory against KCS, Wimbledon (132–18). To round off a tremendous season, Chay and Dominic won the Open Doubles Competition at the Schools' Nationals held at St Paul's.

The girls team won the one school match against Christ's Hospital, and Tessa Mills and Izzy Why played outstandingly well at the Girls' Nationals held at Marlborough. As she had not conceded a single point in the four matches leading up to the final, Tessa was the strong favourite and indeed she demolished her opponent from Rugby by the emphatic score of 15–2. To round off a very successful competition, Tessa and Izzy won the Senior Doubles competition as well.

Golf

This season the team started with a successful run in the HMC foursomes, winning three rounds before losing in the regional semi-finals. The boys also took part in the Schools Invitational in September 2012, acquitting themselves well. The 2013 matches started with a match against Brighton College. Eastbourne's first pair of Adam Godfrey and Jack Hughes put on a strong performance, winning 5 and 4, while Jonny Robinson and Alex Prior had a similarly impressive win by 3 and 2. With Nick Moody halving

ing from the group to the semi-finals, the final game against Ardingly was only to determine seedings for the next round. Eastbourne played well, took the lead early and controlled much of the game. However, Ardingly scored with their only two shots of the match to win 2–1. Finals day promised a great deal but ultimately ended in disappointment. Eastbourne played superbly to beat Hurstpierpoint, good teamwork limiting the effectiveness of their England international. The final was played against Ardingly. A 2–3 defeat was a bitter pill to swallow, the costly result of a poor first-half performance.

The season concluded with three testing fixtures. We beat Hurstpierpoint again, and Lancing away was a more challenging prospect than it should have been. The season's finale was at home against Tonbridge. The team rose to the occasion and played the type of hockey under pressure which showed them at their best. Their work rate unsettled Tonbridge and forced them into making mistakes. We endured a slight wobble and Tonbridge rallied, but we ran out deserved winners 3–2.

The Upper Sixth stepped up superbly, especially Jonny Robinson, Ed Field, Max Walker, Jack Skinner, Sam Hyne, Ben Saunders and Rob Flett who played at a consistently high level and were awarded full colours.

Girls hockey 1st XI

This was another highly successful year for the girls 1st XI and a just reward for a talented and determined group.

Eleven goals in the first two games against Ardingly and Cranbrook showed that we could score goals against reasonable sides – but unless Charlotte Dodds had a chance of a shot we would not convert the possession and positional advantage that we obtained during the game into goals against our equals. The Chilean visiting team were the only side that showed us how to play hockey and we learned quickly from that exposure.

The defence were the strength of the side with Katie Brauer absolutely outstanding in goal. Gemma Field as sweeper had more skill than many of her opposition forwards. Charlotte Dodds converted defence into attack and smashed in short corners, superbly. Libby Hyder was rarely beaten and always took the game to the opposition. Olivia Mills fed a rich array of passes to her forwards.

The Sussex U18 Cup was reasonably straightforward, apart from atrocious weather through the day, until the final. In horrendous lashing rain a 0–0 draw was played out and then penalty strokes took over. On three occasions we were up and had a stroke that would have won us the day, but their keeper was as outstanding as Brauer on the day and we lost on the third series of the sudden death round. The squad picked itself up and beat Cranleigh

Boys hockey 1st XI

The boys enjoyed a successful season and played some very good hockey. A strong Cranleigh side provided the first challenge away from home. Despite fielding three England players, they did not live easily with the work rate and commitment of Eastbourne. An early yellow card to our captain and a goal did not break our resolve, and we pressurised Cranleigh into making mistakes. With a couple of minutes' play left, Cranleigh scored a second goal as we pushed to level the game. Eastbourne were rightly proud of taking the game to a more accomplished side and giving them a real fright.

The boys made quick work of a weak Bede's side. Sutton Valence provided a sterner test. Although we were full of running, and had the lion's share of possession and field position, there was a lack of precision in the finishing. Disappointingly, we lost a game that we had largely controlled. The first half of term ended with a 4–1 victory over Cranbrook.

After half-term, attention turned to the Sussex Cup hosted by Hurstpierpoint. On good form, the boys scored early in their first three group games and clinically added further goals to beat Bishop Luffa, Lewes Old Grammar and Sussex Downs convincingly. With two teams progress-



The 1st and 2nd VII with Australian visitors, Lauriston Grammar

2–0, Brighton 1–0, Bede’s 3–0 and Sutton Valence 2–1. They finished the season with a 5–0 win, at home, in the quarter final of the U19 Cup with the remainder to be played in March.

Netball 1st VII

Our season began earlier than usual this year, with a visit from Lauriston Grammar, a school on tour from Melbourne, Australia. The 1st VII won 32–22 in a competitive and physical game.

A triangular match against Charterhouse and Christ’s Hospital marked the real start to the season. Rachel Brooks was strong and dynamic through the court, linking well with the attack and defence. Anna-Louise Walters, Maddy Mann and Tessa Mills rotated well in the circle, their movement around one another difficult to defend. Winning 26–16 against Christ’s Hospital warmed the players up nicely for Charterhouse. Catherine Henderson and Libby Hyder intercepted well and gained many rebounds off the post; 35–6 was another fantastic win at this stage. Our next triangular against Hurst and Sevenoaks was a far harder challenge. Hurst moved very well in their attacking circle and their GA rarely missed. Eastbourne found it hard to maintain possession and became frustrated. Having lost 10–16, they were determined to dictate their style of play against Sevenoaks and came out on top, gaining victory 16–15.

For some lucky players the season included a tour to Barbados to train and play in warmer conditions. Those who toured benefited hugely and improved their school team on their return. Ardingly were the first to experience the impact of the tour had. Charlotte Dodds and Tessa Mills were exceptional, driving into space on court, and Anna-Louise hardly missed a shot all afternoon, resulting in a pleasing 38–8 win. Brighton College were the school to beat on our circuit as they have two county shooters who succeed from any distance. After end to end excitement,

with every player performing to the best of her ability, Brighton pipped us at the post, winning 34–32. The girls were disappointed to lose against the SISNA champions but should take comfort in the feedback that it had been Brighton’s hardest game of the season, and in finishing a respectable third at the Sussex Independent Schools tournament.

Rowing

The racing season started inauspiciously for the boat house. Hammersmith Regatta coincided with some pretty tasty winds and the swell at the Hammersmith bend of the course nearly did for our B boat. We came second (to Vesta) out of three in that race while the As were beaten easily by

the water and Matt Whitehead, who had clearly won his race, was disqualified over some dirty water. We were pretty despondent by this point but our rowing was gutsy and actually quite tidy so we just had to wait for sufficiently messy opposition. They arrived at Walton and Weybridge and our luck turned: Fishwick’s feisty four disappointed a plucky Staines crew. Eastbourne were then beaten by the eventual winners and the lads looked tired – unsurprisingly given that their second race was so soon after their first. Barnes and Mortlake – the scene of our most recent regatta win – was a tough match against King’s Canterbury but in true rowing style our victors extended the hand of friendship and offered us some training opportunities up with them next season. So the season ended with a fittingly positive close.

Rugby 1st XV

Specialists worked with the players in a week of pre-season preparation that generated a professional atmosphere and saw some impressive development. The week culminated in a match on College Field against Bishop’s Stortford who were blown away 31–10 by our open style of play and clinical finishing. This pre-season work resulted in an unglamorous but worthy 6–3 win over Cranbrook. Despite superb individual performances this was to be the highlight of the first half of the season with its back-to-back hard fixtures against Tonbridge, Craig House, Epsom and Cranleigh. While we were extremely competitive in the early stages of each match and in many cases the far better side, after half time we



Piers O’Conor running with the ball against Bishop’s Stortford

Thames BC. We could take only one crew to Chiswick and though we beat Charterhouse, Tideway scullers were too much for us. Thames Ditton regatta filled up so fast that we nearly didn’t get an entry but after a few strings were pulled we managed to get two fours and two singles in. After all that, however, the hosts (KGS) pushed us off

struggled to stay in touch with what were often much more physical sides.

The second half of the season saw a dramatic change in performance in training and on the pitch, with the players getting back to their best. Although wins often eluded us in the final minutes of these matches, the boys produced some

of the most clinical and hearty rugby that I have ever seen as a coach. Although they would like to have won more matches, they showed themselves to be a hardy and hearty group of players that the school should be proud of.

Captain Sam Hyne and club captain Rob Flett led the side through a difficult season, showing admirable maturity and exemplary leadership throughout the season, on and off the pitch. Their comments on the season and individual performances follow.

'There have been some standout performances this season. At the forefront of the pack, Alex Barbour consistently dominated the scrums and showed that he wasn't all size with a few deft touches with ball in hand. With support from Rory Ellis and

O'Connor's length of the field efforts against Tonbridge and Epsom as well as a superb team try finished by Oli Morgan against Tonbridge.'

Sam Hyne (1st XV captain)

'In a tough season, we focused more on how we could improve from game to game rather than the number of wins. Notable performances against Cranbrook, Bishop's Stortford and Skinners showed scorelines we were happy with. On an individual basis, Piers O'Connor's line breaking ability meant he was a threat in the centre, with Sam Hyne distributing effectively at outside half. In the forwards, Dom York's high work rate and tenacity led to turnovers and field position. The boys worked with dedication both in training and matches and can hold their heads high.'

Rob Flett (club captain)



Rex Farrant (Year 9) selected to compete with RS Feva Sailing Team for GB

Matt Prifti, we always seemed to have a strong set piece at the scrum despite often facing some much larger opponents. James Higgins and Isaac Brown consistently won and stole lineouts, while the competitiveness and controlled aggression of Jack Porter and Rob Flett meant that Eastbourne were always competitive at the breakdown and in the tackle area. Ed Field's tireless work rate throughout the season was an example to all. Ed Houchin grew into his role at scrum-half as the year developed and delivered some outstanding performances later in the term against Cranleigh and St John's. Strong carries up the middle from centres Alex Goble, Piers O'Connor and Number 8 Rory Cramp meant that Eastbourne were always a threat going forward. They were supported by the pace of Oli Morgan and Thomas Houchin close at hand on the wings, who finished off some fantastic tries. Max Walker was very reliable under the high ball and was robust in defence. Despite its many losses, there is no doubt that the team has learnt a huge amount throughout the season and scored some magnificent tries, most notably Piers

Sailing

Rex Farrant (Year 9, Wargrave), with his GB squad training and experience of racing at a national level, has helped to raise the overall standard of sailing this year. We also arranged a fixture against parents and Mr Peters (father of George – Year 10, Powell), with his consistent national success in the Laser, helped to gauge where we still need to improve. Our usual fixtures against Brighton and King's did not happen this year; however we did race against Lancing twice. On the first fixture we won on points against a very strong spring tide and inconsistent wind. The second fixture had to be moved to the sailing lake because of gale force winds. The lake brings a lot of challenges due to wind shifts but it does make for exciting spectating. Highlights of the year include Lulu McNally (Year 11, Blackwater) capsizing in a race and managing to land in front of the bow by sliding along the length of the boat, Harry Byatt capsizing on the finish line and then being overtaken by the opposition, and Fergus Gregorie in pole position in a race against Lancing capsizing in his excitement on an easy downwind

section. As a bit of additional training, we chartered two small yachts and took a day trip on the Fox Terriers from Portsmouth to Cowes and back again. Although this was meant to be a race, there was a bit of cheating going on with engine use!

Soccer 1st XI

The season opened with two difficult pre-season games against Tonbridge and the OEs in which we struggled to find form or take our chances in front of goal. Next were typically difficult fixtures with draws against Epsom and Sutton Valence and a loss to Hurst. In each there were chances to win but without a prolific striker the goals just did not come. After a long trip to Guildford to face RGS, we failed to adapt to the unfamiliar 3G pitch and were beaten heavily by a very good side. More away fixtures followed with close but unfortunate losses at Cranleigh and Worth. In each game we saw a lot of spirit from the boys but ultimately couldn't get anything from the games. Some farcical decisions against us served to strengthen and bond the team and the season then picked up. In the last five minutes against local rivals Brighton a brilliant solo effort from the ever-improving and classy Isa Ibrahim gave us a superb 1-0 victory – our first win of the season. Further victories followed with Ibrahim and the newly promoted Untützer on the score sheet, thrashing the same Sutton Valence team in the return leg. George Eaton was the provider for most of these goals in what was another excellent season from him in the centre of midfield. A home game against Christ's Hospital was next. Christ's have a reputation of being a very strong side, but we beat them 1-0 in wet and windy conditions. Cameron Smith kept us in the game with some brilliant saves in goal, the highlight being a dive to his left tipping the ball over the bar. He has been the 1st XI goalkeeper since Year 10 and is the most capped player in Eastbourne College's football history. George Eaton, who bossed the centre-midfield every game and was also the joint top goal scorer, was named Players' Player and Coaches' Player.

Squash

Above all, the season has been great fun for the senior boys. Beating Worth in a rematch was the high point of the season as it showed us how far we had come. Playing against strong teams such as Lancing who were qualifying for the later stages of national competitions was a great experience and forced everyone to battle very hard. The highlight of the season has been seeing newcomers such as Cary Frame and Harry Finch, who were beginners, become crucial first team players.

The senior girls season started with numerous wins against Moira House and ended with a good fighting effort against a very strong Christ's Hospital side. In

between we played a Bede's junior boys side with good wins from Ursula Stevens and Isabella Why. All the girls worked very hard in training, and off the court everyone proved their eagerness with extra runs along the sea front and sessions in the gym.

Swimming

The first major event was our annual visit to K2 in Crawley for the ESSA regional heats. The Senior and Intermediate boys teams earned medals in each of their relay events. Competition was particularly stiff for the girls teams, who put in sterling performances. Overall, 18 new personal best times were set in one afternoon, Alex Goble breaking a school record for 50m breaststroke that had stood since 1982.

With several galas between October and February, the team gained valuable experience and a real confidence boost from beating Lancing, Battle Abbey and Roedean. The next major gala at Tonbridge, the Weald and Downland Trophy, is always a challenging day for the five schools taking part. Amy Keating worked particularly hard, taking part in four individual races as well as two relays. Celia Gray put in extra sessions in preparation for the 50m butter-

ishing in tenth place. After lunch the girls swam the medley relay, improving PBs and finishing in eleventh place. Josh Pankhurst, Alex Goble, Monty Wilson and Luke Stacey went into the finals as fastest qualifiers. In a nail-biting race, Luke was able to claw back the extra metres at the last minute to win the Dunelm Trophy by a few hundredths of a second – the second time in five years that Eastbourne has taken the trophy and the third time ever.

At a three-way match with Christ's Hospital and Cranleigh the senior boys still dominated the field. The senior girls team included many who had stepped in at the last minute and in some cases had little competitive experience. All put in great performances, holding off a field of experienced teams to retain second place overall.

The final major fixture, the Sussex Cup, took place in May. Sadly, the other schools were unable to raise senior teams, so it was restricted to Year 9 and 10s. The boys set off at a good pace, Lancing close on their heels and the leading points score swapping nearly every race. With the girls, Augusta King showed a real talent for chasing down the leading swimmer, pipping her to the post every time. After a good afternoon

performances at regional events and was a finalist in the Schools National Biathlon Championships, finishing in seventh place.

Tennis – Senior Boys

In the first two rounds of the Aegon National Championships in March, the first team played well to beat Bexhill B team in the first round but were unable to overcome a strong Bede's team in the second round. Captained by Max Hastings and ably supported by Cary Frame, the first team had a win over a formidable Lancing team in the Sussex League and victory over Tonbridge in the final fixture of the season. New to the team were Ivan Loginov and Andrey Aprelikov from Year 10 and 9 respectively. They are real talents on the tennis court and both reached the senior boys singles final, Ivan coming out on top in a match of great quality. Other first team regulars included the continental sophistication that is Niklas Breizmann, swashbuckling Oli Raw and the ever improving Lloyd Heathfield.

Tennis – Senior Girls

The senior girls teams enjoyed some excellent play and endured almost everything that the British weather could throw at



Swimmers Luke Stacey, Alex Goble, Monty Wilson and Josh Pankhurst

fly, as did Millie Harriott, and all achieved very respectable times and places. Dylan Price saved his energy to race in the relays, setting a formidable new PB and helping to bring the boys home in exceptional style. Josh Pankhurst smashed his own school record, breaking the 53-second barrier for the 100m freestyle. These were our best ever results at this event, with 19 new PBs.

This 65-school national Bath Cup event at Crystal Palace brings schools from as far as Scotland, Ireland and Guernsey. The girls team opened the events with the freestyle relay, putting in formidable performances and finishing twenty-third overall. The boys followed with a solid performance but were disappointed with themselves, despite fin-

ing of strong racing, we succumbed to the strength of Lancing's relay teams and settled for second place overall.

Luke Stacey has been training hard and aiming high. Having earned the title of County Champion for both the 50m and 100m freestyle, he was also second in the 200m freestyle, ranking him in the top 20 nationally. Olympic hopeful Josh Pankhurst has had a blistering year. He was County Champion for 100m backstroke and freestyle, in which with 52.8s he took a whole second off his school record time. He also became County Champion for 200m freestyle, setting a new championship record and ranking second nationally. Luke Howard has continued his strong



Olivia Mills

them, from sunshine and glorious warmth, to strong wind, rain and some pretty nippy temperatures. Throughout, Charlie Dodds ably captained the first team, leading them to a valiant third place in the Sussex Championships. Her partnership with Olivia Mills was crucial in securing some very positive results against some very capable opponents. As first pair, both girls led by example, earning full colours for their positive approach and high level of skill. Half colours went to Victoria Black, Pippa Harries, Sophie Hatrick, Catherine Henderson, Hannah Mackinnon, Lizzie Prideaux, Anna-Louise Walters and Lily Watson, all of whom represented the 1st VI and secured valuable points for the team.

The Eastbournian Society



The Old Eastbournian Association Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended 31 July 2013

	2013		2012			2013		2012	
	£	£	£	£		£	£	£	£
INCOME					Balance Sheet at 31 July 2013				
Subscriptions receivable		24,000		24,114	GENERAL FUND				
Profit from sale of					Balance at 1 August 2013		17,502		44,288
OE Regalia		305		652	<i>Deduct</i> Donation to				
Sundry income		<u>1,330</u>		<u>—</u>	Old <i>Eastbournian</i> Charity		—		—
		24,635		24,766	Birley Centre sponsorship		—		—
DIRECT OUTGOINGS					Deficit from Income and				
Old Eastbournian					Expenditure Account		<u>(3,394)</u>		<u>(26,786)</u>
Annual Report	21,659		18,468		Balance at 31 July 2013		<u>£14,108</u>		<u>17,502</u>
Support for Birley Centre	—		10,000		REPRESENTED BY:				
Purchase of Raisers' Edge					Monies on deposit at the				
licence and set-up costs	—		14,500		Royal Bank of Scotland plc:				
Secretarial Services	2,500		2,500		Special Interest-Bearing Account	2,343		3,994	
Grants – Cricket	800		1,400		OE Regalia Stock Deposit	5,100		5,100	
Golf	500		1,000		Debtors, Prepayments and				
Football	—		—		Stock of Stationery	9,405		9,766	
Squash	—		—		Bank Current Account	<u>1,000</u>		<u>1,000</u>	
Tennis	—		—				17,848		19,860
Rugby	682		—		<i>Deduct</i> Creditors		<u>(3,740)</u>		<u>(2,358)</u>
OE events sponsorship	2,780		2,466		<i>Deduct</i> Bank Current Account		—		—
Sundry expenses	<u>148</u>		<u>1,301</u>				<u>£14,108</u>		<u>£17,502</u>
		<u>29,069</u>		<u>51,635</u>					
		<u>(3,434)</u>		<u>(26,869)</u>					
INVESTMENT INCOME									
Received net of tax		<u>40</u>		<u>83</u>					
DEFICIT OF INCOME									
OVER EXPENDITURE		<u>(3,394)</u>		<u>(26,786)</u>					

Notice of Annual General Meeting 2014

The Annual General Meeting of the Eastbournian Society (incorporating the Old Eastbournian Association) will be held at Eastbourne College on Saturday 28 June 2014, starting at 12.15pm. OEs are welcome to attend the AGM and are asked to inform the Eastbournian Society office at latest by Friday 20 June 2014 if they wish to do so, by telephone to 01323 451911 or email to vlbrown@eastbourne-college.co.uk

The Agenda

1. To receive and, if thought fit, to approve the Hon. Treasurer's Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2013.
2. To elect Officers for the coming year, and to fill vacancies on the Committee.
3. To consider any other business.

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The Old Eastbournian Charity

The Old Eastbournian Charity was inaugurated on 21 July 1975 with the consent of the Charity Commission and known as The Old Eastbournian Charitable Society.

The charity was initially established with funds from the Old Eastbournian Association at the instigation of the Old Eastbournian Committee and Aldersey Maynard-Taylor (S23-27). The initial and primary objective was to provide fee assistance for sons and daughters of OEs, also for OEs in necessitous circumstances. At that time the OEA committee was aware of several potential OE donors and understood that the College would benefit from their generosity if they could be encouraged to make provision for bequests in their wills, having been associated with the College throughout their lives. The charity was very closely identified with the OEA with the then chairman, David Winn OBE (S54-59) as its chairman, and Robin Miller (Pw49-53) as secretary, together with other OEA committee members.

The first few years were devoted to building up the capital with appeals for covenants at OE events. From the outset the policy of the trustees was to make grants out of income only. The early grants were often in the form of loans, many of which were subsequently repaid. In the first ten years, despite the very limited resources, examples of assistance included four sons of OEs for periods of up to three years. These enabled them to continue and benefit from their College education. An appeal was launched in 1985 asking OEs to support the charity under the title 'to ensure they too can benefit from the College'. The focus on providing short-term help for the continuation of a College education was widened and support was given, in some instances, for a full five years. By the turn of the century eleven sons and daughters of OEs had been supported, amounting to a total of 141 terms.

In 1995 the charity received a generous bequest from Tom Scoresby Jackson. In accordance with his wishes The Scoresby Scholarship was established for science. A set of rules was devised to support students taking at least one science A level, selected from maths, physics, chemistry or biology, with a view to the scholar pursuing a university education. This scholarship has enabled nine day pupils, with no former association with the College, to join the College at the sixth form level. Each of them obtained a place at a leading university. Another two pupils were half way through their A levels at the end of the summer term 2013 and the trustees have made the commitment to provide another scholarship for two years



The trustees of the OE Charity watch as the assets are transferred to the College on 1 August 2013. Left to right: Vicky Henley (née Crawshaw) (N75-77), David Stewart, Eric Koops (G59-63), Sam Askaroff (Pw73-75), Richard Shirley, John Boyle and Forbes Wastie

from September 2013, making twelve Scoresby Scholars in total. In addition there was expansion of the provision for assistance for pupils who were not the sons and daughters of OEs. The charity has also supported the College's 100 per cent bursary awards scheme for needy and deserving cases. Most recently the Charity has provided 'lifeboat style' assistance in an emergency to enable a pupil to stay and complete a College education before going on to further education. In 2005 The Birley Fund, so named after Michael Birley (Headmaster 1956-70), was established before the opening of the Birley Centre, to support and promote music.

The merging of the OE Charity with the Eastbourne College Incorporated Charity marks a significant stage in the rationalisation of awards, fundraising and fund management at the College. With the formation of the Eastbournian Society all the separate facets – OEA, OEC, Foundation, Devonshire Society and friends of Eastbourne College – come together under one umbrella, preventing any confusion and to the greater benefit to College management. The process started when Forbes Wastie initiated the Foundation, continued under Kim Deshayes and was then enlarged and developed by David Stewart. The proposal to amalgamate the two charities was approved at the Annual General Meeting on 29 June 2013 and the transfer was effected on 1 August 2013 when a cheque for £271,907 was handed over to Richard Shirley, the Finance Bursar, by the Chairman of the OE Charity, Eric Koops LVO.

OE representatives worldwide

We have over 60 OE country reps throughout the world, who have volunteered their services to help other OEs visiting or living in their localities. If you would like advice about gap year travel, accommodation, business contacts, starting a new job or organising an OE get-together you are invited to contact your local rep. If you are interested in becoming an OE country rep, please contact the Eastbournian Society office on +44 (0)1323 452262 or es@eastbourne-college.co.uk.

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Business networking events

Law

Tuesday 8 April 6–8pm

RPC Law, Tower Bridge House, St Katharine's Way, London, E1W 1AA

This event is sponsored by Jonathan Watmough (C81–86) at his offices by Tower Bridge. Dame Mary Hogg, High Court Judge and parent of an OE, will also be saying a few words. Drinks and canapés available.

Property

Thursday 24 April 6–8.30pm

AECOM, MidCity Place, 71 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6QS

The guest speaker will be from the property industry. Drinks and canapés available.

Shipping

Thursday 1 May, 6–8pm

Baltic Exchange, 38 St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BH

The guest speaker is Chris Ohlson (G73–78), managing director of Hartland Shipping.

Digital marketing

September

Date, venue and speaker to be confirmed

Insurance

October

Date, venue and speaker to be confirmed

Financial services

November

Date, venue and speaker to be confirmed

Medicine

Date, venue and speaker to be confirmed

For more information and to reserve your place(s) please contact Lulu Brown on 01323 451911 or vlbrown@eastbourne-college.co.uk

Foundation Golf Challenge



Thursday 3 July 2014 Royal Eastbourne Golf Club

The annual golf challenge is open to OEs, staff, parents, local businesses and other friends of the College to have an enjoyable day on the course (with team and individual prizes) followed by an evening dinner and charity auction.

All proceeds go to the Peter Bibby Award which helps fund a talented cricketer at the College.

If you would like to take part or you are able to donate a prize or auction item, please contact Christine Todd on 01323 452316 or ct@eastbourne-college.co.uk for further details.

Calling all MCC members



The College 1st XI v MCC

Thursday 26 June 2014, College Field

**followed by dinner for MCC members
in the Dining Hall**

For further information and to reserve place(s) please contact Lulu Brown on 01323 451911 or vlbrown@eastbourne-college.co.uk



Social and cultural events

Each year we organise a series of social and cultural events. Those listed below are for the Lent and Summer terms; further events will be organised for later in the year. Please check the website for the latest updates.



Churchill War Rooms

Friday 31 January, 1.30pm

Make your own way to London to visit the Churchill War Rooms and discover the

original wartime bunker that sheltered Churchill and his government during the Blitz.

The cost is £12.70 each (reduced from £17.50).

Annual quiz and dinner

Saturday 1 February, 7pm, Social Common Room

Tickets are £15 each for a two-course dinner, plus glass of wine and tea or coffee. Free entry to the quiz. A fun evening with a magnificent prize to the winning team of a Mars bar each!

Blithe Spirit

Wednesday 26 March, 2.30pm, Gielgud Theatre, London

Make your own way to London to join the group at this sparkling Noel

Coward comedy, starring Dame Angela Lansbury as Madame Arcati, her first West End role for 40 years. We have reduced price tickets in the stalls for £49 each.



City of London churches and gardens

Tuesday 17 June, 11am

A guided walk to see churches which have risen from the ruins of the Great Fire, and have defied the wartime Blitz and the threat of post-war commercial development.

We meet at 11am on the steps of St Paul's Cathedral from where we will visit two or three churches before a lunch stop, continuing later and finishing at about 3.45pm. The cost is £10 per person, not including lunch.



The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time

Thursday 10 July, 2.30pm, Gielgud Theatre, London

The National Theatre's highly acclaimed production, based on Mark Haddon's award-winning novel, has won seven 2013 Olivier Awards, including Best New Play. We have Grand Circle tickets priced at £25 each.

Houses of Parliament visit

A Monday in July (date to be confirmed)

An opportunity to join a guided tour of the complex of buildings in Westminster.

Please let us know if you are interested; further details of the time and cost will be sent at a later date.



If you would like to book for any of these trips please contact John Thornley on 01323 452314 or jt@eastbourne-college.co.uk

The London business lunch

Fino's Restaurant
123 Mount Street
Mayfair W1K 3NP

**Friday 3 October
12.30pm**

A chance to meet OEs and parents in business over a convivial lunch

To register your interest please contact Lulu Brown on 01323 451911 or vlbrown@eastbourne-college.co.uk

Over 60s lunch

The Caledonian Club
9 Halkin Street
Belgravia SW1X 7DR

**Monday 19 May
12.30pm**

A three-course meal with wine, coffee and Orkney tablet. £65 per head including service.

To book your place please contact Lulu Brown on 01323 451911 or vlbrown@eastbourne-college.co.uk

First World War battlefields trip

A two-day coach trip is planned to visit Ypres, Thiepval and the Somme, with expert guides providing commentary and information, focusing on OEs who served in the Great War.

One night's stay in a hotel will be included.

The date is still to be confirmed and the trip may take place in 2015, depending on cost and availability.

If you would like to register your interest at this stage (without making a firm commitment to go) please contact Lulu Brown on 01323 451911 or vlbrown@eastbourne-college.co.uk



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