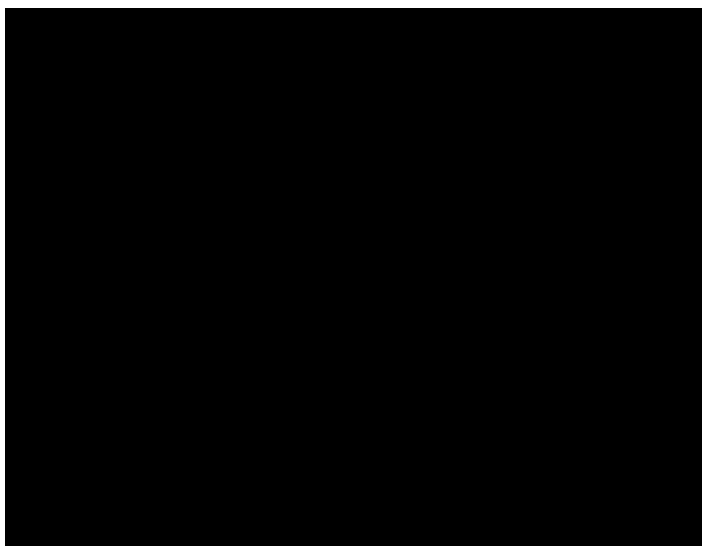


## Social gatherings



### The centenary of the OBE

A number of Old Eastbournians and former members of College staff were among the guests at a special service of dedication and thanks for the Order of the British Empire on 24 May 2017, just ahead of its centenary. The service, held at St Paul's Cathedral, was attended by HM The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh. Guests included around 2,000 holders of the Order of the British Empire's awards, from Knights and Dames to those who have received a CBE, OBE or MBE. Pictured here after the service are, back row: Dr John Toby CBE (School 1954-58), Forbes Wastie MBE (Teaching staff 1961-98), Michael Fish MBE (Reeves 1958-62), John McCutchan MBE (Reeves 1950-52); front row: Gen Sir Kevin O'Donoghue KCB CBE (Powell 1961-66), David Winn OBE (School 1954-59), Sally Le Brocq OBE (College staff 1962-88) and Adm Sir Ian Forbes KCB CBE (Powell 1960-65).

### Three OEs on tour with Lloyd's CC

Three Old Eastbournians were part of the Lloyd's Cricket Club side which visited South Africa in early 2017. Angus Stewart (Craig 2003-08), Fred Florry (Gonville 2004-06) and Jack Skinner (Wargrave 2008-13) were all in the squad which toured the country from 8 to 19 February. The club, which represents the Lloyd's of London insurance market, won four of the six games they played in Johannesburg and Cape Town.



### Colin Brezicki and the 1983 English class

Former College teacher Colin Brezicki had a reunion with his 1983 A-level English class in June 2017. He writes that it was 'a fabulous day organised by Michael Oliver and others. We attended a matinee performance of Silas Carson in *Occupational Hazards* and then had a lovely dinner together. I stayed with Michael and Fi, both OEs, and also Gail Hall (Partridge) in Kent. Such a wonderful gathering.' Pictured here at the Hampstead Theatre are, left to right: Leonie Tame (Nugent 1981-83), Sally-Anne Sansford (née Emary) (Nugent 1981-83), Henry Edwardes-Evans (Blackwater 1978-83), Joelle Alfillé-Cook (Nugent 1981-83), Hugo Henderson (School 1978-83), Mike Oliver (School 1978-83), Sam Kiley (Craig 1978-83), Fiona Oliver (née Smith) (Nugent 1982-84), Dave Alexander (School 1978-83), Nikki McGrath (née Hounsell) (Nugent 1981-83), Katy Boyd (Nugent 1981-83), Tim Barraclough (School 1978-83), Silas Carson (Craig 1978-83), Giles Tomsett (Powell 1978-83) and Colin Brezicki.





### Edwards-Francis wedding

Andy Edwards (Reeves 2000–04) married Charlotte Francis (Blackwater 1999–2004) at Firlie Place on Saturday 8 July 2017. Charlotte is the daughter of two OEs: Mark Francis (Powell 1973–78) and Sue Francis (née Mills) (Nugent 1976–78). Over 50 OEs were at the wedding, some of whom are pictured here. At the back: Jamie Francis, Stephen Edwards (Reeves 2001–06) on shoulders, James Grant, Piers Manktelow (Pennell 1999–2004) on shoulders; standing: Charles Foster (Craig 1999–2004), Georgina Lucy (Nugent 2002–04), Andy Edwards, Charlotte Edwards, Madelaine Guppy, Lindsay McConaghy, Will Francis (Reeves 2005–10), Jenny Swainson (Blackwater 1999–2004), James Hamblyn (Reeves 1999–2004), Robbie Wotherspoon, Joel Burgess (Wargrave 1999–2004) on shoulders, Harry Foster (Craig 1999–2004); seated: Will Ripley (Gonville 1999–2004) and Pete Morgan (Craig 1999–2004).



### Partridge-Larke wedding

James Partridge (Powell 1999–2004) and Kate Larke were married at Our Lady of Ransom Church in Eastbourne on 16 August 2017, followed by a wedding breakfast at the Ashdown Park Hotel, Wych Cross, near Forest Row. The photo shows (all Powell House unless otherwise stated), back row: Alex Partridge (2001–06), Jessica Partridge (Blackwater 2009–13), Eraaj Selvadurai (1999–2004), Dr Luke Hanna (1999–2004), Addison Baigent (2002–04), Alex Osborne (2002–2004); front row: Michael Partridge (Blackwater 1946–51), James and Kate, Tim Partridge (1977–82).



JEREMY & MARK

Forty years on



KATE & RICK



MARK & JO



RICK & JENNIE

Jennie Lathbury (Nugent 1975–77) got together with friends from the class of 1977

in August 2017: Jeremy Burton (Gonville 1972–77), Rick Irons (Gonville 1972–77), Jo Bright (Nugent 1975–77), Kate Pierrepont (Nugent 1975–77) and Mark Stapleton (Gonville 1972–77). They met at a friend's restaurant called Emile's in London. Jennie says: 'We hadn't seen Mark for many years and had lots of news to catch up on. Mark and I reminisced about our time as captains of swimming in 1977 as we were the first pupils to dive into the then new pool!'



### Brown-Warren wedding

Toby Brown (Reeves 1996–2001) married Faye Warren at Notley Abbey, Buckinghamshire on 21 August 2017. Guests included many OEs, some of whom served as ushers and are pictured here: David Morehen (Reeves 1996–2001), Andrew Rowe (Reeves 1996–2001), Freddie Brown, Faye and Toby, his brother Sebastian Brown (not an OE), Jeremy Mercer (Wargrave 1996–2001) and Tom Breeze (Reeves 1996–2001).





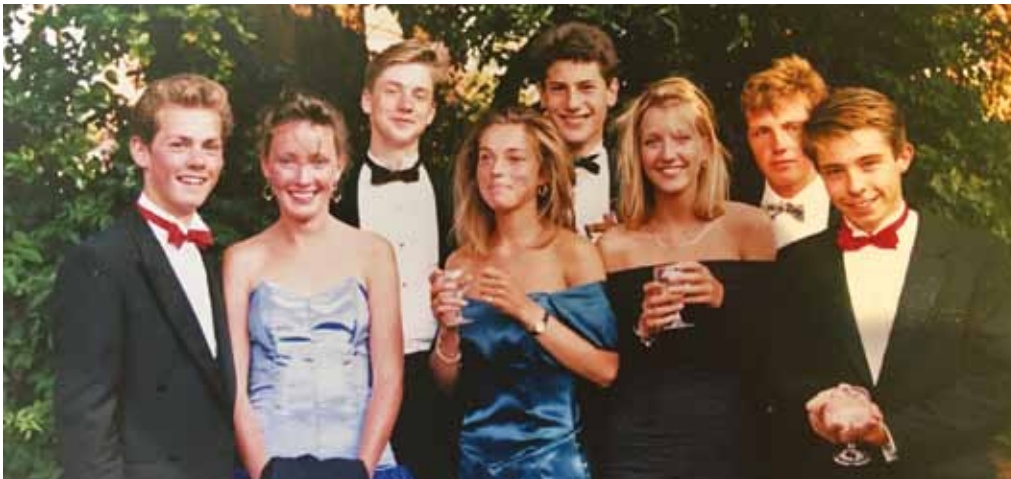
### Memories of the early 70s

Alison Gourlay (Nugent 1970–72) sent us this photo of herself, Mike Davey (School 1967–72) and her sister Ann Moldan (Nugent 1970–72) in London in August 2017, when Ann was visiting from her home in Cape Town. She and Ann were among the first girls to join the College in the sixth form. She says: 'Ann and I had both been at Moira House since the age of 11 and despite the fact that the two schools combined hockey tours, plays etc it was still slightly daunting to arrive for lessons in a school of 500 boys. However, we soon acclimatised and had the best two years. We had such a fun evening reminiscing about our very happy days at the College – there was lots of chat and giggles, particularly about our wonderful English classes with Simon Funnell who had endless patience. Happily we did all pass our A-level!'



### Harding-Warren wedding

Jessica Warren (Blackwater 2003–08) and Piers Harding (Pennell 2002–07) were married at La Iglesia de Sotogrande in Spain on 16 September 2017, and many OEs were among the guests. Pictured are Hatty Sibree (Blackwater 2001–06), James Sibree (Pennell 2001–06), Piers and Jessica, Jack Marriott-Smalley (Pennell 2002–07) and Eliza Marriott-Smalley.



Then: Alistair Blackburn (Blackwater 1984–89), Shela Davis (née Nightingale) (Nugent 1987–89), Tim Duffill (Reeves 1984–89), Angela Harris (née Carden) (Nugent 1987–89), Miles Kirby (Blackwater 1984–89), Jessica Munro (née Meyers) (Nugent 1987–89), Guy Thwaites (Blackwater 1984–89), Julian Tebbutt (Pennell 1984–89)

### Then and now

In September 2017 Miles Kirby hosted a reunion of friends from the leavers of 1989 and sent us these 'then and now' pictures. He says that with spouses and children there were 35 in total, and comments: 'A great time was had by all late into the night and we remembered and raised a glass to our friend Alistair Blackburn who sadly passed away this year. We all plan to have another reunion before another 28 years passes.'



Now: Guy Thwaites, Tim Duffill, Claire Parris (née Ardouin) (Nugent 1987–89), Jessica Munro, Liz Taylor (née Davidge) (Nugent 1987–89), Julian Tebbutt, Rachael Macpherson (nee Mackay) (Nugent 1987–89), Miles Kirby





### Stags at The Stag

Maurice Trapp (Gonville 1962–67) and his wife Gail dropped in to see John Ashcroft (Reeves 1960–65) and his daughter Kate in Godalming on their way to Eastbourne in November 2017. Fittingly for two former captains of the 1st XV they posed outside The Stag pub and had a chance to reminisce not only about rugby but also about their time in the 1st IV rowing squad at the College.



### Golf in Dubai

Ian Fletcher-Price (Blackwater 1976–80), Ed Atkinson (Pennell 1979–84), Stephen Yorke (Blackwater 1977–81) and Philip Hanbury (Blackwater 1977–82) got together in Dubai for their annual golf match in November 2017.



### 1976 leavers

Three leavers from 1976 had a meal at Maze restaurant in Grosvenor Square, London, on 18 November 2017, accompanied by friends and family. Chris Zanetti (Pennell 1971–76), third from left; Suzy Parsons (Nugent 1974–76), fourth from left; and Ben Djazaeri (Pennell 1971–76), right, reflected on what Chris describes as 'the great memories from our time at Eastbourne'.



### The Friends of Blackwater

Every year the Friends of Blackwater arrange to meet in London for a Christmas lunch and a drink or two. This year's get-together was held on Thursday 7 December 2017 at the Thomas Cubitt gastropub near Victoria. The Blackwater boys pictured here are, back row left to right: Guy Farrant (1975–78), Philip Hanbury (1977–82), Stephen Yorke (1977–81), Forbes Wastie, former housemaster, Ian Fletcher-Price (1976–80), Simon Yorke (1979–84); and at the front are: Craig Tame (1979–84) and Martin Hole (1976–81).



### Christmas drinks

Jonny Breeze (Reeves 1993–98) sent us this photo of a Christmas get-together on 13 December 2017 in London. Pictured are Anthony Ross (Wargrave 1993–98), Jonny, Tom Cripps (Wargrave 1996–98), Mark Lock (Wargrave 1993–98), Alec Waterlow (Gonville 1993–98) and Basil El-Titi (Gonville 1993–98).



### The Class of 1979 reunion lunch

Eastbourne College leavers from 1979 got together for a reunion lunch on Wednesday 22 November 2017. Organised by Rob McNeilly (School 1974-79), Paul Mansell (School 1974-79) and Richard Vidal (Gonville 1974-79), the lunch was held once again at The Surprise gastropub in Chelsea. It attracted a good number of Old Eastbournians and has now become established as a popular annual event.



### The benefits of networking

*In December we received this email from Olivia Mills (School 2008-13)*

I attended the insurance networking event back in November 2016 while in my final year at the University of Exeter. I wanted to let you know that attending this event has led to my first graduate level job in insurance underwriting which I start on Monday. At the event I met Sarah Bray who has been very helpful in finding me my job at Vibe

Syndicates as an underwriting assistant. I have obviously thanked Sarah but was also like to pass on my thanks to the Eastbournian Society for setting up the event and allowing students these great networking opportunities. I look forward to attending the event again next year having completed my first year in the industry!



Jamie is pictured here, right, with Simon Barnes and Hugh Price

### Insurance networking

A networking event for Old Eastbournians, parents and current pupils interested in the insurance industry was held on the evening of Thursday 16 November.

The venue was the The Factory House wine bar at 37 Leadenhall Place in the City of London.

We were pleased to welcome as our guest speaker Old Eastbournian Jamie Garratt (Wargrave 1999-2004), Head of Digital Underwriting Strategy at Talbot Underwriting. Jamie spoke about the exciting changes in the insurance market at present and gave some insights about getting a job and starting out in the industry as a graduate trainee.

These networking events, which are free, give current pupils an opportunity to meet OEs and others working in various professions, to discuss career prospects and gain an insight into the world of work.

### Banking, broking and asset management networking



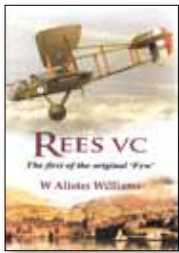
The banking, broking and asset management networking evening was held at the London Bridge offices of PwC on Thursday 19 October.

Kindly co-sponsored by Darren Meek (Blackwater 1982-87), parent and College governor, the evening was for those working in or interested in a career in the banking, broking and asset management sectors. OEs, parents and current pupils were all welcome. The guest speaker was Mike Prentis (Craig 1970-75), a senior UK equities fund manager. He is currently manager of BlackRock Smaller Companies Trust plc, and co-manager of the BlackRock Throgmorton Trust plc. Prior to joining BlackRock in 2005 Mike worked at 3i in both their asset management and private equity businesses.

Mike is pictured here with a number of the current pupils who made the journey up from Eastbourne.

# The written word

This year a number of books written by or about Old Eastbournians and College staff have been published, and we are pleased to highlight them here.

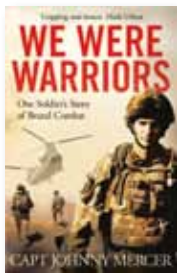


## Rees VC, The first of the original 'Few' W Alister Williams

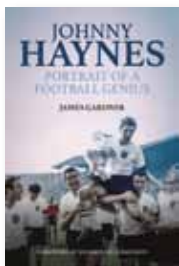
This magnificent 339-page, extensively illustrated, book has just been published. It is the story of the life of one of the greatest OEs of all time, Lionel Rees (School 1898–1901). It is a meticulously researched record of Rees's early life in Caernarfon, then at the College, the RFC and RAF in two world wars and subsequently in the West Indies. His medals, which he donated to the College, are now to be found in the Ashcroft Collection at the Imperial War Museum in London. We have a replica set, as well as his ceremonial sword. Copies are available from the College archives at £14 plus £2.14 postage and packing.

## We Were Warriors Johnny Mercer

Johnny Mercer MP (Pennell 1995–2000) served in the army for 12 years and was a captain in 29 Commando, making three tours of Afghanistan. He has written about his experiences in a new book:

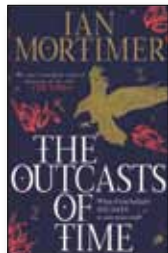


*We Were Warriors: One Soldier's Story Of Brutal Combat*, which was published in June 2017. Veteran war correspondent Robert Fox, reviewing the book in the *Evening Standard*, said: 'His story of the intimacy and uncertainty of daily battle, dicing with friendly or hostile villagers, makes this one of the best accounts of Afghanistan's latest war', adding 'this is a remarkable book by a man remarkable in his humanity and courage – and clearly, with a lot more to offer.'



## Johnny Haynes James Gardner

*Johnny Haynes: Portrait of a Football Genius* is the biography of one of England's greatest ever footballers, who was capped 56 times, 22 as captain. Written by James Gardner (Pennell 1966–71), the book tells how Haynes' international career covered the last days of Stanley Matthews and the first days of Bobby Moore. He was the David Beckham of his day, achieving celebrity status when he was the first player to be paid £100 a week. His life story is told through the recollections of family, team mates, journalists and celebrities, and includes a foreword by Sir Michael Parkinson.

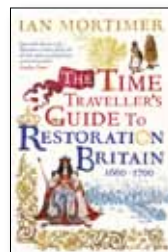


## The Outcasts of Time Ian Mortimer

Historian Ian Mortimer (Wargrave 1980–85) describes his novel *The Outcasts of Time* as 'not so much historical fiction as historical fantasy. Two brothers are journeying back to their home town of Moretonhampstead in December 1348, at the height of the Black Death, when they are infected with the plague. Distraught, they make their way up to a stone circle on Dartmoor to try to sell their souls to the devil in return for a longer life. Their request is denied by the power that answers them – they have only six days left to live – but they are offered the chance to come back and live each one of those days 99 years apart. So they return in 1447, 1546, 1645, 1744, 1843 and 1942.' *The Times* said the book was 'beautifully written and superbly executed' and *The Guardian* commented: 'A joyously gruesome journey through English history, told with gusto and erudition'.

## The Time Traveller's Guide to Restoration Britain Ian Mortimer

Ian Mortimer's latest history book in the Time Traveller's Guide series was published in April 2017. The new volume, *The Time Traveller's Guide to Restoration Britain*, covers the period from 1660 to 1700. With the civil wars over, this was the age of Samuel Pepys and the Great Fire of London; bawdy comedy and the libertine court of Charles II; Christopher Wren in architecture, Henry Purcell in music and Isaac Newton in science. Ian takes a look at how daily life was changing for ordinary people, how things felt tasted and smelt, what clothes they would wear and what food they would eat.



## Believe Me Eddie Izzard

Eddie Izzard's autobiography *Believe Me: A memoir of love, death and jazz chickens* was published in June 2017. Born in Yemen, with his early years spent in Northern Ireland, Eddie was a boarder in Pennell House from 1975 to 1980. Following the death of his mother when he was six, Eddie felt that was when he lost his childhood too. Despite or perhaps because of this, he has always felt he needed to take on things that some

people would consider impossible. Described as 'brimming with surreal humour and disarming candour', the book tells how Eddie 'has risen to become a star of comedy and drama, a leading advocate of total clothing rights, a British European and extreme runner of marathons.'

## Journeys of an Immigrant Peter Homburger



This picture from his book shows Peter, left, with brothers Walter (School 1939–40) and Wolf (School 1941–44).

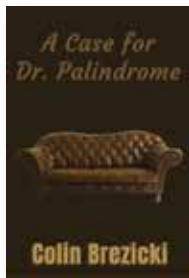
Peter Homburger (School 1942–47) was one of three brothers who arrived at the College from Germany as part of the Kindertransport scheme during the Second World War. He has written his life story, which tells how after his time at Eastbourne he moved to the USA, where he settled in Wheat Ridge, near Denver, Colorado. He also writes of his time in the army in Japan and Korea. Peter has long been a loyal supporter and benefactor of the College and there is a Homburger Room in the Birley Centre thanks to his generosity. He is also one of the OE reps in the USA.



## Unreal Creatures Julian R Ullmann

Julian Ullmann (Pennell 1950–54) has published a number of works during his career as a professor of computer science, mainly on programming, databases and computing technology, but this is something completely different. Published in paperback in October 2017, this is a short (30 pages) compilation of selected rhymed verse, written in the tradition of Lewis Carroll and Edward Lear, and conveying 'entertainment from a powerful modern mind. This is verse with its feet in the eighteenth century and its head in the twenty-first, unconstrained by contemporary fashion.'





## A Case for Dr. Palindrome Colin Brezicki

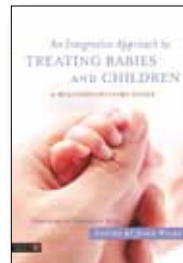
Colin Brezicki taught English at the College from 1977 to 1988 and is pictured on page 48 at a reunion of his 1983 A-level class. Having had a number of short stories published in Canada and the USA, he has now had his first novel published by a small independent publishing house in England, Michael Terence Publishers. *A Case for Dr. Palindrome* is the story of Paul Thorne, who

assists in the suicide of his terminally ill step-father. It's a darkly comic story of a man's struggle to stay sane when his long ago crime comes back to haunt him. Colin says: 'I write to find humour in what life serves up and try to make sense of it all; I like how words give off different meanings when you hold them up to the light.'

## An Integrative Approach to Treating Babies and Children

(contributor David Haas)

David Haas (Wargrave 1968-73) is one of the main contributors to this new guide, which



gives a holistic overview of child health and development for complementary therapists from diverse disciplines who work with babies and children. David's background was originally in electrical engineering, but he became interested in complementary therapies and later took practitioner training. He is an accredited supervisor with the UK Craniosacral Therapy Association (CSTA) and has his own private practice offering therapy, coaching and supervision support in Surrey and London.

## The College Archives

Michael Partridge and Paul Jordan

We are happy that this year we have reinforced our relationship with pupils and in a variety of ways introduced them proactively to the history of the College, its staff and pupils from former years.

The S@S programme this year has involved just one boy, Adam St Paul, who is compiling a computer-based register of Rugby Stags, and their subsequent achievements, from 1900 to 2017. This has involved perusing Mr Arnold's book *Eastbourne College Rugby Football 1900-1910*, and subsequent *Eastbourne* magazines which contained profiles of each season's 15 players, team photos as well as individual OE histories from the archives. Adam's commitment to this task has been admirable.

This year we joined Simon Gent, Head of History, in designing and providing information which enabled over 120 Year 9 pupils to research and compile biographical histories of up to 150 distinguished OEs, teachers and local townsfolk who had relations with the College. We hope to be able to use this excellent material for display at some point.

A major achievement this year has been the creation and publication of the book *Eastbourne College: 150 Years in Pictures*, a team effort involving David Blake, Michael Partridge and Paul Jordan, in trawling the archives and compiling an evocative story of our first 150 years and of the staff and pupils who made it happen.

This year, we have supported Roger Fendall (Nugent and Blackwater 1954-58) in piecing together a record of Nugent heads of house. This was no easy task as early records of these boys and girls is sketchy, to say the least. The exercise involved searching Blue Books, valetes and other personal records. The result will form the basis of newly created heads of house boards to be hung in Nugent and financed by the Arnold Embellishers.

We have hosted visits by Anthony Wolfe, Richard Collins, David Rumble and Graham Appleby, all of whom were able to shed light on their relatives' relationship with the College. Full details are carried on page 37. A group from the University of the Third Age were given a guided tour of the College in May.

We continued to give talks introducing the College and its history to Year 11 pupils and newly-joined staff. This autumn we, at Jenny Kirtley's suggestion, altered the format to make the exercise more interactive. Each class, now from Year 9, is given a set of historical questions about Big School/The College Theatre, the Memorial Building/Cloisters and the Chapel. They then explore these three sites, find answers, and then return to the classroom to share their findings with the rest of the class. Two archives staff, with their teacher, then provide feedback and an illustrated printed solutions sheet, together with the Embellishers booklet *A Guide to the College*, which is given to each boy or girl.

In January 2017, Michael Partridge and Paul Jordan attended an evening organised by the St Moritz Tobogganing Club to commemorate the 110th anniversary of the death of OE Capt Henry Singleton Pennell VC, who was killed in an accident on the Cresta Run in 1907. Michael spoke at the event, at the Cavalry and Guards Club in London, and the archives mounted a display which included Pennell's replica medals and his dress helmet.

## Donations and acquisitions 2017

**Philip Broadley** (Wargrave 1974-79)  
Two 19th century prints of Eastbourne

**Mrs Elaine Burrett** (daughter of **John Chaplin** (School 1925-30) Commemorative oar: 'Eastbourne College v King's Canterbury 1930'

**William Brock**, Emeritus Professor of History of Science at the University of Leicester. Three boxes of microfilm containing research material used by **Frederick Soddy** (Home Boarder 1893-94)

**Brigadier David Chandler OBE** (Blackwater 1956-61) Booklet: *The Falklands War - A Personal Account*

**Robin Ginner** (Blackwater 1946-51) Photo album belonging to his father

**Harold Ginner** (Crosby 1918-21) relating to his time at the College. A book *Construction* by **C Denis Price** (Blackwater

1917-21) pub. 1921, describing his role in building a railway in India

**Richard Greenwood** (Wargrave 1952-56) 1st XV blazer and cravat

**James Groves** (Pennell 1949-54) Bequest: Two whole school photos, two Pennell House group photos and a junior rugby team

**Mrs Lea Ann Higgins**, Alabama, USA. Photo of the 1897 Old Eastbourne cricket XI

**Peter Homburger** (School 1942-47) Autobiography: *Journeys of an Immigrant*, Peter's life story

**Hafiz Khandwala** (School 1969-73) Autobiography: *A Little Work, a Little Play*, by **Hardit Singh Malik** (Blackwater 1910-12)

**David Lunn** (School 1974-79) Four Ascham group photos and 12 School House, athletics and rugby photos

**Rachman Mitchell** (School 1947-51) Photos of School House group, fencing team and the Gonville Branch 1942

**Michael Morris** (Wargrave 1965-70) Two Wargrave team photos

**Ros Whitehead**, granddaughter of **Herbert Peacock** (Halden & Wargrave 1905-07) Prize book awarded in July 1907 for Maths: *Where Three Empires Meet* by E F Knight (1905) and five photos of Mr Peacock

### Purchased

Book: *Black Beauty* by Anna Sewell, illustrated by **Cecil Aldin** (School 1879-80)

Book: *The Gurkhas* by John Parker (One chapter relates to **Mike Marshall's** (Crosby 1938-42) service with the Gurkhas)



The group from the University of the Third Age (U3A) who visited on 31 May

Headmaster Tom Lawson and Chairman of Governors Philip Broadley also attended.

We have, as usual, researched the lives of the OEs and members of staff who have died in the preceding 12 months in order to compile obituaries. This is a sad but rewarding exercise as we, assisted by families, the internet, the press and archive records, piece together the lives, often distinguished, always memorable, of these people. Each week, the *Sunday Times* publishes a postscript to their published obituaries in which friends and relatives add further information, often anecdotal, about the person. We would welcome any such input from readers of this journal.



Year 9 pupils David Li and Brendon Wong with Michael Partridge in the archives

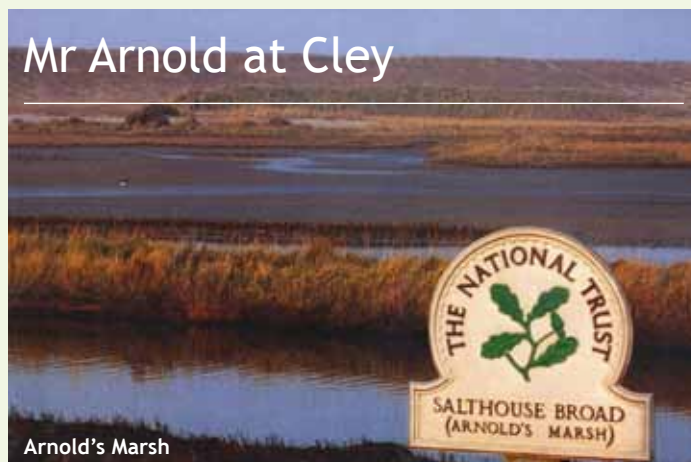
We have this year, with member of staff Pip Canning, created a College entry on the *Schools Cricket Online* website. This, complete with a photo of a Speech Day game on

College Field, provides an excellent overview of the game at the College.

The illustrated display which celebrates the College's 150th anniversary was set up on several occasions last year. Once again, a great deal of interest was generated and memories shared when it appeared at the 150th Sunday lunch in June, at the Foundation Day event (also in June), Speech Day in July and during Reunion Day in September.

Work is continuing apace on the digitising and cataloguing of the archive records. We are in the process of having back issue copies of the *Eastbournian* digitised and intend to make them available via the College website for former pupils to access. As part of this process, one of the archive volunteers has been adding pupil and staff names to the digitised photographs. Other volunteers have been cataloguing and sorting newspaper cuttings relating to College events.

The archives team remains in good order; Michael Partridge OE and Paul Jordan are the resident operatives, supported by three excellent part-time volunteers: Peter Durrant OE, Pat Larkin and recently joined David Atkins OE.



## Mr Arnold at Cley

Arnold's Marsh

Robina Davies has written to bring to our attention former headmaster Edward Carleton Arnold's exploits at Cley in Norfolk. The Cley marshes bird reserve hosts many resident breeding birds and winter visitors and was a favourite haunt of Mr Arnold's. From the 1920s he owned Salthouse Broad, known locally as Arnold's Marsh. He was known there as one of the 'Gentleman Gunners' (wealthy bird

collectors and ornithologists), and used to sit in a boat in the middle of the marsh, shooting at every uncommon wader that passed. On his death in 1949 he bequeathed the marsh to the National Trust. In 1947 Mr Arnold published the last of his several 'bird books' and called it *Memories of Cley*, now a rare book. Mr Arnold was an enthusiastic taxidermist and older OEs will remember the Arnold bird collection, housed in the cloisters, later in the tower, and still later given to the Norwich City Museum.

In his book, Mr Arnold writes of his first visit to Cley: 'On the return journey I was charged excess fare for luggage at Waterloo, when we turned up with two huge packing cases containing a couple of dozen birds'. All ready for stuffing, we can assume.



The Arnold bird collection at the College

PS We have heard from the senior curator at the Norwich Castle Museum who tells us that many of Mr Arnold's birds are stored off site, others are at the museum and a couple are currently on display. Others were 'decayed' in the 1960s and now form a part of their reference collection. They are still used by researchers and artists from all over the world.

## The London business lunch

The annual London business lunch took place on Friday 20 October.

The Phoenix Victoria was once again the venue for the gathering of Old Eastbournians and Eastbournian Society members; a chance for networking and building up business contacts.

The guest speaker was Ian Fletcher-Price (Blackwater 1976-80), who told the story of how he built his company Posturite. Founded in 1991 with its HQ in the village of Berwick, the company now turns over £25 million and employs 200 staff.

The lunch was the latest in our series of business and career networking events aimed at OEs, parents and current pupils.





# The Class of 2017

The latest group of Old Eastbournians are the Upper Sixth who left the College in summer 2017

## Arnold



Rosemary Brown



Serena Flower



Eden Higgins-Stockden



Amy Hilder



Lily Lawton

## Blackwater



Nicol Bassett



Elizabeth Brodie



Alysha Chui



Alex Fenner



Elizabeth Gower



Devon Harvey



Romney Hole



Darcey Joyce



Corin Kinghorn



Jane Mullaney



Poppy Newton



Olivia Pavey



Martha Piper



Ophelia Pool



Grace Porter



Bethany Tagg



Ella Virgo

## Craig



Oliver Arnold



George Askaroff



Oliver Bennion



Todd Butterworth



Jack Hind



Ben Hughes



Hugo McNally



Neel Mirpuri



Joseph Pagram



Charles Pendry



Mario Pulze



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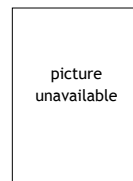
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## News of OEs, staff and some others

These 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](mailto:drblake@eastbourne-college.co.uk) or write to the Eastbournian Society office at the address in the Contacts section on page 92.

**Peter Albrecht** (Blackwater 1947–48) is one of the OE reps in the USA, and lives in Newbury, Massachusetts. He writes: ‘We no longer do any major international or other trips. I visit the gym several times a week. We have over an acre of land, with fairly large vegetable plots and many rhododendrons, azaleas and other ornamentals, and that offers “full employment” to both [my wife] Margaret and me. I spent many years as a hospice volunteer, and found it enormously rewarding. What’s important? Maintaining contact with our children, grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and our close local friends. A good life, but scarcely a dramatic one!’ While checking the details for the OE reps list on page 94, we realised that Peter is our longest-serving rep, having started in that role in July 1949, a year after he left the College. We send our congratulations for his more than 68 years’ loyal service!

**George Allan** (Craig 2009–14), who studied graphic communication and illustration at Loughborough University, has launched his own clothing brand, a t-shirt suitable for both casual and smart wear. He has combined a crew neck t-shirt with elements of a polo shirt, using piqué fabric made from 100% cotton, which is heavier than standard quality material. The trademark logo is inspired by George’s dog, a Labrador retriever. Full details are on George’s website at [www.george-allan.com](http://www.george-allan.com).

**Oliver Barter** (Powell 2002–07) has completed his DPhil at the University of Oxford.

**Chris Binge** (Craig & Gonville 1970–75) has been appointed Director of Markham College in Lima, Peru. He was previously principal of the Island School, Hong Kong, from 2009. Chris is married to **Helen** (née O’Connor) (Nugent 1973–75) and while in Hong Kong they were very supportive of the ES receptions that

have been held there in recent years.

**Robin Birn** (School 1967–72) lives in Richmond upon Thames and had a pleasant surprise when he celebrated 50 years of leaving his prep school, Arnold House School in St John’s Wood, London (having grown up in the famous Abbey Road). He met his old friend Ian Mackinnon and discovered that Ian’s two daughters are not only OEs, but were also in School House: Hannah (School 2011–13) and Lauren (School 2009–11). Together with **Torin Douglas** (Gonville 1964–69), Robin attended the 70th anniversary of the Market Research Society, which was a launch event of the ‘Archive of Market and Social Research’, an initiative to develop a central portal to access market research, social and brand trends for any business or academic to learn about market and industry sectors, particularly in the last 30 years. Robin is to be the guest speaker at the ES sales, marketing and PR networking event on 20 February 2018.



**Richard Blackburn** (School 1965–70) will be retiring as the Bishop of Warrington at the end of May 2018, after eight-and-a-half years on Merseyside, part of which time was spent as the acting Bishop of Sodor & Man during 2016–17. He met Pope Francis at a Papal Audience in October 2017, pictured here.

**Colin Brezicki**, who taught English at the College from 1977 to 1988, has had his first novel published, *A Case for Dr. Palindrome*, more details of which are on page 54. Colin had a reunion with his 1983 A-level English class

in June 2017, and a photo and report are on page 48.



**Alex Brown** (Blackwater 1980–85) ran the Brighton Half Marathon on Sunday 26 February in support of Global Radio’s Make Some Noise charity, which gives a voice to small projects supporting disadvantaged children and young people across the UK. In the week before the race Alex had visited the radio studios at Heart Sussex with other runners to talk about training and fundraising and featured briefly on the breakfast show. He finished with a time of 2:19:34, which he said was ‘not too bad’. He added: ‘I need to get out there running if I am going to do this again next year for this very worthy cause, as I need to be at least a stone lighter next time.’ Alex is pictured here after the race. He’s the one on the right.

**Toby Brown** (Reeves 1996–2001) married Faye Warren at Notley Abbey, Buckinghamshire on 21 August 2017. A photo with some of the OE guests who attended is on page 49.

**Joel Burgess** (Wargrave 1999–2004) has launched a business – Nutrifix – a nutrition app that locates healthy meals nearby, to buy on the go or have delivered through a partnership with Deliveroo, all tailored to your body’s needs. He says: ‘We were invited onto Just Eat’s first food tech accelerator and raised £200k on Crowdfunder.’

**Tony Butlin** (Pennell 1960–64) has been involved with horseracing

since retiring several years ago, and is a partner in the Affordable Racehorse Partnership, which owns a number of racehorses. They have had some success over the last seven years.



**Clive Charlton** (Reeves 1961–64) visited the College archives on Friday 19 May and was shown the Nugee Building and the Warren Atrium. He also visited the School Shop to buy some OE regalia. Now retired, Clive lives at Lizant in France. He was, he told us, Worshipful Master of the Old Eastbournian Lodge on several occasions.

**Chloë Chesney** (Blackwater 2009–11) is planning to travel to Sierra Leone in April 2018 to undertake research on the interface between local communities, tourism and wildlife conservation. Chloë is about half way through the taught section of an MSc in primate conservation at Oxford Brookes University. She will be travelling with three other students to Outamba-Kilimi National Park in the north of Sierra Leone to conduct the research, which will form the final section of their masters. She says: ‘Our research has the potential to improve the local livelihoods of some of the poorest communities in the world, and protect the natural resources they rely on, whilst also creating a sustainable management system for the conservation of these areas.’ However such a project needs funding and Chloë is looking for support from individuals and companies. She points out: ‘For three months we will live amongst the communities collecting data for our theses. We hope this will not be the end of our research as none of us want to go just to get a grade at university, but truly because we really do care.’ If you would like to help Chloë you can find more details on her GoFundMe page at [www.gofundme.com/outamba-kilimi-2018](http://www.gofundme.com/outamba-kilimi-2018)





**Sally Clark** (née Edwards) (Nugent 1974–76), who lives in New South Wales, Australia, visited the College in May 2017 and had a chance to look round the new Project 150 buildings. She is pictured here with ES Director David Stewart by the new pavilion.

**Robert Cohen** (Reeves 1977–82) presented all three of his one-man shows at the 2017 Hove Grown Festival in March. Under the umbrella title *Men Without Friends*, the plays each concern an unpopular man: Quint, in *High*

*Vis*, is a traffic warden under siege from an airgun-wielding stalker; *Something Rotten* re-tells the tale of Hamlet from the viewpoint of the Prince's murderous Uncle Claudius; and *The Trials of Harvey Matusow* is the true story of a man who spent four Cold War years as a McCarthyite supergrass before confessing he'd fabricated most of his 'evidence'.

**Giles Colclough** (Craig 2002–07) has completed his DPhil at the University of Oxford.

**Peter Craig** (Craig 1997–2002) qualified from Nottingham medical school in 2008 and spent the following two years in and around Nottingham doing foundation training. In 2010 he moved to Birmingham and did core surgical training, passing his MRCS exams that year. In 2012 he commenced his higher surgical training in trauma and orthopaedic surgery, then undertook a part-time MSc in musculoskeletal science at UCL, completing it in 2016. He passed the FRCS (Orth) exams in 2017

and is due to complete training in August 2018. He lives with his wife Vanisha in Harborne, Birmingham, and they were expecting their first child in early January 2018. Peter says that he remains in close touch with **Jeremy Langridge** (Craig 1997–2002) and **Henry Yorke** (Craig 1991–2002) as well as **Annabel Richardson** (Blackwater 1997–2002).

**Richard Crook** (Powell 1966–70) was named Person of the Year in the Sussex Heritage awards at a luncheon held at Pangdean Old Barn, Pyecombe, on Thursday 6 July 2017. The awards seek to recognise and reward high quality conservation, restoration and good design of newly built projects and encourage the use of traditional skills and crafts. Richard is the senior partner at John D Clarke Architects in Eastbourne, and specialises in the restoration of listed buildings. He has been architectural adviser of local heritage group the Eastbourne Society for more than 40 years. Chairman of Sussex Heritage Dr John Godfrey said: 'There is little doubt of Richard Crook's commitment to the heritage of Sussex, in his day-to-day work as an architect. However, it is his love for Eastbourne and particularly Victorian architecture, which truly validates him as the Sussex Heritage Person of the Year.'

living. Elysia said at the time: 'Not only is the charity incredibly important throughout the UK it is also personally very important to me as my dad experienced a highly traumatic brain injury in his 20s. He had to re-learn many vital skills including walking and eating. The repercussions of this injury are still felt; however, the rehabilitation he received was vital to his recovery. Rehab helps people in a similar position which is why I am running.' She finished with a time of 4:30:38.



**Jim Dickerson** (Gonville 1965–66) visited the College in July 2017 and had a chance to look around his old haunts, including Gonville House. Jim, who lives in Geneva, Illinois, had earlier spent a week in the West Country at a choir residency at Wells Cathedral, and managed to catch up with **Christopher Trower** (Reeves 1962–67), who in 1966 had been a fellow rower in the boats squad. They are pictured here, with Jim on the left, outside Wells Cathedral.

## Charles Compton

**Charles Compton** (Powell 2001–06) embarked on a solo round-Britain coastal walk at the beginning of 2018. He has worked out a schedule for the 6,118-mile walk and plans to finish by the end of November 2018 at Tower Bridge in London, from where he set out on 2 January. Charles says: 'I will aim to walk an average of 120/125 miles a week, walking six days each week and having one rest day. The rest day being to recuperate my body, allow me to keep my blog up to date and enable planning for the subsequent week. I will be carrying camping equipment with me and the majority of the time I will be staying under canvas, whether this be on a campsite, with permission on private land or wild camping. Other accommodation options that I will use are: walking hostels, bothies in Scotland and kind offers from friends and strangers.'



Charles is raising money for the Mental Health Foundation and has a personal reason for doing so. He says: 'Unfortunately since December 2013 my life has been significantly changed with the onset of my mental health issues. I went from being a relatively happy/positive person, in a job I liked (bridge structural engineer), in a house I liked and with enough friends, to being an unhappy/negative person, having to quit my job, being essentially homeless at points and feeling completely isolated from the world, seemingly with no trigger and for no reason. It has driven me to the very edge and occasionally almost beyond.' He says that the challenge of the walk is partly selfish because being active is one of the few things that helps his mental health and his physical wellbeing.

You can follow Charles's progress at his website [www.charleswalk.squarespace.com](http://www.charleswalk.squarespace.com) where he is writing a daily diary, and if you are able to offer your support along the way you can get in touch with him through the site. You can also donate via Virgin Money Giving at <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/CharlesCompton>.



**David Crundall** (Blackwater 1964–68) worked for the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham from 1970 to 2007 (in libraries then computer support), and now assists his Mexican wife Teresa in running their house as a small B&B in Wimbledon. He tries to keep flexible with yoga and swimming. He says he is 'very sociable, but eschews social media'.

**Elysia Davies** (Watt 2012–14) ran the London Marathon on Sunday 23 April on behalf of the charity Rehab UK, part of Momentum UK. The charity supports and aids people who have experienced brain injuries, helping them access education and employment and aiding independent



**Richard Duncan** (Wargrave 1978–83) tells us that after a career spanning 30 years in image and change management (which he still consults in), he has for the last three years been working for a charity called Wesley Mission in Sydney, Australia, as the head of their volunteer services, which manages 6500 volunteers and all their corporate and school partnerships. The charity is over 200 years old and serves 17,000 families a year across disability services, youth and family services, retirement and aged care, homelessness, mental health and suicide prevention. On 20 October 2017 Richard took part in the AMP Big Zipper, a fundraising event which involved travelling down a zipwire from the 47-storey AMP

building across a gap of about 125m while dropping 75m to the shorter AMP building in front. The event raised A\$1,050,000 in two days for 15 charities of which Wesley Mission received approximately A\$145,000. Richard personally raised A\$13,500 and received some support from Hollywood, with a Twitter endorsement from the actor Hugh Jackman, pictured.

**Andy Edwards** (Reeves 2000–04) married **Charlotte Francis** (Blackwater 1999–2004) at Firle Place on Saturday 8 July 2017. A picture of them with a number of OE guests is on page 49.

**John Feneley** (Reeves 1952–55) has been retired since 2001 and lives in Canada. Between 1956 and 1971 he was one of Cable & Wireless's foreign service staff, and from 1971 to 2001 he worked for the Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation (later Teleglobe Canada).

**Michael Fish** (Reeves 1958–62) was in demand for a number of newspaper and TV interviews concerning the 30th anniversary of the day of the Great Storm, 16 October 1987. Weather forecaster Michael has gone down in history for his comment on a TV forecast the day before the storm, when he said: 'Earlier on today, apparently a woman rang the BBC and said she heard there was a hurricane on the way – well, if you're watching, don't worry, there isn't!' Michael maintains that technically he was correct, but also points out that the forecast was based on a

## Chris Ennals

**Chris Ennals** (Powell 1956–60) played his two latest piano compositions, *Love of my life* and *Chris 75 with a touch of Rachmaninov* at a concert held by the Pakistani community in Oslo in late November 2017. He says; 'Pakistani and Bangla-



deshi musicians with their drums and wind instruments from the East contrasted with an amateur pianist from the West! The lady ambassador of Pakistan is sitting in the front row.'

computer prediction from the Met Office over which he had little say. He says: 'We were told the emphasis had to be on heavy rain. So I played down the heavy wind and focused on the rain instead.' He also points out that in 1987 the technology was limited compared with the superior computer modelling and information from weather satellites that we have today.

**Fred Florry** (Gonville 2004–06) was one of three Old Eastbournians who took part in the Lloyd's Cricket Club tour of South Africa in February 2017. More details and a photo are on page 48.

**Charlotte Francis** (Blackwater 1999–2004) married Andy Edwards (Reeves 2000–04) at Firle Place on Saturday 8 July 2017, and they are pictured on page 49 with a number of OE guests.

**Mark Freeland** (School 1976–81) became Head of Television Comedy at Working Title Television UK in April 2017. He had previously been

Controller, Fiction and Entertainment at the BBC and, since 2014, had led the comedy, drama and entertainment production teams for BBC Studios. He also worked on Comic Relief, co-exec producing four Red Nose Days. While at the BBC he produced a number of shows including *Absolutely Fabulous*, *Jonathan Creek*, *Inside No 9*, *The Wrong Mans*, *The Thick of It*, *Miranda*, *Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle* and *Mrs Brown's Boys*.



**James Gardner** (Pennell 1966–71) has written *Johnny Haynes: Portrait of a Football Genius*,

the biography of one of England's greatest ever footballers, which was published in August 2017. More details are on page 53. He is pictured here with Johnny Haynes's widow and niece in front of Haynes's statue on the day Fulham FC invited them as special guests. He did a book signing in the club shop before the game.

**Victoria Greig** (née Cullis) (Blackwater 1996–2001) is pictured on page 68 with her sister Alex Vanotti with their children.

**David Grindley** (Wargrave 1986–88) visited the College in April 2017. He was in Eastbourne as the director of the play *Waiting for God*, which was at the town's Devonshire Park Theatre as part of its national tour.

**Piers Harding** (Pennell 2002–07) was married to **Jessica Warren** (Blackwater 2003–08) at La Iglesia de Sotogrande in Spain on 16 September 2017. A photo with OE guests is on page 50.



**George Hayward** (Reeves 2008–13) took part in a pilot training programme from July 2015 until January 2017. He has been flying with easyJet since May 2017 as a first officer (co-pilot) based at London Gatwick Airport.

**Nicholas Hemes** (Blackwater 1951–55) lives in Lake City, Florida, and is keeping busy working for his local county in real estate zoning as an arbitrator and also as an advisor to the Florida Highway Patrol.

**Peter Homburger** (School 1942–47) published his life story, *Journeys of an Immigrant*, this year and a copy has been placed in the Cavendish Learning Resources Centre. More details are on page 53. Peter remains as one of our longest-serving OE reps (since 1961) and is always happy to welcome OEs if they are visiting the Denver area.

## Tom Evans

**Tom Evans** (Wargrave 2005–10) became the highest-ranking Briton in the Marathon des Sables, after taking third place out of 1183 runners in the 2017 race, which took place in April. The race is described as the most gruelling one in the world, with competitors running the equivalent of a marathon a day over six stages. The terrain, in the Sahara Desert in Morocco, is challenging, with both sand dunes and rocky hills to cover, and the temperature can be higher than 45 degrees C. In an interview on the Marathon des Sables website, Tom said that it had been a real privilege and pleasure to run with the greatest desert runners in the world. Tom, who is a captain in the Welsh Guards, ran on behalf of his regiment charity, which supports fellow soldiers and their families in times of extreme need. Since that remarkable run, he competed in the mountain ultra-marathon known as the CCC (Courmayeur, Champex, Chamonix), which is a 101km run with a 6250m climb. It followed part of the international path Grande Randonnée du Tour du Mont-Blanc, starting in the Italian Alps then entering Switzerland and finishing in France.



He again broke the records by finishing fourth, the best ever performance by a British runner. He is now ranked third in the world for ultra-running. On Monday 20 November Tom visited the College and spoke to an audience of sports scholars, staff and parents at the Birley Centre. In his talk, Tom demonstrated that with the right mental strength, attitude and a phenomenal amount of hard work, it is extraordinary what one can achieve. He is pictured here, centre, with Anthony Lamb, Assistant Head (Co-curricular), and Vicky Burford, Nugent housemistress, who herself has recently reclaimed her title as the female winner of the Marathon of Afghanistan.



## David Haas

**David Haas** (Wargrave 1968–73) is one of the main contributors to a new guide to child health and development for complementary therapists, more details of which are on page 54. After leaving the College, David studied electrical engineering, and went on to become a chartered engineer. One of his initial projects in the field of industrial control systems was as part of a team with Dunlop Engineering to develop a fully automated tyre manufacturing plant in two industrial units, which was quite a size reduction from the original huge tyre manufacturing plant. His career continued into engineering consultancy, in particular Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems on large scale projects, such as in electrical public utilities. In the early 1990s, during his career in engineering, David developed an interest in complementary therapies. He studied several therapies and became drawn to those supporting the relationship of babies and children and their parents, particularly where events in their lives had been overwhelming or traumatic. In 2015, David was invited by editor John Wilks to contribute to *An Integrated Approach to Treating Babies and Children: A Multidisciplinary Guide*, which was published in 2017.



rowing, has become the President of the Thames Regional Rowing Council, having been Chairman for 11 years. He has also been awarded the British Rowing Medal of Honour for his service to the sport; it was presented to him at the Thames Regional Rowing Councils annual dinner at the Leander Club in February 2017.

**Eddie Izzard** (Pennell 1975–80) had his autobiography *Believe Me* published in June 2017, more details of which are on page 53. He also appeared in the film *Victoria & Abdul* as Prince Bertie, alongside Judi Dench as Queen Victoria and Ali Fazal as her Indian servant Abdul Karim.

**Will Kunhardt** (Craig 2002–07) conducted the Arensky Chamber Orchestra in a concert at Eastbourne's Towner Gallery on Saturday 4 March 2017. The concert, entitled 'Sea Fever', included music from Claude Debussy (*La Mer*), Benjamin Britten (*Sea Interludes*) and Steffan Rees (*Response*), and was held in a small upper room at the gallery. Will says that his aim is to take classical music out of the concert hall and into more unexpected performance spaces, and further concerts were held at the De La Warr Pavilion in Bexhill on 8 March and at the Jerwood Gallery in Hastings on 10 March. Local reviewer Robin Gregory said in the *Eastbourne Herald* that the Debussy and Britten pieces both need 'playing of the highest calibre' and praised the 'clarity and attack' of the performance. He concluded: 'Any music-lover should make a note of the Arensky Orchestra and Will Kunhardt, and be sure to seize every opportunity to hear them in action.'

**Ed Lewis** (Craig 2008–13) ran in the gruelling Marathon des Sables in April 2017 to raise funds for

Cancer Research UK, in memory of his brother Tom and his mother Caroline, both of whom were lost to cancer. The marathon, described as the toughest foot race on earth, took place over six days in the Sahara Desert in Morocco in April 2017, with the terrain ranging from sand dunes to rocky hills. Tom was a Lower Sixth pupil in Craig House when he died in 2014. Ed says: 'I can't imagine anything more terrible than to face your own mortality at just 17. The personal cost of this disease to him, myself and my family and to so many others has been devastating and brutal but I can only try and bring something positive out of the whole experience.'



**Jacqui Lowden**, the College's marketing director, ran the London marathon in April 2017 to raise funds for The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity in memory of her niece Caroline. She finished with an impressive time of 4:42:18.

**Paul Mayhew-Archer** (Reeves 1967–71) was on the organising committee for the Parkinson's UK concert at the Royal Albert Hall on Wednesday 19 April 2017. The concert, known as Symfunny, brought together musicians and comedians for a night of music and laughter and fundraising, and Paul spoke with much honesty and humour about his condition. Paul



**Nick Honey** (Reeves 1980–85) made an attempt to swim the English channel in August 2017 to raise funds for the British

Heart Foundation, in memory of his father who died of a heart attack. The rules state that you are only allowed to wear a standard pair of swimming trunks, a pair of goggles and a swim cap while crossing one of the busiest waterways in the world. Unfortunately Nick was unable to complete the swim, but he still managed to raise more than his £2,000 target. On his JustGiving page he wrote: 'Very very gutted not to have made it but had to take the right decision before things got too bad. The channel is still there and not going away, so I will be back...' Earlier in the year he had told us: 'My love for swimming developed under the notorious Doc Ed and Mr Smith and I was fortunate to become captain of swimming in my final year. I have many memories of swimming up and down the old, now gone, pool; swimming and water polo matches against other schools; the Bath and Otter cup to mention a few. Living outside Nottingham I don't often get a chance to swim in the sea but love it when I can. Along with my brother **Matt Honey** (Reeves 1979–84) and four others we swam the channel as a relay in 2012 in a time of 16 hours and 34 minutes, this time however it is on my own!'



**Luke Howard** (Powell 2010–15) completed his Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award (taking in two arduous back-to-back weeks (practice and expedition) in the Lake District and immediately following the Peak District in 2015). He was presented with his award by Prince Edward at St James's Palace on 30 November 2017, where he is pictured with his mother.

**Martin Humphrys**, who taught at the College between 1979 and 1983 and was master in charge of

## Anthony Lamb



**Anthony Lamb**, contingent commander of the CCF, was awarded an MBE in the Queen's birthday honours in 2017. Anthony has served as a CCF adult volunteer for 22 years, 15 of these as contingent commander in two different schools. Under Anthony's leadership the College now has one of the largest tri-service units in the country, with 330 cadets and 28 officers, and he also established an independent-state partnership with Ratton Academy Trust, now in its third year. As a member of the Territorial Army, he undertook an operational tour of Iraq during a leave of absence from the College in 2007. Having been county commandant of the Sussex Army Cadet Force, he now has the rank of full colonel as Colonel Cadets 11 Infantry Brigade and HQ South. Anthony is pictured here being presented with his honour by Prince Charles at the investiture ceremony at Buckingham Palace on Thursday 23 November 2017.

## Paul Mansell

**Paul Mansell** (School 1974–79) raised £11,600 for St Wilfrid's Hospice and cancer research by skiing to the North Pole in April 2017. Paul was deputy leader (and, he says, 'polar bear bait') for a team which included Sean Swarner, a cancer survivor with one lung, who was attempting to complete the 'explorer's grand slam' of reaching the summit of the tallest mountains in each continent as well as the South and North Poles. They started on the Arctic ice on 1 April and reached the pole on 10 April, four days earlier than planned. Paul said 'The journey was truly awe inspiring and a huge test of both endurance and mental strength.'



## John McCutchan

**John McCutchan** (Reeves 1950–52) who runs the Arlington Bluebell Walk and Farm Trail, was delighted to receive an award from the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) on 11 October 2017. The walk won the New Sussex Landscapes category, as well as the Peter Brandon Award for the outstanding project selected from the finalists. John is pictured here with his daughter Philippa Vine at the awards ceremony at Petworth House. The bluebell walk was started in 1972 as an idea by John's wife Carolyn, and has developed over the years into seven walks across three working farms. The money raised from entrance fees goes to local charities, the principle being 'to allow the public to view and learn about nature and farming methods, whilst raising money for local needs'. You can find full details on the website [www.bluebellwalk.co.uk](http://www.bluebellwalk.co.uk).



## Ian Mortimer

**Ian Mortimer** (Wargrave 1980–85) has had two books published this year, *The Time Traveller's Guide to Restoration Britain* and *The Outcasts of Time*, which he describes as a 'historical fantasy'. More details of both books are in the feature on page 53. Ian was also the guest on BBC Radio 3's *Essential Classics* programme in May 2017. He wrote at the time: 'Normally this programme sees a celebrity interviewed about his or her favourite classical music. Today, the producers decided to do something different, and to ask me to be the guest. The idea was that I would talk about the Reformation. Brilliant - but I decided it would be even better if I could turn the whole week into an exploration of history and music, to show how music can itself be historical evidence for appreciating the past and, at the same time, history can inform our appreciation of the music. I talked about early and late medieval music, Renaissance and inspirational classics... I came away wishing I could work more with radio. It really is the best broadcasting medium for history.'

**Belinda Morrow** (née Collier) (Nugent 1974–76) is a director and the driving force behind the White River Fish Sanctuary, a 'no take zone' covering 150 hectares of coral reefs, seagrass beds and sand off Ocho Rios in Jamaica, which aims to bring back the fish to the area. The sanctuary is operated by the White River Fishermen Association in an equal partnership with the White River Marine Association (stakeholders, partners, NGOs who fund it). Belinda also manages the gift shop and extensive gardens at Jamaica Inn, one of the founding stakeholders. Anyone interested in marine conservation in action can learn more about the project at [www.whiteriverfishsanctuary.com](http://www.whiteriverfishsanctuary.com). Belinda, who is married with two daughters, was visited recently by **Claire Saxby** (née Lathbury) (Nugent 1974–76) and a picture of the two of them is in Claire's entry in this section.



1980–85) sent us this photo when he met up with him and says: 'After many years working for his family business he changed direction and now loves being a teacher, housemaster and sports coach at Millfield.'

was diagnosed with Parkinson's in 2011 and has been working with Parkinson's UK ever since, promoting the charity's work in media interviews and talks, and playing an active part in his local support group.

**Jim McCue** (School 1977–81) has been offered a LittD (Doctorate of Letters) by Cambridge University. The annotated edition of *The Poems of TS Eliot* which he edited with Christopher Ricks (Faber, 2015) recently won its third award, for Best Scholarly Edition, from the Modernist Studies Association.

**Jeremy Mercer** (Wargrave 1996–2001) worked in Dubai, UAE, for four and a half years until the end of 2016. He had worked at AIG for ten years, most recently as the Head of Private Client Group, UAE and then Head of Distribution Partnerships in the Middle East and North Africa. On his return to London he became a founding partner at Protect Underwriting, a managing general agent (MGA), based in the City.

**Johnny Mercer** (Pennell 1995–2000) wrote an account of his experiences serving in Afghanistan, *We Were Warriors: One Soldier's Story Of Brutal Combat*, which was published in June. More details are on page 53. In the General Election on 8 June 2017 Johnny was re-elected with an increased majority as Conservative MP for Plymouth Moor View, a seat he first captured in 2015. He got 23,567 votes, a 51.9% share.

**Imogen Miller** (Blackwater 2003–08) was married to Tom in a ceremony at the College Chapel on 28 October 2017. Imogen is the daughter of **David 'Dusty' Miller** (Craig 1971–76), Head of Chemistry at the College, and sister to **Ed** (Craig 2001–06) and **Suzannah** (Watt 2007–12).

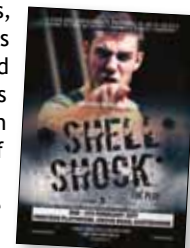
**Olivia Mills** (School 2008–13) has started a job as an underwriting assistant at Vibe Syndicates, and is grateful for the help she received in getting the job as a result of attending the insurance networking event in November 2016. More details are on page 52.

**Nick Owlett** (Wargrave 1982–87) has been appointed executive director of ELA Basel, the Swiss British School of Basel, with effect from July 2018. The school is a 300-pupil UK national curriculum school for children aged 6 months to 12 years. He says: 'I am looking to strengthen links with the Swiss-British Chamber of Commerce and the Council of British International Schools so please get in touch if you are in these fields.' Nick can be contacted at [nowlett@gmail.com](mailto:nowlett@gmail.com).



**Richard Owlett** (Wargrave 1979–84) teaches business studies at Millfield School in Somerset. His friend **Richard Garrett** (Reeves

**Tom Page** (Craig 2010–15) appeared in the drama *Shell Shock*, portraying a soldier trying to come to terms with post-traumatic stress syndrome, at Printers Playhouse in Eastbourne in early February 2017. He had also played the role at the College Theatre in the previous September. The production was created with the support of military charities such as Combat Stress, The Armed Forces Network and Help for Heroes and was written by Director of Drama Tim Marriott from the novel by Neil Blower. Tom went on to perform 'behind the wire' at barracks in Aldershot, Plymouth and Saffron Waldron, as well as at the Edinburgh Fringe, followed by two weeks at the SoHo Playhouse in New York in August 2017. Described by the *Eastbourne Herald* as 'Poignant and moving... witty and engaging' the play has





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been awarded LIBOR funding to tour nationally in 2017 and 2018 raising awareness of mental health issues and supporting the work of national care providers. In 2018 it will be performed at the Adelaide Festival.



**Alex Partridge** (Powell 2001–06) is pictured here speaking in November 2017 to an audience of 200 in the JHB Building on the Oxford Brookes campus about his experience of using social media to start up a business. He had identified a gap in the digital market for a university-themed online magazine and spoke about two of his social media brands, UNILAD and the LAD Bible, which have 34 million and 29 million subscribers respectively. UNILAD has been valued at between £20 and £40 million. Earlier in the year Alex was the guest speaker at the Eastbournian Society's sales, marketing and PR networking event in London, a report of which is carried on page 11.

**James Partridge** (Powell 1999–2004) and Kate Larke were married at Our Lady of Ransom Church in Eastbourne on 16 August 2017, followed by a wedding breakfast at the Ashdown Park Hotel, Wych Cross, near Forest Row. A photo with a number of OE guests is on page 49.



**Jeremy Paterson-Fox** (Pennell 1946–49) is a National Trust Tudor guide at Speke Hall near his home in Liverpool, and sent us this picture of himself in his colourful costume.

**Nick Pendry**, who taught maths at the College between 1975 and 2010, has become a lay reader at St John's Church, in Meads, near Eastbourne. Nick was one of 13 new readers in parishes across Sussex to be welcomed by the Bishop of Lewes, Richard Jackson, at a service in Chichester Cathedral on Saturday 23 September. Readers are licensed to ministry and assist priests in a range of tasks including leading worship, preaching and pastoral ministry.



**Donald Perrens**, long-serving member of College teaching staff from 1946 to 1981, housemaster and contingent commander of the CCF, celebrated his 99th birthday on 1 January 2018. On Remembrance Sunday 2017 Donald visited the College with his daughter Pip Kirtley and they are pictured here with CCF contingent commander Col Anthony Lamb MBE.

**Jonty Rider** (Reeves 2006–11) has been named as one of the Top 35



independent financial advisers in the UK aged under 35. Jonty says: 'Not only am I shocked to be named in the Top 35 after only three years in the industry but I am also the youngest to be named this year.' He studied for a degree in finance and investment banking from the University of Reading, after which he joined Ascot Wealth Management. He has since become qualified as an independent financial adviser, mortgage and equity release adviser and finally a pension transfer specialist. His financial career began before this, however, when he managed the Reeves House tuck shop, when he had to keep accounts of income and expenditure. In 2017 Jonty completed his diploma in regulated financial planning and is working towards his advanced diploma. He aims to complete this in three years, while at the same time becoming chartered.

**Harry Rimmer** (Craig 1999–2004) is one of the directors of wynzone.com, a fantasy football league website, which allows players to create teams and win cash playing a number of different football contests.

**Claire Saxby** (née Lathbury) (Nugent 1974–76) left Monaco in 2016 following the death of her husband, and took a 'gap year' during which she visited Jamaica four times. While there she helped **Belinda Morrow** (née Collier) (Nugent 1974–76) with the White

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River Fish Sanctuary, a 'no take zone' covering 150 hectares of coral reefs, seagrass beds and sand off Ocho Rios, more details of which are in Belinda's entry in this section. Claire has now returned to Eastbourne where she continues to work as a French to English translator. Claire (left) and Belinda (right) are pictured in Jamaica.

**Jack Skinner** (Wargrave 2008–13) was one of three Old Eastbournians who took part in the Lloyd's Cricket Club tour of South Africa in February 2017. More details and a photo are on page 48.



**Max Slavin** (Gonville 2002–07) has been commissioned Surgeon Lieutenant RN and is pictured here at the Royal Naval College Dartmouth on the day of the passing-out-parade on 15 December 2016. Two College CCF cadets were also there and unexpectedly met the Slavin family and posed for this picture. Left to right are **Rose Slavin** (Blackwater 2004–09), **Tatyana Goodwin** (Watt Year 11), **David Slavin** (Reeves 1970–75), **Max**, and **Isabelle Newton** (Watt, Year 11).

**Twins Cameron and Henry Smith** (Powell 2009–13) both achieved first class honours at the University of Reading in 2017. Cameron graduated in economics and is now working as an analyst at Situs, while Henry graduated in building surveying and has started work at BNP Paribas as a graduate surveyor. Their father Bradley, who passed on the news to us, said: 'They continue to make me proud everyday but also they are a massive success story for the College and its bursary/scholarship programme.'

### Prof Roger Pertwee

**Prof Roger Pertwee** (Powell 1956–60) tells us that he is still engaged full-time in funded cannabinoid pharmacological research in his laboratory at the University of Aberdeen where he is now an Emeritus Professor (at the age of 75). He is on the board of directors of two prestigious cannabinoid research societies as well as the recipient of the British Pharmacological Society's Wellcome Gold Medal – 'it really is made of gold – and very heavy' – and an Honorary Fellow of that Society. He also still acts as a cannabinoid adviser/consultant to a drug company, to a Home Office department, and to certain charitable trusts, and is frequently contacted by journalists about cannabinoids. He continues to co-author scientific papers on cannabinoids, most recently in October 2017, and has edited books such as the *Handbook of Cannabis* (Oxford University Press, 2014). He says: 'I am also still travelling quite a bit to scientific meetings, often to give invited talks on the pharmacology of cannabis and cannabinoids – I already know that next year I shall be going to Halifax in Canada, then to Vienna, then to Leiden in the Netherlands and then to Sydney, Australia.'



## Liam Sharp

**Liam Sharp** (Pennell 1981–86) has written with this news: ‘Having just completed a run on the best-selling Wonder Woman series *The Lies* and *The Truth* with acclaimed writer Greg Rucka for DC Comics, I’m delighted to be able to say I am now writing and drawing a six-issue series called *The Brave & The Bold* featuring both Wonder Woman and Batman, and set in the legendary Celtic realm of Tir Na Nóg. Since my time at the College studying classical civilizations I have developed a life-long love of mythology, and it’s a joy to be able to channel that into my work. The first issue will hit the shops in late February.’ Some of Liam’s new art work is shown here.



## Carl Spencer

**Carl Spencer** (Powell 1955–57), trumpeter, vocalist and leader of Spencer’s Nighthawks, contributed to a feature in the *Sunday Express* in February 2017 celebrating 100 years of jazz. What is regarded as the first jazz record was made on 26 February 1917 when the Original Dixieland ‘Jass’ Band (ODJB) made a recording for the Victor Talking Machine Company in New York. In 1969 the BBC televised a concert from the Hammersmith Palais to mark the 50th anniversary of the ODJB’s first performance there, and Carl’s band, then known as the Washboard Kings, helped recreate the original ODJB sounds. They are pictured here in 1968 during a summer season at the Central Pier, Blackpool. Carl later formed Spencer’s Nighthawks, and has now compiled a five-CD, 122-track set of their recordings, including some homages to the ODJB. If you are interested in buying them you can visit his website at [www.spencersnighthawks.com](http://www.spencersnighthawks.com) or contact Carl on 07836 258974.



**Ed Speleers** (Wargrave 2001–06) appears in the new film *Breathe*, which was released in the UK in October 2017. It tells the true story of Robin Cavendish (played by Andrew Garfield), who became paralysed from the neck down by polio at the age of 28. Told that he only has three months to live, he is determined to escape the confines of his hospital bed and goes on to become an advocate for the disabled with the love and support of his wife Diana (Claire Foy). Ed plays Colin Campbell, one of a group of friends who help the couple with their plans to live a full and satisfying life together. Ed will also be appearing in the TV series *Outlander*, playing Stephen Bonnet, an Irish pirate and smuggler. He will join the show in season four, which will be shown from autumn 2018.



**Becky Stewart** (Blackwater 2001–06) met OE rep **Maurice Trapp** (Gonville 1962–67) when she was visiting New Zealand in January 2017. He was able to show her round Waiheke, where he lives.



**Nigel Strofton** (Gonville 1959–59) says he was honoured to have been selected to play for England Over 75s in the Grand Masters European Hockey Cup in Glasgow in August 2017. The team beat Germany Over 75s 1–0 and The Netherlands Over 75s 3–0, therefore winning the gold medal.



**Chloe Sumption** (Arnold 2014–16) was presented with her Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award by Prince Edward on 30 November 2017, and is pictured here with her mother at St James’s Palace.

**Hamish Symington** (Craig 1993–98) set the December 2017 ‘Genius’ crossword in *The Guardian* newspaper. He tells us that it’s one of the more difficult examples of cryptic crossword and, as a keen solver himself, the ‘Genius’ normally takes between two and five hours to complete if he works at it solidly.

**Bong Tang** (Reeves 1982–85) went to medical school in UCL, London, and has been the Upper GI (gastrointestinal) Clinical Lead for Oesophagogastric Surgery for the Essex and West Suffolk Cancer Network since 2010. He is presently the Upper GI Clinical Lead for Broomfield Hospital, Chelmsford.



**Richard Teare** (Blackwater 1960–64) tells us that on 19 October 2017 he and his brothers **Philip** (Blackwater 1961–65) and **Martin** (Blackwater 1963–66) travelled, with various children and grandchildren, to the Isle of Man to celebrate their mum’s 100th birthday. She was delighted to receive a card from HM the Queen, and also a visit from the Lieutenant Governor of the Island, the Queen’s representative. Richard says: ‘This was the only time, as far as I am aware, that there have been Teares at the College, and there were four of us – the three of us in Blackwater and **Andy Teare** (no relation) in School House.’

**Maurice Trapp** (Gonville 1962–67) was elected Vice-President of New Zealand Rugby in 2015 for a two-year term, and became President in 2017, a unique honour for someone born in the UK. He is the former President of Auckland Rugby and was Auckland coach in 1987–91. Maurice visited the College in November 2017 and spoke in the Birley Centre; more details of this and a photo are on page 9. He will also be our guest of honour at the 2018 London dinner; please see the advert at the front of the magazine for booking information.

**Christopher Trower** (Reeves 1962–67) caught up with **Jim Dickerson** (Gonville 1965–66) over the summer and a picture of the two of them is under Jim’s entry in this section.



**Alex Vanotti** (née Cullis) (Watt 1994–96) has recently come to the end of maternity leave after having her second baby boy, Arlo, born in January 2017, almost exactly three years after his brother Albie. She says: ‘What’s been so lovely this time round is sharing maternity leave with my sister **Victoria [Greig]** (Blackwater (1996–2001)) who had her baby boy Teddy in September 2016. It’s been a year of nappies and sleepless nights – returning to work part time in the BBC newsroom in January 2018 may turn out to be a welcome rest!’ The photo shows Alex, left, holding Arlo and Albie, with Victoria holding a sleepy Teddy.

**Andrew Vickers** (Craig 1980–1985) left Shell after some 28 years’ service in late 2016 having pursued an international communications career in Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. He joined private equity-backed oil and gas independent Chrysaor as communications director shortly thereafter. In 2016 Chrysaor became the leading independent exploration and production (E&P) company in the UK following a \$3 billion acquisition of Shell North Sea assets. Chrysaor now employs over 400 people who are based offshore, at Chrysaor’s operations base in Aberdeen and in London. Andrew is responsible for

## Jessica Warren



Jessica Warren (Blackwater 2003–08) was married to Piers Harding (Pennell 2002–07) at La Iglesia de Sotogrande in Spain on 16 September 2017. The couple are now living in Singapore but make regular return trips to Sussex. A photo with OE guests is on page 50.

all aspects of the company's communications – media, government, stakeholder, digital and employee.

**Alistair Watson** (Gonville 1974–79) has retired from working in the City, having started working there shortly after leaving the College. He says: 'Initially I was worried that I might get bored or Mrs Watson might decide that having me around was driving her mad – neither so far.'

**David Winn OBE** (School 1954–59), Vice-President of Eastbourne College and President of the East-bournian Society, was pleased to announce that Premier Coatings Ltd, a subsidiary of his company Winn & Coales International Ltd, won the Queen's Award for Enterprise: International Trade in April 2017. This is the third Queen's Award that has been won by the group in the last seven years.

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## OE Sport

### OE Cricket Club

*Nigel Wheeler writes:*

#### Three cheers for the Cricketer Cup!

The competition probably saved the OECC from a year of embarrassment as fixtures were scant and general interest in the club low. The cricket 'week' had been reduced in fixtures; only two games were arranged plus the school match and round one of the Cricketer Cup.

That round one match against Whitgift was never played. The South London side could not produce a team and OECC found itself in the second round up against Sherborne Pilgrims on Sunday 25 June. The Memorial/St Cyprians was used as it is a bigger ground for our spin attack, less intrusive to school activities and better for parking and practice (now we need a scoreboard). This game set the pattern of play for Angus Stewart's team in the competition: bat first, score freely, bowl tightly and field like tigers. With a very young and athletic side, the fitness and agility were soon on show.

**OECC 236 for 6** (Angus Stewart 61, Brad Evans 44, Max Finzel 42, Ollie Smith 32). Sherborne Pilgrims 192 (Jacob Smith 2–22, Chad Chisholm 2–25, Fred Florry

2–30). Won by 71 runs.

Two magnificent catches by Brad Evans epitomised the quality of the fielding. Runs and wickets were shared. This was an excellent team performance.

Sunday 9 July – off to Winchester and their splendid ground walled away from the public. Two of the 2017 school 1st XI joined the young side: Walter Huchu, the captain and Ben Twine; both useful all-rounders.

**OECC 251 for 7** (Jacob Smith 70, Angus Stewart 55). Old Wykehamists 163 (Charlie Hobden 3–28, Fred Florry 2–22).

Again a sound all-round batting performance, accurate bowling, splendid fielding, aggressive, calculated captaincy, fine team work. Chad Chisholm was forced from the field through injury and the local resident and distinguished senior OE cricketer Alex Halliday offered himself as 12th man and even without ball and bat he reminded us of his skills in the field and passion for the game.

Next on the list was the semi-final v Old Bedfordians. Two relative newcomers to the competition; both clubs had but recently been included in the Cricketers Cup; one new 'boy' was bound to go through to the final. Same formula, OEs batted first and dominated in all departments. Effective bowling and fine fielding saw the guests suffer an even bigger deficit in defeat.

**OECC 259 for 7** (Angus



A memorable achievement for the club in reaching the 2017 Cricketer Cup final not only in the 50th year of the competition but also in the 150th year of Eastbourne College. Back row: Jack Skinner, Brad Evans, Ben Twine, Fred Florry, Ollie Smith, Jacob Smith, Chad Chisholm; front row: Walter Huchu, Max Finzel, Angus Stewart, Charlie Hobden, Harry Lloyd





Enjoying the atmosphere at the Cricketer Cup final: John Wilmot (School 1954–59), Peter Robinson (Wargrave 1949–53), Ted Lewis (Ascham 1946–50) and Sir Charles Masefield (School 1953–58)



Among the many supporters at Arundel were Richard Garrett (Reeves 1980–85), Chris Garrett (Reeves 1949–52), Ruth Garrett, Sue Davies, Nigel Wheeler, Jenny Lush and, at front, Rosemary, who accompanied Chris Garrett

Stewart 61, Brad Evans 31, Max Finzel 29, Ben Twine 28, Harry Lloyd 27, Walter Huchu 23). Old Bedfordians 144 (Charlie Hobden 4–38, Jacob Smith 2–19). Won by 115 runs.

And so to Arundel Castle for the final. This was the 50th anniversary of the competition, the opponents were the Old Wellingtonians and the setting, the weather, the substantial sized

crowd with cars decked four or five deep called out for a thrilling contest. Rain in recent days had suggested that it would not be a hard wicket ‘pleasure park’ for batsmen and with Wellington choosing to bat first, the OE game plan was shattered but the team displayed discipline and control in holding back Wellington to 182. Chasing such a total in front of such a crowd on such an occasion

and against an impressive Wellingtonian attack was a journey too far for the young OE XI. Never in contention sadly, brave efforts were not enough as wickets fell freely and the Wellington XI earned a worthy win.

Matthew Fleming, ex-Kent and England, MCC President, drove down from Norfolk to present the trophy. He spoke generously of the quality of the talented young OE side and expected to see them back in contention regularly over the years ahead. This surely is the key to success; the players are there, early season preparation and the playing of regular high quality cricket and putting Cricketer Cup dates firmly in the diary will give the club a great chance to stamp further authority on this prestigious event.

Our thanks to Arundel Castle and the Cricketer Cup organisation for staging and hosting the match. A great day, sadly the wrong result.

Old Wellingtonians 182 (Jacob Smith 3–32, Brad Evans 3–16). OECC 102 (Angus Stewart 23). Lost by 80 runs.

The following represented the OECC in the Cricketer Cup in 2017: Chad Chisholm\* (Reeves 2000–05), Brad Evans\* (Gonville 2014–16), Max Finzel\* (Reeves 2006–08), Fred Florry\* (Gonville 2004–06), Stuart Garratt (Wargrave 2006–11), Charlie Hobden\* (Wargrave 2008–13), Walter Huchu\* (Gonville 2015–17), Harry Lloyd\* (Wargrave 2011–16), Henry Smith (Powell 2009–13), Jacob Smith\* (Craig 2010–15), Ollie Smith\* (Craig 2006–11), Angus Stewart\* (Craig 2003–08) (captain), Will Ripley (Gonville 1999–2004), Giles Robinson (Craig 2011–16), Jack Skinner\* (War-

grave 2008–13), Ben Twine\* (Craig 2013–17), Will Wheeler (Wargrave 2004–09).

\* Played in the final at Arundel

### College 1xt XI v The OEs

The College 1st XI entertained the OEs on College Field in the traditional Speech Day game, now an afternoon T20 affair. Director of Cricket Rob Ferley suggested that the previous year’s captain, in this case Giles Robinson, should run the OE XI and include recent OEs. A lively match ensued.

Eastbourne College 168 for 4 (Ben Twine 49, Walter Huchu 31, Ben McIntosh 28; Tom Crathern 2–5, Oli Carter 2–11). OEs 150 (Brad Evans 32, Dan Narracott 25, Harvey Ferrari 2–28). Lost by 18 runs.

Eastbourne College 1st XI: Ollie Ashdown (wk) (Craig), Oli Carter (Craig), Jack Casebourne (Reeves), Tom Crathern (Powell), Walter Huchu (captain) (Gonville), Ben McIntosh (Wargrave), Arthur Pickard (Powell), Joe Pocklington (Craig), George Skinner (Wargrave), Ben Twine (Craig), Marcus Winston (Gonville).

OE XI: Felix Arnold (Powell 2009–14), Brad Evans, Harvey Ferrari (Powell 2009–14), George Grave (Wargrave 2009–14), Jamie Mackwood (Craig 2010–15), Hugo Millns (Pennell 2011–16), Dan Narracott (Reeves 2011–16), Ryan Packham (Powell 2011–16), Henry Porpora (Craig 2011–16), Giles Robinson (captain), Rafe Sulke (Reeves 2010–15).

These two strong sides possess a number of players who would enjoy OE cricket and contribute considerably. Do come and play.

## The 2018 OE cricket season

Plans for the 2018 season are rather more positive on the fixture front. We won’t attract new players to the club unless we have matches to play. Not only are we hosting the Oundle Rovers in the 1st round of the Cricketer Cup on Sunday 17 June but we are also including the same club in our cricket week. One rather expects that a keen MCC member and former head of both schools will want a grandstand seat for these matches.

Date	Event
Sunday 17 June	Round 1 v Old Oundelians (H)
Saturday 30 June	OEs v School (H)
Tuesday 10 July	OEs v Old Malvernians (H)
Wednesday 11 July	OEs v Oundle Rovers (H)
Thursday 12 July	OEs v Uppingham Rovers (H)
Friday 13 July	A possible three-sided T20 day for OEs Also OEs golf will be played this week at The Royal Eastbourne GC

### Club officials

President: <b>Mike Barford</b>	Treasurer: <b>Peter Morgan</b>
Chairman: <b>Nigel Wheeler</b>	Committee: <b>Will Ripley, Ed Miller,</b>
Cricketer Cup Captain: <b>Angus Stewart</b>	<b>Charlie Hobden, George Burrough,</b> <b>Rob Ferley</b>

## The Cricket Week

'The Week' is known for its supposed duration. The double day fixtures with the Old Malvernians and Uppingham Rovers plus games in the past v the Repton Pilgrims and occasional wandering sides were the key events in the calendar. Times change. Wandering cricket has declined; all old boys sides have struggled with team numbers and late withdrawals. Weddings, stag weekends, family responsibilities and expectations have resulted in fewer school cricketers continuing the game and supporting their old boys clubs. The Old Malvernians pulled out of the Tuesday game so all that was left was one fixture v Uppingham Rovers on Thursday 13 July. The OEs, riding on Cricketer Cup performance and with a slightly older side, managed expertly by George Borough, secured a convincing win for the Thwaites/Ashworth Trophy.

Uppingham Rovers 125 (Sam Tomkins 4-21, Toby Marriott 2-19, Jacob Smith 2-31). OEs 126 for 4 (Giles Robinson 53 not out).

OE XI: George Borough (captain) (Wargrave 2001-06), Brad Evans, Alex Halliday (School 1985-90), Charlie Hobden, Toby Marriott (Pennell 2008-13), Ben McIntosh, Giles Robinson, Henry Smith, Jacob Smith, Sam Tomkinson (Gonville 2008-10), Angus Stewart.

## The 2017 cricket dinner



Nigel Wheeler, Tim Mynott (Powell 1968-73), who recently played in the England Over-60 cricket squad, Les Lenham and Andy Waller, the College's cricket professional

Former Sussex and England cricketer Les Lenham was the guest of honour at the cricket dinner held on Thursday 29 June in the College dining hall. The dinner followed the 1st XI match against the MCC earlier in the day, and was preceded by a drinks reception in the Long Room and balcony of the new pavilion, which opened this year as part of the Project 150 development.

Les took part in a Q&A session with Nigel Wheeler, the former master i/c cricket. Les played for Sussex from 1956 to 1970 and appeared in 300 first-class matches as a right-handed batsman who bowled off breaks. He scored 12,796 runs, including seven centuries, and had a highest score of 191 not out.

## The Ted James School of Cricket *Nigel Wheeler writes:*



Ted James

The new Ted James School of Cricket is to be part of the sports hall in the second phase of Project 150. Ted served the College magnificently as the cricket professional and many of us have happy memories of his good humour, impressive personality and excellent coaching. To make the school of cricket a special place, modern equipment is needed: quality nets, floor surfaces, bowling machines with automatic feeders, camera-spotting technique monitors, pitch vision technology, the PV One cricket training system, and the BOLA TrueMan or the Merlyn Simulator for pace or spin. Such

new developments are coming more common in counties and some schools and clubs. Eastbourne wants to be at the forefront. Ted's own career plus photos and a 'scorebook' with names of the cricketers, his sides from 1962-90, other former pupils who remember him with affection and appreciation, and those who make a donation will also be included.

Do please consider supporting this new school facility. If you would like to sign in and join Ted's Team please contact David Stewart at the Foundation Office for further details: [das@eastbourne-college.co.uk](mailto:das@eastbourne-college.co.uk) or 01323 452308.

## OE cycling master class

*Wayne Trinder writes:*

The College cycling club received an off-road master class from professional cyclist Sam Shucksmith (Pennell 2005-10) in August 2017

The club was privileged to spend a glorious afternoon with Sam in Friston Forest, riding top-of-the-range full suspension off-road bikes kindly loaned by Guy Farrant (Blackwater 1974-78), managing director of Whyte Bikes. Sam instructed the boys on safety and handling skills, with particular attention to maximising output by exploiting the terrain. Conditions were challenging with tight twists and turns in narrow forest trails, unlike the open terrain of the Downs which the boys are used to. We discovered three bomb holes en-route and egos came to the fore as the boys challenged each other to pick up speed on entry in order to maximise 'air' on exit. No surprise that Sam made it look easy as he exited the bomb holes gaining four feet

of air in total control. The best achieved by others was less than a foot.

During Sam's time at the College he played 1st team hockey and during the summer term would be released to train on his mountain bike at the foot of the Downs. During this time he was responsible for building much of the Paradise circuit of jumps and trails which our current pupils enjoy. He won a Down Hill race while at the College and represented GB in the Down Hill World Cup as part of the junior squad. Sam read mechanical engineering at Cardiff University, and while there he spent a

year with Red Bull racing, continuing to race Elite and World Cup Down Hill.

Sam's racing career switched to Enduro Racing after a serious knee injury. However, every cloud has a silver lining, as he became national champion in 2015. He now combines his love of cycling with his engineering qualifications, being a design engineer for Whyte Bikes and racing for the Whyte Team in the Enduro World Series and in national events.

We are grateful to Whyte Bikes for the two-week loan of their demo fleet which the boys enjoyed immensely, as did the teachers.



Wayne Trinder, Mario Pulze, Charlie Purbrook, Adam Gills, Sam Shucksmith, Robbie Lees and Marcus Blackden



# OE Golf Society

*Captain's report by Chris Walker and Jo Grey*

**M**ore than 80 people are currently members of the Old Eastbournian Golf Society (OEGS) but we would most definitely welcome even more. Membership is open to all members of the Eastbournian Society: OEs, parents of former and current College pupils, and members of staff of the College.

Some of our fixtures are open only to actual OEs, namely the Halford Hewitt, Grafton Morrish, Cyril Gray (for the over 50s), Sussex Schools and the Public Schools Putting Competition. However we also organise a whole host of friendly matches against other schools, a Spring Meeting and an Autumn Meeting, all of which are open to any member of the OEGS. And these are open to golfers of all abilities.

Membership of the OEGS costs only £20 (or £5 if you are under 25 years old). You then pay only for the fixtures that you attend. And again, for anyone under 25, we almost always generously subsidise their golf from OEGS funds. Our contacts are either captain Jo Grey (mail@jggrey.com) or our secretary, David Burt (oegs.secretary@gmail.com). Jo Grey is also acting as the OEGS treasurer. We have set up a website, [www.oldeastbourniangolf.org.uk](http://www.oldeastbourniangolf.org.uk), and a Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/groups/762739557127533/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/762739557127533/).



The 2017 Halford Hewitt team, left to right: Richard Day, Paul Wickman, Ben Dawson, Angus Stewart, Adrian Sharpin, Ben Burrows, Grant Leonard, Geoff Campbell, Mark Stewart

We play on many magnificent golf courses, at times paying well below the usual green fee rate. New for 2017 were: the Summer Meeting at Calcot Park, Reading, and a trip to Cornwall as part of the College's 150th anniversary celebrations. In 2018, new is a match against Brighton College at Chart Hills GC on Friday 15 June.

### Matches against other schools

We played matches against Hurstpierpoint (at Walton Heath), Charterhouse Common Room (at West Surrey), King's Canterbury (at Rye), Tonbridge (at Royal Ashdown), Lancing (at West Hill), Uppingham (at North Hants) and Allhallows and Dover College (at West Surrey). Some of the results have been lost in the mists

of time but we definitely beat the Charterhouse Common Room, Tonbridge, Lancing and Uppingham.

### Halford Hewitt Tournament 2017

A team of nine OEs took on the might of Cranleigh over two rounds of 18 holes (playing foursomes except for one single) on 12 March at Royal St George's GC in preparation for the 2017 Halford Hewitt. And we did not disgrace ourselves, losing both the morning and afternoon sessions but in each case only by three matches to two. In previous years we have practised alone at Royal St George's but this new format was felt to be successful and will be repeated on 11 March 2018.

While not being able to repeat our 2016



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Halford Hewitt, before the second round match: Adrian Sharpin and Geoff Campbell

victories in two rounds of the Halford Hewitt, our 2017 campaign was judged to be a success. We played a lot of golf and the weather was brilliant all week. There was practice at Royal Cinque Ports Golf Club at Deal on the Tuesday afternoon and all day Wednesday. We then played (and won) a friendly match against Framlingham at Prince's. In the first round of the Hewitt itself we beat Clifton (winners in 2010) by three matches to two, winning one match on the second extra hole and two others on the 18th. We then lost to Tonbridge (the holders) by four matches to one which came as no surprise. But at least we took one point off them.

The team comprised: Mark Stewart (School 1980-84), Ben Dawson (Powell 1986-89), Grant Leonard (School 1986-91), Richard Day (Gonville 1983-87), Paul Wickman (School 1969-73), Ben Burrows (Gonville 1975-79), Adrian Sharpin (Craig 1987-92), Geoff Campbell (Reeves 1998-2003), Angus Stewart (Craig 2003-08) and Chris Walker (School 1968-73). And we were extremely grateful for support from Brian Meaby (Powell 1949-53), Nigel Wheeler and David Stewart and also to Chris's wife Sally for cooking for the team.

The next Halford Hewitt takes place between 5 and 8 April 2018. Contact Chris Walker (01234 771536 or [chris@seiswise.com](mailto:chris@seiswise.com)) if you would like to be considered for the team.

## AGM plus golf

### Piltdown GC

The OEGS Annual General Meeting fixture was held on 23 April at the welcoming Piltdown GC for the second year in succession. There were nine players in all on a sunny afternoon with a cool breeze. The course was still undergoing some substantial improvements with one temporary green but noticeable progress had been made in the last year. The Merritt Cup was played for off scratch and was won by



The AGM at Piltdown GC, left to right: Chris Walker, Jo Grey, Anthony Ross, David Burt, Colin Farrant, Andrew Langlands, Mike Sands, John Maclean, Jay Lorton

Andrew Langlands (Wargrave 1979-84) with a modest 12 over par. College 150th Anniversary golf balls were given as prizes for the handicap Stableford competition. These were won by Andrew Langlands (3rd), David Stewart (2nd) and Jo Grey (1st, on count-back). Anthony Ross (Wargrave 1993-98) very kindly donated prizes for longest drive and nearest the pin which were won by Andrew Langlands and John Maclean (Powell 1958-62) respectively. Thank you to everyone who supported the AGM and golf and we hope to see more people at the next one at Royal Ashdown Forest GC on Sunday 6 May 2018.

## OEGS Spring Meeting

### Royal West Norfolk (Brancaster) GC

A few of the OE party played golf at Sheringham on the Friday but the main gathering was at Brancaster on Saturday 6 May. This consisted of friendly foursome matches in the morning and a few singles in the afternoon in preparation for the much more serious competition for the Robinson Salver on the Sunday. This involves a Stableford competition for foursome pairs and the victors turned out to be Brian Jay (Gonville 1955-59) and Chris Walker with 31 points, a single point ahead



The Spring Meeting at Royal West Norfolk Golf Club, left to right: Chris Walker, David Burt, Brian Jay

of Andrew Sherwood (Wargrave 1967-71) and Trevor Hardy (Gonville 1965-71). What was noteworthy was the fact that Chris played with hickory-shafted clubs, presumably just to experience an even greater challenge than Brancaster usually presents.

Our 2018 Spring Meeting will be held again at Royal West Norfolk on the weekend of 28 and 29 April. If you would like to play then contact Colin Farrant on 07887 771294 or [colinpgfarrant@live.co.uk](mailto:colinpgfarrant@live.co.uk).

### Grafton Morrish Tournament 2017

We did manage to qualify at Knole Park GC on 13 May for the 2017 Grafton Morrish Finals. Playing alongside our old foes Hurstpierpoint, Mark Justice (Wargrave 1990-95) and Chris Hampton (Gonville 2000-05) led the charge with Mark hitting a great tee shot at the opening par 3 for an easy par to settle the nerves. Mark and Chris eventually returned 29 points. The second pair of Adrian Sharpin and Ben Dawson scored 25 points and Jay Lorton (Powell 1978-83) and Tim Mote (School 1983-88) contributed a respectable score of 20. Our total of 74 sealed the final automatic qualifying spot ahead of Hurstpierpoint! A great effort by the whole team.

The six players representing Eastbourne in the 2017 Grafton Morrish finals at Hunstanton

between 28 and 30 September were: Chris Walker, Mark Justice, Ben Burrows, Grant Leonard, Andrew Sherwood and Mark Simpson (Wargrave 1978-82). We all played an afternoon practice round at Hunstanton Golf Club on Thursday 28 September before taking on the night of Epsom in the first round of the main competition. The two Marks led off and had a very close game but lost on the 17th green. Ben and Andrew followed but lost much further out, on the 13th green. Grant and Chris put up a really good fight against a very experienced Epsom pair, won the 17th hole to get back to all square and there accepted a half from Epsom since the overall match was over and Epsom had to play again that afternoon. Epsom were one of the strongest teams in the competition and indeed did go on to win in the final on the Sunday afternoon (thereby completing a Halford Hewitt/Grafton Morrish double in 2017).

On the Friday afternoon Chris, Mark Justice, Ben and Grant went across to Brancaster for another practice round in preparation for the Plate Competition there on the Saturday morning. This is in the form of a scratch foursomes Stableford competition with the total number of points counting. We came in with 78 (25, 26 and 27) which was no disgrace but not sufficiently high to get us into the top four and thereby eligible for the Committee Cup (knockout) back at Hunstanton on the Sunday. All of the OEs had an excellent time and we thank the OEGS for their financial support and George Eve (Pennell 1950-55) for arranging our accommodation and cooking us breakfast on both days.

Team captain Chris Hampton (07866 847367, [champton@and.digital](mailto:champton@and.digital)) would love to hear from single-figure OE golfers ready for our next attempt at qualifying on 12 May 2018 at Knole Park.

## OEs v the College

### Royal Eastbourne GC

18 May 2017 - Due to ghastly wet weather the match was abandoned after nine holes but it was noted that the College fielded some very capable junior players. We shall next be playing the College on Thursday 17 May 2018 (contact Brian Jay, 07774 690777, email: [brianmjay2@gmail.com](mailto:brianmjay2@gmail.com)).

## Cyril Gray Tournament

### Worplesdon GC

The 2017 Cyril Gray Tournament at Worplesdon GC on 22 and 23 June proved to be quite challenging but we still want to thank those OEs who did turn out for the team. It was particularly good to have Philip Hanbury (Blackwater 1977-82) who was completely new to OE golf. In the first round of the tournament proper we lost by three matches to nil against Blundells who went on to reach the semi-finals. The only notable performance came from Jo Grey and Ben Burrows who from seven down with seven to play ended up only losing by 2 & 1. In the first round of the Plate we went down by a similar score to Merchiston. Brian Jay had by then come in for Philip Hanbury. Our other team members were Stephen Yorke (Blackwater 1977-81), Anthony Eden (Gonville 1949-53) and Chris Walker.

The next Cyril Gray is on 21 to 23 June 2018.



If you are over 50 and a single-figure golfer, then please do get in touch with Chris Walker on 01234 771536, email [chris@seiswise.com](mailto:chris@seiswise.com).

**OEGS Summer Meeting  
Calcot Park GC**

4 June 2017 – This was a post-lunch Stableford competition made up of two groups of three - Jo Grey, Colin Farrant (Gonville 1969–74) and Richard Day, followed by David Dunn (Powell 1968-73), John Maclean and Will Thornton. Pleasant but slightly blustery weather combined with very undulating greens, provided a stern test, which was reflected in the winning score of 28 points by Jo Grey (off 16 handicap). Prizes for nearest the pin and longest drive were won by David Dunn and Richard Day. This was an excellent parkland course (designed by Harry Colt) in superb condition, offering great golf for all handicaps and just an hour's drive west of London.

**Match v Tonbridge  
Royal Ashdown Forest GC**

16 July 2017 – After some last minute rallying, both Eastbourne and Tonbridge assembled midday at Royal Ashdown Forest GC for our 12-a-side annual fixture. We all enjoyed a very good lunch and started at 2.00pm, this year playing four ball better ball match play for 1 point and 1/4 on the bye. The course appeared empty but for us and was in excellent condition. The weather was mostly overcast, warm and very humid, which left most of us feeling very dehydrated by the end but this was put right in the bar afterwards. We had a cracking team and, in Ben Burrows' inaugural year as match manager, we recorded a splendid victory: Eastbourne 4 1/4 points to Tonbridge 2 1/2 points. A victory in Eastbourne/Tonbridge sports fixtures is a very rare occurrence.

**Match v Lancing  
West Hill GC**

24 July 2017 - OE dominance in this annual match against Lancing at West Hill continued with a fine 4-1 victory. A decent lunch on arrival was made even better with news that the West Hill staff had found the missing Lanbourne trophy in the club's vaults (after a four-year absence). Playing a greensome format, David Burt and Will Thornton lost by 2&1 but Grant Leonard and Richard Day, playing some good golf (seven over gross on the day), won by two holes up. Tony Dunn and Anthony Eden obliterated a shell-shocked

Lancing pair 7&6 and Jo Grey and David Wells (Powell 1966–70) came in winners by 4&3. The Lancing captain, nursing a well-needed drink stated 'That was some of the best ball striking I have ever seen a 16-handicapper (David Wells) play.' Playing as our reliable solitary anchor, Ben Burrows won by 2&1. A great effort by all of the OE players.

**OEGS Autumn Meeting  
Cooden Beach GC**

9 September 2017 – The meeting consisted of an 18-hole Stableford competition for the Cawston Cup played from the yellow tees with full handicap allowance. The weather was fine

setting for the 14th Sussex Schools match between Lancing, Hurstpierpoint, Brighton and Eastbourne. The event consists of two rounds of scratch foursomes and the course was again presented in excellent condition with lovely, true running greens. Unfortunately the only points in the morning came from Chris Walker and Tim Mote who managed a very convincing win over the Hurstpierpoint second pairing. At lunch, Hurstpierpoint and Brighton were joint leaders with all to play for in the afternoon. However, for the second year running, Lancing had a near perfect afternoon, not losing any of their matches, and they managed to catch Brighton with the same number of points.



The match against Hurstpierpoint at Walton Heath, with left to right (Old Hurst Johnnies marked with [H]): Richard Day, Mark Justice, [H], Mark Winstanley, [H], Paul Wickman, Jeremy Miller, Grant Leonard, [H], [H], [H]

but the course was playing long after recent heavy rains. The competition was won with 37 points by Tony Dunn who scored on every hole. Cooden Beach members Jay Lorton and Andrew Langlands tied for second place on 35 points. Breakfast prior to the golf was plentiful and most of the players stayed on for one or more drinks after their rounds. The single-round format found favour with the majority of the participants.

The 2018 Autumn Meeting will be held at Cooden Beach GC on 15 September. For further details contact Andrew Langlands, email: [andrew.langlands@thomsonreuters.com](mailto:andrew.langlands@thomsonreuters.com), or 07990 568446.

**2017 Sussex Schools Challenge  
West Sussex GC**

24 September 2017 – Another beautiful September day at West Sussex GC was the

The Eastbourne first pair of Mark Stewart and Adrian Sharpin managed a half but this was our only success in the afternoon and we ended up in fourth place. The winning team was decided by a 'putt off' which was eventually won by Lancing who thus claimed top spot for the second year running. The OE team consisted of: Adrian Sharpin, Mark Stewart, Chris Walker, Tim Mote, Paul Wickman and Ben Burrows.

**College 150th anniversary OEGS trip to Cornwall**

As part of the OEGS's way of recognising the College's 150th anniversary, 19 golfers and five wives descended on Cornwall between Sunday 17 and Thursday 21 September on a first-ever 'mini-tour', led by captain Jo Grey. Rented accommodation was pre-arranged, with many people staying in a converted farmhouse cluster in Trebetherwick where David Stewart kindly hosted an opening Eastbourne Society drinks party on the Sunday before a rowdy dinner at The Mariners in Rock. Monday afternoon saw the first round of golf at a sunny St Enodoc GC followed by dinner in Padstow at Rojano's. Tuesday saw another sunny afternoon's golf, this time at Trevoze GC plus dinner at The Waterfront in Polzeath. Wednesday's golf was back at St Enodoc in testing wet and windy conditions and then, for the many who stayed on, a delightful dinner at the St Tudy Inn near Bodmin. There was some impressive golf played with Stephen Yorke and David Stewart setting the pace and each winning a clutch of prizes. Everybody who attended and made the outing such a success are to be warmly applauded. Thoughts are being given to possible future trips.



The trip to Cornwall, left to right, front: Patrick Crowley, David Bell, Miles Quitmann, Mark Stevenson, Brian Jay, Jo Grey, David Wells, Tony Dunn, Patrick Hole, David Dunn, Philip Hanbury; back: Martin Hole, Stephen Yorke, Johnny Payne, Jay Lorton, David Stewart, George Eve, David Burt; missing: Peter Jamieson

## OE hockey

A group of Old Eastbournians got together for a charity hockey match against College staff and pupils at the Beresford Astro turf pitch on Sunday 26 February

The match was being played to raise funds for Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH), and was organised by Lower Sixth pupil Georgia Yarnell (Nugent), who had been inspired by her cousin Jonny Robinson (Craig 2008–13). Jonny had received care at GOSH as a teenager, and was captain of the 1st hockey side while at the College. He was one of the OEs who

returned to play in the charity match, alongside Tom Bloor (Powell 2010–12), Will Francis (Reeves 2005–10), Natasha Gale (School 2011–16), Phoebe Gale (School 2011–16), Georgia Horsman (Blackwater 2011–14), Imran Iqbal (Reeves 2005–10), Toby Marriott (Pennell 2008–13), Richard Pilbeam (Reeves 2009–11) and Matt Robinson (Craig 2005–10). Helping out with the OE side

was Jamie Francis, as well as Bill Collins and Sam Leonard from Eastbourne Hockey Club.

The mixed team played a side made up of College staff and pupils, and the final score was 3–2 to the College. Imran Iqbal and Jonny Robinson scored for the OEs.

Over £1000 was raised through match fees, sponsorship and food sales.



Matt Robinson, Georgia Yarnell and Jonny Robinson

## Obituaries

Compiled by Michael Partridge with help from families, the internet, the press and the College archives.

**Robert 'Bob' Clive Barrett** (School 1958–60) died peacefully at his home in Lewes on 26 June 2017 aged 73. Robert was a boarder at Granville House, Ascham, from the age of seven and several of his friends from those days attended his funeral at Berwick church including Ken Cookes, Keith Ross, John Barwell, Paul Cresswell, Richard Mackay and Tony Cottrell, all wearing Ascham, OE or Mole Club ties. At the College Robert was a leading seaman and won the lanyard of honour.

He left for an apprenticeship in Southampton and with other firms in Eastbourne and Exeter. He qualified as an FGA, Fellow of the Gemmological Association, in 1964. In 1966 he joined his father's business, Marston Barrett, in Lewes, and acquired a comprehensive knowledge of jewellery and silver. While there he guided several trainees to success in the trade, including Simon Teakle (School 1971–74) who became a director of Christie's, New York. Robert's recreations encompassed cricket, cycling, rugby, skiing, squash and walking (especially with his wife, dog and many friends). He was a classical music enthusiast and loved to travel; a keen sailor, he clocked up several hundred sea miles each year. He

### Alistair Blackburn

**Alistair Blackburn** (Blackwater 1984–89) died on 2 April 2017 in Oakville, Canada, aged 45. Alistair was a school prefect, head of house and won prizes for singing, geography and physics. He was in the fives IV, won minor sports colours, was head of the choir, secretary of the music club, a member of the school band and flight sergeant in the RAF section. He won a choral scholarship to Worcester College, Oxford, reading geography, and also sang with Schola Cantorum of Oxford, the University's most celebrated chamber choir.

*His contemporary Guy Thwaites (Blackwater 1984–89), writes:*

Alistair, or 'AJB' as he was affectionately known, was a boy and became a man with unusual qualities of kindness, integrity, and seriousness of purpose. When he started at the College in September 1984 there was uncertainty whether he was a new third former or the new housemaster, for AJB rose above the general imbecility of early teenagehood. Yet he never stood aloof and had a boundless capacity for making deep and enduring friendships for which I and many others will be forever grateful.

He was passionate about singing and his rich bass voice, which was to win him a choral scholarship to Worcester College, Oxford, often filled the corridors of Blackwater and floated across College Field as he strode to the dining Hall. However, as AJB could almost always be heard before he was seen, this trait somewhat limited his effectiveness as a school prefect and head of house intent on catching those transgressing school rules.

After graduation from Oxford, AJB qualified



as a chartered accountant with Arthur Andersen in London and took an MBA from Manchester Business School. He worked for Arthur Andersen in London and Zurich, where he met his Canadian wife-to-be, Heidi, before taking the bold move to join a small start-up company in London. Shortly afterwards, Heidi and

Alistair's first child, Callum, was born with Angelman syndrome, a rare genetic disorder that causes severe physical and intellectual disability. Changing priorities led the young family to move to Ontario in Canada, close to Heidi's parents. Alistair embraced the Canadian way of life, and in particular their sports, becoming an avid ice-hockey player and fan. He initially worked for HSBC, but in 2008 joined Real Matters, a leading technology company providing services for the mortgage lending and insurance industries, which had been a start-up business only a few years before. He was the chief financial officer throughout an enormous period of growth and was promoted to chief operating officer shortly before he died. The company was successfully floated on the Toronto Stock Exchange a month after his death.

Alistair leaves his wife, Heidi, and two children, Callum and Keira. His loss will be keenly felt by many connected to the College, for Alistair was the son of **Richard Blackburn** (Wargrave 1951–56), nephew of the late **Roger Blackburn** (Wargrave 1954–59), brother of **Sophie Rugge-Price** (Nugent 1991–93) and cousin of **Celia Evans** (Nugent 1991–93). But to those of us who shared his dormitories, his class rooms, his first pint, and his upright walk into adulthood, we have lost a dear friend.

was chairman of the Lewes Round Table, and a member of Rotary and Probus.

Robert married Jeannie in 1983 and they lived in Alciston and later in Lewes. He will be missed by his

many friends, family and nine godchildren.

**Geoffrey Bilton** (Blackwater 1942–46) died from an abdominal aortic aneurysm on 24 April

2017. Geoffrey's musical ability surfaced as a child, he was soon an accomplished pianist gaining distinction in Grade 8 piano, and full marks in the highest grade in the theory of music. He was a



Grade 5 flautist too. His passion aside of piano was jazz. He had the ability to hear music, record it, play it back pitch perfect, and consign it to memory forever. He remembered being banned from performing at his final concert by the College head of music, Paul Temple, because jazz formed a part of his repertoire.

Geoffrey's mathematical skills were put to good use by the RAF during national service. He served as a meteorologist stationed at Croydon aerodrome, and with no GPS or satellite, all weather and plane plotting was calculated by brain alone.

After discharge from the RAF, Geoffrey entered a rather unsettled period, comprising some years with the Clerical and Medical Assurance Society, as a journalist with the Trades Publishing Company and then in sales with Bendix Appliances.

He subsequently found his true vocation, and at the age of 45 embarked upon teacher training, in 1977 gaining his qualification CertEd and EFL from Weymouth College of Education/Southampton University. He then taught English as a Foreign Language at the British Institute in Stockholm. Teaching suited his personality. He had a wonderful gift of understanding the construction of words and their relationship. This skill extended into many foreign languages. This led him to three stays in Sweden, with the final one lasting 12 years. His students were industrialists, diplomats and Swedish civil servants. He was co-author of *English for Executives* which was a course of books and tapes.

In 1988 he retired to the UK to become head of the English Department at Surbiton Language Centre, Marymount Girls School and part-time EFL teacher at Canbury school. Later, in 1989, he became a private English tutor, visiting Korean and Japanese children in their homes. He taught as many as 25-30 students each week on a one-to-one basis.

Geoffrey loved playing badminton and became coach and a member of Ebbisham Badminton Club in Epsom. He continued to teach his EFL students well into his late 70s, and many of his former students, children and parents alike, kept in touch. In 2002, he settled happily into the community at Kingfisher Court, Epsom.

Geoffrey was a founder member of the Devonshire Society. Geoffrey's brother was Brian Bilton (Blackwater 1937-40) who died in

2007. We are indebted to Claire Bilton, Geoffrey's niece, for much of the information in this obituary.



**Dr John Blatchly** died on 3 September 2015. Educated at Sutton Grammar School and Christ's College, Cambridge, John, after a four-year spell with the Royal Navy, taught at King's School, Bruton, 1957-62 and then at the College from 1962-66 where he was head of science. He moved on to Charterhouse 1966-72 and was appointed headmaster of Ipswich in 1972 where he remained until 1993. A man of immense energy and accomplishment, he was a prolific author; he included music (the Tudor Singers and the glee club come to mind) among his many interests. At Ipswich he will be remembered for a new library, a sports hall and a laboratory block. In 1974 he introduced co-education. It has been written that he turned Ipswich into a highly successful academic institution. In retirement, he became archivist at Ipswich, author of *A Famous Antient Seed-Plot of Learning*, a history of the school, as well as governor at several other schools.

John enjoyed the finer things in life: opera, chamber music and theatre. The Anglican religion was central to his life. John is survived by his widow Pam and two children, Janet and Mark.



**James Burge** (Pennell 1949-53) died in 2007 aged 71. James was an entrance exhibitioner, a house prefect, a Stag 1951-53, captain of gym 1952-53 and captain of hockey 1953. He was also editor

## Harry Byatt



**Harry Byatt** (Gonville 2011-16). The College community was shocked and saddened to hear about the death of Harry in a diving accident in the Greek islands in August 2017, which was widely reported in the national media at the time. A large contingent from the College, made up of OE contemporaries, staff and pupils, attended a very moving memorial service in Clapham in early November. The tragic death of a

young man who had such a positive attitude to life and who had already touched the lives of so many, was truly shocking.

At the College Harry, a D&T scholar, won prizes for D&T and water sports and was captain of sailing, representing the school in all of his five years. Messing about in boats became a part of Harry's life. He wrote during his later days at the College: 'I went with my prep school Windlesham to Eastbourne College to play in a rugby tournament and decided that was where I wanted to go. My parents were delighted but a bit concerned about how I would get on at a public school, let alone whether I would thrive. Eastbourne gave me a chance, and having had wonderful AS results, I am now looking at four offers from universities and an unconditional one from Oxford Brookes to read business management. The school helped me and encouraged me to work hard for my ambition of being a shipping broker, with learning support each week. I have come a long way.' Harry played rugby, rowed and played the trumpet in a swing band. His skills in design technology grew and he produced many remarkable items. At the family home you can see a fantastic coffee table in beech. This and many other items are notable not just for the fine craftsmanship but also for the elegance of their design and finish. Harry won prizes for his woodwork including second prize in the South of England Show's Young Craftsman of the Year award in 2016. Advised that he be excused from taking English Literature GCSE on account of his dyslexia, he insisted on sitting the course and confounded all by getting an A grade. He left the College to enter Oxford Brookes in 2016. Ed Towey, Deputy Head of Gonville, wrote: 'Harry, to many, was a kind, quiet and reserved man. But to Gonville, he was an iconic cult hero who rightly won the adoration of all through his unbelievable charm and sense of humour. He was loyal, humble, caring, witty, determined and fair. In a world where it's easy to be a cynic, Harry inspired boundless optimism'.

At university, Harry enjoyed only one year, while achieving first year grades that put him in line for a 2.1. A keen member of the Caledonian Reeling Society, his photo was chosen to adorn the dance card for the 2017 Oxford Autumn Ball. Harry died aged 19 while working as a watersports instructor at the Peligoni Club on the Greek island of Zakynthos on 6 August 2017.

of *The Eastbournian*, silver bugler and a member of the drums, and a member of the College orchestra, the glee club and the debating society. In 1952-53 he played rugby for the Wilts and Dorset schoolboys XV. He was a sergeant in the CCF and, after national service, gained a Wiltshire County scholarship to Magdalene College, Cambridge, to read history. He graduated in 1958. He was later language editor of the *Italian Zoological Society Bulletin*. If any OE can provide further information about his adult life, we would be most grateful.

**John Graham Carr** (Blackwater 1953-56) died on 30 April 2016. We published a brief obituary in 2016. Since then his widow, Jan, has pro-

vided us with more details about John's life which we are delighted to add to this year's record. Jan says that he is enormously missed after a life so richly lived.

On leaving school, John joined the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in London where he worked for two years before being called up for national service when he served for two years in Aden, Kuwait and the Irish border. He next returned to HSBC and, after a short training period, was sent to Hong Kong as a part of their international officers cadre. He remained with HSBC from 1962 until his retirement in 1992, serving in Japan, Borneo, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Jersey and New York. In New York he was CEO for HSBC's six or so branches

in America. John married Jan, whom he had met in Sri Lanka, in Houston, Texas, in 1969. They enjoyed a six-month honeymoon travelling back to Hong Kong and in due course produced three children. After John's retirement, he and Jan moved to Virginia where they bought and managed a large estate. He soon began working in real estate and after planning to do so for just three years, he ended up doing so for 13. In 1999 John became a naturalised citizen of the USA. He and Jan travelled extensively during these years; he also enjoyed tennis, golf and bridge, was a fine squash player, an avid reader and an excellent guitarist. In 2010 he had a severe stroke which he recovered from with great determination. He then passed many hours teaching himself to play the piano – which, Jan says, he managed very nicely.



**Dr Mark Churcher MB, BS, FFARCS,** (Powell & Reeves 1946–50) died on 25 December 2016 following surgery. Mark was born in Eastbourne, the fourth child of medical parents living in Grange Gardens. His father, Dr DG Churcher, was a local surgeon, GP and medical officer to the College. Mark was a house prefect, in the cricket XI in 1950 and a CSM in the CCF.

With the prospect of war looming in the summer of 1939, he and three siblings moved to Carbis Bay in Cornwall. In Truro he underwent voice trials for the relocated St Paul's Cathedral Choir School and this became his prep school, based in Truro but with services back in London to celebrate major events such as the 1942 Allied victory at El Alamein. Wartime school holidays alternated between Cornwall and Eastbourne depending on safety. By early 1945 flying bomb attacks had ceased and the choir school moved back to London.

In 1950 he followed in his father's footsteps to St Thomas's Hospital Medical School in London; singing was resumed with a bass part in the Bach Choir. He quali-

## Adrian Carey

*Editorial note: Normally we publish obituaries only of Old Eastbournians and members of staff, but we have included the following one for Canon Adrian Carey, who was a long-standing friend of the College, for which he had much affection.*



Adrian Carey with his wife Anne and Forbes Wastie at the College in 2006

**Canon Emeritus Adrian Carey**, eldest son of headmaster Gordon Carey and his first wife Eila, died following a fall on 5 July 2017 aged 95. Born in Cambridge in 1921, Adrian remained a firm friend of the College until his death. He attended Chelmsford Hall prep school for six years and achieved scholarship entry to Eton and thence as a scholar to King's College, Cambridge, to read classics. In 1939 war broke out and Adrian had to choose between registering as a conscientious objector or joining one of the armed services. He chose the latter, joined the Navy in 1941, and was sent to HMS *Glendower* in North Wales for 13 weeks of basic training. After officer training at HMS *King Alfred* he joined the cruiser *Liverpool*. This led to seven arctic convoys to Murmansk, two as an ordinary seaman and five on *Onslaught* as a sub-lieutenant (navigator) RNVR. This was followed by a period on Malta convoys, another supporting the D-Day landings, and a Mention in Despatches. Demob followed swiftly and by early October, just three days after demobilisation, Adrian was back at Cambridge to complete his degree, now in theology. There followed a year at Chichester Theological College, followed on 19 September 1948 by ordination as a deacon in Birmingham Cathedral and a post as curate at St Peter's, Harborne, a suburb of the city. This ended in 1950 when Adrian became domestic chaplain to Bishop Bell at Chichester. He remained an ardent opponent of those who attempted to accuse the Bishop of child abuse. As he said in his memoirs 'I am quite sure that nobody who knew George Bell's character or his pattern of work could believe such a claim'. From 1952 until 1955 he moved on to

become assistant curate at Keighley, then in 1955 vicar of Illingworth, Halifax, in Yorkshire. While at Keighley Adrian turned out regularly as a prop forward for the town's rugby team, usually the 'A' side. Adrian recalled in his memoirs solemnising a wedding at 2.00pm one Saturday wearing rugby kit under his cassock, then getting to the pitch for kick-off by 2.45 – just! While at Keighley Adrian met and courted Anne whom he married at Illingworth on 30 August 1955. They had three daughters, Rachel (who died aged two), Rosemary and Helen, who died in 1991, five grandsons, and two great-granddaughters.

He continued at Keighley until 1959 when he joined the BBC Religious Broadcasting Department as a producer and presenter of the *Daily Service*, *The Sunday Half Hour*, *Christian Outlook* and many others. From 1963 his superior was the Hon Kenneth Lamb (Pennell 1940–42) who was appointed Head of Religious Broadcasting. Adrian stayed at the BBC until 1968. A close friend and collaborator was the actor David Kossoff. Then for the next ten years he became vicar of Claygate in Surrey, and then from 1975 until 1986 examining chaplain to the Bishop of Guildford and in 1978 rector of Holy Trinity with St Mary in Guildford. In 1978 he was appointed Hon Canon of Guildford Cathedral; then from 1984 until 1986 he was appointed rural dean of Guildford. He next moved to Kemsing, near Sevenoaks and in 2005 to Sleaford, Lincolnshire. During the last 10–15 years, Adrian has been an occasional visitor to the College, and in 2004 donated his father's autograph letter collection which is now on display in the Learning Resources Centre. And in 2006–07 I had the rare privilege of assisting Adrian in editing and, sitting side by side for weeks on end, putting his father's memoirs, then in manuscript and titled *Nobody's Business*, on to computer. The book was published in 2007 by the Arnold Embellishers. Sometimes Adrian would attend the Remembrance Day parade in November. On the last occasion in 2016 he was proud to wear his recently awarded Arctic Star. As his daughter Rosemary says: 'As a vicar he was much appreciated for his friendliness and optimism. He was an excellent preacher and after his days at the BBC a stickler for punctuality. His sermons at eight o'clock communion never overran five minutes'. He is survived by his wife Anne, his middle daughter Rosemary and five grandsons.

We are grateful for the help provided by Adrian's daughter Rosemary, her husband Guy, as well as Adrian's memoirs *From Then Till Now*, with the compilation of this obituary.

fied in 1956 and married Hilary, a Nightingale nurse in 1957. National service in the RAMC included training with the Parachute Regiment and service in Northern Ireland where the first of their four children was born. After a spell as house physician and surgeon at St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey, and further training in anaesthetics in London, he took a consultant post in Plymouth in 1966. Here he developed his interest in pain relief and in 1971 was a founder member of The British Pain Society. Pioneering treat-

ments for patients with complex pain syndromes, he enjoyed opportunities to travel, teaching and lecturing worldwide from Seattle in 1967 to Goa in 1995. He served on the board establishing St Luke's Hospice in Plymouth, and retired in 1992, working pro bono for a further ten years in a weekly pain clinic session.

Cricket fielding skills of accuracy and speed were learned as a boy throwing pebbles on the beach. He was a medium-paced left-arm bowler, and after leaving the College he captained at various

times both army and local hospital teams, and in 1990 a victorious medical 'Rest of the World' team against Australia in Adelaide, as well as playing in his local Devon village team. He enjoyed watching Sussex county matches at the Saffrons in his youth, then Somerset matches at Taunton in retirement. As well as cricket he played tennis, badminton, bridge and draughts, and was an enthusiastic (if erratic) skier. His ideal day would include a swim at Birling Gap, pub lunch at The Tiger in East Dean, and a walk high on the South Downs. Mark was



a loyal and long-standing member of the OECC and continued to play in OE week until quite recently.

A keen philatelist, Mark collected British Empire and Commonwealth stamps from boyhood. In later years this gave way to painting in oils, particularly coastal seascapes and Sussex or Devon views. He was a prison visitor to HMP Princetown on Dartmoor in the late 1960s and '70s. He read avidly, particularly on cricket and military history. He rediscovered choral singing in retirement, and delighted in travel abroad and time spent with his children, six grandchildren, and lifelong friends – never missing the annual OE cricket week. Mark's wife Hilary died in April 2017. Their children were Dr Julian (who helped significantly with this obituary) and Fiona, William and Clare. Mark was a member of the Devonshire Society and has left a bequest to the College bursary fund.



**Anthony Copp** (Blackwater 1960–65) died peacefully on 10 June 2017 following a long illness born with dignity and grace. At the College Anthony was a member of the swimming and fives teams, the dramatic society and the drums. Anthony began his marketing career with the Gallagher Group. His lifelong interest in politics took him to London and Salisbury where he worked for the Conservative party. He went to Australia in the early 70s, settling in Western Australia and working for Dulux as personnel manager and later for CSR (now Monier) where he worked successfully in marketing. In 1973 he

married Pat in Western Australia and their first child was born in 1976. He was then working as personnel manager with Myers Store in Perth. He later qualified as Master of Commerce at Curtin University in Western Australia, subsequently becoming a lecturer there, at the KL campus and at the University of Notre Dame, Fremantle, specialising in marketing, events planning and consumer behaviour. He retired in 2012 and relocated to Victoria. He joined the Small Business Mentoring Service and would travel around the peninsula advising small business owners.

Anthony enjoyed singing in Gilbert and Sullivan productions and in church, playing tennis, table tennis and chess, sailing and watching most team sports. He joined and helped at the USA and loved the theatre and films. In February 2008 Anthony married Carol Ann in Perth and leaves a family of two daughters, a son, two step-daughters, three grandsons and two granddaughters.

Anthony's father was **Richard Copp** (Blackwater 1931–35) who died in 2008 and his brother **Peter Copp** (Blackwater 1956–60) who

died in 2006. Peter's daughters **Harriett** (School 2000–2005) and **Laura** (School 2002–2007) were both boarders in School House. Anthony was our OE rep in Melbourne and helped organise the Melbourne OE dinner.



**William Hastings Eliot** (School 1940–43) died in Looe on 14 October 2017 following a stroke. William won 2nd XV colours, the senior sculls and the junior tennis doubles. He was a social commando and a cadet AB in the naval section of the OTC. In and after the Second World War he served for 3½ years as a leading seaman in the Royal Navy. He next trained for five years in hotel management in a country hotel near Birmingham and then joined GKN as a

## Major Adrian Coles MBE



**Major Adrian Coles MBE** (Pennell 1945–48) died on 23 March 2017 aged 86. At the College Adrian was a social commando and won the Mowbray Junior History Prize in 1947. He joined the REME for national service and transferred as a regular to the RAOC and later to the Parachute Brigade, completing 25 years in the regular and territorial armies, and served in Italy, Germany and Cyprus for which he was awarded a General Service Medal.

After retirement in 1973 he served for 40 years as an independent member of the Shropshire County Council, chairing various committees. He held numerous public and charitable roles including vice chairman of West Mercia Police Authority, Royal British Legion branch president and governor of more than one school. In 1982 he founded the British Hedgehog Preservation Society which now has more than 11,000 members. He became known as 'Major Hedgehog' and often appeared on radio and TV including *Blue Peter* and *News at Ten*. In 2000 he was appointed MBE and was made a Freeman of the City of London.

Adrian married Pamela in 1969 and they had four children and six grandchildren. After she died in 2011, he moved to live as a pensioner in the Royal Hospital, Chelsea. His Pennell contemporary **Duncan Symington** (Pennell 1945–49) recalls that Coles painted his JTC boots with high gloss black paint for some big inspection. At a dress rehearsal the paint broke away from his boots and he was in deep water and in need of new boots.

## Philip Gray

**Philip Gray BSc, ARSM, Hon FIMM, FREng** (Pennell 1940–44) died on 10 April 2017 aged 90. He remained until the end of his long life an active and enthusiastic Old Eastbournian. He was a major donor to the Birley Centre, and initiated an appeal to other OEs of the Radley years, to name a room after Dr John Alden, music master at Radley. Philip was a member of the Devonshire Society.

Philip spent his entire schooldays at Radley where he was a house prefect and won prizes for physics and chemistry. After the College, he attended the Royal School of Mines, the University of London, and graduated BSc in metallurgy in 1947. Called up for national service, he was but two weeks in uniform and was instead posted to the AERE at Harwell until 1951. In 1949 Philip married Joan who died in December 2016. In 1951 Philip and Joan moved to Australia and for five years he worked for the Commonwealth Scientific and Research Organisation in Melbourne where he was involved in the extraction of uranium from uraninite. Back in the UK in 1955, he joined the Imperial Smelting Corporation at Avonmouth as technical manager, where he worked on the extraction of zinc from zinc oxide. In 1971 Philip was invited to join Davy Power Gas in London as chief metallurgist, designing and installing metallurgical plants all over the world. In 1978 he founded Philip MJ Gray and J Gray, London, and worked as an independent metallurgical consultant for mining companies worldwide. During a long life, Philip achieved numerous distinctions; these include President (and Honorary Fellow) of the Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, Freeman of the City of London, Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Engineers, Fellow of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, the Futer Gold Medal and the Waverly Gold Medal among others. He contributed regularly to learned publications and co-authored a book on sulphide ore resources. Philip was an active bell ringer, a founder member of the University of London Society of Change Ringers, and an enthusiastic follower of music, opera, paintings (he was a lifelong fan of JMW Turner's paintings), golf and cricket.



production manager for 15 years. This was followed by a further eight years as a management consultant, then four years as a works manager in South Wales and finally 15 more years in marketing with IBM. While working in the hotel he had married Moira in 1949 and soon children Kate and Mike were born, followed by John in 1956. William and Moira divorced in 1973 and he married Margaret in 1977. In retirement William moved to Looe in Cornwall, became secretary to the Liskeard Angling Club and enjoyed river fishing. He followed the hunt, the tall ships, point-to-point meetings; he loved dancing, theatre, snooker and, with Margaret, founded the Looe Jazz Club. When asked to record his academic or athletic distinctions, he wrote 'Nothing worth worrying about'. His father was **Herbert Eliot** (School 1917-18).



**George Spiers Goodsir** (School 1944-47) died on 24 January 2017. From birth George was a haemophiliac.

At the College he was member of the shooting team. George qualified as a chartered accountant with Carter Son & White. He next joined a small firm of stockbrokers, his father's firm, Scrutton and Son. Around 1973 he formed Brewin Financial Services as a separate trading entity of Brewin and Co; in due course it became Brewin Dolphin, one of the largest of the UK's leading wealth managers on the London Stock Exchange. George retired in 1996 as finance partner after nearly 40 years' service. He took up flying, gaining his private pilot's licence in 1971; he owned several planes, and was still flying in 2004. In 1954 he married Barbara Grayley, a former actress, and she died unexpectedly in 2007; they had one son, James, born in 1955, who worked as a property consultant and died in Thailand aged 55 in 2010.



**James 'Jim' Groves** (Pennell 1949-54) died on 11 May 2017. After national service in the Royal

Artillery in Germany, Jim spent his working life in the hotel and catering industry. Following initial training 1956-61 with J Lyons and Co, Trust Houses and at the Regent Palace, he became assistant manager at the Lansdowne Hotel in Eastbourne, then ten months later manager of the Lawns Hotel, also in Eastbourne. From 1969 to 1974 he was general manager at the 160-bedroom Oatlands Park Hotel in Weybridge. He then bought and ran two businesses in Uckfield, a convenience store (which he doubled in size) and a launderette, plus a management consultancy firm, Sevorg (Groves spelled backwards) Operational Services. Then for two years he was membership secretary of the British Hotels, Restaurants and Caterers Association, followed by five more years as general secretary of the Industrial Catering Association. Jim was an Arnold Embellisher. In later life, he lived next door to his partner Patricia, in Langney. He remained a keen supporter of the College in recent times. As a member of the Devonshire Society his bequest to the College will be used to fund the Sevorg Scholarship.



**Duncan Lockwood** (Reeves 1983-87) died in Nottingham in the summer of 2016, which we briefly reported in last year's magazine. His sister Amanda writes: 'Duncan's sudden death at the age of 48 remains something of a mystery, a fact which would probably delight him. His family would love people to remember Duncan for his great gifts of kindness and humour. Despite his personal battles, he was endlessly patient and compassionate towards others' suffering. He was a natural comedian with a lightning wit and perfect timing. Duncan was also a gifted artist who never really found an outlet for his talent. His mother, sisters and son were touched by many messages from his friends and by the turnout at his funeral at St Mary's church, Westham, where donations in lieu of flowers were sent to the Sussex Wildlife Trust'.



**Jeremy Lovitt-Danks** (Powell & Wargrave 1955-59) died from cancer peacefully in hospital in Budapest on 4 June 2017 aged 76. A member of a large family that sent no fewer than 14 members to Ascham and/or the College, Jeremy's schooldays were relatively undistinguished but his several contributions to the 2007 Celebration book, particularly his profiles of staff, were both perceptive and highly amusing. Jeremy was fluent in Italian and German and had a working knowledge of French, Spanish and Japanese. After about five years teaching English in Italy and Germany, he began a long and distinguished life in marketing, beginning in 1965 with Ogilvy and Mather, then Lippincott & Margulies in Europe and the USA, then with Allied International Designers in Europe, the Middle East and Africa, followed by twenty years as director of marketing and sales with American Express, later

vice president in Europe, Italy, Japan and Germany. This was followed by a further five years as SVP Marketing worldwide with Visa International based in San Francisco. He moved to Hungary in about 1998 from where he worked as adviser to Riddle International in London and several large Hungarian corporations on communications and branding strategy. In the early 2000s Jeremy was consultant and later a faculty member with SEED. He helped to raise money for rugby and cricket kit for Hungarian youngsters and boasted that there are now '2500 kids playing rugby in Hungary'. Jeremy also held the rank of Lt Cmdr as a Royal Naval reservist. An MCC member, he loved to visit Lords when in England.

Jeremy married Emese Danks who was Italian, and was later divorced; he was father to Andrew (András) and stepbrother to **Harry Lyth** (Powell 1962-67) and **William Lyth** (Powell 1967-71). Jeremy was OE rep in Hungary.

**D Andrew Luck** (Wargrave 1969-74) died in April 2017. At the College Andrew was a member of the swimming team and a flight sergeant in the CCF RAF section. In 1979 he graduated with an honours BA in politics from Warwick University and married Lisa, whom he had met there. He had a stint with a blues band and in music journalism, then ran a small export company in Covent Garden before joining the BBC. There he worked

## Tim Lucey

**Tim Lucey**, Support Services Manager and CCF School Staff Instructor (SSI), died on 2 January 2017. He had retired from his post at the College on 30 November 2016. In 1992 Tim joined the College staff as CCF SSI and minibus fleet manager, following 24 years' service with the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, having joined at the age of 15. During his army career he saw active service in Northern Ireland as well as postings to Cyprus and West Germany and was awarded the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal. In 1993 he took on the new post of support services manager. As well as his SSI role Tim was an avid outdoor enthusiast and he played a key role in delivering Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions throughout the UK. He was also a kayak instructor and spent many hours supervising this activity at Cuckmere Haven. In November 2008 Tim was presented with a Lord Lieutenant's Meritorious Service Certificate for the role that he played in the successful operation of the College's CCF. His partner was Jacqui. As Anthony Lamb, his commanding officer, wrote 'Tim Lucey's contribution to adventure training, administration and the logistical support of the contingent is the key reason why Eastbourne College is considered one of the premier CCFs in the South East'. And from his fellow CCF officers: 'Mr Lucey was a kind hearted man, generous with his time and expertise and, as testified by generations of cadets, very thoughtful towards individuals in his care'. A memorial service for Tim was held on Monday 6 February in the College Chapel.





as a producer with BBC Worldwide, making programmes for the BBC, its satellite channels and overseas markets. He and Lisa raised two children, Amy and Dominic.

**John Palmer (Pennell 1946–50)**



died on 3 April 2017. John was a Stag in 1949 and captain of boats in 1950, winning the senior sculls in 1950. He was head of house, a school prefect, chapel warden, hon sec of golf, a CSM in the CCF, drum major and winner of the Raybould Cup. On leaving the

College he spent a year with the Spalding Bulb Company and then studied at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, and qualified MRAC, a member of the Royal Agricultural College. At Cirencester, he was chairman of the union and rowed in the Thames Head of the River event. He spent his working life as a farmer at Witlesey near Peterborough. John was a magistrate (JP) for 30 years from 1972, also local and county chairman of the NFU, chairman of the local RNLI, chairman of the Peakirk Wildfowl Trust, chairman of the conservation committee of the East of England Show; he also drove in the Prescott Hill Climb in Gloucestershire. John's hobbies included classic cars, sailing, painting, shooting, fishing and country life pursuits. John married Hermione (sister to **Tim Bennett** (Pennell 1946–50)) in 1957. She survives him with two children, Melanie and Victoria, and five grandchildren.

**Thomas Ross Paris (School 1945–**

**49)** died on 28 August 2015. Thomas was a house prefect, a social commando and a sergeant in the CCF and then in the naval section. He served in the drums and the choir in 1945–46. Following national service, he attended Edinburgh University, graduating BA in history. He next joined Alexander Cowan & Sons Ltd, paper manufacturers, in Edinburgh, working as an accountant. By 1992 he was a director at Polypipe Terrain Ltd at Beckenham and by 1999 sales director with the Caradon Group in Maidstone. Thomas played rugby as a fly half for London Scottish 1sts, Glasgow Academicals, Maidstone and then coached Old Dunstonians. He was also a good golfer. He married Maureen in 1965 and a daughter Leonie was born in 1974.

**Richard Peddar (Powell 1963–68)** died on 15 October 2015 in Princeton, New Jersey. Richard was an entrance scholar, second prefect, head of house, a social commando and chapel warden. He was a

flight sergeant and passed the RAF Advanced proficiency with distinction, was awarded the lanyard of honour and achieved A and B gliding certificates. He went on to Bristol University and graduated in economics and accounting in 1971. He was later managing director of Huma Business Intelligence Ltd, a firm which creates business intelligence software. Richard was father to **Adam Peddar** (Wargrave 2001–03) and **Alexander (Sasha) Peddar** (Wargrave 2000–03).

**Joanne Peters (née Bush)** (Nugent 1985–87) died on 26 July 2015. Joanne was a hockey half colour, member of the choir, and took lead roles in *The Boyfriend* and *A Streetcar Named Desire*. On leaving she entered the Bournemouth and Poole College of Art and Design where she attained a national diploma. She next studied as a trainee chartered accountant and worked in business systems development with EK Williams Ltd at Bolton, Lancs, and then as financial director at Pride Race Engineering Ltd at Hartlebury in Worcestershire. Joanne married Neil in 2004 and a baby was born in 2005. They subsequently divorced.

**Richard Phillips** (Wargrave 1987–92). The College was saddened to hear of the tragic early death of Richard Philips from cancer in late 2017. While at the College, Richard was a librarian and spent four terms teaching in prep schools as a part of his community service programme. He next entered West Lothian College on a catering course and by 2000 was working as a sous chef in Abingdon, Oxon. We hope to include more details about his life in our next edition.

**Howard Philpott (Reeves 1967–71)**



died on 4 February 2017 aged 63 after a short battle with cancer. At the College Howard was an active member of the dramatic society, appearing in five plays. He also won prizes for English and German. After early training as a quantity surveyor, he joined the BBC World Service as a trainee studio manager in 1975 and went on to produce programmes for the African Service. After a break as a freelancer, during which he

**Michael 'Mike' Marshall**



**Michael 'Mike' Marshall (Major) MA, FRICS** (Crosby 1938–42) died in early April 2017. Mike was a house prefect, a Stag in 1941–42, won 2nd XI cricket colours in 1941–42 and was captain in 1942; he was also a member of the tennis 1st VI.

On leaving school, in July 1942, he went straight into the 5th Royal Gurkha Rifles, Frontier Force, as a 2nd lieutenant and went by troopship to Burma where he took up a frontline post. He learned to speak the Gurkhali language, and, aged just 19, became a full lieutenant. By January 1943 Marshall was acting company commander of B Company during the Arakan campaign, and was soon involved in a series of brisk actions against the Japanese. On 4 February he was wounded in the back and arm by a grenade while attacking a Japanese position. He was evacuated to Chittagong and thence to hospital at Dehra Dun for six weeks. On 1 March 1945 he was appointed company commander with the rank of captain. On 28 May 1945 he was promoted major just two days after his 21st birthday. In July he was again hospitalised, this time with malaria, hepatitis and amoebic dysentery. In the hospital at Secunderabad he celebrated the end of the war. He had served with distinction in India, Burma and Siam. While awaiting shipment back to England, he found himself sharing a 'rather nice' bungalow with one John Masters, a full colonel, later to become a distinguished author. As Marshall later said 'He was extremely kind to me and didn't stand on his rank or dignity'. Mike Marshall was a lifelong supporter of the Gurkha Welfare Trust.

Following the war, he took a lowly position with a firm of chartered surveyors and qualified MRICS after attending evening classes. He forged a long and successful career, becoming a partner in Hunt and Stewart and ultimately senior partner in Chestertons, working extensively with the Church Commissioners. He was property adviser to the British Steel Pension Fund, Receiver for the Church Commissioners, Senior Treasurer for the Sons of the Clergy, Pastmaster for the Worshipful Company of Tyler's & Bricklayers Livery, Surveyor to the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, Hon. Surveyor to Charterhouse School, President of the Officers Association of the 5th Royal Gurkha Rifles and was a recipient of the Lambeth Degree.

Mike was a devoted OE, a Devonshire Society member and an honorary life member of the Arnold Embellishers. He donated generously to the Second World War memorial panels project and paid for the purchase of the Henry Singleton Pennell replica VC medal set.

He met and married Tessa in 1959 and three children, two boys, Tom and Julian, and a girl Antonia, were born. Two grandchildren, **India Leire** (School 2003–08) and **George Marshall** (Wargrave 2013– ) have attended the College. Mike retired in 1982 and the family moved to East Brabourne House near Ashford in Kent. Tessa died in 2001.

Mike was a member of a small group of Kent-based friends, **John Klyberg** (Gonville 1945–50), **Nigel Wheeler** (Staff 1976–2006) and **Tony Fisher** (Blackwater 1943–49), Forbes Wastie and David Stewart, who would meet once a year for a celebratory lunch. As David Stewart once said: 'He had a wicked sense of humour, was outspoken, at times mischievous, but above all was a wonderfully kind and generous man'.

*We are indebted to author John Parker's book The Gurkhas which devotes a whole chapter to Mike Marshall's service with the 5th Gurkhas.*

helped to set up Radio Bognor, he rejoined the World Service around 1996 before working for Radio 4 for 13 years from 2003 on the *Six O'Clock News*. Tributes from colleagues were many. Senior announcer Chris Aldridge said: 'Howard Philpott was a much-loved and respected Radio 4 newsreader and announcer. He adored the medium of radio and was instinctive in the way he talked to the listener, mixing intellectual rigour with a ready wit. Away from the microphone he was delightful and self-effacing but with a steely resolve to uphold standards of grammar and pronunciation within the announcer team. We have lost a great friend and standard-bearer, and the BBC a dedicated servant'.

Howard lived at Chichester 'surrounded by books, records and assorted bits of audio and computer paraphernalia'. He married Nicola 'Nic' in 1976. His brother is William 'Nick' Philpott (Reeves 1962-67).

**John**, known as **Michael**, Piper (Powell 1947-49) died on 26 February 2017. Michael was a house prefect, a member of the choir and won a junior natural history prize in 1947. At the age of 12 he was blown up by a hand grenade that he had found in a field and lost one eye and his left leg. In the 1970s he started a branch of L'Union des Assurances de Paris in the City which he built up into a successful business. In 1974 he became an associate of the Chartered Auctioneers and Estate Agents Institute and worked as an auctioneer, including time with Watsons at Heathfield. In 1974 he was elected a Fellow of the Institute of Directors and was a member of the Royal Thames Yacht Club.

In 1966 when he retired he became a commissioner for income tax and a shareholder and for 18 years a director of the Hydro Hotel in Eastbourne (1991 to 2009) where he became very involved with the running of the hotel. He also had a working farm which was his real love until he passed it on to his children in the late 1990s. He remained involved with the farming community and helped with the Fatstock Show and the Heathfield and Ardingly shows. Michael divorced his wife Evelyn over 20 years ago and since then had limited contact with his son Timothy who lives in Australia. He lost contact with his daughter Judith following his divorce.

**David Ian Powell** (Powell 1955-60)



died on 22 August 2017. At the College he won prizes for botany, natural history and geography, was a leading seaman in the naval section and played hockey for the 2nd XI. He joined Barclays Bank for whom he worked for 32 years, latterly as a customer services manager. He next worked part time as borough meteorologist for Hastings Council. He was also treasurer for his local RSPB group, an assistant warden for Rye Harbour Nature Reserve and a trustee director of Raystede Animal Welfare Centre. He was also a keen gardener and bird watcher. David was married to Yvonne, who survives him, for 48 years.

**John James 'Jim' Raper** (School



1941-46) died on 1 April 2017, having been ill since the previous June. Born in Secunderabad in the Deccan, at the College he was a house prefect and achieved a higher school certificate with distinction as well as the Ellerton maths prize and the Thomas physics prize. He was a rugby Stag in 1945-46, a boxing colour 1944-46 (captain in 1946) and captain of swimming and sailing. He was also a corporal in the ATC. He won a county major scholarship, then served his two years national service as a 2nd lieutenant in the army. He went up to Queens', Cambridge, in 1949, taking the Maths Tripos Part I (2nd) in 1949, English Prelims in 1950 (3rd) and Part II in English in 1951 (3rd). He graduated BA in 1950, then did a summer course at an Italian university, probably Perugia. After graduating he moved to Singapore where he worked for an English firm, Maclaine Watson & Co, importing technical goods and machinery. Before that he was employed by the Iraq Petroleum Co. In 2010 Jim wrote to say that he was living in Alabang south of Makati in the Philippines where he and his Filipina wife Narcisa cultivate 127 hectares of land 80km south

of Manila which he intended to convert into a golf course, then sell, and retire to his house at Antibes in the south of France. He said that he had run 18 marathons, two in London, with 2 hours 58 minutes his best time. Then in 2014 he wrote that 'he was 87, very fit thanks to Hash House Harriers, regular running, not going to doctors to hear their bad news. And red wine'. Jim's brother **Dick Raper** was in Blackwater 1943-47 and died in 2006.

**Michael Ian 'Mike' Samuel** (Wargrave 1958-62) died in January 2017. At the College Michael was in the orchestra and the military band and won two prizes for music. He was a chapel warden and a member of the Madrigal Group, a rugby Stag 1961-62, a

2nd cricket colour and won the track events cup in 1962. The end of season rugby report said that: 'Samuel fielded and kicked more confidently and tackled and fell as well as ever'. On failing to pass a law exam he moved into a career in marketing with General Foods in Banbury, then HP Foods in Leamington Spa and finally from 1978 until his retirement with the Sainsbury Group. He was responsible in collaboration with Abbott Mead Vickers for a period of award-winning advertising. Latterly he was Sainsbury's first head of environmental affairs. He married Althea in 1968 and they had two children. She says that she 'spent many happy hours watching him play in OE rugby matches and on many a Friday evening drink at the Admiral Codrington in South Kens-

## Robin Stafford

**Robin Stafford** (Gonville 1944-48) died on 25 November 2016 in the Tunbridge Wells hospital, aged 86. Robin was a 1st fencing colour and winner of the Tackaberry sabre cup. A corporal in the JTC, he was a member of the drums from 1946 to '48. He won a county



major scholarship and another to Gonville and Caius, Cambridge, but never took it up. He elected to do his national service and was posted to the Royal Artillery at Oswestry. During a training exercise he was reputed to have shelled his own position and was transferred to the Intelligence Corps. Now in his own words: 'They discovered that I spoke schoolboy French and sent me to Eritrea, where they speak Italian and Amharic'. From 1954 and for the next 30 years he became a foreign and war correspondent for Radiodiffusion Française, Agence France-Presse, the *Daily Express* and United Press International based in Paris, Rome, Beirut, New York and Moscow, covering events including the Algerian war, the Cuban missile crisis, the 1965 civil war in the Dominican Republic (see photo), the assassination of JFK, the first loss of a nuclear submarine (USS *Thresher* in 1963, when 129 crew died), the colonels' coup in Greece, the Arab-Israel Six-Day War, the deaths and elections of three popes, the Iranian 1979 revolution and occupation of the US Embassy in Teheran. In 1960, in collaboration with David Hotham of *The Times*, he traced the notorious spy known as Cicero in Istanbul; they both published stories of his whereabouts. In 1963 he tracked down Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, where they were waiting to marry. He struck up such a friendly relationship with them that he was allowed to plan their flight to Montreal in March 1964. On the 'dry' Air Canada flight, Robin persuaded cabin staff to serve them whisky in tea cups. He, with his photographer, were the only press present at the wedding and pulled off a world scoop. In 1980 he became chief of the News Analysis Branch at SHAPE, Mons, and in 1985 moved to Brussels as official spokesman for NATO Secretary General Lord Carrington and his successor Manfred Woerner. On retirement in 1990 Robin resumed freelance journalism and published articles in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Toronto Star*, *Daily Telegraph*, *Daily Mail* and the *Midwifery Digest!* Robin and his wife Barbara returned to Marrakech with Winston Churchill's granddaughter Celia Sandys to make an American documentary on his visit there in 1959 when he, Churchill, was famously photographed from the rear at his easel painting the city walls. Robin married Marilyn Gerson in 1956 and one daughter was born. The marriage was dissolved and in 1974 he married Barbara Harrison, a BBC production assistant. Both wives and his daughter Lina survive him.



## Tristan Voorspuy



**Tristan Voorspuy** (Ascham & Reeves 1968-73) was shot dead in Kenya on Sunday 5 March 2017, aged 61. Born in Johannesburg, Tristan was the son of Hendrik, a Second World War RAF and subsequently KLM pilot, and Pearl Glessing. At the College Tristan was a house prefect, played 1st IV tennis and won the junior doubles cup. On leaving he spent time on a farm in Peasmarsh looking after horses and hunted with the East Sussex and Romney Marsh Hunt. His gap year started by driving through France with some school chums and ending up on a camp site in Monaco. One friend wrote: 'The tents were arranged on steps with only just enough room for one tent so you had to be careful when exiting as you had about 2 foot before a 10 foot drop on to the tent below. Needless to say Tristan awoke in what he thought was the middle of the night but was actually about 7am; after a heavy night drinking he needed a pee. He stepped out of the tent, tripped on the guy rope and fell the 10 foot, landing naked on his back on a table of Germans having breakfast. They for some reason couldn't see the funny side. I however thought it was the funniest thing I had seen to date. But my best memory was how laid back he was, brushing bacon, eggs and sugar puffs off his back and bottom, saying 'terribly sorry', and continuing his journey to find the loo.'

After his gap year in Peasmarsh, he joined the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, to read estate management, but was asked to leave after one year. He next spent the year 1975-76 at Sandhurst and was commissioned into the Blues and Royals, initially as a tank commander in Detmold in Germany. Next he was an instructor at the Guards Depot at Pirbright, followed by two five-month tours of Northern Ireland, then by two years on ceremonial duty as a subaltern at Knightsbridge barracks. During these UK postings, he was

able to hunt with the Quorn, the Cottesmore and the Belvoir for an annual sum of just £75.

After these six years he went on the dole for a short time and did painting and decorating in London. In 1983 he bought a motorcycle and rode from London to Cape Town, ending up in Zimbabwe and ultimately Kenya. Later he flew a light aircraft out from Britain with his friend, pilot Roland Purcell, spare fuel piled in cans on the seats, as he was not yet qualified. About this time he joined Tony Church, owner of Safaris Unlimited. He met and married Lucinda (Cindy) Mackintosh, herself a notable horsewoman, at the family home in Folkington in May 1989 and together in 1990 they set up their own company, Offbeat Safaris. In due course they raised two children, Archie and Imogen. They ran the company successfully and employed about 60 people and 60 horses, running safaris for 16 people as a maximum. The company is still going strong. Once a lion chased American actress Glenn Close on her horse; Tristan remarked 'We nearly lost her'. He said in 2005 that he hunted buffalo but never lion, leopard or elephant. As the *Telegraph* obituary said: 'He was bold and utterly fearless, never carrying a rifle when out riding, only a hunting whip or sjambok. He would think nothing of swimming a pony across the Mara river as crocodiles sunned themselves on the banks'. He was a conservationist and loved birds and animals. He was an honorary game warden, qualified pilot and played polo for Kenya among other attributes.

Recently, armed Samburu and Sopot tribesmen and their cattle had invaded the plateau and his ranch, Sosian. It had been overgrazed and turned into a desert when he and co-owners took it on in 2000 and restored it, recreating a fine equilibrium of cattle and wildlife run in harmony, on similar lines to old-fashioned tribal grazing systems. It had also become a very popular and well known safari lodge. The invading herders ran amok, killing people, vandalising, looting and killing elephants and other game. He rode out, unarmed, ignoring the advice of his farm manager not to go, to inspect one of the owners' cottages which had been razed to the ground. The shooting took place at the razed house, his horse was shot twice and Tristan too was shot three times, once in the face. The white stallion he rode was never seen again.

Tristan's memorial service was held at the church in Greens Norton, Northamptonshire, on 6 July; Charles Moore of the *Daily Telegraph*

recalled the occasion: 'The church was full 45 minutes before the service and the overflow was accommodated in a marquee and, as still more arrived, had to stand in the churchyard. Classics of pioneer culture were read: Kipling's *If*, *My Country* by Dorothea Mackellar and *The Man from Snowy River* by Banjo Paterson. The Blues and Royal Trumpeters trumpeted. Speakers recalled Tristan's excesses, his courage and energy, his deep knowledge of African people, flora and fauna'. Eric and Mary Koops were present, as were every nephew and niece of his.

Eric has added the note below:

*Over the years I often saw Tristan in Nairobi but it was not until 2016 that we had the opportunity of staying at Deloraine where Tristan's love for Africa was to be seen in his care for its people, his conservation of wildlife, and the environment.*

*Our fathers flew together in Squadron 320 in the Second World War with Henk (Hendrik) as the pilot and my father (William, known as Len) the navigator. Len later became station manager at Heathrow. Our families grew up together for a few years in South Africa where Tristan was born.*

*History was repeated when Tristan flew us over the Rift Valley in his tiny four-seater from Nairobi to Deloraine. During our stay he and Will [Eric's son], flew back to Nairobi to collect another guest. After take-off he turned to Will with the words 'she's yours, keep that needle steady'; he then shut his eyes only to open them again as they approached the runway. Will had never piloted a plane before. Both returned to Deloraine with 'naughty school boy' grins. That was Tristan: he loved life and giving pleasure.*

The Voorspuy family has no fewer than ten OEs in their ranks. Apart from Tristan, his brothers **Rufus** (Reeves 1963-67) and **Morven** (Ascham & Reeves 1964-69), Rufus's son **Thady** (Reeves 1996-2001), Morven's children **Camilla** (Nugent 1996-98), **Roxy** (Watt & School 1997-2000), **Ferdie** (Reeves 2007-12) and **Hedley** (St Andrews & Reeves 2009-14) and two uncles, **William Glessing** (Wargrave 1930), who died aged 14, and **John Glessing** (Powell 1938-41), have all attended the College.

We are grateful for the assistance provided by Morven, Tristan's brother, with this obituary.

ington. He always remembered his time at the College with great happiness and had many stories about his rugby playing days and with the Erratics XI touring the villages'. After taking early retirement in 2003 he became a consultant in environmental affairs. He was also a trustee of Fareshare, a charity aimed at relieving food poverty and reducing food waste. In 2007 he and Althea moved back to Cheltenham and enjoyed visiting the theatre, festivals and walking the Cotswolds. Mike also enjoyed golf

and bridge.

**Roger Whitley-Jones ACIB** (Pennell 1951-55) died in April 2017. Roger attended Ascham before joining Pennell in 1951. He left the College at the age of 16 and joined Lloyds Bank with whom he spent the rest of his career, qualifying ACIB, and working for them in Sussex and at one time in Bristol. He was a useful cricketer, playing for Rottingdean Seconds and Brighton Banks. He was also a lifelong Brighton and Hove Albion



fan and would regularly attend games at the Goldstone.

In 1962 he married Rosemary and two children, Chris and Carolyn, followed. His second

marriage was to Pam in 1990. She survives him. In 2015 he began a period of decline and died in April.

We are grateful to Roger's son Chris for help with this obituary.

### Correction

*In the 2016 Old Eastbournian we mistakenly stated that John Oecken had died aged 99. He was of course 89. We apologise for the error.*



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## College academic report

This is an abridged version of the academic report which appeared in the *Eastbournian* magazine for the 2016-17 academic year.

Assistant Head (Curriculum) Jonny Gilbert writes:

At the College, teachers are becoming increasingly skilled to take advantage of the opportunities new technologies bring to teaching and learning. Classrooms around the campus are now being equipped with state-of-the-art touchscreens, including all new rooms in the Nugee Building and the rest of Project 150. There is wi-fi access across the site and high-speed internet available in all boarding and day houses. In September 2017, all Year 9 pupils were issued with an iPad further to enrich their learning, hand in hand with new training initiatives for staff to make best use of these critical learning tools.

Access to technology-enriched rooms and resources certainly seems to be working, with A-level and GCSE pupils enjoying another summer of superb outcomes in their exams. At A-level, almost 40 per cent of exams were graded A\* or A. Leading performers in the year were Tom Alston with four A\* grades; Katya Goodwin with three A\* grades and one A grade; Isabella Ripley with three A\*s; and Alex Garcia Whittam, Jane Mullaney, Hugo McNally, Millie Ngai Lenoir, Charles Pendry, Martha Piper and Grace Porter each achieving two A\* grades and one A grade. James Edwards, Andrei Ellis, Ben Hughes, Andrew Lasita, Mario Pulze, Aidan Tam, and Katherine Williams all attained one



James Edwards, Joe Adams and Mario Pulze

A\* and two A grades, and a further 37 pupils gained three A-levels with at least two A\*s or A grades. One hundred per cent of candidates applying to Oxford or Cambridge universities secured their places.

At GCSE, this was the first year in which some qualifications were graded 9 to 1 instead of A\* to G. By 2018, all new GCSEs will be graded this way. Of the GCSE cohort this year, over 99 per cent of Year 11 pupils achieved five or more A\*- C grades, with 31 per cent of all grades at A\*. Seventy-two pupils in the year group notched up five or more A\* or A grades. Strength in science is clearly shown by the percentages of A\*/A in those subjects: biology 95 per cent, chemistry 93 per cent, physics 91



Harry Jachuck, Abigail McNally, Sian Sulke, Katie Meikle and Eleanor Long

per cent. Outcomes are excellent across the curriculum, with 83 per cent A\*/A in art, and 40 pupils achieving the top grade (A\*) in English literature.

Eleven pupils achieved at least eight A\*s, with leading performers Ben Kremer gaining ten A\*s, one A and one grade 9, and Tatyana Goodwin gaining 11 A\*s and one grade 7. Other superb performances were achieved by Cordelia Stevenson (ten A\*s, one A, one 8) and Sian Sulke (ten A\*s, one A, one 8), Katie Meikle (nine A\*s, two As, one 8), Freya Gordon (nine A\*s, one A, one 6) Lianna Yuen (eight A\*s, three As, one 6), Julian Schutzner (eight A\*s, three As, one 4), Harry Jachuck (eight A\*s, two As, one 6), Aimée Helyar (eight A\*s, one A, one 8) and Isabel Igbokwe (eight A\*s, one A, one B, one 7). Twenty Year 10 pupils who sat their maths IGCSE a year early achieved an A\* grade.

While new technologies continue to provide inspiration and enrichment to all our pupils' learning, we should not forget that these exceptional examination outcomes are achieved through a conflation of academic rigour, inspirational teaching and our unrelenting ambition to allow all pupils to develop intellectually and emotionally in a safe and fulfilling environment. As the Digital Awareness UK and HMC survey shows, pupils have new levels of sophistication and awareness in their understanding of the power of digital technologies and the potential wider impact on their happiness, growth and development. Let us hope that technology corporations and social media providers will listen to those voices and offer better guidance, better support, better regulation and more willingness to take responsibility so that pupils can take advantage of all the positive things technology can provide while taking away the damaging and deleterious.

## College drama review

This is an abridged version of the drama review which appeared in the *Eastbournian* magazine for the 2016-17 academic year.

Director of Drama Tim Marriott writes:

The major production of the academic year, the iconic Broadway musical *A Chorus Line*, was produced at the end of the Michaelmas term 2016. It follows a group of actors, singers and dancers at the audition for an imagined Broadway musical. Led by Jack Higgins as the ego-centric director Zach, the cast are put through their paces in a series of numbers and interviews revealing sometimes comic, sometimes heart-breaking back stories. Particular highlights included Ed Mannhardt, absolutely magnetic in his 'coming out' speech as Paul, Lily Bannon superb as Zach's ex, Cassie, desperately trying to hold on to a career back in the

chorus, Chloe Webster charming and engaging as Diana, and many others hugely effective too. James Young was powerful as Don, Billy Nicholles hysterical as Mike, Emma Smith, Nuriya Powell and Sophie Nicholles magical individually and collectively in a beautiful performance of *At The Ballet*, Harry Hoderne and Oscar Boulter seamlessly and selflessly alternating opposite the excellent Phoebe Sindall. Gracie Bannon

gave an amazingly mature performance as cosmetically enhanced Val, constantly baited by Nuriya Powell, wonderful as the waspish, sour and acerbic Sheila, Imogen Smith, an absolute trooper, tremendous as Connie, Charlie Purbrook muscular and brave as Richie, George Tomsett and Luke Muschialli alternating as Al, both proving sublime of voice and astute in characterisation, Harry Membrey a natural comedian as Bobby, ever present, energised and keen Felix Harffey-Burkhill, Olivia Williams meticulous and

precise as Vicki, and well-observed and effective cameos by Amy Shi, Maddie Perrett, Izzy Miroso-Jones and others held together by Iniga Stoodley as the onstage choreographer, Lara.

*A Chorus Line* was superbly backed by the staff and pupil band led by a resourceful and utterly professional Dan Jordan as musical director, tightly choreographed with imagination and wit by Kirsty Hamilton-Reid with individual coaching by ex-West End performer Philip Mandelli-Poole who also designed the production with magical and inventive lighting design by Paul Turner.



The finale of *A Chorus Line*

### Our Own Little Blizzard

The exciting run of a new play, *Our Own Little Blizzard*, played over three nights to packed houses as part of an Arts Award project. The play, written, directed and produced by George Tomsett (Gonville Upper Sixth), was supported by an excellent ensemble cast of sixth form pupils and hugely appreciated by enthusiastic audiences.

## Year 9 Drama

This year's Year 9 House Drama Festival saw every pupil in the year group walk the stage in a short version of a West End hit. The winning performances were selected by professional actor Philip Duigud McQuillan and awards were presented by the headmaster at their parents meeting. The best day-house performance was Craig with a remarkably dramatic, authentic and committed performance of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time*, adapted by Euan McGreevy with an extraordinary central performance from Benjamin Scanlon, who won the Outstanding Performance Prize. Best boarding-house performance went to Nugent for their *Wizard of Oz* which also won the Champagne Moment for a dance interpretation of the cyclone. Best director went to Hamish Green for refereeing the exuberant Pennell performance of *Les Misérables*.

### The Dell Play – Peter Pan

This year's Dell Play, *Peter Pan*, was a production of enormous fun and energy directed in great style by Fen Marriott and theatre professional Gavin Robertson. As in previous years, this was performed during the last few days of the summer term in the beauti-



Talaayah Gunaydin as Pan

ful outdoor dell theatre space. A large ensemble cast was led by an energetic and ethereal Talaayah Gunaydin as Pan with sterling and committed performances from James Ross, a dastardly but humorous Hook, Albert Elliott a live wire with great comic timing as Smee backed by hapless pirates Bibi Convert, Charlie Purbrook and Louis Wood, doubling as Lost Boys and Lilly Porter playing the feisty Tiger Lilly with real aplomb. However, the real hero was perhaps backstage throughout the play, a tremendously organised and dedicated Georgia Yarnall as student director.

### A Streetcar Named Desire

Tennessee Williams' 20th-century iconic masterpiece of hope, compassion and ultimate betrayal was performed in the steamy intimacy of the Le Brocq Studio. Bibi Convert (Blanche) teamed up with Nia Powell (Stella) in a remarkable

partnership that moved the audience from laughter to tears. Their understanding of the script and their seemingly effortless ability to expose their characters for our understanding was remarkable. George Ruskin played a beautifully awkward Mitch, all fingers and thumbs but desperate to find his soul mate in Blanche. He shifted the audience from glee as we shared his joy, to stunned silence when he struck her down, while managing to make us feel his pain as well as hers. As a Year 10 taking on the role of Stanley, Felix Harffey-Burkhill was a revelation. He moved from wry observer to panther-like predator as he tracked down, taunted and finally raped Blanche. His bullish bravado

and macho 'born in the USA' attitude struck a chord with the current political climate. He was ably supported by Luke Muschialli (Pablo) and Tom Watkins (Steve) and Sophie Nicholles as Steve's wife Eunice. The Young Man (Billy Nicholles) almost stole the show with a cameo of bemused and hapless powerlessness as Blanche swooped in to claim her prize and a lingering kiss; it set up the next moment of genuine intimacy beautifully. The final moments of the play when the deluded and destroyed Blanche is led off to an asylum are hard to sustain without it slipping into cliché but Max Schnuppe (Doctor) and Sophie Lucas (Nurse) played it to perfection.



Sophie Nicholles, Tom Watkins, Luke Muschialli, Felix Harffey-Burkhill and George Ruskin

## College music review

This is an abridged version of the music review which appeared in the *Eastbournian* magazine for the 2016-17 academic year.

Director of Music Dan Jordan writes:

We welcomed a number of new music scholars to the department in 2016/17: Year 9 pupils Elo Quitmann, Olivia Jayaraj, Ben Scanlan, Loic Bass Gualbert, Tianlu Wang, Daisy Newton, Ed Gent and Spike Gleave; and in the Lower Sixth: Tom Sangster and Emma Smith.

October 2016 marked the return of the house unison singing competition after a break of over 25 years. The College community piled into the Winter Gardens and were treated to an entertaining afternoon featuring songs from all the houses, who had spent the first half of term fine tuning their performances. Wargrave were declared the best boys house with their sensitive and understated rendition of Leonard Cohen's *Hallelujah* while Blackwater led the way for the girls with a spirited *Mamma Mia*.

The Remembrance Sunday Concert in Chapel was well attended and the appreciative audience was treated to a selection of music appropriate for the occasion. Sian Sulke performed a spine-tingling rendition



Chapel Choir performing with The King's Singers

of *Sleep* by Ivor Gurney, Aidan Tam (clarinet) played Finzi's *Romance* and the Chapel Choir and instrumentalists joined forces to play the *Hymn to the Fallen* from the film *Saving Private Ryan*, by John Williams.

The highlight of the year for many was, undoubtedly, the visit of The King's Singers in May 2017. The internationally acclaimed group worked with the Chapel Choir on two pieces during an extremely productive and positive afternoon workshop and then performed for the whole school, members of the public and invited guests in the evening. It was an inspiring concert, and the choir, in particular Sian Sulke as soloist, certainly rose to the occasion.

The Battle of the Bands competition was hotly contested this year after the departure of the reigning champions, Melts. However, there was a return for Eddie Pitman in a judging capacity, alongside Tom Page, Siobhan Carter and Chaz Ramsey. The winning band (Lawrence Adamson, Charlie Milner, Oliver Morss-Davies, Anya Pasternack and Max Walker) had a retro moment with their rendition of Cream's *Sunshine of My Love*.

The Young Musician of the Year competition, with prizes sponsored by the Arnold Embellishers, involved over 60 pupils. The winners were: Duet Class: Aidan Tam and Sian Sulke; Junior Class: Ed Gent (piano); Intermediate Class: Sophie Nicholles (voice) and Senior Class: Aidan Tam (clarinet). The final was of an extremely high standard and the overall prize of Young Musician of the Year was awarded to Aidan and Sian for their beautiful duet.

A whole-school concert marked the end of the Lent term 2017 and took place in St Saviour's church, also celebrating their sesquicentenary. The newly re-formed Corps of Drums woke everyone up with their opening *Call to Arms*, followed by Eleanor Long and Ashraf Owasil performing the first movement of Vivaldi's Concerto for two violins in A minor with the String Orchestra, led by Mimi Davis. Aidan Tam conducted the Symphony Orchestra in his own arrangement of Astor Piazzolla's *Libertango* before Matt Long, visiting tenor



soloist, joined the Choir to sing the *Missa Criolla* by Ariel Ramirez, and Malotte's Lord's Prayer. To conclude the concert, the whole school sang the *O Fortuna* from Carl Orff's *Carmina Burana*, accompanied by brass, percussion and organ.

The summer concert continued with the tradition of giving solo opportunities to music scholars and this year we were treated to some fantastic performances. Aidan Tam performed the second and third movements of Weber's Clarinet Concert no 1 in F minor with the Symphony Orchestra; Charles Pendry (flute) and James Tomlinson (harpsichord) accompanied by the String Orchestra, performed movements from Rutter's Suite Antique. The Senior Wind Quintet of Aidan, Charles, Sian Sulke, Mr Holmes and Prof Dennis stole the show with two movements, *Barn Dance* and *Tom Cats*, from Berio's Opus Number Zoo. The concert concluded with the College Symphony



Young Musician of the Year finalists

Orchestra playing the orchestral suite from the film *How to Train Your Dragon*, by John Powell complete with live movie footage.

Many musicians and ensembles were involved in plenty of other performances

including at St Wilfrid's Hospice, for the Chaseley Trust, at Ashdown House School, for the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, in Chichester Cathedral, the Devonshire Society and finally, on Speech Day.

## CCF review

This is an abridged version of the CCF review which appeared in the *Eastbournian* magazine for the 2016-17 academic year.

*Contingent Commander Col Anthony Lamb MBE DL VR writes:*

The CCF had another action-packed year with a programme combining the tried-and-tested events but also punctuated with some new experiences and opportunities.

It was a year, however, blighted by the sudden and unexpected loss of our recently

retired SSI Tim Lucey (see obituary on page 79). This rocked not only those who had been serving with him right up to the moment he stepped out of his role in October but also the myriad former cadets and parents who owe the wonderful College cadet experience to him.

SSI Lucey's replacement, former WO2 (SSM) Lee Fulwell, was appointed in March 2017. Lee has a wealth of experience having

served as a combat medic on operations in Afghanistan, Bosnia and Iraq. He completed his full service in the army in the post of HQ Squadron Sergeant Major in the Army Medical Services. Much of this year's CCF programme replicated last year's successful model, but the RN section was able to introduce some new experiences to add to their rich water-based programme while the RAF focused on getting more cadets into the air. Our summer field day also signalled the end of an era as it was the last of its iteration. Many senior cadets continue to utilise the CCF for their Silver and Gold D of E and, of note, eight of our pupils embarked on summer adventure training or leadership courses to enhance their own life experiences. This they will add to their D of E portfolio and it will also add colour to their UCAS references.

### Army

*Section Commander Capt Phil Martin writes:*

This was the second year where training has been platoon-based with the platoon officers and NCOs responsible for the delivery of much of the curriculum. The weekly programme was punctuated by some further key events. The September field day was followed by the volunteer overnight field exercise and range day, and the year was rounded off with 30 army cadets attending a successful summer camp where cadets and NCOs from Years 10, 11 and the Lower Sixth spent four excellent days on Army section summer camp. They enjoyed a day shooting on an assortment of ranges: archery, laserquest, the Cadet GP Rifle and shotgun. A day of field craft included the excitement of vehicle checkpoints and a deliberate platoon attack. The third day was devoted to biking, boating, and orienteering. The last day was one of competition against other schools, and Eastbourne College CCF achieved medal positions in two events. A few NCOs gained promotion, including Olivia O'Dwyer who must be congratulated on attaining the rank of sergeant.



Blank-firing activity on Field Day



Thanks to Sergeant-Major Fulwell, Second Lieutenants Agnew and Young, and Captain Martin for accompanying the cadets, and to Lieutenants Hewson, Shouksmith and Simmons who each supported a couple of days' training as their school commitments permitted.

## RAF

*Section Commander Squadron Leader David Ruskin RAFVR writes:*

The RAF section has again achieved far more than its size might dictate. C Flight (Year 10) completed its basic training (marching, shooting, map and compass, field craft, model helicopter flying, flight simulator training, and model glider building) ensuring that all achieved first class cadet status. B Flight achieved a 100 per cent success rate of cadets who were recognised as worthy of leading cadet status, having completed the RAF's own on-line assessments and satisfied the criteria for delivering effective lessons to junior cadets. In A Flight, a new recruit, Hannah Feben-Smith quickly achieved both first class and leading cadet status, and was promoted to

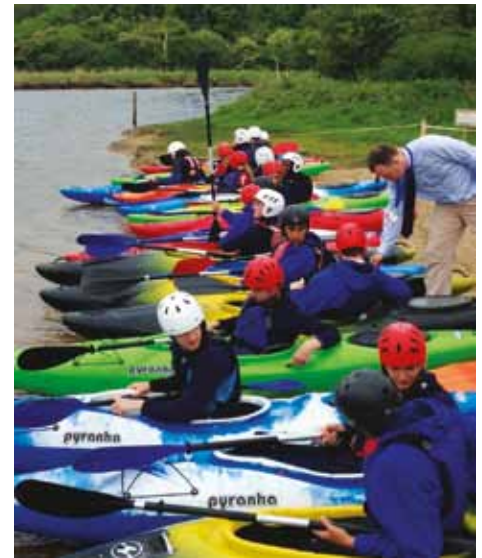
full-bore range day at Lydd Ranges in February, and experienced the joy, and occasional surprise, of emptying a magazine of 5.56 calibre rounds. Cadets from Years 10 and 11 also signed up for annual camp to experience life in the RAF and some of its fantastic opportunities in the last week of the school year.

Among some individual successes, Cpl Giles Kerr attended his flying scholarship in Dundee, Cpl Peter Dickinson was awarded a place at the air cadet leadership course at RAF Cranwell, the most prestigious, and demanding of all cadet courses, Cpl Abby McNally won a place on the RAF camp in Gibraltar, and LCpl Oliver Williams not only won an RAF flying scholarship, but also a gliding scholarship with the Honourable Company of Air Pilots.

## RN

*Section Commander Lieutenant (CCF RN) Karen MacGregor writes:*

The Royal Navy section has had a busy year with a number of special events taking place in addition to our regular Monday parades. Following our autumn field day spent at



**Training with Buzz Active in the Cuckmere Valley**

Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, where OE Max Slavin was graduating. Despite the endless rain this was an exciting occasion and the two nights aboard HMS *Hindustan*, a mine-sweeper moored in the River Dart, some power boating and a turn in the RN simulator made the journey very worthwhile.

A small cohort of cadets joined cadets from Epsom College in experiencing the damage repair unit at HMS *Phoenix*, a disaster simulator which floods and leaves cadets needing to repair the hull while the water floods in. We spent most of the summer term afternoons on the water, training with Buzz Active in Eastbourne and in the Cuckmere Valley. Our penultimate outing of the year was to Pippingford Park for a tri-service field day under bashers. Daytime activities included camp cooking, raft building, and at night an overnight-exercise 'capture the flag' took place.

Finally, the year closed with the annual camp and we joined forces with RAF cadets at Bicester Garrison. LHs Bonnar, Lock, Newton and cadets Schuler, Terry and Woolmer had a splendid time with LH Lock getting a chance to fly. We also attended a high-ropes course, did some full-scale raft building, visited the RAF museum in Hendon and enjoyed the Aylesbury water park.



**Oliver Williams won a flying and gliding scholarship**

Lance Corporal. Sgt Ed Hodges completed the year in fine form as our head of section.

Thirty cadets attended our first field day at RAF Halton and RAF Benson, enjoying the dining and accommodation at the former, and flying individually with an RAF pilot for 30 minutes with 6 AEF Squadron at the latter. Twelve cadets joined our Lent term field day at RAF Odiham to learn about the Chinook helicopter. Three cadets joined the contingent

HMS *Excellent* and on board HMS *Bristol*, with daytime activities in the dockyard and a tour of HMS *Victory*, we commemorated Trafalgar Day in school with a splendid dinner. Soon after the autumn half term LH Lock, LH Meikle and Cdt Woolmer opted to take a try-dive at the Sovereign Centre with the PADI club. This has whetted their appetites for more adventure. In December LH Newton, LH Goodwin and PO Bonnar attended the passing out parade at

## College sports review

The following sports reports are abridged versions of those that appeared in the *Eastbournian* magazine for the academic year 2016-17.

### Athletics

College records have been broken again this year: Jessica Lamb in the discus and Katherine Williams in the javelin completed a senior girls double in the throws; Spike Gleave, Ethan Hackett, George Kendon and Joshua Veitch broke the long standing 4 x 100m junior boys record in a time of 49.61



**Alex Mannhardt, Elspeth Gordon and Ethan Hackett**

running an average of 12.4s each 100m. College athletes once again made up the majority of the district athletics team in the Sussex

Championships with Ben Hughes retaining his title as the 110m senior boys hurdles champion while also picking up the bronze medal in the triple jump. There were silver medals for Rebekah Agunede, Elspeth Gordon, Ethan Hackett, Jessica Lamb and Alex Mannhardt and in their respective events and Ethan and Rebekah joined Spike Gleave in the regional championships. Spike won his hurdles race but unfortunately was not available for the nationals. However, he did win the junior boys Sussex Pentathlon and then came 7th out of 45 competitors

in the national competition. The term closed with the whole-school sports day at Eastbourne Sports Park. Walter Huchu was once again named Victor Ludorum, winning both the 100m and 110m hurdles for the second year running. The latter was a photo finish with Alex Mannhardt who had enjoyed an enormously successful year on the circuit this season. Having dominated the circuit in the early weeks, Adelaide O'Connor recovered from injury to be awarded the Victrix Ludorum for the second year running winning the 100m and shot put.



## Cricket 1st XI

Played	26
Won	21
Lost	5

The 1st XI season culminated in a record number of wins in a season for the College. The bowling unit were exceptional, dismissing ten teams for fewer than 100, with six bowlers taking 23 wickets or more. It would be difficult to imagine a more effective schoolboy bowling line-up led by Ben Twine, Louis Barron, Walter Huchu and the left-arm spin of Joe Pocklington. Often Jack Casebourne and Ben McIntosh would do the damage if the aforementioned were held at bay.

In a season where College batsmen found it tough, the efforts were workmanlike rather than outstanding, although there were some memorable highlights. Ben Twine's 100 in the Langdale County Cup versus Seaford was a brutal display of striking. Ben McIntosh showed he has developed into a fine all-rounder, demonstrating great levels of concentration to register his debut 100 for the College. Charlie Edwards showed his class with an elegant 100 against Brighton College. To add to this, Walter Huchu, Oli Carter and Joe Pocklington consistently contributed with meaningful efforts of 50 plus to ensure teams chasing were put under pressure.

## Cycling

Please see the report on page 71.

## Equestrian

The academic year got off to a flying start with the NSEA annual championships where we won three second places, a third and an eighth in the team championship finals. These great results were achieved by Nicol Bassett,



Joe Pocklington, Ben McIntosh, Walter Huchu and Ben Twine

Imogen Carr, Lauren Carr, Nick Crowther, Harriet Dipper, Serena Flower, Charlie Hamilton, Rosie Kelly, Charlie Pincus, India Piper-Dadswell and Will Reeves. Nick Crowther also won the 90cm individual show jumping.

In April we were the only school to represent East Sussex at Bury

We were the first school ever to qualify two teams and were thrilled to take first and fourth place. The standard of competition was exceptionally high with 21 schools competing from across England and Wales. Eastbourne College blue team made up of Imogen Carr, Rosie Kelly, India



Olivia O'Dwyer, Indy Wood, Imogen Jenner and Bella Park at the fives nationals at Marlborough College

Farm at the NSEA County Championships and took an exciting second place with our team of India Piper-Dadswell, Imogen Carr, Charlie Pincus and Lauren Carr.

The highlight of the year was undoubtedly competing at the Royal Windsor Horse Show.

Piper-Dadswell and Will Reeves were the overall winners with India and Rosie getting clear rounds and the team achieving an excellent time. Our red team made up of Lauren Carr, Jessica Chapman, Serena Flower and Charlie Pincus was pushed out of third position at the last minute but had excellent performances, notably Serena Flower with a clear round.

## Fencing

The first match against Ardingly College took the form of a large team match, followed by some round-robin fencing. It was much enjoyed and the newer fencers gained some valuable experience. The second meeting saw three teams fencing but unfortunately all three lost. Worth School is a new opponent for us, and the trip there was much enjoyed. The three-team format was again followed, with the A team narrowly

losing, while the B and C teams equally narrowly won. In late March, Nuriya Powell and James Martin went to the Public Schools Competition at Crystal Palace, where both gained valuable experience with Nuriya getting into the second round and only just missing the cut for the elimination stages.

## Fives

In the Lent term, the boys teams, captained by Jason Leung, endured tough school fixtures at U14-U18 level against Christ's Hospital, Tonbridge, RFA, St Paul's and Whitgift. While no matches were won overall, all games were played in excellent spirits with some good individual results and the boys improved throughout the season. The 1sts and U16s also competed at the South East regionals. Peter Dickinson competed at the West of England and national schoolboys championships, encountering tough opposition but gaining valuable experience. The girls competed with two pairs (one U14 and one U18) at the first South East regional girls tournament at Christ's Hospital. Our girls were comparatively inexperienced with the senior pair (Indy Wood and Olivia O'Dwyer) also playing a year up, but all four improved massively over the course of the competition. The same girls then went on to the nationals at Marlborough College and enjoyed some success, with junior pair Immy Jenner and Bella Park winning the doubles second plate and Immy finishing runner-up in the singles competition.

## Football 1st XI

Played	7
Won	4
Drew	1
Lost	2

The season started with a 12-1 win against Claremont, with Fabian Rimmer scoring an impressive four goals in a long-awaited debut for the football club. Jack Keating and Harry Beacom were an ever-present threat, creating the chances for the strikers to pounce. Against Hurstpierpoint College we fought to win 6-2, the goal of the game going to Tom MacDonald who scored a delicate chip from a tight angle. Arguably the best performance of the year came against Christ's Hospital who finished top of the Sussex and Kent league unbeaten. After leading for the majority of the match, it finished 2-2, Eastbourne conceding a



The teams with their coach Judi Piper-Dadswell at the Royal Windsor Horse Show



late penalty from a very debatable refereeing decision. Ed Laycock had a brilliant match and totally bossed the midfield and, along with Oliver Rust, restricted the opposition to the occasional venture into Eastbourne's half. At Sutton Valance we lost 2-1, never recovering from two quick goals. We played especially well against Bede's and beat them 6-2, George Marshall in particular being a nuisance in front of the opposition goal. In the final match, we overcame a strong Brighton College in a 7-6 thriller. Having not beaten them for a couple of years, Eastbourne twice came from behind until a three-goal cushion was established, only for Brighton to get a couple in during the closing stages to make for a nail-biting finish. The goals included a bullet header from captain Joe Andrews and a typically scrappy El-Amin Anifowoshe finish.

## Golf

At the start of the year Peter Dickinson, Charlie Edwards, Jack Fletcher-Price, Elisa Lehmann and Ben Twine headed to Royal Ashdown for the Smarden Bell. Out of nine competing schools, the College came third with an impressive team performance. We then faced the longer knockout tournaments such as the ISGA Matchplay and HMC foursomes competition, with Toby Lock and George Pepper making their debuts in the HMC. With a swift exit from the foursomes competition, a first-round exit in the IGSA led to the plate competition. Toby, Jack and George won against Bede's and looked forward to the national plate final at Magnolia Park in June. Friendly fixtures against Tonbridge and Brighton yielded a draw and a win respectively.

## Boys hockey 1st XI

Played	19
Lost	11
Drew	2
Lost	6

This was a highly enjoyable season: a considerable improvement on last year. Captain James Edwards, Charlie Reynolds, Greg East and Ben Hughes provided a strong spine to the team while the stick skills of Charlie Edwards, Matt Pusey, Ben Fox and Arthur Pickard added flair and invention.

Our season was a slow burner. Good pace in midfield and attack, with Olly Morss-Davies and Will McNeilly rotating through forward line positions, enabled the front six to maintain high work rates



**Ben Fox, James Edwards, Jack Casebourne, Jasper Toomer and Greg East**

and pressing game. The side lifted themselves to challenge better sides such as Cranleigh (1-2) and Tonbridge (1-2), but could make hard work of games conceding early goals and then playing catch-up. We had three competitive matches against both Ardingly and Hurst. We beat Ardingly in the school fixture (3-1) and the Sussex Cup semi-final (2-1), but lost to them in the second round of the National Cup (2-3). An organised and robust Hurst team got the better of us three times, twice by

an equalising goal in the final move of the match. They went on to win on penalty shuffles (2-1).

Towards the end of the season the team began to score more freely in attack and become more reliable out of defence. Jasper Toomer was a reliable presence in the heart of the defence, Barney Furlong's decision-making and passing improved, and more game time was given to George Edwards, Louis Heywood and Cris Richards. Superb hockey was played against Sutton Valance

Jellings returned from injury to add skill and vision in the midfield alongside Hannah and Katherine Williams. The forward line of Amelia Baron (19 goals), Holly Fletcher-Price (five goals), Olivia O'Dwyer (six goals) and Annie Wilson (17 goals) put every opposition's defence under pressure creating chances in every game. The defensive unit developed steadily, with Jess Lamb dominating games from centre back, having a faultless performance against Ardingly. She was well supported by the versatile Ellie Casselden (who played in eight different positions through the season), Harriet Dipper and Amy Goble. Romney Hole was outstanding at left back and Tilly Crane made some crucial saves, none more so than in the dying seconds of the U19 Cup final v Hurstpierpoint, preventing the game going to penalties. The squad was well supported by Pru Barnes, Rebe Casselden and Elspeth Gordon all of whom developed and maintained important roles. This team won the Sussex U19 Cup and lost narrowly to Ardingly in the U18 final in spite of beating them in the block fixture.



**The 1st XI after winning the Sussex U19 knockout cup**

one goal and once on penalty shuffles in the Sussex final. This final was particularly frustrating: we played much the better hockey on the day, but a late equaliser and two of our shots rebounding off the crossbar proved to be the fine dividing line between the two sides.

There were convincing wins against Lancing (5-0), Cranbrook (9-3) and St Lawrence's College (4-1). An open game against Bede's (4-4) saw both teams playing skilful hockey, but conceding soft goals. The two teams met in the final of the Sussex sixes where both sides played well. Eastbourne held a 1-0 lead with 15 seconds left in the match. An unfortunate slip when shooting led to a turn over and Bede's scored

(3-1) and on tour at the Bath Festival. This was when things started to click: the squad won three of four matches against Watford Grammar (2-1), Forest School (9-2) and Haberdashers' Aske's (5-1).

## Girls hockey 1st XI

Played	24
Won	9
Drew	5
Lost	10

This season was always going to be challenging given the number of leavers from last year's squad. Hannah Legg as this year's captain, Jess Lamb (vice-captain) and Amelia Baron were the only squad members remaining. Annabelle

They were competitive in every game and improved immensely throughout the season.

## Netball 1st VII

Played	11
Won	4
Drew	1
Lost	6

In the first match against Bede's, the girls were determined to play well and secured a solid victory, winning 22-10. We were in a fortunate position to have three players who could shoot: Jess Lamb, Eden Higgins-Stockden and Katie McIntyre all proved their accuracy skills and worked well together. This was particularly



in evidence against Cranleigh. Having thought we had secured an impressive victory we ended up facing a draw as they equalised in the dying seconds of the game. Our mid-court players fought well in transition and supported the attack effectively. Lucy Ritson showed her endless energy and commitment in every area of the court and was supported by Charlie Brown and Katherine Williams. Alysha Chui consistently demonstrated her versatility playing wing defence, centre and wing attack when required. The defensive unit of Amy Goble and Harriet Dipper rarely faltered. Between them they covered the circle well and became more vocal within the circle to intimidate the oppositions' attack. Rebe Casselden was outstanding as goalkeeper at the Sussex Independent School competition standing in for Amy who was unable to play.

The leadership that Jess Lamb gave through the season was highly commended. She worked hard in both attack and defence, always supporting the team where necessary. The energy that Eden gave as vice-captain picked players up in training when they were coming back from injury or exhausted in a match. Further victories against Lancing (24-12) and Moira House (18-8) secured their status locally. Coaching these girls has reinforced the fact that belief in your team mates brings success and inspires ambition.

### Rounders 1st

Played	3
Won	2
Lost	1

When it is a gloriously sunny day on the sunshine coast it is hard not to enjoy rounders, and the senior girls certainly made the most of the weather this season. The girls had only three fixtures but they beat both Sevenoaks and

Lancing comfortably and were defeated by Benenden only narrowly. The team itself was very strong with Tilly Wood bowling and Indy Wood, Charlie Brown and Beth Tagg using their cricketing skills to field the ball in from deep. Nicol Bassett, Alex Fenner and Jane Mullaney were excellent at ensuring players were stumped out at the bases and Jessie Carpenter proved to be an excellent backstop. A highlight of the batting innings had to be in the game against Lancing when Indy ran one base too far and got Tilly out. There was many a laugh after that and a look shared that only sisters can understand. It was a thoroughly enjoyable season. In spite of having only a few competitive games to drive them, the girls were always enthusiastic.

### Rowing

Eastbourne's 1st IV had a formative and enjoyable season on the Thames. The season began at Chiswick regatta in a three-way race against Thames Rowing Club and Putney Town (who beat us in a memorable regatta the previous year). Some missed strokes and stronger opposition crews meant we finished a length or two behind. The following week saw us beaten by two-and-a-half lengths against Parr's Priory at Borne at Chiswick regatta. For the first time in years we managed to beg and barter our way into the scenic Thames Ditton regatta which allowed the boys to row under the nose of Hampton Court Palace on a very picturesque stretch of water. Despite another loss against King's School Canterbury it was excellent to soak up the riverside atmosphere. Walton and Weybridge saw our sixth form crew pitted against big and burly men from Reading Rowing Club, but saw perhaps our closest race with a loss by just half a canvas. The final race of the season at Barnes and Mortlake saw us beaten



Hamish Green, Luke Sprintall, Silas Rowlands, Thomas Alston and Elias Brown at Chiswick



Rex Farrant, Harvey Warren, Hugo McNally and Will Falk

in another tough three-way race between LVS Ascot and Cygnet. The boys were unfortunate to have lost their stride somewhat when they were swamped and nearly engulfed by a sizeable wave created by a pleasure boat cruising down the Thames halfway through the race. Thus the season came to a close without any points accrued. However, the boys have kept their spirits high and tackled each regatta with the characteristic determination and zeal we would expect of an Eastbourneian.

### Rugby 1st XV

Played	12
Won	7
Lost	5

A total of 23 players played for the 1st XV this year, each one pouring heart and soul into their play, competing against some of the best school teams in the country. The season opener against Tonbridge is always a tough game. A final defeat (0-22) flattered Tonbridge in a game played predominantly in the middle of pitch. The following weeks saw the team hit full stride, winning three matches against Christ's Hospital (33-0), King's Canterbury (55-0) and Cranbrook School (43-9): 131 points scored without concession of a single try. In the final game before half term we travelled to St John's, Leatherhead for an absolute thriller. For 55 minutes

the momentum of the game swung back and forth. With the score line at 14-25 to St John's, Eastbourne missed an opportunity under the posts that would have left the game poised on a knife edge. However, the chance went begging and they could not quite get the points that would have given the game the finish it deserved. The final Tom Lewis memorial game saw the 1st XV winning 28-0 in a match thoroughly enjoyed by all, with many of the previous two years' 1st XV players taking part.

The second half of the season saw more excellent rugby. We beat Skinners' (12-0) and then Seaford College (24-17), with a last-minute try in the final game of the year on College Field. The annual fixture against Brighton College saw a poor first 25 minutes with Eastbourne conceding 29 points, at which point any chance of a comeback looked unlikely. Although we lost (0-36), it was impressive to see our players not giving in and battling hard. The final two games of the year ended in close defeats: a 15-20 loss to Hurstpierpoint College and a 12-24 loss to Caterham School. It should be noted that key injuries were a significant factor in the results here.

Of course, results tell only part of the story. This year's side won more games than they lost, scoring considerably more points than they conceded, and the

impact they have had on evolving the culture of senior squad rugby at the College is immeasurable. The Upper Sixth players deserve thanks for their efforts in shaping the school's rugby culture, in particular Hugh Turnbull (vice-captain) and Mike Gatehouse (captain) for their support in leading the players.

## Sailing

The College had another successful term at Buzz Active with both senior and junior groups participating in sailing and windsurfing. The pupils certainly made the most of being able to spend the majority of the time on the sea this year. The sailors worked hard to improve their racing technique and the windsurfers continued to develop their tacking, steering and gybing. It is great that pupils will now have the opportunity to continue to develop their skills into the Michaelmas term as well as becoming proficient stand-up paddle boarders and kayakers. A particular highlight of the season was the sailing regatta against Bede's and the Onboard Buzz Active team. Although the College did not quite manage to repeat last year's victory, a special mention goes to Rebe Cassleden who gained first place in two out of the three races.

## Squash

The boys enjoyed some spirited fixtures with many closely fought matches. Harry Membrey led from the front and increased the subtlety of his game. Ben Twine, Jonty Flett and James Allan's natural ball skills shone through and Christian Richards' excellent technique was increasingly rewarded as his concentration and focus improved. Jason Yeung's stamina increased markedly and Adam Howard and Jamie McGonigal proved enthusiastic participants.

The girls team enjoyed local derbies with two meets against Moira House and one against Bede's, as well as further afield to Christ's Hospital. They were led by a new captain in Rosie Brown, whose competitive streak and enthusiasm was a fantastic asset. Indy Wood was the regular number one, with a demon serve and great strength and movement on court. Last year's two Ellies (Daly and Hardy) returned and were matched with a pair of Rosies (Brown and O'Donovan). Freya McNeish and Lully Gibbons played some strong games and will be missed next year.



Tom Alston, Euan McGreevy, Izzy McIntosh, Louis Wood, Liberty Balmer, Bethany Tagg, Róisín Dixon and Will McNeilly

## Swimming

Throughout the season the swimmers performed brilliantly with personal bests falling at every meet. We started the season at the English schools regional relay championships, a highly competitive event which saw our best result coming from the intermediate boys who finished third in the medley relay. A special mention goes to Tom Alston for breaking the school 50m breast stroke record again.

In January we had our annual five-school meet at Tonbridge. The teams consisted of 21 swimmers, all putting in magnificent performances, achieving 29 new PB times and a first ever victory for the senior boys. The senior girls were edged out by a single point in the last relay.

The College took part in a number of multi-school events including the Sussex cup against Ardingly, Lancing and Hurstpierpoint as well as a three-way match held at Christ's Hospital with Cranleigh. However, the highlight is the Bath Cup, held at the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park with over 100 schools competing in this massive one-day relay competition. A girls team (Liberty Balmer, Bethany Tagg, Róisín Dixon and Izzy MacIntosh) and a boys team (Tom Alston, Will McNeilly, Euan McGreevey and Louis Wood) put up nail-biting races after reaching the finals. The girls finished ninth in the Dunelm Medley final and seventh in the Aldenham cup freestyle final. The boys pushed even closer, finishing sixth and eighth in their equivalent finals. Special mentions go to Bethany Tagg,

Liberty Balmer and Tom Alston who all broke school records (butterfly, freestyle and breaststroke respectively). The girls freestyle record was broken three times that day.

At the end of Lent term Tom Alston was awarded the Simon Green Cup for Endeavour, testament to his determination and dedication. Never missing a training session, he has worked hard to break breaststroke records that have stood since the late 1970s and early 1980s. He continued to extend his lead in his final years maintaining this approach through his final year, while simultaneously training for rugby and rowing as well as studying for four A-levels and making an application to Cambridge. Tom is an example to us all.

## Senior boys tennis



James Allan

The squad played a number of matches throughout the year and competed admirably in each and every fixture at both 1st and 2nd team level. A season that opened at the very start of the last academic year saw the senior boys narrowly miss out on a place at the finals of the National Independent School Tennis Championships at Bolton. The boys secured some strong victories along the way in the qualifying rounds including beating Lancing. During the summer months there were a number of fixtures played both home and away, along with the squad also playing in the Sussex Shield, hosted this year at Lancing College, where the team managed to qualify in 1st place for the finals day and finishing runners-up overall.

## Senior girls tennis

The College is gaining a reputation as one of the top British schools for girls tennis. Our top squad was ranked third in the country, thereby gaining direct entry to the Nottingham national finals, where they secured sixth place overall. The squad trained hard throughout the Michaelmas and Lent terms, with top players practising most days under the tutelage of Luke Milligan (ex-full-time professional and Davis Cup player), Luciano Cestari (head coach at David Lloyd, Eastbourne) and Simon Gent (county player and the College's master i/c tennis). Despite some injuries, the girls reached the summer term ready for action and keen to prove themselves a force in schools tennis. However, bad news struck in the form of a foot fracture for number one player Eleanor Chapman, an injury that was to keep her off court all term and necessitates a gradual return to play next season. However, the other girls in the team rose to the challenge and recorded the first unbeaten season in the history of the College's 1st VI. The girls also won the U18 County Championships beating Bede's in the semi-final and Brighton in the final. In the Independent Schools Tennis Championships at Eton National in July 2017, Ellie Dasant and Valentina Khalturina reached the final only to be narrowly defeated by Culford. The girls had their chances, notably when they had break points for a 5-4 lead in the first set, but succumbed 4-3, 3-6 in a high quality match. The girls were extremely close to registering a first national title for Eastbourne.



# The Eastbournian Society



## The Old Eastbournian Association Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended 31 July 2017

All figures in GBP

	2017		2016	
	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>				
Subscriptions receivable		24,000		24,000
Profit from sale of OE Regalia		536		674
Sundry income		—		—
Revaluation of stock		—		—
		<u>24,536</u>		<u>24,674</u>
<b>DEDUCT OUTGOINGS</b>				
Annual Report	12,594		12,740	
Birley Centre sponsorship	—		—	
Other postage and stationery	—		—	
Secretarial Services	2,500		2,500	
Grants – Cricket	1,800		2,600	
Golf	1,500		1,500	
Football	—		—	
Squash	—		—	
Tennis	—		—	
Rugby	1,500		1,500	
Raisers Edge	—		—	
Sundry expenses	—		—	
OE events	—		—	
		<u>19,894</u>		<u>20,840</u>
		4,642		3,834
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME</b>				
Received net of tax		56		86
<b>DEFICIT IN/SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>4,698</u>		<u>3,920</u>

	2017		2016	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Balance Sheet at 31 July 2017</b>				
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>				
Balance at 1 August		27,344		23,424
<b>Deduct</b>				
Donation to Old Eastbournian Charity		—		—
Birley Centre		—		—
		<u>—</u>		<u>—</u>
<b>Add</b>				
Surplus from Income and Expenditure Account		4,698		3,920
Balance at 31 July		<u>32,042</u>		<u>27,344</u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY:</b>				
Monies on deposit at RBS plc				
Special interest-bearing account	4,073		9,518	
OE Regalia Stock Deposit	5,100		5,100	
Deposits paid on dinners/ other events		—		—
Debtors	23,877		11,934	
Bank Current Account	1,000		1,000	
		<u>34,050</u>		<u>27,552</u>
<b>Deduct</b>				
Creditors		(2,008)		(208)
Bank account		—		—
		<u>32,042</u>		<u>27,344</u>

## Notice of Annual General Meeting 2018

The Annual General Meeting of the Eastbournian Society (incorporating the Old Eastbournian Association) will be held on Saturday 24 February 2018, starting at 10am. OEs are welcome to attend the AGM and are asked to inform the Eastbournian Society office at latest by 16 February 2018 if they wish to do so, by telephone to 01323 452314 or email to jt@eastbourne-college.co.uk. The AGM will be held at Eastbourne College and further details of the venue will be announced on the Eastbournian Society website.

### The Agenda

1. To receive and, if thought fit, to approve the Hon. Treasurer's Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2017.
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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# Diary of events

## Social and cultural events

We organise social and cultural events, including lunches, dinners, theatre trips, walks, talks and visits to places of interest. These are for all ES members: OEs, parents, pupils, staff and other friends of the College. More will be organised during the year; please check the Eastbournian Society website or call us for more information (contacts are shown by initials CT, JT or LB – see below for contact details).

**Thursday 1 February, 2.30pm**  
Lady Windermere's Fan  
Vaudeville Theatre, London (JT)

**Saturday 3 February, 7.30pm**  
ES annual quiz and dinner  
Senior Social Common Room (JT)

**Thursday 22 February, 4.00pm**  
Antiques through the ages (talk)  
Powell House Dining Room (JT)

**Saturday 24 February, 10.00am**  
Eastbournian Society AGM  
Long Room, Howell Pavilion (JT)

**Saturday 3 March, 9.00am**  
College open morning  
(please book on College website)

**Monday 30 April, 7.00pm**  
Annual London dinner  
(see advert at front of magazine) (LB)

**Sunday 6 to Wednesday 9 May**  
ES tour of Normandy  
(see details on website) (LB)

**Saturday 12 May, 11.00am**  
Reception for grandparents of pupils  
Birley Centre (JT)

**Monday 21 May, 12 noon**  
The Over-60s lunch (tickets £40)  
St George's Hill Club, Weybridge (LB)

**Saturday 24 May, 7.30pm**  
Events planning meeting  
Eastbourne College (JT)

**Saturday 2 June, 12.30pm**  
Wargrave 130th celebration lunch  
(see advert at front of magazine) (LB)

**Saturday 16 June, 9.00am**  
College open morning  
(please book on College website)

**Saturday 23 June**  
Foundation Day for benefactors  
By invitation only (CT)

**Saturday 30 June, 12.15pm**  
Speech Day  
Eastbournian Society reception (LB)

**Wednesday 11 July, 2.30pm**  
Strictly Ballroom The Musical  
Piccadilly Theatre, London (JT)

**Saturday 8 September**  
Reunion for OEs of all ages  
(see advert at front of magazine) (LB)

**Saturday 15 September, 9.00am**  
College open morning  
(please book on College website)

**Thursday 20 September, 7.30pm**  
Events planning meeting  
Eastbourne College (JT)

**Saturday 22 September**  
The annual London guided walk  
(Location to be confirmed) (JT)

**Saturday 29 September**  
Reception for parents of new pupils  
College Theatre (LB)

**Friday 2 and Saturday 3 November**  
150 celebration laser light show  
College Field

**Thursday 13 December, 6.00pm**  
Christmas carol service  
All Saints' Church, College reception (JT)

**Saturday 15 December, 7.00pm**  
150th anniversary Winter Ball  
(see advert at front of magazine) (LB)

## Business and career networking events

Our free networking events are open to OEs, parents, pupils and staff. They are an opportunity for professionals to offer careers advice to those starting out in or considering joining their profession, as well as a chance for business networking and building up contacts. Drinks and canapés will be available. This list is accurate at the time of going to press – more events are to be added so please check the website for updates. Please contact Lulu Brown (contact details below) for more details.

**Tuesday 20 February, 6.00pm**  
Sales, marketing and PR  
The Phoenix, 14 Palace Street, SW1E 5JA

**Friday 23 February, 7.00pm**  
Careers and gap year convention  
Eastbourne College

**Wednesday 7 March, 6.00pm**  
Shipping  
Baltic Exchange, London

**Saturday 17 March, 11.00am**  
Eastbournian Medical Society  
Eastbourne College

**Friday 5 October, 12 noon**  
The London business lunch  
The Phoenix, 14 Palace Street, SW1E 5JA

**Wednesday 10 October, 6.00pm**  
Banking, broking and asset management  
PwC, 7 More Place, London

**Wednesday 14 November, 6.00pm**  
Insurance  
Venue to be confirmed, London

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## Sports events

For details of OE Golf Society matches and contacts see pages 72-74.

**Sunday 17 June**  
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1st round: OECC v Old Oundelians

**Thursday 28 June**  
MCC v 1st XI cricket match  
11.30am College Field  
Cricket dinner  
7.00pm College Dining Hall (LB)

**Saturday 30 June**  
Cricket: OEs v College 1st XI  
College Field

**Friday 6 July, 11.00am**  
Foundation Golf Challenge  
Royal Eastbourne GC (CT)

**Tuesday 10 to Friday 13 July**  
Old Eastbournian Cricket Week  
Memorial Ground

Check [www.eastbourniansociety.org](http://www.eastbourniansociety.org) for regular updates and new events



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