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## REVIEW OF THE YEAR

The sun is finally shining, the Bumps are a hazy memory and exams even more so, and soon graduation day will be upon us. Just when we think we are free to party all day and all night, we remember that the Review of the Year needs writing.

Our attempt to write our piece didn't begin well when it turned out that the email system had gone wrong and the meeting in the Bar (where else) was only attended by one of us, who tried very hard to pretend that she always sat in the Bar on her own at lunchtime. Things did improve, but only just. What we really needed was a Committee, or a sub-Committee or even an ad-hoc Committee, but we had to make do with an informal group.

The Michaelmas Term was spent preparing for the 'Millennium Bug' with all computer systems tried and tested and assurances received from suppliers of electrical goods. The working group meetings were enjoyed by all who participated and Johnians will be relieved to hear that the only systems that failed were the fridges - and in any case nobody noticed in the Buttery.

The Domestic Bursar, Richard Robinson, was in charge of the reconnaissance for the Millennium, as well as many other aspects of College life. We were very sad to see Richard go (only after a long round of retirement parties), but were pleased to gain a whole new military vocabulary with the new Domestic Bursar, Commodore John Harris. Commodore Harris comes to us from a life in submarines so it should come as no surprise that we are 'going round the buoy' and that the new urns outside the library were purchased as a result of the students 'dirtying the deck' with cigarette ends. 'Downstream' we expect the College to be 'shipshape'.

Supporters of College sport will be pleased to know that Room Cricket has returned to College after an absence of many years when the Master invited the Eagles and Flamingoes back to the Lodge for a game after the first joint dinner. We have heard that the Master participated but we do not know for which team he played. Other changes took place on the

Playing Fields where we welcomed a new Groundsman, complete with new baby, and the Chaplain introduced a mixed doubles tournament. Down at the Boathouse the LMBC are preparing to share their new improved Boathouse with members of one of the red-brick colleges. Social interaction between St John's and Robinson is expected to increase dramatically as a result, but there is some concern that if the 1st men continue to fall in the Bumps, Robinson may pose a serious threat.

St John's has never been a radical College and so it was that around 100 students signed up for a rent strike in the Michaelmas Term - *after* they'd paid their bills. Elsewhere around College students really did strike, but before Johnians had a chance to withhold their rent for the Lent Term, the JCR, SBR and College agreed on the terms of a Bursary scheme which had been in the pipeline for a while. As one student remarked 'everyone loves College so much that they wouldn't really want to rock the boat'.

If St John's is not known for its political activity, the College's graduate students are even less radical in their outlook. It came as quite a surprise to us to hear that the SBR Committee are considering de-affiliating from CUSU. We can take comfort, though, in the fact that the main issue facing them this year was whether to change the pictures which hang in the SBR.

Throughout college, both junior and senior members could be seen reading about such student issues and antics in *The Cambridge Student*, the new highbrow rival to *Varsity*. Co-founded by a Johnian, the newspaper managed to remind us that things sometimes *do* happen outside the cosy world within the college gates.

So as we enter May Week we can look back on the year and say that everything worked out OK in the end. All that remains is for the May Ball Committee to conjure up another evening of magic this year. They could learn a few lessons from Jim Scott who wowed the crowds on Magdalene Bridge and the ADC with his Houdini-style magic. He became the latest in a long line of Johnian media stars when the illustrious local radio station broadcast live from Magdalene Bridge as Jim was bundled into the Cam in a box. The Archivist and Finance

Manager wove magic of a different kind, also at the ADC, when they were cast as Scrooge and Scrooge's nephew respectively in *A Christmas Carol*. Some kind of reversal of their normal roles, but entertaining none the less.

Soon we shall be looking forward to a new intake of freshers, all eagerly embarking on their careers as Johnians. Who knows, perhaps one of them will be writing this piece next year . . .

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## MESSAGE FROM THE MASTER

### *First Class Education*

*O wad some Pow'r the giftie gie us to see oursels as others see us!* At the moment, in Cambridge Colleges, we only have to look in the morning newspapers to get one view of ourselves, albeit one that is more than difficult for those of us who work here to recognise. Other views we collect: from students on their supervisors (as well as from supervisors on their supervisees), from applicants for admission on the Tutors and other Fellows who have interviewed them, and so on. In some cases it is difficult to know what to make of the comments made: e.g. the applicant in engineering who wrote "I became very nervous when I saw a pencil on the desk" or the aspiring economist who thought "the interviewer was friendly and it was clear to me that he was willing to learn". On the other hand, I immediately identified with the mathematician who remarked "no one told me what to do so I just walked around the town"; it was just what happened to me thirty-eight years ago.

Even more perceptive observations came in a thank-you letter from young visitors from a school in Lambeth that is a participant in our EAGLE project there. Mr Nolan's talk on law and the way government works was clearly very informative and much enjoyed but even more striking was the Hall. It was "massive" and looked "really expensive" and, with "its long tables and gold cutlery", it reminded them of the "first class rooms on the Titanic". Even though the gold cutlery must have been in the imagination, these innocent and appreciative comments give cause for thought. It is no bad thing to be prompted in this way to consider whether we are not sitting comfortably in First Class, getting on with our reading, whilst in the gloom outside an iceberg approaches. We must keep on inspecting ourselves for any signs of malignant complacency but I think that here the bill of health remains clean. However, there is another lesson in this: even though our students are under less financial pressure and are better supported in most ways than those at other Universities, as those of us with children who have studied elsewhere know very well, we have the false image of being expensive.

When it comes to encouraging applications from as wide a field of potential undergraduates as possible, external perceptions are vitally important. Although costs here remain comparatively low, and rents for accommodation remain below both national and local comparisons, charges have been rising in real terms because of the financial pressures on the universities, and on Oxford and Cambridge colleges in particular. At the same time, local authority grants for maintenance have disappeared to be replaced in part by loans. So we must ensure that those who come from less wealthy backgrounds do not have to leave the College more in debt by way of loans than their better provided for contemporaries. (Such burdens of debt not only deter applicants but also effectively restrict the career choices of graduands because the practice of employers in some areas is to offer entrants less than a living wage, or indeed nothing at all, for extended periods of 'work experience'.)

To respond to this, the College has decided to put in place a Bursary Scheme to assist those UK students who come to the College from less wealthy backgrounds. Starting with those who matriculate in October 2001, we shall give a grant to each undergraduate equal to the part of the Government loan that is means tested. Other Colleges are implementing broadly similar schemes. In this way, we hope to ensure that there are no financial barriers to studying here, and to maintain our aim of admitting the ablest students independent of background or financial means. The Senior Tutor, Ray Jobling, has written more about this scheme elsewhere in this issue of *The Eagle*, and David Cox has added a student's perspective. The resources required to implement the scheme will be very substantial, around £150,000 per annum we estimate, but nothing could be more central to the College's purpose. Already a number of Johnians have made donations to assist with the provision of these Bursaries and we hope that others will consider this an objective worthy of support.

The portrayal of a college community, such as ours, as a narrow elite shows ignorance or prejudice: elite, in the sense of choice and highly selected, inevitably and unashamedly, but narrow in no sense at all. The diversity of those we admit is brought home to me each year when my

wife and I have the privilege of entertaining freshmen to lunch on Sundays throughout the Michaelmas Term. An increasing number come from overseas, and we should not be surprised if some students from this country seek to go the other way, although the proportion remains small at the undergraduate level. But more than half of our graduate students come from overseas. About fifty different nationalities are represented amongst our junior members and nearly twenty in the Fellowship. Inbreeding is not much in evidence.

That said, the College has been concerned for a considerable time that there are large parts of the country from which we recruit few if any students. This is not through any unwillingness on our part and the problem is not ours alone: it relates to the nature of the provision of secondary education in those areas and it is reflected in the recruitment into all parts of tertiary education, not just the leading universities. It is difficult to see how it can be addressed fully without devoting substantially greater resources to education at a national level. In origin, it may not be our problem, but it is not a problem that we have chosen to ignore. As the Senior Tutor writes, the EAGLE scheme, which we have been developing for over four years with the help of the Department for Education and Employment and in close collaboration with Lambeth Council, is not only bearing fruit, it is being used as a model for other schemes in Cambridge and elsewhere. The College is taking other initiatives to find innovative ways of promoting links with schools including a scheme, in collaboration with the Gatsby Charitable Foundation, to offer support to improve the teaching of mathematics, science and technology in schools, initially in the Eastern Region.

To make progress on these issues requires very considerable resources, both financial and in terms of personal commitment. We work hard at seeking to gather fields of applicants from wherever possible and then to choose from them those with the highest potential. These objectives remain at the top of the College's priorities not because of spotlights turned on them for the moment, for whatever reason, but because the waste of talent is a tragedy and can be ill-afforded nationally; because we believe that the excellent educational opportunities that the College offers should be available to those best able to profit from them,



independently of their background or financial means; and, admittedly, because we prefer to teach and live amongst the brightest and most interesting students that we can find. What would be motivating us to do anything else?

**Peter Goddard**

# COMMEMORATION OF BENEFACTORS

30 April 2000

I would like first of all to thank the College for inviting me to preach on this important occasion. And while I am about it, I would like to extend these thanks a little further. Since I returned to Cambridge in the summer of 1994 to work at Great St Mary's I have come to appreciate and value being a member of the College. I have been hospitably welcomed on many occasions and enjoyed every visit to the college. Then when we ventured on our big appeal at Great St Mary's to re-order St Michael's Church, I naturally found myself turning to the College for support and we received generous help from the College Council. Also I am a trustee of the Wintercomfort charity for the homeless, and I and my fellow trustees have been very aware of the friendship and support of the College through some pretty dark days over the last couple of years. So my first thought is to recognise a benefactor which is not on the list – the College itself.

I would also like to remember especially one name among College benefactors. When I looked at the list, the first name I saw as I turned over the pages was that of the Craik family. This is a recent benefaction and, so, many here will be familiar both with the circumstances of the benefaction and how it has enriched the life of the college. Kenneth Craik was born in Leith in 1914. He came up to the College in 1936 from Edinburgh University as a graduate student and then, after being awarded his PhD, was elected a Research Fellow in 1941. His field of study was psychology and physiology, and, when the Medical Research Council set up a unit of Applied Psychology, Craik was invited to become its first director. He was fascinated by design and craftsmanship, and his rooms were full of things he had made and repaired – optical apparatus, watches, a home-made violin and even an ingeniously designed eskimo kayak. He took great pains to co-operate with colleagues and others, and was well-liked. One day in May 1945 he was cycling along King's Parade. As he passed a stationary car, the driver opened the door. He swerved to avoid it and was hit by a passing

lorry. Nobody, it seems, was held to be at fault but later that night he died from the injuries he sustained. His parents James and Marie gave the College £4,000 to found a trust fund to assist post-graduate research, and later added a further £8,000. In the years since then, it has provided awards for students in his fields of specialisation, endowed a lecture, and has encouraged inter-departmental research.

Who is the benefactor in this story? The parents gave the money and are remembered, but surely their motives must have had more to them than a desire to give to the College. The son was also a benefactor since his talents and contribution led to the gift. And of course it was the College who provided the opportunity and environment for study and research. And, what's more, the benefits of the benefaction have continued since then. All were, in different ways, benefactors.

So acts of benefaction and generosity happen in a context. They have a history, a purpose, and a future. It was commented that in the Byzantine Empire, there was a huge amount of charitable work done by the Church, and indeed other institutions, who were major suppliers of what we would call services. They were assiduous builders of hospitals, providers of old peoples' homes, receivers of travellers and providers of work. Money and property was not seen as a source of wealth, but was intended to be used, and those who were rich saw their function as providers of services, and so enabled society to function effectively. One critic commented that it was a society geared for the distribution of wealth rather than the creation of wealth, and those with money were recognised as having an important role within society. Today we might express it differently and see money as a form of discourse – as a way we can transfer our skills or our talents or resources from one to another. It is a reminder that the community of a college certainly emphasises its academic discourse, as learning, ideas, and study are shared and transacted, but there are other forms of discourse as well, and the receiving and use of money, property and other resources are vital to its well-being. How they are received and used are matters of vital importance for the welfare of the community.

Today we are still well in the season of Easter. At this time last Sunday we were in mid-celebration, and indeed if you are a member of one of the

Orthodox Churches of the Eastern Christian world you would have been spending much of last night in church for the Easter liturgy – there were two Orthodox liturgies happening within a few yards of the college, in St Clement's and St Peter's churches. One of my fellow students, not of this college but of the other of the Lady Margaret's foundations in Cambridge, Christ's College, is now one of our most respected church leaders. In his book on the Resurrection, Rowan Williams explores the idea of the Resurrection as being about the creation of what he calls 'communities of gift'. The Bible speaks of the isolation and paralysis of the apostles after the Crucifixion when as a distraught and demoralised group of men, probably with women there as well, they are found huddled in an upstairs room with the doors securely locked and barred to keep themselves from contact with others – a fairly classic strategy for dealing with despair and hopelessness. Then in a short time they became the confident founders of the Church – with a message to give which convinced many and led to the establishing and rapid growth of the Christian Church. It was a community of gift, based on the overwhelming recognition of the greatness of the generosity of God in giving life.

Paul wrote of spiritual gifts, telling that each should recognise his or her God-given abilities and be ready to use them for the good of the community. The Acts of the Apostles explains how, in the early days of the Christian Church, property was held in common. Money was given, property was sold, and the proceeds given to those in need. One unhappy benefaction is described when two donors called Ananias and his wife Sapphira sold some property and decided to give only a part of the proceeds of the sale to the church. A dreadful fate fell on the perpetrators of this act of half-giving and deception as Ananias and his wife Sapphira came to a sudden death – although it was their deception which was condemned rather than their meanness. The early Church lived in deep awareness that their life was lived within the generosity of God, shown through the death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ. Their life then depended on their receiving this generosity and on giving generosity in turn.

Theologically, we speak of the resurrection as being an outpouring of the generosity of God, which gives new life and the joy of being finally

loved and valued by our God. Our communities are formed and function under this overarching and creative act of benefaction. It was in the mind of our founders, when Bishop John Fisher of Rochester, carrying out the Lady Margaret's wishes, gave the College the ideal of being not only a school of theology but of practical theology. It was expected when the old Hospital of St John became the new College with its fifty Fellows, that a quarter of these were to go out to preach in English (these were the Catholic days of Henry VIII), and it was expected that all would, in due course, find themselves leaving to join the active priesthood. He was also concerned for what Erasmus in 1511, the year of the College's foundation, called the 'polite learning' of the Renaissance, encouraging the study of medicine, mathematics, and new approaches to the study of Aristotle. The College was founded as a community conscious of its place in a changing society, and eager to move out to embrace new learning and to bring this into the wider society of the day. Here there is a dynamic of generosity, and an ethic of benefaction.

So today we commemorate benefactors. Our celebration takes us close to the heart of the life of this community. It recognises that generosity, benefaction, or the doing of good is the basis of what we seek to do and of our life together. Those we have remembered today have been generous, and have enabled the College first to exist and then to grow and develop. It is right today to recognise that we owe our existence to the benefaction of others and that our purpose is to be benefactors in our turn.

My experience of encounters here over the last five years, which I mentioned at the beginning, may seem small, but it places me within this community of benefaction, set up by those we have commemorated today, who were in their turn both receivers and givers of benefaction – of good. Our observance of this celebration places us in this same community or network of exchange, and encourages and enables us to carry on this life and work.

**John Binns (BA 1973)**

## ROBBIE AS AN UNDERGRADUATE

*Ronald Edward ('Robbie') Robinson was elected a History Scholar of St John's in December 1938 and took his BA in 1946 having spent a period in the RAF. He became a Fellow of the College in 1949, leaving in 1971 on his election as Beit Professor of the History of the British Commonwealth at Oxford. He died on 19 June 1999 and a full obituary was published in The Eagle 1999. Here, Logie Bruce Lockhart writes about his recollections of his undergraduate days with Robbie.*

As I shared rooms with Robbie for a chaotic year and was a very close friend of his on our return from the war, I thought that I should write a short supplement to the *Eagle's* admirable tribute, before all of us who were his contemporaries are dead.

Our routine was morning work and afternoon exercise, followed by a couple of beers at the Hawk's Club between 6 and half past seven, dinner in Hall, often meeting Sandy Smith. We would sing a strange variety of music. Sometimes it would be a bacchic rendering of the Seventh Symphony with a vocal version of all orchestral instruments. Sometimes Robbie would attempt to change our 'privileged background viewpoint' by a melancholy rendering of 'Please don't burn our shit house down', or

'It's the sime the whole world over,  
It's the poor wot gets the blime,  
It's the rich wot lives in clover,  
Innit all a bloody shime!'

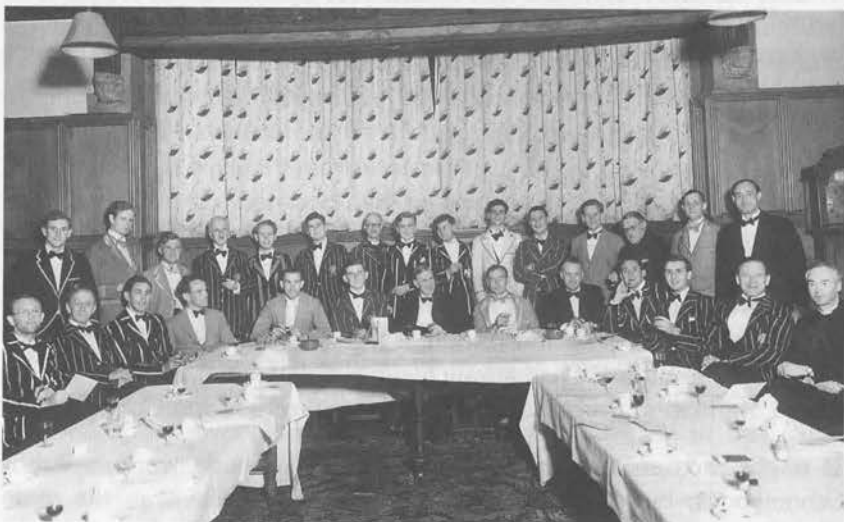
By his own account, he must have had a tough upbringing in Battersea, paying for extra books and tuition at the Grammar School by milk or newspaper rounds. He had strong feelings about social injustice, and he flirted at different times with the Plymouth Brothers and Communism.

It might then seem unusual that his closest friends were ex-Public School boys; but in the immediate aftermath of the war, the main division at Cambridge was not Public Schoolboys v the State Schools, but ex-Service men v 'the children'. The war had changed us profoundly. Sandy Smith did not get his MC at Pegasus Bridge for a picnic, nor did Robbie get his DFC for joyrides. Those of us who had

returned from the war were drawn together by our experiences and by our age. We more or less kept to College or University rules with wry amusement; we kept strange hours. Most of us looked down on the nineteen year olds straight from school, and even on the dons who had not been to war, with what in retrospect seems to have been surprising arrogance. What right, we felt, had they got to talk about death, disease and poverty, life, suffering, hatred and love, sex and sadism? We felt that they were darkening counsel by knowledge without understanding, and that they were using words without the density of meaning which experience gives to them.

After dinner we nearly always worked together from eight to midnight in a silence interrupted only by brief requests for an opinion or factual information, or a ten minute session of room cricket in response to a visit from Frank Thistlethwaite or Sandy Smith.

He taught me two things for which I shall always be grateful: to work hard on my own, and never to accept any view without 'putting the question'.



*The Eagles Club 1946, with the Master (E. A. Benians) presiding, and RER (with cigar) three places to the right. Also pictured are Sir Percy Winfield, E. E. Raven, M. P. Charlesworth and J.S. Boys Smith. The author is standing, fourth from right.*

We hardly attended any lectures, except to get a booklist at the beginning of the year, so we were able to read an unusually large number of books. We summarised these as we went along, simultaneously jotting down criticisms and queries. Our view on lectures was that little was to be gained from attending them. Most lecturers, although they might have written good books, were poor public speakers; some were inaudible, and very few really organised and stimulating. For Modern Linguists only Pat Charvet lectured in the language we were studying.

If you went to a lecture at 9am and another at 11, you wasted the time from 10 to 11 and from 12 to 1 by going to the Whim or to the Baron of Beef, because there wasn't enough time to bike back to college and to set about a serious job of work in between lectures. We could read the books for ourselves and form our own opinions in half the time. It was important not to be absorbing second hand views shared with an audience of 100 bored half-listeners. Supervisors' tutorials were potentially far more valuable, but the standard varied from the sublime to the ridiculous.

Occasionally we would briefly touch on the fear and the futility, the extraordinary friendships and loyalty, the confusion and the madness of our war experiences. His time with bombers had changed him profoundly from the visionary pre-war naive socialist and pacifist idealist – just as, later, his studies of the old British Empire moved him beyond the assumption that British rule in Africa was no more than selfish and brutal exploitation and arrogant racism. He talked much of the need for a strong Third Party, or for the abandonment of political stances and class stereotyping.

His charm lay in his dislike of cant and in his complete honesty and in the way he welded experience and straight thinking with academic scholarship. He had rare warmth, having an almost mystic belief in loyalty and friendship. He could be very funny and enjoyed shocking the bourgeois, but never quite managed to conceal his seriousness about the Big Issues. We lost touch latterly, but I shall always be grateful to him. It is strange to think of him as a don, but poachers always make the best gamekeepers, and his expertise at rapport and relationships would always go down well with students of all ages.

**Logie Bruce Lockhart (BA 1947)**

## A VOID IN SECOND COURT

During the 1999 re-roofing programme – year four of a six-year project to upgrade most of the older court roofs – an interesting find was made on the top floor of K Staircase Second Court. At this time the southern range and the west range south of the Shrewsbury Tower of Second Court were being undertaken. The works involve stripping off the existing roof coverings, fitting a breathable membrane – to allow ventilation – and the replacement of the slates and tiles. The north elevation is slate and the south has peg tiles.

Maintenance Department staff members carry out repair works to the roof timbers and the top of the external wall. All the lead to gutters and dormer window roofs is renewed by a specialist contractor, as is the reslating/retiling. It is necessary to replace around 40% of the roof coverings and suitable good quality second-hand materials are used. The re-roofing is carried out, wherever possible, in conjunction with the refurbishment programme.

As the boards of the metre-wide gutter between K Staircase Second Court and F Staircase Third Court were being removed a void was discovered. (Second Court was occupied in 1602/3, Third Court in 1673) This area – measuring 3.5 metres long 2.7 metres deep and 1.8 metres in width – had a bricked up window on the western elevation which, obviously, had once overlooked the river. One of the main structural roof beams had been sawn off and a prop inserted to support it built up from the first floor ceiling level. This is possibly because it was felt that the new partition wall was unable to bear the weight. It was necessary, in any event, to construct two buttresses to the West range of Second Court in 1691. The original clunch window surrounds had been used as shuttering to contain the rubble infill of the external wall (clunch is a soft limestone) and a reed and plastered wall built on a new line thus reducing substantially the size of the room.

The void is to the western elevation of K7 and K8 Second Court. In K7 there is a semi-circular cupboard – which has been built into the void – the works would have probably been undertaken when Third Court was constructed commencing in 1669.



*The void discovered in Second Court*



The last of the clunch windows were changed during the major rebuilding works commenced during the late 1950s (they were in an extremely poor condition and had been much repaired). The pieces discovered would only have been in place for around 60 years and then buried for a further 330 years making them almost new. Several have been saved to show what the original window surrounds would have looked like.

Going down into the void it was therefore possible to see three phases of the building's history in the one place. Firstly the original late sixteenth-century outline of the room (complete with plastered walls into the window reveal) then – approximately 450mm from the outer wall – the late seventeenth-century reed, lath and plastered wall and then the rear of an oak panelled wall inserted inside the latter by some 300mm. Interestingly the lath and plastered wall still carried several layers of wallpaper. The panelling to K7 is thought to have been constructed during the late eighteenth or early nineteenth centuries. There is a particularly fine painted door on the cupboard mentioned above which appears to bear the heraldry of the Appleyards – who were a prominent Norwich family – although it has not been possible to trace any mention of them in the College Archives.

Neither, surprisingly, do the archives appear to contain any previous record of this void. No detailed building accounts for the Third Court construction works have survived. A complete photographic record was made of the void and the City Council Conservation Planners undertook a similar exercise. The roof gutter was replaced and the area sealed during the refurbishment of the sets in this staircase.

**Stan Moorhouse**  
**Superintendent of Buildings**

## THE OSPREYS

St John's College is, among other things, famed for its excellence in sports. Our traditional dominance in college sports breeds a spirit that is distinguishably 'Johnian'. Many female 'sporting legends' have passed through the Great Gate since 1982, and College women take great pride in upholding and maintaining the standards set us by our predecessors. Currently there are more than twenty Johnian women with Full or Half Blues, in a wide range of sports from Football (now a Full Blue sport), to Skiing, who are eligible to become members of the Ospreys.

In 1985, the Ospreys Committee formed to provide a social and sporting focus for Cambridge Women athletes. Back then there was no financial support or clubhouse, and very limited recognition. Things have changed quite recently thanks to the establishment of, and support from, the newly appointed Senior Committee, set up in 1998. Their overall goal is 'to raise the profile of women's sports in Cambridge' and establish a clear identity for the Ospreys within Cambridge's sporting community.

So far positive steps have been made toward these goals. Caroline Hamilton, Polar Explorer and former Cambridge Triple Blue, opened a temporary clubhouse in the grounds of Magdalene College on 18th June 1999. A constitution modelled on that of the Hawks was drafted in conjunction with the Directors of the Hawks' Company. The Senior Committee has initiated contact with the business community and has established an impressive array of patrons (of which our Master is one).

The Ospreys comprise nearly 400 current and 'old' members, who have been awarded Blues, Half-Blues or Second Team Colours. The committee are keen to forge links with alumnae, so if you meet the criteria and are interested in establishing links with the Ospreys then you are invited to get in touch with Anya Tremlett, President (email [ast23@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ast23@cam.ac.uk)), or write to the Ospreys Committee, Magdalene College, Cambridge.

**Megan Jeffries (BA 2000)**



## THE NIGHTMARE XI

The Nightmare XI was founded in the mid-1980s when a group of Old Johnian footballers who had graced the College 3rd and 4th XIs decided they were having too much fun to retire. So the Nightmare XI came into being, initially returning to St John's to play the worst college team they could find, but soon evolving into a wandering London-based outfit prepared to play anyone who had a pitch and different coloured shirts. In our more energetic years, we played 2 or 3 times a season, but for a time in the early 1990s, the matches petered out entirely while members focused their attentions on finding a wife and getting out of negative equity (two unconnected events). More recently, however, the Nightmare XI season has been firmly re-established as a single fixture per year against the Old Pauline 3rd XI, at their luxurious ground in Thames Ditton. This year's 9-5 reversal on a blistering May morning



*Nightmare XI 6th May 2000*

*Back row; Rob Houghton, John Lisle, Ian Hall, Chris Mills, Julian Legg, Roger Hindin  
Front row: Roger Llewellyn, Paul Haines, Dick Coates, Ed Naylor, Huw Willims,  
Olly Paish*

*Absent: Martin Greenslade, Mike Shaw*



*Challenge!*

was the highest-scoring Nightmare game ever, beating the previous year's 8-4 (which, for the record, included a hat-trick by Pete "brainspill" Johnstone of which we will never hear the last). Weakened by the lack of a goalkeeper, the team rallied strongly after falling carelessly 9-2 behind and could undoubtedly have gone on to win the game had the referee, and expert medical advice, allowed us to continue.

The Nightmare's driving force has been the tall, loud and sub-optimally talented Ed Naylor, who achieved footballing fame when, against all the odds, he led the College 3rd XI to the final of the Plate in 1985, beating en route several 2nd XIs from loftier divisions of the League. Although we lost the final 3-1 (in a blizzard, I recall) the spirit and comradeship of that season has been the basis for what has followed. The exact results, and against which opposition, have rapidly passed into the mists of

time. Most people think that we have won one game (a thrashing of some Physios on Wormwood Scrubs) and drawn one. But buoyed up by the ceaseless loud-hailing boom of "challenge!" from the lanky Captain, the team of thirty-somethings never fails to compete tenaciously. We have never had much talent, so retiring at the top of our game is not an option. The Nightmare XI will continue until the next generation takes over, which is at least 15 years off. So if any former Johnnians from those halcyon mid-80s seasons, who are still not particularly good, would like a game next year, please contact Ed on [egnaylor@naylor.co.uk](mailto:egnaylor@naylor.co.uk). Next year's game is scheduled for 12 May 2001.

**Olly Paish (BA 1987)**

## COLONEL RICHARD ROBINSON

*On 30 April 2000 Richard Robinson retired after thirteen triumphant years in the office of Domestic Bursar, shoring up the Chapel, getting loos and bollards up and running in a timely manner, and generally attending to the mundaneries of the place on a day-to-day basis, and all with such enormous good humour, all with such fulsome attention to the torturous complexities of the task, that the huge turn-out of Fellows and their consorts at the party in Hall for him and Elizabeth on 19 May came as no surprise to anyone. For Richard himself, as he said in his reply, printed here, to speeches by the Senior Bursar and the President, it 'has all been the greatest fun'. So also has it been for the College, and in that regard The Eagle is delighted to have the opportunity of wishing the gallant Colonel a long and happy retirement.*

Master, thank you on behalf of Elizabeth and myself for this splendid occasion – we are deeply grateful – and thank you to you all for coming along and making it such a special evening.

George and Jane, very many thanks for your kind remarks, I cannot express how very much I have enjoyed our working relationships.

As I said at an earlier retirement party, and there seem to have been so many of them, it has been a time of change, which has brought with it demands and anxious moments, but it has been the greatest fun and especially made so by the tremendous support, understanding and friendship that we have received from everyone, and for which we are especially grateful.

When I came for my first interview for the job of Domestic Bursar in October 1986, the interview panel, chaired by Sir Harry Hinsley, included a rather attractive young lady, blonde I recall, who sat on my right flank of the panel – I subsequently found out that her expertise was in psychology and that she had been hired to suss out the shortlisted candidates. I recall that she asked me only one question which was towards the end of the interview and was simply: 'What difficulties do you see in moving from a regimental environment to an academic environment?' I recall responding to the effect that I did not foresee any difficulties at all, since it seemed to me to be a move from

one family environment to another and that is just how it has been – warmth, friendship and understanding abound and I believe that to be the true and rather special nature of the College, and this has been particularly brought home to me over the last three months during which time I have wined and dined around other colleges more so than in the past – all part of the retirement and resettlement package (!) – I have of course on all occasions had an enjoyable time, but the warmth of the welcome has in my view at no time competed with that shown by the College. As I say, I believe we have something rather special in that regard – especially, the Green Room atmosphere is unique.

Back to my final interview for a moment if I may – Sir Harry's last words to me were: 'When can you start?' I replied to the effect that since I was Chairman of the Army Retirements Board the decision was mine so the call was his and I have always maintained that it was that response that got me the job.



*Colonel Richard Robinson (right) hands over a symbol of office to Commodore John Harris, and welcomes him as the new Domestic Bursar.*

Staying with the theme of interviews for the moment, but digressing somewhat – shortly before I was shortlisted for this appointment I was shortlisted for an appointment as General Manager of a private hospital not a million miles from here – I was interviewed by a panel of six, three doctors and three administrators – the interview lasted for about 45 minutes and was a most serious affair, not a spark of humour, in fact there was clearly some tension within the panel. The last item for discussion was salary, which had not previously been referred to – I thought this was the moment to introduce some humour into the conversation so when asked the question (and remember that this is some 14 years ago) I said that I was prepared to accept £35,000 per year providing they supplied me with a new Porsche motor car – my humour was not appreciated, clearly I had overplayed my hand and I was simply told I would not be required further.

So back to the College – anxious moments – a few stories from the ranch.

I had been in post about a week when the telephone rang late one night to be told by a Porter that the Chapel was falling down – I shot into the College to find that a very large piece of stone had fallen from the top of the Chapel, struck the roof of Chapel Court above the Cloisters, some stone falling into Chapel Court and some into the Forecourt – fortunately no one was hurt, although the Porter tells the story of finding three young ladies clasped together in fear in the Forecourt, a stone having fallen very close to them – I won't bore you with the details other than to say that three years later the repair was completed.

Shortly after the Chapel had started to fall down I undertook to re-roof the Cripps Building which had been leaking for the previous twenty years – the pattern of the repair was agreed upon and put into operation, which meant the scaffolding of the whole building and the removal of the entire cement roof, would could only be achieved by the use of pneumatic drills – as usual we were up against the time factor. The activity underway I walked into Upper River Court one morning, drills going the length and breadth of the roof, to glance over at A Staircase. I was horrified at what I had put into operation, but more horrified when I noticed that the top cement crossmembers of

A Staircase appeared to be out of line. My immediate reaction was 'Oh my God the building is collapsing'. I stopped the drills immediately and blew for the Structural Engineers. Anxious moments indeed. However, all was well and the Structural Engineers assured me that whilst the cross beams at the top of A Staircase were indeed out of line (still to be seen) it was due to settlement that must have happened shortly after the building was built – it was safe to complete the repair – I breathed again.

In 1997 the College decided to introduce a card access control system – the equipment was installed and the cards issued and I decided that the system would go live at 10.30 am on a Monday morning in late April – all went well until around 6.30 p.m. when the entire system locked up – no one could get in or out of the Fellows' Lobby – I had not chosen my moment at all well as it was a Domus Evening – we eventually removed the doors, but my flack jacket was rather holed. A week later I received a splendid postcard from Peter Linehan who was visiting Spain – the face of the card was a photograph of a large and rather splendid old key – the rear of the card read as follows: 'Richard – The firm which produced this beautiful and practical object is, I believe, still in business not far from Granada. Would you like me to ask them to send you a quote? Peter.'

Finally, my marquee on the Backs last year. I had sought Council approval for a large marquee for conference purposes, but I sense that I had not fully appreciated how large it would be, clearly for a moment I had forgotten my military training, i.e. time spent in reconnaissance is seldom wasted. The marquee just kept going up and up and up until the entire Paddock was covered – definitely Robinson's folly.

A couple of interesting moments – at the time of the Business Expansion Scheme, a little tax avoidance scheme designed by George, we were required to declare vacant possession for at least 24 hours on all our outside properties in order that we could sell them into the scheme – this meant moving out all the residents and we are talking about a 100 plus properties – I designed a method of doing that and met with all those concerned in order to explain what I intended, which entailed the delivery of packing boxes to all properties, assistance with packing,

movement of boxes into store, provision of and movement to transit accommodation and finally declaration of vacant possession and then of course followed by the entire process in reverse. I sense I spent about 45 minutes explaining all that and then took questions. All went well until the last question, whereupon a young lady said that she was happy with all that I had explained except that she felt that I had no real perception of what it meant to move house. I was able to explain to her that in the course of my service career Elizabeth and I had moved house on 27 occasions – she seemed satisfied. I should perhaps have added that Elizabeth did the moving and I did the following.

It was the same young lady who at a student dinner some weeks previously had asked me which World War I had fought in.

I think time to close – as I have already said it has all been the greatest fun and we feel most privileged to have been part of it – thank you again for your tremendous support, friendship and a very very happy time and may I take this opportunity to thank Elizabeth for supporting me in such a splendid way – finally, a special thank you from Elizabeth and myself for this marvellous evening.

**Richard Robinson**  
**Domestic Bursar 1987-2000**



## SIR HARRY HINSLEY: A FOOTNOTE

It must often be true that historical research is the result of a chance remark by someone, rather than painstaking attempts by a student to find a 'much needed gap' in the secondary literature. Sir Harry Hinsley was expert at such remarks, but one above all stands out in my memory. I was visiting Cambridge a few years ago, and dined at St John's where, by coincidence, Harry was also present. In his usual kind way he asked after my recent work, and I mentioned that I was trying to understand the functioning of the Operational Intelligence Centre (OIC), a section of the Second World War Admiralty Naval Intelligence Division. Harry replied that he had known the place well, often visiting it as part of his job at Bletchley Park. He then went on to flabbergast me. Apparently, the first wartime Director of Naval Intelligence, a senior flag officer, was disliked in the OIC, and some of the leading workers (themselves naval officers, though relatively junior ones) made their feelings plain to him, despite his being their chief, with the result that subsequently he hardly ever came through their door. To someone with the usual image of how senior naval officers react to even a hint of opposition, this story of passive retreat was a shock. The consequence was that a passing interest in the OIC was transformed into fascination, and I turned to delving in the archives.

It is useful simply to recall a typical example of Harry's ability to stimulate; exactly the kind of personal detail that can easily escape the historical net. But I should like also to report a discovery in the OIC records. More details did emerge about the Admiral who was sent to Coventry; since the man was at Sidney Sussex, though, they are of little relevance to *The Eagle*. Rather, we can turn to an aspect of the Hinsley contribution to the war effort that appears not to have reached the previous secondary literature. To look at it one must first return to the story of the loss of *HMS Glorious*. As is well-known, from his analysis of German wireless traffic Harry warned the OIC in June 1940 that enemy heavy units were leaving the Baltic; the warnings were disregarded, with the result that the *Glorious* was caught by the *Scharnhorst* and *Gneisenau*. The disaster not only established Harry's reputation in



*Sahara* by Elena Retfalvi

Elena was awarded a Johnian Society Travel Exhibition in 1999 to retrace the Well-Mitchell journey through religious and historical sites in Tunisia and to create a photo portfolio of her travels. 'Sahara' was submitted for the 2000 College Photographic Competition and won the prize for best colour photograph.

official circles, but also brought close co-operation between Bletchley Park and the OIC, replacing earlier coolness. Furthermore – and this is what has not been stressed – it also tipped the balance of function between the two organisations.

Back in 1939 there had been those who argued that there ought not to be a sharp administrative division between, on the one hand, the gathering and interpretation of naval intelligence from cryptanalysis, and, on the other, the operational employment of such intelligence. Thus it was decided, at the very time when Bletchley Park was being set up to house the Government Code and Cypher School, that a part of the latter's German naval section should be attached to the OIC, with only the remnant going to BP. The two sundered parts of the naval section were supposed to liaise with one another but, surely unavoidably, given they had much the same function, they became rivals. At first 8G'G', the part at the OIC, took the lead. Not only was it larger, but also had an early success in breaking German codes. It came to see itself as more effective than its rival due to being in daily touch with naval realities, regarding the other as living in an over-rarefied academic atmosphere.

The 'ivory tower' accusation was largely unjust, but there were some warranted grounds for disparagement. The rump section inherited by Bletchley Park was both small and unprepossessing. Its later head, Frank Birch, said it comprised 'two supposed nincompoops'. Even if this was at least a half-truth, it was soon rendered unimportant by the large recruitment of late 1939, which included the young F.H. Hinsley. Though breaks in the Enigma codes were as yet partial and limited, Harry was able to begin the work on the analysis of German wireless traffic – studying what he called 'linkage' – that was to bear fruit the following year.

In the aftermath of the sinking of *Glorious* the whole balance of authority between the sundered naval sections altered greatly. Now 8G'G' appeared far the weaker, and was made to suffer. In November 1940 it was firmly subordinated to Frank Birch, and he forced a concentration on liaison duties, such activities as cryptanalysis to be left to Bletchley Park. Ultimately, 8G'G' found there was insufficient work to do. Its best

people were drawn to Bletchley Park, where, despite their initial reluctance, they soon realised they had found their true home. (Incidentally, their coming added yet more force to the title, only partly fanciful, of 'Bletchley College, Cambridge'.) 8G'G' went into a slow decline. By March 1943 it had been transformed into section 12A, still with a liaison role, but one maintained not so much through intellectual dominance as by being so socially successful in the OIC that it could glean all the gossip that Bletchley Park called for. 8G'G' thus moved a long way down in the world; but this was part of an essential simplification and specialisation of function; it would surely have come in any case. In a competition, the naval section at Bletchley Park had the enormous advantage of being closer to the source of intelligence. In the event, the important part of the change came sooner, and more suddenly, than might have been expected. It was another consequence of the *Glorious* disaster and, of course, of the early and brilliant work of F.H. Hinsley.

**C I Hamilton (Fellow 1973-8)**



### **The Organists**

*This picture was taken at a dinner at King's College in September 1999 to mark the 90th birthday of Professor Robin Orr, the 80th birthday of Sir David Willcocks, the 75th birthday of Dr George Guest and the year in which Philip Ledger was knighted. It shows the six living Organists from St John's and King's.*

*(Standing: left to right – Stephen Cleobury (BA 1970, Director of Music at King's 1982–), Sir Philip Ledger (Director of Music at King's 1974–82), George Guest (BA 1949, Organist and Director of Music at St John's 1956–91), Christopher Robinson (Organist and Director of Music at St John's 1991–); Seated: left to right – Robin Orr (Organist and Director of Music at St John's 1938, 1948–56), Sir David Willcocks (Director of Music at King's 1957-73))*

*(photograph by Penny Cleobury)*

## **THE POOR'S SOUP**

*A full account of the tradition of the College Bread and Broth Charity, more informally known as The Poor's Soup, was written by W. T. Thurbon and published in the 1984 edition of The Eagle. The origin of the Bread and Broth Charity is obscure but tradition has long associated it with the Hospital of St John which was formerly on the College site. It was the custom to give a four pound loaf of bread and a gallon of soup each to fifty people. Before the Second World War, as can be seen from the recipe below, each gallon of soup contained two pounds of meat. Due to the food restrictions imposed by the War, the expenditure on meat for the soup was reduced to £2.20d per week which meant that the soup contained only half a pound of meat. This continued even after the War as did the substitution of a two pound loaf for the four pound loaf.*

### **The recipe (as served before the 1939-45 War)**

40lbs yellow split peas  
 1 peck of prepared carrots  
 1 peck of prepared onions  
 1/2 peck of prepared celery or celeriac  
 1/2 peck of prepared swede  
  
 50 x 1lb joints of beef  
 50 x 1lb joints of mutton  
 50 x 2lb loaves of white bread

### **The Soup**

The Soup was made in a very large boiler (50 gallons) which was fed by steam. The vegetables were put through a coarse mincer and put into the boiler with the peas and roughly three-parts of water and stirred frequently. The joints of meat were added at 2.30pm and simmered until after 5.00pm, they were then taken out and water was added to the soup if it had reduced too much. It was seasoned with salt and pepper and dried mint was also added. At 5.30pm this was tasted by one of the College dons and then served to the poor people of Castle End parish, who received 1 gallon of soup, 2 x 1lb joints of meat, 1 x 2lb white loaf.



## Memories

Peter Wordie (BA 1955), son of the former Master, Sir James Wordie, writes that 'a recent television programme brought back to me a vignette from the winter of 1940-41.

'Late one afternoon my father, who was then Senior Tutor at the College, asked my younger sister and myself if we wanted to go down with him to the College Kitchens to see the distribution of soup to 20 poor families of Chesterton.

'Both my sister and I knew a little about this already since a crisis had arisen because of food rationing and not being able to get enough meat to put in the Soup. This problem had been overcome since venison was not included in rationing and my father had arranged with Elliott, the stalker at Glen Coe, to send down several haunches of venison which could then be used in the making of the Soup.

'A little later all three of us set off down to the College and there in the kitchens, under the supervision of somebody who I think was called Day, large cauldrons of soup were boiling, including the large pieces of venison. Outside in Kitchen Lane, there was a column of recipients queuing up, all of them carrying the most wonderful collection of jugs and pails.

'Before the soup could be distributed a Senior Fellow of the College, in this case my father, had to taste the Soup. I am not sure whether this was to ensure that it was not poisoned or just good enough quality. At any rate my father performed the ceremonial tasting after which the Soup was distributed.'

Peter Linehan adds: 'It was made on 13 successive Thursdays over the winter months. It was served to the Fellows at dinner and was very much appreciated. I recall in about 1967 or 8 attending in cap and gown in the Kitchens at 5.30pm and tasting the brew before approving it. It quite took the edge off the first G and T of the evening.'

The Red Cross took over the distribution of the soup and bread in 1958 and continued until 1976 when the Director of the Red Cross reported

difficulties finding candidates for the Soup, following the introduction of Meals on Wheels and Day Centres for the elderly. The Salvation Army became involved, accepting the Soup for its regular Wednesday lunches, which meant that the Soup began to be made on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays. The Red Cross continued to take sufficient soup for 20 people and the Salvation Army took the rest in bulk. In 1983, the Church Army took over responsibility for the distribution but in 1989 said they had insufficient storage and had transport difficulties and so could not continue the tradition. In 1990, the College Council agreed to substitute a money grant of £500 for five years in the first instance, in either cash or the purchase of non-perishable food commodities, to Wintercomfort for the Homeless. This support was renewed in 1995 and again in 2000.

## LIFE AT ST JOHN'S DURING THE WAR

### Sixty years ago

This last Summer, as I looked across Second Court from the Combination Room, I could watch the re-roofing of the opposite side of the court: this reminded me how sixty years ago I had climbed along the ridge of the roof, and hoped that I would not slip, for we had no safety precautions. I was an undergraduate reading medicine, and had been summoned back to College to begin my third year very shortly after the start of the second World War. With surprising farsightedness the University had instructed colleges to recall their medical undergraduates before the start of the Michaelmas Term, and had arranged for an extra 2nd M.B. exam to be held in December, so that those who passed would then be eligible to go on to clinical work in a London Hospital or elsewhere; thus they could become fully qualified earlier than they would otherwise be allowed to do. During the previous Long Vacation Period of Residence I had taken the special course in Pharmacology and had been fortunate enough to pass the appropriate exam. I had spent my first two years in 'digs' but in July I had been allotted a set of rooms on 'T' staircase in New Court. When I came back in September I found that the whole of New Court had been taken over by the RAF, and my set on the ground floor had become the quartermaster's store.

At first I was put into some other rooms in First Court, but when the rightful owner came up to claim them I was put into a set above the old Kitchens, where I used to throw darts at the mice running up and down the wainscot, and once would have hit one if he had not dodged when the dart was coming.

In September 1939 the Government had issued instructions about possible Air Raids which might occur in Cambridge, although very fortunately Cambridge was very little affected, and the only bomb that I heard of, dropped long after I had gone down, was on the Chinese Restaurant near the 'Union', about 100 yards north-west of the new Chapel Court. We had used to find this relatively cheap eating place

most useful if for some reason we had not been able to dine in Hall. I believe that there was only one casualty from the bomb – the Chinese Cook. It was said that Hitler had given instructions to his air force not to bomb us, but I believe that Oxford was not so fortunate.

During most of the year before the War had started, there had been much building activity in what is now Chapel Court which was extended with the Court newly designed by (Sir) Edward Maufe, but this building had not yet been finished.\*



*M.P. Charlesworth addressing troops in First Court.*

\* [See Alec C. Crook, *Penrose to Cripps*, (1978) p. 109. . . Maufe wrote to Coulsons [builder] on 2 September 1939 that "the College is most anxious that the building should be completed as quickly as possible as the Air Ministry has taken over half our existing buildings. The College is prepared to pay any reasonable addition in prices in order to get this done".]

I cannot remember when the builders finally removed their scaffolding from around these new buildings in Chapel Court. All I recall is that during 1938-39 this was the standard illegal route of entry into the College after 10pm when the gates were locked. But the mud beneath the scaffolding was so tenacious that men choosing this mode of entry brought so much into the undergraduate rooms in use in Chapel Court that their bedmakers complained of the extra work in having to clean it all up next morning. So 'Cecil', the porter, was instructed to wait one evening to take the names of the intruders as they entered, in the hope that this route would become less popular. I think it was still in use until September 1939 when the 'gate' restrictions were lifted. It was not exactly a 'safe' route into the College for I recall that after a party a 'Sapper' officer, not actually living in the College, and not quite sober, fell off the scaffolding on to the muddy ground, in which, of course, there were odd bits of builders' metal debris. He had not seemed to have injured himself, and staggered off to his 'digs' outside the College, where he put himself to bed. Very fortunately his friend, who had his rooms elsewhere in these lodgings, looked in to see the engineer later that night, and found him unconscious and bleeding in his bed from an injury to his perineum. He was rushed off to Addenbrookes hospital, where eventually he made a good recovery, without any permanent injury. On the morning after the incident, there had to be a court martial enquiry, according to Army regulations, to establish the circumstances how a lieutenant in the Royal Engineers had come to sustain his injury. It was with difficulty that his brother officers could give any account of the evening.

I recall that on posts at various sites, such as in each court and around University buildings, one-foot square horizontal boards were displayed, which were painted with some green paint which was supposed to change colour in the presence of mustard gas. They also changed colour with almost any organic compound, which enabled those who wished to write topical or rude messages on these boards, for the general entertainment. Also, the various gates around the College, ordinarily locked by the porters at 10pm, were either left unlocked or the key was hung on the nearby wall, so that in the event of fire no one would be trapped.

In theory, the black-out regulations had been introduced, but as the manufacturers had not had sufficient warning to make all the material that was needed, no blackout cloth was available. Some bright scientist reasoned that if all rooms were fitted with yellow lamps, and the windows coated with a blue distemper, no light should be seen from outside: of course this did not work.

We also had a Coventry Climax petrol motor-powered portable fire pump. Those of us who were more heavily built were encouraged to form a team to manhandle this around to wherever it might be needed. Being only a lightweight myself, I was not a member of the 'Fire Brigade'. Instead I was one of those who were encouraged to explore the roofs of the College in case a fire bomb should be dropped. It was possible to get out of a Third Court top floor window and then on to the ridges of the roofs of all three courts on that side of the river: in this way I was able to climb on all the accessible roofs, but the Chapel was thought too dangerous.

For some reason I never fully learned, a challenge came from Trinity College next door, which also had a Climax pump. The two pumps were to be installed each in its own punt on the river, and a duel arranged. Unfortunately for Trinity their punt was sunk, and they had great difficulty getting it up again! Wisely the challenge was not repeated.

I believe that later in the War the College instituted less amateur Air Raid Precautions, which was probably as well. But of course 'Fire Watch Duty' became invariable over the whole country. I was no longer in Cambridge, and others may remember how this was developed. Certainly I took my turn at the various hospitals to which I was later assigned, and I recall that we had a competition with a 'stirrup pump' to knock over a target set up on the ground – and we won.

**Xander Monro (BA 1940, Fellow 1966-86)**

## THE BURSARY SCHEME

### The Senior Tutor's view

It is part of the historic mission of the College to provide for the education of young people of whatever background and means, who seem to be, by their intellectual abilities, motivation and character, capable of benefiting from what we have to offer. In recent years we have redoubled our efforts to attract applications for undergraduate admission from the widest range of schools and colleges throughout the country. For example, more than ten years ago we led the way in reaching out to state schools in the North of England and Inner London. We then took an active part in an inter-collegiate admissions initiative, which focused more widely upon schools without any tradition of sending applicants to Cambridge. It was in this context that the College began to work closely with the Group to Encourage Ethnic Minority Applications to Cambridge (GEEMA).

More recently, with the benefit of a generous benefaction from a Johnian, we embarked upon a close relationship with schools in the London Borough of Lambeth in the EAGLE scheme. This has been widely acclaimed as innovative and distinctive, most notably in seeking to make contact with youngsters as young as fourteen or fifteen years of age, in an effort to awaken an early interest in the prospects opened up by higher education. EAGLE has placed great emphasis, too, upon the active involvement of current undergraduate and graduate students of the College in contacts with the pupils drawn into the scheme. Finally, EAGLE is not geared solely to applications to St John's, nor indeed only to Cambridge. It is concerned with the encouragement of ambition and the development of skills, with a view to admission to advanced and higher education, wherever suits the needs of the individuals concerned. Other Colleges in Cambridge have shown interest in using the EAGLE model in building relationships with a number of different Local Education Authorities and communities.

Our experience, not only in EAGLE but also more generally in admissions contacts, has been that concern about finances and debt can

deter some young people and their families from thinking of a university education. This is most acute among those with no prior history of involvement in higher education – precisely indeed those who are the focus of attention in the debate about 'access'. Sadly, there is a false impression that a Cambridge education is quite exceptionally expensive, and therefore beyond the reach of 'ordinary' families. We have been working hard to dispel that myth by providing accurate and up-to-date factual information concerning the costs of studying at Cambridge and the College in particular. However, recent Government policy has shifted away from an overwhelming reliance upon state payment of fees and grants towards maintenance costs in favour of family contributions towards fees, and loans. This has undoubtedly raised doubts and questions in many households. The affordability of higher education and the risks associated with 'debt', have once again begun to affect families who feel themselves to be financially vulnerable.

It is in recognition of all this that the College has agreed to introduce a 'bursary' scheme. Some will perhaps recognise in it echoes of the scholarship and exhibitioner provision of an earlier era. The scheme will provide for financial grants from the College to undergraduates on the basis of the assessment of means which is conducted by the Local Education Authorities and the Student Loans Company. Where an undergraduate is entitled to apply for a discretionary loan under the Government's provision, he or she will be able to apply for a grant under the College's scheme. The maximum entitlement to a Government discretionary loan is currently around £900, and there is a scale providing for lesser sums depending upon the residual income of the parents (i.e. after allowance for certain deductions). The College's grants will mirror that entitlement. It will be up to the individual student as to whether to take up both the Student Loan and the College grant, or to substitute the latter wholly or in part for the loan. All applicants for admission will therefore be secure in the knowledge that, subject to the standard assessment outlined, they will be entitled to a 'bursary'. Grants will be awarded for each of the student's undergraduate years, i.e. they will continue throughout the undergraduate career. This should go some way towards alleviating anxiety about finances both before and after

admission. The introduction by the College of a general bursary scheme will not be accompanied by any retreat from our commitment to provide emergency assistance from the Tutors' 'Praeter Fund' for undergraduates who find themselves in a financial crisis during their course. Nor shall we drop or reduce book grants and assistance towards the costs of additional courses or conferences.

The College continues to be firmly committed to ensuring equal access to all those who are seen to have academic ability, irrespective of their families financial circumstances. The new bursary scheme is further evidence of that undertaking.

**Ray Jobling**

### The student's view

The cost of living has always been a source of concern for students; however, in the last few years this has been magnified enormously. First the reduction and finally abolition of the maintenance grant reduced students' incomes, particularly for those from less well-off backgrounds, and then the level of rents began to rise across the university. Although the justification for increasing rents has been the subject of much debate – leading to a series of rent strikes in many colleges over the last year – the net effect of rent increases has been to make it harder for poorer students to live at College. At St John's many students are very concerned about the effect that the proposed increase in rents might have on the College.

The Access issue, which in essence describes the accessibility of Cambridge University to students from all backgrounds irrespective of finance, has also become a major issue among students. Cambridge is perceived as elitist and expensive, and many students are put off applying due to their preconceptions of the cost. Often they have little knowledge of the financial assistance available to them. All these problems remain in spite of the excellent efforts of many Cambridge initiatives, such as Target Schools and the EAGLE Scheme.

The bursary scheme, which has been explained by the Senior Tutor in the previous article, represents a big step to helping the many people who find university too expensive, and who cannot rely on affluent parents to support them. £900 per year represents a significant sum that will help those that need it enormously. Just as importantly, it is applied on a sliding scale, which will avoid the income traps that could occur with a banded scheme.

Many students in college have also been concerned that no one would be aware of the scheme. To have a positive effect, those applying to St John's must be aware of its existence. The College have said that in all future information about St John's will include information both about this bursary and the many other hardship funds available to those who need them.

One of the most important aspects for many students is the automatic nature of this bursary, in that you do not have to make a special application to receive it. Few people enjoy living on handouts, and often find it embarrassing to have to do so – the stigma of accepting 'charity'. Hence it will ensure it is not regarded as a handout for those who haven't enough, but rather as an incentive to study at Cambridge as a whole – and St John's in particular.

There will always be students who are missed out in any scheme such as this. One of the concerns raised by many people is that they fall just above the cut-off line, and hence will receive little or nothing from this scheme, despite a relatively low parental income. However, the bursary is a significant step in the right direction to encourage applications from those who would normally be unwilling to apply.

As a result the student body of St John's has given its full backing to support this proposal. Although it does not solve all of the problems associated with Access, it does represent a huge step forward which, I am sure, will benefit those who need it most and encourage access to Cambridge for all.

**David Cox (matriculation 1997)**



## SWEDEN – SUN, SAND, SAUNAS AND . . . SINGING

*Each year the College sends a student to Uppsala University in Sweden for a week as part of an exchange programme. Noel Rutter, a graduate student at St John's, visited Uppsala in May this year.*

Monday 15th May

Walking through College at 6am on a damp Cambridge Monday morning was hardly the perfect start to the week, but it was about to get a whole lot better. I was bound for Uppsala, 60 km north of Stockholm, as the College's representative on the annual exchange visit with Södermanlands-Nerikes nation. Several hours later, upon landing at Arlanda airport, I wondered if I might actually be in Southern Europe rather than Sweden, as the hot sun beat down on the runway. Having confirmed that I had taken the correct flight, I then realised my ignorance of the value of the local currency as the cash machine asked how many Kroner I required. Then, in possession of sensible amount of money, it was time to take the bus to Uppsala, a pleasant 45 minute journey. Upon arrival, the first mission was to hire a tailcoat in advance of the weekend's ball, which left little time to unpack before dinner. Dinner in Sweden is an experience quite unlike anything I'd encountered before. I would never have thought that it could take over two hours to get through two courses, but then I hadn't taken into consideration the pause every second mouthful for another rendition of a well-known Swedish drinking song. When I say well-known, what I actually mean is well-known to everyone except myself and the two German visitors, who sat somewhat bemused. After dinner, the evening was rounded off with a disco which we left (despite protestations) at around 2am. This first evening was to set the standard for the week to come.

Tuesday 16th

Another early start was required to pack up in order to leave on our three day bus tour of the local regions. That this was quite a lengthy task was mainly due to the fact that it involved loading over 20 crates of beer into the back of our 'vintage' bus. We knew it would be difficult for the

12 of us to get through it, but we were prepared to give it a go. Once on the road, the first stop was Grythyttan, home of Sweden's premier restaurant, where we were treated to lunch and a guided tour of the restaurant school. I was particularly impressed by the lecture theatre which had sinks at each desk and at the front a kitchen that could be raised up out of the floor. In the afternoon it was on to Karlstad, stopping en route to spend an hour sunbathing on the beach by one of Sweden's many magnificent lakes. The Karlstad University Student Union building was to provide probably the least comfortable floor I've ever slept on, but the evening's entertainment involving a sauna and 80s night more than made up for this.

Wednesday 17th

A set of complimentary bright yellow t-shirts from the university became the uniform for the day, replacing the pale blue costumes of the previous day, though it was decided to jettison these in favour of something a little smarter for lunch, at the residence of the County Governor of Värmland. The meal consisted of a very stylish chicken and chips, after which we proceeded to debate the pros and cons of European monetary union with our host who, it turned out, was a former government minister. In the afternoon, we moved on to Mårbacka, the home of Selma Lagerlöf, the Nobel prize-winning children's author. By the time we reached Rotnoros park, we were significantly behind schedule and the park had closed. This turned out to be a good thing though, as they let us in anyway, giving us the place to ourselves. Indeed as the play area was completely free of children, the slides, swings, sand pit and climbing frame were all ours – great fun. Upon arrival at what had been described as a 'youth hostel', we discovered that our accommodation for the evening was actually a collection of idyllic wooden cottages on the hillside overlooking a lake. The plan for dinner was a barbecue and right on cue, the first rain of the week hit us. This wasn't going to stop us though, and being extremely resourceful, we manufactured our third group uniform of the week, from black plastic bags. The basic bin liner garment consists of a sleeveless sweater, but more inventive outfits may include sleeves, skirts, trousers, shoes or indeed a hat. A designer logo may then be generated by removing the label from a beer bottle to add the finishing

touch – luckily I don't think anyone else saw how ridiculous we looked. After getting completely drenched, what better retreat than the sauna, this one being of the Finnish variety (heated by a real log fire). It was also ideally located, right on the shores of the lake, so as well as being able to dive in when things got a little hot, we were also able to keep the beer cool.

#### Thursday 18th

Another rainy day couldn't dampen our spirits as we set off on the road to Mariestad. We did have to make one unscheduled roadside stop however, when loud noises and a strange smell were detected coming from the bottom of our bus. It didn't take a trained mechanic to diagnose the problem – one of the rear tyres having been torn to shreds, but we were still able to drive (slowly) to Mariestad where the bus paid a trip to the local garage. While our tyre was being changed, we were taken on a guided tour of the Electrolux factory, where they produce every type of fridge freezer imaginable. The 'smart fridge' which has a screen in the door was a particular highlight – you can even e-mail it to ask what shopping you need. The evening's trip into the town was curtailed by torrential rain, though not before we'd seen the oldest mini-golf course in Sweden. Confined to the youth hostel by the inclement weather, there was no option but to make a further impression on the still quite large beer and crisp supplies. The downside was that someone had managed to find a CD containing about 10 different versions of 'Barbie Girl' by top Scandinavian band Aqua.

#### Friday 19th

The last day of the trip, and we returned to Uppsala, stopping off at the Hemglas ice-cream factory, where we were treated to two complimentary boxes of ice-lollies. Despite being back, there was no respite from the hectic schedule as we were forced to finish off the remaining supplies of food and drink at a picnic lunch. Then after what seemed like a very short interval, it was time for dinner at the nation. By now I was becoming more familiar with the tunes to the drinking songs, but the words were still unintelligible. After dinner, another disco and the upper bar rocked to the tunes of Abba well into the early hours.

#### Saturday 20th

A much appreciated lie-in meant rising just in time for brunch, which was followed by a guided tour of Uppsala. A brief visit to the shops was curtailed in mid-afternoon by the requirement to get changed in preparation for the Spring Ball. This was a white tie affair and began at the ridiculously early time of 4:30, at least it did for those of us invited to the pre- pre-dinner drinks reception. This was a chance to thank the hosts and to present the nation with a gift, a silver framed print of the Bridge of Sighs. The perfect reciprocal gift then followed – my very own 'Södermanland-Nerikes Nation Sångbok' meant that during this dinner I would at last be able to associate some lyrics with these tunes that had been running around my head for the last week. The song on page 63 is of some interest as it is entitled 'The Lady Margaret Boat Song', although as it is in Latin, I didn't feel especially qualified to perform a rendition. I was assured that the five hour dinner was relatively short and as it was interspersed with speeches, comedy, drama and of course the usual singing, it did seem to pass very quickly. Then afterwards came the usual fare of drinking and dancing – a format with which I had now become very familiar.

#### Sunday 21st

My last day in Uppsala and there was just enough time to pack my bags before lunch at Värmlands nation, an opportunity to say goodbye to all the friends I'd made. It had been a great week and thanks must go to everyone from Södermanlands-Nerikes nation who helped to entertain me, especially the international secretaries Emma and Olivia.

**Noel Rutter (BA 1997)**



## BOOK REVIEWS

**Michael Brander**, *The Clan Gleneil*. Pp. vii + 99. The Gleneil Press, 1996; ISBN 0-9525330-2-2. *The Mark of Gleneil*. Pp. viii + 162. The Gleneil Press, 1998. ISBN 0 952533081

*The Clan of the Gleneil* describes the history of the Gleneil Clan from its beginnings in 1173 around the time of the Crusades to the last Chief of Gleneil who died in 1949. As well as a look at the rousing activities of the Clan in the past 800 years, Michael Brander (honorary 23rd Gleneil of Gleneil) also looks at the Clan's characteristics, their background, the land they lived on, their economic and natural history, and a more general look at Scottish dress and the way of life in the Highlands. Although not an immediately recognisable name, the Gleneils were a prominent force in Scottish history and, partly because of the small glen they lived in and therefore the need for the Clan to spread further afield, there are members of the Clan all over the globe.

From an almost complete set of diaries spanning the history of the Clan, most kept by the chiefs themselves, Brander has given us an insight into Scottish life throughout the last millennium: from the early chiefs and the crusades through the Hundred Years War (c. 1335-1445), the Jacobite rebellions of 1715 and 1745, the introduction of sheep into the Highlands and the ensuing clearances in the nineteenth century, ending with the demise of the last chief in the twentieth.

*The Mark of Gleneil* tells the rousing story of the first of the Clan chiefs. The illegitimate son of the Scottish King, William the Lion, he earns the titles 'Boarslayer' and 'Master of Gleneil' as a youngster before setting off to the Middle East on the Third Crusade. Here his father knights him after he makes a daring escape from crucifixion at the hands of the Saracens. As he escapes, he takes with him a young 'caliph' and with the ransom paid he is able to return home and establish a castle in the Glen of Gleneil, the home of the Gleneils for the next 800 years. He also takes with him a mark from the nail that pierced his left hand as he was nailed to the cross, a mark all chiefs have been born with since. A long-standing feud with a member of the

neighbouring Clan, the Macdonnells, brings the story to a violent conclusion.

Anyone interested in history of any kind will find these books a fulfilling read, and both offer the reader a first hand account of life at the time in the Scottish Highlands. *The Mark of Gleneil* also gives a revealing account of Richard the Lionheart, or Richard 'Yea or Nay', during the Third Crusade, and what chivalry really meant to those at the time. There is also an audio cassette that accompanies these books, containing popular music from the Clan's past, including the lament 'Gleneil is over the water', written at the death of the last Gleneil.

**Alistair Boyd**

**Ulinka Rublack**, *The Crimes of Women in Early Modern Germany*. Pp. xii + 292. Oxford University Press, 1999. ISBN 0-19-820637-2

A 14-year old girl stabbed her newborn daughter to death to keep the birth secret from her father. She wrote a letter to the child expressing her love and explaining her sense of helplessness. The girl, now 15, became pregnant while studying for her GCSEs. She wept at Nottingham Crown Court as she admitted infanticide. It was 'a tragedy for everybody', Judge Christopher Pitchers said yesterday. He decided not to impose a custodial sentence, saying it was a case that cried out for a judgment that was compassionate and would help the girl rebuild her life. The letter read: 'Please don't think of your mummy as a terrible person. I am not horrible. I love you. You should understand my position and helplessness. If you were here now, I would hold you. I would try and kiss your face . . .'. The judge made a three-year supervision order with a condition that she receive 90 days' counselling. He told her: 'I don't believe any thoughtful member of the public, knowing the facts of this case, could think you needed to be punished'. *Daily Telegraph* (8 December 1999).

This unnamed girl from Sutton-in-Ashfield, near Mansfield, living at the end of the twentieth century, would have slotted easily into the

world of which Ulinka Rublack writes. 'You should understand my position and helplessness' is a plea which might have come from the lips of any of the women, often young and unmarried, who were brought before the courts of south-west Germany during the period 1500-1700, accused of theft or adultery, incest or infanticide. In common with some of those women who lived four centuries earlier, the Nottinghamshire girl concealed her pregnancy with baggy clothes and denied it to herself as well as others. Giving birth alone in the kitchen while her father was asleep upstairs, she first embraced the child, then stabbed it, hiding the body ineffectually in a binliner beneath her bed. Rublack's chapter on infanticide is littered with little corpses, suffocated or stabbed, hastily wrapped and hidden but rarely buried. Ashamed, frightened, but above all unable to see another way out of their problems, there have always been mothers who would risk yet more punishment and opprobrium by killing their babies.

The cross-cultural similarities are striking, but so too are the differences. Whereas infanticide was seldom prosecuted in the medieval period, by the seventeenth century the authorities had adopted what might now be construed as a 'zero-tolerance' policy. Capital punishment was believed to be a deterrent to other women. And to render that deterrent more compelling, guilty mothers were sometimes tortured with hot pliers before being beheaded, their heads stuck up on posts afterwards for all to see. Such measures were a far cry from the 'compassionate' approach of Judge Christopher Pitchers. Another difference lay in the support made available to the girl at the end of the twentieth century: not just the fact that she was represented by the foremost women's rights lawyer in the country, Helena Kennedy Q.C., but also that she was provided with counselling to help her 'rebuild her life'. If the child had lived, social workers and child benefit would have played their part. By contrast, the seventeenth-century authorities who cracked down on infanticide, exhorting masters and mistresses to police the bodies of young females in their midst, offered little assistance. A maidservant impregnated by a passing soldier would have to shift for herself. Mature women in the community who suspected an illegitimate pregnancy would warn such a girl that she would have her head cut off if she killed the child. Some were contemptuous of those who had got

into trouble; others offered temporary support. But even the most sympathetic friends and relatives could do little to help in the long-term, since a single woman without burgher rights could expect to be banished upon the birth of her child.

Reading the report of the Nottinghamshire case alongside the tales of beheadings, drownings, and mutilations which form an unavoidable part of Rublack's account, one might momentarily feel glad to be living in a 'civilized' and 'compassionate' age (suppressing, of course, all thought of the 'uncivilized' events which characterise the history of our own time). Both alien and repugnant to us is the treatment of Katharina Hertz, who was placed in the pillory in Memmingen in 1609. Her crime had been to steal cloth, belts and caps. Before being banished from her neighbourhood, the hangman cut off both her ears. Sickening too is Margaretha Müller's story: forced to have sex with her father as a young girl, she ceased to resist his advances; her pregnancy was taken as evidence of her complicity – of her pleasure, in fact – and she was drowned for committing incest and adultery. While mutilations and brandings became increasingly uncommon during the period of this study, Rublack states that 'there was no linear development towards more "humane" punishments'. On the contrary, excluding executions for witchcraft, the use of the death penalty against women rose in many places during the seventeenth century.

Clearly, it is not enough merely to articulate our disgust at the barbaric treatment of female criminals at the hands of early modern law courts. We need to try to understand why early modern people were fined for drunkenness and imprisoned for premarital sex, or why they could be executed for recurrent adultery. In analysing the social, cultural and political factors which determined the understanding and perception of transgression, Rublack's relativism is rigorous and challenging. The reader is constantly asked to consider why certain price-tags were affixed to certain crimes. Throughout the book, it is demonstrated again and again that there is nothing inevitable, natural, or obvious about such apportionings. Why, for example, was infanticide condemned as the loss of a God-given soul, when such claims were curiously absent from contemporary manslaughter cases? And why were elites so

concerned to prosecute petty thefts? As Rublack speculates: if just one Württemberg treasurer had embezzled 20,000 florins and filched silver ware worth 2000 florins, his ill-gotten gains would have exceeded the value of all the goods taken by Württemberg thieves across two centuries.

At one level, these questions find a simple answer: the crimes which most exercised the authorities were those which threatened the social order. And the vision of order shared by the ruling elites of seventeenth-century Germany demanded an increasing distance between themselves and what political writers unselfconsciously called 'the rude multitude' or 'the stupid lot'. So when a maidservant was caught stealing feathers from her master's quilt, her actions represented not just a threat to property but also a threat to order and hierarchy. Superimposed upon this social hierarchy was an increasingly rigid ideology of gender, which opened yet another gulf, this time between the sexes. Whereas men were thought to embody culture, and were held to be rational and civilised, women embodied nature, and were cast as desirous and uncontrolled. The consequences of this ideology may be seen repeatedly in the unequal punishment of adulterers, and in the willingness of the courts to hold women responsible for rape and incest. One of the achievements of this book is to show how ideological shifts played out at the highest levels of society could have real consequences for the common woman.

But complications crowd into the picture. Prosecution rates varied from place to place, and their diversity cannot be accounted for by a neat Protestant/Catholic dichotomy. Punishments encoded in acts of law were not handed out automatically; they were contested and negotiated by the community. And, in an age of expanding criminal legislation but primitive policing, authorities relied on the co-operation of local networks to bring cases to courts. Often the law was only used as a last resort. In the case of property crimes, for instance, most people would seek to catch the thief and retrieve their goods rather than going through the laborious mechanisms of the courts. Magical means of redress and retribution might also seem more trustworthy than officialdom. Weighing all these factors in the balance, Rublack

concludes that prosecution patterns were 'an expression of diverse interplays of socio-economic, administrative, political, institutional, and confessional structures, and of change which was often localised and never linear'.

If this reviewer has tried to summarise this fine book within the framework of a 'top-down' narrative, Ulinka Rublack is probably the last person who would do so. First and foremost, this is a book which reconstructs the experiences of the women who were brought to trial in early modern Germany. Their criminal activities occupied only a part of their lives. And while the trials obviously focused on transgressions, the surviving records reveal much more besides. They tell us, for example, of how maidservants struggled to scrape together a dowry by honest or dishonest means, of how men and women attempted to practise birth control, of generational tensions between unmarried women and established matrons, or of the fear which accompanied a lack of privacy in the early modern home. Rublack teases such details out of the records with skill and sensitivity, bringing a keen sense of empathy to every fragment of evidence. The resulting patchwork presents a vivid and intimate picture of women's lives in early modern Germany.

Mary Laven

David Midgley, *Writing Weimar: critical realism in German literature, 1918-33*. Pp. vi + 390. Oxford University Press, 2000. ISBN 0-19-815179-9

The Weimar Republic has always carried a heavy freight of symbolism. The First World War, so President Woodrow Wilson famously proclaimed, was intended by the victors to 'make the world safe for democracy'. The republic that was set up in Germany was supposed to live up to this high claim, repudiating the bad old days of the Kaiser, autocratic government and the dominance of the Prussian military establishment. And with political liberalisation came corresponding cultural emancipation from the repressive weight of traditional values. The message seemed clear: under Weimar, anything goes! This is the world of satirical modern artists like George Grosz and Otto Dix, with

their savage satires on the pillars of bourgeois society; the world of 'Dada', with its anarchic repudiation of artistic convention; the world of Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill, with the rhythms of *The Threepenny Opera* tinkling down the years, shocking and mocking. Come to the cabaret, old chum!

It's a story that ends in tears, of course, with the advent of Hitler. The version that we have long been given rolls up political and cultural developments into a single, stylised paradigm shift: all decadence and democracy under Weimar, all realism and repression under the Nazis. Now David Midgley comes along with an important and persuasive book that shows us that things are not so simple. This is a scholarly study of the literature of the Weimar period, with chapters on poetry and theatre, but mainly devoted to an examination of the novels of the period, with their experiments in representation, their pervasive air of disillusionment, their preoccupation with the First World War, their reflection of the tension between urban and rural life, and their depiction of technology. These are big themes, resting on a command of a vast German literature, both primary and secondary, which this reviewer is not competent to criticise. But anyone who comes to this book ready to learn will come away impressed by the way that Midgley makes his own learning so accessible.

This is not an easy subject and the conclusions are by no means simple. One obvious reason is that unpacking the term 'Neue Sachlichkeit' is central to Midgley's treatment, since one of his aims is to convey, in English, a more subtle rendering of a protean German expression, which is not easy to translate anyway, and which has become a term of art, invested over the years with keenly disputed ideological overtones. For some previous scholars, the 'new sobriety' captured the sense of a movement that self-consciously rejected the excesses of Expressionism in the Weimar period – and thus created an aesthetic that was to be more amenable to the Nazi regime. Midgley shows us that this simple account will not do. He does so, not by redefining the term differently at the outset, but by showing us that there was an ongoing debate over 'Neue Sachlichkeit' at the time. Thus his method, of which an historian can readily approve, is to recover the senses in which the term was used

at the time. When Bertolt Brecht said that 'Neue Sachlichkeit' is reactionary', he had his own reasons for doing so. Midgley, however, also shows us writers who were by no means reactionary adopting this idiom as their way of maintaining an objectivity of outlook upon the post-war world.

Words, after all, are weapons, and watching how they are used to win arguments can tell us something about them that the dictionary will rarely disclose. Midgley's achievement is to make Weimar more complicated, but in interesting ways. Far from throwing the ideas out, he is bringing them back, in the full verisimilitude of their proper context, to explain to us the literary and cultural contests within Weimar. Nor does he allow us to suppose that the catastrophic change of political regime in 1933 signalled an equally dramatic cultural transformation. It is safe to say that no reader of this book will go away content with the cabaret stereotypes of this era.

Peter Clarke

**Joseph MacDowall**, *On Floating Ice – Two Years on an Antarctic Ice-shelf South of 75°S*. Pp. 314. The Pentland Press Ltd, 1999. ISBN: 1-85821-720-2

'Antarctica is a very healthy place to live.' Lovers of temperate climes may initially beg to differ with Joseph MacDowall's assertion of life at 75°S at Halley Bay, Antarctica where the mean annual temperature is an invigorating 18.5° below zero. However, on reading his account of the Royal Society expedition to Halley Bay during the International Geophysical Year, 1957-58, one can only conclude that life was extremely healthy in both physical, and perhaps more amazingly, mental aspects.

*On Floating Ice* is a personal view of the preparation and execution of an extraordinary two year expedition to the Antarctic to undertake scientific research. The author was part of the 21-strong party which left the UK in November 1956 and spent 24 months living on an ice-shelf at Halley Bay. MacDowall was in charge of the Meteorological and

Geomagnetic Group in the first year and took over as expedition leader in 1958.

The expedition was charged with undertaking a broad spectrum of scientific studies covering meteorological, geomagnetic, auroral, ionospheric, radio astronomy, glaciological, seismological and physiological measurements, plus nuclear emulsion plate experiments. This was an extraordinary number of scientific arenas to be investigating given the small size of the team and throughout the book, the reader is constantly being reminded that the field crew had to be both jack and master of all trades. During their time on the ice, the scientists were repeatedly confronted with problems requiring innovative solutions, typically because the equipment was simply not designed to work at  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  in 100 km. per hr. winds, but also because they were often using unfamiliar equipment whose operation was recognised as a black art by the experts! The commitment of the scientists to obtain data in extreme conditions was remarkable and frequently lead to superficial frostbite. However, the rewards were a ground breaking data set (amounting to ten tons of scientific records – thank goodness for modern data loggers) on a wide range of topics including assessments of potential global warming, proof that Antarctica was indeed a continent and not an ocean basin like the North polar region and perhaps, most fascinatingly, observations which were amongst the first to recognise ozone depletion in that region.

Outwith the science, the experience of working in such a pristine environment clearly had a great impact on the scientists. Numerous references are made to the stunning beauty of the auroral displays, magnificent sunsets, brilliant night skies and the wonder of the Emperor Penguin rookery. After reading several more recent tales of exploration and physical undertaking in the Antarctic, it was a relief to be reminded that the continent can be recognised as a place of awesome beauty, not simply an environment to be tamed.

An amusing historical perspective is provided by some of the more traditional aspects of the expedition. The party composed a birthday message for Her Majesty the Queen and beamed it to London, the

Union flag was hoisted at the base, best suits were worn for various occasions including the Christmas dinner which was preceded by a gathering at noon to hear the Queen's Christmas Message, a religious service was held on Sunday mornings 'after which a bottle of gin was available to share' and the successful launch of the 1000th atmospheric balloon was 'celebrated in the evening by a showing of the film *Dam Busters* and the special issue of a crate of beer'. These observations clearly date the research to another era (although I wish some of them could be resurrected for periods of lengthy field research).

Overall, after reading MacDowall's book, one is left with the impression of a group of extremely dedicated men who successfully carried out an arduous scientific programme. In addition to their scientific activities, they had to play the role of nurse, dentist, psychologist or doctor in a place where you wait a year for your mail, have a bath every two months and roll your shirt sleeves up on a warm day at  $-7^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Given such conditions, I come back to the proposition that Antarctica is a very healthy place to live. It may not have many bacteria but it takes a special type of person to survive in such an environment for two years. The group at Halley Base contributed one set of data for the International Geophysical Year whose outcome was summarised by the US congress in 1973 as 'the single most significant peacetime activity of mankind since the Renaissance and the Copernican revolution'. Whilst this may be open to debate, I am sure the experiences of the Royal Society expedition members at Halley Bay profoundly changed their view of the world.

**Pete Nienow**



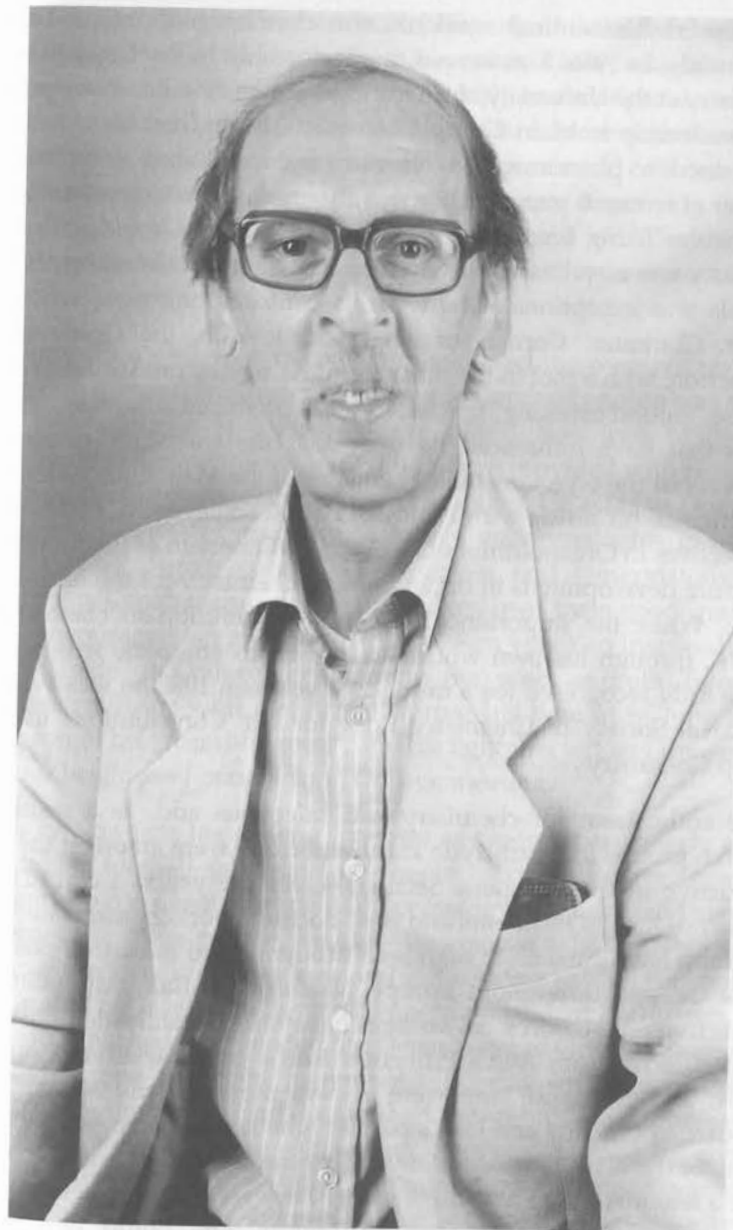
## OBITUARIES

### Dr Ron Snaith, 1947-2000

The whole of the chemistry community, as well as Ron's many friends and colleagues in his other spheres of life, were deeply shocked and saddened by his sudden death on New Year's Day. Ron had been diagnosed with a serious illness some little while before Christmas, and was fighting it with his normal resolve, humour and true 'Yorkshire grit', when he collapsed at home and died in Addenbrookes Hospital a few hours later. Ron leaves his wife, Jane, and two children, Tom and Katie. Jane works in the Department of Genetics, in Cambridge. Tom is in his final year at the University of Durham, reading Chemistry, and Katie is in her second year at the University of Newcastle, Northumbria. The thoughts of all who knew Ron and his family are with them at this very sad time.

Ron was born in Kingston-upon-Hull in August 1947, and was fiercely proud of his Yorkshire heritage. Ron studied Chemistry at the University of Durham between 1965-1971, graduating with a 1st Class Honours Degree in 1968, and then going on to read for a PhD, in Pure Science, under the supervision of Professor Ken Wade, FRS. His PhD was in the general area of Main Group Co-ordination Chemistry with particular reference to the investigation of the nature of covalent bonding between organo-nitrogen ligands and metals and semi-metals. Once his thesis was completed Ron then embarked on a career in school teaching. He took a PGCE in the Department of Education at Durham, and then taught at the Durham Johnston Comprehensive School between 1972 and 1979, where he soon became Head of Chemistry.

During his teaching career he kept in close touch with Professor Wade and they published a number of research papers together. His interest in chemical research, coupled with encouragement from many of his friends, who had identified his outstanding flair and enthusiasm for the subject at an early stage of his career, was instrumental in his return to university teaching and research. In 1979 he took an appointment as Lecturer in Chemistry, at the University of Strathclyde, where he



Dr Ron Snaith

commenced his seminal work on the chemistry of organo-lithium compounds. In 1986, Ron moved to a lectureship in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Cambridge, and in 1998 he was appointed to a Readership in Main Group Chemistry. Throughout his career Ron maintained a phenomenal work-rate and published a prodigious number of research papers in top quality international journals. He had a particular liking for *Chem. Commun.* and *Angew. Chemie*, and as his chemistry was novel, innovative and exciting his success rate with these journals was exceptional. Many of his contributions were written in 'Chem. Commun. Corner' of his favourite pub, the Grapevine in Comberton, with a pint in the other hand. As well as producing over 100 of these 'ground breaking' articles, Ron has produced a number of major works that have influenced the way that the chemistry community thinks about the organometallic chemistry of the Main Group elements. In particular, his article with Professor P. v. R. Schleyer on 'Patterns and Perspectives in Organolithium Chemistry' will remain as the foundation for future developments in organolithium chemistry for the foreseeable future. While the importance of Ron's contribution to chemistry in the UK, through his own work and that of his students, will perhaps not be fully recognised for a number of years, in 1995 he was awarded the Royal Society of Chemistry Prize for his 'Contributions to Main Group Chemistry'.

Ron's enthusiasm for chemistry was infectious and, as a result, his research groups in Strathclyde and Cambridge were amongst the most productive in the Inorganic Sections. Over the years, a considerable number of his PhD students and post-doctoral workers associated with his group have gone on to high level academic and industrial positions in the UK and throughout Europe. Much of the flair, originality and productivity that Ron's co-workers have subsequently demonstrated stems directly from Ron's influence. Ron's group was very much a family, and Ron and Jane were always there to lend support and encouragement. Ron and Jane's parties, whether it be to celebrate Burns Night, or the New Year, or for any other reason that they could think of, were a feature of the Cambridge scene. They were always very popular with colleagues, students and neighbours, and liquid refreshment flowed unabated until the 'wee small hours'. Ron's pub quizzes were

also a feature of life in Comberton. Ron organised these for charity, and in addition to the locals in the Grapevine, there was always an enthusiastic, although not always particularly knowledgeable, turn-out by Ron's research group and colleagues. On a more serious note, in times of crisis or misfortune for any of their friends and colleagues, Ron and Jane were always among the first to appear, dispensing comfort, support, good humour and, on occasion, financial aid. They are both owed a great debt of gratitude by the many that they have so selflessly supported over the years.

Of course, Ron's interests in chemistry and teaching were not restricted to the Department. Soon after he arrived in Cambridge, Ron was elected to a Fellowship at St John's College (1989). Ron took to the new opportunities that membership of the College provided with relish, and became a very active member of the Fellowship. He acted as Director of Studies in Chemistry, teaching St John's undergraduates in all four years of the degree course. His lectures and supervisions were inspirational, and many of his supervisees owe their good grades to Ron's encouragement and perseverance. Ron was also involved in the pastoral side of College life, holding the posts of both Tutor and Admissions Tutor with distinction during his time at St John's. Ron never forgot his 'Yorkshire roots', and his lightning wit and dry sense of humour brightened many a long College meeting.

In his cv Ron lists his general interests as 'Sports, particularly cricket and rugby football (although no longer 'active'), poetry (from the Romantic to the 'Great War' poets), Egyptology, and wine, and above all (according to other people, he says) he enjoyed talking'. This simple statement reflects Ron's modesty and self-effacing nature. For example, he acquired his interest in Egyptology, while a student in Durham, from Professor Thacker, who headed the Department of Oriental Studies. He quickly became an expert in the subject, being involved in original research in the area. Had he wished he could have pursued an international career in the subject, but contented himself by giving a series of invited lectures on 'Egyptian Mummies' to a variety of audiences. As with his chemistry, Ron lectured with authority and enthusiasm, and did much to popularise the subject. While his



cricketing prowess is less well documented, he generally managed to find time to be in the vicinity of a test ground, during an international match, on one or two days each summer. He usually returned, saddened by the state of English cricket, and muttering 'I could have taught these youngsters a thing or two!' We are all sure that he could. As well as his outstanding intellectual ability, one of Ron's main attributes was that he cared passionately for and about people. He would always support the oppressed, the disadvantaged, the underdog, and would work tirelessly to improve their condition with no thought for himself. He applied these ideals to chemistry, to College, and to life in general. His straight talking and honesty were valued by all and he quickly gained respect in all spheres of life. He was able to put across his views with 'Yorkshire bluntness' but also with a wry grin and a sense of humour. He perhaps thought that he did not 'suffer fools gladly' but he was always ready to give the benefit of the doubt, and never seemed disappointed when others failed to live up to the high standards that he set himself. Many of us are grateful for his tolerance and patience. Ron could display a wicked sense of humour, but he always laughed with you, not at you. His gentle teasing was one of the many features that made being with Ron such a pleasure. He was always happy to take as good as he gave, and fiercely defended his love of Bob Dylan records against all the odds!

Ron will be missed by all his friends and colleagues as a generous, patient, selfless, understanding friend, as well as by the chemistry community as an outstanding scientist and teacher. It should be remembered, however, that Inorganic Chemistry in the UK is stronger because of Ron's presence and contribution. Finally, Ron would wish to be remembered as a family man. When it came to important issues the family always came first. He was intensely proud of the achievements of his wife and children, and their successes were far more often the topic of conversation than anything he had achieved himself. At this very difficult time Jane, Tom and Katie should be comforted by the fact that Ron has enriched many lives, and that through his influence many of us are better people.

**Paul Raithby**

### **Tom Hynes adds:**

To those who did not see him in action it is hard to convey a true measure of Ron Snaith's contribution to College. A simple list of his major roles – Director of Studies, Supervisor, Tutor, Admissions Tutor, Council Member – impressive though it is, indicates nothing of the style or panache with which these tasks were accomplished. The sheer professionalism, organisation and attention to detail he brought to these jobs was obvious to all and was a source of inspiration to those working with and for him.

If Ron had problems, he hid them well, for the face we saw was invariably one of friendliness and good humour. This, coupled with the consideration he always had for others, meant that most people found working with him extremely easy. Ron was considerate to an uncommon degree. It was typical of this aspect of his character that, after his spell as Admissions Tutor was over, he would still often drop in to the Admissions Office for a chat or to lend a hand. At frantic times of the year, when things were looking grim, quite often there was Ron, unbidden, 'just happened to be passing', an instant raising of the spirits, a useful extra pair of hands. Attending meetings with Ron was something of an education, for he had an uncanny understanding of meeting dynamics. His contributions, direct and sharply focused, would either make telling points or would re-focus discussion when the danger of wandering off the point was looming large. When these were made with his inimitable, sometimes devastatingly humorous delivery, the mood of the meeting would immediately lighten. It seemed to make giving in with good grace, as Ron would always do, an almost attractive proposition.

Ron's tolerance and inexhaustible patience with others was put to good use when he ran Admissions. Whether it was answering letters of complaint from unaccepted applicants or refereeing disputes among Tutors and Directors of Studies about the numbers admitted in their subjects, he gave generously of his time to consider all points raised and to explain in detail the reasoning behind decisions. Balancing the various conflicting interests was a virtuoso performance on his part and

the system of formulae he refined to distribute places across subjects was a classic of its type – apparently simple with hidden subtleties. We all appreciated the simplicity, for we could see that things were fair, while he always managed to exploit the subtleties to nudge us into being sensible. He ran Admissions' Meetings, tapping away on a calculator, performing wonders in helping us to squeeze extra entrants from our all-too-meagre rations dictated by the formulae. We marvelled at his virtuosity. Moira Lyes, the Admissions Tutor's Assistant, told me some time later that she did not think there had ever been batteries in that famous calculator. Whether that is true or not matters not, the outcomes of Ron's Admissions' Meetings were invariably judged to be as fair as these things can ever be.

It was all too easy for us to rely on Ron as the ultimate friend in need. When candidate lists neared exhaustion for soon-to-be vacant jobs, despite the feelings of guilt for asking him to take on something else, there was always the possibility of asking Ron. When considering such requests, his first question was invariably 'How desperate are you?' and you knew he would do it. A friend indeed.

Working with Ron was great fun.

### Sir Hugh Casson, 1910-1999

There was a time, in the 1950s and 1960s, when Hugh Casson was the best known architect in Britain. This was partly due to his hugely successful role as Director of Architecture for the 1951 Festival of Britain, partly to his skill at talking and writing about architecture in a way which was immediately accessible and attractive to lay people, and not least because of the drawings and water colours with which he illustrated his articles.

When he arrived at St John's College in the autumn of 1929, Hugh was following his father Randal, a mathematician who went on to become an Indian Civil Servant. Life at Cambridge opened up for Hugh, as it has for so many people, a rich new seam of activity. Having done well

in Classics at his school, Eastbourne College, he sat for a Classics Scholarship, which he failed. This, one of the few failures in Casson's long life, resulted in his taking a far more rewarding direction. During his oral examination at St John's he was told that despite not being recommended for a scholarship, his written answer to a question on the Acropolis had been outstandingly good. Why not abandon classics "in which you are plainly not remotely interested" and develop his interest in architecture?

He entered the School of Architecture in Scroope Terrace, and from being a lethargic and morose teenager, his keen interest in everything he did was ensured. With the ferocious energy which would drive him through so many fields of play, he embraced the activities of both the School of Architecture and St John's. His father had rowed for the Lady Margaret Boat Club and suggested Hugh joined. Weighing less than eight and a half stone, he became cox of the first eight, and despite his general dislike of sport entered the oarsman's world with gusto, attending dinners and being photographed in rowing gear. On a more aesthetic level, he painted scenery for the Cambridge Festival Theatre every weekend and became Secretary of the University Architectural Society, luring such eminent people as Eric Gill and Robert Byron to speak.

His work suffered not in the slightest from these extra-mural activities, and he successfully juggled hours spent on the Cam with those spent on more cerebral pursuits to the apparent benefit of both, simultaneously developing his talents as a draughtsman to a very high standard. Just after he went down, the School Head, Theodore Fyfe, wrote a reference in which he said "he was one of the best students I have ever had in the School of Architecture at Cambridge, where he obtained the BA Degree in 1932 with a First Class in each of the three examinations of the architecture course." Awarded a grant from the Craven Fund for Travel and Study in Greece, he spent three months studying Byzantine brickwork (as well as sharpening the drawing skills for which he was already becoming known), before returning to England to take his second degree at the Bartlett School of Architecture of London University. Here he met, and later married, fellow architecture student Margaret MacDonald Troup.

Casson's subsequent life of achievement owed almost as much to his warm and charming personality as to his undeniable abilities. Until war intervened in 1939 he taught part-time at the Cambridge School of Architecture, and then worked in London in the office of his Cambridge Tutor Christopher (Kit) Nicholson. He was recruited into the Camouflage Service of the Air Ministry, spending most of the war years at Cheltenham. By now, he was writing and drawing regularly for many architectural publications, including most notably those of the Architectural Press, as well as for the general public. This diversification set the pattern for his life.

Kit Nicholson, by now his partner, was tragically killed in a gliding accident in the summer of 1948. Nevertheless, Casson accepted an almost simultaneous invitation to become Director of Architecture for the forthcoming Festival of Britain. In no small measure due to his total commitment, his persuasive charm, creative abilities and energy, the Festival was a brilliant success. He was awarded a knighthood in the 1952 New Year's Honours.

It was now that Casson became so well-known. But despite all the speaking engagements, the writing, the television work, and, most demanding, the job he accepted as Professor of the new Interior Design Department at the Royal College of Art, he built up a healthy architectural practice with the young architect Neville Conder, who had held the fort whilst his own time was absorbed by the Festival. Casson Conder's architectural commissions were many and various, including corporate headquarters buildings, the planning and design of university campuses, the Elephant House at London Zoo and a fine new building for the Royal College of Art; but first, and perhaps most important, was the preparation of a master plan for the Arts Faculties on Sidgwick Avenue for the University of Cambridge. They then, over a period of about thirty years, designed many of the faculty buildings on this site, most regarded by the University and architectural commentators as handsome and functional contributions to the Cambridge scene.

Retiring after twenty three years at the Royal College of Art, Hugh Casson became President of the Royal Academy in 1976 where his work

to rescue that institution from a perilous financial situation and to promote it in the public eye earned him a fresh bout of recognition and acclaim. During all these hard-working years, he was a spokesman for architecture, contributing to radio programmes such as *The Critics* and fronting several television series. In addition, he became architect and friend to the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh (designing the interior of Royal Yacht Britannia amongst other projects), wrote and illustrated several books – including *Hugh Casson's Cambridge* – designed opera sets for the Royal Opera House and Glyndebourne, and sat on innumerable commissions, committees and judging panels. His packed and eventful life was further rewarded when he was made a KCVO in 1978 and a Companion of Honour in 1985. Born on May 23, 1910, Hugh Casson died on August 15, 1999.

**José Manser**

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#### **Sir (Cyril) Humphrey Cripps, 1915-2000**

The College was shocked and saddened to learn of the sudden death on 14 April of Sir Humphrey Cripps, the day after he had spent a happy morning in his office. In Cambridge, and in many other places, Humphrey Cripps was for over thirty years the embodiment of the Cripps Foundation. This was a charity established in 1956 by his father Cyril Cripps and himself, together with his mother and sisters, principally to help in building projects for Education, Health and the Church. It is likely that the benefactions of the Foundation to the university, seven colleges and other institutions in Cambridge represented the greatest munificence from a private source since the beginning of the sixteenth century. The huge benefits in cash were immeasurably extended by the vigorous and varied ways in which Humphrey deployed his boundless energy and enthusiasm in the interests of the beneficiaries, by his foresight and attention to detail and his formidable skills and experience as a businessman.

Humphrey Cripps was born in London, and moved with his family to Roade, a village about six miles south of Northampton. From the Primary School in Roade he won a scholarship to Northampton Grammar School, entering St John's in 1934 to read Natural Sciences, taking Part II Chemistry in 1937. Humphrey Cripps spent all his working life principally in the family business, Pianoforte Supplies Limited. The company was founded in 1919 by Cyril Cripps in London for the purpose not of making the complete instrument, but of supplying all the components in metal to the actual piano constructors. At the beginning of 1923, the business was moved from London to Roade. The firm also began supplying components to other trades, and notably to the motor industry, then in its infancy. The old trading title has been retained for sentimental reasons and because the name is not forgotten by friends and customers.

During vacations while he was an undergraduate, Humphrey spent a good deal of time working in the firm's electroplating departments, and in getting to know the nature of the engineering work in the firm. When he started work in earnest in 1937 he acted as Chemist in charge of all the electroplating, heat treatment equipment and process work. Later, he began to acquire the experience to control production and by early 1940 he was taking an active part in the management of the firm, by then extremely busy on war work. He became Assistant Managing Director in 1948, Managing Director in 1960 and Chairman in 1979. He was part of the team which after the war developed the business at Roade with the major construction of a new factory and offices there. Pianoforte Supplies was and remains a private company, the family having gifted their ownership to the Cripps Foundation and other charitable entities, which benefited from the success in the 50s and 60s of the British motor industry.

Humphrey's business interests quickly became international with the establishment of a branch company in Melbourne, Australia, which still continues. A metal tubing business was acquired in Toronto, Canada, and Humphrey also established a major holiday resort in the British Virgin Islands to help provide employment for the local population, and later with others set up an airline to fly tourists there. He was involved

in the early days of a new public company which was later renamed Velcro Industries NV, making light, flexible yet strong fixings with innumerable applications. He became a Director and was Chairman for over twenty years, during which the company grew into a prosperous world-wide organisation. Other enterprises were also established by Humphrey Cripps in London, the Home Counties and the Midlands.

The major work of restoration of Second and Third Court has been described by Alec Crook in his book *Penrose to Cripps*. The College increasingly realised the size and cost of the task, and also the urgent need for new buildings to accommodate the increase by about one-third in the number of undergraduates after the end of the war, so the Governing Body agreed that an appeal should be made to old members of the College. Tenders for work on Second Court had already shown that the cost of restoration would be at least £150,000, and £350,000 was mentioned for new buildings so the appeal target was set at £500,000 (equivalent to about £7 million today).

Soon after receipt of the appeal in January 1958 Humphrey Cripps wrote to the Master, Sir James Wordie, who had been his Tutor, expressing interest in helping with the appeal and asking to visit Cambridge to explain his position more fully. Humphrey explained that the Foundation wished their interest to be known at this stage only to the Master himself and to the Senior Bursar, John Boys Smith. During his visit he asked about possible sites for new building, and the Senior Bursar showed him three possible sites, including Fishponds Close, north of New Court. He asked who owned the land west of Fishponds Close, beyond the Bin Brook, and the Senior Bursar explained that it belonged to Merton College, Oxford and told him of unsuccessful attempts in the past to buy it. Cripps wrote a long letter to the Master the next day, confirming what he had said while in Cambridge. He commented on the tactics of the appeal based on his own experience and explained that the Foundation had the clear intention of providing funds to deal with the new buildings. In this and in all later letters during the project Cripps was careful to raise no expectations unless he was certain that they could be fulfilled; extracts from the letter follow:





Sir Humphrey Cripps

"As I have explained to you we are at present committed to complete a scheme involving the building of a hall of residence at Nottingham University for 200 men students, with all the necessary buildings, including dining hall, kitchens, library, warden's lodge and servants quarters. This will not be completed until the early autumn of 1959. This project naturally prevents us from being able to help the College until towards the end of next year, but from then on there is every hope that it could receive our major support.

"I would also suggest that with the distinct possibility of proceeding with the extension of the College buildings, the College Council should give serious consideration to an approach to Merton College, Oxford, concerning the grounds at the rear of New Court. I have often found direct personal contact is usually the most efficacious way of getting positive results. I do not know if this obtains in the academic world. I am sure the College is not lacking in able, diplomatic and skilful negotiators who could well succeed in such a good cause."

This letter demonstrated at once the firm intention of the Foundation to fund the building in a major way, its cautious and deliberate approach to matters, its aversion to publicity, and Humphrey's foresight in relation to the best site for the new buildings. Though he often gave advice, Humphrey never sought to interfere in matters of College policy and he thoroughly approved of the careful steps taken later by the College to decide on the site.\* He was strongly in favour of the Governing Body choosing the architect, and also recommended early appointment of the quantity surveyor who, whilst working with the architect, was at the same time directly responsible to the College. In September 1959 Cripps wrote a further private and confidential letter

\*John Boys Smith has described in his *Memories of St John's College Cambridge 1919-1969* (page 235 et seq.) how he negotiated for the purchase of the Merton land, reaching a successful conclusion in April 1959. Alec Crook in Penrose to Cripps has described in detail how the College chose the site and the architects for the new building, and the progress of its construction.

explaining that, provided the College Council agreed that funds advanced were earmarked for the new buildings, that interest should be earned until enough funds were available to make a start on the building, and that the Foundation be represented on the Buildings Committee that would control the building work in all its aspects, he would be hopeful soon to advance £75,000 and to repeat that gift about twelve months later. The Council accepted the conditions and agreed gratefully to accept the gift.

Planning for the new buildings began, in the hands of a committee which met many times over the next seven years – sometimes three times in a month. Humphrey Cripps attended all but a handful of these meetings, and at the outset he suggested that the Foundation had no wish to make any specific proposals as to the type, style or siting of the buildings, and wished only to stipulate that they should be well suited to the needs of the College in the foreseeable future, and of good design and materials. Within these limits they would retain a veto in case the plans proposed by the College should not be as good as they would wish. He hoped that the College would not at this stage contemplate extensive alterations to the old buildings and suggested that the number to be aimed for in new buildings should be 200 undergraduate places rather than 140, the initial target of the committee. He described to the committee diverse systems of accommodating students which he had personally inspected in Britain, the USA and Canada. Humphrey Cripps kept in close touch throughout not only by attending meetings but also with the Master, John Boys Smith, by telephone and letter.

Powell & Moya (the appointed architects) proposed anodised aluminium windows; Cripps questioned their expected life and suggested the use of bronze. Bronze windows were much more expensive, so Cripps offered to look into manufacturing them in his works. He soon reported that he could do this at about half the price of commercially available aluminium windows. Cripps later made a gift of the bronze windows and of other metalwork such as the long hinges, used in pianos, for wardrobes and cupboard doors. He was also insistent that the heights of the ceilings in the building should be greater than the UGC norm. He even went with members of the committee to

the stone quarries at Portland in Dorset to ensure that the highest quality of stone be chosen.

In April 1963 Cripps explained that he could now so arrange the flow of money that the full scheme could be carried through in one continuous operation without need for phasing. John Laing Construction Ltd had been chosen as contractors at the suggestion of Cripps, and the quantity surveyors (Gleeds) negotiated with them until a fixed price acceptable to the Foundation had been agreed and the order placed. Only at that stage, in July 1964, was the identity of the benefactor revealed in a public announcement in *The Times* and the *Cambridge News*.

Though Cripps's involvement with St John's has been described at length, the same imagination, attention to detail and use of Humphrey's ever-growing fund of experience in designing and constructing buildings were deployed elsewhere. The projects often overlapped in time, indeed friendships made in connection with one project sometimes led to another. Selwyn, Magdalene, Queens' and other colleges, and the Fitzwilliam Museum benefited in varying proportions from Humphrey's sound and far sighted advice, and gifts in kind such as handsome display cabinets made at Roade for the Fitzwilliam Museum. His insistence on quality of design and execution, value for money and careful control was not always easy to satisfy, particularly in periods of high inflation, but major benefactions from the Foundation were put to the best possible use.

It is not appropriate here to attempt a detailed account of works outside Cambridge supported by Humphrey and the Foundation. Reference has already been made to building in the 50s in Nottingham University; two Chairs were also founded there and other important buildings followed. It was fitting that an honorary D.Sc. was conferred on him in 1975; Humphrey remained in close touch with Nottingham University for the rest of his life. The General Hospital and several schools in Northampton and in the county of Northamptonshire benefited similarly, as did Peterborough Cathedral.

Humphrey's enthusiastic participation in the affairs of Cambridge (quite apart from its buildings) ranged from attending admissions of



Vice-Chancellors on 1 October to many attendances with Dorothea at May Concerts in St John's - and of course there were the Feasts. Having become an Honorary Fellow of four colleges, Humphrey was invited to feasts at all of those colleges and he rarely missed them and always enjoyed conversations before, during and after dinner, often until the small hours started becoming larger. The writer received a surprisingly diffident telephone call from Humphrey in 1982, asking whether the four colleges would take it amiss if he offered to endow a feast in each college, either a new one or an existing one at the discretion of the college. The answer was an easy one to give, and characteristically Humphrey was happy to tailor the arrangements to suit the wishes of the several colleges, in most cases by endowing existing occasions.

Not surprisingly, Humphrey Cripps was much in demand for Public Service, and despite his hectic business schedule and the equally time-consuming work associated with the Foundation, he was active, particularly in the county of Northamptonshire, in governing several schools and serving as the leader of the independent group on the Northamptonshire County Council, where he was influential in education, planning and in finance. He was appointed to the Board of Northampton Development Corporation in 1968 and served until the Board was wound up in 1985. He served as High Sheriff of Northamptonshire in 1985-86 and as Deputy Lieutenant from 1986-1996. Many friends remember a wonderful party in Castle Ashby during that period. He was elected Freeman of the City of London in 1957 and a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Wheelwrights. He was proud to be one of the few Wheelwrights who actually made wheels! He was appointed Master of that Company in 1981-82 and also became Liveryman of the Tallow Chandlers in 1983. This public service, and Cripps's major charitable activities, were recognised in 1989 by the award of a knighthood.

Though formidable in negotiation and on occasion forceful and stubborn in argument, Humphrey was a caring and compassionate man. Many people have been touched by quiet acts of personal generosity. He sometimes displayed almost childlike enthusiasms, for example in performing tricks with matchsticks. By way of relaxation in

early years he studied British butterflies, involving hair-raising trips with his cousin on a motorbike, searching for rarer varieties. When his children were young he hugely enjoyed participating with them in model boat regattas during summers in Southwold, imbuing them with his spirit of competitiveness leavened by good humour. He was for seventeen years organising secretary of these events. Humphrey and Dorothea (who had been married in 1942) suffered the heartbreak of losing John, the second of their three sons, in 1989, and their daughter Eleanor in 1994. Shortly after Eleanor's death, Humphrey had to cope with his own gradually failing short-term memory. His dignity and sense of purpose together with great good humour and his longer term memories enabled him to cope and to keep involved with affairs as far as was possible, until the sudden yet painless end of his life.

It seems fitting to sum up Humphrey's life by quoting from the translation of the words of the Orator who presented him for his honorary LLD in the Senate House in 1976:

"He encourages work once started by his presence, and by his engineering experience and attention to even small details helps in the solution of problems, and that without any appearance of assuming command: his gifts exceed his promises, and he makes friends on all sides. "What is the use," he is reported to have said, "of having money, if not to help your friends?" Enquire of them and you will hear him described as a sincere good man, a man who radiates common sense, whom they delight to have as guest and companion as often as possible".

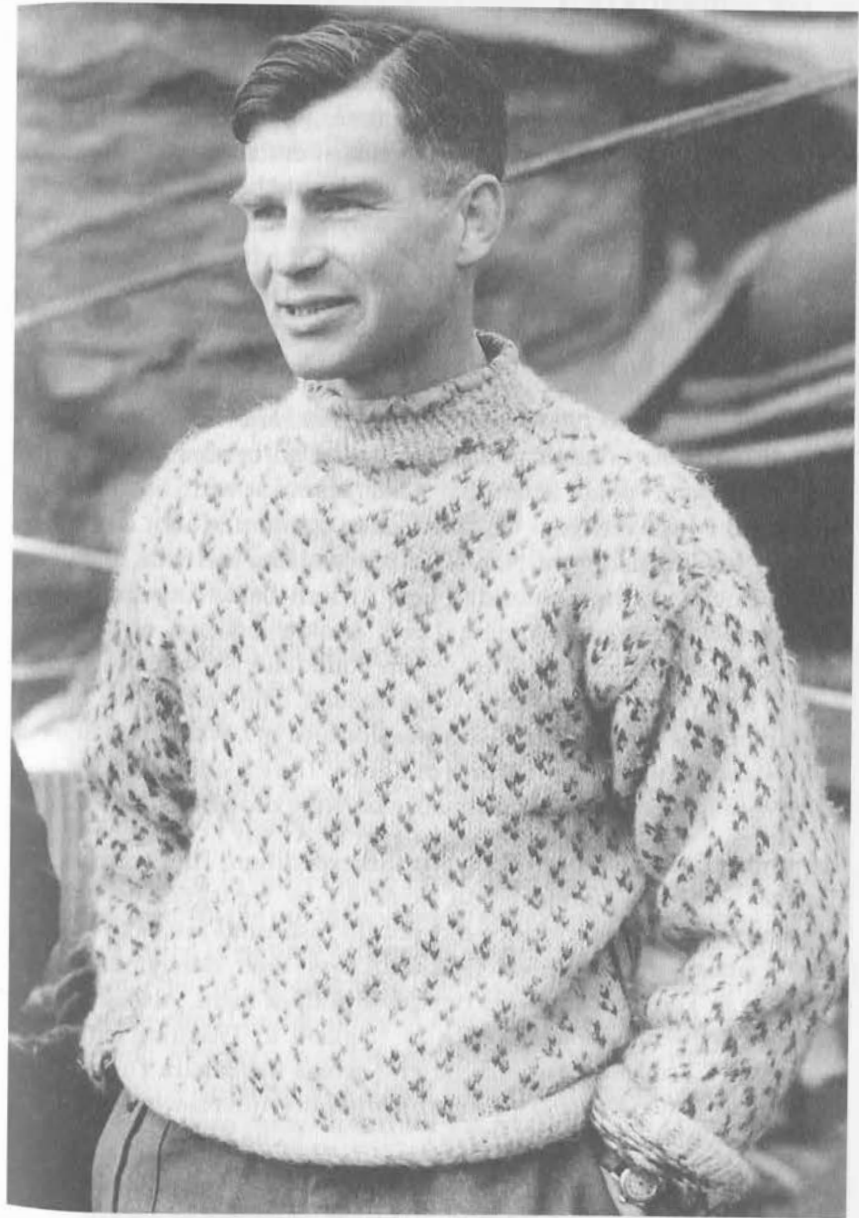
**Christopher Johnson**

### Sir Vivian Fuchs, 1908 – 1999

It has been a strange and interesting experience to write my father's obituary for *The Eagle*. My intention is to show new angles on his life and possibly reveal to many people a different side to my father.

Those of you who have read his autobiography would observe that he was reticent on personal feelings. His obituary in the *Economist* touched on the reason. He might have been a disturbed child, but for two very stoical parents who supported all his activities, encouraging an inquisitive and open mind, especially in natural history. From his mother's diaries I am able to speculate how much he suffered from being the son of a German during the First World War. I doubt if many English people are aware these days how bigoted and cruel the English were to the Germans who had come to settle in England by 1914. My grandfather spent most of the war in an internment camp in the Isle of Man. Dad first went to school there, and saw his father from time to time when he was temporarily released from 'jail' or was visited in the camp. After a few years the family was allowed to return to Kent, with grandfather working for his wife's cousin as a gardener. It was then that Dad, after preparatory school, went to take up his place at Tonbridge School. He was informed that he could only go when all the English boys had taken up their places. As a result he went to a school in the Trent valley where he was bullied so badly that he begged his parents to take him away. From there he was sent to Brighton College – a welcome haven.

This account of his early childhood may answer the question of how Dad got his remarkable characteristics of grit, determination, self-containment, and his apparent lack of emotion. As the *Economist* said in its obituary, 'the bullying he experienced as a boy toughened him against future adversity and may also have taught him to keep tight control on his feelings. Criticised in later life by an interviewer for his reluctance to bare his soul, he retorted: "Why should I do so? I regard the influence of emotion as dangerous. Allow your emotions to control what you do and you are taking risks." . . . Vivian Fuchs was not a touchy-feely sort of person.'



Sir Vivian Fuchs

From Brighton, he came to St John's to read Natural Sciences, climb the roofs of the Colleges and enjoy the first taste of adulthood. During this time he travelled abroad on several occasions with his parents; his mother took up her travels of pre-war times with her financial capital recovered from the Government eight years after the end of the war. She was fluent in French and German, and you would have expected Dad to have taken up one or other, but there may have been a psychological blockage. Dad might have understood much of what was said in these languages, but I never knew him to use them in taking a foreign holiday or when travelling abroad for pleasure, other than the occasional trip with my mother on Antarctic business.

At St John's his Tutor was James Wordie, Shackleton's Senior Scientist from 1914–16. As a result of his influence Dad became interested in exploration and polar activities. After his trip with Sir James to Greenland where the team was the first to conquer Mount Petermann (9,175ft), his friendship with Louis Leakey led him to Africa, first going as a geologist on the Cambridge East African Lakes Expedition, and immediately afterwards joining Louis Leakey on one of his early archaeological expeditions. This set the foundations for his own Lake Rudolf Rift Valley Expedition two years later. The work done on this expedition was the basis for his treatise for his PhD, which remains one of the standard works for that area of Kenya. The expedition ended very sadly with the loss of two colleagues who were drowned in the lake.

My mother had accompanied Dad on this expedition. They were second cousins who had holidayed in Scotland as teenagers on various occasions, but whose romance did not flourish until much later. They were married in September 1933 and took their honeymoon rock-climbing in The Dolomites. So typical of both of them. Also so typical was that they should travel back to England in 1934 overland from Kenya via Chad, northern Nigeria and across the Sahara Desert. That trip is a tale in itself, as indeed were my mother's travels whilst Dad was on his expedition.

In 1938 he joined the Territorial Army and in June 1939 was gazetted Second Lieutenant in the Cambridgeshire Regiment. I suspect that Dad

and the Army had an uneasy relationship, particularly as he was posted to West Africa where Fulani is the common local language, whereas he had told them that he was fluent in Swahili which is the 'lingua franca' in East Africa. Returning from West Africa he was involved in the Normandy invasion and in the latter part of the war earned his magisterial spurs as part of the Civil Affairs Detachment unit in the town of Plön in Schleswig-Holstein.

Being too young to remember or appreciate the situation after the war, I was unaware of his concern of what to do next, but papers reveal that a posting abroad was a real possibility, either as a geologist or a District Commissioner in the Colonial Service. Sir James Wordie came to his aid, however, and Dad was interviewed for a post in FIDS, Falkland Islands Dependency Survey, the successor to Operation Tabarin which set up bases on the Grahamland Peninsula to prevent the use of key harbours as refuges for German raiders. The interview resulted in him being appointed as Field Commander for FIDS, based at Stonington Island, the southernmost base.

He and the ten others were marooned for an extra winter when the relief ship's passage was blocked by ice, and ever since they have been called the 'Lost Eleven'. As children, my sister and I recall the thrill of broadcasting via the BBC our all too brief messages at Christmas time. After the war a further absence was just part of the norm – snow and ice rather than bombs and bullets.

After his return in early summer of 1950, normal family life was instituted, with all the pranks and make-believe excitements that are the memories of the brief time between his return from war and departure to the Antarctic for the first time. Dad worked in London during the week, creating the London office of FIDS, building up the organisation, and fighting for every penny to keep the field teams well equipped. Soon the Trans-Antarctic Expedition (TAE) saga began, and what must be extraordinary to many is that for the family all the goings-on were just a normal part of life, the public exposure and the media confrontations. What was so noticeable was the enormous commitment needed to get the show on the road, and the sheer weight of opposing

views which had to be overcome. The turning point was when Dad was given the opportunity by Churchill to address the Conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers to seek governmental support for the Commonwealth Trans-Antarctic Expedition. These were thrilling times for a teenager at school and became more so as the expedition progressed from the concern that m.v. Theron would become beset in the Weddell Sea (as had happened to Shackleton and the Endurance in 1915) through to the slow progress of the main party in the early part of the Crossing that created the 'Cause Célèbre', as it is now known. This was when Sir Edmund Hillary had the sheer audacity to suggest that Dad should give up the crossing at the South Pole, over-winter somewhere else, and return next season. The reply was typical, succinct, polite, but absolutely definite, and contained the following words: '... in view of your opinion that late season travel is an unjustifiable risk I do not feel able to ask you to join us at D700, in spite of your valuable local knowledge. We will therefore have to wend our way, using the traverse you leave at the Pole ...'.

The crossing of the Antarctic was 2158 statute miles from Shackleton to Scott Base via the South Pole and it was completed in 99 days averaging 22 miles per day, compared with the estimated plan of 100 days and 20 miles per day. I wish that we all could forecast and complete our tasks with such accuracy and success under such arduous conditions. An example without exception of great leadership and sheer dedication to the task by a team of sixteen men, carrying out continuous scientific work. He was knighted as a result of this success, and received many other honours from around the world.

After TAE he returned to his post as Director of the British Antarctic Survey (BAS), as FIDS was renamed. Many a government minister attempted to haul in the reins on the level of expenditure by BAS, or stand in the way of building a new ice-strengthened ship. All to no avail, as often they found themselves authorising even higher expenditure. It was largely through a single man's determination and diplomatic skills that BAS became the premier scientific organisation in the Antarctic research by the time Dad retired in 1973.

In his retirement several organisations benefited from his experience (the British Association for Advancement of Science, the Royal Geographical Society, the Royal Society), but above all it was the numerous ambitious expedition leaders who were advised, encouraged and guided by a man who believed so wholeheartedly in individuals being motivated to fulfil their own potential. Many will remember him for the effect he had on their lives and careers.

I would like to end this obituary by quoting Dad on leadership:

'I find it difficult to speak about leadership, but I think perhaps some reference to it is necessary in this context [the context being Human Endurance]. I would say that man must have confidence in the leader and it is a good thing if they like him personally. They must have confidence that he will not regard any small mistake, or something minor which goes wrong, as of great importance. They must know that, if trouble comes, he will be resourceful rather than rattled. They must feel that he tries to understand them, and that he will settle their problems impartially – whether these be between themselves, or between an individual and himself. In short, he must be just.'

**Peter Fuchs**  
(BA 1963)

#### **Professor Michael Rex Horne, 1921-2000**

I first met Michael Horne in the Engineering Department at Cambridge in 1952 where he was a member of a marvellous team built up by Professor J. F. Baker – later Lord Baker – to study the theory and design of steel structures. Lord Baker said of him "... *the width of his intellectual interest was impressive and his industry was almost alarming. All problems attracted him. If one was toying with some new and possibly promising development, it was as well not to mention it if one hoped to pursue it at leisure, otherwise Michael would breeze in next morning with a complete solution or the announcement that the idea was fundamentally unsound*".

So it is not surprising that Michael had a very distinguished career. After gaining First Class Honours he progressed to Doctor of Science



and was elected a Fellow of St John's. It was his influence which led me, in 1960, to leave industry and join him at the University of Manchester, where he had just been appointed Professor of Engineering.

He was a wonderful mentor. Despite his workload he always had time to help and encourage his staff. I remember, in particular, one intractable theoretical problem that I had. He took it home to Buxton one weekend (much to Molly's chagrin, I am sure) and came back on the Monday with a complete elegant solution. I still have those papers, which I treasure.

Michael was not just an academic. Whenever possible he developed his analysis into a practical format so that it could be used by consulting engineers and designers. This involved attending many meetings in London of the British Standards Institution where he gave freely of his time and expertise.

Another powerful example of his selflessness occurred after the collapse of several box girder bridges in this country and abroad. Michael was asked by the Government to join the committee in London remaking the



*Professor Michael Rex Horne*

design procedures for this type of bridge. He worked tirelessly on this project which was urgent because, to reduce the load, such bridges were restricted to one-way working until they could be properly checked by the new design rules. It was said that 15 years' work was accomplished in 15 months.

Later on he was invited by the Government to chair the committee responsible for making proposals for the rational accommodation of services in our streets: gas, electricity, water, telephones and so on. Again, Michael's logical mind resulted in far-reaching recommendations which were then adopted.

His prowess won high awards in the Institution of Civil Engineers, of which he was a Fellow, and in the Institution of Structural Engineers where he was elected President in 1980-81 and where he was later to receive its highest honour, the Gold Medal. He was also elected a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering and a Fellow of the Royal Society, and appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire.

One could be forgiven for thinking that such distinction might make a man aloof. Not so, Michael; he always listened sympathetically to others' views and gave them fair weight. He never took himself too seriously and I can hear now his merry laugh as it echoed around the lecture room or laboratory when, to his delight, he discovered something new or absurd. It is one of the precious memories of his common touch.

The conference held in honour of his early retirement from the University of Manchester in 1983 attracted a large number of eminent engineers and scholars from all over the world. It was a practical testimony to the high regard in which he was held by his profession.

In all these activities he was ably supported by Molly who willingly gave and gave again. He would be the first to acknowledge her understanding and selflessness, so that any honours were shared.

We shall miss a distinguished scholar, an eminent engineer, a lovely man and a dear friend.

**Eric R Bryan**

### David George Crighton, 1942-2000

David Crighton, Master of Jesus College and one of the country's most influential applied mathematicians, died on 12 April 2000, after battling against cancer with remarkable courage for over a year. He was born in Llandudno on 15 November 1942 where his mother and his father, a civil servant in the Inland Revenue, had been evacuated from London to escape the blitz. From Abbots Langley Primary School, he progressed in 1953 to Watford Grammar School. Here his course was unusual, beginning on the Modern side, where he excelled in modern languages and history, but switching to mathematics and physics after 'O' Level. He became a dominant character in the school, playing Rugby for the first XV, representing the school at cross country running, organising play reading groups and becoming Head Boy. His Headmaster, H.A. Réé, a Johnian, decided that, in view of Crighton's intellectual and athletic interests, he would be happier in St John's than in King's, for which he had been entered initially.

Crighton came up to St John's in October 1961 and read for the Mathematical Tripos, gaining very good First Class results in both Part I and Part II. Unwell at the time of the examinations in his second year, he still managed to gain honours in the Preliminary Examination for Part II even though he was only able to take two out of the four papers. Although, as an undergraduate, he may not have been the dominant influence in College that he had been at Watford Grammar, or was to become in UK mathematics, many of the qualities that were to mark him out in future years were already evident. When he worked in supermarkets in the vacations, his appreciation of work well done and his ability to take people on their merits, independent of status, manifested itself in his admiration for the skills of his more experienced colleagues, whether supervisors or stackers of shelves. His distinguished undergraduate results did not depend on the legendary capacity for hard work which was a feature of his later career: he worked conscientiously, usually taking a shower at tea time to freshen up for an evening's study interrupted by Hall and ending with a drink before closing time.

One of the great abiding interests of his life developed at this time. In the Long Vacation of 1962 he travelled to the Bayreuth Festival, attending performances of The Ring Cycle and four other Wagner operas. In an extremely busy academic life, opera, especially Wagner, would always be made a place. Crighton eventually became a regular contributor to *Wagner News*. One of his last major public appearances was to conduct the Jesus College Orchestra in an extremely moving performance of the Overture to *Tannhäuser* on 27 February this year.

For whatever reason, perhaps influenced by his ill health in his second year, Crighton decided not to follow the customary route for a Cambridge mathematician aspiring to an academic career. Rather than stay on after graduation to read for Part III of the Mathematical Tripos, in 1964 he took a position at Woolwich Polytechnic, whilst carrying on with his studies at London University, initially for an MSc. Later he was to say that lecturing on mathematics to students, some of whom had limited interest in the subject, taught him valuable lessons, including techniques of crowd control.

Within a year, Crighton transferred to a PhD under the supervision of John Ffowcs Williams, then Reader in Applied Mathematics at Imperial College (and now Master of Emmanuel College, Cambridge), initially remaining employed at Woolwich Polytechnic. Ffowcs Williams was Chairman of the Concorde Noise Panel and Crighton began working with him on the problem of Concorde's take-off noise and the related challenge of limiting the generation of the underwater sound by submarines by which they might be detected, becoming his research assistant at Imperial in 1967.

Crighton was ambitious and confident of his abilities. He worked with others to understand these noise problems, disentangling the complex results of experiments by analysing them in terms of theoretical models. To this task, Crighton brought not only his mathematical skills but also an eye for relevant new techniques, acquired through meticulous study of the mathematical literature. With Frank Leppington, he used singular perturbation and matched asymptotic expansion techniques to solve new problems involving both acoustic scattering and diffraction. His



judgement on how to get things done was already becoming almost mythical, whether the context was mathematical or how to obtain tickets for Covent Garden.

In 1969 David Crighton married Mary West, a pianist, and they had two children, Benjamin, born in 1970, and Beth, born in 1971. The marriage was dissolved in 1985.

When, in 1972, the Concorde noise research programme moved to Cambridge with Ffowcs Williams, at first Crighton was reluctant to return. Eventually, in 1974, he accepted a research post on the programme in the Cambridge Engineering Department, but before he could really take it up, he was appointed Professor of Applied Mathematics in Leeds at the early age of 31. At Leeds his ability to recognise and encourage the talents of others really came to the fore. Through hard work he was able to combine a vigorous personal programme of research, which he now extended into the theory of nonlinear wave propagation and the study of the vibration and loading of submerged bodies (such as propellers), with increasing involvement in academic administration throughout the university and beyond.

As later at Cambridge, he managed to cope with a punishing workload without losing his sense of humour and still managing to seem relaxed, to have the time to listen to anyone, from whatever level of the organisation, who wanted to talk to him. With his good humour went a firm resolve; he was warm, engaging and approachable, but also a rather private person. In his 12 years at Leeds, the Applied Mathematics Department was transformed into one of the best in the country.

In 1985 David Crighton was elected to the Professorship of Applied Mathematics in Cambridge in succession to the first holder of that Chair, George Batchelor, whose lectures he had attended and admired as an undergraduate. St John's moved quickly to welcome him back to a Professorial Fellowship and he took up office in January 1986. In 1991 he became Head of the University's Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics (DAMTP). Crighton's influence in the UK applied mathematical community continued to grow. He chaired many national committees concerned with mathematics for the

national research and funding councils. In 1996 he also took on the editorship of the *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*, the leading journal founded by George Batchelor.

Under his leadership DAMTP grew and prospered. He acquired resources for the Department and provided others with effective help to do the same. He had the ability to encourage others, even in fields far from his own. Perhaps his special talent was summed up by a younger member of the Department who once remarked that "I have just walked along King's Parade with David and he has convinced me that what I am doing is really exceptionally interesting and important. I know he does the same for everyone else in the Department but that doesn't diminish the effect." He played a central rôle in the planning and fund-



*Professor David Crighton*

raising for the new £55 million Centre for Mathematical Sciences, which will house the University mathematics departments, and in establishing the Mathematics Millennium Project, aimed at promoting the understanding of mathematics amongst young people and others. This extreme work schedule did not tie him down in Cambridge; in fact he travelled widely and frequently, thinking little of going to Japan for a one-day meeting, except that fifty hours travel provided an excellent opportunity for work uninterrupted by telephone calls.

In 1997 David Crighton was elected Master of Jesus College, Cambridge, in succession to another Johnian, Professor Lord Renfrew. Immediately he put his energies into this new challenge and the College responded to the warmth of his personality and his commitment to raising standards wherever possible and encouraging others to make the most of their talents. With his wife Johanna, whom he had married in 1986, he became devoted to his new College.

Cruelly, just fifteen months after taking office in Jesus, he became ill. After some weeks, secondary cancer of the liver was diagnosed. In spite of the bleak prognosis and the debilitating nature of much of the treatment, he returned to his duties, both departmental and college, with unrelenting commitment. He seemed to work even harder than before. It was his way of handling the situation. He still desperately wanted to contribute to the Department, the College, the University. For those working with him it was often difficult to understand how someone so seriously ill could spend time helping sort out the mundane frustrations and nuisances of academic life. He continued discharging the duties of his offices until just about two weeks before his death on 12 April 2000.

David Crighton's distinction was recognised by many awards, including his election in 1993 as a Fellow of the Royal Society, and honorary doctorates from Loughborough University and UMIST. Surely yet more achievement and recognition was to come and his loss is very keenly felt by his colleagues and friends in Cambridge, throughout the international mathematical community and beyond.

Peter Goddard

### Ruth Daniel, 1915-2000

It would be wrong to speculate, of course, but not altogether surprising if when the time comes it were to turn out that the last thoughts of Ruth Daniel, who died on 4 April, had concerned the College Choir and lunch in about equal measure. Not any old lunch of course, not one of those working lunches which, when she was not in the Maypole with Frank Thistlethwaite, she would often take in the College Bar ('Glyn's bar', as she always referred to it) with a glass or so of red ('Burgundy if you have it. Thank you. You don't have anything drier?') to keep her company as she lamented the state of the *Times* crossword ('not what it was'), but her next birthday lunch on the 5th of July. She always planned ahead. The oyster outings to Orford which the Linehans enjoyed with her over the years had to be conducted with military precision. With Ruth things had to be just so, or not at all.

The next birthday lunch would have been for her 85th. The fifth child of R. W. B. Langhorne, Priest-Vicar of Exeter Cathedral and Headmaster of the Choristers' School, she had been born into the Anglican tradition. As the young Mrs Daniel in post-war Cambridge, therefore, she was doubly blessed. As well as having Glyn, whom as a WAAF officer she had met in India, and from 1958 the editing of *Antiquity* in common with him, she was within a stone's throw of the College Chapel in which for more than half a century she was a regular in her way and a not always uncritical worshipper. And the College was blessed too, by her dedication to its Choir which, whenever latterly it went on tour, went well supplied with 'Auntie Ruth's beer money'. It was in particular acknowledgement of her generosity in that connexion (albeit on an altogether more substantial scale) that last year the College Council made her a member of our society, an advancement that chuffed her more than she would readily admit. Although it was in her late husband's nicely greened gown that she was enveloped when she did so, now she could dine in College other than in his shadow, and from her eyrie just along from the Master's stall could swoop ensurpliced upon the solecisms of readers of lessons. The loss of Glyn in 1986 was something she had never really come to terms with. As well as their last home - The Flying Stag, surely central Cambridge's most charming

residence – however, now she had *entrée* in her own right in the College in which (in the words of the Prince of Wales at the presentation of his *Festschrift*) even after retirement from his chair the Disney Emeritus had kept ‘some rooms’.

As an Oxford undergraduate in the late thirties, apart from reading Geography she had captained the University Cricket XI. Later she played for England, and whenever you met her, right to the end, there was always that sense that even though a crisis was developing on the square, with Ruth padded up something might be managed. There was also the nice wristy follow-through to the swing of her stick as she took her afternoon constitutional across the Backs, stately as a galleon. The spectacle of the Disney Professor bobbing along in the wake of *Antiquity's* Production Editor and stooping occasionally to inspect some errant martagon lily marked down by her for execution, remains one of the abiding memories of those of us who spent much of the early 1980s looking out of windows. Until the late nineties indeed, alone now on her progresses but still with back ramrod-straight, not only did Mrs Daniel continue to appear more than a shade forbidding. She was. As cyclists going the wrong way along St John's Street after the City Council introduced its insane new system learned to their cost on being whacked with that stick, with Ruth there was no knowing where the next thrust might not be coming from. Indeed, there were times when one felt that Bertie Wooster's Aunt Agatha might with advantage have taken her correspondence course.

The courts of the College were her Long Room. At her funeral in the Cambridge Crematorium, an occasion relieved by the musical contribution of the present generation of choral scholars, I was reminded of that obituary of the lady of about her vintage who, ‘a fiery left-arm bowler in her youth, in her later years was beset by a searing sense of sin’. Or something of the sort, the point being that, as to the besetting, Ruth did not conform. Ruth had no serious problem with pleasure.

She took successive generations of junior members as she found them, and rejoiced in their company, as they did in hers. Male ear-rings she took in her formidable stride. Worse things had happened; India had gone. She had a rare capacity for communicating with young people. As

a once young person myself, I recall the filthy February day in 1965 when I watched Churchill's funeral with her and Glyn on their television in *The Merry Boys*. I don't remember wondering then, as I might have done twenty years later, why they weren't at St Paul's themselves. What I remember now are the steaming draughts of Shovril with which Ruth kept us liberally supplied: Bovril and sherry in such proportions as the occasion required. A typically Danielian concoction, in fact, and just the thing for funerals. She'd have relished it at her own.

**Peter Linehan (with the assistance of recollections provided by Frank Collieson, Richard Langhorne and Tommy Williams)**



Glasses and a 'little glass': Ruth and Glyn Daniel, September 1986  
(Photo by Gwil Owen)

### Ion Augustin Nicolae Ratiu, 1917-2000

Ion Augustin Nicolae Ratiu was born on 6 June 1917 at Turda, in Transylvania, then part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. He died in another century, in another world, some 82 years later on 16 January 2000.

After graduating in Law from Cluj University in 1938, he briefly served in the Romanian army before coming to Britain in the diplomatic service. He applied for political asylum in 1940 after the German invasion of Romania, won a scholarship to St John's and graduated in Economics in 1943. During his years at St John's, when he wasn't either fire-watching or playing tennis, Ion proceeded to make an in-depth study of Marx & Engels, taking in *Mein Kampf* along the way. The world as he had known it was collapsing about him, and he wanted to know why. He also began a diary, which he kept rigorously, on a daily basis, no matter what was going on in his life, until his dying day. He lived to enjoy the satisfaction of seeing the first volume appear in print, in December 1999. The discipline of his diary gave him an unusual power of detachment, as well as a particularly broad perspective on daily events, which time will reveal to us as subsequent volumes of the diaries appear. It was while at Cambridge that Ion was introduced to his future wife Elisabeth Pilkington, and they married in 1945.

Breadth of perspective was a hallmark of Ion's outlook on life. He was irritated by narrow, ill-informed opinions. Ion was, after all, born into a surprisingly cosmopolitan part of the world. Conversation in the family house in Transylvania was trilingual: German and Hungarian besides Romanian, and his father, who was a leading local barrister, practised in all three languages. Pre-war Romanian society was relatively democratic and certainly open to the leading ideological trends of the times, and the dinner table at the family house in Turda was no backwater. One of his father's accomplishments, for example, through his cousin Viorel Tilea's influence at court, was the establishment of a successful system of cheap credit for farm-machinery, funded through a general import duty.

After coming down from St John's, Ion joined the Romanian Service of the BBC and was active in the Free Romania movement. He was bitterly disappointed when the Communists came to power in Romania. His

original plan, after the war years, was to participate in the peace treaty process, which he did, and then return to Romania. But instead he contracted TB, which took him and Elisabeth to Switzerland and then into a long convalescence back in England. Surrounded by his Pilkington in-laws, the temptations to join mainstream English society must have been immense: he very nearly stood as Conservative candidate for the family constituency, St Helens. But instead he took to writing and produced that prophetic distillation of all his wartime and convalescent reading and observation, the book he personally considered his major work: *Moscow Challenges the World*.

During his long convalescence Ion also found time to do other things: besides writing, and his regular broadcasts for the BBC, he tried his hand as a playwright, a Kings Road restaurateur and as a chicken and pig farmer. Eventually he joined Pall Mall Deposit as a shipping and forwarding clerk. It was in shipping and later in property that Ion was to amass the substantial fortune that he needed for his political work. Ion never minced his words about Moscow's long-term political aim, and in the atmosphere of post war denial in Western Europe his views were not published for over 40 years. It is a measure of his prophetic insight in the political sphere that when *Moscow Challenges the World* finally appeared hardly any changes to the text were required.

A tireless advocate of the rights and dignity of all people, he was one of the founders of Amnesty International. He was passionate about freedom – and freedom of speech in particular, and although people will argue about what his most significant contributions to Romania were, his courageous return to Romania in 1990, his readiness to stand as the first opposition candidate to the Presidency since the fall of Ceausescu, and his establishment of an independent and free newspaper – *Cotidianul (The Daily)* – must surely rank among the most important. He was clearly seen as a serious threat by those who were behind the "mineriad" – the so-called miners' invasion of Bucharest – which smashed up his home, his printing presses, and threatened his life, to prevent his right to freedom of speech being exercised. Such was his indomitable spirit that *Cotidianul's* presses were soon rolling and the freedom of the press was being exercised once again.



Another of Ion's great passions was his support for NATO, The European Union, Council of Europe, and other institutions. In the early years of the 1990s many diplomats from Europe and North America listened carefully to Ion's advice and his many and detailed opinions on every subject under the sun. They relied heavily on his insights into the Romanian spirit, and much of the support which Romania found in the countries of the West was due to Ion's benign influence and patient lobbying. One such diplomat has suggested that when Romania is finally granted membership of NATO and the European Union, that will stand as a monument to his commitment and his passion for promoting his homeland.

As a parliamentarian Ion came to be widely respected. Sadly his own party, and President Constantinescu in particular, were to remain deeply threatened by his charisma, his wealth, his contacts, and above all by his persistent refusal to muzzle his own newspaper editors in their exercise of free speech. Although high office therefore eluded him, through his service as Deputy Speaker, his initiation of Prime Minister's Question Time, his critical membership of the Foreign Affairs Committee and his creation of the Parliamentary Club, Ion came to be known amongst his fellow parliamentarians as "Domnul Fair-Play". Appropriately enough, Romania's Parliamentary Club already bears his name, in tribute.

At the age of 72 when he returned to Romania after half a century of exile in the West, where his life's ambition had been to see Romanian communism overthrown, Ion declared: "My aim is simple: freedom and democracy in Romania." He returned with all the enthusiasm and energy of a young man ready to take on the world. And there were indeed times when no one would have blamed him for feeling that the whole world was against him. Of course it was not, for there were many who gave him their unstinting support in his personal crusade to bring a just and lasting freedom to Romania. Ion had enormous energy and creativity; there was almost always some new project brewing whether in business or amongst his wider interests. His *Great Challenge* exhibition of political cartoonists celebrated its 40th anniversary last year – what better way of deflating the deadpan seriousness of communist ideology than to poke fun at it! Or what better way of

protesting against the British government's collusion with the Ceausescu regime in 1978, than to chain himself to the railings outside a state dinner at Claridges and then throw away the keys? The television cameras loved it.

Although in England he may have been perceived as a rather exotic Eastern European, in the Romania to which he returned he had become the quintessential Englishman abroad. To these people he was "Domnul Papion", an unashamed dash of colour in a very grey, only just post-communist Romania. His cultured tones and trademark bow tie made him perhaps Romania's most instantly recognisable citizen. Perhaps Ion was just a smidgen too colourful for some of the Romanian electorate, who never awarded him the accolade he truly sought, the leadership of the land of his birth. He will have to make do with the honorary title of "The Best President Romania never had."

His final days brought him back to London, with Elisabeth and his sons around him, for what was to be his final battle – and with the humility which underpinned his Christian faith, he prepared to meet his Creator in the knowledge that he had done all that had been expected of him as a fighter for the cause of right, a true patriot to the land of his fathers, and a loving husband and father. I have recently been sifting through the remarkable photographs taken at Ion's funeral. An estimated 10,000 turned up to see him on his way, and what has struck me more than anything are the expressions on the faces of ordinary people, the people who believed in him and what he stood for. They are expressions which say, this was somebody who understood, somebody who wasn't afraid to speak out for us, a man of unusual courage and rectitude: as we say in Romanian: "un om de omenie", "a man amongst men".

**Indrei Ratiu**  
(with excerpts from the Memorial address given by  
the Reverend Christopher Newlands)



### Sir Giles Shaw, 1931-2000

Giles Shaw was born just outside York in 1931 and died at York in April 2000. His whole business and political life was spent working with, and serving, the people of Yorkshire. He gave them his unswerving loyalty which was repaid to him in full measure by his constituents in Pudsey where he represented them as a member of Parliament from 1974 – 1997.

He went first to a private school in Cheshire and then on to Sedbergh where he was one of the few people to have twice won the Wilson 10 mile fell race. It was fortuitous that only a few weeks before his death he was able to attend the anniversary dinner of the race.

On leaving school he spent his National Service in the Army, being commissioned into the 16th/5th Lancers – a most unlikely regiment for someone who never rode.

He matriculated at St John's, Cambridge, in 1952 where he soon made his mark as an outstandingly witty speaker in the Cambridge Union. He became Chairman of the University Conservative Club and then in 1954 was elected President of the Cambridge Union. In that capacity he arranged a succession of highly successful debates, in one of which his mother took part.

His life at Cambridge was far wider than his political and union activities. His small stature and lightness made him a natural cox in the Lady Margaret boats. He also took an active part in the Footlights in the period when nearly every member later achieved fame. For his contribution to College life he received a Lamor award in 1955.

On going down from Cambridge he entered Rowntree Mackintosh where he rapidly rose through the marketing ranks, becoming a marketing director, in which capacity he was responsible for the launch of one of the most successful chocolates: 'After Eight'.

After successfully making his industrial career he felt that at last he could do what he really wished to do, which was to enter politics. After one unsuccessful election standing at Hull he entered parliament in 1974 as the Conservative member for Pudsey, which he continued to represent until his retirement in 1997.



*Sir Giles Shaw*

He was given junior office in the Northern Ireland office in 1979. This was followed as Under Secretary of State for Energy, then Minister of State at the Home Office, finally Minister of State for Industry at the Department of Trade and Industry. He left the government after the general election of June 1987 and was knighted.

His parliamentary career, however, was not finished as he became Treasurer of the 1922 Committee and was approached by John Major to become a personal assistant when he became Prime Minister (which he refused). His name was also seriously canvassed as a possible speaker of the House of Commons. There was a wide spectrum of support for him from all sides of the House. He was as popular on the Labour and Liberal benches as on his own side. This popularity stemmed largely from his fairness to everyone he met, regardless of rank or station.

His presence always added sparkle to any gathering and his wit was legendary. An early example of this was when, as President of the Cambridge Union, he was travelling to Canada to take part in a series of debates. The plane on which he and his Vice President were travelling had to turn back and make an emergency landing at Prestwick: as they got off (just behind a group of Jewish Rabbis) Giles quietly commented to his friend, "Obviously only minor prophets on board today."

When not dealing with his parliamentary duties he found relaxation in fishing and ornithology. If crept up on he could be heard singing quietly to himself snatches from Gilbert & Sullivan.

But perhaps above all he was a family man, devoted to his wife Dione, his son Christopher and his daughters Henrietta and Victoria. The success of Henrietta getting into St John's and becoming the first lady cox of the Cambridge University crew gave him great pleasure.

**Peter Wordie**

### **William Rudolph Grass, 1952-2000**

William Rudolph Grass, porter at St John's College since 1998, died on 2 February 2000 from a heart attack. Bill, as he was known, was born at Wimpole Hall in the country village of Longstowe on 6 August 1952. He was educated at Comberton Village College before his family moved to Cambridge. After many years working for British Rail in Clacton, where he ran the Railway Club, Bingo Calling, and other community events, Bill came back to Cambridge as a porter at St John's. He 'enjoyed every minute' at the College (in his girlfriend Kay's words), and worked long hours despite recovering from an earlier heart attack. In Cambridge, he was a member of the Royal British Legion at Histon and pursued his love for fishing; he was to go on a sea fishing outing on the day of his death.

Head Porter Colin Shepherd remembers Bill as an 'ideal porter', well-liked and respected by his colleagues. Junior members will miss one of the College's friendliest and most helpful porters. Bill leaves behind three daughters, Carlene, Kerry, and Lisa, from his former marriage, and two brothers, George and Ray.

**Ien Cheng**

## COLLEGE SOCIETIES

### The Adams Society

Just how do you follow Roddy Vann? It is a question oft asked, and seldom is a convincing answer given, but nevertheless this was my challenge at the end of the Lent Term 1999. In the end, with the exception of one diabolical catastrophe, it has been another successful year for the Society.

The unmitigated disaster to which I refer was the annual cricket match against the Trinity Mathematical Society. With some illustrious College players in our side, many anticipated the tame capitulation we have come to know and love from our poor neighbours. Batting first, it was a shock, therefore, when the first ball was bowled with an apple. (This, they claimed, was something to do with a famous bloke who studied Next Door quite a long time ago, although underhand distraction tactics were suspected). Certainly, concentration wavered, and two balls later we found ourselves with two batsmen back in the pavilion. Things deteriorated from there, and I fear that, many decades from now, members of the Society will still speak in hushed tones about 'The 1999 match'.

Fortunately, the gloom was lifted by the garden party later that afternoon. With unrivalled croquet skills on view, this was a very entertaining event, and more than made up for a punt trip which made it all of a tenth of the way to Grantchester when the Heavens opened.

Yet the Society is not all fun and frivolity. In the Michaelmas Term, Dr Alastair Young gave an illuminating talk on 'Stein's Paradox in Statistics'. He convinced us that when trying to predict season-long baseball batting averages of 'independent' players after only a limited number of games, it is better to take into account the performances of Players Y and Z when estimating the end of season average for Player X.

Mr Paul Dellar addressed the Society the following term on 'Fluid Dynamics in Flatland'. Using innovative presentation techniques, he gave an excellent insight into a small part of his field.

Undoubtedly the highlight of the year, though, was the annual dinner. The guest of honour and speaker was Professor Sir Maurice Wilkes, a pioneer of electronic computers and former President of the Society. Unsurprisingly, there was a large turnout both amongst the students and Fellows for what was a truly memorable occasion.

My thanks go to Rebecca Thornton for her hard work and to Kanishka Misra for his fastidious book-keeping. I wish the new Committee of Richard Lim (President), Tim Paulden (Treasurer) and Amanda Turner (Secretary) every success for the coming year.

**Richard Samworth**  
President

### The Art Society

"What, me? Come to the Art Society? But I'm not much of an artist . . . I haven't drawn anything since I was 11 years old, bar perhaps little doodles on the sides of lecture notes . . . What is it you do anyway?"

For those who never knew John's had an Art Society, very simply, the Art Society is a loose association of undergraduates and graduates who attend life-drawing sessions in the little Merton Art Room tucked behind the School of Pythagoras. Life drawing involves having a nude model pose for anything up to two hours whilst those present try to replicate what they see with paint, pastels or charcoals. I should really say those present with a sufficiently artistically abstract mind empathise with what they see and purely replicate what they feel. The session is bathed in the smooth sound of classical music and sometimes punctuated by the repetitive pounding of the squash balls on the adjacent courts.

The manifesto for this year's Committee was to expand the Society with an injection of fresh blood and add more life drawing sessions to our calendar. This was achieved by targeting students with or without any Past experience of life drawing and slowly initiating them with our special Michaelmas Term beginner's life classes. These classes proved to

be very popular, and, once the life-class virgins had awkwardly blushed their way through the first few minutes of "empathising" with the flesh presented to them, I'd say the class went very well. A number of the attendees, particularly those having not done art since primary school, were even surprised at what they could achieve and agreed that it was one of the most relaxing things to do in Cambridge. The message for the Fresher 2000 batch, or indeed anyone interested in diversifying their Cambridge experience, is simply to come along and give it a go.

To conclude, the year has been a good one and we intend to make further improvements in terms of equipment and sessions for the coming year. We strongly hope next year will bring a new influx of budding enthusiasts and that, at the end of the current Committee's tenure, a competent team will successfully bring continuity to the society. It may only be difficult to match the relentless commitment offered by Anna Reid and Sophie Allebone-Webb, my Co-Presidents throughout the year.

I leave you with a pearl of wisdom. "Remember an artist cannot fail; it is a success to be one".

**Andrew Nutter**  
Co-President

### **The Choir Association**

I'm always tempted to start on these occasions by saying – this has been a very good year for the Association – but standing back and reflecting on the past twelve months, it really has. In these few paragraphs I'll briefly explain why.

#### *Membership*

We have, over the years, concentrated on swelling our ranks by enticing as many former members of the Choir as possible to join the Association. Of the 400 or so names currently on our database, that is to say those with whom we have some regular contact each year, we

continue with only a quarter contributing financially. We are, of course, pleased to continue making contact if it only serves to keep up a general interest level in the Choir and our activities but, in order to fulfil our objectives, we need somehow to increase revenue. With this in mind, the Committee has decided to push the boundaries of membership by promoting the other category of Member, namely Friends of the Association. It is undoubtedly true that a Choir with the international reputation of St John's will have a large following spread fairly far and wide. Until now, it is my belief that no formal mechanism has existed for these interested folk to get as close to the College Choir as they would wish, let alone to have any form of regular contact with matters relating directly to it. Expanding the membership in the way we envisage already appears to be capturing a good deal of interest and, indeed, generating additional subscribers. To this end, we have now set up a Marketing Sub-Group expressly to look at our whole image and presentation to the world at large. As part of this we also hope to work more closely with the Choir's Agent and tour organisers. We also welcome a member of the Choir onto our Executive Committee.

#### *The Bursary Scheme*

In 1999 we were able to offer financial assistance on two fronts. The first being support to the Gentlemen of St John's for their "Little England" Tour of the South of the Country. This tour consisted of six concerts and was set in the context of promoting the name and sound of St John's in areas which were unlikely to experience it live by any other means. The Committee felt it extremely important to show support for such a venture. We also gave a Bursary to Iain Farrington, former Organ Scholar, to assist with fees for his postgraduate course in piano accompaniment at the Royal Academy of Music in London. For those who wish to read interesting accounts of both, please let me know and I will forward a copy of our annual magazine.

This year, feeling rather more financially secure than before with assets of around £4K, not only have we been able to offer a larger bursary than previously but also seriously to suggest to applicants that they consider requesting assistance towards their second year of studies.

Ultimately our aim is not just to offer assistance in this way but to make larger one-off awards for musical projects and fund our own postgraduate scholarships to major musical establishments.

### *Reunions*

The 1999 reunion was a major success. The weekend, being the biennial Johnian Weekend linking with our own, seating for Evensong on the Saturday was at a premium. The Choir justified its international reputation with a near flawless delivery of Stanford in C and Stanford's *The Lord is My Shepherd*. Dinner, held in the splendid and atmospheric surroundings of the Wordsworth Room is always a great joy, with excellent food, plentiful wine and good company being the order of the day. This year, three of our members, two of whom are noted for their flamboyant dress sense on these occasions, having built something of a reputation for exposing unnecessarily colourful parts of their dress shirts upon removal of their dinner jackets, took it upon themselves to organise a raffle. First prize, a basket of fruit, wine, biscuits and other goodies was collected by Ruth Daniel,\* while other prizes included a bottle of Glen Morangie single malt whisky – Frances Bull, a St John's College sweat shirt – Manon Williams and a copy of George Guest's book *A Guest in Cambridge* – Bob Bishop. A most excellent evening was had by all and a total of £200 raised for the Bursary Fund. Our thanks to David Garrett, Richard Davies and our M/C Peter Ball for their efforts.

Sunday morning saw several bleary-eyed individuals making their way through College for a 9.15am rehearsal of the Mozart *Coronation Mass* to be sung in Chapel as part of the Eucharistic worship later that morning. For this, the Choir was joined by its former members, orchestra and guest soloist who gave a particularly moving rendition of the aforementioned. The Chapel, in usual fashion on these occasions, was full to capacity, so much so that Tony Grantham, the Chapel Clerk, was still trying to put out folding chairs right up to the last minute. In the end, it was standing room only for some of the congregation. As such, the singing proved for many to be the highlight of the Weekend with several very pleasing comments being received on the feed-back forms.

Overall, the whole event was of particular significance for the Association because it marked the release of the Choir's first commercial recording "Hear My Prayer" forty years previously. A number of delegates from that generation were present over the two days.

In May of this year, a small group of our members from the 1960s met for lunch in London. This is seen as the first of many such events and plans are already afoot to make this a regular feature with something similar being considered for the 1950s contingent. This will hopefully satisfy the concerns, which particularly emanate from our *more senior Clergy* who find it difficult to arrange absences from Parochial duties during a weekend.

We look forward to the coming year. Diary dates are: the Association AGM, Evensong and annual Dinner on 8 July in College and the AGM and annual reunion of the Herbert Howells' Society on the 14 October.

So, as you can see it has been a good year. Lasting friendships have been struck and, as an organisation, we go from strength to strength laying the foundations for an Association we expect to be around for a very long time!

**Alastair Roberts**  
Chairman

*\* It was with great sadness that our Members learned of the death of Ruth Daniel in early April of this year. Ruth was a Member of the Choir Association and a tireless supporter of the College Choir. The Association was represented at the funeral service held at the Cambridge Crematorium on Thursday 27 April.*



### The Classics Society

Yet another active year for the Classics Society! We again had our usual mix of educational and social functions, and these were enjoyed by a greater number of people than usual. First of all, it was a pleasure to welcome the huge number of six first years into the Classics Society, restoring the old adage that strength comes through numbers. At least it should provide some competition for the positions of Secretary and President next year! After an exciting preliminary meeting in Professor Crook's rooms, which gave us all the chance to meet one another, both grads and undergrads, the first event of the year was a reading of Aristophanes' *Thesmophoriazusae*, during which a select band of us classicists had the pleasure of hearing Professor Schofield playing the part of an elderly kinsman of Euripides dressed up as a woman. This was executed with all the post-High Table vigour we have come to know and expect from Professor Schofield! He nearly stole the show, but was not to be outdone by the multi-talented Professor Crook who took on several roles.

In the Lent Term we had our legendary desserts: and to warm us up for the evening we had a talk from Dr Teresa Morgan, formerly a Research Fellow of the College and now a don at University College, Oxford. She gave a gem of a talk entitled 'Cook's Tour of Athens' complete with slides, which went down very well and prompted some exciting and engaging questions from the floor. After Hall, we then proceeded to the Wordsworth Room for the traditional desserts, where we let alcohol and nature take its course. The conversation went on until the early hours as did the port, and despite some people trying to re-enact the Olympic Games with a pineapple, the evening ended very well. With our bumper number of first years and a good number of both Fellows and grads attending, as well as our esteemed College Development Officer, the event was both lively and well received.

Now it remains for me to thank several people; first the Secretary, Christoph Rummel, for his support and also Dr Tim Whitmarsh for arranging our speaker and sorting us out with some wine for the talk; Professor Schofield for being so organised in booking us the

Wordsworth Room so early; finally Professor Crook, to whom we owe everything. He has opened his doors wide on every occasion, and hosted us with the usual wine and fine anecdotes. He has moreover helped us in the financial department. But most of all, he has helped make my job so much easier: especially when I was walking through Second Court, and he saw me on his way to the bar, brought me in and we arranged many things over a pint of Abbot Ale. That happening on several occasions really did make the job more fun!

Owen Byrne  
President

### The Economics Society

The Economics Society – traditionally led by future bankers and financial whiz kids – started the year with a magnificent deficit in its bank balance. Fervent efforts to extinguish rumours about the outgoing committee's embezzlement and lavish home entertainment expenditures were followed by an even more extravagant Freshers' Welcome Party. As soon as the next generation of number crunchers had recovered from that successful joint event with the Social and Political Scientists, an excursion to College Hall and into the bottles of fine College Port was enjoyed by all. Along the way, a most exciting afternoon of book sales and exam tips gained the Society some welcome income to address its adverse financial situation. Efforts to claim last year's AFAC contribution (the cheque of which was apparently 'lost' by our predecessors) came to no fruition. Evidently this year's Presidents proved less skilled at money laundering of sorts than their progenitors. Still, we had a wonderful dining experience in the Wordsworth Room in Lent Term, and another College Hall outing before the Easter holidays. May Week will of course see the return of the famed Economists' Garden Party, eagerly anticipated and widely hailed as one of Cambridge's best exam term success incentives. *And we've got some money in the kitty now . . . after all, semper in faecalis, sole profundum variat.*

Philip-Moritz Russmeyer  
Andrew Nutter  
Joint Presidents

## The Gentlemen of St John's

As I sit in my room in Third Court writing this report of our last year's activities, I cast my mind back to last year's choir tour to the Saarbrücken Festival where I was elected to the post of Manager. It seems to have become a tradition to elect the Manager in a neutral territory – one that will be rather hard to continue this year, as the choir is unfortunately not touring abroad until December. The possibilities at the moment are Spitalfields in London or Sherborne Abbey where the choir is performing in concerts over the summer!

After my election, my first job was to complete arrangements for the Gents' second trip in three years to Japan. We were extremely lucky to have Tim Minton organising everything in Japan for us, and all I was left with to do was to organise the visas and travel insurance. Or so I thought. Only nine of the Gents went on this tour, but the logistics involved in getting everyone's passports in one place for a period of a fortnight was one of the most fraught experiences of my life to date, especially when one person lost theirs and another needed theirs renewed! Still, after multiple trips to the Japanese Embassy, it was all achieved in time for the trip. Just! I am assured by everyone that went on the trip that it was a resounding success, paving the way for our continued relations with the Far East.

The Gents had already been on tour during the summer to the Three Choirs Festival at Worcester, Bradford-on-Avon, Wells and Monmouth. Gabriel Burchell should be congratulated for doing a tremendous job at organising everything for this tour. It provided many extremely fine concerts, not to mention anecdotes that have been pressed into service all year. I'm not sure any of the people involved would forget the evening spent following entirely the wrong car for many miles, in the belief that it was Gabriel's brother Aaron, or indeed Ed Tolputt's rather liberal translations of Rob Houssart's Dutch introductions during performances!

After the excitement of the summer, the Gents returned to Cambridge well-travelled, full of humorous tales, and ready to do battle with another year's singing. Over the year we have performed at concerts in

Harrow, Ketton, Horsham, Linton, Geel in Belgium and, possibly most memorably, Wycombe Abbey girls' school. I think I speak for all of us when I say that it was just the slightest bit intimidating walking onto the stage to the sound of 400 cheering and screaming young ladies, wondering if they were going to enjoy the finer works of Cavalli. By the end of the concert we had really got into our stride though, and our more "contemporary" selection was being received more enthusiastically than any other Gents concert I remember!

We have also entertained at many dinners in Cambridge, and increasingly this year, in London. We have been fortunate enough to be booked for engagements at The Dorchester, The Savoy and Claridges, all of which have been great fun, as well as raising the profile of the Gents in this important area of our work.

We are readying ourselves to record a Compact Disc of works by 15th Century composer Jean Mouton in July, a project that has been building up over the previous year and a half or so. It will be immensely satisfying carrying this project through to its conclusion after such long and protracted negotiations. At this point I should thank Chris Gabbitas, last year's manager, for all the hard work he put in to preparing the ground for the project, and Graham Walker, our musical director, for his continuing enthusiasm and insightful ideas. This year, Graham has directed the group for the second year running, lending a continuity of approach not seen in the Gents for some time and his hard work and talent has been an inspiration to us all. The dinner engagements have been directed in the main by Chris Gabbitas, with myself and Chris Whitton stepping in on occasion. Other people without whom this year wouldn't have been as generally stress-free include Alex Walsh, my room-mate, who puts up with incessant phone calls and cheque-signing sessions without grumbling, Gabriel Burchell for being one of our most frequent drivers and Chris de la Hoyde for being a voice of clarity and reason when all others seem to be losing their heads.

I leave the choir this summer with many happy memories of my time here. Running the Gents has been at times hard, at times frustrating, but

overall immensely satisfying due to the level of professionalism demonstrated time after time. Whatever the situation, whether it be arriving nearly two hours late at a rehearsal due to a completely roadblocked M25 or the speeches at a dinner lasting over an hour instead of the promised ten minutes, the Gents have worked together to perform to the best of their abilities. For that, I thank them all. I hope that when my successor is elected I can pass on advice that will make his job easier, and that the Gents continue in the same successful vein as in recent years.

**Jonathan Bungard**  
Manager

*For any further information about the Gentlemen of St John's, please contact the Manager on (01223) 722348. email gents@poboxes.com*

### **The History Society**

The History Society has continued to thrive this year, holding six speaker meetings on a wide range of topics. All of the meetings were excellent and entertaining and attracted a variety of students, even some of scientific persuasion.

Our Michaelmas Term card began when Dr Emma Eadie came to talk to us about the 'History of Horseracing': she provided a humorous tour of the social complexities of the sport and corruption surrounding the earliest races. Dr Eadie gave a stylish presentation that captivated both the enthusiasts and the uninitiated alike. This was followed later in the term by Professor Frank Prochaska's discussion entitled: 'Of Crowned and Un-crowned republics: George V and the Socialists'. Professor Prochaska gave a detailed account of the monarchy's reaction to the threat of republicanism at the end of the First World War and his tales of the Royal Archives at Windsor were also met with much interest. This was followed by an extremely lively debate between all present. The final talk of the term was given by Dr Chris Clark of St Catharine's

College in Cambridge. Dr Clark gave an amusing account of 'William II and the German Public' as well as proving an entertaining dinner guest.

Lent Term started with Professor James Patterson on the subject of School Desegregation in America. This was a fascinating account of a difficult and controversial process. Also on an American theme, Adam Johnson talked to us about 'The American reaction to the nuclear bomb'. Adam is an undergraduate in his third year at St John's and he unveiled an extraordinary chain of events and reactions which form part of his dissertation. Adam clearly enjoyed being on the other side of the lectern, having been last year's President of the Society. The final talk of the year was given by Professor David Rock on 'Jabez Spencer Balfour: a crooked MP in Argentina'. Professor Rock is a visiting scholar to St John's from California. He treated us to a most intriguing commentary on the affairs of this Liberal MP and rounded off what has been a wonderful set of lectures and debates.

The highlight of the year was the Annual Dinner which traditionally takes place in the Combination Room, generously supported by the Fellows. Dr George Garnett of St Hugh's College Oxford, previously a Fellow of St John's, regaled us with anecdotes of past undergraduates whose exploits included trying to burn down College and bribing supervisors. This engaging speech was followed by the circulation of the 'Loving Cup' which finished off the meal and some of the guests as well.

All that remains is for me to thank the rest of the Committee members: Nathalie Walker, Simon Leslie and Luigi de Guzman have been extremely supportive in making preparations for all of the talks and the dinner. Many thanks also to Dr Linehan, the Senior Treasurer of the Society, who takes much of the credit for organising the dinner and for general advice throughout the year. I wish the new committee the best of luck for the year ahead; I'm sure they will keep this popular and sociable Society thriving.

**Heather Greig-Smith**  
President

## The JCR

Another year, another JCRC. As with all Committees, before us we had a huge list of things we wanted to achieve in our year, and we ensured we didn't break with tradition in getting most of them done... apart from the really important ones (less pepper in the mange tout and adopting a College cat).

We got off to a racing start with a meeting with all the College Authorities on our very first day in office. We only had an hour to prepare our views on the tricky subject of alcohol and the resulting combination of well researched argument and bluffing proved to be a trustworthy formula in many future meetings.

One of our first achievements was increasing the use of the JCR with the installation of some glass panels in the doors and a very popular pool table. This was part of a wider plan for improving student facilities which also includes renovations of the College Bar, a more complex issue still in the process of being discussed with the new Committee.

As well as making changes, much of the work of the JCRC is concerned with the day-to-day stuff. The Sunday afternoon meeting rapidly became the highlight of all our weeks, and we even managed to record a new Committee personal best of a 2 3/4 hour meeting. The prompt, lucid and occasionally tongue-in-cheek minutes provided by Secretary Rebecca Watkins will serve as a fond reminder to all of us of the many happy hours spent together. Dan Hine, Publicity Officer, conveyed the actions of the JCR to the lavatories of College (and their inhabitants) in the fortnightly Bogsheet, and was ably succeeded by Kate Cornell when he left us for the sunny climes of Italy.

Many members of the JCRC work very hard in the background, and although their efforts may not be as visible as those of the Ents Officers, for example, they still put a great deal of work in. Sharika Thiranagama, Target Schools Officer, also got off to an early start organising the campaign and persuading volunteers to visit secondary schools that don't normally send students to Cambridge.

All academic aspects of student life were catered for by Academic Affairs Officer, Jenny Allan: she helped the Admissions Office with a number of Open Days, provided help and a listening ear for students with academic problems, and produced a number of information sheets on academic issues as well as attending seemingly endless meetings on exam procedures.

Iain de Weymarn has been a very efficient and reliable Junior Treasurer and also took the leading role in the rents consultation process, as well as stopping the President from going mad with the JCR chequebook.

Fisher Building Ents went from strength to strength in the capable hands of Ben Corlett: we were treated to a diverse range of music from the well established Club Tropicana, to the massive success of Back 2 Skool 2, proving once again that you can never underestimate the Johnian love of cross-dressing and cheesy music. The Boiler room continued to fulfil its remit of John's alternative music venue, masterminded by Polly Rossdale providing the ever-popular drum and bass nights, indie nights, jazz and hip hop, despite continuing restrictions on the use of the room.

Ben and Polly combined their skills to produce a very successful June Ent, all the more popular in its pared down form and this was preceded by a glorious afternoon on the Backs with Ultimate Frisbee, strawberries and a groovy jazz quartet.

The Committee were allowed a short break for the rest of May Week before planning for the last Freshers' week of the millennium began. Dan, Ben, Charissa, Kate and myself stayed up to produce a brilliant revamped Freshers' handbook and Iain sorted out the all important Fresher's week tops.

Fresher's Week was extremely hard work but also an enormous amount of fun, Back 2 Skool, Lazer Quest, Scooby Doo, Family Tea Parties, Women's Lunch and the Fresher's Ent - Cherry, and many other things ensured that the First Years barely had time to sleep let alone unpack.



The rents issue and proposed rent strike dominated the Michaelmas Term. This was a complex issue and there is not space to go into it here. From the point of view of the JCR Committee it provided one of our greatest challenges in terms of properly addressing very real student concerns and at the same time keeping lines of communication with College open. I am very grateful to the Committee, particularly Chris, Kate and Iain, the SBR, Access Alliance and College Authorities for enabling full and frank debate which had a number of positive outcomes.

The Term ended with World AIDS Day, organised by Welfare Officer Nancy Priston, who somehow managed to persuade the committee to tie red ribbons on the Bridge of Sighs at 7am on a December morning and ran a very popular bar quiz night. Nancy has worked tirelessly as Welfare Officer all year, providing tonnes of useful information on everything from cycle safety to bursaries and grants. She is now doing a fantastic job as the new JCR President, continuing the Welfare to President fast stream for the second year running.

The New Year brought with it a new Yearbook, produced by Yearbook Officer Chris Sussman. Compiling the yearbook is a mammoth effort and Chris managed it admirably despite the best efforts of the printing company. Chris also had the unenviable task of Vice President, providing much needed support, encouragement and the occasional constructive criticism (particularly about the 2 3/4 hour meetings).

January also provided the ever-welcome opportunity of beating Oxford at something, this time in a whole day race through mud, ponds, and unrelenting countryside under the guise of Tough Guy 2000, with the John's team organised and captained by our External Officer Huw Lewis-Jones. Huw also spent the year going to rather less than exciting CUSU Council meetings and making CUSU cards, but I'm sure he'd rather I stressed the Tough Guy element.

Our year finally ended with a Women's Dinner organised by Charissa Gooch, our Women's Officer. Charissa organised a number of women's events throughout the year, which were all very well received and she was generally a great all-round member of the committee.

Overall we had a great year, and what I've covered here barely scratches the surface. The Committee were great not just in their individual roles but also in the many things we did as a team. I'm also very grateful to many people in College, particularly Colonel Robinson and Mr Jobling for their co-operation and help throughout the year. I certainly found it a major learning experience but also a lot of fun and every now and again I even miss it. However I have to say that I'm very glad to have, as Roosevelt put it, "that lovely title, ex-President."

**Katherine Furniss**  
President

### Jazz at John's

The popularity of our fortnightly events has continued to increase, and Jazz at John's remains the best regular jazz night in Cambridge. This year we have hosted professional musicians from every part of the jazz spectrum, including *Something Else* with their Latin beat, the soulful funk of Jean Toussaint, and the *Heart of England Jazz Band's* trad style grooves. Between the Michaelmas Term cards going to print and their playing, the sextet *Adult Mags* changed their name to *The Marooned Sailors*, which was more appropriate since they were perfectly decent and were not all at sea, giving an eloquently swinging performance. Supporting some of the top jazz musicians in the country have been some up and coming Cambridge student bands. Jazz at John's is proud to be a training ground for the Ronnie Scotts of the future.

One of the highlights of the past year was Easter Term's Jazz Party Event, which departed from our usual sit-and-relax-on-a-beanbag format, with two concurrent live bands. In the Palmerston Room was *Pan Jumby*, whose steel pan calypso set the dance floor heaving. The Fraggles Theme was just one of the many familiar tunes given a new lease of life by Dudley Nesbit's sticks-on-steel technique. In the "chill-out" foyer the talented Cambridge lads *Instigate* instigated a melodic melody.



The future of Johnian Jazz looks bright, promising to continue for years to come. We are hoping to bring out a "Best of Jazz at John's" CD in the next couple of years, to provide music for our clientele to listen to during the long and tense fortnight's gap between events.

Antepenultimately, we would like to thank the college authorities, particularly Dr Linehan and Mr Dormor (our Senior Treasurer), whose support has been invaluable. Penultimately, we are grateful to the dedicated Committee. Ultimately but not leastly, the Jazz at John's regulars deserve a mention for being such a fantastic audience.

**Sophie Emmens and John Morton**  
Presidents

### The Johnian Society

The Johnian Society was founded in 1923 at a reunion of old members of the College under the chairmanship of the late Sir Edward Marshall Hall KC as a means of maintaining a link with the College and with each other. The Society is run by its Committee, the members of which are listed on the enclosed form and who are elected at the Annual General Meeting held on the evening of the dinner. The Committee will be pleased to receive any nominations or suggestions for its membership. For some years now, the Society has been using the Johnian Office as an accommodation address which allows the administration of the Society to run more smoothly.

At the annual meeting of the Johnian Society Committee in September last year, the Committee reluctantly agreed to accept the resignation of Dr R H Morgan from the position of Chairman. It was further agreed to elect Mr C A Greenhalgh OBE DL as Chairman and Miss C M Twilley as Secretary. It was also agreed that members of the Committee should serve for a period of six years in order to provide some kind of continuity. These proposals were ratified at the Annual General Meeting of the Society, held on December 11 1999. On behalf of all members of the Society, I would like to thank Roger Morgan for all his hard work over the last few years; the Johnian Society is greatly indebted to him.

The Society includes among its activities an Annual Dinner in the College in early December. The dinner has been well attended for many years, and provides an evening of reminiscence and good company for members of all ages, from those who graduated a couple of years ago to those who graduated over fifty years ago. The application form for this year's dinner on 16 December 2000 is included with this copy of *The Eagle*.

The Johnian Society Lecture takes place in February 2001 and will be given by Mervyn King, Deputy Governor of the Bank of England. The date has yet to be determined, but notice will be given in the Michaelmas Term edition of *Johnian News* and on the College's Web Site. Please contact Catherine Twilley nearer the time for further information.

The golf tournament for the Marshall Hall Cup was initiated shortly after the Society was founded and had been well supported by the members. Those wishing to play golf are asked to contact John Loosley at the address on the dinner application form. The tournament is normally held at Sutton, Cambridgeshire, on the last Friday in July.

I look forward to seeing many members of the Society at the dinner on 16 December.

**Catherine Twilley**  
Secretary

### The Lady Margaret Players

In this millennial year LMP has continued the march towards quality of drama with strict moral fortitude. Indeed, the Freshers' play, far from being the innuendo-laden affair of the previous year, dealt with the aftermath of the tragic deaths of Romeo and Juliet. 'After Juliet' provided an opportunity for many to take their first tender steps on the boards, while others strutted and bellowed like old pros. Creative direction, innovative design and performance combined to delight audiences in the School of Pythagoras.

More Johnian money, manpower and expertise went into a recreation of ancient Greece in Kate Cornell's production of 'Hecuba'. Again LMP

was acclaimed in the press, although one reviewer took exception to plastic swords. Subsequently, the Committee would like to extend an appeal in gross to alumni, young and old, that we might boost the financial resources and enhance realism on our stages.

Willy Russell's 'One for the Road' provided something relatively contemporary for a Cambridge audience. An all-Johnian production crew and technical team buttressed a successful directorial debut for Tim Paulden and Nadine Adams-Austin. Audiences swelled as positive reports spread about spending a night in an 80s diner, despite the venue's original role of provision for shelter as a hospital in c.1200AD.

As usual, Johnian thespians have been performing on and off stage, in the ADC and other noteworthy university productions. Fresher Jennifer Kidd was on the receiving end after taking the latter of the title roles in 'Boy Meats Girl' and again revealed much in 'Cabaret' alongside Tom Lumbers. Having moved from chapel to stage, Ed Tolputt excelled in musical theatre delighting the audiences of both 'Guys and Dolls' and 'Cabaret'. Jemma Mindham has had an excellent year of drama. She has somehow managed to combine finals, rowing and performances in 'Confusions', 'The House of Bernada Alba', 'Uncle Vanya', 'The Chairs' and 'The seX Files'. Jim Scott dazzled monstrous crowds in the illusion show 'Gemini', despite fierce criticism from his Red Boys who branded him a traitor to their cause and none will forget Ed Maxwell's performance in 'Suburbia'. The author, much to the anxiety of his supervisors, acted in 6 productions this year, and finally received a review worthy of posting home to his mater in New Zealand for playing the Dane.

Driven by its three matriarchs, Fiona Learmont, Fiona McDonald and Frankie Whitelaw, LMP has taken its virgin steps onto the world stage. Support is being lent to Johnians touring with two plays around a selection of international arts festivals in Greece over the Long Vacation. We are funding new writing 'Wheeling Strangers' in Rome which involves Dan Hine and a selection of Oxbridge's finest talent. The production opens this week and the Committee extends its best wishes and the heartiest of broken legs all round. Still on location in Italy, LMP

is contributing to an exciting young Oxbridge film company 'Talamasca Productions' following the outstanding success of its work in France last year. Johnian involvement behind the camera will ensure continued cinematic accomplishment.

Edinburgh will again see a good quantity of Johnian comedy with Jon Wills' company, Fat Fat Pope, performing sketches of his creation 'Our Heads on Toddlers' Bodies'. LMP wishes to inform that the views expressed in the production are not necessarily those of the Committee!

**Sven Pannell**  
Co-President

### The Music Society

The Music Society has enjoyed yet another varied and busy year, enhancing its reputation in the University and town. We seem now to be considered one of the big players on the University musical scene, a statement which could not have been made a few years ago.

The Michaelmas Term saw an excellent performance of Grieg's *Holberg Suite* and the Elgar *Serenade for Strings*, together with Britten's *St Nicolas*, which was performed by the perennial Come-and-Sing Chorus. This chorus was less well attended than previous years, owing perhaps as much to the publicity as to the unusual work on offer. The concert itself had another superb poster by Alex Evans, but still proved unpopular with the punters.

Even as the Michaelmas Term concert was in preparation, plans were afoot for a joint concert between ourselves and the Music Societies of Caius and Clare. This was to revolve around a performance of Elgar's *Cello Concerto* by Jonny Cohen, of Clare College. Unfortunately, owing to internal political wranglings, Caius pulled out, so that it became essentially a St John's Music Society concert, conducted by Leo Hussain, with help from Clare. This was a superb concert in the end, despite problems with the CUMS percussion hire, and Alex Evans' poster helped with an excellent turnout. By the time this has been read the May Week Concert will have been and gone, but Lizzie Ball's performance of

the Beethoven Violin Concerto under Leo Hussain's baton will doubtless be living still in the memory.

Throughout the year the lunchtime recitals have provided an eclectic mix of styles, from Latin American dance music to Classical guitar music. These have been increasingly well attended, and are an excellent means by which to increase the public's perception of the Society's work. The parallel Saturday Lunchtime Organ Recitals have lapsed this year, but the new President of the Society, Chris Whitton, has vowed to revive this extremely popular series.

The Senior Combination Room concert was again a big success, musically speaking. For what is, year after year, an extremely pleasant evening's entertainment in one of the most beautiful rooms in College, the turnout is always low. It remains to be seen how this can be made more popular, both with the junior and senior membership of the College.

The Master's Lodge recitals continue to provide excellent music in elegant surroundings. Musically they are always excellent, and Dr Castelvechi deserves to be congratulated on his fine range of performers.

The College Orchestra has performed twice this year, under Tom Evans and Chris Whitton. The second performance, of two of Handel's *Coronation Anthems* together with *The Lark Ascending*, by Vaughan-Williams (Tom Evans – Violin), gained an extremely large audience, and was regarded by all to have been a very fine concert. This orchestra, revitalised by Iain Farrington, continues to provide an excellent platform for all College musicians to perform in public, whatever their individual standard or confidence. It is important that this continues, alongside the St John's Singers, to be an active force in the College's cultural life.

It remains for me to thank the Committee, both the Senior and Junior members (perhaps most notably Dr Johnstone, our Chairman, without whose coffee and hospitality the Society would be the poorer) for their hard work and guidance over the year, and to wish the Society a successful year ahead.

Graham Walker  
President

### The Norman Henry Society

An excellent turn-out of thirty-eight began the opening meeting of the Michaelmas Term which, after welcoming both old members and new, offered a tasting of wines from the College cellars presented by Dr Johnstone – always of interest to junior members as they are of course not available to buy in the shops. At the following gathering, the Society enjoyed an informative presentation on the 'Wines of central Italy', after which our journey through the world of winemaking steered away from the Mediterranean and instead took us to the Antipodes. One of our undergraduate members, Eleanor Hanson, gave a very well researched presentation on her own area of expertise, namely the wines of Australia – all were available on the high street, and chosen from the perspective of a student budget. Towards the middle of November, Bernard Braithwaite stepped into the breach to give us a lively talk on the white wines of Germany; many of the wines were his own personal favourites, and with the aid of his specially marked map, he pointed out much about the genre which often goes unnoticed. I need hardly add that the Society's Christmas party, held after Hall, was a great success; after shedding our gowns, we set sail with Professor Emerton at the helm along the Douro, the wines were greatly appreciated by all, and ranged from recent blends to an impressive thirty year-old vintage Port.

Back after the New Year, Dr Johnstone gave a tasting with the emphasis not on grape variety but on geography. His presentation was entitled 'Chardonnays from around the world', and served to contrast the often very characteristic differences between the Chardonnays of France and those of America and the countries of the southern hemisphere such as Chile and Australia. With the arrival of February, the Society was given an insight into an area many members had never before experienced. Professor Reif presented the 'Wines of Israel', and as well as providing us with much of their historical and religious context, chose a selection which amply illustrated how greatly the wine industry has developed in that country over recent years. The Society can always be assured of a maximum turn-out when Professor Matthews is due to present his 'Pâtés and wines to drink with them', and this year was no exception! In our final meeting before the Annual Dinner, we were happily

(re-)introduced to Prof Matthews' culinary philosophy, and treated to his usual high standards with a range of delicious pâtés and suitably matched wines to drink with them – special thanks must go also to his tireless team of toast-makers.

It was decided that the Annual Dinner would have a Spanish theme, and the College responded enthusiastically with another great attendance in the Wordsworth Room. The food was widely praised, and I was particularly happy to see a number of guests from outside the Society, who brought their own distinct influence to the atmosphere, and joined in with the spirit to create a jovial and memorable occasion.

Particular thanks should go this year to Mr Bernard Braithwaite who, after serving as Society Treasurer for many years, has decided to hand over the reins – I know that we have all greatly appreciated the time and effort he has put in on the Committee. It remains for me to say how much I have enjoyed acting as Junior Secretary of the Norman Henry Society, which, no less this year than in those gone by, has exhibited its knack of straddling the gap between the theory and the all-important practice! I would further like to thank all the members for their support, and to look forward to continuing success in the year to come.

**Richard Spurr**  
Junior Secretary

### The Purchas Society

Being four hundred years since the Reverend Samuel matriculated, the year 2000 has proven to be a most joyous one for the society and the Purchas spirit remains alive and healthy. More recent matriculation saw the intake of a healthy number of new Purchasians, inflating the attendance at meetings and re-invigorating the Society's ongoing quest for geographical knowledge. Determined to remain at the pinnacle of the Johnian societies hierarchy, Purchasia has continued to operate in the well tested and successful format established by its predecessors; that is the regular and informal meeting of all College Geographers and

Land Economists to engage in intellectual intercourse and exchange geographical knowledge at all levels.

Guided by the ever-vigilant secretarial capacities of Jo Collins, the Society has received an eclectic palate of speakers from both near and far. Michaelmas witnessed not only the traditional 'tea-party' and paddlings, but also welcomed a resident Johnian in the form of Professor McCave and with it a fascinating insight into the climatic information retained in deep sea cores, as well as the extraordinary engineering feats required to obtain them. Closely following Professor McCave was Alex Page, Director of Coral Cay Conservation, who gave us a glimpse of reefs and rainforests and the volunteers that are dedicated to their protection. The new millennium brought with it another Cambridge native: Dr Oliver Rackham of the Geography Department. His award-winning knowledge of the ancient woodlands of the British Isles proved fascinating as he guided Purchasia along some of the relatively unbeaten geographical paths of this subject. Iceland was the visual backdrop for the final talk of the year with Ted Gray of the R.G.S., outlining the trials and tribulations of leading an expedition of charismatic school children to this most geomorphically active and socially intriguing country. His talk seized the attention of the budding explorer in every Purchasian.

The Purchas Annual Dinner took place on 12 May and continued the tradition of a jovial feast in the splendid setting that is the Wordsworth Room. Following a highly inspired tableau for the annual photograph, Purchasians were in high spirits by the time the port flowed and our guest Speaker, Dr Jim Duncan, humorously illustrated the happenings of the part IB field trip, a subject that is close to all of our hearts. Of special mention at the dinner was the acknowledgement of the departure of Andy Jones. Andy's contributions to the Society and to geography at St John's have been formidable in the form of both supervising and socialising. The society thanks him for all he has done and wishes him every success in his new position at Birbeck College, University of London.

The climax and indeed culmination of the evening was the election of next year's Officers. I wish Oliver Snoddy the best of luck as the



incoming Secretary and trust he will be ably assisted by our new President Jo Collins in ensuring the Society remains the fine establishment that it is.

Long live the Purchas Society.

**Matthew Hall**  
President

### The Samuel Butler Room

The Samuel Butler Room is, typically, fairly apolitical; graduates are rarely found chaining themselves to railings or staging sit-ins. That said, the graduate boat has been rocked by the knock-on effects of changes in government funding of undergraduate fees and maintenance. In fact, finances – or perhaps shoestrings – are always a graduate concern, and we are lucky to belong to a college which is not just rich, but generous. The College has put in motion an undergraduate bursary scheme, in response to junior members' concerns about finances (initiated by a rent strike in which, for all their political apathy, some graduates were key players). But St John's is not only a benevolent dispenser of financial assistance: it is also a community, within which the SBR functions for many graduates as a social centre. Emphasising the social rather than the political side of graduate life, we now dust down some memories of the high points of the year.

#### *Social events*

Becoming a graduate need not mean the end of social life. We started off in style with the annual SBR garden party. This took place in the Master's garden, as is now tradition (as long as the rain holds off). The sun indeed shone, and vast quantities of strawberries and summer cocktails were consumed by what (at least according to the photo) looked like a record turn-out. It was particularly good to see so many families with children attending, since it is often tricky for these SBR members to attend regular events. For those who made it through the post-party punt trip, to the barbecue at 1 Madingley Road, it was an

afternoon and evening to remember. It also set the tone for a fairly lazy summer, amid the usual thesis crises, involving many in SBR cricket, barbecues, and a Superhall.

The new academic year started off with a bang; freshers' week, as ever, demanded a high level of input from Committee members in terms of organisation, and those ever-popular booze runs to Oddbins. We were also lucky to have the help of Committee members past as well as present, and Cam Grey's contribution to the success of the week must be acknowledged – indeed, he was to join the Committee officially in the New Year after the departure of our Welfare Officer, Ien Cheng.

For the second year running, a graduate symposium to help orientate freshers was organised in freshers' week by Dr Colwell and Ann Vernon. This afternoon event incorporated an introduction to the College by the great and the good (the Master, the President, the Bursars), a session of academic information and one of welfare information. We are very grateful for the input provided by senior and junior members for this afternoon. The symposium appears to have become an annual event, valued by College and freshers alike.

Freshers' week was jam-packed with events designed to facilitate freshers meeting each other and the 'old hands'. Many events have been running for years, such as the treasure hunt, pub crawl and tea at the Orchard in Grantchester. However, this year we introduced a women's lunch so that women could escape the (sometimes) masculine environment of the SBR, and meet each other over cake. We also held a Champagne Cocktail party in the congenial surroundings of Merton Hall Lounge, which gave some people a chance to participate in the Cambridge Black Tie Stereotype. Overall, the number of positive comments about freshers' week confirmed our own past experience, that it is a crucial introduction to St John's and Cambridge.

As the year progressed, we kept up the old traditions of sherry before, and port after, BA tables; monthly coffee and cakes; and a series of video evenings. The cultural affinities of the SBR can be guessed from the fact that attendance was highest at screenings of the Indiana Jones trilogy... The annual Christmas dinner proved to be as successful as ever, with



100s of graduates donning party clothes and eating turkey with gusto. Indeed, dining continues to be important for graduates, giving them a chance to escape labs and libraries and re-engage with fellow Johnians. Apart from the bi-weekly BA tables, we enjoyed a Superhall after the end of Lent Term and the arrangement of exchange dinners. Although there have been some bureaucratic obstructions to the smooth running of these, they prove to be incredibly popular with grads wanting to escape the sprawling giant that is John's. Enjoyment of other than culinary pleasures has been a feature of other entertainments laid on over the year – for example a trip to the opera (*The Magic Flute* at the Coliseum), and a whisky tasting.

#### *Music and Drama*

Members of the SBR do not merely observe high drama. The SBR Pantomime provides thespians of all dispositions with an opportunity to indulge their wildest fantasies – or, more correctly, those of the writing team. Buoyed by the success of 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarves', and inspired by the news that Luke Purshouse would be available to wear tinsel in yet another cameo role, preparations began over the summer for the most ambitious production to date – an adaptation of J. R. R. Tolkien's masterpiece, *The Hobbit*. As has become traditional, a packed School of Pythagoras witnessed an evening of drama, suspense and biting social criticism. Giles Pearson took the role of Bilbo, 'a small wiry geezer with big wiry hair and an obsession with barrier contraceptives'. This year's pantomime was marked by Dave Rippin's refusal to 'get his kit off', a decision which disappointed a small but vocal section of the audience. Most remarkable, however, was Erik Gimpel's performance as Gollum, one which will make all members of the audience cautious about visiting the men's room in a nightclub. Director Cam Grey and producer Ben Griffin would also like to thank pantomime stalwarts Luke Purshouse and Adam Cherrett, who have reluctantly promised to finish their PhDs before next year's production.

There have also been a series of recitals over the course of the year, in a bewildering variety of styles. Those fortunate to be here over the

summer were treated to an evening of cabaret tunes from Adam Cherrett, Matthew Moss and Luke Purshouse. Ivan Guevera continues to charm audiences in the Master's Lodge with virtuoso performances on the piano. Katherine Angel revealed her vocal talents in an evening featuring Karl Weil's compositions. And few will forget the awesome March gig by the 'Suicide Brides' (Phil Miles and Simon Redhead) in the Boiler Room.

#### *Sports*

SBR football continued to flourish under the leadership of Nick Gower. The year began with a 6 goal demolition of Wolfson College and with seven of the College first team squad being qualified graduates, the signs looked good for the first season in the top flight. A 5-2 League win over Churchill followed by a 7-1 victory over Downing in the first round of Cuppers (in which Gower bagged 5) made a very good start to the season. Injuries and other commitments led to the fielding of weakened teams against Corpus and Jesus, though in the latter, a last minute equaliser robbed us of maximum points. A mid-table finish qualified as a successful start in Division 1 and with the Cuppers quarter-final approaching at the time of writing, the chances of silverware are still very much alive. Thanks are due to all who played including Pete Manfield, Pablo Mukherjee, Tim Whitmarsh (our resident DOS), Ryan Lindberg (great strike against Girton), Lee Sanders, Kevin Howe, Thomas Brown (for both his playing and refereeing ability), Noel Rutter (when injuries and committee duties allowed), Nigel Green, Paul McMahon, Matt Bevis and of course the skipper and leading scorer, Nick Gower.

The 1999 SBR cricket season was one of the most successful in recent times, under the captaincy of Noel Rutter. The season started with two massive wins, against Hughes Hall (Luke Purshouse 49\*) and Trinity. The League campaign began against Queens', with a somewhat remarkable performance in the field from Noel, who took 3 wickets, held 5 catches, executed a stumping and completed a run out. This was to rocket him to the top of the newly devised "SBR World Rankings". A gritty innings from Luke led the side to a 3 wicket win, though if Adam

Cherrett had not been dropped by our substitute fielder, things could have been so different. The next League game against Jesus was somewhat badly scheduled, with 5 key players at Headingley watching a World Cup match. Defeat could not be avoided as, despite Noel's 56\*, we failed to gain the required boundary from the final ball of the match. A win in a somewhat ill-spirited game against Caius put us back on track, thanks to Roddy Vann's unbeaten 51 in his only appearance of the season and the final league game against Churchill was secured as we rattled up 153/8 (Giles 39), then bowled them out for a meagre 32 (Mark Byron 5/8, Asad Rashid 3/5). So hopes were high as the semi-final approached, but we were denied our place in the final by a strong Pembroke side, as we were defeated by 5 wickets.

The long vacation games, arranged by David Midgley, were competitive as usual, with Duncan McFarlane proving very useful with both bat and ball. A victory against Thames Valley was spoiled by a poor performance against the clergy of St Alban's Diocese and after a respectable draw against Pinchbeck, the staff of Liverpool University proved too strong yet again. The season finished with Luke at the top of the batting World Rankings, Mark at the head of the bowling and Cam Grey's athletic wicket-keeping gained him the most fielding points. The all rounders' table was topped by Noel, by virtue of him holding second place in each of the three disciplines. As the 2000 season has just got underway, under the leadership of Giles Pearson, with another handsome victory against Hughes Hall, things are looking good for the SBR's continued success on the cricket field.

Not to be deterred by all the male sporting excellence in the SBR, the women achieved greatness putting together a boat for the May Bumps with Theresa Biberauer (stroke), Diana Franco, Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe, Colleen Willenbring, Candice Caldwell, Zarina, Szylvia Biro, and Kelley O'Toole (bow), Rima Devereaux (sub), Erik Gimpel (cox) and Adam Cherrett (coach). Being the 5th Lady Margaret boat, they had to qualify through the rowing on race, which was undoubtedly their best outing of the year and saw them overtaking 3 boats including Trinity IV on the tightest bend of the course. Having qualified they were set the task of catching Kings II, and on day one, within 10 strokes of the start they got

an overlap, just to have the bump taken away by the tragic breaking of a rigger on the boat. The next three days witnessed incredible effort, tenacity and guts as they rowed over every day.

The SBR community, on behalf of all who have participated in graduate sport, past and present, would like to extend a special thank you to the retiring Head Groundsman, Jim Williams, for all his work during his years at the College, and also to his wife for providing fabulous teas throughout that time.

### *Summing-up*

The Samuel Butler Room is, as ever, a haven where graduates meet, chat, read, watch TV, and drink coffee. To ensure that the SBR is not always a place of muffled pleasure, a new stereo has replaced the broken one, and members can now enjoy radio and CDs on a high-tech system. Of course, we graduates are an unsophisticated lot, and the burning issues which have enveloped the SBR this year are not really of international significance. Rather, they are the choice of pictures for the common room, and the provision (or not) of coffee, tea and (clean) mugs. Changing the pictures has gone some way to changing the 'look' of the room, although controversy about the choice of pictures (a self-portrait of Samuel Butler and a slightly dishevelled T. R. Glover to replace 'the Ugly Woman') will no doubt continue to rage.

As we hand over to a new Committee, to whom we wish the best of luck, we would like to extend our thanks to the Fellowship and Staff of the College, without whom most of our events could not function. And finally, a massive thank you to Dr Colwell, our Senior Treasurer. Without her unobtrusive, efficient input and advice on crucial matters, it is certain that we would have made many more mistakes.

**Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe**

*With contributions from:*

**Noel Rutter**

**Erik Gimpel**

**Cam Grey**

## The Winfield Society

The year began with the general aim of the Committee to make the Society of real practical use to Johnian lawyers with regard to what matters most: finding gainful employment.

Early on, we produced a folder giving details of mini-pupillages and vacation placements, based on the experiences of those in the second and third years who had spent time at assorted chambers and firms. This now lives in the John Hall Law Library, and will, I hope, be a useful resource to Johnian lawyers in the future.

We also organised two receptions, held in the Wordsworth Room. The first was sponsored by Macfarlanes, and was also attended by David Lamming, a barrister at the Chambers of Anthony Scrivener, QC, 2-3 Gray's Inn Square. The second was sponsored by the American firm McDermott, Will and Emery, who have recently established a branch in the City. Both occasions gave the first and second year lawyers the opportunity to chat freely with representatives of major law firms, and a leading set of London chambers.

The Committee were similarly determined to ensure that the mooting competition was, for once (dare I say it), run properly. Mooting, a compulsory part of the Johnian lawyer's life, is usually approached with a reluctant dread. However, we showed that, if organised effectively, it can be enormous fun, and of considerable benefit to those taking part.

The competition consisted of three rounds, with the problems prepared by Dr Fox. He and Mr Nolan, along with Michella Menashy, Andrew Mold, Andy Walklate and Juliette Addison, judged the first round. In between the first and second round Mr Nolan and Dr Fox held a presentation session, to ensure that those going through to the second round were properly prepared. The second round was judged by Leolin Price, CBE QC, the Treasurer of the Middle Temple, and a barrister of immense distinction. We were most privileged to have the benefit of his advice, and I do hope that it will be possible for him to return next year. The final was judged by a larger panel, consisting of two solicitors from

our sponsors, Simmons and Simmons, and Andrew Walker and Michael Heywood, barristers at the Chambers of Lord Goodhart QC, 3 New Square, Lincoln's Inn. The whole evening was a great success, and congratulations must go to Betsan Criddle for winning the competition.

Sponsored by Allen and Overy, the Winfield Society dinner was held in the Hall on Sunday 19 March. The dinner is rightly considered to be the highlight of the year, seeing many old Johnian lawyers returning to their *alma mater*. This year was no exception. Attended by over forty people, including the Master and Lord Mustill, a former Law Lord, the dinner was a splendid occasion. It was interesting to meet so many old Johnians, who, I am glad to say, looked back with fondness on their undergraduate days. Many were especially pleased to discover that Fellows who had taught them were still at St John's!

To conclude, I wish to thank my Committee for being so supportive and good humoured. I also want to extend my sincere gratitude to Mr Nolan and Dr Fox for their invaluable help. We have all been a good team, and I feel sure that Sir Percy Winfield would view the past year as a successful one for the Society.

The 1999-2000 Committee were:

President: Tommy Williams  
 Vice-President: Andrew Walklate  
 Treasurer: Juliette Addison  
 Secretary: Andrea Bull  
 Social Secretary: Diana Wilson

**Tommy Williams**  
**President**

## COLLEGE SPORTS

### Basketball Club

This season has been very successful for the St John's Basketball Team. After our strong performance towards the end of last year's League (marred only by a defeat by Trinity in Cuppers), we were hopeful of getting off to a good start this year.

Our optimism was heightened by the arrival of new key players. Mike Banach joined co-captain Will Critchlow on the Blues team, Zenon Severis provided much needed strength in the post (and later in the season was denied a place on the University B team by an ankle injury) and George Lentzas whose three-point range added another threat.

Last year Jesus won the League so we were excited when our first game provided an opportunity for revenge. Will and Kevin Troiano (the other co-captain) spent the build-up to this game implementing a full-court press defence used by the Blues. Jesus were clearly not ready for this and the first win of the season was recorded, 42-18.

From that moment on, the feeling was that this could be a break-out year. The remainder of the Michaelmas Term was spent playing some of the hardest teams in the League and wins were recorded over Anglia University B team, Trinity, Wolfson and Darwin. The Trinity game was particularly notable for the deadly accuracy of 'Big' George Lentzas from 3-point range. Estimates of the number of shots he made have increased ever since the game, but everyone agrees that his shooting carried us through the rough patches in that game.

By this stage, Eric Hand had started to make himself known. At the beginning of the year, he was just another mouthy American. By now he was an indispensable source of energy. Andy Nutter arrived as a tall inside force and everyone was wondering exactly how 'Little' George Petridis could take rebounds off the tallest players without seeming to jump.

The Lent Term began with some easier games. Everyone knew that we would coast through until our big game, Caius - the only other

undefeated team in the League. The hype before the game was incredible. Understandably nervous, the game was still close at the half. In the second half, the John's defence stepped up and an abiding memory of that game is Rangi Robinson (the strongest player on the Caius team) dribbling ineffectually around our zone defence trying to find a gap that wasn't there. Another victory was recorded 48-34 and the League title was effectively decided.

We went into Cuppers as the first seed, being the unbeaten League champions. The first round pool competition started easily with a 61-9 hammering of Trinity Hall where every member of the team contributed. This was followed by a somewhat more nerve-wracking game against Hughes Hall (whose point guard, Wayne Taitt, was the Blues MVP). With Zenon injured and only playing limited minutes, the game was still hanging in the balance with seconds to go as Mike and Will made a free-throw each (a rare occurrence in Will's case) to put John's up by 3 points with a second remaining. Hughes Hall ran Wayne off three picks to get him a fall-away 3-point shot that never looked like it was going in with our entire team leaping in his face. A slight scare but a win 40-37 put us through to the knockout stages. In the first round, Sidney Sussex declined even to face our team putting us to the quarter-final stages which is how the competition stands at the time of writing.

In all, the season has been defined by the lack of individual egos on the team coupled with the feeling that John's at its best was unbeatable. The season's Most Valuable Player award goes to Zenon, Most Improved was Big George, Best Defensive Player goes jointly to Will and Eric, Best Rebounder goes to Mike and Little George.

**Will Critchlow**  
**Captain**



## The Chess Club

The Johnian sporting reputation is not usually built on activities cerebral. However, this year it finally seems time for the Chess Club to stick its head above the parapet and blow its own trumpet a little, since we have achieved a feat at least equal to that of any of our compatriots on the field or the river, by emerging successful in both the inter-College League and in Cuppers.

We got off to a shaky start in the League, with a nervous 3-2 victory against City 2. However, a string of convincing wins followed, including a very satisfying 4-1 against Queens', winners of the League and Cuppers every year for as long as anyone can remember. This put us top of the table by the end of the Michaelmas Term. The Lent Term began well with a 4-1 score against arch-rivals Trinity, Tim Paulden engaging in some tense manoeuvring before, typically, blitzing out a win when down to his last few minutes. Konrad Scheffler gave the rest of the team fewer anxious moments, playing a very nice positional squeeze.

Alas we then crashed to defeat against mid-table Christ's, with Chris Bell's uncharacteristic failure to convert a sizeable material advantage being the final straw in an evening when several people's good positions went horribly wrong. But we bounced back the following week to defeat City 1, the then League leaders, by an astounding 4.5-0.5. Heading towards the close of the season, we needed to keep winning to maintain our narrow lead. Catz and Pembroke, both in the relegation zone, did not pose too much of a problem. Special mention should go to Chris Bell and Andreas Domnick, whose personal scores were outstanding: 8/9 and 6/7 respectively. Andreas' tally included a victory over a Varsity first team player from King's.

We sailed through the early round of Cuppers with wins over lower-division Peterhouse and Trinity Hall. Iain Dunlop, despite not having played a competitive chess game since he was in the Cub Scouts and being given all of 2 hours' notice that he was wanted for the match, took little more than twenty minutes to crush the hapless Trinity Hall board 5. In the semi-final we played confidently to defeat King's 4-1, setting

the scene for another tough battle with Trinity. Things were not looking at all promising until in the closing stages Chris Bell once more managed to baffle his opponent into making a fatal error, and the good guys sneaked home by the narrowest of margins: 3-2.

The only disappointment in the season was the early folding of the second team, reflecting the fact that our success owes itself largely to the dedication of a select few. However, their commitment made my captaincy very trouble-free. I hope this success is the beginning of many more!

**Harriet Hunt**  
Captain

## Cricket Club – 1st XI report

Having completed the season last year as Captain, I was looking forward to an inactive retirement this year in a non-legislative role within the cricket club. However, injury cruelly stepped in to rob me of my academic ambitions, as Richard Samworth entered his third year of hamstringing troubles, simultaneously stripping the batting backbone from the team.

And so the summer of 2000 will always be known as a bowling year. Despite what was in comparison a relatively sedate first two years, Neil Lomax chose his third year to give a much fuller account of himself, bowling with much pace and fire. When coupled with another old head, Mark Byron, the team rarely conceded many runs and always looked dangerous in the field. Indeed, the Hetairoi will be glad to hear that Mark has now completed his studies and so will not be returning to add to the eight wickets which he and Neil took against them this year.

However, what really set us apart this season was not performances of the few but the real depth and variation that a quality infusion of first year bowling talent provided. United with the irrepressible keeper Cam Grey, who continued this year to go from strength to strength both behind the stumps and in front of them, Chris Rice has learned a lot about the art of leg spin bowling and will next year no doubt be an even more potent weapon than he was towards the end of this season. As a foxed opponent once remarked: 'Tell him to keep those black trainers:



they're worth two wickets before he starts'. Barry Dent bowled like he had been at John's for years, easily being a member of the Cuppers bowling quartet. Another one who knows the great (poor) value of controlled line (leg) and length (short) bowling is Edward Kinsella. Sometime soon he will get the away swinger moving like in the good old days, so watch out future opposition: you have been warned.

Depite 'valiant' bowling when required from the skipper, the all-rounder slot was ably filled by Pablo Mukherjee. He only joined the College this year to complete his PhD but will be missed as sorely as any of the other leavers as his accurate bowling (5-12 against Jesus), driven batting (70 against West Norfolk) and affable nature made him a pivotal member of the team. However, he will be well advised to lose his ability either to self destruct or receive unplayable deliveries at the crease. Indeed the whole of the top order competed inconsistently. I was going to complete an averages table this year, but when it was realised how poorly I was to perform on such a stage I thought better of the idea. However, there were some remarkable individual efforts still. Most impressive was Mark Bartholomew. In our first round of Cuppers he made an unbeaten 110 not out to swell our total to a match winning 160 (the opposition made 142 in reply to show the value of this contribution). Dan Rees found time in his busy revision schedule to play for the old boys, and made what turned out to be the highest total against us by a visitor in two years (95). Kanishka Misra's best effort of the season was only one run less and was against the Hetairoi, finally showing himself to be the quality batsman I always believed. Other invaluable innings were made by Tom Williams and Jack Russell.

Farewells go out to 'Shabash' Lamboo, whose active gully fielding was never really tested this year; to Grumpy, who really must lighten up when on the cricket field; to Muckie, who is reminded that St John's play their Cuppers cricket at the SJC Oval, not in Aberdeen; to Fiery, who although being a stalwart of the middle order will never be a centurion; to Higgins, thanks for coming this season; to the Delhi Diesel, for hitting the length in his time at College about as often as me; and to Louganis, for really making a match of the majority of games he played in the face of our otherwise extremely strong bowling.

My thanks go to Alex Starling, for captaining the second eleven, and Frankie Whitelaw and Emily Longmore for taking the ladies. Despite being generously allowed through the first round of their Cuppers competition, their dream did not fare much longer and much is expected next year of a maturing side. Congratulations and good luck to Mark Bartholomew and Barry Dent on their elections to Captain and Secretary next year.

Lastly our thanks to all the Ellis family. Thanks to Catherine, who supplied excellent lunches and teas right up until the birth of her new daughter Hannah, for which we offer her our congratulations. Thanks to Henry, whose incessant enthusiasm for anything painful was a delight to all on their way back from the square. And thanks to Keith, the new Head Groundsman, for his willingness to allow matches to go ahead despite ominous weather forecasts. My personal congratulations are also sent out to Keith for professionally not allowing what would appear to many to be a superb year for his family to affect his demeanour when on the fields. He admirably slotted into the grumpy groundsman stereotype as if he had been doing the job for years.

**Ben Cocker**  
**Captain**

## 2nd XI Cricket

After a season of relative inactivity, the powerhouse of St John's cricket (otherwise known as the 2nd XI) once again took up willow and leather to do battle over a few wicket thingies. Pre-season scouting had unearthed rare cricketing talent in the depths of the Physics and Maths departments, with the Purchas Society providing its own particular spin on matters of slow bowling.

Narrow defeats to Queens' I and Christ's I (the latter despite a Rick Symington half-century) allowed us to continue in our well-founded belief that we are the best 2nd XI in the university, while beating Jesus II by 83 runs provided enjoyment for all involved, not least for opening bowlers Sanders and Saravanamuttu who claimed 3 wickets apiece and

Steven Guest with an unbeaten 44. Addenbrooke's were overcome with 4 wickets to spare, including a rare flurry with the bat for the captain, who perhaps benefited from a slightly weak leg-side field. Another fixture played in a remote windswept savannah north of Grange Road resulted in a win for Emmanuel II with the St John's players suffering from a lack of acclimatisation to the adverse weather conditions.

The 2nd XI was able to call upon a large amount of cricketing talent this season. In such situations it is always hard to single out particular players for praise. However, congratulations go to Nagulan Saravanamuttu, who was awarded the Ash Notaney Trophy for 2nd XI Player of the Season for outstanding performances with bat and ball and unswerving commitment to the sport. Simon Adelman, another player with a bright future, has agreed to take over the captaincy for next season and I wish him all the best in his endeavours, including perhaps a half-century someday.

**Alex Starling**  
2nd XI Captain

### Women's Cricket

'Do women wear a box?' asked the Men's Captain with a puzzled expression at our first practice session. At times bemused and bewildered, Ben did a brilliant job coaching a group of highly enthusiastic but absolute beginner women cricketers. Our eagerness after just three practices culminated in us entering the six a-side knock-out Cuppers competition where we were out on the pitches at 9am to practise and drafted in some experience in the shape of Katherine McAleavy and Jennifer Guthrie before mounting our challenge. Well, it must have frightened our first opponents Magdalene, who failed to appear.

Bravely but perhaps naively we volunteered to take on a team we unofficially nicknamed 'Newnham Men'. Our strength was in batting although Kate Whittaker and Emily Longmore, batting first, steadily built up the runs and were so hard to remove that no one else was really

needed. A little more risk, however, might have been to our advantage and our fielding, with the exception of Meg Jeffries' valiant efforts, did leave a lot to be desired and we unluckily lost by three wickets on the last ball. Nevertheless, the game was not without its comedy moments; on one occasion Frankie Whitelaw came forward to bowl, tripped over her feet, uttered a minor expletive and literally dropped the ball which dribbled along the ground and the unlucky batsman took a swipe, allowing the ball to hit the wicket. Bowled. Also amusing was the moment's silence after a classic LBW in which Rich and Ben who were umpiring waited in anguish for someone to appeal; we did not realise you had to *appeal*, but fortunately a tentative 'how's that?' came from the wicket keeper at the last moment.

Despite being officially knocked out, we wangled our way back into the tournament through sheer enthusiasm when another team scratched but were beaten by strong Downing side with several University players and subs. Truly bitten by the cricket bug, however, we decided to continue our campaign that afternoon and we enjoyed a superb unofficial match against an eclectic group of random male John's cricketers and spectators whom we forced to play left-handed.

A fleeting and light-hearted but immensely successful cricket season for the women and we hope to build upon the enthusiasm of this year's participants next year. Well done to everyone who played Cuppers as well as to Jennie Rooney and Felicity Shaw who unluckily had to miss it due to exams, and a big thanks to Ben Cocker for all his coaching and support, as well as to Rich Samworth, Mark Bartholomew and Kanishka Misra.

**Frankie Whitelaw**

### The Eagles Club

For 124 years the club has gone from strength to strength, unfazed by spinoffs or cheap imitations such as the Crescents, Fireflies or Hawks. This year, as always, was no exception and the Eagles encompass the true wealth of sporting talent in our fine College. Each member proving his worth not just for the college but in many cases on a university level.

However, despite the numerous university honours amassed on the rigger field by Eagles Hall, Blathwayt, Lacy, Lomax, Jenkins, Williams & Scott, they could not prevent Captain Eagle Williams' watertight ship from leaking a little. Resulting in the 1st XV taking a well-earned break from winning the League this year.

Captain Eagle Rees reaffirmed St John's Hockey Club to be, without a doubt, the most successful college sports club throughout the entire university. With the help of Eagles Angliss, Scott and in particular Seale, the 1st XI were able to climb atop any challenge to retrieve the League Trophy from the most precarious of positions.

Eagles Starling, Gower, Sanders and Captain Eagle Brown have continued the upward trend of the Football Club this year. In the true spirit of the club they have not limited themselves to one field and have enjoyed, amongst other sports, swinging clubs in college and, together with other Eagles, waving bats in rooms.

The true Johnian Spirit of combining excelling and loafing thrives in the cricket club. Led by Captain Eagle Cocker, whose love of all things small sends him to Cape Town in July where like a homing pigeon he aims to cycle back across Africa to his owner in Cambridge.

Diversity is the mark of the club. It is not just for those who excel in the major sports but also for those outstanding in the minor sports. Eagle Kemp has captained the Lady Margaret Boat Club with a watchful eye, and together with Eagles Bell and Jones was able to take the Men's 1st Coxless IV to unprecedented success on both the Cam and the Thames. It is on a sad note that we say goodbye to Eagle Jones, possibly the longest serving active member after Sir Scott, and whose future plans for Parliament success are sure to keep the tabloid press in business.

Special mention must be made of Eagles Samworth and Atkinson whose sporting prowess has not gone unnoticed only sorely missed through injury. However both always giving, they have supported college sport in all fields and have even struck up links with the boat club. The later joining a strong Eagle contingent in Eagle Livingstone-Learmonth's Lady Somerset 1st VIII, who successfully managed to battle their way to the top of the 4th division in the May Bumps.

Blues this year are: Ehlers – Rowing  
Coulthard – Swimming  
Messman – Golf & Navigating the Gobi  
Rajagopalan – Tennis  
Sheikh – Cricket

Half Blues were won by Eagles Blathwayt and Lomax for rugby league, and University Colours were awarded to Eagles Angliss, Bostock, Lacy, Rees and Sanders for hockey, squash, rugby, golf, and football respectively.

It remains for me to announce my successor, Mike Mayes, whose cool, affectionate temperament will ensure the continued growth of the illustrious Eagles Club.

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**Jim Scott**  
**Eun Mor**

### The Flamingoes

Once again, the strong tradition of women's sport at St John's has ensured the health of The Flamingoes. With seven Full Blues, four Half-Blues and a wealth of University and College Colours, the Club remains a force to be reckoned with.

This year's 'chosen ones' included Clare Gaskell (Rugby), Lucy Sheard (Netball) and Nancy Priston (Lacrosse). Their initiations proved as riotous an affair as usual, resulting in the President being Deaned – let's just say it involved too much whipped cream, bare chests and ping-pong balls for some to cope with!

The highlight of the year was the inaugural Eagles and Flamingoes dinner held in the Combination Room in March. In the Dean's speech he talked about room cricket, which we were pleased to be able to revive later in the evening in the Master's Lodge. Captaining the winning team will remain my fondest memory of Cambridge. Shame on Jim Scott.

The large number of sporting achievements across a wide variety of sports will ensure the Club goes from strength to strength. Special note of congratulations to Andrea Bull an outstanding sportswoman, who added a football Full Blue to her eclectic collection of Half-Blues and University and College Colours.

**Megan Jeffries**  
President

### The Football Club

The summer was over and the management was well aware that a large number of stars from the previous year's squad had been wooed to the City. The SJCAFC simply could not retain them, not even with precious gifts in the form of our coveted black-sponsored fleece. The recruitment process would have to range on world-wide scale, so the Captain set up the first web site for the club (<http://www.joh.cam.ac.uk/societies/football>). The best talent we wanted and the best talent we got. Our efforts were amply rewarded when over sixty players turned up to pre-season training to showcase their skills at the October trials. The newly formed team rolled over their neighbours, Magdalene, in a pre-season friendly and was now hungry and eager to put its teeth into some real opposition. Girton provided just the pie. Our first official match would reveal a pattern that repeated itself in the many matches to come. We went down 2-1 with a dubious penalty awarded against us and had a player sent off. In dire straits, the fighting spirit of St John's came out with a flourish. The bewildered Girton team could only stare at the spirited St John's 1st XI fighting back and putting a few goals past their keeper, with Nick Gower, Alex Starling and Paul McMahon on the scoresheet and Samir Sheikh curling in the fabulous winner in the dying minutes. The final score was 4-3 but, most importantly, on that day we developed into a Team. A team eager and able to swing difficult matches in their favour.

The Cuppers draw had set up a clash of titans by pairing us with Trinity and the encounter certainly lived up to all the hype. St John's captured an early 2-0 lead, only to see it wither when Trinity pulled back three

goals. However, an outstanding performance by the team, with our Falcon players (Oli Maddison and Lee Sanders) leading the way, saw John's overcome the old enemy 5-3. Gower put his personal signature on the match with a cool hat trick. Victory inebriated the minds of our young team and, in the next match, Churchill took advantage of our attitude, handing us our first defeat. This was a harsh reminder of the unforgiving reality of College football. We toiled during the week on the training pitch with lots of three-touch football, in order to wipe out the shortcomings of the Churchill match. Our mission, now, was to hunt our opponent down, until we snatched the coveted spherical possession off his feet and then make sure we passed the football well between us. We were hungry for revenge and Christ's were our victims. They were dispatched 4-0 with Starling scoring his annual hat trick and Jack Russell, David Tompson and Jon Bungard doing all the damage down the wings. Paul McMahon and Sean Hartnoll stamped their authority in the middle of the pack and there was simply nowhere to go for the previous year's winners of the Cuppers trophy.

Top-of-the League Jesus was our last opponent in the Michaelmas Term. St John's was up for the battle on the day. The four-men defensive lineup of Daniel Hobohm (player of the season), Olly Wright, Lee Sanders and Jon Bungard was especially brilliant. Despite Jesus scoring twice, we managed to level the game on both occasions. Our prolific Golden Boot, Gower, energised by a cold half-time shower, stuck it into the back of the net on both occasions. In the closing minutes of the game, our University 3rd XI goalkeeper, Andrew Bond, made an impressive last-minute save to deny Jesus a win.

Lent Term saw the 1st XI adopting the 3-5-2 formation with Harry Horsley, Viv Gulati and Ryan Lindberg providing the three at the back and, most importantly, a clean sheet against Fitz who were sent back home with goals from Sheikh (on Simon Adelman's assist) and Gower. A double header against teams of Old Boys was scheduled for the beginning of February. Although the outcome of the two matches was different (the combined score was 10-4 in favour of the young guns), the post match celebrations were equal in fun and frivolity.

As an old adage of football says, a match isn't finished till the ref blows the whistle. In second round Cuppers, St John's proved the wise old



men of football right once again. We conceded our customary early goal in the first half and had to claw ourselves back into the match as usual. We managed to level the game, but we conceded a second goal 10 minutes from the final whistle. As time was running out, we adopted a flamboyant all-attacking 3-4-3 formation. The pressure we exerted finally cracked Anglia's resistance. Sanders dribbled their defence, including the keeper, and slotted the ball into the onion bag. Sheikh finished off the game by waiting coolly for the football to drop slowly onto his left foot (time seemed to have stopped for everybody on the pitch except for him) before he walloped it into the back of the helpless keeper's net. Football is about glory and we relished every moment of it (and the ensuing celebrations in the College Bar)!

League action soon followed against Pembroke. Again, we conceded an early scrappy goal. However, we eventually learnt that gifting the opposition with a goal and then scoring a bag-full to win the match is certainly thrilling, but is also a risky game. Despite all our efforts, we ended up not scoring for the first time in the season.

Cuppers quarter-final game against Long Road followed exactly the same pattern, with Bond making sure we had only one goal to recover. However all hopes vanished when Thomas Brown's shot was tipped onto the crossbar by the opposition's goalkeeper. It is now three times in the last four years that the schoolboys have interrupted our progress in Cuppers. Future St John's 1st XIs will have to avenge us! Our next league match was against Trinity, who were on the verge of relegation. We *gifted* them just the three points they needed to stay in the first division and in the process guaranteed the survival of the ancient derby. St John's-Trinity will be a much awaited match for at least another season! We also slipped against Robinson College, another side trying to avoid relegation. Goals by Thomas Brown, Owen Oliver and Stuart Gale were simply not enough on a day when St John's defence was in its most generous of moods. The match vs. APU was a different matter altogether. We did concede two early goals, but the team had enough of mucking about and scored 5 to secure the three points and third place in the League. The curtain was brought down on SJCAFC's season on a lovely spring afternoon with a friendly against our generous sponsors Deloitte & Touche.

The highlight of the year was certainly our tour to Rome. We played three matches against local teams, all invariably ending in a draw. I am sure that if the unlucky Owen had not had passport problems and had actually made it to Rome, we would have clinched those games. Accommodation (we are grateful to the Captain's Grandmother for offering bed/floor space) was a football's kick away from St Peter's Square and we had the privilege of actually playing *calcio* in Campo dei Fiori on a warm Roman spring night. I am sure none of us will forget those days spent in the Ancient City and the luscious pizza (or wild boar as Asterix and the tourists would call it) feasts we had. St John's 1st XI finished honourably amongst the top-three best teams of the League and, with lots of new players in this side, who have now experienced the raggedness of College football, things are looking extremely good for next year. There has been great interest in football all over College this year with more students eager to play than there are teams able to accommodate them. This resulted in St John's fielding four strong College sides, which have all done well in their respective competitions. I am grateful to all the players for contributing in making this season such an adventurous one. A special mention goes to Secretary Stuart Gale and Treasurer Alex Starling for all their help and organisation. John's decided to go for young blood and elected Harry Horsley as the 2000-2001 Captain, Simon Adelman as Secretary and Jack Russell as Treasurer. I wish them the best of luck and hope Harry leads the team past Long Road and on to Cuppers glory! Now I conclude with the three words which have been adopted and embraced by St John's Association Football Club this season, 2047 years after being first proffered by Julius Caesar: *Veni, Vidi, Vici*.

**Thomas Brown**  
Captain

### Women's Football

The women's team entered the season in the hope of avenging what had turned out to be a disappointing season in the top flight in 1998-9. Unfortunately, we generally continued to underachieve this year, our



mediocre results belying some very skilful play and individual flair. Our main problem early in the campaign was a seeming inability to put the ball in the back of the net; despite some intensive practice sessions in training, goals continued to elude us until it was too late to fight back from mid-table obscurity. While our League results were mixed, the emergence of Jennie Rooney and Andrea Bull as a strong goal-scoring force in the second half of the Michaelmas Term boded well for Cuppers after Christmas, and we had a successful run into the semi-finals. Unfortunately, a tense and exciting extra-time victory over arch-rivals Trinity was followed by defeat at the hands of Hills Road, continuing the recent trend of Johnnians being tormented by pesky kids. Nevertheless, there was a clear improvement over the season which manifested itself most clearly in our League match against Jesus and Cuppers match against Trinity, when we rose to the occasion to reassert Johnnian superiority.

Velda Elliott donned the keeper's gloves for some important matches, showing great confidence and presence, especially in our Cuppers run. In defence, Hwei Fan Liang made an important contribution in her cover of the left wing and her long throw often put attackers through. Anushka Asthana had an excellent season playing in right or central defence. Tash Nair lived up to her reputation as a Land Economist, adding another sport to her repertoire in very successful fashion. Hannah Fuller played well at the front of the defensive line-up, displaying a fearsome tackle. Anna Silvester and Neg Yazdi also made important contributions on the right of defence and completed a strong defensive unit. My main contribution at sweeper was vocal, although I occasionally kicked the ball quite hard and unfortunately sometimes found myself in goal . . .

In midfield, Amanda Fuller was an accomplished play-maker, providing links and putting in some great passes. Julie Gonzalez-Torres's impressive ball skills continued to be crucial to our play and Juliette Malley always made her presence known, whether through her penetrating runs or her frequent calls for the ball! On the left wing, Chantal Conneller showed her considerable skills in running the ball up the line and putting in some accurate crosses. Sophie Allebone-Webb,

playing up front, continued the improvement she made last year with some incisive passes. Jennie Rooney was our wizard on the right wing; when not scoring herself, she put in some great crosses which resulted in goals for others. With five goals each in the League and Cuppers, Jennie won the Golden Boot award this year, and should also be proud of the 'silver service' she provided to Andrea Bull, who scored most of our other goals. Andrea's contribution was not limited to goal-scoring, however; her brief on the pitch was to play 'everywhere', and she was largely successful in doing so, playing a crucial part in our Cuppers victory over Trinity by dropping back into defence. Andrea has also represented the University this season, playing in the Light Blues' victory over the Dark Side and winning Full Blue status in doing so.

Unfortunately, this season also saw the demise of the second team; there simply was not enough interest to keep a team afloat. My thanks to Tammy Holmes, who tried valiantly to stir up enthusiasm and who put a lot of effort into putting a team out on the rare occasions when we were not forced to concede. I hope that a second team can be resurrected next year, as I believe it plays an important role in fostering interest in football amongst those who have not had the opportunity to play before.

Many thanks to Alex Starling for his dedication in training us this year, to Stuart Gale for his willingness to ref, even at a moment's notice, and even away at Downing, and to the men's Committee for procuring the sponsored fleeces and caps. Thanks also to Keith, the groundsman, for his enlightened view of women's sport and, finally, best of luck to next year's co-captains, Hannah Fuller and Jennie Rooney – a wealth of talent is staying on and I think the team has the potential to do very well.

**Clare Gaskell**  
**Captain**

## Men's Hockey

The record of the Hockey Club in recent history has been phenomenal. I believe I am correct in saying that the Club has won Cuppers 5 times in the 90s. Indeed those of you who frequent that hallowed meeting place of sportsmen (the College Bar) may have noticed the SJCHC Cuppers Shield from the late 80s and early 90s, which was engraved with A.N.Other when somebody else won. Now this is certainly open to criticisms of arrogance but there are few A.N.Others. In my first year we won the League, and last year the glory of the League and Cup Double – certainly more of a Man Utd than a Watford. Alex Ferguson, though, doesn't have to contend with all his players leaving after 3 years, and we had suffered the heavy loss of Captain Darren James, and C.U. Wanderers Captain Colin Johnston among others. However, the admissions tutors are skilled in such matters and when it came to the freshers trial in early October it became clear that contract negotiations had gone well and we had some fine new talent to inveigle in the Johnian way.

The defence was once again the proverbial rock of our team with Steve Seale a tower of strength in the sweeper position, coupled with Stephen Griffiths (playing for the 8th season) in central defence. Alex Walsh performed admirably in goal in what is a very difficult situation – shielded from action for the majority of the match and then called to make the key saves at crucial times. Tom Thompson, who will surely be one of the key players of the future, was a reliable influence at right back while the left back position was filled by a variety of players. One of the key problems of College sport is the 101 different influences conspiring to make people unavailable, from supervisions, to practical classes, and even from my point of view, rugby matches. So the back four was completed by 2nd team Captain Graeme Coates, Rugby Captain Tom Williams, the reliable (if rarely sure-footed) Pete Jenkins, and Will Critchlow, who all did excellent jobs at various times when they came in. The most telling of statistics is that in a high scoring sport, we only conceded 14 goals in 15 matches.

Flowing, passing hockey has been our trademark, and that was no different this year. Richard Clarkson may not be as young in years as the

other new faces but he more than makes up for this with experience of playing league hockey at a very high level, skill, reading of the game, and high work rate. He controlled the game for us on many occasions, and showed us all a thing or two. Rick Symington provided a much used route down the left-side, dribbling into the heart of opponents' defences, and showing a ferocious hit whenever he got near the D. Meanwhile Simon Adelman brought a new look to the right side showing off his skills to go *round* opponents – Jim Scott watch and learn!

Forwards are that rare breed who snatch up half-chances to turn games with either exquisite skill or great pace and a powerful hit. Sadly, since Oscar Stewart, Johnny Mayer, and the injury stricken Richard Samworth, we haven't had any, and have relied on goals from a variety of sources. Jono Angliss was played out of position up front so that he could fulfil his boastful claims, and he turned out to be a source of many fine goals, although his effort for the top spot was beaten into second place by Rick Symington whose 18 goals in 14 matches will surely see him on a lucrative transfer deal. Ric Hull and (Dr) Baylon Kamalarajan were regulars up front, neglecting the hospitals of East Anglia, and no doubt the patients, to represent the College.

We had our usual rocky start to the year with a draw against Queens' which we were fortunate to salvage with a last minute goal. After that the pre-Christmas league then proceeded very serenely with easy wins against Catz, Clare, and notably 9-0 against Pembroke, with Downing and Jesus setting the pace at the top of the table.

Cuppers starts early in the season with the traditional grass fixture, before moving back to the astroturf. Trinity Hall and Magdalene were duly negotiated and we were able to move on to the semi-final and more serious games ahead. Roger Wilcock and past Captain Colin 'Zimmer' Campbell bolstered our ranks for the remaining rounds. Zimmer can certainly do a lot of bolstering with that low centre of gravity and we were confident that the cup could be returned to its spiritual home. Our clash with Emmanuel in the semi-final really was a 'clash' with poor umpiring allowing Emma's 'vigorous' tackling to frustrate us as well as breaking Roger's finger. In the end a 2-0 win reflected the fact that they

never looked like scoring and we failed to take any number of chances. The final was against a very strong looking Jesus team, numbering 7-8 University players, who were determined to win a trophy against the old enemy. Crucially, Richard had pulled a hamstring in the semi-final, and was only able to be active from the touchlines. Events went against us and despite giving our all we went down 5-1, in a more competitive match than the scoreline gives us credit for.

We were even more determined to make sure of the League when we returned in the New Year, but this looked an uphill task with both Jesus and Downing having won all their matches so far. They had both yet to play us though, so we knew it was all still in our hands. With several key players missing we fought out a 3-3 draw against Downing, coming twice from behind in one of our best matches of the year. Then came our most satisfying result of the year when we avenged the Cuppers final defeat to beat Jesus 3-1. As the season drew to a close finish with Jesus losing their way, and Downing having dropped points elsewhere, it came down to our last match needing a draw or better against Fitzwilliam to retain the title. Needless to say a draw is not in the Johnian spirit and a comfortable win rounded off the season in style.

It has been said of Manchester United that it is their spirit which makes them so successful, and the same can be said of SJCHC. Persistence, will to win, allied with talent and flair, are a potent mix which is the true secret of the Club's success.

Congratulations to the members of the Club who represented the university this year: Roger Wilcock once again earned his Blue; Jono Angliss was a key member of the C.U. Wanderers; and Rick Symington part of the C.U. Squanderers team that narrowly missed league promotion. Rick will be next year's Club Captain with Graeme Coates as Secretary. There is no doubt who our outstanding player has been and so Richard Clarkson was awarded the inaugural 'Player of the Season' award – I hope we find somebody good enough to stop him winning it again next year.

Finally it gives me great pleasure to thank everyone for contributing to another extremely successful year, and especially to those people who

came in to fill the gaps when needed. They are as important in their way as the regulars. I must thank Steve Seale, my Secretary, for his help and wish the best of luck to Rick and Graeme for next year.

It has been an honour and a pleasure. God Bless the Hockey Club.

**Dan Rees**  
Captain

#### **Results:**

##### **League Champions**

Won: 9; Drew: 2; Lost: 0

Goals for: 48; Goals against: 9

##### **Cuppers – Losing Finalists**

Won: 3; Lost: 1

Goals for: 15; Goals against: 5

#### **2nd XI Hockey**

The season proved, yet again, to be a topsy-turvy one. Our first match was against Anglia, a strong team relegated from Division 1 after not playing a single game all last year. However, this season (after a change of captaincy), they managed to turn teams out regularly, and showed their strength by beating us 6-1. The consolation goal came from Graeme Coates who took the ball 50 yards, round 3 opposition and scored. These previously unknown stick skills were soon put down to the bouncy grass pitch and suspect umpiring. A notable mention must go to Mark Bartholomew who played his first game of hockey in this match, and continued to impress throughout the season and rightly deserved the award for Most Improved Player.

Next came Trinity Hall, who turned up dressed as netball players, and proceeded to perform as such, losing 6-1 to a strong John's team. The practice of 2nd XI players scoring on their debut was again apparent as "J" Hyun slotted home in the second half.

As the season moved into November, we were faced with the prospect of a strong Robinson team who scored 7 past the injured Coates who had elected to play goalkeeper. A consolation penalty flick from the longest standing member of the team, Baylon Kamalarajan, bought the score to 7-1, but the result was not going to echo the previous year's performance.

One of our high points of the season came against Trinity. After arriving with only 9 players, we fought hard to stay in the game, but with excellent performances from Dennis Leung and Ben Cocker (another first-timer) the first half ended 0-0. The second half went more in our favour (despite being reduced to 8 men) and a free hit on the edge of the D saw a Rich Hull deflection go into the goal via the keeper's shoulder. This was to be the final result, after Will Critchlow made an important save on his debut in goal to keep us ahead.

After receiving a walkover from Peterhouse at the end of the Michaelmas Term, we started Lent Term well, emphatically beating an under strength Cambridge City 7-0. Simon Adelman scored three and Rich "Topper" Hull scored four, which included the worst goal of the season . . . After poaching from Cocker from 12 inches, he proceeded to take three touches to get the ball across the line. They all count I suppose . . .

This was followed the next week by a 4-1 victory against Sidney, despite playing with only nine players for the first half. Seemingly on a roll, we moved into 2nd Team Cuppers, which, thankfully, was actually played before the end of Term this year. However, this confidence was not translated into finishing power as we struggled to beat a much weaker Pembroke II side. A 4-2 win provided us the chance to meet Jesus II in the semi-final in a repeat of last year's final.

Preparation was not ideal, losing to Churchill 2-1 the Wednesday before (due largely to some dubious umpiring decisions), and our relative lack of experience on Astro turf may have contributed to a two goal deficit at half time. However, we emerged for the second half a different team, and pulled a goal back thanks to Hull soon after the restart. Spurred on by this goal, a period of sustained pressure followed, leading to an

equaliser by Lamarr. However, this was to be the last goal of the match in normal time, and a pressing blues practice led to penalty flicks for the second year running.

Lamarr and Hull both saw their flicks go in (just!) and Critchlow then managed to save the second Jesus flick to take us to 2-1. Then after an explicable miss by Coates, another great save by Critchlow and a confident flick into the corner by Kanishka Misra, we were within touching distance of the final. The fourth Jesus flick would prove to be the last, as Critchlow made a superb diving save to win the match for us. This was a truly great result to a great match.

The League dragged to a rather unsatisfying end due to a lack of time for matches to be played. With only Cuppers final remaining, we came up against a questionably strong Caius team, who went away with the invisible cup thanks to a single goal, leaving us with a disappointing end to a hectic season.

With league results of "played" 11, won 5, lost 6; our final League position of 7th, behind Churchill and Magdalene on goal difference, did not really do justice to the effort shown during the season. We still managed to finish above our main rivals Trinity and Jesus II, showing that John's II hockey is still a force to be contended with in the College Leagues.

My thanks go to all that have played this year – several of whom had not even picked up a stick before, and also to the groundsmen for preparing the pitches we play on throughout the year. My best wishes go forward to next year's team, and I hope that they continue to have success on the pitch; and in particular Baylon who left us this year for the big wide world after managing to play his 100th match for the club.

God Bless The Hockey Club.

**Graeme Coates**  
**Captain**

## Women's Hockey

Having been (narrowly) relegated to the 2nd Division last season, confidence abounded amongst the women's hockey team. Fresh new talent in the form of Anna Seale, Katharine McGill, Sarah Langslow, Velda Elliot, Lucy Hughes and Suzannah Ritchie-McLean ensured not only a large pool from which to draw a team, but also plenty of hockey men selflessly offering their services as coach, umpire or physio.

Our first match justified such confidence, with Andrea Bull and Lynda Hewitt securing a 3-0 victory against Jesus II. This scoreline was emulated a week later, with Rachel Isherwood, Hewitt and Bull putting the ball in the net; and Sarah Langslow (Sweeper) and Velda Elliot (Goalkeeper) skilfully keeping the ball out at the other end of the pitch. This back formation, alongside Clare Palmer, Aideen Silke and Jennifer Guthrie (plus the star appearances of Nancy Priston in goal and Nicole Armstrong as Sweeper) proved formidable throughout the season. In November, Emmanuel and Newnham both experienced seeing the ball fly past their goalkeeper from the sticks of Isherwood and Hewitt, with Jenny Allen providing energetic support on the wing. Thus John's were deservedly top of the league at the beginning of December.

Unfortunately, however, our luck was to change. The evils of University football lured away our star striker, Andrea Bull, as matches clashed; and further catastrophe struck as College rugby left injured Isherwood and Hewitt – hence wiping out our goal-scoring trio.

Lacking in numbers, our 1st round Cuppers match against Division 1 League leaders, Catz, was never going to be an occasion to celebrate. Although several more defeats ensued, not all was lost. In the absence of the older players, Anna Seale and Lucy Hughes really began to gain confidence and take control of the game, and the determination of Katharine McGill to win every ball possible was remarked on by daunted oppositions (and even more daunted umpires!). Furthermore, it was unanimously agreed that if there was no cause to celebrate on the pitch, we may as well celebrate off the pitch. Social evenings with the University Men's Lacrosse Team, Clare Men's Hockey team, and indeed some fine specimens from our own College provided us with plenty of

tactics talk, hockey tips, and, for some, the opportunity to score finally as a member of St John's College Ladies' Hockey Club!

Perhaps due to this renewed team spirit (but also credited to the return of Isherwood and the signing of Caroline Boddy from Newcastle United), the end of the season saw victory once again. With goals from Anna Seale and Lucy Hughes, and Anuska Asthana providing the vital quality link between defence and attack, Trinity Hall, Queens' and Robinson all failed to defeat us. The final League Table placed John's fourth – a respectable position after a tumultuous season.

On a personal note, I would like to thank a team that is now unrecognisable from the eleven players that turned out to play hockey on a rainy October morning. Not only has skill and teamwork vastly improved, but enthusiasm and commitment never waned, even in the face of defeat. My thanks especially to Rachel Isherwood and Clare Wolfenden, who took over captaincy whilst I was injured; and to Anna Seale (Secretary) who helped with the organisational aspects.

Finally, our appreciation is offered to Ric Symington, Graeme Coates, Will Critchlow and Ric Hull, who umpired through rain, hail and snow (with some wearing more aftershave than others!).

Good luck to Anna Seale and Lucy Hughes, co-captains for next year – I hope you have more success than this year, although I doubt you could have as much fun.

**Lynda Hewitt**  
Captain

## Lady Margaret Boat Club – Men

### Henley 1999

By finishing fourth in the 1999 May Bumps and losing only three members of the crew to other commitments, LMBC were fortunate again this year in not having to qualify for Henley Royal Regatta.



After enjoying the pleasures of Fitz's traditional Wednesday picnic, supporters were able to witness the rare sight of a Maggie victory in the Temple from the Stewards Enclosure, thanks once again to the generous ticket donations of old Johnnians. The crew were drawn against Nottingham University 'B' and led from the start, winning by a margin of two lengths.

Trinity College, Dublin, proved more difficult opponents on the Thursday, winning comfortably and progressing to the quarter-finals where they were knocked out by a Goldie crew who went on to win the event.

#### The Henley VIII

Bow	Tom Leake
2	Rob Pagnamenta
3	Andy Nutter
4	Chris Bell
5	Rob Milner
6	Mark Brand
7	Andy Jones
Str	Alex O'Reilly
Cox	Linda Haxby

Thanks must be extended to the Arlidge family for their excellent hospitality and also to the Old Johnian Henley Fund and all its members for financing the campaign and continuing to support the club in so many ways.

#### Michaelmas Term 1999

Once again the Lady Margaret Boat Club was bolstered in the Michaelmas Term by a wealth of new faces, and was able to boast six men's novice crews of varying competence – two more than any other college. The first ever defeat for the 1st Novice VIII in the Queens' Ergo Championships brought concern among the crew that perhaps this year our run of winning form in the novice events would be ended; fears

soon relieved by a win in the Cambridge Winter Head, and a win for the fourth successive year in the Clare Sprint Regatta, beating Jesus by 11/2 lengths in the final.

Only a change in entry rules prevented the 2nd Novice VIII retaining the Plate, although by reaching the semi-final of the Cup competition, where they were beaten by a verdict of three feet, they demonstrated that they were not only faster than all other 2nd VIIIs by a considerable margin, but almost all 1st VIIIs as well.

Jesus crews have traditionally shown a remarkable turn of speed in the week between the Clare Sprints and the timed Fairbairns race, and so it was with some anxiety that the crew and coaches took their positions on an early December morning to defend a title held for four years. When the results were announced, it emerged that the Jesus timekeepers had recorded identical times for the Jesus and LMBC crews, and so the title this year had to be shared.

Congratulations should be given to the Lower Boats Captains, Christoph Rummel and Eric Kerrigan, for maintaining the successful run of the mighty LMBC novices, and thanks to all those who gave their time to coach.

The Senior Club was significantly depleted this year by a number of losses to the working world, but was glad to welcome an ex-Eton and GB Junior oarsman, Tom Edwards-Moss. His aspirations to trial for CUBC were ended when it was discovered he only had one fully functioning lung, and concerns over the proximity to a hospital prevented him travelling to Ely for training. CUBC's loss was LMBC's gain, and not being so sympathetic to such technicalities, he soon found himself a seat in the Light IV.

The decision to race in the coxless event was due mainly to the commitment of coach Richard Kollek, who raced for three years in the University Light IVs, winning as steerer in 1986. He was especially pleased to discover that despite our best efforts to find an alternative, we would be racing in the very same boat in 1999.

A win at the Autumn Head gave three members of the crew their first trophy for LMBC and inspired confidence for the University IVs. In the event the crew was never really pushed, and with the assistance of veteran Andy Jones as steerer, the crew won the event comfortably. The 2nd IV faced tougher competition in the coxed event, and were knocked out by 1st & 3rd in the second round.

Light IV		Coxed IV	
Bow	Andy Jones*	Bow	Alex Goldsmith
2	Chris Bell	2	Christoph Rummel
3	Tom Edwards-Moss	3	Chris Greenroyd
Str	Jim Kemp	Str	Mark Brand
*steerer		Cox	Rebecca Thornton

Competition for the Light IV in the Cambridge Winter Head the following week came from a Cantabrigian crew containing two past LMBC oars. The boat had to be shared, but racing in the earlier division, the LMBC IV won by a margin of 33 seconds. The Cantabrigian crew complained of steering problems.

Two coxed IVs were entered for the Fours Head of the River on the Tideway, and in difficult conditions recorded the fastest times for both 1st and 2nd IVs from any of the Oxbridge Colleges. This boded well for the Fairbairns, and moving into an VIII only two weeks before the race, the boat gelled quickly and had a very realistic hope of taking the Fairbairns title. The opportunity was cruelly stolen by bad weather, and after enjoying calm conditions for the Novice event the day before, the Senior Fairbairns was called off due to fallen trees and breaking waves on the Reach.

### Eton Training Camp

The dawn of the new millennium saw a squad of ten return to Eton for a week's training camp under the expert eye of Guy Pooley. As usual the camp enabled members of the 1st and 2nd VIII to benefit from extended periods of training away from the academic pressures and distractions of college life.

The week proved a great success, and the final night saw the traditional beers and curry, where we were lucky to be joined by several old boys who had helped coach during the week. The smell of the dormitory and the standard of rowing the following morning were testament to their kind generosity!

Thanks are due to the OJHF for their financial support, and to Guy and boatman Baz for their help on and off the water.

### Lent Term

Where other colleges benefited from the strength of returning triallists, the beginning of the Lent Term saw the senior squad weakened by the loss of Tom Edwards-Moss who was recovering from a lung operation. Exams disrupted preparations for the rescheduled Fairbairns, and so it was with some regret that a crew which looked capable of winning the race seven weeks earlier finished a disappointing 6th, 49 seconds behind the winners, Caius. The rescheduled race enabled 5 fortunate novices to row the course for a second time, this time for the 2nd VIII, and finish in a respectable 20th place.

A strict land-training regime imposed by 'social' secretary Tom Leake yielded personal best ergo scores for six members of the 1st VIII in the Lent Term, but despite the return of Tom Edwards-Moss, results on the water remained disappointing. The 1st VIII trailed Caius by 46 seconds at Peterborough Head, where they were also beaten comfortably by Bumps rivals 1st & 3rd and Emmanuel. The margin closed at Bedford Head as the VIII began to approach race-pace, but it was not until Pembroke Regatta that the crew really demonstrated its potential.

In a first round draw against giants Caius, the chances of progressing further appeared slim, but whether it was the adrenaline rush of side-by-side racing or a start which for the first time in memory gave a Maggie crew the lead, the crew took the Caius scalp in the closest fought race of the day. Later rounds saw more comfortable wins over Clare and Wolfson, before meeting Emmanuel in the final. Unfortunately the crew

were unable to repeat the events of the morning, and lost to an increasingly impressive Emma crew by a length.

The welcome turn of pace gave the crew confidence to attack the Headship, and although Bumps predictions did little to favour LMBC, the crew remained hopeful of causing an upset. Starting in second place, the first night saw us close the gap on Caius with another fast start, pulling away from 1st & 3rd behind. Whether 1st & 3rd were saving themselves for an attack into the Reach, or we simply lacked the race fitness to see us over the course remains a mystery, but with a push that saw them gain nearly two lengths in a minute, the Trinity crew took second place just beyond the railway bridge and in effect our hopes of the Headship. 1st & 3rd went on to take the Headship the following night in similar manner, while we rowed over behind. Unable to catch Caius on the third night, a tiring crew fell to the blade winning Emmanuel boat on the final day, finishing in fourth place.

The Bumps proved a disappointment for all the men's crews, lacking the depth of experienced oarsmen enjoyed in previous years. The 2nd VIII fell three places, avoiding the dubious honour of spoons with a spirited row-over ahead of Kings on the final night. The 3rd VIII had hopes of catching the 2nd VIII when they bumped on the first night to move further into the second division, but were over-bumped on the second night by Corpus I and also ended down three.

#### 1st Lent VIII

Bow	Alex Goldsmith
2	Christoph Rummel
3	Chris Greenroyd
4	Chris Bell
5	Tom Edwards-Moss
6	Mark Brand
7	Tom Leake
Str	Jim Kemp
Cox	Diana Wilson

#### 2nd Lent VIII

Bow	Alex Weber
2	Chris Fox
3	Paul Milligan
4	Johann Duramy
5	Andreas Domnick
6	Zenon Severis
7	Adam Johnson
Str	Oli Choroba
Cox	Jemma Mindham

### York Training Camp

Arriving in York for the Easter training camp, it was hard to imagine that flood gates 5m above the river level would ever be used, and the first four days allowed us the rare opportunity of many miles of steady state paddling in calm conditions. The end of the week saw the water level rise 4m in two days, and while some of the local crews abandoned outings, the fearless LMBC continued to train under the watchful eyes of Jamie Macleod and his children. The crew demonstrated the benefits of the training on the final day by holding their own against a strong York City crew despite difficult conditions and a few sore heads.

The OJHF should be thanked once again for subsidising the two training camps which were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

### May Term

The racing calendar had to be curtailed somewhat in the May Term to accommodate exams, but once again the Lady Margaret Boat Club was represented in a number of events both on and off the Cam.

A coaches meeting at the start of term enabled final selection of the first two boats, strengthened by a single change to the 1st VIII and a number of returning faces to the 2nd VIII. Entering both crews for the Cambridge Head-to-Head, the Captain refrained to mention the quality of the opposition, and with a guest appearance from Rob Milner, the 1st VIII recorded a first leg time only 4 seconds slower than the course record and won the event by nearly 90 seconds.

Lured by the prospect of prize money totalling £5000 and the chance to demonstrate the superiority of Cambridge college rowing over our Oxford counterparts, the following weekend saw the crews travel to Oxford courtesy of MarchFirst who sponsored the first Oxbridge colleges regatta. Losing to Wadham I in the first round, the 2nd VIII entered the Plate competition, where they progressed to the final by beating New College III, St Edmund's II and Christ's II. Rumours on the towpath reinforced suspicions that a strong Exeter College crew might

have 'thrown' their first race in order to win the Plate competition and take the £550 prize. As runners-up, the 2nd VIII were perhaps more deserving winners of their £300 cheque.

The 1st VIII beat Lincoln and St Edmunds in the first rounds of the Cup to meet Oriel College in the semi-final. Currently Head of the River, they were clearly the crew to beat, and despite a gutsy performance in front of a hostile crowd, the LMBC were unable to take the Oxford scalp, losing by just over a length. Cambridge pride was restored when Caius won the final by a length and a half, although the news was not so welcome on the domestic front.

The final excursion before the Bumps saw the crews travel to Peterborough for the rare opportunity to race in a multi-lane regatta. With both crews entering two events, Lady Margaret Boat Club was represented in Senior 2, Senior 3 and Senior 4 finals that day. Based on times from the heats, the 2nd VIII looked set to win the S4 final, but grounded their rudder on the way to the start and finished a disappointing 4th. The two LMBC crews met in the S3 final, separated by only 3 seconds in qualifying. In the final, a fast start enabled the 1st VIII to control the race ahead of UWE and Marlow, with a tiring 2nd VIII finishing 4th. Reaching the S2 final through a reparation for first round losers, the 1st VIII were pleased to finish runners up after a very close race for second place - the bad news being that the event was won by Jesus College.

Six men's crews entered the May Bumps this year, with varying degrees of success. Defending 4th place on the river, the 1st VIII very nearly escaped a fast Emmanuel crew on the first night by moving to within four feet of the Trinity crew ahead by Grassy corner. Unable to take the opportunity, Trinity held their position up the Plough Reach, and were rescued when Emma bumped us on the exit of Ditton. The second night was reminiscent of the first night of the Lents. Still on station at Ditton, Downing steadily gained ground in the long reach, eventually bumping at Peter's Posts - only a minute before the finish. Rowing over on Friday and Saturday restored some pride, although we were disappointed not to bump a strengthened Trinity crew on the final evening and remain in 6th place.

The 2nd VIII demonstrated the benefits of race practise, an excellent coaching line-up and a strong crew spirit by bumping Caius II on the first night against all expectations. They went on to bump Sidney I, and finished 3rd in the second division. The 3rd, 4th and 5th VIIIs found themselves defending positions beyond their ability, losing a total of fourteen places between them. Despite this, the crews should be commended for their efforts in difficult circumstances, especially since the 4th and 5th boats retain their respective headships.

The Fellows VIII returned to fill the sixth and final position on the river, and with three early morning outings a week, they reaped the benefits of a strict training regime imposed by Prof McCave and Dr Gull. At an average age of 42, they bumped four times (including two Trinity crews) to take the sixth boat headship and move into the fifth division, making them the most successful men's crew this year.

## 1st May VIII

Bow	Chris Bell
2	Chris Greenroyd
3	Christoph Rummel
4	Tom Leake
5	Jim Kemp
6	Andy Jones
7	Mark Brand
Str	Tom Edwards-Moss
Cox	Diana Wilson

## 2nd May VIII

Bow	Andy Veitch
2	Rob Pagnamenta
3	Alex Weber
4	Chris Fox
5	Andreas Domnick
6	Oli Choroba
7	Alex Goldsmith
Str	Eric Kerrigan
Cox	Jemma Mindham

## Fellows' VIII

Bow	Dr S Clarke
2	Dr Y Mao
3	Dr T J Bayliss-Smith
4	Rev D S Dormor
5	Dr H R Matthews
6	Dr R E McConnel
7	Dr S F Gull
Str	Prof A W Woods
Cox	Dr N S Arnold

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Committee, John Hall-Craggs, Roger and all the coaches for their support this year, and also Catherine Twilley who, as Senior Treasurer, has helped to ensure the boathouse extension finally happens in this the 175th anniversary year of the LMBC. I wish my successor, Tom Leake, the very best of luck for next year and look forward to returning for the anniversary dinner in September.

Vive Laeta . . .

**Jim Kemp**  
**Captain**

### **Lady Margaret Boat Club – Women**

At the beginning of the year a certain member of the men's boat club told me that he had only ever seen two women's boats go fast: one had an engine and one had a sail. In the traditional LMBC spirit of rivalry between the men and the women, I must start by pointing out that the women's boat club saw an unprecedented seven boats out during Michaelmas Term (and yes, they all had rowers in them). Building upon the talent and enthusiasm of last year's huge influx of novices, it has been a highly successful and enjoyable year with some impressive results to mark the 175th Anniversary of the Club. As we move into the Millennium, the Boat Club has also seen various changes – a 'revamp' of the web site, the launch of a new women's 1st VIII – LM2000 – and we look forward to the refurbishment of the boathouse offering a new spectrum of opportunity to succeeding generations of rowers . . .

### **Henley 1999**

We were able to take seven members of the 1st May VIII to Women's Henley, 'borrowing' the 1st Men's cox and a member of the 2nd VIII. The first round proved somewhat eventful; we were drawn against a United Hospitals crew who rowed into us causing both crews to stop. We

recovered and rowed on until the other crew was disqualified. In the second round, drawn against a strong Nottingham University 'A' crew, we rowed well but pushed a little too late and lost by three-quarters of a length. Nevertheless, much fun was had by all and many thanks are due to the OJHF for their financial support.

Bow	Camille Gatin
2	Cath Twilley
3	Jo Griffiths
4	Simone Kohler
5	Melissa Bolton
6	Lucy Malenczuk
7	Karen Hartshorn
Str.	Emily Greenwood
Cox	Linda Haxby

### **Summer 1999**

Four members of LMBC (Sophie Hill, Camille Gatin, Emily Longmore and Frankie Whitelaw) attended the CUWBC Development Squad, held for a month in the Long Vacation. Training and racing on the Cam, at Peterborough and Bedford and finally competing at the National Championships in Nottingham, this experience proved extremely enjoyable and valuable and it has a knock-on effect, contributing to dedication and to the standard of rowing throughout the club.

### **Michaelmas Term 1999**

#### *Novices*

As ever, the pressure was on to produce a set of the scariest novices seen on the Cam and yet again LMBC managed to oblige. With our Lower Boats Captains fresh from Adrian Cassidy's coaching course; blades and bumps videos galore at the Freshers' Fair, and some new lurid looking cocktails at the squash, courtesy of the social secretaries, we succeeded



in enticing more than three VIII's worth of women into rowing. This was a considerable achievement given that the ratio of women to men matriculating was much lower than in previous years. LMBC's enviable record in terms of quality as well as quantity was maintained and indeed advanced; winning the annual Queens Ergo Competition 16 seconds clear of the next fastest crew, the 1st Women's Novice VIII, nicknamed 'Heffers of Cambridge', proved themselves a force to be reckoned with. Demolishing our long-term novice rivals, CCAT, for the first time in 11 years, they took the cup in the Clare Sprints Competition and were second only to Jesus (well-known for their creative stopwatches) in Novice Fairbairns. The 2nd VIII put in creditable performances throughout the term, reaching the quarter final of the Clare Sprints Plate, losing only to Pembroke who went on to the final. Despite catching one or two crabs, they also finished a respectable 15th in Fairbairns. The 3rd VIII were delighted to beat the 2nd VIII in this competition and finished 11th – only two seconds and a place behind the lower boats winner, a fitting end to what was an impressive term for the 3rd VIII.

Thanks must go to the Lower Boats Captain, Nathalie Walker, for her hard work and commitment to the novice boats and to all those who helped with tubbing and coaching throughout the term.

### *Seniors*

In what is traditionally 'novice term', the Seniors were not to be outdone and there were an unprecedented number of Senior boats on the water during Michaelmas, despite the fact that we had lost several coxes and oarswomen to University trials and to other commitments. Two crews entered the University Fours, the 1st or 'super' IV braving a 'typhoon' in the Reach when they were beaten by a tough Emmanuel crew in the final of the competition. The 2nd IV had a storming race against Jesus but were beaten by Trinity Hall in the semi-final who went on to win the competition. This crew, becoming the 1st Fairbairns IV, suffered from injury and a sheer lack of bulk in the boat and fought a hard battle on the Tideway but gained valuable rowing experience during what became quite an eventful term.

The 1st VIII showed great spirit and determination throughout the term putting in a solid performance in the Cambridge Autumn Head which provided the building blocks for their win in their division of the Winter Head. As Roger commented, they looked set to cause quite an upset in Fairbairns had it not been postponed due to high winds. An eclectic bunch of rowers also came together to form a Ladies VIII – virtually unheard of in the cold and dark of Michaelmas – and their commitment sums up what was a superb term for women's rowing.

### University Fours – 1st IV

Bow	Jo Griffiths
2	Karen Hartshorn
3	Melissa Bolton
Str	Anna Turk
Cox	Joasia Zakrzewski

### Fairbairns – 1st IV

Bow	Frankie Whitelaw
2	Amy Warren
3	Nathalie Walker
Str.	Helena Shaw
Cox	Will Addison

### VIII

Bow	Aideen Silke
2	Claire Palmer
3	Eleanor Boag
4	Fiona Learmont
5	Gillian Phillips
6	Lizzy Steynor
7	Uli Forster
Str.	Katie Hughes
Cox	Jemma Mindham

## Ely Training Camp

Unable to join the men in Eton due to the river conditions, and with CUWBC training in Miami and CUBC in Spain, the 1st women were not to be deterred from finding their own 'exotic' off-the-Cam location for a January training camp. Ely proved perfect. Braving sub-zero temperatures, a squad of 11, under the auspices of Rob Milner, spent a week rowing twice a day, up and down Ely's unforgettable, never-ending river. Bleak though the conditions were, the value of such a training camp cannot be over-emphasised. Strength, fitness and standard of rowing improved immeasurably; with the use of a catamaran, we were able to video continuously and at various angles; we spent a day doing race pieces with Cantabs Rowing Club; and the shelter of the local tea shop (not to mention the scones!) did wonders for crew 'bonding'.

A testament to the success of the week was the fact that the crew, although relatively inexperienced and a lightweight crew, were placed 5th in the previously postponed Fairbairns Competition at the very start of the Lent term. Particular thanks must go to Rob for his dedication over training camp, and for his commitment to coaching women throughout the year.

## Lent Term 2000

'Fresh' from the belated Fairbairns Competition, the Lent crews had an appetite for racing and Robinson Head, Bedford Head and Pembroke Regatta, provided opportunities for Lady Margaret to reveal her mettle. The Lower Boats entered Robinson Head, the 2nd VIII coming 7th overall, beating a significant number of 1st VIIIs and winning the Lower Boats category. The 3rd VIII destroyed all 3rd boat opposition as well as a number of 2nd boats. A beautiful day out at Bedford also saw some impressive performances as the 1st VIII won their division, with the 2nd VIII trailing only nine seconds behind. Side-by-side racing always delights the crews and this year was no exception and all the crews entered Pembroke Regatta. The 1st VIII picked up a relatively easy win

against Catz and were unluckily drawn against Emmanuel, a notoriously strong crew who subsequently took the Headship in the Lent Bumps; labelled the 'giant-killers' by Roger, we managed to frighten the crew, however, beating them off the start and holding them until the Railway Bridge where they just managed to slip away. Both the 2nd and 3rd VIIIs took complete command of the course and of all opposition and each won their category, giving us confidence for the bumps.

Spurred on by successful term, the 1st VIII were eager to bump and with a captain determined not to row over behind Christ's for the fourth time in succession, we acquitted ourselves well and hit Christ's on Ditton Corner. Two tough row-overs followed, the second in a horrendous headwind which resulted in a trip to hospital for Frankie Whitelaw who injured her shoulder. Jo Griffiths came to the rescue filling the bow seat on the last day and we adjusted the gearing to help our campaign. Nothing could have stopped the extremely fast blade-winning Caius crew behind us, however, and we went down again to no disgrace as we held our place, 8th on the river. The 2nd VIII were out for revenge after the boat, lacking experience, was awarded spoons last year. With experience and appetite abounding this year they obtained apt vengeance, moving up three with ease and, with repeated overlap, they were desperately unlucky not to bump on the last day. Spirit, drive and bumps excitement filtered through the club and the 3rd VIII clocked two bumps and were deprived of going up any further only by a freak gust of wind which blew them into the opposite bank off the start. An exemplary Lents campaign did not allow a single women's crew to go down overall and provided a firm foundation upon which to build for the Mays.

Having found the boiler-room usurped by another society, the bumps this year culminated in a post-dinner celebration on the Riverboat Georgina. There was a degree of irony in our spending the evening yet again cruising up and down the Cam but the event was a roaring success and, amusingly, it was only walking home that the Men's Captain 'fell' into the river.

## 1st Lent VIII

Bow	Frankie Whitelaw
2	Fiona Learmont
3	Amy Winter
4	Amy Warren
5	Sarah Langslow
6	Lizzy Steynor
7	Nathalie Walker
Str.	Katie Hughes
Cox	Aleks Kowalski

## 2nd Lent VIII

Bow	Margaret Haworth
2	Jo Barnsley
3	Lucy Nell
4	Aideen Silke
5	Felicity Shaw
6	Gillian Phillips
7	Eleanor Boag
Str.	Uli Forster
Cox	Will Addison

**Women's Head of the River Race 2000**

Unfortunately, due to unusual term dates, the WHORR on the Tideway this year clashed with the Lent Bumps and we were unable to enter a crew and, to our disappointment, the same situation was to arise with the Mays and Women's Henley. After careful consideration by CUCBC, it was decided that there was no way around the clash and we must simply look forward to mounting our challenge next year.

**CUWBC Henley Boat Races**

Having been elected Lightweight President of CUWBC, Karen Hartshorn unluckily had to resign her position as academic commitments took her off to Taiwan for several months. We were, however, represented in CUWBC, by Sophie Hill who became spare cox and Emily Longmore who deserves enormous congratulations for stroking Blondie to victory in the Henley Races this year.

**May Term 2000**

After highly successful Michaelmas and Lent Terms, the May Term became fraught with unexpected difficulties. Hampered by injury, and

unavoidable work commitments and travel plans, we were not able to put together an VIII for York, and the water was considered too dangerous for a IV. The impact of this was clearly felt at the beginning of term where we had fewer people trialling than usual. Added to this was an atmosphere of 'academic work panic', and rumours about the possibility of an organised 'Ladies boat' option caused ongoing problems and controversy throughout the term.

Despite this, the crews, once settled, worked hard and spiritedly in true Maggie style. The 1st VIII, which might otherwise be called 'welcome to stroke-side', lacked sheer bulk in the crew as well as stroke-siders and also suffered from necessary subs throughout the term. However, armed with Karen Hartshorn's killer land training plan and a brand new Janousek, we determinedly prepared ourselves for what was to be a difficult challenge. From our position 5th on the river in front of a very fast Jesus crew, we flew off the start with Roger's new 'super-start' but flagged a little in the Gut and were unfortunately bumped at Ditton. Spirit and commitment, however, combined to produce a strong row-over the next day with Jesus bumping out ahead of us in the later stages of the race and Trinity Hall some distance behind us. Stepping up a gear each day, we had a storming row on the Friday coming within a length of a gritty Pembroke crew who simply refused to be caught by another crew and we rowed-over again. All set for another attempt on the last day, we were unluckily surprised by a Clare crew on their way up and, not helped by the fact that the cox was completely inaudible due to the crowds, we were unable to hold them off and they caught us coming out of Ditton.

The 2nd VIII did not have the experience or preparation of last year's crew and yet they fought an admirable battle during the bumps, showing exemplary determination and commitment. Starting 14th in the second division, they held their place in a hard row-over on the first day. On the Thursday they could do nothing to avoid a very quick Wolfson 1st VIII but this was followed by two more difficult row-overs on Friday and Saturday. Rowing over is fast-becoming the fate of the 2nd May VIII and wry smiles from anyone who has ever rowed-over meet one of the Lower Boats Captain's Hall-Craggs-esque comments: 'Rowing-over is never easy but it is an honour.'

The 3rd VIII was undoubtedly and unfortunately rather a 'stacked' VIII, containing crew members who would have made a positive difference to the 2nd and even the 1st VIII. Nevertheless, they showed abounding crew spirit, and while all four bumps came relatively easily, they did well to achieve the 3rd Boat Headship and showed tremendous improvement during their few outings before the bumps.

The Red Girls formed an eclectic VIII, largely composed of novices and they enjoyed their outings but when it came to the getting-on race, the wind (and the water!) proved too great an obstacle and despite a hard row, they did not manage to win a place in the bumps.

1st May VIII		2nd May VIII	
Bow	Frankie Whitelaw	Bow	Amy Winter
2	Nathalie Walker	2	Margaret Haworth
3	Eleanor Boag	3	Sophie Lunn-Rockcliffe
4	Sarah Langslow	4	Felicity Shaw
5	Mel Bolton	5	Jo Barnsley
6	Jo Griffiths	6	Nadia Godin
7	Karen Hartshorn	7	Uli Forster
Stroke	Emily Longmore	Stroke	Katie Hughes
Cox	Sophie Hill	Cox	Rebecca Thornton

It only remains for me to express my sincerest thanks to the OJHF for their ongoing financial support; to Cath Twilley and Roger Silk for their unfailing help and advice throughout the year and likewise to my fellow officers - Nina Champion (Vice-Captain) and Nathalie Walker (Lower Boats Captain) - and good luck to next year's officers: Karen Hartshorn (Captain), Amy Winter (Women's Vice-Captain) and Felicity Shaw and Margaret Haworth (Women's Lower Boats Captains).

*Vive Laeta . . .*

**Frankie Whitelaw  
Women's Captain**

## Netball

This year was a good one for netball in John's. A large intake of first years with interest in playing meant that for the first time in years we were able to enter a second team. The first team had a slow start in match winning which soon recovered and we have finished in the middle of the First Division far from any relegation dangers! Cuppers was a big success. At the start of the day we were just hoping to get through the morning round robin and into the afternoon knockout matches. This we did and then faced a couple of tough matches, one against Downing that we really had to fight for. Happily we made it through to the semi-final where in a surprise defeat we were knocked out by Magdalene! The day was enjoyable none the less. Well done to a great team. Colours go to Lucy Sheard, Louisa Wood, Natasha Nair, Kathryn Wright, Kate Whittaker, Catrina Murray, Jennie Rooney, Emma Wallington, Nicola Daybell and Sarah Hull.

The second team had resounding success largely related to the fact that when entering a new team they have to start in the Fifth Division! A Second Team Captain, Katie Lambert, was appointed and all but one of the matches played was won, the other being drawn. Hopefully next year we will win the Fourth Division in similar style.

I hope that the netball team does as well next season as this. Next year maybe Cuppers and the League will be ours!

**Sarah Hull  
Captain**

## Gentlemen's Rugger

Good things don't last forever. This harsh reality hit us hard as it turned out to be the season that St John's College allowed an impostor to engrave their name on the league trophy. One never likes to make excuses, but the frustration was clear to see as many commented on the fact that we had an extremely useful side on the touchline due to injury.

The season promised much: the core of St John's College rugby for the past two years were coming in to their third year with two League trophies and two Cuppers finals to their names and the worrying holes in key positions left by Sion Jones and Jamie Goldberg seemed to be filled naturally by the born front row, Iain de Weymarn, and any number of contenders for the fly half role. However, it was the versatility and strength in depth that the likes of Luke Kevan, James Inch and Mike Rennoldson provided that we were really to miss. Having said this, the intensive pre-season training on Jesus Green highlighted Ben Poynter's considerable flair for a second row and the fact that the Admissions Tutor had again made some positional errors in that we had a fifth quality scrum half in Pete Jenkins and a fourth sizeable and skilful centre in John Lacy. Dan Cooney, Mark Allan, Richard Mole and Jeremiah Smith added their considerable talents to the pack.

The first game of the season had been hyped up as the League decider, but this was not to be as we had to pull out all the strings to gain a replay, after we could not field a team due to injuries sustained in a pre-season LX's Club fixture. The following week's traditional walk-over from Christ's gave our injured players some breathing space before opening our account with a convincing win over Peterhouse, in which Jim Scott showed a great change of direction which continued throughout the season both on and off the field. Trinity should never have posed us any problems, but an inexperienced pack were outplayed in the second half, where we showed a worrying tendency to slacken off when in control to allow them to win 8-5 from 5-0 down with 5 minutes to play. Fortunately Catz were not so lucky, but again our imprudent generosity showed and it was to be our downfall against Jesus. The best side we managed to put out all season squandered a ten point lead to go down 32-22, after Jesus scored a charged down try. With the season of goodwill approaching, our generosity befell us and, having earned a hard-fought victory away to Downing with a last-minute Lomax penalty, the players who don't usually score were rewarded with early Christmas presents away at Christ's.

The Lent Term promised the return of many of the injured and the chance to concentrate on a Cuppers campaign. However, after conclusive victories against Pembroke and Trinity, in which Andy

Jenkins showed his flair and versatility and the team put together some more traditionally Johnian Rugby, we were to be dashed again in a scrappy encounter with Catz in which we lost both present and former Captains to injuries that were to put them out of action for the rest of the season. This was not the ideal build-up to our home game against Jesus, and having lost Theos and Lacy in the first ten minutes, the latter with a dislocated shoulder, it became clear that this was not to be our year. It was only the heroic team commitment that kept the scoreline to 17-0 against a far superior pack. This left us having to accept second place having not played the three remaining games for fear of more injury before Cuppers.

Our first round warm up against Corpus became a game of unopposed as they could not field a team, and this, and a slight error in the seeding, left us with a quarter final showdown against Jesus. The return of a number of players and the unrivalled commitment of every man from one to fifteen was not enough to halt a Jesus side bolstered by Blues backrow. It was an heroic performance and one of which every player could be proud, but this did not stop the frustration of thinking how different it could have been. Thus it turned to the annual sevens tournament for our only chance of silverware. It was clear that this tournament suited our depleted squad more as we wiped the floor of all undergraduate opposition. But once again it was a St Edmunds team of dubious eligibility that denied us in the game of the tournament.

The season culminated in usual style, and our celebrations were not thwarted by disappointment as Nottingham and Bristol were more than generous hosts to the Red Boy invasion. Unfortunately our commitment from the end of term seemed spent as we faced a slightly over exuberant Nottingham Law School side, but this was undoubtedly made up for on the dance floor of the event that evening. As usual our rigorous pre-match preparation for the game against the Bristol Bandits proved our undoing as the players seemed exhausted by the time they reached the pitch. However a notable performance was recorded and did not prevent us from enjoying all the other wonderful utopian experiences Bristol has to offer. Thus fully cleansed we made our way home.

I would like to thank everyone from the squad for their commitment in what were not always perfect circumstances. Many demonstrated their



ability by being able to excel when required to play out of their normal positions and others showed great commitment by being able to perform day, in day out for both College and the U21s. The difficulty of both is highly underestimated. I would also like to thank those without whom none of this could have been achieved: Tom Blathwayt, as Vice-Captain, lead from the front with unrivalled determination; James Butler, as Secretary, organised everything with great efficiency; Keith and his team of groundstaff produced excellent pitches and were always there to give us a helping hand when we needed it; and Booz. Allen & Hamilton for their continuing sponsorship of the men's and women's teams. I would like to make a special mention of Stan Moorhouse who still, after ten years supporting the Red Boys, never fails to miss a game, and is always there to help when we need him most.

**Tom Williams**  
**Captain**

John Lacy represented the LX Club against Oxford.  
 Matt Hall, Tom Williams, Pete Jenkins, Mike Mayes, Tom Blathwayt and Jim Scott played in the U21 Varsity Match.

### **Women's Rugby**

As Captain of the only unbeaten side in the League and with Nancy Priston as Captain of our successful 2nd Team, the aim was obviously to continue the Johnian domination of the women's rugby in Cambridge into the next millennium. However, having lost 5 first team members from last year, all of whom had played for the University, the challenge was always going to be tough.

The start of the year proved to be promising as after a successful recruiting campaign we had enough talented new members for both teams, many of whom were converted football and hockey players. However then disaster struck as injuries plagued us early on and throughout the season. Having lost 5 players, including the second team captain whilst playing for the Blues in her one, and as it resulted, only match for them, it was always a struggle to put out a full second team. Despite one win and many brave performances, with only 5 players on

one occasion, we had to make the tough decision to dissolve the 2nd team after the first term. My thanks and commiseration go to the team: Charissa Gooch, Kate Whittaker, Amanda Fuller, Jenny Rooney, Linda Hewitt and Eleanor Boag (the super-sub). Above all thanks must go to Nancy, whose dedication and enthusiasm kept the team going for as long as possible. Not only has she become one of the few Johnian sports captains unable to play in a College match all season, but maybe the only one who didn't have a team either!

This year we again had a strong first team, consisting of many experienced players. We welcomed Andrea Bull and her golden boot back from travels abroad, who not only converted all our tries this season, but also scored many sensational ones as well. Jenny Allan, who provided valuable experience and control of the game at fly-half and whose flair 'double-dummy' against Emmanuel, will go down in Red Girls' history. Special mention must also go to Tash Nair who became our most versatile player, invaluable in both the backs and forwards and to Clare Gaskell, who became the only Red Girl this year to play for the Blues team in the Varsity match. We also discovered new talent in Rachel Isherwood and Anuska Asthana, both of whom played for the first team throughout the season, and whose determination and aggression was inspirational to us all. Kate Whittaker and Amanda Fuller also became successful members of the team later in on in the season.

The season went well from the start with large victories over Emma, Christ's and Newnham, but as the season progressed we faced increasingly tough opposition in the form of Queens' and Jesus. Queens' were new to the first division and were not only taking it by storm but also took us by surprise. After being 0-0 at half time we pulled out all the stops and the final score was 21-0 in our favour. Jesus, however, were the team to beat right from the start, and having only beaten them narrowly last year, they were out for revenge. We rose to the occasion and despite neither team putting out their strongest side we managed to hold our own and win 21-0. A special mention must go to Jenny Rooney's try when she out-paced the opposition by running virtually the whole length of the pitch to score our second try.

Having won the League resoundingly, Cuppers was the next challenge. Our opening match against Christ's was said by many to be the match

of the season, showing the flair and talent we had been promising all season. This set the precedent for our following victories on our way to the final, which was unsurprisingly against Jesus. By half time we were 12 points down, a serious shock having never been in a losing position before. However in the second half, with unrivalled determination and pride we came to within 3 points and on the final whistle were denied victory when held up less than a metre short by a stretched Jesus defence. The nail-biting end to the season, whilst not being the victory we would have hoped for, provided the overwhelming proof that across the University, women's rugby is more hotly contested as it gains more respect, and in future the Red Girls will have to continue to raise their game in order to maintain their dominance.

Special mention must go to Rich Samworth, the most dedicated coach, and Matt Hall, who proved to be the best referee in the League (biased opinion). Their time, patience and perseverance made us what we are. I'd also like to thank Keith and his groundsmen for keeping the pitches in top condition throughout the season, and making space this year for a sports plaque in the pavilion to commemorate the girls' sporting success. Finally thanks must go to other members of College who have supported us throughout the year: in every single match we've outdone the opposition in both noise and number.

I feel very proud to have been the Captain of the Red Girls, one of the most successful Johnian sports teams, in a year which, despite its low points, has had many more high points and we still remain the unbeaten champions of the League. I'd like to wish Kate Whittaker, as Captain, and Anushka Asthana, as Vice-Captain, all the best in the forthcoming year.

**Christine Worth**  
Captain

### Swimming

Since my arrival in 1996, little, in fact nothing, has been written about St John's annual summer excursion to the Cuppers Swimming Gala. I therefore believe I owe it to those who have competed so honourably that our successes are put down on record.

Over the years the faces may have changed, but the Men's Team just keeps on winning – achieving numerous individual, relay and overall titles along the way. Noticeable individual performances have come from Rob Ranson, Andy Bloxam and Rachel Compton. Furthermore, before joining the Blues, I was able to set a number of records.

Whilst other Cuppers titles have been won and nearly missed, St. John's has defended the only event which really matters, the Men's Freestyle Relay, with ruthless pride. Many colleges have tried in vain to gain the title of 'The college with the quickest men in Cambridge', some loading their teams with university swimmers, but ultimately this has only led to disappointment. For each year the same questions are asked: 'Can we break our own record?' and 'How many of our competitors will we lap?'. Also our tactics have remained the same: swim the quickest men first and let the competition swim through our waves. The role of honour includes Jeremy Ip, Rob Ranson, Andy Bloxam, myself, Mark Chiu, Mark Ellis and our ever dependable anchor man Alex Starling, who has become accustomed to having at least a lengths head start on his nearest competition. Captain Mark Chiu knows he will have to play the summer transfer market wisely if he is to continue our success.

**Stephen Coulthard**

### Tennis Club

"What happened to John's? You always used to be at the top of the First Division. We never had a chance against you!" As has so often been observed by our opponents this season, tennis at John's is experiencing a lean spell. Enthusiasm around College and accounts by numerous Johnians of their past tennis glories have failed to produce anything more than a mediocre team. Yet, despite the shortage of players and absence of raw ability, those who did participate were dedicated, eager and determined.

The season began with two long-established friendlies against UCS 'Old Boys' and the Bar Lawn Tennis Society. Having retained none of last year's team, it took quite a while for us to work out who in fact UCS 'Old

Boys' were, and why we were due to play them. Unfortunately, it did not take them long to dispatch us with relative ease, capitalising on the fact that half the John's team were hungover from the previous night's Ent. It was rather embarrassing for a student team to lose to both the UCS team and a week later to the Bar, considering that both teams barely possessed a player born this side of the war between them. Perhaps we became complacent when the Bar's Captain greeted us with the news that this was his 51st appearance in the fixture. Despite such defeats, we were not too proud to join both sets of old boys in celebrating the completion of the fixture in the usual way, namely down the pub.

Reassured by the knowledge that friendlies count for nothing, we were foolishly optimistic when our League fixtures got underway. Early losses to Queens' and Robinson, due mainly to the temporary absence of our already fragile squad, many of whom failed even to find the Queens' courts, were not allowed to dampen our promising progress in Cuppers, in which we advanced to the second round, by virtue of a bye. Obviously, news of John's tennis' decline had not reached the Cuppers Seeding Committee. As night follows day, and 0-6 followed 0-6, we promptly lost our second round tie against Pembroke.

Just as the prospect of life in the 3rd division was appearing on the horizon, our season changed. We stopped losing. It might take the shine off this transformation if I reveal the reason – we actually stopped playing. Yes, for ten days, due to two postponements, John's Men's Tennis Team was undefeated. This new feeling, not enjoyed since the Easter holidays for the dozen or so who formed the core of the squad, was an experience which we grew to like and a couple more tactical postponements were made. With this period of reflection under our belts and a few new acquisitions to strengthen the team, a couple of players from the footie team, a croquet player and the squash captain, John's prepared to take on Darwin. The fixture was played in appalling conditions, having had five days of pure sunshine, a promising Thursday morning was replaced by a torrential downpour almost in tandem with the two teams hitting the courts. Was another postponement on the cards? Would our undefeated streak continue? Our over-aged opponents were not keen to play and proceeded to recite chapter and verse out of some

imaginary rule book in a desperate attempt to call the match off. Having made the trek to the back of college, the John's team were keen to play and were not prepared to let their opponents' killjoy attitude stand in their way. Confronted by both the elements and some quite disgraceful line-calling from Darwin, somewhat remarkably, John's overcame both to notch up their first victory of the season. The players' commitment was typified by American hero Ryan Lindberg, whose Connors-esque dogged performance clinched the result in the final singles match. It is hoped that the team can build on this momentum with numerous successes in the rearranged fixtures and earn a place among the dizzy heights of mid-table security.

Colours are awarded to Andrew Mold, Andrew Nutter, Owen Oliver, Sudhakar George, Mike Thompson, David Atkin and Ryan Lindberg. Thanks must go to the groundsman, Keith Ellis, for his continuous supply of second-rate balls.

**Andrew Mold**  
**Captain**

### Water Polo

After two years of rampant victory in the lower divisions, the Water Polo League finally saw an unbeaten St John's side come crashing into the First Division this year, ready to flex its new – tried, but as yet untested – muscles. The squad was little changed since its effective revival at the bottom of the Third Division two years previously, and was becoming a confident, coherent and increasingly skilful side. It hadn't lost in two years.

It was unfortunate, then, that the Addenbrookes' club side happened to be offering a masterclass in exactly that. It was a spectacular defeat – we scored roughly no goals for every seventeen of theirs – and our team was still slightly in shock by the time we played Trinity Hall a week later. Still, Trinity Hall is not known for its sporting prowess, and we were reasonably confident of victory even though we were playing with a depleted side

that week. But they had a secret – light blue – weapon, and we were beaten by one goal. It was a dark time indeed for St John's Water Polo.

Fortunately, this early upset proved to be exactly that – and we soon reasserted our dominance with solid victories against Churchill, Christ's and St Catharine's, applying the tactics which had worked so well in previous years. Our defence was tight and aggressive, simultaneously closing in on every player in the pool, and few teams had the necessary depth of skill to pass coherently under this pressure. Any 'secret weapons' were comfortably shut out of the game entirely by swimming hard man, Steve Coulthard, and stray shots were easily handled by the John's Keeper, Alex Starling. A tough and reliable season from Adam Johnson reinforced a solid defence, and the game was dominated almost entirely by fast and stylish St John's counter-attacks.

We had our own secret weapon here – Timo Nurminen, ex-Swedish police, Hughes Hall import. With his fast and sharp breaks, Timo spear-headed our attacks and with frequent flair and support from next year's captain – 'Nigel' Smythe, a crowd pleaser both in and out of the pool – we reaped.

But undoubtedly, this team's great strength has been its lack of a weakness. All of this season's players have been powerful, fast and disciplined, and in the end, it was simply lack of size which limited our progress in such a physical sport. We drew 8-8 after a memorable match against a violent Leys under-19 side, and finished fourth in the League after a narrow defeat by Caius' powerful, quadruple Half-Blue side. Addenbrookes won for roughly the seventh year in a row. We were the second-highest placed College side.

In the past three years, St. John's has risen from the bottom of the League to finish near the top of the First Division. Its players comprise nearly half of the University Barracudas – the Men's 2nd team – and it has been an honour to Captain this side. I wish Jonathan Smythe the very best of luck next year, as Captain of both St John's and the Barracudas. And this time, he may wish to be a little more careful on tour, I suspect . . .

**Rob Starling**  
Captain

# COLLEGE NOTES

## College Officers

The College Officers as of October 2000 are:

The Master	Professor P. Goddard ScD FRS
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As of October 2000, the College Council consists of:

### The Master

The President	Dr Midgley
Dr Reid	Professor McCave
Dr Linehan	Dr Colwell
Mr Jobling	Dr Watson
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Dr Tombs	Professor Mair



**The Fellowship**

Elected to a Fellowship under Title B and into the Office of Domestic Bursar:

Commodore John William Robert Harris

Elected to Fellowships under Title B:

Matthias Dörrzapf (Vordiplom and Zwischenprüfung, Karlsruhe; Ph.D. 1995, Queens' College)

Preston Thor Miracle (A.B. 1986, University of California, Berkeley; A.M. 1989, Ph.D., 1995, University of Michigan)

Constantin Teleman (Fellow 1995-97) [from 1 January 2001]

Susanna Elisabeth Sällström (M.A. 1991, Ph.D. 1998, Stockholm School of Economics)

Petra Maria Geraats (B.A., M.A. 1995, Tilburg University)

Serena Michelle Best (B.Sc. 1986, University of Surrey; Ph.D. 1990 University of London)

Elected to Fellowships under Title A:

Oleg Pikhurko (Diploma 1995, Lviv State University, Ukraine; Ph.D. 2000, Trinity College), Pure Mathematics.

Jason Peter König (B.A. 1996, Corpus Christi College, Oxford; M.Phil. 1997, Pembroke College), Greek Literature.

Oliver Werner Choroba (Dipl.-Chem. Univ. 1996, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg; M.Phil. 1998, St John's College), Organic Chemistry.

Eric Varden (B.A. 1995, Magdalene College), Ecclesiastical History.

Jeevan Singh Deol (B.A. 1993, University of British Columbia; M.Phil. 1996, SOAS London; Matric. 1996, St John's College), Indian History.

Peter Kian-Hoon Ho (B.Sc. 1996, University of Singapore; Matric. 1996, St John's College), Polymer Physics.

In view of these appointments the complete Fellowship as of October 2000 is as follows:

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 Sir Michael Scholar

### Bequests and Donations to the College

During 1998-99 the College received notice of the following gifts and bequests (not including gifts received in connection with the Sports Appeal):

The College received a bequest of £5,000 from the estate of the late Mr D. Carter (B.A. 1933) to establish a Carter Prize. A Carter Fund has been constituted and it has been agreed to award each year two Carter Prizes for the best performance in Part I and Part II respectively of the Economics Tripos.

Mr J.N. Wanklyn of Oxford gave £50, in memory of Professor A.M. Cormack (Honorary Fellow 1993-98). The gift has been credited to the Beaufort Fund.

An anonymous gift of £5,000 by Gift Aid was received in order to provide bursaries to assist men students with their studies.

Four gifts were received in respect of the expenses of the Choir tour to South Africa: the first from Mrs Glyn Daniel (widow of Professor G.E. Daniel, Fellow 1938-86) who gave £5,000, by Gift Aid; the second, via the School, £5,000 from Capespan International plc; the third, £770 by Gift Aid from Stephannie Williams Artists; and the fourth, £3,000 from Gerber Foods Holdings Ltd.

The College received from Dr Bayliss-Smith, as Senior Treasurer of the Purchas Society, a gift of £49.23, the surplus balance in the accounts relating to the Society's 50th anniversary celebration. The gift has been credited to the Farmer Fund.

Professor A.E. Campbell (B.A. 1952; M.A., Ph.D. 1956, King's College) gave £1,000 in memory of Sir Harry Hinsley. The gift has been credited to the Hinsley Fund.

Mr F.K.G. Collier (B.A. 1931, M.A. 1935) who hoped to attend the Johnian Dinner on 27 June 1998 gave £20 as "a small contribution to whichever College Fund appears to be most appropriate". The gift has been credited to the Staff Fund.

Mr R.A.R. Bracey (B.A. 1968) gave four gifts, totalling £9.50, to which no conditions were attached. The gifts have been credited to the Student Grants Fund.

The College received from the late Rt Rev. and Rt Hon. Lord Coggan (Honorary Fellow) the gift of a Lectern edition of the *Revised English Bible*. (Dr Macintosh was a member of one of the Old Testament translation panels for this project.)

Mrs P. Simpson (widow of Mr M.B.C. Simpson (B.A. 1957, M.A. 1961)) gave \$3,286.16 to the American Friends of Cambridge University towards the expenses of the Choir in connection with the Spitalfields Festival in June 1998.

Mr C.A. Greenhalgh (B.A. 1963, M.A. 1967) gave £240 for the Hinsley Fund.

Professor J.S. Ellis (Ph.D. 1957) gave three gifts totalling Can.\$320 "to help fund the Colenso Lectures". The gifts have been credited to the Special Lectureships Fund.

Dr S. Evans, Chairman of Pedagogy Inc., California, and a Senior Associate of the Judge Institute, gave £1,800 for the Management Studies Fund.

Dr E.C.B. Hall-Craggs (B.A. 1948, M.A. 1949, M.B., B.Chir. 1949) gave £50. For many years, Dr Hall-Craggs has contributed to the Tutors' Praeter Fund via the American Friends of Cambridge University; this gift has also been credited to that Fund.

Mrs Glyn Daniel (widow of Professor G.E. Daniel, Fellow 1938-86) gave £655, by Gift Aid, to be credited to the Ruth Daniel Choir Fund. The gift was credited to that Fund, and expenditure from the Fund used towards the cost (shared with Winchester Cathedral) of a commission to Judith Bingham to compose an Advent carol.

Mr H.S.A.A. Peiser (B.A. 1939, M.A. 1944) gave \$154.05 for "the appropriate alumni gift account". The gift has been credited to the Student Grants Fund.

Dr R. Howles (B.A. 1936, M.A. 1978, Ph.D. 1940) gave £100 for "any purpose". The gift has been credited to the Hollinshead-Howles Fund.

Captain J.W. Porter, R.N., gave £5, in appreciation of information supplied to him by the Johnian Office; and Mrs A.J. Webster gave £5, in appreciation of information supplied to her by the Biographical Assistant. Both gifts have been credited to the Staff Fund.

The College received £2,000 from the Daiwa Foundation, £100 from Mr F. Orito, and £5,000 from the Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation towards the cost of the Choir tour to Japan in December 1998.

The Reverend Canon A.N. Thompson (Ph.D. 1962) gave £300 which has been credited to the Thompson Fund (for chapel, choir and services of St John's College).

Mr R.C.A. Ward (B.A. 1969, M.A. 1973), gave £5 towards the administration cost of forwarding a letter to a Johnian. The gift has been credited to the Staff Fund.

Mr H.H. Sparks (B.A. 1958, M.A. 1977) gave £1,000 "In Memoriam Sir Harry Hinsley". The gift has been credited to the Hinsley Award Fund.

Mr J.B. Snow (B.A. 1948, M.A. 1952) gave £200 by Covenant to be used towards student support, in particular in the area of travel as his father (a Johnian) received a travel grant while an undergraduate. A Student Travel Fund has been constituted for the purpose of assisting students at the College with travel in connection with academic or extra-curricular purposes and the gift has been credited to that Fund.

Professor R.M.H. Shepherd (B.A. 1948, M.A. 1952) gave £151 for the Student Grants Fund.

Professor J.D.B. Miller (M.A. 1978, Overseas Visiting Fellow 1977-78) gave £500 for the Hinsley Fund, "in memory of my old friend".

The College received £5,000 from Mrs J. Jewell, widow of Professor P.A. Jewell (Fellow 1977-98), in accordance with his wishes. The gift has been credited to the Student Travel Fund.

Mr N.B. Bird (B.A. 1988, M.A. 1992) gave £324.68, by Gift Aid, "as a contribution to the Praeter Fund, . . . to pay back what I received in 1986-7". The gift has been credited to that Fund.

The College received £50 from the Royal College of Organists, following a Masterclass in Chapel. The gift has been credited to the Alldred Fund (for the benefit of the Chapel).

The College received £100 from the Denman Charitable Trust. The gift has been credited to the College Building Fund.

Mr J.C. Dow (B.A. 1948, M.A. 1950) gave £75 a year for five years, by deed of covenant, in support of the Student Grants Fund.

Dr Howard gave £25 (overpayment to the Library Appeal Fund) "to the Jack Goody Swimming Pool Fund". The gift has been credited to the Goody (Lavatory Improvements and Swimming Pool) (Accumulation) Fund. Professor Goody gave £25 "to match Dr Howards' gift". The gift has been credited to the Fund, which has been renamed The Goody Swimming Pool [formerly (Lavatory Improvements and Swimming Pool)] (Accumulation) Fund.

Mr J.D. Gill gave £20, in appreciation of information supplied to him by the Archivist, "which please apply to any of your funds tending towards the upkeep of the fabric". The gift has been credited to the Buildings Fund.

Mr A.J. Greenstreet (B.A. 1952, M.A. 1956) gave £25 a year for four years, by deed of covenant, in support of the Buildings Fund.

Mr A.H. Norris (B.A. 1972, M.A. 1976) and Mrs Norris gave £750 to be credited to the McMahan Law Studentships Supplementary Fund.

The College received a bequest of £1,000 under the will of Dr N.C. Lendon (B.A. 1930, M.A. 1935, M.B. 1947, B.Chir. 1935, M.D. 1951) "for the general use of that College". The gift has been credited to the Student Grants Fund.

The College received a bequest of £55,663.53 under the will of Mr F. Hanley O.B.E. (Fellow 1953-97) "the income thereof applied . . .

annually towards the provision of travel grants or exhibitions for students of the said College preference where possible being given to students of agriculture, agricultural science and medicine or some branch or branches of natural science related to one of those subjects . . .". A Hanley Fund has been constituted for the purpose of travel grants or exhibitions, preference being given to students of agriculture, agricultural science and medicine, or some branch or branches of natural science related to one of those subjects.

Mr D.M. Stevenson (B.A. 1955, M.A. 1962), gave the balance of the charge for his accommodation in College, £29.53, to "be put to whatever use the College would like". The gift has been credited to the Staff Fund.

An anonymous gift of 20,000 A ordinary shares in ProSoya plc was received and credited to the Beaufort Fund.

The College received a bequest of £2,000 from the estate of Dr H. Campbell (B.A. 1938, M.A. 1942, Ph.D. 1946), to which no conditions were attached. The gift has been credited to the Student Travel Fund.

Mr R.F. Eberlie (B.A. 1956, M.A. 1960) gave £20 to be credited to the Hinsley Award Fund.

Mr A.J.P. Campbell (B.A. 1955, M.A. 1975, M.B. 1959, B.Chir. 1958) gave £40 in appreciation of the President's giving Mr Campbell and his group a guided tour of the College. The gift has been credited to the Alldred Fund.

Mr T.D. Bruce-Jones (B.A. 1941, M.A. 1945) gave £250, by Gift Aid, with the wish that it be credited to the Student Grants Fund.

Mr D. Pegg (B.A. 1938, M.A. 1960) gave £649 by covenant to the EAGLE Project.

Miss C. Hardy (B.A. 1988, M.A. 1992) gave £50 to the EAGLE Project.

Mr M.T.J. Axford (B.A. 1955, M.A. 1959) gave £25 to the EAGLE Project.

An anonymous gift of £30,704.98 was received for student support.

Professor A. Blix, Department of Physiology, University of Tromso, presented a pair of silver butter dishes to the College, in gratitude for the grant to him of dining privileges for the year 1998-99.

From the following American Friends of Cambridge University:

**Choir Music Tuition Fund:**

Dr Paul E. Nelson

**The Beaufort Fund**

An anonymous donation

**College Building Fund:**

Mr Thomas W. Beale, Professor J.D. Biggers, Mr D. Dodge and Ms S.H. Thompson, Dr Peter A. Dowben, Mr Robert W. Duemling, Dr Eliot Duncombe, Mr Marc A. Feigen and M.B. Shulman, Angela G. Garcia, Mr Steven R. Gross, Dr John T. Jefferies, Mr F.C. Leiner, Professor Peter E. Martin, John R. Nellist, Richard A. Radford, Dr Charles Sheffield, Professor Peter A. Sturrock, Mr F.R. Wilson, Professor M.J. Wolff

**The Dirac Fund:**

An anonymous donation

**The EAGLE Project:**

An anonymous donation

**Hinsley Award Fund:**

Robert Dean Pope

**Lady Margaret Players:**

Dr Raymond L. Neinstein

**Library Investment Fund:**

Professor Robert Z. Aliber, Dr Raymond L. Neinstein, Dr Derek P. Stables, Mr Robert W. Steventon



**Overseas Scholarships Fund:**

Roger N. Radford

**Student Grants Fund:**

Professor M. Fowler, Martin E. Hardy

**Tutors' Praeter Fund:**

Professor E.C.B. Hall-Craggs

*Erratum: A gift from Mr K.K. Ahuja (Ph.D. 1989; Benefactors' Student 1977-80) was incorrectly reported in last year's Eagle. The value of the gift was £12,000, not £1,200 as previously stated.*

**Benefactors' Scholars**

Elected to Benefactors' Scholarships from 1 October 1999

Katherine Angel, Trinity Hall, Cambridge (History and Philosophy of Science)

Bernhard Dietrich Fulda, Peterhouse, Cambridge (History)

Valencia Margie Joyner, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Engineering)

Daniel Pierre de Carcenac, University of the Witwatersrand (Organic Chemistry)

Paul Goldsmith, Magdalene College, Cambridge & Worcester College, Oxford (Anatomy)

Srihari Cidambi Sampath, Cornell University (Medical Sciences)

James Michael Rose, St John's College, Cambridge (Anglo Saxon, Norse and Celtic)

Sally-Ann Spencer, Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge (European Literature)

Pedro Miguel Reis, University of Manchester (Mathematics)

David Henry Hunt, University of St. Andrews (Mathematics)

Giles Benjamin Pearson, St John's College (Classics)

Christian Matthias Holler, Ludwig-Maxmillians-Universitat (Radio Astronomy)

Thomas Michael Villis, University of Edinburgh (European Studies)

Tai-Ho Hung, Kaohsiung Medical College (Anatomy)

Kristin Hagen, St John's College (Clinical Veterinary Medicine)

Laura Motta, St John's College (Archaeology)

Ingo Kleppe, Trinity Hall (Physiology)

**College Calendar – Main dates****Michaelmas Term 2000****October**

Sunday 1	First day of Term
Tuesday 3	Full Term begins
Saturday 14	Congregation (2.00 p.m.)

**November**

Saturday 11	Congregation (2.00 p.m)
Saturday 18	Dinner for Members of the Foundation
Saturday 25	Advent Carol Service
Sunday 26	Advent Carol Service

**December**

Friday 1	Full Term ends
Saturday 9	Congregation (2.00 p.m)
Saturday 16	Christingle Service Johnian Society Dinner
Tuesday 19	Michaelmas Term ends

**Lent Term 2001****January**

Friday 5	First day of Term
Tuesday 16	Full Term begins
Saturday 27	Congregation (2.00 p.m)

**February**

Saturday 24	Congregation (2.00 p.m)
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**March**

Sunday 11	Lent Service (6.00 p.m)
Friday 16	Full Term ends
Saturday 24	Congregation (11.30 a.m)
Sunday 25	Lent Term ends
Saturday 31	Johnian Dinner

**Easter Term 2001****April**

Sunday 15	Easter Sunday
Tuesday 17	First day of Term
Tuesday 24	Full Term begins

**May**

Saturday 5	St John Ante Portam Latinam
Sunday 6	Service of Commemoration of Benefactors
Saturday 12	Congregation (11.30 a.m)
Thursday 24	Ascension Day: Music from Chapel Tower
Tuesday 29	Oak Apple Day

**June**

Wednesday 13	May Bumps begin
Friday 15	Full Term ends
Saturday 16	May Bumps end
Monday 18	May Concert
Tuesday 19	May Ball
Monday 25	Easter Term Ends Staff Outing
Wednesday 27	Open Day for prospective students
Thursday 28	General Admission
Friday 29	Congregation (Honorary Degrees) Open Day for prospective students
Saturday 30	Johnian Dinner

**Long Vacation 2001****July**

Saturday 7	Open Weekend for Members of the College
Sunday 8	Open Weekend for Members of the College
Monday 9	Long Vacation period of residence begins
Saturday 21	Congregation (11.30 a.m)

**August**

Saturday 11	Long Vacation period of residence ends
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## FELLOWS' APPOINTMENTS AND DISTINCTIONS

ALEXANDER, Dr C.M., was awarded a three-year grant from the *Leverhulme Trust* to study re-constructing urban life in the cities of post-Soviet Asia, in October 1999.

ALEXANDER, Dr J.A., has been awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Arts by the University of Khartoum, Sudan, 2000. In November 1999 he was awarded the *Centenary Medal* of the University of Khartoum. Dr Alexander is currently the President of the European Forum for African Archaeology (Rome). In addition he has in 2000 published the following: *Roman Cambridge; excavations on Castle Hill, 1956-1982*, *Cambs Antiquarian Society*, and "Archaeology and History of the Ottoman Turks in the Sudan", *Adumantu I*, Riyadh, Saudi-Arabia.

ANTONELLO, Mr P., has co-edited with Olga Vasile *Guy Debord A* special issue of *Substance* (90), University of Wisconsin Press, 1999. He has also published the following "La forma dell'albero. Su Italo Calvino", *Nuova Corrente* 46, 1999, pp. 327-356 and "On an Airfield in Montichiari, near Brescia. Staging rivalry through Technology: Marinetti and D'Annunzio", *Stanford Humanities Review* 7.1, 1999, pp.88-100.

CLARKE, Professor M.A., was appointed to a Personal Chair in Commercial Contract Law, University of Cambridge from 1 October 1999.

CLARKE, Professor P.F., has been elected Master of Trinity Hall from 1 October 2000.

CONNELL, Dr P.J., has been elected to a Fellowship and a College Lectureship in English at Selwyn College, Cambridge from 1 October 2000. He has published "Bibliomania: Book Collecting, Cultural Politics and the Rise of Literacy Heritage in Romantic Britain", *Representations* no.71, 2000, and "Wordsworth, Malthus and the 1805 Prelude", *Essays in Criticism* vol.50, no.3, July 2000.

CONWAY MORRIS, Professor S., published in September 1999 the paperback edition of his book *The Crucible of Creation* (Oxford University Press) and the Japanese edition (Kodansha) entered its seventh imprint at the same time. He delivered the *Turner Lectures* (Trinity College) and *Henry Sidgwick Memorial Lecture* (Newnham College) in Cambridge; also the British Geological Survey *Distinguished Annual Lecture* (1999), the *Harold T. Stearns Distinguished Lecture*, Wesleyan University (1999) and the *Barrington Memorial Lecture*, University of Nottingham (2000).

GOODY, Professor J.R., has published *The Power of the Written Word*, Smithsonian University Press, 2000, and *The European Family: an historico-anthropological essay*, Blackwells, 2000.

GREEN, Dr A.F.F., has been elected to a Tutorial Fellowship in Modern History at Brasenose College, Oxford from 1 October 2000.

HEAL, Professor B.J., was appointed Professor of Philosophy, University of Cambridge from 1 October 1999. She has published 'Thoughts and Holism', *Analysis* vol 59, pp.71-78.

LEWIS, Dr G.A., has published *A Failure of Treatment*, Oxford University Press, 2000.

LINEHAN, Dr P.A., delivered the *Birkbeck Lectures in Ecclesiastical History*, 1999 (Trinity College, Cambridge), and has published the paperback edition and French and Spanish translations of his *The Ladies of Zamora* (Manchester University Press, 1997).

MCCAVE, Professor I.N., won the 1999 A.G. Huntsman Award, which was established by the Canadian marine science community to recognise excellence in research and outstanding contributions to Marine Science. The award was presented by the Royal Society of Canada at a special ceremony at the Bedford Institute of Oceanography in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia on 26 November 1999.

MIDGLEY, Dr, D.R., has published *Writing Weimar. Critical Realism in German Literature 1918-1933*, Oxford University Press, March 2000 and his edition of *Arnold Zweig, Caliban oder Politik und Leidenschaft*, Aufbau Verlag, Berlin, April 2000.

PERHAM, Professor R.N., was appointed Commissioner of the Marshall Scholarship Commission, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London, from July 1999.

ROBINSON, Colonel, R.H., retired from the post of Domestic Bursar on 30 April 2000.

SCHOFIELD, Professor M., has co-edited *The Cambridge History of Hellenistic Philosophy*, 1999 and *The Cambridge History of Greek and Roman Political Thought*, 2000.

STAUNTON, Professor J., was appointed to a Personal Chair in Chemical Biology, University of Cambridge from 1 October 1999.

SZRETER, Dr S.R.S., was appointed to an ESRC Fellowship for three years from January 2000.

WELLAND, Professor M., was appointed to a Personal Chair in Nanotechnology, University of Cambridge from 1 October 1999.

WHITMARSH, Dr T.J.G., was appointed College Lecturer in St. John's and Newton Trust Lecturer in the Faculty of Classics from 1 October 1999. He was awarded (jointly) the Hellenic Foundation's 1999 award for best doctoral thesis in the UK in the ancient/classical period for literature and philosophy, in February 2000.

WYLLIE, Professor A.D.H., was awarded (jointly) the William Bate Hardy Prize by the Cambridge Philosophical Society for his discovery of the phenomenon of apoptosis, otherwise termed programmed cell death, in mammalian cells.

## MEMBERS' NEWS

### The Johnian Office

The **Johnian Office**, home to the Development Officer, Miss Twilley, and the Biographical Assistant, Mrs Roberts, is located in F2A Chapel Court and is open to all Members of College. Johnians are welcome to call in when they are visiting Cambridge to find out about events and news in College. The Office is generally open on weekdays from 9am to 5.30pm and we can be contacted by telephone on 01223 338700 and by fax on 01223 338727.

The **World Wide Web** pages provide an opportunity for Johnians and others to keep up-to-date with the College's activities. One of the recent additions to the site is information about The EAGLE Project, the College's scheme to encourage students at Lambeth schools to broaden their educational horizons. The site also contains information about special events, such as Johnian Dinners and Open Weekends, Chapel Services, Catering and Conference Facilities, Admissions, and news items.

The College's pages can be accessed at <http://www.joh.cam.ac.uk/>

### Alumni Passes

As we reported last year, the University has changed the regulations governing Alumni Passes. This means that the Johnian Office is no longer able to issue the passes and all enquiries should be directed to the University Development Office at 10 Trumpington Street (telephone 01223 332288). The passes, called CAMCARD, allow entry to the Cambridge Colleges and the University Centre in Mill Lane.

### Dining Privileges

Johnians of at least six years' standing are invited to exercise the privilege of dining up to three times a year at the Fellows' Table at

College expense. You may also be provided with College accommodation on the night that you dine, also at College expense, so long as there is a guest room available. To exercise your dining privileges, please contact the Steward's Secretary, Mrs Mansfield, on 01223 338686 and to book accommodation please call the Accommodation Officer, Mrs Stratton, on 01223 339381.

Please note that Johnians admitted as Affiliated Students must be of five years standing before they are entitled to dining privileges and those admitted as graduate students must be of three years' standing.

We have been pleased to see a greater number of Johnians exercising their privileges each year. It is a chance to come back to College to find out about changes and to catch up with friends. We very much hope you will take the opportunity to exercise your dining privileges and will join the Fellows at High table.

### Johnian Dinners

The Johnian Dinners for 2001 will take place in March and June. The first Dinner will take place on 31 March 2001 for matriculation years 1950, 1951, 1969, 1970 and invitations will be sent out in the autumn.

The second Dinner will be held on 30 June 2001 and matriculation years up to and including 1949 will be invited. Invitations will be sent out in January 2001.

It is expected that the pattern of invitations to Dinners in the future will be as follows:

Spring 2002	1991, 1992, 1993
Summer 2002	all years up to and including 1942, 1956, 1957, 1958
Spring 2003	1977, 1978, 1979
Summer 2003	all years up to and including 1943, 1961, 1962, 1963
Spring 2004	1964, 1965, 1966
Summer 2004	all years up to and including 1944, 1985, 1986, 1987

Please note that these are matriculation dates (i.e. the year you first came up to St John's) and are provisional and therefore liable to change.

### Open Weekend for Johnians

We are pleased to give advance notice that an Open Weekend for Johnians and their guests will take place on Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 July 2001. The main programme of events will include lectures, displays and exhibitions and a formal dinner in the Hall, and there will also be a dinner on Friday 6 July. Those who matriculated in 1954, 1955, 1959, 1960, 1971-73, 1980-82, 1985-87 will be invited to attend with their family and friends.

### Chapel Services

Johnians visiting Cambridge are reminded that they are most welcome at the College Chapel Services. During Full Term, Choral Evensong takes place at 6.30pm every day except Monday and there is also a sung service at 10.30am on Sunday. The dates for Full Term for 2000-2001 are as follows:

Michaelmas Term	3 October to 1 December
Lent Term	16 January to 16 March
Easter Term	24 April to 15 June

Information about the Services can be found on the College Website, which also includes notice of forthcoming concerts and tours.

### Biographical Register

Work has been underway on the Who's Who style Register of 20th Century Johnians since 1997, when we started sending printouts of the data currently held on the Biographical Database with the Johnian



Dinner invitations. This has given Johnians the opportunity to request that any inaccuracies be amended and also to update us on any new family or career information.

We are grateful for the biographical information included in the returned record sheets from last year's *Eagle*. In future, if you find it more convenient to fax or email your CV, which includes this information, please send it to:

Fax: 01223 338727 or Email: Biographical-Assistant@joh.cam.ac.uk

We are frequently asked for addresses by Johnians who have lost contact with their contemporaries, but we can only do this with your permission. If you wish us to release your address for this purpose, please make sure you give your consent on the enclosed Biographical Record Sheet.

### Punts

Non-resident members of College may use the College punts at a cost of £2.50 per hour during the summer vacation (i.e. during July, August and September). The punts are available on a first-come, first-served basis and cannot be booked in advance. Those wishing to hire punts should go to the Cripps Porters' Lodge to see if any are available.

### College Merchandise

We are pleased to be able to offer a selection of College merchandise at preferential rates for Johnians. Items include rugby shirts, sweatshirts, umbrellas and compact discs featuring the College Choir. Please contact us for further information.

### Exhibitions

Johnians are reminded that they are welcome to attend the exhibitions, which are held in the Library Exhibition Area in Full Term. In the Easter

Term each year the Exhibition Area displays the entries in the College Art and Photographic Competition. In the Michaelmas Term this year there will be an exhibition about the life and work of William Gilbert. For further information, including opening times, please contact the Library on (01223) 338662.

### Lectures

A number of lectures take place each year which Johnians are welcome to attend. The second Hinsley Memorial Lecture will take place on 26 October 2000 and will be given by Professor Adam Roberts, Montague Burton Professor of International Relations, University of Oxford, and the third by the Rt Hon. The Lord Healey on 6 March 2001.

Other lectures that are due to take place in 2000-01 are the Linacre Lecture and the Craik lecture, which both have a scientific theme, and the Johnian Society Lecture. Further information about lectures can be obtained from the Johnian Office and notices are posted on the College's website in advance of the lecture.

### College Facilities

Johnians are welcome to visit College at any time. If you would like help in arranging a private dinner or in exercising your dining privileges, the Development Officer will be pleased to help. There are also a limited number of College Guest Rooms available for Johnians. A charge is made for the use of such rooms, except on the nights you exercise your dining privileges.

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## News

The following items are listed by year of admission to College.

## Honours

- 1931 WILKES, Professor Maurice Vincent, MA PhD (Hon)ScD FRS FEng, was made a Knight Bachelor in the New Year's Honours List in 2000.
- 1952 PENROSE, Professor Sir Roger Rouse, FRS, was admitted to the Order of Merit on 9 May 2000.
- 1960 GIBBS, Dr John Newton, Head of Pathology, Forest Research, Forestry Commission, was awarded an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in June 1999.
- 1967 AIKENS, Richard John Pearson, became a Knight Bachelor on 16 July 1999 on appointment as a Justice of The High Court.
- 1970 YOUNG, The Rt Revd David Nigel de Lorentz, was awarded a CBE in the New Year's Honours List in 2000.
- 1983 WILLIAMS (née Jenkins), Dr Manon Bonner, received the MVO at an investiture in April 1999.
- 1984 ARMSTRONG, Mr Gary David, was awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours List in 2000, for services to Rugby Union Football.

## Appointments, Distinctions and Events

- 1938 DAVIDSON, Dr James W. Doug Munro continues with his biography of Jim Davidson, former research student and Fellow at St John's, and Professor of Pacific History at the Australian National University from 1950 until his death in 1973. Dr Munro would be grateful to hear from anyone who knew Davidson. His new address is: Stout Research Centre, Victoria University, P.O. Box 600, Wellington, New Zealand. E-mail [doug.munro@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:doug.munro@vuw.ac.nz).

Early results of Dr Munro's work on Davidson will be appearing in this year's issues of *The Journal of Pacific History*, which Davidson founded, and in *History in Africa*.

- 1940 LEAPER, Professor Robert A.B., CBE, was re-appointed lay inspector of Nursing and Residential Care Homes by Devon Health Authority in 1999. He was appointed as Emeritus Professor to direct new modularised courses in Social Policy for post-graduates in medicine and nursing at Exeter University in 1999. He also published a research report on *Employment over 50: a study in Teignbridge*, 1999.
- 1943 PARKES, Sir Edward, PhD ScD, was awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star, Hong Kong on 1 July 1999. He tells us that this award is probably equivalent to somewhere between OBE and CBE.
- 1945 WOLFF, Professor Michael Jonas, informs us that *The Victorian City: Images and Realities* (1972), a two volume work he co-edited with H.J. Dyos, has been reprinted. In 1999 the Research Society for Victorian Periodicals (which he founded in 1969) inaugurated the Michael Wolff Lecture as the key-note address at its annual conference. The first lecture was given at Yale University in September 1999 by Laurel Brake (University of London). The second lecture will be given at the University of London, by Aled Jones (University of Wales, Aberystwyth). Michael Wolff was recently appointed Honorary Senior Research Fellow at the Science Museum in London where he is helping to organize *Locating the Victorians*, a July 2001 conference sponsored by the Science, Natural History, and Victoria and Albert Museums in commemoration of the death of Queen Victoria in 1901.
- 1947 HALL, Professor George G., was honoured by a "Special Issue" of the *International Journal of Quantum Chemistry*, Vol. 74, Numbers 5 & 6, in 1999.
- 1948 BARTON, Dr George P., QC, was elected a Fellow of Knox College, Dunedin, New Zealand in 1999.

BEER, Professor John B., LittD FBA, informs us that his new book *Providence and Love: Studies in Wordsworth, Channing, F. W. H. Myers, George Eliot and Ruskin* has been published by OUP. In addition his Everyman collection of Coleridge's *Poems*, newly revised and enlarged, has now appeared in hardback and has been chosen, with aid from the Lottery Fund, to be among the volumes presented to a large number of schools as part of the Millennium Commemoration.

JEEVES, Professor Malcolm A., CBE, was awarded an Honorary Degree of Doctor of the University, conferred by the University of Stirling in June 1999.

- 1949 ILIFFE, John K., has been awarded the Harry Goode Memorial medal for the year 2000 by the Computer Society of the (United States) Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers "for lifetime achievement in the practice of computer system design and evaluation".

LOCKE, Professor Michael, has been selected to deliver the Wigglesworth Memorial Lecture in August 2000 and to receive the medal from the Royal Entomological Society of London for the year 2000. The Memorial Medal and Lecture were established in recognition of the contribution of Sir Vincent Wigglesworth to Insect Biology and are awarded and delivered every four years.

- 1950 LAWSON, Gordon B.G., informs us that performances of his Flute Sonata were given by Christopher Hyde-Smith and Jane Dodd in Harlow, Keele, Brighton and the London College of Music in 1998-9. The first performances of his Violin Sonata (1997) were given by David Johnson and Yeu-Meng Chan in London (BMIC) in 1998 and Lewes in 1999. Mr Lawson was commissioned by the Mayfield Festival to collaborate in an Anglo/French project for the Millennium to compose music, along with Jacques Petit, to be performed on May 6 simultaneously in Pays de Bray and Mayfield.

NUTTALL, Geoffrey H., has been awarded the *Paper Industry Technical Association Gold Medal* for his contribution to the industry.

SPINNEY, Peter M., has informed us of his retirement.

- 1951 WYATT, Dr John F., in February 1999 published "The History of Higher Education Foundations" in *Christian Thinking and Social Order*, M. Reeves (ed), Cassell. In June 1999 he published *Wordsworth's Poems of Travel, 1819-1842*, Macmillan. He was re-elected Senior Visiting Research Fellow at the University of East London, Centre for Institutional Studies, in July 1999.

- 1952 BURNHAM, Dr Christopher P., retired as Senior Lecturer in Soil Science at Wye College, University of London, in 1998.

LE MAITRE, Dr Roger W., formerly Chairman and Reader at the Department of Geology, University of Melbourne has, since his retirement in 1989, been Chairman of the Tasmanian branch of the Cambridge Australia Trust, which provides funds to send Australian graduates to Cambridge. In 1994, he formed the Cambridge Society of Tasmania (a social group) and was Chairman for three years. He has also been writing and consulting on database software, and, as well as dealing with the accounts for his wife's family sheep property, he has been designing and building a shearing shed!

MAGNAY, Harold H., retired from ICI in 1998 and set up a small security consultancy, the HHM partnership.

SYKES, Dr Richard D., was awarded a Fellow Commonership by St John's College for the Lent term 2000 for the first stage of his work on a collaborative report on the physical/mental debate about ME (Chronic Fatigue Syndrome). He is a director of the national charity, Westcare UK, which provides professional services for people with the illness. His work is also supported by a grant from the Wellcome Trust. He found that the term back at John's was most productive and enjoyable.

1953 NICHOLLS, Dr Peter, has been a Visiting Professor of Biological Sciences at the University of Essex since 1998. He has also been an Adjunct Professor of Biological Sciences at Brock University, Canada since 1998.

1954 BLANSHARD, Professor John M.V., retired from Nottingham University in 1997. In 1996, he was presented with the Loncin Prize of \$50,000 by the American Institute of Food Technologists for "fundamental physicochemical studies of the significance of glassy and rubbery state in food systems". He is presently serving as Associate Pastor of the Spicer Street Independent Chapel in St. Albans.

MACKENZIE, Professor Patrick T., retired from the position of Professor of Philosophy at the University of Saskatchewan at the end of June 1999.

SAMUEL, Richard C., CMG CVO, was appointed Commander of the Order of the Three Stars of Latvia in May 1999.

1955 JONES, C. Ian M., informs us that he semi retired in 1995 after a most enjoyable career in Education, including Head of Department, Vice-Principal, Headmaster, Director of Studies and Regional Director, in South East Asia. He is now acting as a freelance consultant which involves inspections of schools in both the maintained and independent sectors, assessing for the new Professional Qualification for Head Teachers and writing articles about education for Hobsons Publishing.

SINCLAIR, Thomas F., FIPM, informs us that he was appointed General Secretary of the Long Distance Walkers' Association Ltd in April 1999.

SPENCER, John N., is a Member of Bishop's Council, Diocese of Bath and Wells. In 1999 he was re-elected as an advisory, co-opted member of the National Council of Magistrates' Association for a further three years.

1956 LOWE, Nicholas F., informs us that he became a panel member of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeals Panel from 1997.

MURRAY BRUCE, Dr David J., MRCP, was appointed Chairman of the Management Committee and Trustee of the British Occupational Health Research Foundation, in 1998.

1957 GRANT, L. H. (Sandy), was appointed a member of Botswana's first independent electoral commission, in June 1998

HARVEY, Professor Jonathan D., is at present Professor of Music at Stanford University, USA, where he works for part of each year. He is also Visiting Professor at Imperial College where a new technology centre is being set up in association with Sinfonia 21. He celebrated his 60th birthday on 3 May 1999 and three publications were released to coincide with this: *Jonathan Harvey* by Arnold Whittall (Faber), *In Quest of Spirit* by Jonathan Harvey (Univ. of California Press) and *Music and Inspiration*, also by Jonathan Harvey (Faber). During the year various broadcasts of Harvey's music were made on Radio 3, including the opera *Passion and Resurrection*. There was a 2-hour programme of his music on Belgium Radio and France Culture had a 90-minute Birthday Tribute on August 14th. Two new discs have been produced, one by IRCAM/Ades and the other by Sargasso records. There were over one hundred performances of his compositions world-wide, including new works for the Riverside Symphony Orchestra, New York, and the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra. *Bhakti*, an hour-long work with electronics, was performed by the London Sinfonietta and Ensemble Modern, in Vienna, Berlin, Leipzig and Frankfurt. His works were also played in Frankfurt's Goethe Festival, where Ensemble Modern played *Death of Light*, and the Arditti Quartet performed the String Quartets.

MESTEL, Professor Leon, had his monograph *Stellar Magnetism* published by Oxford University Press in 1999.

SCOTT, John N., MA MICE FIMC, was appointed Non-Executive Director of the Brent, Kensington, Chelsea and Westminster Mental Health Trust in June 1999.

- 1958 JUMSAI NA AYUTHYA, Dr Sumet, received the Crystal Award (for the Arts), at the World Economic Forum, Davos in 1999. Since 1991, Dr Jumsai has been a faculty member of the Department of Architecture, Cambridge and was appointed a Bye Fellow at Robinson College in 1989.

WILLIAMS, Professor Frederic W., ScD FREng, was elected a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering in July 1999. Professor Williams was appointed Guest Professor at the University of Science and Technology of China (which, he tells us, ranks in the top five universities in China), in August 1999.

- 1959 BRAMLEY, Richard A.C., was awarded a product development grant by the Australian Department of Industry, Science and Resources in June 1999, to investigate heritage tourism initiatives in the USA, Canada and the UK. On his return, in November 1999, he took up a three year postgraduate research scholarship at the Centre for Regional Tourism Research, Southern Cross University, Lismore, NSW.

COOK, Professor Christopher D., was awarded a Personal Chair as Professor of Education at the University of Hertfordshire in May 1999.

EMMERICK, Professor Ronald E., FBA, was elected Honorary Fellow of the Australian Academy of the Humanities in 1999.

GOUGH, Professor Douglas O., FRS, was appointed Director of the Institute of Astronomy, University of Cambridge from October 1999.

JEFFCOATE, Robert L., retired from his Lectureship in Education at the University of Liverpool and was appointed Honorary Senior Fellow.

WALKER, Professor Alan C., FRS, was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1999.

- 1960 JACK, Dr A. Richard, has retired from the position of General Manager at China Light and Power, Hong Kong. He now divides his time between homes in the UK and Cyprus.
- 1961 BARBER, John M., was elected Chairman of the OECD Committee on Scientific and Technological Policy in March 1998.

BRACEY, R.A.R. (Robin), has been recognised as a knight in his local area of Cheltenham as a reward for writing helpful letters in conflict situations nationally and internationally.

SCHOFIELD, Prebendary Rodney, informs us that in January 2000 he moved to teach Theology at Zomba Theological College, Zomba, Malawi. He would be glad to hear of Johnians living in or passing through Malawi.

WYN OWEN, John, CB, was awarded an Honorary Doctorate at the University of Glamorgan, Wales, in June 1999. He was also elected a Foreign Honorary Member of the Institute of Medicine of the US National Academy of Science in October 1998, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the field of health.

- 1962 EVANS, John M., retired from the BBC in 1996 after 25 years with the Concert Orchestra. He now works in Saffron Walden, Essex, as a freelance music arranger and orchestrator for recordings and TV.

MARJORIBANKS, John L., returned to London in 1999, after many years abroad with the Commonwealth Development Corporation, to take up the post of Director of Public Affairs at CDC's London office.

- 1963 BIELBY, Jonathan L., informs us that for the last thirty years he has been Organist and Master of Music at Wakefield Cathedral and he has been a full-time lecturer at Leeds College of Music since 1979.



WATERS, Brian R.A., has been elected Junior Warden of the Company of Chartered Architects, and re-elected a member of the Council of the Association of Consultant Architects.

- 1964 BIERMANN, David Julius, FcollP, has been elected to the Council of the Royal College of Teachers (Preceptors) from September 2000 to September 2004. In addition, Mr Biermann has been appointed as Lecturer in the New Openings course for the Open University.

BRAITHWAITE, Norman J., completed 2 years as President of the Pensions Management Institute in July 1999. He retired from consultancy with Bacon & Woodrow in October 1999, and continues to work part-time as a Pension Fund Trustee.

GOWING, Keith, retires from the Royal Air Force in May of this year having had a full, varied and interesting career. He intends to devote himself to voluntary work and local issues.

ROBERTS, Professor Keith, was appointed Associate Director of the John Innes Centre, Colney, Norwich, and to a John Innes Chair at the University of East Anglia from January 1999.

- 1965 DALZIEL, Ian M., was appointed Chairman of Invesco Continental Smaller Companies Trust plc in 1999.

HEYWORTH, Professor Martin F., was appointed Chief of Staff at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Philadelphia, USA, in January 1999. He is also composer of two string quartets and a work for chamber orchestra that have been copyrighted in the USA.

LIVINGSTON, John A., informs us that he is a partner at HTP Architects, Richmond, Surrey. He is a keen follower of rowing and his two sons are junior GB Internationals – his elder son, James, was in the 2000 Goldie crew.

PUGH, Dr Richard N.H., MRCP, was appointed Consultant in Communicable Disease Control/ Public Health Medicine, Walsall Health Authority, from 1 October 1999.

TOLPUTT, John N., was appointed Head of the Purcell School in September 1999.

- 1966 BROWNE, Sir John, FEng, Chief Executive of BP Amoco and Honorary Fellow, laid the foundation stone of the BP Institute, University of Cambridge in June 1999. The institute aims to co-ordinate work between the university departments of Earth Sciences, Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Chemistry and Applied Mathematics.

FORWOOD, The Hon Nicholas J., QC, was appointed a Judge of the Court of First Instance of the European Communities, in Luxembourg, in December 1999.

- 1967 ELSBERG, John, has published *Small Exchange*, Lilliput Press Review, 1999, and *Sailor*, New Hope International Press, UK, 1999. He has been nominated for the Library of Virginia Poetry Prize.

GOLDSMITH, Alan, was appointed Director of Finance and Corporate Services for The Office of National Statistics from September 1999.

HUFTON, Neil G., was appointed Chairman of Arkady-Craigmillar (the Bakery Products and Ingredients Business of Unilever in the UK).

HUGHES, Dr David W., CEng FRAeS MIMechE, formerly Regional Director for South East Asia at the Ministry of Defence, has been appointed Managing Director of Market Development at GEC plc.

QUAYLE, Professor Nigel D., was appointed Professor of English Linguistics, Université du Littoral, France in 1999.

RHODES, Professor Jonathan M., was elected a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences in 1999.

SHIELDS, Robert J., CBE MA CEng FIEE, informs us that he left the Army in 1997 having served for the last twelve years in the

- MoD. He was awarded a CBE in the New Year's Honours list in 1998 and was elected a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical Engineers in the same year. He joined Marconi Astute Class Limited as Enterprise Director and is now working back in the MoD leading a joint MoD and Industry team on managing defence acquisition electronically.
- 1968 BARCLAY, Paul R., was appointed Circuit Judge on the Western Circuit on 5 May 1998.
- CARNLEY, The Most Reverend Dr Peter F., was elected Primate of all Australia, February 2000.
- 1969 COLLIS, Jeremy J., has been appointed Managing Director of Littlewoods Pools in addition to his role as Managing Director of Littlewoods Lotteries.
- DUFF, Andrew N., OBE M.E.P., was elected a member of the European Parliament for Eastern England in June 1999, and is spokesman on Constitutional Affairs for the European Liberal Democrats.
- WARNER, The Revd Nigel B., became acting area Dean of Wearmouth (Diocese of Durham) in 1999.
- 1970 DE FLUITER, Ruurd, was appointed Member of the Board, Division Europe, of the Swiss Reinsurance Company, Zurich in 1998.
- HUMPHRIES, The Reverend Christopher W., Vicar of Filey, Diocese of York, was appointed Rural Dean of Scarborough from June 1998.
- 1971 DAWSON, Anthony W., was appointed Head of Singing at Sevenoaks School in 1998. He is currently Conductor of the Kent County Youth Chamber Choir, The Sackville Singers and The Sevenoaks Philharmonic Society Choir. Mr Dawson was appointed, from April 2000, Musical Director of a production of Britten's opera *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, produced by fellow Johnian, Richard Suart (1971).
- FURBER, Professor Stephen B., was elected a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering in 1999.
- MILLER, Dr Alastair R.O., informs us that he is a Consultant Physician in Infectious Disease and General Medicine and Clinical Director of Medicine at Kidderminster General Hospital. He has been appointed Honorary Consultant in Infection & HIV at the Worcester Royal Infirmary, and is also Honorary Senior Lecturer in the Department of Infection at Birmingham University.
- SMALLWOOD, David J., was accepted on the list of Professeur Agrégé des Universités in 1995 and currently holds this position at the University of Bordeaux IV Montesquieu, where he is also Head of the English Department. Mr Smallwood informs us that he represented the French national cricket team (at age 46!) in 1998. He is now a double cricket international as he represented Malawi in the East Africa Cup in 1986.
- SMITH, Glyn M., was appointed Group Finance Director of the Portman Building Society in October 1999.
- TAYLOR, Philip N.S., is now an executive director of Sinnea International, Bologna, Italy, a management consultancy group specializing in governmental organisations, ([www.Sinnea.com](http://www.Sinnea.com)).
- 1973 GOUDIE, Nicholas W., was appointed District Judge, North Eastern Circuit in July 1999.
- 1975 BLACKBURN, Joseph R.C., was appointed Chairman and Clinical Governor of Surrey Thames Primary Care Group, in 1999.
- GALLICO, Michael K., was appointed Managing Director of W.S. Maney & Sons Ltd (Maney Publishing) in January 1999, as the Leeds-based academic publishing company approaches its centenary in 2000.
- JONES, Nicholas W., was assumed as a Partner of Burness, Solicitors, Edinburgh, in August 1999.

1976 BARHAM, Paul J., MA (Cantab) DIPARCH, joined John Gilbert Architects, Glasgow, in September 1998, to work on a variety of housing, conservation and environmental projects.

COCKERHAM, Paul D., FSA, was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London, in 1999.

COLLEDGE, Dr Richard A., was appointed Senior Consultant within the Energy and Utilities Division of Logica UK Ltd, in December 1998.

FINLAY, Ronald A., was appointed Deputy Chairman of PR and Marketing Consultancy, Fishburn Hedges in October 1999.

SIMMONDS, Andrew J., QC, was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1999.

1977 ALDERSEY-WILLIAMS, Hugh A., has *Findings: Hidden Stories in First Hand Accounts of Scientific Discovery* published in 2000, the first of two popular science titles for Granta Publications.

BEALE, Dr Gregory K., has been appointed to the K.T Wessner Chair of Biblical Studies, at the Wheaton College Graduate in Wheaton, Illinois, USA, from autumn 2000.

VAN DELDEN, Dr Maarten H., had *Carlos Fuentes, Mexico and Modernity* published by Vanderbilt University Press in the US and by Liverpool University Press in the UK, 1998. It was listed as an 'outstanding academic book of 1998' by *Choice Magazine*.

1978 FORD, Professor G. Alan, was appointed Professor of Theology at Nottingham University in September 1999.

VERRALL, Dr Richard J., has been elected an Honorary Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries and promoted to a Personal Chair in Actuarial Statistics at City University.

1979 BUTLIN, Dr Roger J., commenced work for AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals (formerly ICI) as Medicinal Chemist. He was promoted to Senior Medicinal Chemist in 1991 and then Principal

Medicinal Chemist in 1998. Dr Butlin's wife, Anne, is a team manager in the Process Research and Development Department at AstraZeneca, Macclesfield. She joined as Senior Process Chemist after completing her PhD as a member of Trinity Hall in 1988. Both Dr Butlin and his wife love the outdoors, the former having climbed over half of the Munros (having been up his first on Skye in 1981 as a member of St John's College Mountaineering Club!)

1980 BRIEGAL, Mark S., published "Training Competency Frameworks" in *Training Journal* in February 1999.

DUNLOP, Hugh C., who was awarded a Fred F. Herzog scholarship in 1997 and a LLM degree with Honours in June 1999 by The John Marshall Law School Chicago, Illinois, is now living in Headbourne Worthy, Hampshire. George, a brother to Olivia, was born in Illinois in February 1997.

HARTNOLL, Dr Gary, MD MRCP MRCPC, was recently awarded an MD for his thesis entitled: "The Physiological Consequences of early versus late Sodium Supplementation in the Preterm Infant". He was also appointed Consultant Neonatologist at the University Hospital Lewisham, London, in July 1999.

PEARCE, Dr Mark J., was appointed first Warden of Southwell Hall, on the University of Nottingham's new Jubilee Campus, in September 1999.

ROBINSON, The Revd Dr Peter J. A., MA, became Priest in Charge of St Martin's Byker in the Diocese of Newcastle and also Director of the Project in Urban Ministry and Theology in the Newcastle East Deanery, from September 1999.

VALLANCE, Dr John T., was elected Headmaster of Sydney Grammar School, Australia, in June 1999. He reminds us that this position was occupied between 1969 and 1989 by Mr A.M. MACKERRAS (1950), who died in 1999.

1981 DAVIS, Dr Tami R., informs us that she has published 'Bombing by the Square Yard: Sir Arthur Harris at War, 1942-1945', *International History Review*, Volume XX1, no.3, September 1999.

LUMSDEN, Christopher, was appointed Head of Science at St. George's School, Harpenden from September 1999.

1982 SAMUELS (née Evans), Alison E., informs us of the birth of her daughter Anna Maria in January 1999.

LISLE, John J., has been appointed Regional Business Director with GlaxoWellcome.

WATSON (née McIntyre), Anne L., and David WATSON (1982) are pleased to announce the birth of their second daughter Katherine Georgina, a sister for Abigael Elizabeth.

SAMUELSON, Robert W., informs us that in February 1999, his first child, Lauren, was born at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, London. Since then, he reports that things have not been quite the same!

SURGUY, John M.A., was appointed Senior Manager at Garretts in January 1999.

WEBBER, Stuart J., MA ACA ATII, became a partner in May 1999 at Lewis Golden & Company, a six-partner firm of chartered accountants in the West End of London specialising in corporate taxation.

1983 ATKIN, Dr Christopher J., and Siobhan were joined, in February, by Kate Rebecca who weighed in at 6 lb 11 oz.

LYELL (née Harbour), Claire M.J., informs us that the family has recently moved to a sixteenth century farmhouse in the South of France, with her daughters Grace and Georgie. She runs an executive search consultancy, and her husband Rob an architecture practice – both are enjoying a much-improved lifestyle.

JACKSON, Stuart P., was Principal Education Officer in the Royal Borough of Kingston-upon-Thames from 1997-2000. From 2000, he is Investigator, Local Government Ombudsman in York.

KING, Col. David E., OBE, was appointed Administrative Director of the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies in January 1999.

SELWYN, Peter – previously Repetiteur at the Royal Opera and English National Opera, Assistant Conductor with Opera North and Glyndebourne, Conductor for the English Touring Opera, European Chamber Opera, Pimlico Opera, ENO Baylis Programme and Contemporary Opera Studio – was appointed to the position of Kapellmeister (Conductor) and Studienleiter (Head of Music) at the Nuremberg Opera, one of Germany's 'A' houses, from September 1999. Additionally, in the summer of 2000 he will work as Musical Assistant to Giuseppe Sinopoli on Wagner's *Ring Cycle* at Bayreuth.

SIMMONS, Christopher J., started up his own economic and property consultancy, *Real Estate Forecasting Limited*, at the start of 2000. He will be forecasting performance for commercial property worldwide and advising investors on their real estate strategy.

WALSH, Dr Toby, has been awarded an EPSRC Advanced Research Fellowship at the Department of Computer Science, University of York from 1999-2004.

1984 ALLISON, Dr Timothy R., has been appointed Consultant in Public Health Medicine, East Riding Health Authority and as an Honorary Lecturer at the University of Hull.

DIGNUM, Dr Helen M., has been working as a Registrar in Haematology, in Newcastle Upon Tyne, since 1995. Her son, Stephen William, was born in May 1997.

KEAY, Dr Nicola J., and Gavin T. FRANCIS (1984), inform us that they have two sons, Jamie Sebastian Francis, born in 1995, and Marcus Alexander Francis, born in 1997.

POON, Professor Wilson Che-kei, was appointed to a Personal Chair in Condensed Matter Physics at the University of Edinburgh in October 1999.

KING (née Rimmer), Penelope R., with her husband, Mark A. KING (1984), would like to announce the birth of a daughter, Alexandra Elizabeth, born in July 1998.

1985 ANSELL, Dr Nicola F., was awarded a PhD in Geography at Keele University in July 1999. She is currently lecturing in Human Geography at Brunel University.

DANIELS (née Cohen), Kate E., tells us that she and Justin have a son, Joshua Aaron, born in July 1999.

LUXMOORE, Alisdair M., and Genesta, (née GREY 1985) are pleased to announce the birth of a daughter, Eleanor in August 1999.

SCRUTTON, Dr Nigel S., Benefactors Scholar, 1985-88, and College Research Fellow, 1989-1992, was elected to a Personal Chair in Biochemistry at the University of Leicester effective from 1 October 1999. He was also awarded the Colworth Medal (1999) of the UK Biochemical Society for research work of an outstanding nature by a British biochemist who is no greater than 35 years of age.

TCHAKOUTÉ (née Wood), Dr Virginia L., was awarded a PhD in Veterinary Parasitology at the University of Liverpool, School of Tropical Medicine in July 1999. She is also pleased to announce the birth of her first son, Pascal Anthony in July 1999.

WHITAKER, Dr Weem, had his second children's novel, *The Bold Enchanter*, published in September 1999, by Oxford University Press. In January 2000 his first novel was reissued as *Seeking the Worm*, and further books are in preparation.

1986 ADAMS, Major John S., was awarded an MSc in Defence Technology from Cranfield University in 1998. He was also

awarded an MA in Defence Studies from King's College, London, in 1999.

APPLETON, Dr Barry N., informs us that he is currently a Specialist Registrar in General Surgery on all-Wales rotation having completed two years as a Royal College of Surgeons Research Fellow in Swansea.

BOYLE, Stuart P., MIEE CEng, was awarded an MSc in Electricity Industry Management & Technology at the University of Strathclyde in November 1999.

COLLINSON, A. Mark, graduated with distinction from the Warwick MBA programme in July 1998.

KELLY, Paul J.P.M., has returned to ING Barings, London to work as a Director in the Equity Capital Markets/Equity Syndicate Team after five years in Hong Kong. Acting in a similar capacity he is also planning to resurrect The Funky Times, Hong Kong's longest running and most successful club night, of which he is one of the three founding members and resident DJs.

LUKE, The Revd Dr Iain R.M., was appointed Director of the Institute for Anglican Ministry at Saint John's College, Winnipeg from July 8, 1999.

SCHWEITZER, Dr A. Nicola, and her husband Dr Jen-Wei Lin are proud to announce the birth of their two daughters in 1996 and 1999 in Boston.

SHEERA, Navdeep Singh, graduated with distinction from INSEAD MBA programme in 1999, and started as European Analyst for Semiconductors at Salomon Smith Barney. He would like to announce the birth of baby daughter, Sophia, in May 1999.

WEBSTER, Peter A.N., was admitted as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of England & Wales, 1 October 1999. He also began work as an assistant solicitor in the Construction Law



Practice area of Masons, Solicitors, in Clerkenwell (EC1) in October 1999.

- 1987 DAVIES, Martin S., and Amanda (née WILKINSON, 1986) are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Madeleine Isobel Wilkinson Davies in March 1999.

ESPOSITO, Dr Giampiero V.M., was an invited speaker at the Fourth International Conference *Cosmology, Relativistic Astrophysics, Cosmoparticle Physics* held in Moscow on 17-24 October 1999, in honour of the 80th birthday of Professor Isaak M. Khalatnikov.

ROELCKE, Dr Volker R.K., was appointed Professor of the History of Medicine and Science at Medizinische Universitaet, Luebeck in December 1999.

- 1988 ANDERSON, Dr Stephen J., was appointed Professor of Clinical Neuroscience at The Neurosciences Research Institute, Aston University, from 1 February 2000.

CHISNALL, Steven, after appointment as Station Commander at RAF Halton, was promoted to Air Commodore and posted to the Defence Training Review Team in the MoD, London.

DUNNETT, Patricia L., produced the Channel 4 documentary *The Real Prince Philip* in 1999.

EUMANN Jens, notifies us that he is currently Editor for *Freie Presse*, a German newspaper, and that he and his partner Grit Strietzel have two children, Phillip-Lukas, born in 1995 and Till-Barnabas, born in 1999.

MORSE, Martin D., and Helen (née JENKINSON, 1988) would like to announce the birth of Anna Grace, born in August 1999, a sister for Rosie born in June 1997.

PORTER, Dr David L., has been selected for membership in the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, New Jersey.

POWELL (née Stafford), Alison J., qualified as a solicitor with the International Law firm Baker & McKenzie in 1998 and is now specialising in International Trade and EC Competition Law.

- 1989 TURNER (née Sanderson), Alison J., informs us that in March 1999, she moved on from her position as a principal with the Smith Group to take up a post as a project manager with Racal Avionics.

- 1990 HEMMING, Dr Philip E., and Dr Jessica (née HOOKER, 1992) are delighted to announce the birth of their first child, Ailsa Rose, in August 1999.

HUNTER, The Revd Peter J., was ordained a Catholic priest on 26 June 1999 by the Right Reverend Philip Pargeter, Bishop of Valentiniana, at The Priory of The Holy Spirit, Oxford.

MILTON, Major General Anthony A., OBE, was promoted to Major General, and appointed Director General, Joint Doctrine and Concepts from 1 April 1999.

RYNHOLD, Daniel, was appointed to a 3 year lectureship in Jewish Studies at the London School of Jewish Studies (University of London) in September 1999.

SALTON, Andrew C., informs us that between 1998-99 he co-founded Shareholders United Against Murdoch (SUAM), which successfully defeated the proposed take-over of Manchester United by BSKyB. Shareholders United has now initiated a dialogue with the Board of Manchester United. Mr Salton is currently a Portfolio Manager for Asian Equities at Old Mutual Asset Managers.

WALTON, Jamie P., who left after Part IA Maths, achieved a first class honours degree in Mathematics from Royal Holloway. He returned to Cambridge in 1993 to St. Edmund's College to take Part III Maths before taking a PhD at University College, London. In 1997 he started a career at Warburg Dillon Read.

1991 CHUAH, Jason C.T., published *Law of Internal Trade* in August 1998 (Sweet & Maxwell, London). He was also appointed Editor in Chief, *Finance and Credit Law Journal* (LLP LTD) in April 1999.

DOVER, Dr Anna R., graduated from Edinburgh University with a degree in Medicine (MBChB) on 17 July 1999.

LANGFORD, Dr Rachael E., informs us that she finally had her viva for her PhD from St. John's in October 1996, having started work as a lecturer in French at the University of Wales, Cardiff in September that year. She loves living and working in Cardiff, has been learning Welsh and was married in Cardiff in September 1999 to a Welsh Assembly civil servant.

WEEKES (née Mayr-Harting), Ursula C.A., published *Techniques of Drawing*, Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, 1999.

YIP, Allan K., after leaving the Bar in 1996, joined Clifford Chance where he is now employed in their Derivatives Department.

1992 COBB, Dr Adam C., after a Visiting Fellowship at the Institute of Advanced Studies, Australian National University, in 1997, was appointed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate as the 1998 Australian Parliamentary Fellow. He wrote *Age of Anxiety: Parliament and the Defence of Australia*, which was based on interviews with MPs and members of the US Congress. During the year he held a Visiting Fellowship at the RAND Corporation in Washington DC. Since the completion of the book Adam has been employed as a senior defence adviser to the Parliament and is acknowledged as Australia's leading expert on Information Warfare. In late 1999 he was invited to address a United Nations conference in Geneva on the impact of information warfare and strategy.

GALLANIS, Professor Thomas P., is Assistant Professor of Law and History at Ohio State University. He has recently published the book *Elder Law: Readings, Cases, and Materials* (Anderson Publishing, 1999) and two articles, 'Write and Wrong: Rethinking

the Way We Communicate Health Care Decisions', 31 *Connecticut Law Review* 1015 (1999), and 'The Rise of Modern Evidence Law', 83 *Iowa Law Review* 499 (1999). The last of these, based on his Cambridge PhD thesis, was awarded the 1999 David Yale Prize by the Selden Society. Dr Gallanis will spend the 2000-2001 academic year at The Institute for Advanced Study, in Princeton, New Jersey, having been awarded a Mellon Fellowship in history to study the changing role of defence counsel in eighteenth century England.

KENNEDY, Alasdair J.S., was appointed to teach Physics at Sevenoaks School, Kent, from September 1999. He contributed to *Salters A-level Textbook*, published by Heinemann in June 1999.

MAGUIRE, Julia L., was called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in October 1998. She was appointed Legal Officer at the Home Office in July 1999.

MCLOUGHLIN, Kate, was appointed Assistant Parliamentary Counsel in 1999.

1993 BLAKEMORE, Dr Catherine A., qualified as a Doctor from Guy's & St. Thomas', London in July 1999. Her first job as a Medical House Officer in Salisbury District Hospital commenced in August 1999.

RUSMAN, Alexandra G., after completing Part III Mathematics in 1998, obtained a PGCE in Mathematics and German from Durham University in June 1999. She has been appointed Mathematics Teacher at the City of London School for Girls, from September 1999.

SIVADASAN, Suja, has been awarded a Keble College, Oxford Closed Graduate Scholarship for 1999-2000.

STEWART, Fiona S., has published a report *Superstores – Super News?* for the Tony Godwin Award, published by the Tony Godwin Memorial Trust (ISBN: 0953082210), September 1999.

TSAI, Dr Terence, has taken up an Assistant Professorship at the Department of Management, the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK). He has also been appointed as a Fellow in Business Administration at New Asia College, CUHK.

ZATSCHLER, Carsten, was admitted Magister Legum (LL.M) by the Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, *magna cum laude* in 1998. Mr Zatschler was called to the Bar of England and Wales by the Inner Temple in 1999. He is currently engaged in full-time research for a PhD in Law at King's College, London.

1994 EDWARDS, Nigel D., was called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in March 1999.

SCHULZ, Jennifer L., was appointed Assistant Professor of Law, specialising in Alternative Dispute Resolution, at the Faculty of Law, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario on 1 July 1999.

1995 GOODMAN, Robert I., was awarded a Master of Environmental Law by the University of Sydney in May 1998.

POOLEY, Oliver E.E., was elected to the Hargreaves Senior Scholarship, Oriel College, Oxford, from 1 October 1999.

1996 HARRALL, Commander Phillip A.R., has been appointed as the Royal Navy Member of the Military Aviation Regulation Development and Implementation Team and promoted to Commander at the same time.

JOY, Katharine, informs us that she sailed across the Atlantic, August – December 1999, and across the Pacific and up to Alaska, March – July 2000.

1997 TRANI, Dr Eugene P., became the fourth President of Virginia Commonwealth University on 1 July 1990. He also holds a tenured appointment as Professor of History.

## Marriages

1962 EVANS, John, gave us belated news of his marriage to Mrs Jennifer Hagger in 1984.

1964 BIERMANN, David Julius, married Susan Kilgour on 1 May 1999 in St Mary's Parish Church, Easington.

TITFORD, John, married Heather Flockton on 1 May 1999 at St Leonard's Parish Church in Shirlard, Derbyshire. Other Johnians in attendance included Bryan COSSEY (1964), David SOMMERLAD (1964) and David ROCK (1964), to whom Mr Titford had been best man.

1970 GREEN, Professor David M.A., married Catherine Mortimore on 24 April 1999.

1978 ANDERSON, Dr Timothy, married Shirley Davies in June 1999.

SAUL, Chris, married Portia Wheaton Smith on 24 October 1998 in Palo Alto, California.

1979 BEHREND, Michael Christopher, married Angela Monks on 24 July 1999.

BUTLIN, Dr Roger John, married Margaret Anne Lister on 18 July 1998.

1982 GUEST, David Stephen Benedict, married Catherine Jane BOULTON (1983) on 9 October 1999 in St John's College Chapel.

HINDIN, Roger Michael, married Barbara Berkowitz on 1 August 1999 at The Arts Club, London, W1.

RICHARDS, Nicola, and Russell James HARRIS (1981), had their marriage blessed on 7 August 1999 in St John's College Chapel, following civil registration.

SURGUY, John Mark Alan, married Charlotte Abigail Hurley on 6 February 1999 in Birmingham. Charlotte is a graduate of Pembroke College, Oxford and is a solicitor.

1985 HILLIER, Dr Stephen James, married Dr Catherine Dunwoody (Postgraduate of St Catharine's College, Cambridge) on 3 September 1998 at St Malachy's Church, Coleraine, Northern Ireland.

WOOD, Dr Virginia Louise, married Mr Cyr Njiké-Tchakouté on 30 August 1997.

1986 APPLETON, Dr Barry, married Ruth Mary Daniels (St Peter's, Oxford, 1986) on 3rd July 1999.

BOYLE, Stuart Paul, married Esther Beattie in Broadway, Cotswolds on 10 July 1999.

COLLINSON, Mark, married Kathryn Trenberth on 20 August 1999 in Cardiff City Hall.

LEACH, Ian F., married Kecia Singh on 4 June 1999 in the chapel of University College, Oxford.

SCHWEITZER, Dr A. Nicola, married Dr Jen-Wei Lin in April 1994 at St Donat's Church, South Wales.

TURNBULL, James Henry Middleton, married V.A. Garnett on 27 May 2000 in St John's College Chapel.

1988 DUNNETT, Patricia Lorna, married James Richard Michael Toole on 10 October 1998 in London.

FAULKNER, Gillian, married James Fernandes (St Catharine's 1991) in October 1999.

STAFFORD, Alison, married Andrew Powell (Trinity Hall) on 5th September 1998.

1989 FOSTER, John Stewart, married Manolita Sara Clements on 25 July 1998 at the Church of St John the Baptist, Hagley, Worcs.

1990 WALTON, Jamie, married Helene Godfrey on 8 August 1998.

1991 MAYR-HARTING, Ursula, married Robin Alasdair Rutley Weekes (Peterhouse 1991) on 26 June 1999 in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford.

1992 BANGERT, Dirk, married J.C. Hardiman on 3 June 2000 in St John's College Chapel.

BROMBY, Rachel, married Stephen Graham Landers on Sunday 5 September, 1999 at St Catherine's, Barmby Moor, near York.

GREENWOOD, Caroline, is due to marry Tom DOWER (1990) on 30 September 2000 at Syon House, Brentford.

1993 ARENDS, William Gerrit, married Miss L.H. McAvoy on 14 August 1999 in St John's College Chapel, not 14 August 1998 as incorrectly reported in the last edition of the *Eagle*.

1994 HODGKINSON, Susie, married Simon LACEY (1989) on 3 June 2000 in St John's College Chapel.

1995 DENNING, Louisa, married Matthew Turner on 14 August 1999 at St Thomas' Church, Walton-on-the-Hill, Stafford. Her husband is a recent graduate in German Studies from the University of Birmingham and she is now known as Mrs Louisa Denning.

GOODMAN, Robert, married Erica Eve Vorsay on 26 April 1998 in Sydney.

WUNDERER, Christoph, and Elena RETFALVI (1996) had their marriage blessed on 1 April 2000 in St John's College.

1996 MÜLLER, Anne, is due to marry Mr Olivier Delouis, on 26 August 2000 in Trinity College Chapel.

## Deaths

- 1918 ADENEY, Noel Frederick, FRCS, son of Frederick Field Adeney (1884), died on 9 July 1999 in Bournemouth aged 101. His son Robin writes: He was born in Egypt to missionary parents and subsequently educated at Monkton Combe. Commissioned into the Royal Field Artillery, he saw action on the Somme and Passchendaele, receiving a Mention in Despatches. His war experiences prompted Medical Sciences instead of Classics and led him eventually, via St Mary's Hospital, London, to practice in Poole. After Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons in 1928, he increasingly specialised in thoracic surgery. He was noted for brilliant diagnoses and great bravery. Away from work, he had many interests of which his passion for sailing and fast cars must rate among the most important. Before and after World War II, he owned a number of large ocean-going yachts, which were enthusiastically raced with conspicuous success. He was a regular *Fastnet* and *Santander* competitor. For a while, he would start his day by jogging followed by a cold bath and at 50, when most men are looking for more tranquil pastimes, took up skiing and made his first descent of the Cresta Run aged 60. He and his wife Bettie retired to their farm at Horton in 1964 and he became Secretary to the Bournemouth Joint Churches Hostel for Homeless Men. All his life he was a devout Christian, which undoubtedly sustained him through nearly ten years of increasing infirmity in a nursing home. On his last outing in March 1999, he received the *Legion d'Honneur* from the French Government.
- 1924 CARTER, Sir Derrick, TD, former Chairman of Remploy Ltd died on 8 December 1997. During the Second World War, he was a Major in the RA, Dept Tank Design and he commanded the armament wing of DTD, Lulworth from 1942-45. After a period as a civil engineer in Canada, Sir Derrick joined ICI in 1928, retiring as Chairman of the Mond Division in 1967.
- 1925 BAINES, The Revd Canon Roger Holford, son of Albert Baines (1890), brother of Guy Harrison Baines (1928) and father of Stephen Christopher Baines (1964), died on 18 June 1999. His son

Stephen writes: After school at Charterhouse, Roger went up to John's in 1924 to read History. At College he took up rowing rather by chance, but soon became a very enthusiastic member of the Lady Margaret Boat Club; in 1928-9 he was its captain. In addition to rowing, Roger contributed to the *Eagle*, and was involved with the Student Christian Movement.

Roger claimed that when deciding on a career he looked to see what the country needed, and he decided that post-war Britain was in dire need of hotel managers and clergymen. In the event he decided that his vocation lay in churches rather than hotels, and he changed from History to Theology for the second part of the Tripos.

Roger was ordained to a curacy at Chilvers Coton, near Rugby. From 1935-39 he went to Uganda with CMS. It was while he was there that he met Geraldine Fisher, whom he married in 1940, by which time he was curate in charge at Gipton, Leeds. He later became vicar of Beeston, also in Leeds, combining his wartime pastoral ministry with being a Special Constable. In 1947 he moved to Harrogate as vicar of St Peter's Church, later becoming Rural Dean of Knaresborough and Honorary Canon of Ripon. In 1966 he retired from St Peter's, and moved to Ludlow. Over the course of three decades he served 33 churches in the Herefordshire Diocese, places with delightful names such as Neen Sollars, Hopton Wafers, Pipe Aston and Hope Bagot. He retired from the ministry in 1997, preaching his last sermon within a few days of his 90th birthday. He remained a keen reader and deep thinker, and by the time he had reached his 80s had become a radical and liberal theologian. He remained active physically as well as mentally, regularly working in his garden and his workshop. In the last weeks before his death he was mastering word-processing. He leaves his wife Geraldine and three sons.

During his life a benefactor to LMBC, he has left to the College a beautiful *art nouveau* sick communion set, which is to be loaned to Johnian clergy for the duration of their ministries.



CHAMBERLAIN, James Russell, LLB, died on 7th May 2000. He attended Northampton Grammar School and was elected to an Exhibition to St John's, to read Law. After coming down from Cambridge, he was admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court on 12 October 1931 and subsequently completed more than 60 years in practice as a solicitor in Wellingborough. Russell Chamberlain had a distinguished War record ending up as an Acting Group Captain in charge of bomb disposal in respect of all RAF Airfields in England and Wales. He was a former President of the Northamptonshire Law Society as was his father and later his son; President of Wellingborough Rotary Club, Commodore and later President of the MNCC, and President of Wellingborough Rugby Club. He was taken ill shortly after Easter when staying with his elder daughter in Kent and died peacefully in his sleep aged 93. He is survived by his wife, Kitty, three children, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

1926 FUCHS, Sir Vivian Ernest, Kt, ScD FRS, father of Peter Fuchs (1959), Honorary Fellow of St John's College and Wolfson College, polar explorer and formerly Director of the British Antarctic Survey, died on Thursday 11 November 1999, aged 91 years. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 78-83).

1927 ALCOCK, Dr Robert Saxelby, PhD ISO, died on 27th January 2000, aged 92 years; father of Robert N. Alcock (1956) and Isabel Clarke. His son writes: The son of a Lancashire headmaster, he was the first of his family to attend university. In studying Natural Sciences, he was fired with enthusiasm for fundamental questions. In his PhD thesis he tackled the then unfashionable topic of synthesis of proteins, as a way into exploring the foundations of life. He was perhaps before his time in this, and his life took a different course. While in Vienna on a travelling fellowship he met, and later, in 1934, married his wife Ludovika (known as Lucy); a marriage that was to last 65 years until her death in May 1999. In 1934 he embarked on a career in the civil service - first scientific, then administrative. His contribution was

recognised with an Imperial Service Order on his retirement in 1967. In retirement he returned to science, assisting in a biochemical laboratory and in research projects at the North East Surrey College of Technology. He is remembered as a devoted family man, with high principles, a keen sense of humour, and a fund of mechanical inventiveness.

ROBINSON, Gerald Barcroft, MB, ChB, uncle of Derek Fayle Robinson (1952), died on 22 December 1999. His son informs us that: he was educated at St Peter's School, York, where he succeeded academically, excelled at sport and was Head of School in 1926. He captained the school rugby team for three years during which time they remained unbeaten. After graduating he studied Medicine at Leeds University, qualifying in 1937, and then joined his father's practice in Knaresborough. From 1941-1945, he served in the Army Medical Corps, ending his military service at the rank of Major. During this time he was appointed Surgeon to HE the Commander in Chief in India, General Auchinleck. In civilian life, he returned to general practice in Knaresborough, where he worked until his retirement in 1973. He travelled extensively following retirement, and pursued his lifelong interests in wildlife and wild places, and, in particular ornithology. He continued to lead a full, active and independent life as one half of a team of over sixty years standing. With his wife, Joy, he celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary in August 1999. He is survived by Joy, three sons and seven grandchildren.

1928 COGGAN, Frederick Donald, The Rt. Rev. and Rt. Hon. Lord, D.D., Honorary Fellow of St John's College, Archbishop of York 1961-74, Archbishop of Canterbury 1974-80, died on Wednesday 17 May 2000, aged 90 years. A full obituary will be published in next year's *Eagle*.

MAGSON, The Reverend Thomas Symmons, died on 1 August 1999 aged 90. His career echoed that of his father, Dr E.H. Magson - both were devout Methodists who became Anglican priests in

later life, both staunch educationalists all their lives. After graduating from St John's, Tom Magson became a tutor at Westminster Teacher Training College and while in London he met his wife Rita. They celebrated their Diamond Wedding in 1998 with their large family of children and grandchildren. From 1945 Tom taught Science at Callington Grammar School in Cornwall until appointed in 1949 Headmaster to the new Swindon grammar school, Headlands. A headmaster of the "old school", he was delighted in his last years to be invited to school reunions where many former pupils, now middle aged, told him how much they had appreciated his firm and fair regard for them. After retiring in 1974 he followed his father's footsteps in taking Holy Orders and held the post of honorary curate at St Michael's in Highworth for 21 years.

1929 CASSON, Sir Hugh Maxwell, CH KCVO, Honorary Fellow of St John's College, architect and formerly President of the Royal Academy, died on Monday 16 August 1999, aged 89 years. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 66-69).

HARBOUR, Harold Ernest, died on 19 February 2000. After graduating, a Colonial Scholarship took him to the Royal Dick Veterinary College, Edinburgh, where he met his future wife Mary. In 1936, the Colonial Veterinary Service posted him to Singida, Tanganyika. Mary followed him and they were married the day she arrived in Dar es Salaam. Many safaris later, in 1939, he joined the Veterinary Investigation Service, an essential wartime service, which he combined with Home Guard duties, having been in the Territorial Army for some years. He was Veterinary Investigation Officer at Bangor, then for the East of Scotland. In 1946 he formed a veterinary advisory service to the research department of Cooper, McDougal and Robertson in Berkhamsted. A prolific development of revolutionary drugs for man and animals ensued, Berkhamsted becoming a world centre for animal parasitic research. The Wellcome Foundation became interested in the development, initiated by Harold, of a vaccine against foot and mouth disease, by the Fraenkel method using

tissue culture of bovine tongue epithelium. Cooper's was taken over by Wellcome in 1959 and Harold was Director of Veterinary Research when he retired in 1975. He was editor of *Research in Veterinary Science* and a founder member of the Veterinary Research Club. Outside work his main interest was always his family, with 6 children, 22 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren, and also music and theatre. He was proud to receive his MA when son Peter (1957) was an undergraduate and to exercise his dining rights with Peter when granddaughter Claire (1983) was in residence.

PATERSON, Alan, died on 4 July 1999, aged 87 years. After taking his LL.B. degree, Mr Paterson practised as a solicitor in London, but he gave up the law in 1935 and spent time in the former Soviet Union and Canada. In 1963, he became a partner in the firm of Birnberg and Paterson, London. He also provided the legal expertise to the National Council for Civil Liberties (now Liberty) during its crucial period of growth in the 1960s. He was also a founder, trustee and administrator of the Cobden Trust, the NCCL's sister charity and in 1970, wrote one of Cobden's early publications *Legal Aid as a social service*. In the 1970s he became Company Secretary to War On Want. He is survived by his four children.

VENOSTA, Dr Guido, died on 4 February 1998. Guido Venosta, who was born in Milan in 1911 and graduated in Economics from Cambridge University, and in Law from Pavia University. He was the man who, in 1965, at the end of a long career as a high-level manager of Pirelli, took the reins of the Italian Association for Cancer Research (AIRC) as soon as it had been set up under the Presidency of Camilla Falck, to give it a structure and an organisation.

Under his guidance and presidency from 1967, the nucleus of a few friends in those initial years became in 30 years an organisation of 1,700,000 members, while the financial support of research developed from humble beginnings to more than 60

billion lire annually, accounting for around 50% of the entire Italian investment in oncological research projects.

In 1979, Guido Venosta promoted in parallel the setting up of the Italian Foundation for Cancer Research (FIRC), an organisation with the aim of building up a fund to guarantee the future of the research. This fund is already worth more than 100 billion lire.

Among his most important achievements, which came about as a result of his perceptions and his ability to cement the solidarity of the most diverse sectors of the social state, was the creation of a network of Comitati Regionali (Regional Committees), the institution of the Unita di Ricerca FIRC (Units of Research), the funding of the first Chair of Oncological Medicine at the Università degli Studi in Milan and the Biennial Prize for new treatments which is today named after him. Guido Venosta gave up the presidency of the AIRC in 1994 and of the FIRC in 1996, becoming Honorary President of both until his death on 4 February 1998.

He had a bright and charismatic personality and was deeply tied to strict principles of both a humanist and liberal ethic. He acted through a personal sense of duty and with the clear selflessness of a just man. His ideas, the disarming simplicity of his approach and his work for the common good, together with his clarity of thought and his liking for civility as the rule of life, are recounted in the book *From Profit to Non-profit*, edited in 1997 by Vanni Scheiwiller.

1930 DUNLOP, Sir Thomas Bt Ost], brother of William Beckett Dunlop (1933) and cousin of T.D. Bruce Jones (1938), died on 18 August 1999, aged 87. His son Sir Thomas Dunlop writes: Prior to the Second World War, Sir Thomas qualified as a Chartered Accountant through McClelland Ker & Co and was assumed in 1938 as a partner in Thomas Dunlop and sons, Shipowners and Insurance Brokers in Glasgow, founded in 1951. During the war he served as a Major in the Royal Signals before returning to the family firm. He soon became immersed in the life of Glasgow and one of his appointments was to the Executive Committee of

Erskine Hospital, which was to be his longest, serving 50 years. During the difficult 1950s, which saw the demise of so many of Glasgow's smaller shipping companies, including those managed by the Dunlops, he served as a director of Glasgow & Clyde Shipowners Association, as Vice President of the Royal Alfred Seafarers Society and as honorary agent of the Shipwrecked Mariner's Society. He was also Chairman of the Underwriter's Association of Glasgow. Other appointments include Chairman of the Trustee Savings Bank of Glasgow in the 1960s and a director of the Merchant's House for 10 years and their representative on the Hutcheson's Educational Trust for more than 20 years. His leisure pursuits included sailing, being a life member of the Royal Clyde Yacht Club, and riding, holding the position of district commissioner of the Lanark and Renfrew branch of the Pony Club for nearly 20 years. His wife, son, daughter and four grandchildren survive him.

PAYNE, George Peter Morgan, died in Guernsey on 18 November 1999. After graduating Mr Payne worked in the family business Payne Bros Department Stores in Durban, Cape Town, Port Elizabeth and East London in South Africa, before taking over as Managing Director. During the war he saw service in the South African Navy. After the war a new store was developed in Durban but political uncertainty led to the sale of the business in 1954. Mr Payne moved with a young family to the West Coast of Canada where he undertook a career in property development. In 1965 he returned to Europe setting up home in Guernsey where a number of property developments were undertaken. Mr Payne worked for many years for the British and Foreign Bible society and for a time served as National Treasurer. His Cambridge degree was put to good use in Guernsey serving for a number of years on the States of Guernsey Ancient Monument Committee. He was predeceased by his wife Barbara in 1992 and is survived by his son John and a grandson and granddaughter.

1931 DEHN, Major Stanley Gustav, T D, died on 5 August 1999. His son Edmund (Christ's 1970) writes: He suffered from Alzheimers

Disease for the last 18 months of his life. Educated at Malvern College, he took an Engineering degree and rowed for Lady Margaret. He supported them all his life and, less than 2 months before he died, he was looking out for them from the window of his nursing home on the river at Henley! He worked as a patent agent and became Senior Partner of Frank B. Dehn & Co. in London. He worked in Berlin for 6 months in 1936 for a German patent firm and spoke such good German that he was taken for a Berliner by a Berlin policeman – and nearly arrested in consequence! He had joined the T.A and fought throughout WWII in the XIX London Regiment. He was entitled to be addressed as Major Dehn, but never insisted on it. In retirement, he lived in a thatched cottage in Wiltshire with a lovely garden; he loved his 'Times' Crossword, his gardening and his wine, not necessarily in that order! His wife, Avril, died in 1988. He is survived by two sons, Edmund and Stephen.

HOARE, Henry George Wishart, FRCS, former Consulting Ophthalmic Surgeon with the Gwent Area Health Authority, died on 29 July 1999.

- 1932 SALTER, Lionel Paul Sydney, who was born on 8 September 1914, and who died on 1 March 2000, came up to St John's in 1932 to read Modern and Medieval Languages. His first love, however, was always music and, whilst in Cambridge, he became a pupil of E.J. Dent, and received harpsichord lessons from Boris Ord, piano lessons from James Ching and organ lessons from Arnold Goldsborough. But this formidable array of teachers by no means satisfied him and he subsequently studied orchestration with Gordon Jacob and conducting with Malcolm Sargent. He spent much of World War II as an Intelligence Officer and, having been posted to Algiers in 1943, found time to combine his army work with acting as Chief Guest Conductor of the Radio France Symphony Orchestra, then in exile. After being invalided out of the Army he was appointed Assistant Conductor of the BBC Theatre Orchestra, and he combined this with freelance work as pianist and accompanist – a highlight was his accompanying the

world-famous 'cellist, Pablo Casals, at the Prades Festival. He was, by this time, a brilliant all-round musician and served the BBC as Artists' Manager, Head of Overseas Music, and Head of TV Music. Salter will perhaps best be remembered, though, for his extensive and influential writings. He wrote three best-sellers – *Going to a Concert*, *Going to the Opera* and *The Young Musician and his World*, as well as countless articles in encyclopaedias and journals. He translated the libretti of 126 operas and arranged performing editions of early operas and other instrumental works. Such a plethora of musical gifts is given to few people, and it is certainly worthy of note that Lionel Salter was a descendant of the composer Solomon Sulzer, friend of Beethoven and of Schubert. (George Guest)

YOUNG, Kenneth Gibson, lawyer, died at Auchterarder on 6 February 2000. After graduating he read Law at Edinburgh University (1935-38) and was apprenticed to Todds Murray WS in Edinburgh. He qualified as a notary public in 1939 and was admitted to the Writers to the Signet that same year. He served in the Royal Artillery from 1939-45 in 71 Heavy AA Regiment and 108 Heavy AA Regiment. Having been seriously injured in 1943 he spent over a year in hospital and was demobilised as a Captain in 1945. He became the senior partner in the family law firm of Young & Kennaway WS in Auchterarder in 1945, and practised there until his retirement in 1984. He was for over 25 years Burgh Chamberlain and latterly also Town Clerk of the Royal Burgh of Auchterarder until the reorganisation of local government in 1975. He was an elder of the Church of Scotland for over 30 years, and had a strong interest in local history, being the founder of the Auchterarder History Association. He is survived by his wife Veronica, his sons David, John and William and four grandchildren.

- 1933 CLOSE, Professor Hubert Michael, OBE MC, (BA 1936, MA 1945) died in Peshawar on 18 October 1999. His MS diary of his student years is deposited in the University Library. He got a First in Part II English, but an unexpected offer led to him sailing to India in

1937 to teach at St Stephen's College, Delhi. When war came he volunteered, and was commissioned in the Indian army. He fought in the Middle East under Wavell and then commanded in the Dodecanese a company of Pathans. Just what he got his MC for one cannot quite discover from his book *A Pathan Company*, but it had to do with supporting his men in a tight spot. He loved his Pathan soldiers, and when the war ended he took a job teaching English at Islamia College, Peshawar, where he experienced the – to him tragic – partition of India, and where he lived and taught during a long career. Close had great and beneficent influence on two generations of Pathans. As well as his teaching, and the writing of some sensitive literary studies, he engaged in many activities of social conscience (he and Johnian undergraduate friends had done summer work-camps with the unemployed in the 1930s): he was involved in starting up a blood-bank, arranging medical treatment for those who could not afford it, paying for children's schooling.

In semi-retirement Close moved to Edwardes College and began to edit manuscripts of his written soon after the war. *A Pathan Company* brings out the bonds of loyalty and affection that united the English CO to his soldiers from the Frontier. *Attlee, Wavell, Mountbatten and the Transfer of Power* is a cogent defence of the policies of his hero, Wavell. And a third book, *An Essay on Wavell*, has come out, which he sadly did not live to see in print. When his health finally failed he was lovingly cared for by his adoptive son, Sahar Gul. Close had an OBE on the Indian list and was awarded the Star of Pakistan, but he was an avoider rather than a seeker of applause. He loved his visits to his College in the long vac., and all of us missed him when he could make the journey no more. There is a moving tribute to him in the Pakistan *Frontier Post*. He was a convinced Christian, whose faith motivated all he did. *Justorum animae in manu Dei sunt*. (Based on a submission by Dr E Glennie of Christ's and with comments by Mr O M Close. John Crook.)

JACKSON, Dr Frederic Sinclair, MB, BChir FRCP, retired cardiologist, died in September 1999. Dr John Cosh, (1933), who

married Fred's sister Kate in 1940 writes: Born in Yorkshire, he was related through his mother's family to two other members of the College – to the late Reverend John Preston (1932), a first cousin, and to Professor Sir Fred Hoyle (1938), a second cousin. At St John's, Fred read Maths and Economics, intending to follow his father's profession in banking, but he subsequently changed to Medicine, studying at the London Hospital, qualifying in 1942. He joined the RAF and served as Medical Officer to 17 Squadron in India and Burma. After the war he returned to the London Hospital, specialised in cardiology and was appointed Consultant Cardiologist at the Newcastle General Hospital in 1951. Here his expertise in cardiac investigation and diagnosis was a major contribution to the development of cardiac surgery in the Northeast region. He was highly regarded as a cardiologist and in due course became Head of the Cardiac Department at the NGH. Fred was a kind and generous man, with an unorthodox and adventurous streak. He was an experienced mountaineer and a member of the Alpine Club, having climbed in Europe, North and South America and in the Himalayas. He was a member of the team, which in 1959 attempted the ascent of Ama Dablam, near Everest. On this occasion he made a valuable study of the effect of high altitudes on the heart. He later visited Bhutan as Cardiologist to the king, returning there subsequently a number of times. In 1951 he married Joan Temperley of Newcastle, who was a loving and supportive wife, accompanying him often on his travels, including Bhutan. After her death in 1990, Fred went to live with his daughter Helen in Zimbabwe, where he died aged 85. His other daughter Anthea is a doctor practising in Newcastle.

1934 CRIPPS, Sir Cyril Humphrey, LLD FRSC, father of Edward James Spencer Cripps (1971) and Honorary Fellow of St John's College died on 14 April 2000. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 69–77).

DIGGLE, James, TD, brother of William Mellalieu Diggle (1929), died on the 10th August 1999. His daughter writes: Jimmy, as he



was generally and affectionately known, was a gentleman, courteous, generous and straightforward, not least he was an excellent raconteur. He was born in Heywood, brought up in Hale Barns moving to Prestbury in 1945. He had read Law at St John's and during the war had served as a Major in the Royal Army Service Corps. After the war he started his career as a Stockbroker in Manchester where he worked for 40 years becoming a Senior Partner with a membership of the Stock Exchange for about 50 years. He was a member of the Royal British Legion of which he played a key role for many years, and a member of St George's Masonic Lodge where he became Worshipful Master. He took a great interest in the local community and was a Sidesman, Warden and Treasurer over some years of St Peter's Church in Prestbury. He is survived by his beloved wife, Margaret, whom he married in 1938, and his children Julia, Lorna, Richard and Peter, and 9 grandchildren.

PRIESTLEY, Professor Charles Henry Brian, AO FAA FRS, (Bill) died on 18 May 1998. His widow writes: Bill joined the Meteorological Office in 1939 to study turbulent diffusion in the lower atmosphere, but early in the Second World War he was transferred to Canada to carry out pioneering work on spreading of heavy gases. On returning to England in 1943, he was transferred to the upper-air forecasting unit to support the bombing offensive against Germany. In 1946 he was appointed to Australia's Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, to lead a research group in atmospheric sciences, which in less than two decades became one of the leading atmospheric research teams in the world. Professor Priestley was elected a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science in 1955, a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1966, and was awarded the Order of Australia in 1976. After retiring as chief of the CSIRO division of meteorological physics in 1972, he became chairman of the CSIRO environmental physics research laboratories from 1973 to 1977 and then part-time Professor in the Department of Mathematics at Monash University. After Monash he became Chairman of the La Trobe Valley Airshed Study, which lasted for 10 years and became one

of the biggest such research projects in the world. Professor Priestley died peacefully in his sleep after several years of ill health and he is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son.

1935 KUIPERS, Professor John Dennis, former Vice-President, Federation of Netherlands Industry and sometime President of the Economic and Social Committee of the European Communities, died on 21 September 1999. He was Visiting Professor at the Strathclyde Business School in the early 1970s. Professor Kuipers received many awards including an Honorary doctorate of Laws from the University of Strathclyde, a Commander in the order of Leopold II (Belgium) and Commander in the order of Merit (Italy).

THORNE, The Revd Clifford Graham, formerly Honorary Curate Ponteland, Hayton and Cumwitton, Cumbria, died in September 1999 aged 83 years.

WATT, Professor Ian Pierre, died on 13 December 1999. Jack Goody writes: Ian Watt was born of a Scottish father from Stirling, who taught French and met his wife from Poitiers when studying there. Coming up in 1935, Watt studied at St John's under Hugh Sykes Davies. He became a PhD student in 1938 and spent the first part of 1939 at the Sorbonne. He returned at the outbreak of war to join the Suffolk Regiment, when he was sent to defend Singapore. When the Japanese attacked in 1942 he was wounded, and spent the next three years as a prisoner working on the construction of the Thai-Burma railroad.

When he returned to Cambridge after the war to continue his postgraduate studies, Watt was working on what eventually became *The Rise of the Novel* (1957) which has remained, as a recent publication devoted to his work declares, 'a foundation text' after nearly half a century. Ian Watt wrote two other major works, including the first volume of a study of Joseph Conrad, *Conrad in the Nineteenth Century* (1980). A further collection of Watt's essays on Conrad is due to appear this year from Cambridge University Press. The third of Watt's major works,

*Myths of Modern Individualism: Faust, Don Quixote, Don Juan, Robinson Crusoe*, was published by CUP in 1996.

Apart from his literary work, Watt wrote several insightful, well-crafted essays on his experiences on the River Kwai in Burma and the way these contrasted with the film 'Bridge Over the River Kwai'. The accounts of prison life are among the most vivid I know, and the story itself is remarkable proof of the resilience of the human spirit and of the persistence of literary and academic interests even when the opportunity for reading has virtually vanished.

A Commonwealth Fellowship took him to UCLA in 1946 and to Harvard in 1947. Returning to Cambridge, he was elected to a Research Fellowship at St John's (1947-1952). He taught English at Stanford for ten years from 1952, and then returned, at the invitation of the Vice-Chancellor (Frank Thistlethwaite), to become the first Professor of English at the University of East Anglia. He stayed only two years before returning to the Department of English at Stanford where he remained. He was a successful chairman of the Department in difficult times and was the first Director of the Stanford Humanities Center in 1980. He and his wife Ruth continued to live there after his retirement, making annual visits to Cambridge and the continent, until his death on 13 December 1999.

1936 GENDERS, Antony Clive, died on 21 September 1999. His widow informs us that he was a shy bibliophile who loved cricket. Mr Genders established and taught at Berowne School, Stratford-upon-Avon, before retiring to a quiet village in Warwickshire, where he continued to teach part-time.

GREIG, Murray Thomson, FRCS FRACS, died on 19 March 2000. Formerly a surgeon at Waikato Hospital, Hamilton, New Zealand, until his retirement in 1973.

1937 ARGYLE, Robert Murray, son of Frank Wilkinson Argyle (1900), brother of Douglas Causer Argyle (1936) and Geoffrey Vaughan

Argyle (1947), died on 5 February 2000. While at St John's, Mr Argyle captained the C.U. Hockey XI and was President of the Hawks Club. After serving on *HMS Hood* during W.W.II, Mr Argyle taught Biology at Bradfield College, Berkshire from 1947 until his retirement in 1984. He became a Housemaster in 1948, serving until 1970. He was an excellent sportsman, representing England at hockey in 1948 and ran Bradfield College hockey team for many years. Upon his retirement Mr Argyle continued to live in the area and provided support to the school.

GRANGER-TAYLOR, Jerry, ARIBA, died on 27 July 1999 in London, aged 81 years. Son of Godfrey Taylor (1904) and brother of Oliver Taylor (1934). After attending Radley College and the Slade School of Art (1934-1937), he came to St John's to read Architecture. He served with the Royal Engineers during the Second World War, and in 1946 he was in Westphalia with the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Branch of the Control Commission for Germany. He returned to England and worked for many years with various architectural practices, until in 1969 he joined the Department of the Environment, from which he retired in 1982. He was married twice: to Barbara Brunskill Reid (1940 – two daughters, Claudia and Hero) and then to Jacqueline Roger (1960 – two sons, Peter and Nicolas).

SPOONCER, Dr Ronald Clifford, formerly Director of the Organics Division of ICI from 1964-78 and Professor Associate of Brunel University, died on 8 January 2000. Dr Spooncer, the author of more than 40 publications was awarded a PhD by Manchester University in 1983.

1938 MOXON, Roland James, OBE, died in Ghana on 24 August 1999. His nephew the Reverend Peter Hobson (1971) writes: Jimmy was born the second son of Thomas Allen Moxon, himself a Johnian, (1896) and clergyman/scholar. A reluctant scholar, Jimmy was an enthusiastic rugby player and bon viveur and he and fellow Johnians formed a drinking club, the Beachcombers, which survived almost to his death. With the outbreak of war England

called her sons into service: in Jimmy's case this turned out to be the Colonial Service where, much to his parents' dismay, in 1941 he was posted to 'the white man's grave' of West Africa. His father died two years later, not knowing that his words, if not his fears, were to be prophetic: indeed Jimmy's grave is now in Ghana – some 58 years after first sailing from Liverpool docks! He served through the final years of colonialism in the Gold Coast, where amongst other posts held he was the first mayor of Accra. His instincts for the good life, alongside an essentially person-centred approach to his duties, endeared him to many of the local leaders, and so it was that following the struggle for independence he was invited by Nkrumah, the first President of Ghana, in 1957, to join the new administration, in charge of the Ministry of Communications. He survived the fall of Nkrumah, and took to business, running variously restaurants and a publishing company. In 1962 he was invited by one of his former contacts to take up the role of a minor district chief in the Aburi district where he had settled; this was subsequently gazetted by the government and as Nana Kofi Obonyaa, Jimmy became the only officially recognised white chief in west Africa. As he also retained his links with the family home near Ludlow, he became something of a celebrity, and was the subject of various articles and a TV film about *Gentleman Jimmy* – the man with two lives! Jimmy never married but his interest in family history led to the founding of the Moxon Society, which continues strongly today. Illness dogged his later years, and visits to England included seeking health care, but strong as his English roots were, he would have wanted to die as he did, where he lived so much of his life, in Ghana. His funeral at Aburi was a magnificent occasion, combining traditional ceremonial with state speeches and a Christian burial service. The attendance included two government ministers, a plethora of traditional chiefs, two choirs and a police band, one bishop, and four other clergy (including the present writer). The headline in the 'Ghana Times' the next day read 'Riot at Chief's Funeral' – and so it was, in every sense of the word. One of the last Sons of the Empire who was also an

adopted Son of Ghana, he lies buried underneath the Onyaa tree close to his home in Aburi.

1939 HORNE, Professor Michael Rex, OBE FRS FEng, father of Dr John Gregory Horne (1970), Fellow of St John's College, 1957-60, died on 6 January 2000 aged 78 years. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 83–85).

1940 HOBDEN, David Henry William, died in Geneva in September 1999.

RATIU, Dr Ion Augustin Nicolae, LLB, MA, PhD, father of Indrei Ratiu (1964), died on 16 January 2000. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 94–97).

1941 FIELD, Derek Harold, DL, former Deputy Lieutenant of Staffordshire, died on 30 July 1999. During the War, Mr Field served in the REME, being commissioned in early 1944, and after serving three years in Palestine, he was mentioned in Despatches. In 1947, he was appointed Design Engineer at Dorman Long and Co., until 1953, when he joined Shelton Iron and Steel Co. Ltd, becoming their General Manager in 1968. After his early retirement in 1978 Mr Field became Director of the North Staffs Chamber of Commerce and between 1989 and 1990 he held the office of High Sheriff of Staffordshire.

HAGGARD, Michael Verner, died suddenly in his sleep at his home near Perth, Western Australia on 8 April, 2000. His widow writes: After service in the King's Royal Rifle Corps and graduation, he worked for a time as Assistant Advertising Manager to Moss Bros. of Covent Garden. He resigned in October 1945, to become assistant to the Director of Information at the Empire Industries Association & British Empire League, Whitehall. Shortly afterwards he was appointed Organising Secretary, a position where he developed an abiding interest in government, Commonwealth and international affairs. In 1956, he left for Africa where he served for many years with Shell & BP Marketing Services, in Cape Town and Johannesburg, but mainly

in what was then Southern Rhodesia. Since leaving Africa, he lived in Western Australia, where he is survived by his wife, Nancie, sons Andrew and Ian, and three grandchildren.

1942 BRISTOW, George, MBE, formerly a Colonial Officer in the New Hebrides and Christmas Island, died on 20 September 1999.

1944 CADBURY, Charles Lloyd, JP, son of Paul Strangman Cadbury (1914) died peacefully at home on 16 January 2000. During the War, Mr Cadbury was a conscientious objector with The Friends Ambulance unit, mostly in China. He was employed by Cadbury Brothers from 1950 to 1970, before becoming owner of Wayfarers Foods in Redditch. He then became involved with various Housing Associations and was appointed Director of the South East Lancs Association in 1980.

HALL-CRAGGS, Dr Ernest Christopher Bernard, son of Ernest Wade Foxton Craggs (1919), grandson of Ernest Hall Craggs (1881), grandnephew of George Craggs (1902), nephew of Richard Berthold Trenchmann Craggs (1922), and cousin of John Francis Hall-Craggs (1953), died on 2 June 2000. He came up from Charterhouse and while at St John's College, he rowed for LMBC in the first May boat of 1946. After graduating in Medicine in 1949, Dr Hall-Craggs was appointed as a Junior Surgical Specialist with the Royal Army Medical Corps in Malaya from 1952-54. His career then took him to East Africa, where in 1955, he entered the Colonial Service as a Medical Officer in Uganda and for four years from 1959 he was Lecturer in Anatomy at Makerere University College. On returning to England in 1963, he spent the next twelve years at University College, London, initially as a Lecturer (gaining his PhD in 1965), then Senior Lecturer and finally University Reader in Anatomy. In 1975 he was appointed Professor and Head of the Division of Gross Anatomy at the University of Maryland School of Medicine, a post he held until 1986. Retiring and returning to England he became part-time Demonstrator and Consultant in Anatomy at Oxford University from 1988-98. His book *Anatomy as a basis of Human Anatomy* remains in print.

NEWMAN, Professor Barry George, FRSC FRAeS, died on 6 March 2000 in Montreal, Canada. His widow writes: He was born in Manchester and attended Manchester Grammar School, from which he won a scholarship to St John's College. After an undergraduate degree in Engineering, he obtained a PhD from the University of Sydney, Australia. The subject of his research was the separation of turbulent boundary layers. Initially a lecturer at Cambridge, he joined the Department of Mechanical Engineering at McGill University in 1959 as Canadair Professor of Aerodynamics, where he spent 40 happy and productive years. A prolific researcher with varied and eclectic research interests ranging from boomerangs to dragon-fly wings, his most important contributions were probably in the area of jets, wakes and wall-jets; the results obtained still serve as the standard. A dedicated and enthusiastic teacher and researcher, he supervised 25 graduate students at McGill, many of whom have gone on to establish themselves as leaders in both academia and industry. He is survived by his wife, Joan, one son, two daughters and four grandsons.

O'CONNELL, Peter, died on 5 September 1998. David Foley, Principal, School of English Studies, Folkestone writes: He was the founder and chairman of the School of English Studies Folkestone, one of Britain's most successful English as a Foreign Language schools. He taught history at Groton School in Boston, from 1951-55 then returned to England to St Paul's School, London. Mr O'Connell began the summer-only English Vacation School in 1957 and in 1960, his school evolved into the year-round School of English Studies in Folkestone. In 1964, he launched the Keyman Executive Course, the first specialised business-English programme in the UK. He actively supported the formation of ARELS, the professional association for EFL schools; later becoming its first Chairman. In the mid 1970s, following a visit to the Bulgarian, Georgi Lozanov, who was conducting research into language learning, he launched Britain's first *Suggestopedic* language learning courses. In 1983 he co-founded SEAL, the Society for Effective Affective Learning, which is now

represented in over 40 countries and has become the world's leading network for the exploration of innovative teaching and learning methods. Mr O'Connell retired from the active management of the School of English Studies in 1987 and thereafter divided his time between his home in Switzerland and his research work in Folkestone. He will be remembered by three generations of students throughout the world for the opportunities he gave them. His colleagues at the school will recall his undoubted intellectual powers, his gentlemanly humanity, his unfailing courtesy and an inspirational radicalism that illuminated 41 years at SES.

POTTS, Arthur Reginald, died on 2 June 1999.

1945 COMMON, Donald Keith, died on 11 June 1999 in Penzance, Cornwall, aged 71 years. His widow writes: Donald graduated from St John's College in 1948 with degrees in Mechanical Sciences and Heavy Electrical Engineering. After a full college apprenticeship with Harland Engineering, in Alloa, Donald was employed by Merz and McLellan from 1951-1959. He then joined the Central Electricity Board in the Nuclear Plant Design. In 1960 he was invited to be Chairman of the British Standards Institution Committee to deal with Reactor Pressure Vessels. In 1971 his duties expanded to work on Fast Reactor design codes, becoming in 1976, Quality Assurance Manager in the CEGB Plant Design Branch. During this time he was closely involved with the BSI and the early stages of International and European Pressure vessel standardisation, for which he will probably be remembered by those in the nuclear industry. Following retirement from the CEGB in 1980, Donald worked as an independent consulting engineer concerned with safety related problems in industrial plants, continuing his work with BSI. He moved to Cornwall in 1991, where he is survived by his wife Pat, and their children Alistair, Catherine and Peter and grand-daughter Lucy. Donald will be remembered by all who knew him for his warmth and enthusiasm.

HARRIS-JONES, Frank, died on 22 January 2000 at Llandough Hospital, Cardiff. After graduating Mr Harris-Jones worked in merchant banking in South America. It was not long though before he returned to this country to a post as Secretary of the Appointments Board at Hull University. In 1971 he was appointed Registrar at the University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology. When the Institute was amalgamated with University College Cardiff he took early retirement. Subsequently he was offered a part-time post as Dean of the Students to the new University of Wales Cardiff. Mr Harris-Jones also took the role of public orator at all the formal functions of the University from 1994-1998. As a measure of their respect of a valued colleague the flags on the main buildings of the University were lowered on the day of his funeral.

PARRACK, Colin Arthur, died suddenly on 20 November 1999 following a heart attack. His widow writes: He dedicated his working life to the teaching and examining of Mathematics, including STEP, but had very wide interests. After retiring in 1987 as Head of Mathematics at Newcastle-under-Lyme High School he became an active member of many local and national historical and conservation societies, founding the Leek and District Civic Society. He leaves a widow Joan, son Malcolm and daughter Ruth.

WRIGHT, Dr Edmund, former Head of Overseas Hydrogeology within the British Geological Survey, died in July 1998. Balliol College, Oxford, awarded him a DPhil in 1959, for his mapping work in Sudan and Botswana. His career took a major change of direction in 1963, when he joined the UK Nature Conservancy to work on rainfall/runoff relations in Dartmoor and the Fens. He continued to work after retirement as an independent consultant, and travelled widely. In 1994 he was appointed Visiting Professor of Hydrogeology at University College, London. After 1995 he was connected with Water Resources Associates Ltd and although then beginning to suffer declining health, he continued working until shortly before his death.



1947 ALEXANDER, Arthur Louis Lionel (Alex), son of Aaron Alexander (1909) and brother of Anthony Victor Alexander (1949) died in Inverness, Scotland on 11 August 1999. His daughter, Margaret, writes: Graduation in 1950 was followed by a call to the Bar in 1951 and marriage to Barbara Ramsey Green in 1952. During the early fifties, Lionel obtained his private pilot's licence and became an instructor at Cambridge Gliding Club, where he was an enthusiastic member for over twenty years. His children Susan, Margaret and Janet were born in 1955, 1957 and 1963 respectively. Lionel joined the Inland Revenue in 1957, co-wrote a legal textbook on the *Law of Clubs* and continued his career with the Civil Service until his retirement in 1986. In 1967, Lionel moved from London to Kent where his leisure activities included sailing and model steam engine construction. After moving to the North of Scotland, Lionel was appointed as Chair of a Social Security Appeals Tribunal, a post that he occupied with great commitment until a year before his death. In Scotland, he was able to enjoy with his wife Barbara his lifelong interest in opera, shooting and fishing as well as building full-sized steam engines for the Strathspey Light Railway. He was pre-deceased, in April 1998, by Barbara and is survived by his three daughters and four grandchildren: Benjamin, Jacob, Sita and Talia.

CANNELL, Michael Frederick, brother of Anthony John Cannell (1938), died on 31 March 1999 aged 74 years. He was formerly Head of Alice Hoffman School, London.

DUNSTON, Professor Arthur John, (BA 1949, MA 1953) died on 5 February, 2000. He was a Latinist, concerned especially with the transmission of Latin and the work of the Renaissance Humanists as commentators on Silver Latin, in particular with one of them, Domizio Calderini. John Dunston went to Reading School and Reading University (1939-41 and 1945-47). He came to St John's as an Affiliated Student, and got a First in Part II of the Classical Tripos in 1949. After jobs at University College, London and Reading University he went to Sydney, NSW, and held for a long period the important Chair of Latin at Sydney University. His

distinction was given singular recognition by his being made a *Cavaliere of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Italy*. To the running of Sydney University John also made a devoted personal contribution, being at one time Deputy Vice-Chancellor. He knew in advance that cancer was soon to carry him off, and asked for the St John's College arms to be printed on the order of service when that day should come. He also instructed that a benefaction should eventually accrue to the College for the benefit, especially, of the College library. (John Crook)

HOSIER, Dr John, CBE, Musician and Educator, died on 28 March 2000. Musical Director of the Footlights 1950-51. In 1953 he joined the BBC as Senior Producer of educational programmes first in radio then television. He pioneered television music programmes for schools and in 1962 produced the first Britten opera to be shown on BBC TV. During his twenty years with the BBC he composed music for many radio and television programmes and produced music documentaries for BBC2. In 1973 he became Senior Music Inspector of the Inner London Education Authority, responsible for music policy for the largest concentration of schools and colleges in the country. He was Director of the London Schools Symphony Orchestra and his inspirational leadership attracted some of the UK's leading instrumentalists to teach at the ILEA's Centre for Young Musicians. From 1978-89 he was Principal of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama during which time the institution attained international recognition as one of the world's leading conservatoires with a reputation for innovation. He introduced Britain's first full-time Opera and Jazz courses and forged links with other major European conservatoires. In 1989 he was invited to become Director of the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, unique amongst world conservatoires in spanning both Western and Chinese cultural traditions in all the performing and technical arts. After establishing this as a degree-awarding institution and a major centre for the arts in South East Asia, he retired in 1993. Throughout his career and since his retirement he sat on numerous music panels, competition boards and governing

bodies. He was Deputy Chairman of Kent Opera, a founder-member and Vice-Chairman of the UK Council for Music Education and Training, President of the Incorporated Society of Musicians and Chairman of the performing arts panel of the Higher Education Funding Council. His many publications include *The Instruments of the Orchestra* in collaboration with Yehudi Menuhin. He is survived by his wife, the BBC executive Biddy Baxter.

KITTERMASTER, Dr Arthur Richard, FRCPath, former Consultant Pathologist at the Kent & Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, Kent died on 10 July 1998.

LEACH, Donald Anthony, JP, died in Australia in 1999.

1948 HODGSON, James, CBE, died on 25 May 1999. His widow informs us that after returning as a boy from Argentina he was educated at Exeter School. His military service in the Royal Artillery in India and Germany preceded his time at St John's. He joined the Post Office in 1950 and after a spell in the Cabinet Office, he was appointed, in 1969 as Director of the External Telecommunications Executive, responsible for all the international services. Here he guided the Post Office and later British Telecom through the rapidly expanding fields of cable and satellite communication for fifteen years. He then became Vice-Chairman of British Telecom and received the CBE for his achievements. After retirement he briefly served as Chairman of a Government quango before moving to Bath to pursue his own interests in travel and archaeology.

ROOD, Arthur Bryant, died on 20 April 1999. Pamela Stewart, his life partner, writes: Before going to South Africa Bryant was employed by Morgan Crucible as their as European Representative dealing with Refractory materials. In South Africa he was Sales Manager for Ringsdorff where he developed the Carbon and Graphite business. Later he formed his own company, Allotropic Carbon Products.

1949 ALEXANDER, Anthony Victor (Dicky), CBE, son of Aaron Alexander (1909) and brother of Arthur Louis Lionel Alexander (1947) died on 17 August 1999 after a prolonged illness, which he bore stoically and with good humour. He came up to St John's from Harrow in 1946, read Modern Languages and Law, got a 2.1, played a lot of squash and got a Blue. His chief affection, however, was for his Lea-Francis, which was built in 1929 for racing at Le Mans. He acquired it while still an undergraduate and kept it for the rest of his life. He drove it with skill and panache, often exceeding the speed limit! From Cambridge he went almost straight into the City, to the firm of insurance brokers with which he was to remain associated for all his working days: Sedgwick Collins Ltd., eventually to become Sedgwicks. There he soon developed a specialisation in providing cover for nuclear facilities. Because of the enormous sums involved, this became an important element of the firm's business and Dicky was promoted accordingly. In 1964 he became a director and then Deputy Chairman. He was Chairman of the British Insurance Brokers Association for five years. He was also a member of Lloyds. Later, he became Chairman of the Underwriting Services and Special Services of the Sedgwick Group. On his retirement he became a Director of Securicor and served also as a Director of the Securities and Investments Board, from 1986-1989. He was made a CBE in 1987. Although he worked hard, he enjoyed his leisure. He sailed, fished and enjoyed the manual labour involved in tending a woodland that he acquired in Kent and his garden in Blackheath. He had a passionate affection for Scotland, where his family had a house in Drumnadrochit to which he had gone regularly since his childhood. Eventually he built his own house, also near Drumnadrochit, in a spectacular location overlooking Loch Ness, the hills, the forests and the fields. He was fond of fine things - furniture, silver and good wine and elegant entertainment. He made and retained many loyal friendships. After his retirement he spent much time assisting his wife, H el ene, in the development of her project for The Fan Museum at Greenwich. It is situated in two fine terrace Georgian houses - a

tribute to their taste, knowledge and commitment. A delightful portrait of him and Hélène by June Mendoza hangs on a wall at the Museum. He is survived by her and their daughter, Susannah.

1950 REYNOLDS, Professor Leighton Durham, FBA, died on 4 December 1999. Reynolds, a leading British classical scholar of our time, was a Welshman from Caerphilly, and his first degree was of University College, Cardiff. He was then an Affiliated Student of St John's, 1951-2, and won the most prestige-laden University research studentship, the Craven, in 1952. He went to a research fellowship at The Queen's College, Oxford in 1954, and was Fellow and Tutor of Brasenose from 1957 onwards. He held visiting professorships in the U.S.A several times, was an editor of the *Classical Review* for over a decade, and was twice acting Principal of Brasenose. He was elected a Fellow of the British Academy in 1987. Reynolds' scholarly contribution was in the field of manuscript traditions and textual criticism. Chief testimonies to the latter are his Oxford Classical Texts of Seneca's Letters, Seneca's Dialogues and Sallust. His chief contributions to the study of the manuscript traditions (which involved him in much travel) are to be found in *The Medieval Tradition of Seneca's Letters* (1965), *Scribes and Scholars* (with A.N. Wilson) (1968, 2nd ed. 1974) and the essays in honour of the 80th birthday of R.A.B. Mynors, *Texts and Transmission* (1983), which Reynolds edited and to which he contributed the important Introduction and several of the studies of particular authors. Reynolds's death of cancer, at the age of 69, is a substantial loss to classical studies world-wide. (John Crook)

1951 HILL, Harry Keith, died in Spain on 4 January 2000. After graduating he followed in his family's footsteps and began a lifetime career in teaching. He became a resident master at Hereford Cathedral School. He was an extremely able musician and in 1963 he became an ARCM (piano). He was school organist and organist at All Saints Church, Hereford, for many years. In 1973 he became Headmaster of The Cathedral Preparatory School, Hereford, where he passed on his great love of classics

and music to many generations of boys. In 1987 he retired because of increasing ill health and spent every winter in Spain. He is survived by his wife, Judy, his two daughters, Charlotte and Jane, and four grandchildren.

1952 BRANDER, Mr Ian Calthrop, CEng MIMechE, formerly Senior Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering at the Polytechnic of the South Bank, died in 1988.

JOHNSON, Michael Lawrence FRCP, DRCObst RCOG, DTM&H, died on 4 March 2000. Born in Lincoln, he was educated until 1945 in India, where his father Stanley Merry Johnson was a bridge building engineer on the North West Railways, then at Bedford School. He obtained an Open Scholarship to St John's College where his uncle William Francis Roach (1918) and brother Francis David Johnson (1956) studied, and completed his clinical education at University College Hospital, where he met his future wife Pauline Monro, marrying on qualifying in 1958. During National Service he worked at the Brompton and Millbank Hospitals and spent 6 months in Africa. In 1970 he was appointed Consultant Dermatologist to East Surrey and Epsom District Hospitals, where he served on the District Management Team and as Chairman of the Research Ethical Committee. Following retirement in 1994 he, with his neurologist wife, developed their interest in Russia, where in Pavlov's St Petersburg Medical University Hospital the first multidisciplinary team-led stroke unit in Russia, now a model and teaching centre, will be named after him, in recognition of the role he played in its development. A fund has been set up in his name to continue his work in the education of dermatologists in Russia.

SHAW, Sir Giles, father of Henrietta now Butler (1982), Conservative Member of Parliament for Pudsey 1974-97, died on 12 April 2000, aged 68 years. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 98-100).

1953 MUSSON, John Philip. David Grigg (1953) informs us that he died in an air crash in the late 1970s.

OVEY, Cameron Darrell. David Grigg (1953) informs us that he died after a tragic accident in 1956. Ovey was a micropalaeontologist on the scientific staff of The British Museum, before he became a Cambridge University Lecturer in Geology in 1953.

PRINGLE, John P.S., died in early 1991 in North Vancouver, Canada. A contemporary, Dr Howard J. Wintle (1953) informs us that John was an electrochemist who had spent a considerable time at the Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories in Ontario, and had then moved to Vancouver, where he was associated with the Department of Electrical Engineering at the University of British Columbia. He was an avid outdoorsman, who enjoyed vigorous hiking, skiing, and kayaking on both salt and fresh water.

ROSENHEAD, Martin David, son of Professor Louis Rosenhead (Fellow 1932-35), and brother of Jonathan Rosenhead (1956) died on 17 January 1999. While at St John's, Mr Rosenhead was President of the Cambridge Union and of the Cambridge University Liberal Club. After graduating he joined ICI where he held a variety of management positions both in the UK and in France. Leaving ICI in 1968, he was appointed to the board of first Redland and subsequently Reed International. Turning from corporate to enterprise mode, in 1980 he became Chairman of a portfolio of smaller companies including lengthy connections with Royal Stafford China, Royal Brierley Crystal and Hornsea Pottery. He also guided two major water boards through privatisation during the early 1990s and advised a number of public sector agencies from British Rail to Leicestershire County Council. In 1986 the Home Office appointed him to the Board of its telecommunications division servicing the Police, Fire and Ambulance Services. He was also Senior Advisor to the Prison Service working especially on culture change and management reorganisation programmes. His non-business activities included Executive Chairmanships of the Allergy Research Foundation, based at the Middlesex Hospital, and of the Old Isleworth Festival, a music festival which under his leadership attained

ever higher standards and standing. Throughout he retained his connection with Cambridge, the College, and the Union Society. Most recently he instigated and chaired the first of a series of Union debates 'in exile' at the Reform Club, with Cabinet level speakers debating membership of the European Union. Martin Rosenhead leaves his wife Lindsay (née Meunier) and daughter Annabel.

- 1955 LEWIS, Mr John Jessel, died tragically on 12 April 1999. Dr A.S. Lynch (1954) informs us: John came from Rugby School to read Law. On graduating he joined and expanded the family furnishing business, and later set up *Wall to Wall*, his own furnishing company. In the 1990s he built up an import company bringing fine marble from Europe and China. A man of great energy he gave service to the public as a Newcastle City Councillor. In the 70s and 80s, flying his own aeroplane he operated an emergency ambulance service principally taking transplant organs to destinations in the UK and Northern Europe. A keen family man, John's wife Trisha, and their children Fiona and Keith, deeply mourn his death. This occurred as he plunged into the River Severn to douse his clothing caught ablaze from a garden-tractor fire.
- 1957 FISK, The Reverend Paul, died suddenly on 11 December 1998 at his home in Hanau, Germany. His widow writes: At the time of his death, he was Assistant (NSM) Priest at the Church of Christ the King Frankfurt, and Business Manager/Teacher at Gallery Morgan Fisk Fremdspracheninstitut, the language school he founded with Patrick Gallery, John Mash and his wife Jean Morgan Fisk. Mr Fisk was educated at Ipswich School, R.M.A Sandhurst, R.M.C.S Shrivenham, St John's College Cambridge, Wells Theological College and International House London. He was in his element, whether teaching Business/Technical English to foreign business people or preaching a sermon, and was equally good at both. An accomplished pianist, he had a great appreciation for music of all kinds. It was not unusual on those Sundays when he was not preaching, to see him playing the

organ or singing in the church choir. Friends from both public school and college days have memories of him participating with great gusto in sports – rugby, boxing and rowing, and nearly all who knew him have a story to tell about him and the passion of his life, a BMW K100 motor bike. He was ordained Deacon on Whitsunday, 1962, becoming Assistant Curate at Holy Trinity Church in Ipswich and in the Wrentham Group of Parishes in Suffolk. He subsequently had livings in East Anglia and was Vicar in a Team Ministry in Scunthorpe. Whilst Rector of Copdock, Washbrook and Belstead, Suffolk, he was appointed Rural Dean of Samford. His work with the Crusaders and as a youth leader and his involvement in the Kirchentag took him to various cities in Germany and to Taizè in France. These experiences stood him in good stead in 1979, when he took the post as Head of the Publications Unit at UNESCO Institut-für-Pädagogik in Hamburg and after that, other positions in Germany and Finland teaching Technical and Business English to people of many different nationalities. Paul Fisk was a man with strong Christian convictions who allowed himself to be vulnerable for the sake of others, and he lived the life God gave him to the fullest. He touched many lives, leaving a lasting impression on those who knew him, regardless of their age or the length of time they had known him. He will be remembered as a man who cared about and was interested in people, taking time to listen to or help those in need. He was loved and held in esteem by many, as was evident by the number of people who came to pay their final respects at both the funeral service in England and the memorial service in Frankfurt. The Sunday before he died, he preached a sermon on being prepared. It will long be remembered by those who heard it.

HAMILTON, Professor William Donald, FRS, evolutionary biologist, died on 7 March 2000 from complications after contracting malaria during field work in Africa. After graduation he moved to London to study for a PhD at University College and LSE and he proposed a difficult mathematical model with a simple conclusion known as "Hamilton's Rule". His first work in

1964 – his theory of inclusive fitness was most important as it is said to be the only true advance since Darwin in our understanding of natural selection. Professor Hamilton was a lecturer in Genetics at Imperial College from 1964-77, a museum Professor at Michigan University from 1978-84, and then became a Fellow and later a Research Professor of the Royal Society and Professorial Fellow of New College, Oxford. He received many international scientific prizes, being elected to the Royal Society in 1980, receiving the *Darwin Medal* in 1988, the *Linnean Medal* in 1989 and the *Frink Medal* in 1991, as well as many other awards and honours by the academic and learned societies of the world.

JACKSON, Peter Arthur, died at home on 5 January 2000, following a courageous fight against leukaemia. Before coming up to St John's, Peter carried out his 2 year period of National Service in the Royal Signals, during which he was awarded the *Sword of Honour* at Catterick, and subsequently served in North Africa during the Suez Crisis. In 1957, Peter came to St John's, with a full scholarship, he captained the College athletics team and gained his Blue in the high jump. In 1960, he graduated with a 1st class honours degree in Natural Sciences. Immediately after graduating, Peter married Joan (née Dimock) and started his career with the patent firm Gill Jennings & Every, in London. Shortly after qualifying as a Chartered British Patent Agent (and subsequently a European Patent Attorney and Trade Mark Attorney), Peter was made a Partner of the firm. He travelled extensively and developed substantial business interests throughout the world and in particular Japan. At the age of 50, he was appointed Senior Partner, which position he held until his death at the age of 62. Peter enjoyed his sport, representing the County at rugby and the Army at hockey, playing for his local hockey and tennis clubs and regularly playing golf. Peter leaves Joan, 2 sons (a third died in 1991), 2 daughters-in-law and 2 grandchildren.

LEE, Dato' Alexander Yu Lung, son of Tun Sir Henry H.S. Lee (1921), and father of Christopher Fook Hong Lee (1983), died on



31 October 1999. After graduating with an MA in Law, Dato' Lee was called to the Bar of England & Wales, and returned to Malaysia shortly thereafter, where he was a partner at Skrine & Co. from 1962 to 1977. In 1977, Dato' Lee left practice to run the Development and Commercial Banking Group as Chief Executive Officer, and was a member of the Malaysian Senate from 1978 to 1984. Dato' Lee served in the Malaysian Government as a Member of Parliament from 1986 to 1995, during which time he held consecutive posts as Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Public Works and National Unity and Social Development. Dato' Lee was a founding member and Vice President of the Gerakan Party, one of the constituent political parties in Malaysia's governing National Front coalition. In 1996, Dato' Lee established Software International, an IT Services company, which formed a Joint Venture with the American International Group in 1998. An avid sportsman, Dato' Lee held numerous posts in the international sporting community. He was Vice Chairman of the Commonwealth Games Federation, and was instrumental in Malaysia's successful bid to host the Commonwealth Games in 1998. Dato' Lee is survived by his wife Datin Irene Lee, his three sons, Christopher, Antony and Patrick, and one grandson.

1958 PITMAN, Professor Michael George, OBE, ONM, FAA, FAIAS, Honorary Professor, University of Canberra, Emeritus Professor, University of Sydney, died on 30 March 2000, after a long illness. Professor Pitman was awarded a BA from Sidney Sussex College in 1952 and his PhD in 1959 and then he was elected to a research scholarship at St John's for three years. In 1962, he was appointed Lecturer in the Botany Department of Adelaide University. Four years, later, at the age of 33, he became Professor of Biology at the University of Sydney. Michael's research made him one of the founders of modern mineral nutrition physiology. His work on the response of plants to salinity had agricultural and environmental applications. His research achievements were recognised by the award of DSc by Cambridge University in 1979 and his election to a Fellowship of the Australian Academy of

Science in 1981. In 1983, Michael was appointed Director of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) Institute of Biological Sciences, and Deputy to the Chief Executive of CSIRO for two years from 1986. In 1988 he was appointed a Member of the newly formed Australian Research Council and he was seconded from CSIRO to the Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce as Chief Science Advisor. He played an important role in ensuring that research and development and scientific awareness were recognised as essential components of government policy. In 1992 he became Chief Scientist in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, where he played an important role in the evolution of the Cooperative Research Centre Program and in bringing science into government policy formulation. In 1997 he was elected Foreign Secretary of the Australian Academy of Science and the French Government honoured him with the *Chevalier de l'ordre national du Mérite* for his work in strengthening French-Australian relationships.

STEWART, Donald James, died in December 1999, after battling against a malignant brain tumour. After graduating Mr Stewart moved to London and became a University Administrator, rising to Deputy Secretary of Imperial College, London. Mr Stewart excelled at squash, reaching the national squad when he was 18 and becoming a full-time coach as a 35 year-old.

1959 HILL, Dr Philip Walford, research student at St John's 1959-62, died on 15 May 1999, after a prolonged illness. He had been actively involved in the development of the renowned St Andrews University Observatory and contributed substantially to its work for more than 30 years. Dr Hill, who had been Senior Lecturer in the School of Physics and Astronomy at St Andrews University since 1973, was a dedicated astronomer. He was appointed Lecturer at St Andrews in 1964 having previously worked as a research assistant at the Radcliffe Observatory in Pretoria, South Africa. During the period from 1978-80 he was Principal Research Scientist at the Anglo-Australian Observatory

in New South Wales when he was awarded a personal research fellowship. He had a keen interest in the use of computers for scientific data analysis and for the control of astronomical instruments, producing a number of instruments that were used for many years in international observatories abroad. During the 70s and 80s, Dr Hill's research group was involved in studies of the evolution of very old stars and the structure of the Milky Way Galaxy. As a result of being actively involved in the development of the entire Starlink Astronomical Computing Network across the UK, he led the installation of the Starlink computer node at St Andrews. Dr Hill was involved in directing the St Andrews contribution to the Scotland-wide programme of providing portable planetaria, and other equipment, used to teach schoolchildren about the stars and planets. As a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society, Dr Hill served as a member of its Council and was Vice-President from 1990-91. He was also a member of the International Astronomical Union and of the Northern Hemisphere Observatory Steering Committee. He is survived by his wife Sheila and three daughters.

1960 RODGERS, David Ernest, art historian and curator, died on 3 July 1999 in Lyndhurst, Hampshire, aged 57 years. He was born in Sheffield and read English in the College for two years from 1960 before moving to the History of Art. During his time at St John's he also acted in Footlights. His aesthetic manner set him slightly apart, and though always amiable he was not incapable of disdain. At once pleasure-loving and serious, he felt others should be serious too, among other things, and he may have found Cambridge English, or rather the way his friends regarded it, too self-indulgent even for one who never ceased to believe indulgence has its place. Art History, by contrast, he found invitingly strenuous: 'full of geniuses,' he told me in his third year, meaning Leonardo, Michelangelo and Rembrandt, and he rejoiced in the dedicated erudition of curators and collectors, though never oblivious to their vanities. A gently satirical vein never left him, self-critical as well as critical. When I visited him in his first post at York City Art Gallery (1963-5), he was highly

amused when his director, Hans Hess, told me at first introduction that I reminded him of Kandinsky. 'Of a Kandinsky', we both thought he said, which disconcerted me: it would be difficult to look like an abstract-impressionist painting. It appeared that Hess had known Kandinsky in Paris, however, and I cannot now look at a photo of that tall, lanky artist without wondering about it.

David moved from one directorship to another, starting at Wolverhampton (1969-81), where we once dined in an outlying village and were entertained by bar-chat. He brightened a staid institution with lively shows of seaside souvenirs and teapots; then Exeter (1981-6), where he managed to acquire a watercolour by Edward Burra, though resources for acquisition were modest. In 1986 he was appointed Director of the Geffrye Museum in East London, but resigned after four years over administrative differences, passing his last years as a freelance writer. When he died, at a premature age, he was at work on exhibitions marking the centenary of Oscar Wilde's death. His acquaintance was wide, and in spite of publishing little he impressed those who published much, travelling in Italy with Sir Michael Levey of the National Gallery. His writings are mainly on the Victorians and include a study of Rossetti for the Phaidon Press in 1996 and, in the same year, *William Morris at Home*. He also contributed to the Macmillan Dictionary of Art. But his life was in his talk, and it is hard to think there will be no more of it. (George Watson.)

1961 CRIGHTON, Professor David George, ScD FRS, Fellow of St John's College 1986-97, Master of Jesus College 1997-2000, died on 12 April 2000., aged 57 years. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 86-90).

GILMOUR, Robin, MA, PhD, died on 13 October 1999, aged 56, after a long illness. His widow writes: After graduating in English in 1964, he completed a PhD on Dickens from Edinburgh University in 1969 before taking up appointments first at Magee College in Londonderry, then at the New University of Ulster in

Coleraine and finally at Aberdeen University in 1973 where he subsequently became Reader in English. He was a sensitive and independent-minded scholar, with a fine sympathy for the writers of his period, whom he could write about elegantly and incisively. His books include *The Idea of the Gentleman in the Victorian Novel*, *The Novel in the Victorian Age*, and *The Intellectual and Cultural Context of English Literature in the Victorian Period*. He edited Trollope's *Barchester Towers* and *The Warden* for Penguin Books and his favourite novel, Dickens's *Great Expectations* for Everyman. Through all his writing shone a deep love of literature and a humane understanding of its power, in the words of Matthew Arnold to "delight, console and sustain us". To a generation of students he was always courteous and gracious, alert to their interests and needs but never patronising. He is survived by his wife, Liz and four children, Susie, Lucy, Jonathan and Richard.

ROGERSON, Leslie Frank (Les), died on 7 August 1999 after a brave fight against cancer. His widow writes: He was Group Director of Environment with Cheshire County Council. He was a past President of the Local Government Law Society and Vice President of the County Surveyors Society until his retirement due to ill health in 1998.

- 1964 SHEPHERD, John Travis, after a short battle with cancer died on 12 September 1998, aged 52 years. His widow writes: Upon graduating in 1967 he studied Business Management at Cranfield before entering the commercial world. In 1985 a growing interest in Information Technology led him to found Primrose Computers, a computer manufacturing and support business, which is still enjoying success today. John's many other interests included archaeology and local history, which he pursued at the University of Warwick and elsewhere. Together with his wife and two sons he bought a redundant 12th-century Warwickshire parish church (see [www.bartys.tsx.org](http://www.bartys.tsx.org)), which he successfully converted into the family home, using a sympathetic combination of the old structure and simple modernity.

- 1965 SHAH, Nitin Ochhavalal, died of heart trouble on 8 March 1999, aged 53 years. Nitin loved Cambridge and St John's passionately, and was immensely proud to have attended what his friends report he unequivocally saw as the greatest university in the world. His funeral took place on 18 March 1999 and in accordance with ancestral custom, his ashes were taken back to India. (Andrew Dickie: Lincoln College Oxford).

- 1973 HOLMAN, Dr Stephen David, BSc PhD, who held a Senior Research Scholarship, St John's College, from 1986-93, died on 5 July 1999 aged 48 years. His widow writes: Steve graduated from the University of Edinburgh, where he met his wife Kay, and took his PhD at St John's College in 1977. He returned to Cambridge in 1984, after post doctoral work in America and Scotland, as Research Visitor at the MRC Unit on the Development and Integration of Behaviour in Madingley, and subsequently as Senior Research Investigator at the MRC Neuroendocrine Development and Behaviour Group in Babraham. During this period he held a Senior Research Scholarship from St John's College. In 1993, he was successful in gaining funding from the Wellcome Trust to establish the new Cerebral Dominance Project in the Department of Anatomy, University of Cambridge. Just after his death, colleagues and family learned that he had been awarded a renewal of this grant to carry out further work on brain development. A garden bench in the Scholars' Garden commemorates his connection with the College

PRITCHARD, Dr David James, died unexpectedly on 25 October 1999, aged 44 years. His widow writes: After graduating, he was awarded one year's Fellowship in Copenhagen. He then spent two years at Imperial College, London, followed by two more at Liverpool. In 1985 he took up his final post at the University of Southampton where he was a lecturer and contributed towards various research projects in the field of computer science. David was also a very loving husband who supported his wife through surgery and treatment for breast cancer, a wonderful dancer who was actively involved in folk and morris dance, as well as being

a brilliant and gentle man who quietly influenced a great many people.

1975 MORAG, Professor Shelomo, died suddenly in Israel on 4 December 1999, aged 73 years. Professor Morag was elected to a Visiting Fellowship at St John's for the year 1975-76. During the course of his tenure he gave a number of stimulating lectures in the Faculty of Oriental Studies. His interests were many and his publications numerous but perhaps he will be remembered best for his seminal study of the Yemenite oral traditions of Hebrew for which he was awarded the Israel prize at the tender age of 40. He was a first-rate teacher who combined rigour with warmth and a lively sense of humour. He is survived by his wife, Shoshana and by children and grandchildren. Zikrono liberakah. (Andrew Macintosh)

1981 SANDERS, Arthur James, died in October 1999. Mr Sanders was born in Darwen, Lancashire, but spent his childhood and early teenage years in Dublin, where his parents ran a variety of shops. He left school aged 14 with no academic qualifications. He spent the war in the RAF, where he rose to the rank of Flight Lieutenant. Whilst he was stationed at Duxford he took night school courses which laid the foundation of his subsequent career as a teacher. He taught Physics at secondary schools in Ipswich, Bedford and finally in Cambridge, where he taught at both the Netherhall and Manor Schools. At the age of 54 Mr Sanders was forced to retire through ill-health. He had always had a strong sense of the importance of both physical and mental fitness and education had played a large part in his life. He took his early retirement as an opportunity to study for the degree he had always yearned for. He joined the Open University in 1972 and gained a First Class Honours Degree in Chemistry in 1980. He subsequently studied at St John's College and was awarded an MSc in Inorganic Chemistry in 1984 for his thesis entitled *Some aspects of osmium carbonyl chemistry*. Mr Sanders continued to be committed to his studies and following his wife's death in 1993, he registered with the Open University and resumed his PhD studies. He was still

working on his PhD until late 1997, when he was incapacitated by a fall from which he never completely recovered.

- 1983 JAYNES, Professor Edwin Thompson, Overseas Visiting Fellow 1983-84, died in the USA on 30 April 1998.
- 1989 SNAITH, Dr Ron, BSc MA PhD, Fellow of St John's College, sometime Tutor, Admissions Tutor and Director of Studies in Chemistry, and University Reader in Main Group Chemistry, died on 1 January 2000, aged 52 years. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 60-66).
- 1999 DANIEL, Mrs Ruth, widow of Glyn Daniel (Fellow 1938-86), died on 4 April 2000. There is a full obituary notice above (pp. 91-93).

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