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Editor's Notes

With a change in editorship and a subsequent re-evaluation of the College's communications with its Old Members, you will see just from its thickness that this year's *Record* is a considerable departure from recent editions.

There is no doubt, however, in the continued historical and archival importance of this publication, and at no point was it considered that the *Record* would discontinue. Many of you have collections of the *Record* dating back to the year you came up, cherish the arrival of each edition, and read it from cover to cover. For the last nine years, Dr Robin Darwall-Smith has consistently produced a *Record* that is superbly written, accurate and full of interest, and I am sure that readers will want to join me in thanking Robin for his work as Editor in this time. Univ is lucky to have someone so knowledgeable of and dedicated to the College.

Inside this edition you will find a factual account of the year – Fellows' news, academic results, College reports and news of staff departures, most notably Jane Vicat, after more than 30 years' service to the College. Many readers will also be aware of the sad news of the death in December 2013 of Professor John Albery, Master at Univ from 1989-1998. A tribute to Professor Albery has kindly been provided by Dr Leslie Mitchell; this can be found on page 66. The final pages of this year's edition feature obituaries of Old Members that we have also sadly lost from our community in the last twelve months.

My thanks go to all contributors to this edition, and several members of staff without whose help I could not have produced this publication. Robin Darwall-Smith has continued to provide support and advice, particularly in the gathering of obituaries for this edition. Ian and Kristiana in the Academic Office and Marion Hawtree provided much help with the collation of the Fellows listing and academic results. Finally, a huge thank you to my colleague Rob Moss in the Development Office, who was responsible for the design of this edition.

If you have any comments about *The Record* or, indeed, Univ communications in general, please feel free to get in touch.

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Master's Notes

The last twelve months at Univ have been a calm and prosperous voyage, preparation perhaps for the challenges that lie ahead. The political environment was quiet, the few squalls barely registering at Oxford. The £9,000 undergraduate fee appeared to have no impact on either the volume or social profile of applications to Oxford, perhaps because all but two of the country's universities now charge the same. The increasingly expensive and onerous restrictions imposed on overseas (i.e. non-EU) applicants for a student visa have made a difference, but not at Oxford, for which applications from overseas rose significantly. A cloud on the horizon is Labour's official policy of reducing the fee to £6,000. This is widely expected to be an election manifesto commitment, but without a parallel commitment to compensate universities with public funding for the lower fee.

At the time of writing the College's position in this year's Norrington Table was not confirmed but, unfortunately, is likely to be similar to last year's, when we were ranked 25th. Following last year's disappointing outcome the College has undertaken a good deal of analysis and soul-searching and put in place a range of measures designed to improve our position in the future years, but inevitably these will need more than a year to take effect. The results, as for most years, included some remarkable individual achievements. Leon Musolff was placed at the top of the University list for PPE Finals, and Firsts were awarded to four of the six Masters in Mathematics finalists and to all three of the Masters in Physics finalists, who took the 2nd, 3rd and 9th place in the University list.

In the last year the College has engaged in extensive discussion and research about the academic performance of our undergraduates. We have a broader conception of the educated mind and the civilised person than is measurable by Oxford's crude degree classifications (nowadays almost 70 per cent are awarded upper seconds) and we have no intention of directing the last drop of the College's energies to mark chasing. But we are in the business of stretching and challenging our undergraduates' academic ability and have a duty to help them achieve their highest potential. We should aim to be regularly in the top ten.

Our evidence and deliberations have ruled out more explanations of our undergraduates' academic performance than they have ruled in. The academic qualifications of the students we recruit equal or surpass those at other colleges. Our results for Prelims and Mods equal or surpass the University norm. School, social and economic backgrounds appear to be immaterial. Rowers, musicians, the sporty and the political all fare as well if not better than the less active. In none of the subjects we offer are our results consistently below par. The dedication of our tutorial fellows is beyond question. Yet in recent years a lower proportion of our ablest students compared with many other have been awarded firsts as distinct from high upper seconds. It remains something of a puzzle.

Univ is one of the few colleges to accommodate its 1st and 2nd year undergraduates while leaving most 3rd and final year students to arrange their own accommodation in the town. Perhaps a guarantee of a room on the main site, near Hall and Library, would be more conducive to examination success than a shared house off the Cowley Road. This year we shall carefully consider the possibility of accommodating from 2016 our first and final year students on the main site and our second year undergraduates at Staverton Road. The snags and benefits of this change are quite finely balanced and would have implications for the accommodation that we can offer our graduate students beyond their first year. But

if we conclude that our current accommodation policy is putting our undergraduates at a disadvantage, we shall make the change.

Plans for the development of the College estate occupied Governing Body for much of the year. Taken together they constitute the largest expansion of the College since the purchase of the Staverton Road site (universally called ‘Stavertonia’ to Sir John Maud’s dismay) in the early 1970s. We shall bring 10, Merton Street – which we have leased first to the Department of Philosophy and latterly to the Blavatnik School of Government – back into College use from October 2015. It will house some administrative offices, Fellows’ rooms and a long awaited expansion of library space, freeing up space in the central main site for more student accommodation. We shall undertake a full-scale renovation of the Goodhart Building, which opened in 1962, adding en suite washing facilities and kitchens, creating 12 more bedrooms, and installing significant energy-saving features. It will re-open in time for the 2015-16 academic year. In North Oxford we have acquired 96 Woodstock Road, which backs out onto Stavertonia and will accommodate an additional nine students. Lastly, over two years of patient negotiations by our Estates Bursar with the owners of 115 Banbury Road, with covenant holders and with local planners, will come to fruition in September with the acquisition of a two and a half acre site abutting Stavertonia. We have already drafted plans to raise funds for a building programme of student residences and educational facilities over the remainder of the decade.

The College continues to benefit from the gratifying support of its Old Members. Many give liberally of their time, advice and involvement with the College community, to our great advantage. Even larger numbers help us – and in particular our students – financially. Our priority in the past year has been gifts for graduate scholarships, with an eye for the additional funding currently available from the University’s matched funding scheme and from the Radcliffe Benefaction made to the College in 2012. The response from Old Members has been exceptionally generous. In the course of twelve months the College raised over £2 million which was matched by a further £2.2 million, sufficient to endow permanently five fully-funded scholarships. In 2012 the College offered 10 graduate scholarships; in 2015 the number will have grown to 29, the largest we believe of any college. In addition well over a third of all our Old Members contributed to the Annual Fund, which for the first time received over £1 million in donations. The width as well as depth of giving is a glowing tribute to the strength of the Univ community.

College Fellows have fared exceptionally well in the ferocious cockpit of science research funding. In the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council’s nationwide competition for Doctoral Centres of Training – national centres of excellence for large programmes of laboratory research and graduate training – Univ Fellows led three successful bids. Professor David Logan will head a new DCT in Theory and Modelling in the Chemical Sciences, Dr Martin Smith will co-direct a DCT in Synthesis for Biology & Medicine and Professor Peter Jezzard (our Dean of Graduates) will lead a DCT in Biomedical Imaging. Professor Yee Whye Teh, our tutorial fellow in statistics, has been awarded a five-year European Research Council Consolidator Fellowship to pursue his research. Univ Fellows have also been prominent in the leadership of major university departments. Gideon Henderson and John Wheeler are Heads of the Departments of Earth Sciences and Physics respectively; Bill Roscoe has just stepped down after ten years as the Head of the Department of Computer Science and Ngairé Woods continues to lead the new Blavatnik School of Government, which she was so instrumental in establishing.

The Univ scientist who made the biggest splash this year, however, was our Tutorial Fellow in Engineering, Tom Povey, a rocket scientist, who has invented and patented a new saucepan with “finned design channels which heat from the flame across the bottom and up the sides of the pan, resulting in highly efficient, even heat distribution ... the pans heat up significantly more quickly and food cooks faster, saving time and using much less energy”. It is available from a well-known kitchenware retailer. Apparently he was inspired not by rockets, but the inefficiency of heating food with a primus high up on one of his beloved Alpine peaks.

The College’s Honorary Fellows gave us special cause for celebration and sadness this year. John Albery, Fellow in Chemistry from 1963 to 1978 and Master between 1989 and 1997, died in December. At a crowded memorial service in the University Church of St Mary, attended by his many friends, colleagues and former students from the College and the University, Leslie Mitchell gave a memorable address that captured the light and shadow of a distinguished scientist, lover of life, and Univ man. Later in the year we learned with enormous pleasure that the Queen had awarded Professor Martin West, Fellow in Classics from 1963 to 1974, membership of the Order of Merit, the first classicist to receive the award for almost 40 years.

The College’s Governing Body has remained remarkably intact this year, with no departures and just one addition, Dr Lars Hansen, an earth scientist from MIT. But we shall lose a longstanding linchpin of the College with the departure of Jane Vicat this summer, after 33 years as, successively, Secretary to the Tutor of Admissions, College Secretary and Welfare Registrar. Colleges need resourceful and wise stalwarts to keep Fellows and students in order. We shall miss her calming and reassuring presence.

Sir Ivor Crewe



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Newly Elected Fellows

Special Supernumerary Fellows

DR CHRIS MACMINN was appointed to a Special Supernumerary Fellowship in October 2013, whilst he holds the post of University Lecturer in Engineering Science. After earning his PhD from MIT, Chris has most recently been a Postdoctoral Associate at Yale University, with his research focusing on the flow-driven deformation of porous materials. He is broadly interested in the impact of small-scale physical mechanisms on large-scale geophysical and environmental systems, with application to carbon sequestration, energy resources, hydrology, and geomechanics.

Newly Elected Junior Research Fellows

MS CATHERINE MANNING joins Univ this year as our new Scott Family Junior Research Fellow for Studies in Autism and Related Disorders. Catherine completed her undergraduate degree in Experimental Psychology in Oxford at St Hugh's College, before moving to London for her Masters and PhD at the Centre for Research in Autism and Education (CRAE) at the Institute of Education, supervised by Liz Pellicano (a previous Univ Junior Research Fellow).

She is interested in how children with autism see the world around them, and how this can impact on their everyday lives. Catherine's PhD research investigated how children with autism judge the speeds and directions of moving objects, and she has also worked on a project that applies Bayesian modelling to characterise sensory atypicalities in autism.

DR ASHLEY MAHER has joined Univ as our new Junior Research Fellow in English Literature. After spending her childhood and early adulthood in the Ozarks region of the United States, she entered Drury University for a degree in architecture, but instead left with a degree in English and writing, with a minor in the fine arts.

Ashley has just completed a PhD in British literature at Washington University in St Louis, and her current research examines a largely unacknowledged body of modernist architectural criticism produced by twentieth-century British authors, many of whom were contributors and even editors for architectural journals. She studies how, as modern architecture was adopted by leftist groups and by the British state, authors of many political stripes became increasingly wary of using formal experimentation in the service of social experimentation, instead elevating literature as the medium of the dissident individual.

MR JAMES KOLASINSKI has also joined us this year as our new Junior Research Fellow in Neuroscience. James read Medical Sciences as an undergraduate at Christ Church, Oxford, graduating in 2011. He subsequently spent the first year of his D Phil as the von Clemm Fellow at Harvard University and Massachusetts General Hospital, studying human neurodevelopment. Returning to Oxford in 2012, James continued his doctoral studies in Clinical Neuroscience at Lady Margaret Hall, and at the FMRIB centre; he is currently awaiting his viva. During his D Phil, James was also a College Lecturer at St Edmund Hall, teaching neuroanatomy.

James' main research interest is in neuroplasticity: the ability of the brain to change and adapt throughout life, in both health and disease. His previous work has considered this in the context of foetal brain development and in response neurodegeneration in multiple sclerosis. His doctoral research focused on the application of cutting-edge MRI techniques to capture plastic changes in the sensory and motor regions of the human brain over a period as short as 24 hours.

More recently, James has been considering the phenomenon of neuroplasticity in diseases such as stroke. He plans to spend his time as a Junior Research Fellow at Univ developing ultra-high resolution MRI techniques using the new 7 tesla MRI system in Oxford. His work will seek to understand how the sensory and motor regions of the brain reorganize themselves after injuries such as stroke, and to what extent interventions such as brain stimulation and rehabilitation can be used to promote neuroplasticity and help stroke survivors regain use of their affected arm and hand.

The Master and Fellows' News

The Master

THE MASTER was appointed President of the Academy of Social Sciences in November 2013. His recent book, *The Blunders of our Governments*, won *Practical Politics Book of the Year* at the Paddy Power Political Book Awards in March 2014. He gave lectures about the subject of his book at a number of literary festivals.

The Fellows

DR BILL ALLAN introduced his new book *Classical Literature: A Very Short Introduction* (OUP, 2014) at the Oxford Literary Festival in March 2014.

DR JUSTIN BENESCH was awarded the Alfred Tissières Award of the Cell Stress Society International in August 2013. This award is presented every two years to a young investigator in the field of cellular stress and heat shock, and Justin received it for his research into the biophysics underpinning molecular chaperone function.

PROFESSOR BAREND J TER HAAR published *Practicing Scripture: A Lay Buddhist Movement in Late Imperial China* (University of Hawai'i Press, 2014).

PROFESSOR JOHN GARDNER published *Law as a Leap of Faith* (OUP, 2012), which is now out in paperback. He also gave the Quain Lectures at UCL in the last week of April 2014, entitled *From Personal Life to Private Law*. That will become a new book, to be published in 2015.

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS HALMI edited *Wordsworth's Poetry and Prose* (Norton, 2014). In June 2014 he was a plenary speaker at a conference in Vechta, Germany, devoted to Lord Byron. The conference was opened by the current Lord Byron, a collateral descendent of the poet.

PROFESSOR ANGUS JOHNSTON contributed to the *beyond2020* project on future EU renewable energy policy, which came to an end earlier in 2014. This included providing legal expertise on the feasibility of different approaches, and he subsequently co-authored an article in *European Energy and Environmental Law Review* (2013). Read more at www.res-policy-beyond2020.eu/index.htm

PROFESSOR ROBIN NICHOLAS celebrated his 60th birthday in September 2013. Students, family, friends and colleagues came together for a dinner at Univ, which followed an afternoon of talks at the Clarendon Laboratory.

PROFESSOR BILL ROSCOE has been part of the spin-out company OxCept, developed to exploit his research on ad-hoc computer security, including producing a software app for conducting ultra-secure mobile payments anywhere. He has also now come to the end of 11 years as Head of the Computer Science Department. Read more in *The Martlet*, Issue 1.

PROFESSOR TIFFANY STERN published *Sermons, Plays and Note-Takers: Hamlet Q1 as a "Noted" Text* in *Shakespeare Survey*, 66 (2013). It has since gone on to win the 2014 Barbara Palmer/Martin Stevens Award for *Best New Essay in Early Drama Studies*. She also published the article *If I could see the Puppets Dallying: Der Bestrafte Brudermord and Hamlet's Encounters with the Puppets* in *Shakespeare Bulletin*, 31:3 (2013), and it has since inspired a puppet production of *Hamlet* in Austin, Texas in early 2014.

PROFESSOR YEE WHYE TEH was awarded a European Research Council Consolidator Fellowship, allowing him to focus on his research, working with a group of students to develop machine learning techniques for analysing and deriving understanding from complex datasets.

Junior Research Fellows

DR STEPHEN BERNARD edited and introduced *Queen Anne and British Culture, 1702–14* in a special issue of *British Journal for Eighteenth-Century Studies* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2014), to coincide with the tercentenary of the death of Queen Anne.

DR ROB GEORGE published *Relocation Disputes: Law and Practice in England and New Zealand* (Hart Publishing, 2013).

DR LUIGI PRADA published *Visions of Gods: P. Vienna D 6633–6636, a Fragmentary Pantheon in a Demotic Dream Book*, in A.M. Dodson/J.J. Johnston/W. Monkhouse (eds.), *A Good Scribe and an Exceedingly Wise Man: Studies in Honour of W.J. Tait*, pp. 251–270 (Golden House Publications, 2014).

Emeritus Fellows

MARTIN MATTHEWS was a Visiting Professor at the University of South Carolina Law School from February to April 2014.

DR LESLIE MITCHELL published an essay on Charles James Fox and Brooks's in *Brooks's, 1764–2014: The Story of a Whig Club* (Paul Holberton Publishing, 2013).

DR ALEXANDER MURRAY is currently preparing a group of his own past articles on aspects of *Conscience and Authority in the Medieval Church*, under which title OUP is to publish it.

PROFESSOR CHRIS PELLING has been given a project by Michael Gove to support the teaching of Latin in state schools, concentrating on Key Stage 4.

DR ADRIAN ZUCKERMAN published a third edition of *Zuckerman on Civil Procedure: Principles and Practice* (Sweet & Maxwell, 2013).

PROFESSOR JOHN ALLEN has just completed ten years as a Visiting Professor in Physics at Imperial College. One of his papers, *The expansion of a plasma into a vacuum* (1975), has been selected by the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Plasma Physics* as one of the twelve 'Classic JPP Papers'.

Supernumerary Fellows

DR STEPHEN GOLDING served on the Medical Practices Subcommittee for the 16th report of COMARE (The Committee on Medical Aspects of Radiation in the Environment) on patient radiation dose issues resulting from the use of CT in the UK. The report appears on the COMARE pages of the Gov.uk website. In January 2014, Dr Golding gave an address to the Alpine Club of Great Britain with previously unknown material on the Everest pioneer George Mallory, which has emerged from his work on the history of the Chalet.

Special Supernumerary Fellows

PROFESSOR DANIEL FREEMAN published *How to Keep Calm and Carry On: Stop worrying and start enjoying your life* (Pearson, 2013) with his brother, Jason Freeman.

PROFESSOR TAMSIN MATHER has co-edited *Remote Sensing of Volcanoes and Volcanic Processes: Integrating Observation and Modelling* (The Geological Society, 2014).

Former Fellows and Junior Research Fellows

DR CHLOÉ RAGAZZOLI organised a 3-day workshop in Oxford in September 2013, entitled *Scribbling throughout History*. It was devoted to the relationships between graffiti, individual expression and social interactions, from ancient times until the modern era.

DR ANNA REMINGTON is leading a new venture, *MiniManuscript*, which aims to increase efficiency through collaboration, with users submitting summaries of research papers that they have read.

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS CRAFTS, Fellow in Economics 1977-86, was named a CBE in the 2014 Queen's Birthday Honours list, for his services to economic policy. He is currently a professor in the Department of Economics at the University of Warwick.

DR GREGOR IRWIN, Fellow in Economics 2000-02, was appointed CMG in the 2014 New Year Honours List, for services to economic analysis in foreign policy. After HM Treasury and the Bank of England, Gregor moved to the Foreign Office as Chief Economist. He recently left this position and now works at the consultancy firm Global Counsel.

Honorary Fellows

PROFESSOR MARTIN WEST was awarded the Order of Merit in the 2014 New Year Honours list, the highest of civil honours, being in the Queen's personal gift. There are no more than 24 members at any one time, and Professor West is the seventh classical scholar to have received it since its institution by Edward VII in 1902, and the first since Sir Ronald Syme in 1976.

PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by Barack Obama in November 2013. It is the United States' highest civilian award, and was presented in 2013 to Clinton and 15 others.

Lecturers

DR RICHARD ASHDOWNE is the current Editor of the Dictionary of Medieval Latin from British Sources. With more than 58,000 entries in nearly 4000 pages, the British Academy published the final part of this monumental work in December 2013.

DR MATTHEW CHEUNG SALISBURY has published *Hear My Voice, O God: Functional Dimensions of Christian Worship* (Liturgical Press, 2014). He also continued his work in 2013/14 interpreting the medieval *Harwick Missals Fragment*. The award-winning composer Michael Nyman wrote a piece inspired by the manuscript, which premiered on 14 September 2013. In 2014 a new work was created by renowned DJ and electronic artist Goldie, which was performed for the first time at Glasgow Cathedral on 30 August 2014, as part of the event *Fragments of Gold*.

Recognition of Distinction 2014

The individuals below have conferred the title of Professor by the University's *Recognition of Distinction Awards*. The Awards are considered under three criteria: research, teaching, and good citizenship.

PROFESSOR BILL CHILD
PROFESSOR DANIEL GRIMLEY
PROFESSOR NICHOLAS HALMI
PROFESSOR PETER HOWELL
PROFESSOR ANGUS JOHNSTON
PROFESSOR TAMSIN MATHER
PROFESSOR TOM POVEY
PROFESSOR NICK YEUNG
PROFESSOR OLIVER ZIMMER

This is the University's first *Recognition of Distinction* exercise since 2010/11, but the University now intends to hold these awards on an annual basis.

Leaving Fellows and Staff



JANE VICAT left Univ in the summer of 2014, after serving the College for more than 30 years in the positions of Secretary to the Tutor of Admissions, College Secretary and Welfare Registrar. Dr David Bell, Emeritus Fellow and Dean of Degrees, has kindly produced the following tribute.

Jane Vicat has left the College after 34 years to make a new life with her husband Giles on the western edges of Dartmoor, not too far from HM Prison at Princetown as her elder son Felix wryly remarks.

Miss Cooke-Yarborough came as a temp to the College Office in April 1980 to work under Gwynne Ovenstone then formidably and solely in charge. Jane soon gained the lifelong friendship and confidence of Gwynne and in due course became Assistant College Secretary.

She continued in the post when Christine Griffiths succeeded Gwynne in 1987 and herself succeeded Christine in 1999 shortly before Clare Drury became the College's first full-time Senior Tutor in October 2000. In between times marriage to Giles and the birth of two sons seemed to cause very little interruption of Jane's work in the College Office. Occasionally a baby might be descried gurgling in a basket or a small boy sleeping or doing his homework under her desk with neither causing any interference to office routine. After Clare's premature death in 2004, Anne Knowland was appointed Senior Tutor and in a subsequent reorganisation of the College Office administration, the post of College Secretary was discontinued and Jane effectively made redundant. However, to general relief she re-emerged as Welfare Registrar in 2009 and remained as such until August of 2014 when she offered her resignation.

Any College Officer or Fellow who had business with the College Office during Jane's time there will remember the debt he or she owes for the cheerful and helpful efficiency with which Jane met their needs. A Dean would find her discreet but informed about a distressed undergraduate; a Tutor for Admissions be sure the interview arrangements were all in place but capable of alteration at the shortest notice; a Dean of Degrees able to leave the complexities of the new computerised graduation process to her to interpret. Any junior member would find the presence in Staircase 10 wonderfully calming, sympathetic and helpful in the most practical ways and any Old Member have cause to be grateful for the smooth organisation of their degree ceremony attendance.

In her farewell address at the reception held for her in the Fellows' Garden in August, Jane showed how much and how many – Masters, Fellows, office staff, scouts, porters, gardeners and all – she remembered and all with affection and good humour. A valuable cache of the history and the inhabitants of the College over more than 30 years has now gone with her elsewhere. She spoke most warmly of the undergraduates with all their talents and their problems: as appropriately as ever, since they are the life and future of the College.

Jane said that she will miss Univ and will find it hard to imagine she is no longer here. We feel the same about her.

GILL TAYLOR, who worked in the SCR pantry, retired in September 2014. She has worked at Univ in various capacities for no fewer than thirty-eight years and Elizabeth Crawford, Domestic Bursar, has kindly prepared the following words about her time at the College.

Gill started working for Univ in 1976, as a part-time scout, working two hours a day. She was recruited by Mr Blackler, who was the Assistant Domestic Bursar at the time. Over the years, as her family responsibilities changed, Gill increased her hours and increased the scope of her work. In the late seventies and early eighties, it was common for scouts to work in the Hall at lunch time and so Gill soon joined the group of scouts working in Hall. As the College acquired the various houses in Merton Street,



Gill increased her workload. She recalls, wryly, that on one occasion a don set fire to his study with a coal fire that set alight some horse hair in the chimney, which all left a terrible mess to be cleaned up the next day. Gill worked for a number of years in the Weir Common Room, where she looked after the graduates, preparing light food at lunch time. Univ had far fewer graduates in the late eighties and Gill got to know them very well and she recalls that period with great affection. She particularly remembers Mark Hope and Sean Denniston, both of whom were very active in the Weir Common Room and great organisers of events there. During the early part of this century, Gill worked as the Hall Supervisor, smoothing the rocky path between the kitchen and the Hall, and in recent years, has worked in the Senior Common Room, where she and Simon Cotterell have made a super team, in every way.

Gill's memories of Univ include many personal events, as well as some of Univ's very special occasions. On a personal note, Gill met her partner here; Sid Hall worked in the kitchen and he and Gill had a long, happy relationship that ended tragically with Sid's death in 2000. But, happily, Gill met Brian, who has only recently retired as one of the Works Department's preferred contractors and they married in the College Chapel in 2002. It was a joyful occasion attended by a number of Gill's friends at Univ, as well as her children and grandchildren. Gill's three children were all baptised in the Chapel. Asked about special memories of Univ, Gill's response was a wide smile, remarking that there were so many good ones. She had especially enjoyed the first visit of President Clinton and Mrs Clinton, in 1994, and the visit of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh in 1999 because the staff were introduced to all of them and made to feel very special. The Boat Club dinners of 1990 and 1991, when Univ was Head of the River, also featured as stand out memories. Gill has really enjoyed working with Simon in the SCR and commented that the Fellows "really need looking after" and she has enjoyed playing her part in that enterprise. Gill knows exactly who "forgets" to sign in, who can't eat nuts and who is most likely to have an unexpected guest at lunch.

Gill has a full agenda for her retirement, which includes spending more time with Brian and with her grandchildren, as well as more time on her hobby of dressmaking. She intends to buy a new sewing machine, so there will be many opportunities to practise her considerable talent as a dressmaker. We shall miss her very calm smile, her kindness to colleagues and her unswerving loyalty to Univ.

GEORGE GILHOLM retires in October 2014 as Univ's grounds man, after fourteen years at the Sports Ground and in the one hundredth year since the sports ground was opened in May 1914. With thanks again to Elizabeth Crawford, Domestic Bursar, who has written the following about his time at Univ.

George came to Univ in April 2000, having originally responded to an advertisement for Head Gardener. Bruce Taylor, our Head Gardener, had also responded and was successful but the interview panel was so impressed by George's application and interview that we decided that we could not pass on the possibility of employing someone whose skills and experience were perfect for running our sports ground. At the time, we had an arrangement with the Queen's College for managing our grounds, which we terminated in order to revert to having a direct employee. George had worked for various large landowners as a grounds man and came with sparkling references, which more than confirmed our first impressions.

George is originally from the north east, but had worked in the south of England for some time. He immediately made a great impression on the sports people at Univ with a warm welcome, whether for a casual kick around, for league or Cuppers matches. More than this, he also formed extremely good working relationships with neighbouring grounds men, which meant that a very efficient system of sharing large and expensive items of equipment quickly developed. He devoted all his enthusiasm and energy into making the pitches as good as he possibly could, whatever time of year and sometimes following complete inundation of flood water. George also forged friendships with other members of Univ's staff, some of whom readily stood in for him on grass cutting when he took his regular holiday in the Lake District, immediately after Trinity Term each year.

His enthusiasm for sport, in general, and for supporting College sport, was unflinching and despite teams sometimes not turning up, after careful preparation of pitches, or occasionally preparation of cricket teas, George's commitment to Univ's students has remained steadfast. He has greatly enjoyed the teams' successes in league games and in Cuppers. The annual Old Members' football tournament and cricket match have been highlights each year.

When the Boat House was completed in 2006, George willingly undertook the care of the meadow immediately surrounding the building (for the purchase of the right sort of tractor, of course!) and more recently, in 2010, took on board the sharing arrangement with Corpus Christi College. At the start of that new arrangement, the Bursars at Corpus were extremely impressed at their meeting with George and his sensitivity to what might have been an awkward transition, ensured that the arrangement worked without hitch, from the very start.

George is committed to low intensity grounds maintenance, which has meant that the badger setts on the eastern edge of the sports ground have remained undisturbed and the badgers, more or less forgiven for their habit of digging up worms in the outfield.

George will retire to his place in Radley and he will continue to enjoy playing golf and spending time with his children and grandchildren. However, he is already talking about taking up some other role and we very much hope that his time will not be so filled that he cannot come back to Univ from time to time. We shall miss him greatly.

Several other members of staff also moved on from Univ during 2014. Our College Registrar **HELENE AUGAR** left Univ earlier in the year, but stays within the University, moving to the position of Senior Academic Administrator at the Department of Experimental Psychology. In the summer, we said goodbye to **JANE LEWIS** in the Academic Office, who has been our Schools Liaison and Access Officer, and was instrumental in the launch of the award-winning Staircase12 website. In the Development Office, **CHARLOTTE MACDONALD** left Univ after two years as our Development Assistant. She is now married, and has moved away from Oxford to pursue a PGCE. We wish Helene, Jane and Charlotte all the best for the future.

Leaving Fellows

DR STANDA ZIVNY joined us as a Special Supernumerary Fellow in October 2013, but now leaves Univ to take on a 4-year Research Fellowship and Tutorship in Computer Science at Keble College. Standa was originally our JRF in Mathematics and Physical Sciences from 2009 to 2012, and we wish him well at Keble, where he will still be an Associate Professor of Computer Science and a Royal Society Research Fellow at Oxford's Department of Computer Science.

DR THOMAS OULDRIDGE, our Weir Junior Research Fellow in Mathematical and Physical Sciences, leaves Univ to move to a Junior Research Fellowship at Imperial College, London. Thomas joined Univ in October 2011, and will be moving into cellular biophysics in his new position.

Obituary

We were saddened to learn that **PROFESSOR WYNDHAM JOHN ALBERY** (Fellow 1962-1978; Master 1989-1997) died on 2 December 2013, aged 77. A full obituary can be found on page 66.



Academic Results,
Awards and
Achievements

Academic Results and Distinctions

Undergraduate Degrees

In the Schools of 2014, results were:

Class I	29
Class II i	64
Class II ii	10
Class III	1

This gave the College 24th in the Norrington Table.

The details of the Firsts are as follows:

Cell and Systems Biology

Louise Clare Taylor

Chemistry (M. Chem.)

Genevieve Allcroft

Elizabeth German

Elliot Smith

Engineering (M. Eng.)

Yijun Hou

Christopher Kennell

Experimental Psychology

Erik Ohrling

Elizabeth Worster

History

Madeleine Bishop

Ross Greenhill

Krista Sirola

Jurisprudence

Patrick Tomison

Literae Humaniores

Henrietta Fletcher

Mathematics (M. Maths)

Kameliya Belcheva

James Buchanan

Alexander Margolis

Rachel Philip

Maths & Computer Science

Thomas Kennington

Modern Languages

Timothy Moyo

Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry (M. Bioch.)

David Ding

Rachel Patel

Music

Lewis Coenen-Rowe

Physics (BA. Phys.)

Daniel Friar

Physics (M. Phys.)

Bruno Balthazar

Richard Morris

Joseph Prentice

PPE

Paul Cheston

Rebekka Hammelsbeck

Leon Musolff

Following an academic appeal this year, Philip Bronk has now been awarded First Class Honours in the PPP Finals he took in 2013.

In the first Public Examinations there were 29 Firsts or Distinctions in Prelims/Moderations in 2013/14:

Chemistry (M. Chem.)

Harrison Barrett
Sasan Panahy
Jonathan Taylor
Hao Zhi Zhang

Classics

Amelia Gall
Hugh Moorhead
Vannevar Taylor

Computer Science

Joshua Hannah

Oriental Studies (Chinese)

Julian Gray

Earth Sciences

Thomas Breithaupt

Engineering (M. Eng)

Daisy Hutchison
Katharine Weld

English Language & Literature

Shivani Kochhar
William Yeldham

History

Beatrice Allen
Sarah Boyd
Grace Mallon
Priya Shah

History & Politics

Clara Hilger

Jurisprudence

Hoi Mak
Claudia Martinez Madrid

Maths (M. Maths.)

Adrien Ellis
Lewis Ruks

Maths & Computer Science

Lukas Kobis

Modern Languages

James Martin

**Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry
(M. Bioch.)**

Adam Evans

PPE

Gabriela Caldwell-Jones
Thomas Gourd
Hugo Lu
Victoria Olive

Postgraduate Degrees

The following members of the College were awarded a D Phil during the last academic year for these theses:

Raquel Barradas de Freitas	<i>Explaining Meaning: Toward a Minimalist Account of Legal Interpretation</i>
Jonas-Sebastien Beaudry	<i>Can Social Contract Theory Fully Account for the Moral Status for ProFoundly Mentally Disabled People?</i>
Marcus Bell	<i>The Earthquake Cycle of the Manyi Fault, Tibet</i>
Dawn Berry	<i>The North Atlantic Triangle and the Genesis and Legacy of the American Occupation of Greenland during the Second World War</i>
Moshe Blidstein	<i>'All is Pure for the Pure': Redefining Purity and Defilement in Early Christianity, from Paul to Origen</i>
Bet Caeyers	<i>Social networks, community-based development and empirical methodologies</i>
Thomas Chapman	<i>Planetary-conjunction Theory and its Application in Tudor England up to the 'Grand Mutation' Crisis of 1603 – 1605</i>
Chelsea Clinton	<i>The Global Fund: An Experiment in Global Governance</i>
Andrei Constantin	<i>Heterotic String Models on Smooth Calabi-Yau Threefolds</i>
Helena Cousijn	<i>Expression and Neural Correlates of Schizophrenia Risk Gene ZNF804A</i>
Oliver Cox	<i>'Rule, Britannia!': King Alfred the great and the Creation of a National Hero in England and America, 1640-1800</i>
Ross Edelman	<i>Cyberattacks in International Relations</i>
Geraint Evans	<i>Real-time single-molecule observations of conformational changes in DNA polymerase</i>
Natacha Filippi	<i>Deviances and the Construction of a 'Healthy Nation' in South Africa. A Study of Pollsmoor Prison and Valkenberg Psychiatric Hospital, c. 1964-1994</i>
Ricarda Gaentzsch	<i>Establishment and Maintenance of the DNA Methylation Pattern in the Human Alpha Globin Cluster</i>
Anna Geurts	<i>Makeshift Freedom Seekers: Dutch Travellers in Europe, 1815-1914</i>
James Grice	<i>Prediction of extreme wave-structure interactions for multi-columned structures in deep water</i>
Christel Gudberg	<i>Effects of age on sleep and consolidation of motor learning</i>

Merav Haklai	<i>Money in the Roman empire from Hadrian to the Severi: A study of attitudes and practice</i>
Mishana Hosseinioun	<i>The Globalisation of Universal Human Rights and the Middle East</i>
Eoin Hyde	<i>Multi-scale parameterisation of static dynamic continuum porous perfusion models using discrete anatomical data</i>
Miles Jackson	<i>Complicity in International Law</i>
Naureen Karachiwalla	<i>Managing Teachers in Low-Income Countries</i>
Christopher Kowol	<i>The Lost World of British Conservatism: the Radical Tory Tradition, 1939-1951</i>
Carolina Lahmann	<i>Effects of KATP channel mutations on neurological function</i>
Lydia Lambert	<i>The Functional Consequences of Autoimmune Variants in the Tyrosine Kinase 2 Gene Region</i>
William Lanier	<i>Intentional Identity</i>
Jonathan Maynard	<i>Ideologies and Mass Violence, the Justification Mechanics of Deadly Atrocities</i>
Jessica Liley	<i>Optimising the Blending of Biosurfactants with Conventional Home and Personal Care Components: A Surface and Solution Study</i>
Thomas O'Toole	<i>Studies of Earthquakes and Microearthquakes Using Near-Field Seismic and Geodetic Observations</i>
Geoffrey Shaw	<i>The Rise and Fall of Liberal Legal Positivism: Legal Positivism, Legal Process, and H.L.A. Hart's America, 1945-1960</i>
Mary Slings	<i>The role of the hypoxia-inducible pathway in metabolism and cardiopulmonary physiology</i>
Amanda Stranks	<i>Autophagy is indispensable for normal maturation and function of macrophages and neutrophils</i>
Petr Sulc	<i>Coarse-Grained Modelling of Nucleic Acids</i>
Jonathan Turner	<i>Subjects of Justice: Social Institutions and the Basic Structure</i>
Joram van Rheede	<i>The Emergence of Visual Responses in the Developing Retinotectal System in Vivo</i>
Juri Viehoff	<i>European Integration and Implications for Justice and Legitimacy, and Social Justice in the European Union: A social democratic ideal for an 'Ever Closer Union'</i>
Alexander Volsky	<i>Tying down Gullivers: Tripartite Strategic Balancing in Unipolar International Systems</i>

Heike Wobst	<i>Mouse Models for the Investigation of MAPT and its Role in Neurodegenerative disease</i>
Cheng-Tar Wu	<i>A Non-syn-gas Catalytic Route to Methanol Production</i>
Luying Zhang	<i>Rotating Instability on Steam Turbine Blades at Part-load Conditions</i>

The following members of the College passed examinations in taught postgraduate degrees in the summer of 2014:

Bachelor of Civil Law

Stephen Lloyd
 Ross Martin
 Victoria Miyandazi
 Supritha Prodaturi
 *Albertus Bernardus Wessels

Bachelor of Philosophy

*Alexander Moran

Master of Philosophy

Kusha Baharlou (Economics)
 *Fabian Baumann (Slavonic Studies)
 Thomas Bolt (Greek and/or Latin Languages & Literature)
 Clement de Rivas (Russian & East European Studies)
 Tessa Frost (Russian & East European Studies)
 Adam Laphorn (Economics)
 Jan Mikhaylov (Russian & East European Studies)
 Ingrid Phillon (International Relations)
 Astrid Stuth (International Relations)

Master of Public Policy

Timothy McMinn
 Tatianna Mello Pereira da Silva
 Manjit Nath
 Teresa Phiri

Master of Science

Jorge Codas Thompson Perez (Contemporary Chinese Studies)
 Catherine Laporte-Oshiro (Contemporary Chinese Studies)
 Thomas Smith (Russian & East European Studies)

Master of Studies

Ziang Chen (Medieval Studies)
 *Elinor Costigan (Modern British and European History)
 Rong Rong (Applied Statistics)
 Catherine Shannon (Classical Archaeology)
 *Thomas Nelson (Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature)
 *Thibaut Radomme (Medieval Studies)
 *Xing Wang (Chinese Studies)

Postgraduate Certificate in Education

James Coote (Chemistry)
 Priya Hunjan (Physics)

Helen Bradley also passed her Postgraduate Certificate in Education in 2013. News of this result failed to reach the Editor in time for inclusion in last year's *Record*.

(* Distinction)

University Prizes and Other Awards

The Editor lists here all prizes awarded by the University, the College, or other sources which had been reported to him when the *Record* went to press. Any further prizes awarded this year will be reported in next year's issue.

University Prizes 2013

The following awards were made in 2013, but news of them failed to arrive in time for inclusion in last year's *Record*:

Daniel Khoo	was awarded the <i>Allen Space & Overy Prize in Corporate Insolvency Law</i> and the <i>Clifford Chance Civil Procedure Prize</i> for performance in his BCL examinations.
Helena Legarda-Herranz	was jointly awarded the <i>Davis Prize</i> for the best Chinese dissertation in Oriental Studies Finals.
Crispin Smith	was awarded the <i>Arthur Lenman Memorial Prize</i> for performance in his Oriental Studies Finals.
Thomas Nelson	received the highest marks in the University in his Classics Finals.

University Prizes 2014

Bruno Balthazar	has received a <i>Gibbs Prize</i> for performance in the MPhys examination, and a <i>Johnson Memorial Prize</i> for his MPhys Project in Astrophysics.
Niamh Broderick	has been awarded a departmental prize for her performance in her Part 1A Chemistry examinations, finishing second in the year.
David Ding	has received a <i>Gibbs Prize</i> for his performance in the Part I and Part II Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry examinations, finishing second in the year.
Anya Emmons	has been awarded this year's <i>Andrew Colin Prize</i> for the best performance in Russian in Modern Languages Prelims.
Timothy Firth	has received a <i>Gibbs Prize Award</i> for his BA Physics Group Project Presentation.
Daniel Fess	has received a <i>Gibbs Prize</i> for his performance in Part A of his Mathematics finals.
Daniel Friar	has received the <i>Scott Prize</i> for performance in the BA Physics examination, achieving the top First in his year.

Amelia Gall	has been awarded the <i>Comparative Philology Prize</i> for her performance in the Philology paper in Classics Mods.
Alina Gerasimenko	has received the <i>Pinsent Mason Prize</i> in Taxation Law, for her performance in this paper in her Jurisprudence Finals.
Julian Gray	has been awarded the <i>Dudbridge Junior Prize</i> for outstanding performance in the FPE Classical Chinese paper.
Chris Kennell	has received this year's <i>Rolls-Royce Award for Innovation in Thermofluids</i> , following a poster that he presented on his project to a panel of judges that work in the industry.
Krista Koskivirta	has received the <i>Linklaters Prize</i> in Competition Law and Policy, for her performance in this paper in her Jurisprudence Finals.
Aravinth Kulanthaivelu	has been awarded a <i>Gibbs Prize</i> for practical work in Part A of his Physics examination.
Ryan Macdonald	has been awarded a <i>Gibbs Prize</i> for practical work in Part B of his MPhys examination.
Alexander Margolis	has been awarded a <i>Gibbs Prize</i> for his dissertation in Mathematics.
James Martin	has been awarded a <i>Gibbs Prize</i> for his performance in Modern Languages Prelims.
Alexander McCormick	has received a <i>Head of Physics Faculty Prize</i> for performance in the Physics Department Speaking Competition.
Leon Musolff	achieved the top First across the University in his PPE Finals, and has jointly received the <i>Hicks-Webb Medley Prize</i> for best overall performance in his Economics papers.
Thomas Nelson	has received the <i>Gaisford Graduate Dissertation Prize</i> for the best dissertation in Greek and/or Latin Literature.
Joseph Prentice	has received the <i>Metaswitch Prize</i> for the best use of Software in an MPhys Project, and finished 3rd in his year for the MPhys.
Kathryn Smith	has been awarded the <i>Olwen Hufton Thesis Prize</i> for her final year thesis on Gender History.

College Prizes 2013

The following awards were made in 2013, but news of them failed to arrive in time for inclusion in last year's *Record*.

Aparna Chaudhuri	was awarded the <i>Stephen Boyd Memorial Prize</i> , given to the best undergraduate finalist in English.
Daniel Fess	won the <i>Nathan Prize</i> , awarded for outstanding performance in his Maths examinations.
Aamira Khan	was awarded the <i>Plumpton Minor Exhibition</i> for her academic work, conduct and contribution to college life.
Sian McGibbon	was awarded the <i>Hogan Lovells Academic Prize</i> , awarded to the undergraduate with the highest marks in Law Mods.
Lara Panahy	was jointly awarded the <i>Waddington Scholarship</i> , given to the best Classicist in any one year.
Josh Peaker	was awarded the <i>Plumpton Major Exhibition</i> for his academic work, conduct, and contribution to college life.
Hector Penny	was jointly awarded the <i>Waddington Scholarship</i> , given to the best Classicist in any one year.

College Prizes 2014

Madeleine Bishop	has been awarded two <i>Frederick H. Bradley Prizes</i> , one for the best thesis written by a final-year historian, and one for overall outstanding performance in her History Finals.
Sarah Boyd	has been jointly awarded the <i>Stiebel Scholarship</i> , given to the historian who achieves the best results in History Prelims.
Ross Greenhill	has been awarded a <i>Frederick H. Bradley Prize</i> for outstanding performance in his History Finals.
Priya Shah	has been jointly awarded the <i>Stiebel Scholarship</i> , given to the historian who achieves the best results in History Prelims.

Scholarships and Exhibitions

The following undergraduates were elected scholars and exhibitors for the academic year 2013/14:

Biochemistry, Molecular and Cellular (M.Biochem.)

Scholars

Pablo Baeza	Universidad Autonoma De Madrid
David Ding	Sir Karl Popper School, Vienna
Glen-Oliver Gowers	Caterham School
Aleksandar Ivanov	High School of Natural Sciences and Math, Sofia
Philipp Lorenz	Freiherr-vom-Stein-Gymnasium Kleve, Germany
Rachel Patel	Wirral Grammar School
Zhai Gen Tan	Tunku Abdul Rahman College, Malaysia

Biomedical Sciences

Scholars

Henry Owen	Peter Symonds College, Winchester
Louise Taylor	Haberdashers' Aske's School for Girls
Yajing Xu	Gymnasium Korschenbroich, Germany

Chemistry (M.Chem.)

Scholars

Sally Bovill	Brighton Hove and Sussex VI Form College
Niamh Broderick	Moate Community School, Ireland
Oliver Crossley	William Brookes School
Elizabeth German	Colyton Grammar School
Kamonwad Ngamchuea	Concord College
Elliot Smith	Harrow School
Philip Welch	Runshaw College

Exhibitors

Douglas Sexton	Kings College School, Wimbledon
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Classics

Scholars

Lara Panahy	St. Mary's School
Hector Penny	Westminster School

Computer Science

Scholars

Ari Aparikyan Robert College, Istanbul

Earth Sciences (Geology) (M.ESc.)

Scholars

Fergus McNab Firrhill High School, Edinburgh

Exhibitioners

Sam Cornish Stokesley School
Tim Hedgeland Colchester Royal Grammar School
Thomas Lamont Carmel College
Jacob Morgan Horsforth School

Engineering Science (M.Eng.)

Scholars

Philip Ball Kingston Grammar School
Daniel Burdett South Bromsgrove High School
Nicholas Chimento Cheyenne Mountain High School, USA
Yijun Hou Queen Annes School
Matyas Kinde Szent Istvan University, Hungary
You Li Shenzhan College
John Martin Calday Grange Grammar School
Shaun Tang Kolej Tuanku Ja'afar, Malaysia

Exhibitioners

Chris Kennell Longslade Community College
Oliver Vince Carre's Grammar School

Experimental Psychology

Scholars

Erik Ohrling Eton
Gabriela Shorney Toledano Howells School, Cardiff

Exhibitioners

Verity Smith Brighton and Hove High School
Lizzie Worster Hills Road Sixth Form College

History

Scholars

Hayden Cooke	Manchester Grammar School
Thomas Grand	Carisbrooke High School
Max (Gregory) Shock	Dr Challoner's Grammar School

Exhibitioners

David Cowan	George Heriot's School
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History & Modern Languages

Scholars

Rupert Benzecry	Kings College School
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History & Politics

Scholars

Charles Mondelli	Kings College School
Matthew Robson	The British School in the Netherlands

Law (Jurisprudence)

Scholars

Alina Gerasimenko	Kendrick School
Laura Ruxandu	Colegiul National Dimitrie Cantemir
Sian McGibbon	Winstanley College

Exhibitioners

Rebecca Carter	St. Bernard's High School & Arts College
Krista Koskivirta	Helsingin Suomalainen Yhteiskoulu, Finland
Patrick Tomison	Yarm School

Mathematics & Computer Science

Scholars

Thomas Kennington	Ranelagh School
Jan Mikolajczak	Pechersk School International, Ukraine

Exhibitioners

Tomas Halgas	Galileo School, Bratislava
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Mathematics (M.Math)

Scholars

Kameliya Belcheva	American College of Sofia
James Buchanan	Reigate Grammar School
Yik Tung Chan	Badminton School
Daniel Fess	Watford Grammar School
Matthew Haughton	Lycee International
Eng Keat Hng	Hwa Chong Junior College
Chun Pong Lau	Carmel Secondary School , Hong Kong
Alexander Margolis	City of London School
Rachel Philip	North London Collegiate School
Xiaoyi Zhang	Marymount International School

Exhibitioners

Lisa Cheng	Queenswood School
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Mathematics & Statistics

Scholars

Jiayi Yang	Suzhou High School
Xinchi Qiu	AGC Senior College of New Zealand

Medicine (pre-clinical)

Scholars

Philip Brooks	Royal Grammar School
Helen Vigar	Richard Huish College
Daisy Whitehouse	Latymer Upper School

Exhibitioners

Holly Digne-Malcolm	Royal Latin School
Sam Ereira	University College School
Jessica Macready	Newquay Tretherras School
Alex Morley	Wellington College
Matthew Shorthose	Royal Grammar School

Modern Languages

Scholars

Alexander Wallace Kings School, Rochester

Exhibitioners

Chris Bhamra Winchester College
Kit Rees Repton School
Jordan Reed Harrow School

Music

Scholars

Lewis Coenen-Rowe Blue Coat School, Liverpool

Oriental Studies

Scholars

Ellen Jones Kingston Grammar School

Physics (M.Phys.)

Scholars

Bruno Balthazar Escola Secundaria Manuel de Foneca
David Buckley John Leggott College
Joshua Calder-Travis Blue School, Wells
Daniel Friar Satesian School
Eleanor Hawtin Queen Mary College
George King Torquay Grammar School
Aravindh Kulanthaivelu Queen Elizabeth Grammar School
Ryan MacDonald Bilborough College
Richard Morris Sutton Grammar School for Boys
Joseph Prentice St. Bartholomews School
Chloe Ransom Collingwood College
Elliot Reynolds Shrewsbury Sixth Form College

Exhibitioners

Amy Hughes Christleton High School

Philosophy & Psychology

Exhibitioners

Polly Rylands-Richey Worthing Sixth Form College

Travel Scholarships

The following students were awarded Scholarships for travel in the summer vacation 2014:

Master's Scholarships for travel to the USA

Edward Beard
David Cowan
Yuquian Gan
Laura Ruxandu
Shahbano Soomro
Helen Vigar
Sebastian Wiseman

Master's Scholarships for travel to Canada

Hayden Cooke
Aamira Khan
Alex Morley
George Woodward

Master's Scholarships for travel to Hong Kong and the University of Peking

Chloe Hall
Hugo Lu

David & Lois Sykes Scholarships for travel to mainland China

David Astley
Catherine Laporte-Oshiro

Roger Short Scholarships for travel to Turkey

Samvartika Bajpai
Odette Chalaby
Elizabeth German
Robert Natzler
Abigail Reeves

Brewster Scholarships for travel in the UK

Kusha Baharlou
Eamon Byrne
Jeffrey Hawke
Amanda Rojek
Evan Wilson



2013-14 In Review

From the Chaplain

As I write, the stalls in Chapel are shrouded in plastic sheeting, the floor is covered by hardboard and there is scaffolding right up to the ceiling. It has been like that since the beginning of the Easter vacation, when an organ builder dismantled and removed the organ and we began to redecorate the Chapel.

All being well, Chapel will be open again as you are reading this in October, with a rebuilt and refurbished organ, and bright white walls and gleaming gold leaf. While Chapel has been out of use we have enjoyed having Choral Evensong in All Souls College, thanks to the hospitality of its Chaplain, Warden and Fellows. That has been great fun, and will be of lasting benefit; All Souls has no musical instrument in its Chapel, so we bought a portable Box

Organ to use there, and we will continue to use this new organ alongside our restored Chapel Organ. The Box Organ opens up a range of renaissance and baroque music that would not otherwise be possible, and it may be used both in Chapel and elsewhere. We plan to have an inaugural recital on the rebuilt Chapel Organ in Trinity Term, once the instrument has had time to settle; more details will follow.

All Souls has not been the only place besides Univ where we have worshipped this year. In Hilary we had a joint Evensong at St Edmund Hall, and we also joined with their choir and congregation on Ash Wednesday for a Sung Eucharist in the University Church of St Mary the Virgin. The choir has also sung Evensong at Birmingham and Southwark cathedrals, and enjoyed a very successful Christmas tour to Luxembourg, ably organised and led by our Weir Organ Scholar, Thierry Hirsch. Our new Director of Music, Giles Underwood has settled in well, and is making his mark both in Chapel and more widely in the College. As always, we are sorry to say goodbye to a large number of choir leavers, all of whom we wish well for the future: Kameliya Belcheva, Helen Browncross, James Buchanan (organ scholar), Annika Boldt, Laura Clash, Lewis Coenen-Rowe, Kitty Bourne-Swinton-Hunter, James King, Hannah McGregor-Viney, Chris Pyrah, Jess Reeves, Elliot Smith, Kat Steiner and Lizzie Worster.

Our regular pattern of worship has stayed the same, with Choral Evensong on Sundays, and daily prayer on midweek mornings, with special occasions such as the Advent and Christmas Carol Services. Among our visiting preachers this year have been four Old Members: the Revd Kevin Davies (1980), the Rt Revd Richard Inwood (1964), the Revd Georgina Watmore (née Hazelton; 1981), and the Revd Dr Janet Williams (1979).



Andrew Gregory

From the Librarian



The Univ Library, as always, was cleared of the wilted carnations and glitter of Trinity term just in time for the July Open Days and the arrival of the Summer Schools. In the past year we have relocated thousands of antiquarian books, curated three exhibitions, hosted film crews and a photographer, and started a major project to catalogue one of our world class collections. Our students have not been neglected, however; our annual survey shows an overwhelmingly positive view of Library provision at Univ.

Not to be outdone by last year's *Lindisfarne Gospels Durham* exhibition which featured our 12th century manuscript, Bede's *Life of St Cuthbert*, Univ hosted a two day exhibition in March including the Bede and other treasures. Ten exhibits showcased books and manuscripts which Univ received from Old Member William Rogers in 1670. As part of an attempt to display our historic

collections, the Library staff also curated exhibitions for National Libraries Day and World Book Day featuring Oscar Wilde (on whom more below) and 'Printing & Publishing in the Industrial Age.'

We are very happy to announce that in September last year the Robert Ross Memorial Collection was returned to College from the Bodleian Library. The collection, which was bequeathed to Univ in the 1930s, includes almost every printed edition of the works of Oscar Wilde published prior to 1931, as well as many volumes about the literary and artistic movements of the 1890s. Since taking receipt of the collection last year we have started to upgrade its catalogue records to modern standards, begun a hand-list of its archival material, and re-housed some of its more delicate items. The arrival of the Collection has resulted in a steady stream of researchers coming to Univ.

The Oxford Conservation Consortium has continued to help with the upkeep of our precious historic collections. This year, the team repaired a 19th century scrap-booking album containing newspaper cuttings and other ephemera relating to the career of Oscar Wilde. The album was at one point in the possession of Wilde's mother, Lady Jane Wilde. In addition the Consortium worked on a manuscript volume listing the contents of the library of Arthur Charlett (d. 1722), one of Univ's Masters, and an unusual painted binding of a *Book of Common Prayer* (P.1.1) which was donated to Univ in 1697 by Stephen Fox in honour of his grandson John Cornwallis, an Old Member of College.

Old Members have once again been very generous about donating copies of their books to the Univ Library. Donations this year have included a pictorial book about a golf course, a number of volumes of poetry, and works about Britain's bird life.

Our thanks go to the Library helpers without whom the whole operation would grind to a halt. Anbara Khalidi continued her early morning shelving and helped out with the Summer Schools for the second year running; Sian McGibbon maintained order in the Law Library; Rachel Delman and Alex Dyzenhaus kept the library neat and tidy during Trinity term; Magdalena Walczak and TJ Bolt between them undertook our arduous annual stock-check.

Elizabeth Adams

Books donated by Old Members

The following Old Members of the College presented copies of their books to the Library this year:

- Adil Jussawalla (1960): *The Right Kind of Dog* (Duckbill Books, 2013)
- Felix Martin (2004): *Money* (Botley Head, 2013)
- Bryan Horrigan (1986): 'The Roles of Lawyers in Steering Corporate Governance and Responsibility Towards Addressing Social Justice and Inequality' in *Poverty, Justice and the Rule of Law* (International Bar Association, 2013)
- David Dixon (1960): *Greek Transport in the Early 1960s* (Self-published, 2013)
- Simon Gladdish (1975): *Speckled, Spotted and Streaked: Selected Poems, Homage to Edward Lear & Hillimericks and Aphorisms after Oscar & Twisted Proverbs* (all Gladpress, 2013)
- David Cabot (1957): *Wildfowl* (HarperCollins, 2010) and *Terns* (HarperCollins, 2013)
- Jennifer Wong (1998): *Goldfish* (Chameleon Press, 2013)
- Robin Hollington, QC (1974): *Hollington on Shareholder's Rights* (Sweet & Maxwell, 2013)
- Paul McGrath, QC (1989): *Commercial Fraud in Civil Practice* (OUP, 2008)
- Adam Kramer (1996): *The Law of Contract Damages* (Hart Publishing, 2013)
- William Fforde (1975): *St Georges Hill Golf Club: The Players' View* (Beckenham Publishing, 2014)
- Peter Davies (1967): *Clinical Tuberculosis* (5th Edition, CRC Press, 2014)
- George van Mellaert (2000): *Le Dernier Avocat* (Self-published, 2014)

From the Development Director

The 2013-2014 fiscal year was an extremely positive one for College in its fundraising efforts. College received £3.45 million in new gifts and pledges for the fiscal year ending 31 July 2014. This commitment total reflects the third best fundraising year in Univ's modern history. Five individuals made new gifts and pledges of £100,000 or more towards student support in the form of undergraduate bursaries, postgraduate scholarships, and College access initiatives, the key priorities of College in 2013-14.

The main philanthropic focus of the year was postgraduate scholarships in response to the £10m anonymous benefaction that initiated the Oxford-Radcliffe Postgraduate Scholarships in 2013. Numerous Old Members thoughtfully responded to the Oxford-Radcliffe benefaction challenge in 2013-14 and donated an impressive £2.26 million in permanent endowment resources to support new postgraduate scholarships.

Specifically four new fully funded scholarships were created or completed this past year. Three generous six-figure commitments established new postgraduate scholarships in the fields of Economics, History and Engineering. These were created through the thoughtful generosity of Honorary Fellow Paul Chellgren (1966), James Anderson (1977), and two Old Members who wish to remain anonymous.

A syndicate of smaller major gifts led to the successful conclusion to the fundraising with the full endowment of the fourth postgraduate scholarship of the year. The scholarship is in Physics and has been named in memory of Univ's first Fellow in Physics, Dr Bobby Berman. Dr Berman was a Fellow from 1955-1983 and an Emeritus Fellow thereafter before he passed away in 2004. Dr Ian Owen (1974) led the fundraising effort that inspired a collection of OMs to contribute £465,000, securing an additional £310,000 in matched funding from the Oxford Graduate Matched Funding Scheme. The resulting fully endowed postgraduate scholarship will extend Univ's notable heritage of scientific excellence in Physics.

Overall, these private donations for postgraduate scholarships have in turn leveraged an additional £1,240,000 from the University's matched funding scheme and £1,000,000 from the Oxford-Radcliffe benefaction challenge fund in scholarship endowment for College. The College wishes to extend its special gratitude to Honorary Fellows Sir Hugh Stevenson (1961) and Tim Tacchi (1973), Foundation Fellow Tim Sanderson (1978), Dr David Booth (1950), John Crompton (1981), William Reeve (1991), Sam Swire (1999), and the Overbrook Foundation for their generous new commitments to College in 2013-14. Your loyal care and leadership example is deeply valued.



Annual Fund

I am delighted to report that the College had an historic annual fund campaign this year. Old Members graciously contributed new gifts and pledges providing more than £1,100,000 in support. This figure reflects an increase in funds donated of nearly 33%

and sets a new high-water mark for College. It is an outstanding accomplishment that reflects the genuine loyalty and dedication of our Old Members to support this special institution and its students and Fellows. Although our percentage participation among Old Members will match last year's total of just over 34% of OMs contributing to College, it is important to note that more than 2,300 OMs actually made a gift to Univ. This is an all-time high number of donors to College for a given year.

OMs from around the world and of varying circumstances caringly responded in record numbers to our callers and appeals this year. I wish to thank all of you who contributed this year, especially the many of you who accepted our students' calls and gave to our two telethons. Additionally, I want to acknowledge the two anonymous Old Members who gave extra incentive to our telethon through their £100,000 match programme for new and increased donors to College. I also wish to thank our regional Society Secretaries Robert Grant (Canada), Stuart McCulloch (Australia), and Paul Chellgren (1966) for his leadership of AFUCO (the American Friends of University College). We are grateful for their efforts to encourage support from around the globe for the College.

The Golden Anniversary tradition in College reached an important milestone of 10 years with the Class of 1963's Golden Anniversary. The September weekend offered good weather so even a bit of punting was on the menu. The Class members contributed special gifts to the College totalling £34,000 designated for Student Support Awards. We are grateful to all of the contributors to the Class gift.

I also want to applaud 30 of the College's recent Leavers whose first act of joining the ranks of Old Members was to give back to their alma mater. Their commitments reflected their appreciation of their own experience and their genuine intention to remain connected and involved in the College's future evolution. Their support is truly special and establishes ties that we know will pay significant dividends to College over the decades.

Events

Whether held on the historic main site or in various settings abroad, numerous College sponsored activities dotted the diary in 2013-2014. More than 1,200 Old Members attended these gatherings, reconnecting with old friends and making new ones, showing their sporting skill, learning of new College developments and generally celebrating the Old Member community. These activities ranged from reunions, to casual picnics, to the competitive events, to the intellectual talks and formal dinners in elegant venues. Please see below some highlights from this year's events:

In September, the Master hosted more than 70 Old Members for drinks as part of the University's Alumni Weekend. The College welcomed back more than 130 OMs for the 1984-1988 Gaudy, where Emeritus Fellow Professor Glen Dudridge offered his perspective on China's long struggle with ethnicity and current Librarian Elizabeth Adams presented an exhibition of some of College's rare books. The enjoyable weekend, where friendships were renewed and old styles and music were definitely reconsidered, was capped by a boisterous meal and reflective toast by Rob Hammond (1987).

The Class of 1953 and some from 1954, led by C P Nobes (1953), held their Diamond Anniversary Moot and dinner, to mark their 60th year since coming up and the 10th anniversary of their first Golden Appeal. Another anniversary, the 110th of the Founding of the Rhodes Trust, was also celebrated in College with a dinner that brought together

50 Univ former and current Rhodes Scholars spanning seven decades and from across the world. John Morrison (1955) and Leticia Villeneuve (2011) shared with the assembled scholars their perspectives on their 'Oxford home' past and present.

Just before Michaelmas Term commenced, 40 OMs came back to College to participate in the Class of 1963's Golden Anniversary festivities. I applaud the heartfelt work of the Golden Anniversary Committee of Ron Jordan, Peter Morrell, Alf Taylor, Stephen Cox, John Collinge, Hank Gutman, and Roger Manning to create a special reunion weekend.

The USPGA reconvened in the Autumn at the Wildernes Club in Sevenoaks thanks to the kindness of host Eric Cooper (1964). Mark Timpson (2007) broke away from his postgraduate studies to play and quickly broke away from the field to bring home top honours.

More than 30 Old Members accompanied the Master and the Development Director in the beautiful surroundings of St Leonard's Hall, Edinburgh, for the Univ Society Scotland Dinner in October. Cameron Cochrane, MBE (1954) graciously hosted a programme which included a College update from the Master and a speech from Grant Lawrence (1968) reflecting on Univ and his time working for the EC.

University College Development Board member Mark Turner (1976) hosted a special thank you dinner at the Oxford and Cambridge Club for the lead benefactors of the Hoffmann Law Fellowship. The College had successfully raised £1.2m in donations for the Fellowship named in honour of Lord Hoffmann over the past two years. The evening was highlighted by grateful speeches from Lord Hoffmann and the first holder of the Hoffmann Tutorial Fellowship in Law, Professor Angus Johnston.

In November, two drinks receptions were held across the Atlantic for Old Members based in Washington, DC and New York, with Doug Gilman (2005) and Robert Craft (1961) kindly providing venues. Newly appointed Fellow of the Royal Society and Professor of Earth Sciences Gideon Henderson chaired the Ninth Annual Seminar, held at the Royal Society in London. The security of the UK's energy supply was the featured topic of debate before a capacity gathering of engaged Old Members. We thank panellists Lord Oxburgh (1953), Jim Long (1987), Oliver Phipps (1989), Laurence Fumagalli (1990), and Jen Coolidge (1996) for their candid assessments of this important topic. Finally, University College Development Board member Jim Long (1987) also hosted 18 Old Members from across Europe at Club Bar au Lac in Zurich, where they were joined by Dr Oliver Zimmer, Sanderson Fellow in Modern History and the Development Director.

The hectic 2013 events programme was brought to a contemplative conclusion with two special events. A small, but intimate ceremony in the Bowen room saw the donation of a photographic portrait of former Fellow, Dr. E J 'Ted' Bowen, from the Bowen family in December. After the reception the College's annual Advent and Carol services took place in Chapel. After much singing and reflection, more than 130 people joined together after the services in the Hall for spiced wine and other refreshments.

Hilary Term 2014

The term began with more than 50 former UCBC members returning to College for the annual Dinosaurs and Cassandrians dinner. February brought a brief Tube strike to London, but 70 of our intrepid Old Members still found their way to the Oxford and Cambridge Club to partake in the tenth Annual Univ Society London Dinner. J Mark Yallop (1978), CEO of UBS, UK provided a thought provoking talk on the work of the

Centre for Social Justice and its noble work to fight child slavery in the UK and abroad. OMs Football Day saw three Old Member teams enter the fray against those squads of current JCR and MCR members. The Fitzsimmons Challenge Cup was awarded to Morrison XI (2009) for winning the main tournament and Carroll XI (1977) earned a stirring result via penalties against Gamble XI (1976) in the veterans' match.

The College's St. Cuthbert's Day Feast ended Hilary Term. This year the College retrieved from the depths of the Bodleian Library its most treasured manuscript, the Venerable Bede's *Life of St. Cuthbert* for attendees to view. In addition to a beguiling talk on the history of St. Cuthbert and his Durham connections, the College Archivist, Robin Darwall-Smith (1982), and Librarian Elizabeth Adams prepared a comprehensive exhibit highlighting the treasurers from the 1670 bequest of OM William Rogers.

In March, University Pro-Vice Chancellor Nick Rawlins (1968), Politics Fellow and Dean of the Blavatnik School of Government Professor Ngaire Woods and the Development Director travelled to the Far East and happily attended a spirited gathering of Univ OMs in Hong Kong hosted by David Fu (1984). We thank David for his meticulous planning which created a special College evening.

The College welcomed back the Classes of 1988-1991 for their Gaudy at the end of the month. Emeritus Fellow in Russian Mike Nicholson offered his take on Univ's unique link to the course of world history with a lecture entitled 'Univ Man Murders Mad Monk Rasputin.' Owain Thomas (1990) provided the OMs who gathered for dinner with a cleverly structured College toast that blended humour and tales of years past. It must be noted that the College bar remained standing at weekend's end.

After the Gaudy, the Master, Estates Bursar Frank Marshall, and the Development Director jetted off to New York and joined those OMs who gathered for the Oxford North American biennial weekend. Key highlights of the weekend were the stimulating talk on the challenges of disruptive technologies in the world of higher education, which was entertainingly delivered by former Rhodes Scholar and US Congressman Tom McMillen (1974) at the fascinating Soho House. Dr. John Reid (1961) and his charming wife Claire rounded out the festivities by warmly hosting about 30 OMs at their home.

The William of Durham Society held its annual luncheon and heard a book presentation from Michael Jago (1965) on former Prime Minister and Univite, Clement Attlee (1901). After a tasty repast our William of Durham members were entertained by the Univ Players' spirited rendition of George Etherege's 1676 comedy *The Man of Mode*.

The annual Roger Short Travel Scholars dinner marked its 10th anniversary since the formation of the travel scholarships. Several long-standing friends of Roger Short (1963), former Scholars, and current recipients joined together for the evening which was lovingly planned by Anna and Richard Morgan.

Late Spring moved College sport to the forefront for both students and Old Members. Michael Shilling (1975) masterfully hosted the USPGA Spring Golf Event at Ealing Golf Club on a spectacular day in mid May. Mark Timpson (2007) for the third time in a row earned top honours with a fine round on a tight, challenging course. We and the USPGA's members gratefully thank Michael for providing such a lovely venue. Despite challenges and near postponement the Old Members Cricket Match did take place, because of the deep commitment of Old Members.

More than 120 OMs joined the Master for a reception at the College's award-winning Boathouse. The Saturday finals of Summer VIIIs had a special feel to it as our visitors

watched W2 earn their blades after a competitive week that saw the College place nine different shells on the river, tops at the University. To conclude VIIIs week, David Hunter (1982) poignantly dedicated the College's newest shell the 'Acer Nethercott' which he had donated in memory of the former Univ, University, and GB coxswain, before friends and family of Dr Acer Nethercott (1996).

The Master introduced Coursera, CEO and Co-founder, and Stanford professor, Daphne Koller to deliver the 2014 Access Lecture which focused on the growing educational movement of MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses). Professor Koller's provocative lecture was entitled, 'The Online Revolution: Education for Everyone.' The Eldon Law Society hosted its Spring dinner as 15 OMs mingled with the assembled Law students in College for drinks and dinner and legal conversation.

The year concluded with the second annual Leavers fundraising reception, hosted by the Master on a sun-drenched day in the Master's Garden which featured encouraging words from Dan Keyworth (2000) on the responsibilities of Univ Old Members. Outgoing Old Members' Trust Chairman Ian Graham-Bryce (1954) oversaw his final spring meeting and dinner in June. The Trustees, the Master and Lady Crewe, and the College gratefully acknowledged Dr. Graham-Bryce's sterling service and savvy leadership of the Trust. The College and Trustees also welcomed Chairman-elect John Cummins (1981) to the meeting and look forward to his leadership in the coming years.

June's final weekend saw more than 40 Old Member teachers return to College for a two-day retreat. This initial Teachers Reunion Weekend was an initiative of the OMT and Dr. Janet Williams (1979) and successfully focused on how OM teachers could be influential in assisting College recruitment efforts. Sean Denniston (1987) rounded out the year hosting the fifth annual Univ DC area picnic to rave reviews.

Communications

College launched a new College magazine, *The Martlet*, in June 2014. *The Martlet* will be a semi-annual publication with both a hard copy and electronic version. It will serve as a compliment to the annual College *Record* and the bi-monthly College electronic newsletter. The Univ e-newsletter reaches approximately 6,500 Old Members worldwide and is a leading vehicle for keeping up to date with the College, its students, and other Old Members.

In the past year, the College used video technology more in its efforts to engage Old Members. Short films highlighting the life of postgraduates can be seen on the College website www.univ.ox.ac.uk/pgscholarships. The College's *12 Days of Christmas* was a little Christmas gift to our OMs, bringing smiles and light-hearted holiday memories to the more than 5,800 viewers. The College's year end Annual Fund film *Why I give to Univ* was also well received and reminds us that our OMs support the College for a variety of very personal reasons. Look forward to seeing more short films, both fun and informative, in the future.

Thanks

Special thanks are due to the members of the University College Development Board led by Mark Yallop (1978) and the North American Campaign Committee led by Alastair Tedford (1977), who actively advance College's profile and raise valuable funds for College.

We are grateful to these fundraising volunteers for their investment of time and resource. The contributions and support of the members of the Old Members Trust and its sub-committees must also be recognised. The OMT's commitment to student access and development allows the College to offer unrivalled support to our students.

I gratefully thank my College colleagues for their guidance, assistance and personal support of our endeavours. The Master, Senior Tutor, Domestic Bursar, Estates Bursar, Chaplain, and other key staff members along with our Development Committee Fellows are delightful partners and possess a wonderful commitment to make Univ the special institution it is. I also thank our student telethon callers who are fantastic representatives and gamely engage our Old Members in conversations that recall the past, highlight the present and explore the future.

I thank our very professional members of the Development staff. They worked hard and were extremely diligent. We are fortunate to have them furthering the College's interests. Only minor transitions occurred with our staff this past year with one departure and one new addition. Ms. Charlotte Macdonald, who joined the Office in 2012 as Development Assistant left in July 2014 to join her fiancée and pursue her dreams of becoming a teacher. The College's new Development Assistant is Ms. Carol Webb who joined the office in June 2014. Carol looks forward to serving our community of Old Members.

I thank you again for your loyalty to College. Your support makes our community stronger and bolder. 2014-15 will offer new opportunities to advance College, make new friends, and thank those who care deeply for its future. I hope personally to cross paths with more of you. All the best from Kybald House!

William Roth

The Chalet

2014 Chalet Reading Party, 12th to 26th July

Univ's attendance on Mont Blanc this year had an unusual configuration; a combination of circumstances gave us a fortnight slot in the season and members booked in on dates that suited them. A total of 20 members were able to benefit from the opportunity and we had the pleasure of the company of Andrew Dean, Junior Dean of Hertford, and Maryam Ahmed of Wolfson as our guests. We were also delighted that John Allen and Diana paid us an impromptu lunchtime visit.

Walks were inevitably determined by weather which appeared unwilling to settle into a stable pattern. Despite this an honourable record was achieved, including Col de Tricot, the Argentière glacier, and especially Tête Rousse at 3,200 metres and the Aiguillette des Posettes at 2,200 metres, both twice each. The Master, making his fifth visit, proved once again to be a leading motivator in getting members out of the Chalet and onto the hillside. There were five early morning runs to the villages for breakfast croissants, an activity only for the specially hardy.

Univ continues to lead the maintenance and restoration of the Chalet on behalf of our sister Colleges. This year the final moves were made to convert the kitchen to a modern catering standard and to insert a purification system to its outflow to protect the environment of this conservation area. Adam Walker, our Works Supervisor, carried out our regular survey and the Works Department created a handsome mouse-proof food safe (older members may recall with affection this primitive but effective system of providing rodent-free cheese and butter in the age when not all food was deprived of its flavour in a refrigerator). With the aid of a local carpenter a new front entrance porch was constructed, with outer and inner doors. As this was found to occupy the space previously held by the Chalet's rustic and very homespun boot rack, skilled artisans Alice Baggaley and Jack Matthews dedicated an afternoon to producing a robust and purpose-designed replacement in authentic local timber.

As always the leaders rely on some party members for helping to ease the inevitable effort of putting on a party; special thanks this year go to Ben Hall, Jack Matthews, Corinne Stuart and Arthur Wolstenholme, in addition to the usual gratitude to all members for helping to create an enjoyable and productive season.

Stephen Golding and Keith Dorrington

A further report from this year's Chalet will feature in the next issue of *The Martlet*.

Junior Common Room

Gregory 'Max' Shock (Vice-President Treasurer) has continued to work with College for the improvement of the student support fund and the Blues fund. The Univ bike scheme has expanded two-fold since the 2012 academic year, and continues to be free for all Univ students. Max has also been an invaluable source of support and advice during the year, and has contributed to the friendly atmosphere of the JCR to an enormous extent.

Edward Penington (Vice-President Secretary) successfully commandeered the five-yearly mammoth task of revising the JCR constitution. Through setting up a number of sub-committees made up of JCR members, he created a clearer document which will better reflect the views of the JCR. Both Vice-Presidents have also been hugely instrumental in this year's rent negotiations, which we consider a favourable compromise.

Eleanor Jones and Glen-Oliver Gowers (Welfare) have organised a large number of welfare breakfasts for all students taking exams throughout the year, which we hope to continue for years to come. The welfare reps have also enabled the free provision of the morning-after pill at Univ, and the adoption of the NHS 'C-card' scheme.

Hannah Edwards (Academic Affairs) has expanded the role of the Academic Affairs Officer, creating a greater level of communication amongst the student body in terms of welfare and the avenues of advice that are available. She has also worked on a number of feedback sessions, which we hope will give a more transparent system of communication between students and academics in College.

Leonora Gilmour and Stuart Perrett (Entz) have continued to host a number of impressive bops this year, including a joint bop with The Queen's College in Hilary term. The JCR executives have also negotiated for the College Bar to be fully renovated over the 2014 summer vacation.

Matthew Small (Access and Equal Opportunities) has not only contributed to the College in his role as an ambassador, but also through his role in the JCR executive. His communication with other members of the committee (the LGBTQ rep, the Ethnic Minorities rep and the Welfare team) has allowed us to attract a wider number of applicants and has given all members of the JCR a wider perspective on matters facing students from different backgrounds.

Furthermore, there has been the successful negotiation of a much-needed renovation of the JCR, which will be carried out over the 2014 summer vacation. This year's successes also include a continuation of charity collections for the British Heart Foundation, termly donations to local charities, the creation of the staircase12 access website, and an improvement in the availability of vegetarian food in the Buttery. To everyone who has helped the JCR this year, I would like to offer my sincerest thanks. It would not have been possible to achieve all these great things without you.



Abigail Reeves
President, Junior Common Room

Weir Common Room

It has been a fantastic year for the Weir Common Room (WCR). The graduate community at Univ continues to be one of the liveliest and most active of all Oxford colleges.

Our Welcome Week started with a bang last October. Bops, scavenger hunts, potluck dinners and pub crawls awaited our new recruits as they arrived in Oxford for the first time. Oxford can be an intimidating place when you first arrive, so this year the WCR committee pushed to make our Welcome Week the friendliest yet. The way we saw it, the sooner our new graduates realised that Oxford wasn't full of snooty aristocrats carrying around their childhood teddy bears, the better.



Since then, we haven't stopped. This year Univ graduates enjoyed dinner exchanges with Nuffield, Green Templeton, Pembroke and Keble. In November we embarked on a day-trip to Cambridge for a fancy dinner exchange with Trinity Hall, Cambridge – Univ's sister college at 'the other place'. And you know what, the Cambridge people actually weren't that bad at all.

Univ was mobbed by an army of Marios and Luigs on the night of our 'Nintendo Bop' last November, while the Middle Common Room sported a glittering disco ball for 'That 70s Bop' in Trinity Term. In January, the benches and tables in the dining hall made way for an evening of spectacular ceilidh dancing. The novelist Javier Marías once quipped that, "Oxford is, without doubt, one of the cities in the world where least work gets done." Sometimes we think the guy has a point. But he forgot to mention that Oxford can be a hell of a lot of fun, too.

Our Martlets Talks continue as strongly as ever. Every term graduates enjoy some wine and nibbles in the Master's Lodge while listening to the latest in graduate research at Univ. This year we had a series of excellent presentations, encompassing a broad array of topics from Sarah Dixon-Clarke, who spoke about growing crystals amid efforts to understand aspects of human biology, to Alexander Moran, who delved into the philosophy of the self.

Perhaps best of all, though, this year we have had a number of ground-up initiatives among the graduate community at Univ. The 'Feminism Friday' discussion group has caught the imagination of many graduates, while the 'Working Paper Series' discussion group, led by Leah Trueblood, has helped students improve their ideas by means of constructive discussion at crucial moments of their research. These groups represent Univ at its finest, a community of socially-engaged scholars who seek to foster discussion and debate.

Simon Mee
President, Weir Common Room

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Obituaries



Old Members

1933



HUGH EDWARDS GILMOUR (Berkhamsted) died on 18 April 2013, aged 98. Hugh's relative and deputy, Michael Thorp, has kindly provided this obituary:

Hugh went to Berkhamsted School and read Classics at Univ. He then had some experience of teaching and tutoring at various Prep schools. At the outbreak of the Second World War, he was commissioned into the Royal Artillery, serving with the BEF in France and then in the UK before going out to India in March 1942. On arrival he was attached to the Royal Indian Army Service Corps, remaining in

India until returning to the UK in 1945.

He was demobilised in 1946 and worked for London County Council, Education Officer's Department and also passed Part 1 of the Bar Examination. He subsequently joined the family business of furniture storage and transport in Ealing. He served with the Territorial Army (Royal Artillery), was awarded the Territorial Decoration and was also a Conservative Councillor on Ealing Borough Council for some 10 years.

From the early 1960s, Hugh was a staunch member of Get Britain Out (formerly The Anti-Common Market League) remaining as Vice President until his death. He married Catherine Elizabeth Hodgson at Rye, East Sussex in 1964 and lived in Ealing until his death. There were no children. His wife died on 28 April 2013.

1936

PETER RALPH MOSEDALE (Worthing HS) died on 29 May 2014, aged 96. Peter's son, Tom, has kindly provided this obituary:

Peter came up to University College in 1936. The first boy from the school to go; at 15 he left school, retaking London Matriculation by correspondence course. Allowed back to school, he was granted an Open Exhibition at Univ.

He joined the OTC, ran for the College and became an active member of the OU Mountaineering Club. After his Finals in 1939, he received a Second. At the outbreak of war he was in Chamonix. Catching the last ferry to Newhaven, he enlisted in the Royal Artillery. While awaiting call up, he returned to Oxford to take the post-graduate course in Education. Commissioned in early 1941, he served with the West Africans and the Indian Artillery, reaching the rank of Major.

Joining the Colonial Office, he was sent to develop a school system in the Northern Territory of Ghana. His health broke. Sent home, he took up dairy farming in Pembrokehire.

Restored to health, he became first principal of White Hall Outdoor Education Centre in Derbyshire, Principal of the Scottish Coal Board Residential Centre for the training of entrants to the mining industry, and then Head of Department at Cambridgeshire College of Arts and Technology. In 1969 he became Head of Department in a new College of Advanced Education, to be built in Canberra (now the University of Canberra). He retired in 1978, becoming Emeritus Professor of the University of Canberra, and returned to the UK.

1938

PROFESSOR THOMAS PATERSON MORLEY (Rugby) died on 29 April 2012, aged 91. He read Medicine at Univ, and in his subsequent BM and BCh degrees in medical school he met his future wife, Helen Briggs. They were married in 1943.

In 1944 he joined the RAF as a squadron medical officer, and was posted in Pune, India, north of Goa. After the war he completed his training in neurosurgery, and then moved to Canada to begin a fellowship at the Toronto General Hospital (TGH). In 1953, Helen and their two young daughters emigrated to Canada to join him. In 1962, Morley became Head of the Division of Neurosurgery at TGH, and two years later he was appointed as Chair of Neurosurgery. Throughout his career, Morley held numerous leadership positions in medicine and neurosurgery including President of the Academy of Medicine of Toronto, President of the Canadian Neurosurgical Society, Vice President of the Society of Neurological Surgeons, and Vice President of the Neurosurgical Society of America.

Thomas retired in 1985, and in 1986 the 'Morley Prize' was created in the Division of Neurosurgery at TGH to recognise the neurosurgery resident who has presented the best research paper each year.

Professor Morley leaves his wife Helen, children David, Rosamund, Jane and Luke, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

1938



PETER STUART DEWINTON RAWSON (Wellington) died on 9 January 2014, aged 93. Peter's son-in-law, Alan Palmer, has kindly provided this obituary:

Peter read Classics at Univ on a curtailed wartime course from 1938 to 1940. He came up to Oxford from Wellington College and before that, Cheam School (where he played cricket with the Duke of Edinburgh). He was called up in July 1940 immediately after graduation and served throughout the war with the Royal Artillery. He survived the torpedoing of his ship on the way to North Africa and saw action in Tunisia and Egypt. He was then involved in the bitter fighting in Italy, including at Monte Cassino. He was still in Italy at the end of the war and stayed there in a staff role until he was demobbed with the rank of Captain in 1946.

After a short business course, he joined ICI who sent him first to the School of Oriental and African Studies and thence on to Calcutta as a commercial assistant. He was subsequently posted to Rangoon and then to Karachi – in all these postings he was able to indulge his love of cricket, tennis and golf. He left ICI in 1951 after it became clear that without a science degree he was unlikely to rise high in the firm. After an interlude working at a hotel in the Austrian Alps, he returned to London and found a job at Millbank Films, ironically a subsidiary of ICI. He spent the rest of his career with Millbank, starting out as a scriptwriter and working his way up to become a prolific film director, making commercial and technical films all around the world and winning many awards.

He retired in 1982 but continued to enjoy his sporting passions until very late in life. In 1955 he married Brenda Ash, who survives him, together with their daughter Sarah and three grandchildren. A son, Christopher, predeceased him.

1941



GEOFFREY NOEL CHANDLER (Worcester Grammar School) died on 17 November 2013, aged 89. Geoffrey's daughter, Veronica Hawkesworth, has kindly prepared the following obituary:

Geoffrey Chandler was a Consultant Physician in Leeds, appointed in 1962. He brought to the post a considerable intellect, an engaging personality and an enthusiasm directed at the practice of medicine, and to his family. He forged an excellent clinical service and was in much demand as a teacher and trainer. He fostered research and with others founded the

West Riding Medical Research Trust which was able over the years to sponsor many clinical and laboratory projects. His local Post-Graduate Centre bears his name.

From Worcester Royal Grammar School he won the Weir Memorial Scholarship to University College in 1941. After qualifying he spent time in Singapore with the RAMC and then returned to train as a physician at the Radcliffe Infirmary. He moved to a post in Leeds and then became a Research Fellow at Massachusetts General Hospital taking part in the clinical gastroenterology service and conducting research into the absorption of fat from the small intestine. These studies led to his DM. He completed his training with Dr Francis Avery Jones at the Central Middlesex Hospital. His textbook of Gastro-Intestinal disease was published worldwide.

In retirement he remained physically and intellectually active until his last months. He is missed by his family and the many physicians he trained who remember him with affection.

1942



MICHAEL DE GRUCHY GRIBBLE (Christ's Hospital) died on 10 July 2013, aged 90. The Editor is grateful to his wife, Judith Gribble, for providing the information for this obituary:

Brought up in Oxford, Michael won a scholarship to Univ where he studied Medicine, and whilst here he attended Howard Florey's lectures including those on the introduction of penicillin. After Oxford and an internship at London Hospital, Michael joined the RAF, posted to the Institute of Aviation Medicine at Farnborough. From there, he was seconded to Cambridge's department of Biochemistry, followed by work at St Mary Abbot's Hospital Kensington, and then three years at the Dundee Infirmary.

In Dundee, Michael met Dr Eugene McLaughlin, who was looking for a partner for his private pathology practice in Adelaide. He took up the opportunity and arrived in Adelaide with his wife and four children in 1961. Dr McLaughlin died six months later.

The practice in Adelaide grew, and in 1968 moved to a purpose built laboratory. After 1980, there were over 300 on the staff and the partnership (Dr Gribble & Partners) was dissolved to become a company named 'Gribbles'. Michael resigned at this point and worked as a part-time consultant for Gribbles, allowing him to spend more time working with the College of Pathologists. He was also Chairman of the Quality Assurance

Scientific and Education Committee (QASEC), and during this time the Committee developed the most comprehensive quality assurance programmes in the world. For this and subsequent work he was awarded the Meritorius Service Award by the Royal College of Pathologists in 2000.

Michael retired (for the first time) in 1988, but was persuaded to return to Haematology on a half time basis. He took a final retirement at 75 in 1998, and was amazed and touched by a surprise party for him. A staff note thanked him for being a friend, confidant, encourager, teacher and employer.

Michael often said that the best decision of his life was to come to Australia. He loved the country, especially The Flinders and Fleurieu Peninsula.

JOHN KENNETH HIRST (Bradford Grammar School and Trinity Hall, Cambridge) died on 23 January 2014, aged 91. He came up to read Modern Languages, becoming a Football Blue. After the war, he chose not to complete his degree, but instead worked at the National Coal Board Staff College, and was later manager of personnel development at Lloyds Bank International.

HUBERT MAXWELL (MAX) SMITH (Bradford Grammar School) died on 31 March 2013 following a short illness, at the age of 89. The Editor is grateful to Max's family for providing the information for this obituary:

Max won a Scholarship to come up to Univ to read Classics, interrupting his university career to become a Lieutenant in the Royal Navy from 1943–6, during which time he served in the Atlantic and Mediterranean theatres, as well as the Indian Ocean and Dutch East Indies. He enjoyed his time at Univ greatly, and was a keen sportsman, representing the College in athletics, cricket and squash, and above all in rugby. He was a member of the 1st XV which won College Cuppers in 1948. He also played a few games for the OU Greyhounds.

On leaving Oxford, Max joined Thomas Hedley & Co. a subsidiary of Procter and Gamble Ltd., and he worked as a manager in several areas of the P & G business over the next few years. In 1965 he was appointed Head of the Market Analysis Department, and was involved in the development and marketing of many well-known household brands, of which Fairy Liquid is probably the most notable.

On stepping down from Procter and Gamble in 1984, Max had an enjoyable and active retirement. In 1952, he had married Betty Atkinson, who pre-deceased him in 2009. He is survived by two sons, Martin and Lindley, and a grandson, Mackenzie.





SIR PHILIP MANNING DOWSON (Gresham's School) died on 22 August 2014, aged 90. He studied briefly at Univ during the Second World War, but went on to have a larger involvement with the College later in his life, designing many buildings in Oxford including Univ's 'Stavertonia' annexe in the early 1970s (he was also shortlisted for the design of the Goodhart Building, but lost out to Stirrat Johnson-Marshall). His sister Aurea married Freddie Wells, our Classics Fellow from 1935-66. The Editor is grateful to Sir Philip's family for providing the following obituary.

Sir Philip Dowson was one of Britain's most important architects. Educated at Gresham's School, Norfolk, he spent a year reading mathematics at University College, Oxford, before joining the Royal Navy during the Second World War and serving in both the Atlantic and Pacific theatres. He returned to study Art History at Clare College, Cambridge, from 1947 to 1950, and then trained at the Architectural Association.

He joined the engineering firm Ove Arup and Partners in 1953 as an architect and in 1963, with Ove Arup, Ronald Hobbs and Derek Sugden, became a founding partner and later chief architect of Arup Associates. Composed of an innovative and collaborative team of influential architects, engineers and quantity surveyors, Arup Associates' approach to design was rational, scientific, and based on a belief that the function of a building, the nature of the materials used and the necessary methods of construction should form the basis of design.

Among numerous awards and honours, Sir Philip Dowson was made a CBE in 1969, and received a Knighthood in 1980. He was elected to the Royal Academy of Arts in 1979 and two years later was awarded the Royal Gold Medal for Architecture. He was President of the Royal Academy of Arts from 1993 to 1999.

He is survived by his wife, Lady Sarah Dowson MBE, his son, two daughters, and six grandchildren. The funeral is to be private, and a memorial service will be announced at a future date.

HENRY PETER FARRAR (Brighton College) died on 25 June 2014, aged 89. Peter was born in Leeds, but his family moved to Brighton and he attended school in Hove. In 1933, he won a scholarship to study at Brighton College Preparatory School, before studying mathematics at Brighton College and even teaching it during the Second World War. He was then drafted into the Royal Navy's *Y Scheme*, for academically-minded 18-year-olds who were thought to be officer material. As part of this training, Peter read mathematics and naval studies at Univ for two terms, and successfully became a 2nd Lieutenant.

In the Navy he was posted to HMS Frobisher for the D-Day landings in Normandy in June 1944, and whilst on board, the ship was hit by a torpedo. Fortunately, he was unhurt apart from one stitch needed to his head, and the ship made it back to the UK. He was later posted to Sydney, Australia, before returning to Oxford and completing a mathematics degree in 1948.

He went on to be a teacher in West Sussex and Hertfordshire, before again returning to Oxford to work in the city council's education department. In 1974 he became senior education officer for South Oxfordshire, and then retired in 1981. During this time, he also worked extensively with the Department for Education to establish Oxford Polytechnic, known from 1992 as Oxford Brookes University.

Peter died peacefully in Wallingford Community Hospital, and is survived by his second wife Pauline and his three sons.

1944

DR MICHAEL JAMES VENDY BULL (St. Edward's Oxford) died on 21 October 2013, aged 86. His son, Charles Bull, kindly passed on this obituary, which Michael wrote himself.

Michael was born on 8 December, 1926 at Waterstock in Oxfordshire. The elder son of a yeoman farmer, he was educated at Lord Williams' Grammar School, Thame, then at St. Edward's School, Oxford.

On leaving school he read Natural Sciences at Univ and completed his clinical training at the Radcliffe Infirmary, qualifying in December 1950. After two junior house appointments at the Radcliffe, he did a three year short service commission in the Medical Branch of the RAF, serving in West Sussex. On his release, he returned to Oxford to undertake a six month appointment in obstetrics at the Churchill Hospital.

In 1956, he joined an old established practice in East Oxford, before becoming a full partner in 1958. After the practice moved to the newly built East Oxford Health Centre, he built a new house for his family in Risinghurst, Headington. His principal interest in practice was obstetrics and in 1965, he initiated the provision of the 12 bed Oxford GP Maternity Unit, staffed by GPs and community midwives, alongside the Maternity Department at the Churchill Hospital.

In 1980, he was awarded the RCGP Butterworth Gold Medal for an essay entitled *The GP Accoucheur in the 1980s*. During the same year he was elected a Fellow of the RCGP, and was later the GP member on the Council at the Royal College of Obstetricians in London.

In 1984, he exchanged practices for six months with a GP in Christchurch, New Zealand, where he made many valued friends and colleagues. In 1995, three years after his retirement, he co-authored *Surgical Procedures in Primary Care* (OUP). He is survived by Ida, his wife for 61 years, two daughters, a son and nine grandchildren. A third daughter predeceased him.

BERTRAM RAPHAEL IZOD (RAPHE) SEALEY (Yarm GS) died on 29 November 2013, aged 86. He came up during the Second World War to read History, graduating in 1947, and then served two years in the British Army before returning to Univ in 1949 to read Classics.

Raphe continued his studies in Germany, and was then a lecturer in Classics at the University College of North Wales, and Queen Mary College in London. In 1963, he moved to the United States to work at the State University of New York, in Buffalo. He became a Professor in the Department of History at Berkeley, University of California, in 1967, and stayed there through to his retirement in 2000.

In the early part of Raphe Sealey's career, he was famous for his essays on law and politics in ancient Greece, with some of the most important collected in *Essays in Greek Politics*, which he published in 1967. In 1976 he authored *A History of the Greek City States, 700-338 B.C.*, building on his reputation as one of the leaders in his field. He moved from political history to social history of law later in his career, and published no fewer than four books in the eight years from 1987 to 1994. This included *Women and Law in Classical Greece* in 1990, a book he had written in draft form by 1982, but then rewrote it from start to finish having changed his mind. His final work was *The Justice of the Greeks* (1994).

1946

JAMES LEATHAM TENNANT (JIM) BIRLEY (Winchester) died on 6 October 2013, aged 85. The following obituary appeared in *Oxford Today*:

James Latham Tennant Birley CBE, FRCP, FRCPsych, psychiatrist, died on 6 October 2013. The son of a neurologist, he was educated at Winchester College and University College, Oxford, then completed his clinical training at St Thomas' Hospital, London. He took his Oxford BM in 1952.

After national service in the Royal Army Medical Corps, various junior medical posts, and a year working for William Sargant, he joined the MRC's social psychiatry research unit at the Maudsley Hospital in London, where he was a consultant psychiatrist from 1969 to 1990. He was widely known within the psychiatric profession for a classic paper published in 1968, which showed the role of stressful life events in the onset of schizophrenia, and for his advocacy of care in the community.

He was president of the Royal College of Psychiatry from 1987 to 1990 and of the British Medical Association in 1993-4. He founded the Camberwell Rehab Association and the Southwark Association for Mental Health. He was survived by his wife Julia and their four children.

ALFRED EARNEST SINFIELD (Kings Pontefract) died on 25 June 2014, aged 93. His godson, Ed Garratt, has kindly provided the following obituary:

Alf won a place to read English at Univ from the King's School Pontefract. He was unable to take up this place until 1947 when he was demobbed. He had served in North Africa and Italy and in retirement wrote an absorbing account of his time entitled *An Erk's War*, a copy of which is in the Imperial War Museum; of interest as it is one of the comparatively few war memoirs from someone not an officer.

In 1951 he joined the staff of the Skinners' School Tunbridge Wells where he remained until 1985. He was a charismatic and stimulating teacher who pushed boys to academic heights. He helped ensure a steady stream of boys went to Oxford, and other universities, to read English. Had he wished he would have been a great head teacher but he preferred to remain in the classroom.

He retired to Pershore in Worcestershire and enjoyed a life full of the company of his many friends, old and new. He was an excellent cook and loved nothing more than an evening with good food and wine and entertaining conversation. He will be much missed.

1947

SIR THOMAS WILLES CHITTY, BT. (Winchester) died on 7 March 2014, aged 88. The following obituary appeared in *Oxford Today*:

Born in Felixstowe, the son of the second baronet, Sir Thomas Willes Chitty was educated at Winchester College and University College, Oxford, where he read Modern History, but his education was interrupted by war and post-war service with the Royal Navy. After demobilisation he returned to Oxford, graduating in 1950.

He worked for seven years in public relations for Shell, but left in 1960. His first novel, *Mr Nicholas* (1952), based loosely on his dysfunctional father, was a great success, and led to comparisons with Graham Greene. While he produced thereafter a steady stream of fiction and non-fiction (including the commissioned histories of half a dozen public schools and several books on self-sufficiency, which he practised with his wife, the writer Susan Chitty, daughter of the novelist Antonia White), none of his later books achieved quite the same degree of success.

He was survived by Susan and their four children, three of whom joined them on an eighteen-month journey in the footsteps of Hannibal, which resulted in their parents' jointly-authored *The Great Donkey Walk* (1977).

1949

(IEUAN) WYN PRITCHARD ROBERTS, BARON ROBERTS OF CONWY (Beaumaris, Harrow) died on 14 December 2013, aged 83. The following obituary appeared in *Oxford Today*:

Born on Anglesey, the son of a Calvinistic Methodist minister, and brought up speaking Welsh, Lord Roberts was educated at Beaumaris County School, Harrow School, and University College, Oxford, where he read Modern History, graduating in 1952.

He worked as a journalist for two years before joining the BBC, moving to Television Wales & West, where he became Welsh Controller from 1964 to 1968. He was Conservative MP for Conway (renamed Conwy in 1983) from 1970 to 1997, and was a junior minister at the Welsh Office from 1979 to 1994.

Knighted in 1990 and made a life peer in 1997, he was for ten years opposition front bench spokesman on Welsh affairs in the House of Lords. He was survived by his wife Enid and two of their three sons.

1950

NICHOLAS BERNARD (NICK) BAILE (Blackfriars, Laxton) died on 9 October 2013, aged 83. The following obituary appeared in *Oxford Today*:

The son of an industrial chemist, Nick Baile read Agriculture at University College, Oxford, graduating in 1954. After national service he started work with Unwins, moving on to Harveys of Bristol, where he became a Master of Wine, then International Distillers and Vintners, helping expand the Peter Dominic wine chain to 380 outlets.

In 1973 he bought the Oddbins chain from the receiver after its founder, Ahmed Pochee, had been forced to put it into liquidation. He expanded the chain to 60 outlets before selling the business in 1984 to Seagram. He was subsequently less successful with a smaller chain, John Barnett. He was survived by four children, his marriage having ended in divorce.



DAVID RUSSELL HARRIS (St Christopher's Letchworth) died on 25 December 2013, aged 83. The following obituary appeared in *Oxford Today*:

Born in London, David was educated at St Christopher School, Letchworth, and, after national service in the RAF, University College, Oxford, where he read Geography, graduating in 1953 and going on to take a BLitt in 1955. He taught at the University of California, Berkeley, and Queen Mary College, London, before joining the staff of University College, London, in 1964, remaining there until his retirement in 1998, from 1979 as Professor of Human Environment.

His publications focused on the origins of agriculture and human ecology in many different parts of the world and, influenced by what he saw first-hand, sought to break down the idea that there was a simple historical and geographical divide between 'hunter gatherer' and 'farming' societies. He was elected an FBA in 2004. He was survived by his wife Helen and their four daughters.

1951

VERYAN HERBERT (Westminster) died on 15 February 2014, aged 83. He read PPE at Univ, but by his admission took a greater interest in student theatre, working as a stage manager, when he helped take the Oxford Theatre Group to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe in 1953. He later became Managing Director of A.B. Sanders, a firm of public relations consultants.

1952

BRIAN EDWARDS WALTON (Goole GS) died on 31 March 2014, aged 79. Brian read Modern Languages at Univ, after which he became a schoolmaster, teaching at Hull Grammar School and Doncaster Grammar School.



MICHAEL JOHN FORD (Ryde) died in November 2013, aged 83. He had read Chemistry at Univ, but also won half Blues for Sailing and Ice Hockey. He worked for Shell Chemicals, but throughout his life was also a keen sailor, crossing the Atlantic on a replica of the Mayflower in 1957. He later ran a bed and breakfast house in Cornwall.

JOHN FRANCIS VERNON (King Edward VII School, King's Lynn) died in October 2013 aged 80. He read Law at Univ, and then qualified as a solicitor, practising in Lancashire before becoming Chief Executive of Uttlesford District Council, Essex, in 1973.



JOHN PATRICK COMERFORD (Clifton) died on 27 March 2014 aged 81, after a protracted illness. This obituary has kindly been prepared by John's son, Patrick Comerford:

John was born in Walton-On-Thames but spent a lot of his childhood in and around Bristol. He attended Clifton College before completing his National Service with the Royal Artillery in Germany.

He read Law at Univ and enjoyed his time at Oxford immensely. He rowed and was an active participant in the Univ Players, appearing in a number of productions. After leaving Oxford he had a brief spell in advertising before applying to Gray's Inn, where he was offered a place to study at the Bar, completing his qualifications as a Barrister in 9 months.

He never entered the legal profession, instead opting to join his father at Comerfords Limited, where he helped to cement the firm's reputation as one of the most respected car and motorcycle dealers in the country. His legal training served him well, but he also held a traditional view on the importance of integrity in matters of business, believing wholeheartedly in the agreement of a deal with a handshake.

He was instrumental in Comerfords forming a special and very successful partnership with the Spanish marque Bultaco for whom they acted as sole importers and UK concessionaires. The company also provided the technical and logistical support that helped Bultaco win numerous Trials and Motocross titles, including an unbroken run of seven years that saw them win every European, then the renamed World Trials Championships between 1973 and 1979.

John lived in Surrey for most of his life, but was proud of his Irish roots and always regarded the Emerald Isle as his spiritual home, keeping a house in Kilkenny that he loved to visit.

He always had a passion for theatre and the arts. In later years, he and his wife Pauline built up a very well regarded private collection of portrait miniatures that were exhibited in Ireland on a number of occasions.

He enjoyed watching a good game of cricket, listening to choral music and visiting the RAC club in Pall Mall, of which he was a lifelong member. Above all else and in whatever circumstances, he was always a gentleman.

He is survived by his wife Pauline and their son Patrick.

1953

DAVID MURRAY HARLEY (Rothsay School) died on 1 September 2014, aged 83. He died suddenly and unexpectedly with his wife, Birgit at his side, after suffering a stroke. David read Law at Univ as a Rhodes Scholar. He was a stalwart supporter of the College, and active for many years in Univ's Canadian Old Member community, serving as Chair of the Canadian Friends of Univ for more than 20 years. A full obituary will appear in the winter 2014 edition of *The Martlet*, and in the 2015 *Record*.

1954

WILLIAM GEORGE WATKINS (King's School, Canterbury) died on 30 July 2013, aged 79. He read Law at Univ. With thanks to William's family for providing this short obituary:



William passed away peacefully at St. George's hospital, Tooting in his 79th year after a well fought fight. Loving husband of Anne and dearly loved father of David, Emma, James and John. Highly accomplished and revered lawyer, and in retirement a remarkable railway enthusiast, realising his lifelong ambition to build a model railway around the garden of his beloved family home Bramshott Manor. Sorely missed, fondly remembered. God bless.

1962

ROGER VICTOR TAYLOR (Downside) died on 11 December 2013, aged 69. This obituary has kindly been prepared by his contemporary, Michael Hayes (1962):

Roger came up in 1962 as a History exhibitioner but read Law, a mistake he later admitted. Most of his time was not spent on the law but in acquiring an extensive knowledge of the pubs in and around Oxford. In an article written for a freshers' magazine he wrote "Who knows (I do) what lies beyond, in Osney, Marston, Cowley, and Hinksey?"

His career was summarised in his own words for the 1962 Golden Reunion: "Teacher (23 years). Later: warehouseman, security guard, museum attendant (Pitt Rivers), lodge porter (Exeter College)."

Typical as it is of Roger's self-deprecation, this summary does no justice to the man. His interests ranged widely, from cricket to natural history. As a born teacher, Roger inspired a generation of small boys by demonstrating that learning can be fun. A history of the prep school where he taught has recently been published. The author writes: "What was it about Roger Taylor that made him such a great man? Every now and then an institution needs someone new to come in and see the point of it, to tweak it, to make fun of it, to make its people laugh and bring them together." Roger expected to teach History and English, but ended up teaching English, Maths, and (on Saturday mornings) Science. The culmination of every science lesson was Roger dropping a wedge of sodium into a large water vessel where it would spin round and explode. "No safety goggles to speak of" a former pupil recalled.

Caring for his parents forced him to take early retirement from teaching, but Roger never complained about this curtailment of his career and retained an irresistible good humour and amusement at his own foibles and those of others.

1965



RICHARD KEITH DREW (Alleyne's GS) died on 18 February 2014, aged 68. This obituary has kindly been prepared by fellow historian Chris Shorter (1965), and Richard's brother, Bruce Drew (1960):

Richard was educated at Alleyne's Grammar School in Stevenage and came up to Univ in 1965, having been Head Boy in his final year with a near perfect set of A level results in History, Geography and Economics. He read History at Univ and obtained a Second.

Whilst at Univ, he decided that his career was to be in the public service and towards this end, after going down, joined the CEBG, qualifying as a Chartered Secretary and rising to the rank of Assistant Secretary. His career development within the public service was thwarted by the progressive privatisation of the electricity industry in the early 1990s. A colleague within CEBG has commented that privatisation did him no favours at all. Richard was made Company Secretary of the National Grid which, after initially being owned by the regional electricity companies, was itself floated on the London Stock Exchange in 1995. Richard did not find answering to the City as much to his liking as answering to Government and took early retirement as soon as this opportunity presented itself. However, prior to his departure, his interest in cricket was evident in National Grid's decision to become the initial sponsors of the international panel of test match umpires when this was launched by the ICC in 1994.

Thereafter, he continued his commitment to public service in other ways, becoming involved in the regeneration of Coventry City Centre and becoming Area Chairman of Age Concern.

Richard's contemporaries at Univ remember him with considerable affection as a most congenial friend, a 'reliable pal' and a hardworking undergraduate. He enjoyed reading History whilst finding the study of Bede for History Prelims somewhat tedious but he nevertheless tackled it with his usual resolve. His sense of humour and infectious laugh were greatly valued. He enjoyed what one friend called his 'Condor moments' when he would fill his pipe and savour the tobacco for a couple of minutes before carrying on a conversation. In his second year at Univ he rowed, with characteristic commitment, for the College's 4th VIII. Above all, during his time at Univ, his integrity shone through. He met his future wife, Joy Ingram, during their first week at Oxford; a fortunate meeting which soon became a firm friendship and culminated several years later in their marriage which lasted unto "death us do part".

1966

SIR NICHOLAS WALKER BROWNE (Cheltenham) died on 13 January 2014, aged 66. The following obituary appeared in Oxford Today:

Born in West Malling, Kent, the son of an army officer, Nicholas was educated at Cheltenham College and University College, Oxford, where he read Modern History and captained the college rugby team.

He joined the Foreign Office immediately after graduating, in 1969. He served in Tehran from 1971 to 1974, and later, while seconded to the Cabinet Office, wrote

an influential report on Britain's failure to anticipate the fall of the Shah in 1979. He subsequently served in Salisbury (Harare), Brussels and Washington, but was regarded as the Foreign Office's expert on Iran, and served as Head of the Middle East Department at the FCO (1994-7) and chargé d'affaires in Tehran (1997-9) before becoming Ambassador there (1999-2002).

His final posts were as Senior Director (Civil) at the Royal College of Defence Studies (2002-3) and Ambassador to Denmark (2003-6). He was knighted in 2002. He was survived by his wife, Diana, two sons (one of them Jeremy Browne, Lib Dem MP for Taunton Deane), and two daughters.

1971

PETER EDWARD MARSH (Ruskin) died on 9 June 2014, aged 67. Brought up in Leeds, he went to a number of different schools before moving to Oxford in 1968 to study Social Studies at Ruskin College. He then came up to Univ in 1971 to read Psychology, and stayed on to do a doctorate.

In his D Phil research Peter interviewed Oxford United's football fans, often travelling with them to away games. His findings revealed self-imposed rules and hierarchies amongst football fans that others previously refused to acknowledge, including claiming that the intervention of police in matches sometimes actually made fights more likely to break out. The latter suggestion ruffled many feathers at the time. He was a well-respected voice of Oxford United's supporters, and served as the director of the Club from 1978 to 1982.

Peter also visited New York and Chicago, studying gangland culture with his colleague Dr Anne Campbell. He became a senior lecturer at Oxford Polytechnic (now Oxford Brookes) in 1979, and held this position for ten years, studying aggression in women and violent pub encounters.

He is survived by his wife Patricia, his two children Jessica and James, and two grandchildren.

1981

JOHN WILLIAM ROBB (Huddersfield Polytechnic and Open University) died on 26 June 2014 aged 69. Bill Robb came up to Univ as a mature student to read PPP. In later life he became Assistant Technical Manager of Blackpool Pleasure Beach, Arcades Division.

1995

JEM KEMAL CONNOR (Highgate Senior School) died on 31 January 2013, aged 35. He came up to read Classics, and then switched to Law. He had recently moved to South America, but had to return to England due to ill health. He was a keen supporter of Tottenham Hotspur.

Former Fellows and JRFs

Professor Wyndham John Albery

PROFESSOR WYNDHAM JOHN ALBERY (Fellow 1962-1978; Master 1989-1997) died on 2 December 2013, aged 77. A memorial service was held at the University Church of St Mary the Virgin on 5 April 2014. John's friend and former colleague Dr Leslie Mitchell has kindly provided this tribute, which he read at the service in April:

John Albery was a Wykhamist and a Balliol man. Wykhamists were described by John Betjeman as 'Broad of Church and broad of mind / Broad in front and broad behind.' John could only claim one of these four attributes. In stature, he was in fact tall and there was a tense angularity about him that was marvellously captured in the portrait that now hangs in the Hall. But there could be no doubt about his breadth of mind. He was a warm and generous man, liberal in views, in politics and in his dealings with others.

The Balliol of the 1950s and 60s existed for two reasons; first the destruction of Trinity and secondly for the production of Oxford's Chancellors and the country's Prime Ministers. It was the pre-eminent College academically and it did not subscribe to the view that the meek were going to inherit the earth. I don't think John thought so either. He was a leader not a follower. He was all energy and action. His was a wholly positive character, to whom other people had to react.

He transferred from Balliol to Univ in 1962. Now, Univ in the 1960s was a pleasant, even cosy, establishment, friendly but not particularly distinguished academically. It was governed by a patriarch called John R-M and another patriarch called Jean R-M. The nickname of the 'Pub on the High' was still sometimes heard. In short, it was a place ripe for shaking up, and there could be no more formidable shaker than John. The figures speak for themselves. Between 1974 and 1999, there were only four years when Univ. was not in the top six of the Norrington Table. It was a Golden Age and future historians will have to speculate on how this came about. There cannot be any one factor that was decisive. But, without any doubt at all, John was one of the principal contributors to this success.

He became Tutor for Admissions in 1968, and the campaign started immediately. Rather to Redcliffe Maud's surprise, the Master lost all his remaining influence in the admissions process. Biennial dinners for schoolteachers were instituted. Fellows were encouraged to visit schools and indeed were allowed to claim their train fares. John himself spent much of one summer touring Scotland, badgering headmasters into joining his Scottish scheme. As a result, Burns Night in Univ became something of an event. There was another scheme for the East End of London. The admissions weeks themselves were periods of frantic activity. From his eerie at the top of Goodhart Building, John would control the game, for it was a kind of game. Historians, for example, would set off for their group meeting armed with a fixed number of exhibitions and scholarships, with which to defend good people on the Univ. list and to poach good people from other College's lists. Should a scholarship still be floating free at the end of the meeting, I would literally run back to report the fact to John. He would then send a messenger to English or PPE, telling them that they could now spring a surprise on their colleagues in Worcester or New College. The aim was simple: to fill the College with the best available talent.

This remodelling of the College's intake was a noisy business. There were splendid and explosive rows. Some of John's colleagues found his methods too intrusive into their own empires, too wearing, or too competitive. Well, John certainly was competitive and he liked to win. I remember that when the SCR first lost to the JCR on the last question on a Christmas edition of University Challenge, for ten minutes John could simply not forgive Tom Parker for mixing up Pius II with Pius III. But an argument with John was like a storm in summer. While it lasted it was intense. When it was over, it was over. John never bore malice and never bore grudges. An hour or two after a really major confrontation, the disputants would be found drinking John's gin. This pattern was particularly evident in John's frequent battles with Gwynne Ovenstone, the College Secretary.

Those admitted to Univ could not be unaware of John's influence. The Univ chemists – referred to as such – were a distinctive bunch of people who were both academically distinguished and kind enough to provide me as Dean with regular custom. But John was available to the wider College too. There was John in blazer and boater at the Univ Regatta. He had been no mean oarsman in his day. There were the games of Diplomacy into the early hours of the morning, in which John hated being Austria-Hungary. Too defensive. Guests at lunch next day would be puzzled when their host was asked what his policy on the Eastern Mediterranean actually was. There were John's hilarious speeches at Club dinner, poems and parodies that raided English literature mercilessly. He once made a speech to a summer school of students from Dallas based entirely on Kipling and Sir Henry Newbolt, 'It was terribly close in the hush that night'. I'm not sure that this did much for Anglo-American relations, but at least our visitors had a glimpse of something bigger than Texas.

And of course there was John and the Univ Revue. His answer to the student revolution of the late 1960s was to invite undergraduates to laugh. This was a natural response for a man named after two London theatres and who had contributed to the wonderful iconoclasm of 'That Was The week, That Was'. No one was safe from the threat of the Revue. Tony Orchard was persuaded to make an appeal on behalf of OxFat. John's script had him imparting the fact that economies in Trinity had gone so far that some Fellows there could actually feel their ribs. When the Redcliffe-Mauds retired, John coaxed them into closing a show by singing 'My Old Man said Follow The Van', which, as you will know, starts with the words 'We had to move away / For the rent we couldn't pay.' In addition, John recruited half the SCR for not very innocent evenings with the Omar Khayyam Club in London, or bundled them into a charabanc to go to see his own musicals at Salisbury Playhouse. A stimulant was on offer once the coach had gone beyond the ring-road. John was delighted when Herbert Hart, at a party after one show, startled a young actor by telling him he looked exactly like the young Proust. All this activity – and I haven't time to talk about John the bridge player, John the theatre critic of the Oxford Mag, or John the Senior Member of the Experimental Theatre Club – represented an astonishing expenditure of energy, but then, to mix my literary references, there was quite a lot of Tigger in John, and just a little Toad.

John returned to Univ in 1988 as Master. His academic distinction, together with the memory of his contribution to the College when a Fellow, made him an obvious candidate for the post, which he held until 1997. Most people here will know that this was a Mastership than ended ingloriously. John always had to fight personal demons, and, in the solitude of the Lodgings, they overwhelmed him. It is a point which cannot be

glossed over. His last two or three years in College showed up John's flaws but they were also an indictment of the society in which he had moved. There are, however, many other things to be said about his time in office. Throughout his Mastership, as has been said, the College's academic record was impeccable. Of this he was inordinately and justly proud. In his time, the foundations for serious fund-raising were laid down, on which much has been built since. The invitation to laughter was still there. In 1989, to celebrate the two hundredth anniversary of the French Revolution, John asked the Works Department to build a scale model of the Bastille, which was burnt in the Master's Garden to readings of Carlyle and Dickens and a rather amateur rendering of the Marseillaise. Above all, he was fiercely loyal to his College, its Fellows and undergraduates. If a Fellow took on the University Establishment and its bureaucracy, he could be sure of John's support. As a Master, he defended the idea of the collegiate university at every turn. He was a college man through and through. Of that, too, he was very proud.

In the course of this address, I have more than once referred to John's habit of turning life into a game. I last saw him three days before he died. We talked of the old days, of course, and I asked him if there was anyone he would particularly like to see. 'Oh', he said 'this is a good game.' Long pause. 'But I know a better game. Let's make a list of the people I absolutely don't want to see.' I don't think John had a very lively belief in Heaven, but, if he is there now, he will be busy establishing new rules for admission to the place, and St Peter and his associates will as ever be given a warm invitation to laughter.

Degree Ceremonies

Old Members wishing to supplicate for Degrees should contact Joanna Palermo, the Development Office Intern, for information and an application form. Her email address is joanna.palermo@univ.ox.ac.uk.

From Michaelmas 2014 current students on undergraduate or graduate taught courses have up to the end of January 2015 to book a graduation date in 2015 via the University's Degree Conferrals Office section of E-vision. From the start of February 2015, Old Members will be able to apply, via Joanna Palermo, to take up any spaces which the current students have not booked.

Dates for 2015

Saturday 9 May, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday 11 July, 11.00 a.m.

Friday 25 July, 4.30 p.m.

Friday 14 November, 2.30 p.m.

Each graduand will be allocated three guest tickets for the Sheldonian. The College will be offering hospitality to graduands and their guests at a College Reception (drinks and canapés) following each degree ceremony. There is a small charge for each guest attending the College reception, payable in advance. The Head Porter, Bob Maskell, will arrange gown hire and should be contacted in good time to discuss what is needed. His email address is robert.maskell@univ.ox.ac.uk.

Please note

For information about the University's degree ceremonies see this link:

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