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Inside this issue of the University College Record, you will find a factual account of the year – academic results, Fellows’ news, College reports and news of departing Fellows and staff. Obituaries for members of the Univ community we have lost – or whose death we have been informed of – in the last twelve months are also included in this edition. I would like to thank the partners, spouses, families and friends who kindly supplied obituaries and photographs. I would also like to thank my colleague Dr Robin Darwall-Smith, College Archivist, who compiled the obituaries for this edition of the Record. Where news did not reach us in time for this year’s edition, we will ensure that those people are included in the 2023 Record.

I am grateful to all those who contributed to this issue, in particular: Dr Ian Boutle, Justin Bowyer, Julie Boyle, Joanna Cooper, Agnieszka Deputowska, Ariane Laurent-Smith, Sophie Milton, Cameron Ott and Lynn Thorn.

If you have any comments about this issue, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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I am writing these notes at the end of a week in which we have seen a significant outpouring of sadness and loss as people in Britain and many parts of the world mourn the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Queen Elizabeth was 96 years old and reigned for 70 years, yet her passing still came as a shock as, for the majority of Britons, she is the only Head of State we have known. The solemnity and pageantry we have witnessed in the last few days speaks to transition as well as to continuity and change, with public and private reflections and reminiscences about dedication, commitment and sense of duty.

Throughout her reign the late Queen was Univ’s Visitor, our official ceremonial and statutory overseer. The Crown has been a Visitor of Univ since 1727, although the Monarch’s duties have always been performed by an intermediary. To reflect this long standing connection, Univ will be represented at the State Funeral by Professor Peter Jezzard, Vice Master. King Charles III now becomes our Visitor. We welcomed the then Prince of Wales to Univ in May this year. The purpose of the visit was to meet students from under-represented backgrounds who participated in an academic bridging programme to support their transition from school to Oxford. Univ pioneered what is now Opportunity Oxford, a University wide programme, which between 2020 and 2022 has made offers to nearly 500 students. During the meeting, Univ students spoke candidly about their experiences, the challenges and opportunities. The then Prince of Wales, who has a long-standing interest in unlocking opportunities for less advantaged young people, was particularly interested in their views on next steps, in particular the employment opportunities available to them.

The Univ community also mourns the loss of Mike Nicholson who died suddenly on 9 September 2022. Mike made a huge and enduring contribution to the College. He came to Univ as Tutorial Fellow and Praelector in Russian in 1987 and formally retired from that role in 2010. He served in many College roles including Senior Tutor, Dean of Graduates, Dean and latterly Dean of Degrees. Mike was a huge personality around College. He was a great raconteur and enjoyed degree ceremonies in the Sheldonian. His presence made the ceremonies special for our students, their families and friends. We will miss him.

This year we also lost Adam Sawyer, our Hall Supervisor, to cancer. He was only 29. Adam joined Univ in 2011 soon after leaving school and was a much valued member of our Front of House team.

The last academic year had a very different feel to my first year as Master. We moved on from the lockdowns, constraints and restrictions which characterised 2020-21, but despite the return of a more traditional feel to the academic year, challenges remained. We paid particular attention to ways in which we could reconnect and re-engage the members of our community as we managed staff shortages in our catering and front of house teams. The hospitality sector across the country has been particularly hit by the impact of the pandemic. We held our first Feast of St Cuthbert since 2019 and a number of in person alumni events, including the 1970-71 Golden Reunion, 1988-1992 Gaudy and William of Durham Day. A number of events were
also hosted in the Master’s Garden, including performances of Gabriel translated by Clare Bayley, our Visitor in the Creative Arts, and directed by Eleanor Warr, working with student directors Nina Lewis (2019, English) and Ishmael Levy (2020, Classics). The production was supported by the Oxford Playhouse and was well attended.

Music has always been an integral part of Univ life, so it was a particular pleasure to open our front doors on the last Thursday of Michaelmas Term and welcome the public, as the Front Quad was taken over by children from five local primary schools, the Chapel Choir and Univ Community Choir for an outdoor carolling event. For some, it was the first time they had ever been to an Oxford college. It was a cold but clear evening, with the quad glowing from flickering tea lights to produce a magical hour of carols. We continue to explore ways in which we can open up the College and connect with our local Oxford community.

We were also delighted to host our first in person Open Day since 2019. 2,500 people visited the College in two days and had the opportunity to hear about the College, admissions criteria, attend talks, and learn about life as a student from our student ambassadors.

As global attention on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic shifted, the world turned its attention to other issues including the impact of climate change, with increasing numbers of countries facing flooding, fires and heatwaves. And the world sought to deal with ongoing as well as new conflicts. Watching the war unfold in Ukraine has been difficult for students and staff, including those with friends and family in Ukraine and neighbouring countries, and we wanted to do our best to support those fleeing violence and persecution. Univ is already a member of the Council for at risk Academics (CARA) and we are also committed to admitting and supporting refugee students. In relation to Ukraine, we have housed a refugee family, raised awareness through a Univ Global Conversation, raised funds, and supported academic initiatives aimed at Ukrainian academics.

This year marked the bicentenary of Percy Bysshe Shelley’s death. Univ hosted a conference “Shelley Remembered: The Posthumous Creation of a Poet”. Speakers included Professors Nora Crook, Richard Cronin and Nicholas Halmi, and Dr Robin Darwall-Smith. We also welcomed poet Benjamin Zephaniah, a huge admirer of Shelley, as he researched his programme “Percy Shelley, Reformer and Radical” for BBC Radio 4.

Univ continues to balance academic excellence with extra-curricular activity. I end with the excellent news of our First Women’s boat (W1) winning Head of the River at Summer Eights for the first time. Watching them win, well ahead of the competition, was one of the highlights of Trinity Term. A fantastic achievement and well deserved.

BARONESS VALERIE AMOS
Master
The College extends its deepest condolences to King Charles III and to the rest of the royal family following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on 8 September 2022. Univ had a long connection with the late Queen, who served as the College’s Visitor for the duration of her reign. The Visitor’s role is to arbitrate in any disputes or settle any queries that may arise from the Fellowship’s interpretation of College statutes, and the monarch has served as Univ’s Visitor since the resolution of a fellowship dispute in 1727. King Charles III now becomes the new College Visitor. In practice the task of arbitrating any issues that arise is delegated to someone nominated by the monarch. For many years this was the Lord Chancellor; but in recent years the duties have been assumed by the High Steward of the University, currently Lord Reed, President of the Supreme Court. Indeed, Lord Reed was present (virtually, due to the COVID-19 pandemic) to witness the “declaration of resolve” of Baroness Amos when she became Master of the College in 2020.

To my knowledge, Queen Elizabeth II was not called upon to arbitrate any disputes at Univ. But she did visit the College on two occasions, once as Princess Elizabeth in 1948, and once as Queen in 1999. For the former visit the Oxford University Dramatic Society performed a newly composed play in the Radcliffe Quad (included in a newsreel archive at bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0155426). For the 1999 visit, this time accompanied by Prince Philip (then our senior Honorary Fellow), she helped celebrate the 750th anniversary of the College’s founding.

The late Queen had further connections with the College due to her appointing two of our Masters to the Order of the Garter, on both occasions during their tenure in office. The Order of the Garter is the highest civilian rank of chivalry, limited to a maximum of 24 individuals, and is made as a personal gift of the monarch. Lord Butler of Brockwell (Univ Master from 1998-2008) was appointed to the Order of the Garter in 2003. Most recently, in 2022, Baroness Amos (Univ Master since 2000) was also appointed to the Order of the Garter. The induction ceremony took place at Windsor Castle only three months before Her Majesty’s death.

Given all the connections that Univ had with the late Queen it was an immense honour when I was nominated to represent the College at her funeral at Westminster Abbey. A particularly poignant moment for me was the slow arrival of the cortege outside the Abbey. Inside the congregation sat silently as the advance procession began making its way up the aisle, whilst outside the faint sound of the massed pipes and drums grew steadily louder, accompanied by the slow tolling of the Abbey’s bell. There was a powerful sense among us of being a part of history. My invitation came because the colleges for which Queen Elizabeth II served as Visitor were invited to nominate a representative, and Baroness Amos already held an invitation independently of her connection to Univ. Indeed, Baroness Amos also attended the committal service at St George’s Chapel, Windsor Castle.

We feel sadness at Her Majesty’s passing, and look back with fond memories of her connections with Univ. But we also look forward to future connections with the new King and wish him well for the future.

PETER JEZZARD
Vice-Master
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* Old Member

**FOUNDBATION FELLOWS**

Formed in 2007, Foundation Fellowships are awarded to those individuals who have made exceptional benefactions to the College.

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*MR DAVID C FREDERICK, BA (Pitt), DPhil (Oxf), JD (Texas Law)
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*MR PHILIP POWER, BA (Michigan), MA (Oxf), HonD (EMU)
*MR TIMOTHY SANDERSON, BA (Oxf)
*MR THOMAS SCHRECKER, MA (Oxf)
*MR EDWARD SCOTT, BA, MA (Michigan), BA (Oxf)
MR AND MRS PAVEL AND IVANA TYKAČ

* Old Member
NEWLY ELECTED FELLOWS

DR ANEURIN ELLIS-EVANS, BA, MPhil, DPhil (Oxf) has been appointed Cawkwell Fellow in Ancient History. He was most recently Lecturer in Ancient History at Oriel and Jesus Colleges and had previously been a Junior Research Fellow in Classics at The Queen’s College. His first book, The Kingdom of Priam: Lesbos and the Troad between Anatolia and the Aegean (OUP, 2019), is a regional history of the island of Lesbos and the region of Turkey opposite it known as the Troad in antiquity. He teaches and researches Greek history from the Archaic through to the Imperial period.

DR NATALYA BENKHALED-VINCE has been appointed Sanderson Fellow in Modern History. Dr Benkhaled-Vince is a historian of modern and contemporary Algeria and France. She joins Univ from the University of Portsmouth, where she was a reader in North African and French studies. Her research interests include oral history, decolonisation, women’s and gender history and state- and nation-building in Algeria and France, but also more broadly in Europe and Africa. Her works include Our Fighting Sisters: Nation, Memory and Gender in Algeria, 1954-2012 (Manchester University Press, 2015), The Algerian War, The Algerian Revolution (Palgrave Macmillan, 2020) and the ongoing documentary project Generation Independence: a People’s History.
The 2021-22 academic year saw Univ begin to emerge from the aftermath of the coronavirus emergency. Sadly, the ensuing difficulties in the recruitment and retention of staff in the hospitality sector, experienced nationally, also had a strong effect on College life. High Table dinners were more limited, with restricted numbers of diners, guests and Old Members. Nevertheless, important events, such as Burns Night, Women in Univ and the annual LGBT+ dinner were commemorated. The Feast of St Cuthbert, that celebrates the academic achievement of persons associated with the College, was held at the end of Hilary Term 2022 after a two-year break. It was well attended and enjoyed by everyone.

During the academic year, the SCR organised a number of additional events for a small number of Fellows and Old Members to enjoy that included Afternoon Tea in the Winter Common Room, picnics in the Fellows Garden and SCR wine tasting evenings. An outing was arranged to visit the Pissarro Exhibition at the Ashmolean Museum in Trinity Term 2022.

Also, during Trinity Temporary Membership of the SCR was unanimously granted for Melissa Murray and to Professor Marjorie Garber. Ms Elizabeth Adams wrote “Melissa Pierce Murray was Univ’s Visitor in the Creative Arts during the 2019-2020 Academic year. Most of our community will remember Melissa’s bright and spiky sculptures that appeared (and reappeared) around the College. Melissa also set up Hopscotch Tango in Radcliffe Quad, and ran workshops for students, staff and fellows who may never before have thought of themselves as ‘creatives’. Under her guidance the community made wire Tomtes (still to be found creeping around the libraries), painted Day of the Dead skulls, and engaged creatively with the 40th anniversary of women being admitted to the College.”

Professor Joe Moshenska wrote “Marjorie recently retired as the William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of English and of Visual and Environmental Studies at Harvard, and has relocated to the UK, where she plans to be in Oxford quite frequently for family reasons. She has a good claim to be one of the greatest living Shakespeare scholars, with six books on Shakespeare (the most brilliant of which is, in my opinion, Shakespeare’s Ghost Writers) and one shortly forthcoming from Yale UP titled Shakespeare in Bloomsbury. This is not, however, the only field in which she is distinguished, having also written important and influential books on gender and sexuality, and in cultural studies (including Vested Interests: Cross-Dressing and Cultural Anxiety and Vice Versa: Bisexuality and the Eroticism of Everyday Life). She has held a number of important roles at Harvard and in national humanities organisations in the USA, including stints as President of the Consortium of Humanities Centres and Institutes, and on the board of the American Council of
Learned Societies, so she brings a real breadth of institutional vision and know-how. Marjorie does not have a background at Univ or indeed at Oxford, but she continues to pursue research and engage energetically in discussions with both students and other scholars. She is not looking for a place to retire quietly, but an intellectual community of which to be an active part…”

Dr Stephen Bernard, who is also a long-standing temporary member of the SCR, wrote to me in Trinity Term 2022 to express his gratitude to the SCR and College. “Please could you briefly apologise that my ill health has kept me confined to my flat for almost three years, but thank the Common Room for its continued support for my research. I’m pleased to report that The Correspondence of John Dryden was published by Manchester University Press last week. The College has supported this large undertaking and two other editions, each begun almost a decade ago and amounting to eight volumes, since it supported my first edition in 2015 when I was a Fellow. I have three other works in the pipeline and hope to be able to share them with you all next year. And I’ve been elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries, the Royal Historical Society, and the Royal Society of Arts. None of which I could have done without the support of the College and Common Room.”

The SCR sent a final farewell at the end of Michaelmas Term 2021 to the SCR Steward, Mr Simon Cotterell, who retired at the end of Term after more than fifty years of service. The Senior Fellow, Professor Bill Roscoe, recalled Simon’s many kindnesses and support to Fellows over the years in their hours of need. The Common concurred that they would miss Simon’s gentle sense of humour and interactions during the lunch periods in the Alington Room. In honour of his extraordinary service, as well as the love and respect in which he is held by all members of the Senior Common Room, Simon was elected to the new role of Honorary Life Member.

Sadly, Trinity Term 2022 is the final year of my five-year appointment as SCR Chairman. I want to extend my appreciation to all of the academic staff, and to everyone in the Domestic Bursary and the wider College community, who has made my tenure so memorable and enjoyable. Professor Sarah Harper CBE has been elected as my successor and I look forward to supporting her leadership of the Common Room in the years ahead.

PROFESSOR PETER A NORREYS
Supernumerary Fellow
Chairman, SCR
BARONESS AMOS’ INVESTITURE AND INSTALLATION TO THE ORDER OF THE GARTER ON 13 JUNE 2022
THE MASTER

The Master visited Old Members in New York and Washington, and engaged with Old Members in London and Oxford through the Annual London Dinner, Leadership Dinners and Gaudies. She also welcomed to Univ Prince Charles, Hillary Clinton, Benjamin Zephaniah, Mary Beard, the Slovak Ambassador, and US Chargé d’Affaires.

The Master continued to engage in discussions on global issues and contributed to interviews on Afghanistan, Ukraine and the Commonwealth. She also participated in the BBC programme Inside Culture. She spoke at the Blavatnik School, Worcester College and Sussex University. The Master received an Honorary Fellowship from the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and was also appointed a Lady Companion of the Order of the Garter.

THE FELLOWS

The research group of PROFESSOR JUSTIN BENESCH, Tutorial Fellow in Physical Chemistry, was awarded a silver LEAF (Laboratory Efficiency Assessment Framework). LEAF is an innovative scheme to improve the sustainability and efficiency of laboratories.

PROFESSOR RUTH CHANG, Chair and Professor of Jurisprudence and Professorial Fellow, was a speaker at this year’s HowTheLightGetsIn music and philosophy festival in London.

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS HALMI, Margaret Candfield Tutorial Fellow in English and Comparative Literature, gave the plenary lecture at the conference Le Cliché romantique (1798-1830) Constructions et variations d’un objet littéraire in the Amphithéâtre Alan Turing at the Université de Paris Cité in May 2022. He co-organised with Dr Robin Darwall-Smith, Archivist, the conference Shelley Remembered: The Posthumous Creation of a Poet – a commemoration of the bicentenary of Percy Shelley’s death – which was held at Univ on 10 July. The Università di Bologna appointed him to a fellowship at its Institute of Advanced Studies, which he will hold in September 2022.

PROFESSOR CATHERINE HOLMES, A. D. M. Cox Old Members’ Tutorial Fellow in Medieval History, delivered a lecture titled, “Entrepots, Networks and Kinetic Empire in Byzantium and neighbouring worlds, 950-1100” at the Graduate Centre for Medieval Studies (GCMS) at the University of Reading in March. Professor Holmes’ lecture to the Royal Historical Society in May 2021, “The Making and Breaking of Kinetic Empire: Mobility, Communication and Political Change in the Eastern Mediterranean, c.950-1100 C.E.” is available to watch on the Royal Historical Society website.

DR BEN JACKSON, Leslie Mitchell Tutorial Fellow in History, was awarded the title of Professor in the University’s latest Recognition of Distinction exercise.

PROFESSOR POLLY JONES, Schrecker-Barbour Tutorial Fellow in Slavonic and East European Studies and Professor of Russian, appeared several times on Times Radio, and on the Baillie-Gifford Prize “Read Smart” podcast (with Antony Beevor and Serhii Plokhiii), to discuss the Ukraine
She also hosted Univ’s Global Conversation in May about the conflict, and helped to create the Modern Languages faculty scheme of online residences for Ukrainian academics. She won a John Fell Fund grant to work with Ukrainian historians Tamara Vronska and Olena Stiazhkina on a data rescue and digitisation project involving Soviet history archives. Her introduction to the new Everyman Penguin edition of the Jewish-Ukrainian author Vasily Grossman’s magnum opus, *Life and Fate*, was published in April; it also appeared as a “long read” in The Irish Times.

**PROFESSOR JOE MOSHENSKA**, Beaverbrook and Bouverie Tutorial Fellow in English and Acting Director of the Centre for Early Modern Studies, has written a new book, *Making Darkness Light: The Lives and Times of John Milton*, the launch of which took place at Univ on 18 October. Professor Moshenska recorded an episode of The Verb, BBC Radio 3’s poetry, language and performance programme, on “Adversaries”, which was broadcast on 4 March and is available online.

**PROFESSOR ROS RICKABY**, Professorial Fellow and Chair and Professor of Geology, was named a Fellow of the Royal Society for her work on the interactions between life and the composition of Earth’s oceans and atmosphere.


**DR MAREN SCHENTULEIT**, Lady Wallis Budge Fellow and Associate Professor of Egyptology and Coptic Studies, has been named the Director of the Griffith Institute for 2022/23. The Griffith Institute was established in 1939 as the centre for Egyptology at Oxford. She also joined the Advisory Board for the ERC project *From Texts to Literature: Demotic Egyptian Papyri and the Formation of the Hebrew Bible* (PI Professor Dr Dr B. U. Schipper, Berlin). Together with Professor G. Schenke (Coptology, University of Münster) and Professor P. Sänger (Ancient History/Papyrology, University of Münster) she is co-editing the new book series *Egypt from the Ptolemies to the Early Middle Ages* (EPEMA).

**PROFESSOR TREVOR SHARP**, Tutorial Fellow in Neuroscience, was elected President of the International Society for Serotonin Research. He gave a plenary lecture on neuropharmacology of serotonin to the Sri Lanka Association of Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, and published papers on this in the *Journal of Psychopharmacology* and *European Journal of Neuroscience*. His research group has recently commenced a collaborative Medical Research Council-industry project on the role of serotonin signalling in psychedelic drug action. Professor Sharp successfully completed Vasaloppet (the Swedish 90 km cross country ski event) for the tenth time, and this year he was the first (and only) Brit home in his age group.

**PROFESSOR ADAM SMITH**, Professorial Fellow, Edward Orsborn Professor of US Politics
and Political History, and the Director of the Rothermere American Institute, delivered his inaugural lecture on “The American Civil War as a Conservative Revolution” on 25 April, in the Examination Schools. Professor Smith wrote an article on “Why America is in such a mess” for The Sunday Times on 2 July.

**DR SOPHIE SMITH**, Tutorial Fellow in Political Theory and Associate Professor of Political Theory, was named Executive Editor of the Journal of the History of Ideas, the oldest journal of intellectual history (founded in 1940). Dr Smith is the youngest executive editor to be appointed and the first executive editor from a University outside of the USA.

**PROFESSOR TIFFANY TAN**, Professorial Fellow and Shaw Professor of Chinese, was a guest on BBC Radio 4’s “In Our Time” discussing the most celebrated poets of eighth-century China, Li Bai and Du Fu, and their influence from the Tang era to the present day. He also co-organised, with Dr Ted Hui, a virtual international conference on “Conceptualizing Court Literature with New Methodologies” on 2-4 December 2021.

**PROFESSOR CAROLINE TERQUEM**, Tutorial Fellow in Physics, took part in an event organised by the British Museum, and hosted by Professor Denis Noble and Benedict Rattigan, titled “The language of symmetry”, on 15 January at the British Museum. Ten Oxford professors from disciplines ranging from music, through philosophy, physiology, logic, music, physics and astronomy, presented their work at this landmark symposium. The symposium explored the idea that a basic form of symmetry is that between order and disorder; which becomes expressed in different ways in different fields.

**SUPERNUMERARY FELLOWS**

**DR RAJENDRA CHITNIS**, Ivana and Pavel Tykač Fellow in Czech, co-edited Translating the Literatures of Small European Nations (LUP, 2022), a detailed and wide-ranging comparative study to date of how European literatures written in less well known languages try, through translation, to reach the wider world. The book includes case studies of over thirteen different national contexts as diverse as Bosnian, Catalan, Czech, Dutch, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Swedish and Serbian.

In a new paper published in *Nature Immunology*, research led by **PROFESSOR TAO DONG**, Supernumerary Fellow in Medicine, and Professor Julian Knight, demonstrates that the nature of the immune response by cytotoxic CD8+ T cells to a particular viral component, the nucleoprotein, may help to explain differences in the severity of COVID-19 disease. Professor Tao Dong is the director of the new Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences (CAMS) Oxford Institute, which was unveiled at a virtual ceremony on 28 April. Univ Supernumerary Fellows Professor Najib Rahman, Professor Peijun Zhang and Professor Gavin Screaton are principal investigators funded by the new institute. Dr Nick Kanellakis is a career development fellow at the institute. CAMS Oxford Institute is China’s first medical sciences institute in the UK.

**PROFESSOR ELAINE FOX**, Supernumerary Fellow in Experimental Psychology, was appointed
Professor and Head of the School of Psychology at the University of Adelaide. At Oxford, she founded and directed the Oxford Centre for Emotion and Affective Neuroscience (OCEAN) a world-leading research centre exploring the nature of resilience and mental wellbeing. Her new book, *Switchcraft: Harnessing the Power of Mental Agility to Transform Your Life* (Hodder & Stoughton, 2022) was published in May.

**PROFESSOR DANIEL FREEMAN**, Supernumerary Fellow in Psychiatry, was one of seven academics of the University of Oxford to be elected as 2022 Fellows of the British Academy in recognition of their distinguished contribution to research. Professor Freeman is particularly known for his work understanding and treating paranoia, including developing the [Feeling Safe Programme](https://www.feelingsafeprogramme.org/), which is the most effective psychological therapy for persecutory delusions. He has also been a pioneer in using virtual reality to assess, understand, and treat mental health conditions. He presented the BBC Radio 4 series, *A History of Delusions*.

**PROFESSOR SARAH HARPER**, CBE, Supernumerary Fellow in Gerontology and Director of the Oxford Institute of Population Ageing at Oxford, discussed the question of how to deal with an ageing population and responded to the suggestion of a tax on the child-free on *Woman’s Hour* on BBC Radio 4 on 19 July. Professor Harper also commented in *The Guardian* article, “I’m one of the lucky ones, I’m financially OK: welcome to ageing Britain, where pensioners outnumber children” on 2 July, having chaired the 2016 report, *Future of an Ageing Population*, commissioned under the Cameron government. She was also quoted in a BBC Wales article on 17 February about Wales’ record low birth rate.

**PROFESSOR LAURA HERZ**, Supernumerary Fellow in Physics, won the Royal Society of Chemistry’s Environment, Sustainability and Energy Division Mid-Career Award. The award recognised her pioneering work advancing the development of solar cells through a fundamental understanding of electronic, structural and chemical properties of next-generation light-harvesting materials.

**DR EMILY JONES**, Supernumerary Fellow in Public Policy, Professor of Public Policy and Director of the Global Economic Governance Programme at the Blavatnik School of Government, launched the Trade and Public Policy Network (TaPP Network) – which hosts the profiles of more than 60 experts specialised in all areas of UK trade policy. Dr Jones was quoted in a BBC article on UK trade negotiations with India on 13 January. She also contributed to a UK Parliament Report on Digital Trade and Data and co-produced a report for the International Chamber of Commerce UK introducing a principle-based framework for UK trade, ahead of the G7 summit in Cornwall.

**PROFESSOR TAMSIM MATHER**, Supernumerary Fellow in Earth Sciences, took over as Chair of the Volcanic and Magmatic Studies Group (a joint special interest group of the Mineralogical Society of Great Britain and Ireland and the Geological Society of London) in January. She was elected a Geochemistry Fellow (awarded by the US-based Geochemical Society and the European Association of Geochemistry, bestowed upon outstanding scientists who have,
over some years, made a major contribution to the field of geochemistry) and delivered the 14th Peter Lindsay memorial lecture presented by the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Imperial College London, “Volcanoes and past climate” in October 2021. She was also a consultant on two books for children: COPE Disaster Champions’ Volcanoes (available in English, Spanish, Bahasa and Bali), empowering children in disaster risk reduction, and Tara Binns: Visionary Volcanologist (Collins Big Cat book).

PROFESSOR BARRY V L POTTER, Supernumerary Fellow in Pharmacology, delivered a plenary lecture titled, “Sulfatase Inhibitors: From Concept to Clinic Trials and Beyond” at the 56th International Conference on Medicinal Chemistry, Bordeaux, France in July 2021. Professor Potter was formally awarded his honorary degree of Doctor of Science by the University of Bath in June – the award having been postponed several times because of the pandemic.

*PROFESSOR NAJIB RAHMAN, Supernumerary Fellow in Medicine, was named National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR) Senior Investigator in recognition of being among the most prominent and prestigious researchers funded by the NIHR and the most outstanding leaders of patient- and people-based research within the NIHR research community.

PROFESSOR NICOLA R SIBSON, Supernumerary Fellow, published a paper in Clinical Cancer Research describing a new minimally invasive and inexpensive blood test that can identify cancer in patients with non-specific symptoms. This is the first blood-based test that not only detects cancer in this population of hard-to-diagnose patients but also identifies whether the cancer has spread to secondary sites.


SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOWS

PROFESSOR GIDEON HENDERSON, Senior Research Fellow in Earth Sciences, continues to work as Chief Scientific Adviser (CSA) for the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) in the UK Government. In August, Defra announced plans to open new rounds of funding to support innovative research and training to equip the fishing sector for the future.

PROFESSOR NGAIRE WOODS, Senior Research Fellow and Founding Dean of the Blavatnik School of Government, wrote an essay for Foreign Affairs in July/August 2022 about the nature of power and how international cooperation can provide vital restraints to leaders blinded by it. Professor Woods wrote an article for Project Syndicate on 28 June, in which she wrote about the mounting evidence from around the world that the liberty of women is under attack, including in proud democracies. She was interviewed on 30 June for a Bloomberg episode exploring the economic and societal fallout of
the end of Roe v. Wade. Professor Woods also shared her expert comment for “A Hard Look at Soft Power” on BBC Radio 4 on 9 July. In June 2022, she took part in a discussion on BBC Newsnight on the economic crisis in Sri Lanka.

STIPENDIARY LECTURERS

DR NIKOLAOS I KANELLAKIS, Lecturer in Medicine, continued his research on SARS-CoV-2, the main aim of which is to better understand the immune response of the SARS-CoV-2 specific T and B cells. He published, with Univ Fellows Professor Tao Dong and Professor Najib Rahman, et al., the largest metagenomics study on pleural infection. Their study shows that pleural infection is predominately polymicrobial and revealed the bacteria which cause more severe complications. Dr Kanellakis has also been racing with Oxford Athletics Club for another year representing the University, and continued to support University College Boat Club as Treasurer.

DR LAURA VARNAM, Lecturer in Old and Middle English Literature, published the co-edited volume Encountering The Book of Margery Kempe (with Laura Kalas). She published an essay on St Erkenwald in Old St Paul’s and Culture, contributed to the community translation project Beowulf by All, and poems from her collection inspired by the women of Beowulf were published in a number of literary venues. She returned as an invited guest on the podcast Backlisted, talking about Elizabeth Jane Howard, and she contributed a podcast to the English Faculty’s Great Writers Inspire series, on the dragon in Beowulf and Tolkien.

EMERITUS FELLOWS

DR DAVID BELL, Emeritus Fellow, published two collections of short stories: Salt Scars and Hagg Wood.

PROFESSOR STEPHEN GOLDING, Emeritus Fellow and Chair of The Chalet Trust, published Oxford University on Mont Blanc: the life of the Chalet des Anglais (Profile Editions), a history of the chalet parties from their beginning in 1891, in which Univ has been involved since 1952, and also a spin-off novella, That Other Summit: a tale of man, mind and mountain.


JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWS

DR ALEXANDRA HENDRY, Scott Family Junior Research Fellow in Autism, published two papers since the start of 2022, analysing executive function and self-control in early childhood. The first paper examines inhibitory control and problem solving in early childhood, looking at the burdens and benefits of high self-control. The second is titled “Not all babies are in the same boat” and explores the effects of socioeconomic status, parental attitudes, and activities during
the COVID-19 pandemic on early executive functions. Alex also led efforts to distribute activity packs to families with children aged three years and under throughout disadvantaged areas of Oxford.

DR DANIEL LUBAN, Junior Research Fellow in Politics, published an article in *Dissent*, “Who Benefits from the Myth of Pro-War Consensus?” on 6 April 2022. Dr Luban also wrote a piece for *Dissent* on “The Not-So-Strange Death of Right Populism”, in Winter 2021.

*Fire Island*, by DR JACK PARLETT, Junior Research Fellow in English, was published on 26 May by Granta Books (UK) and on 14 June by Hanover Square Press (USA). “Tracing Fire Island’s rich history, Parlett leads the reader through the early days of the island’s life as a discreet home for same-sex love, to the wild parties of the post-Stonewall disco era, to the residents’ confrontation with the AIDS epidemic, and into a present where a host of new challenges threaten the island’s future. Lyrical and vivid, *Fire Island* is a hymn to an iconic destination, and to the men and women whose ardour and determination spread freedom across its shores.” (Granta Books).

HONORARY FELLOWS

THE RT HON. THE LORD BUTLER OF BROCKWELL, KG, GCB, CVO, PC (1957, Literae Humaniores), former Master of Univ, was interviewed for BBC *Newsnight* on 16 June 2022, following the resignation of Boris Johnson’s ethics advisor, Lord Geidt.


NON-STIPENDIARY LECTURERS


RESEARCH ASSOCIATES

MAXIMILIAN KIENER, Research Associate and Leverhulme Early Career Fellow in Philosophy, completed a book titled *Voluntary Consent* (forthcoming with Routledge), signed a contract with Hart for another book titled *Answering Others: Moral Responsibility and Artificial Intelligence*, and is currently also editing the *Routledge Handbook of Responsibility*. In addition, Max has also been working for the European Commission on effective and ethical communication. The University of Oxford gave Max an Award of Excellence for his overall performance.
LEAVING FELLOWS

PROFESSOR OLIVER ZIMMER, Sanderson Fellow and Praelector in Modern History and Professor of Modern European History.

Oliver Zimmer took up a tutorial Fellowship in History at Univ in 2005, coming to Oxford from a Readership at the University of Durham. Later his Fellowship was known as the Sanderson Fellowship, following the generous endowment of the post by Tim Sanderson (1976, History). In 2014 the University awarded him the title of Professor of Modern European History. During his Univ career, he also held several visiting professorships abroad, including in Japan and France.

When Oliver arrived in Oxford he had already developed an international reputation as an innovative and prolific historian of European nationalism. Having studied for his doctorate at the London School of Economics with Anthony Smith (one of the most influential historians of modern nationalism), once at Durham Oliver published his first monograph, *A Contested Nation: History, Memory and Nationalism in Switzerland, 1761-1891* (Cambridge, 2003), a short study of European nationalisms between 1890 and 1940, and a highly influential co-edited book of essays on nationalism from the Middle Ages to modernity: *Power and the Nation in European History* (with Len Scales).

This impressive pace of publication did not let up when Oliver moved to Univ. In addition to producing a series of highly influential major journal articles and a co-edited collection of essays on the relationship between nineteenth-century nationalism and urban communities (with William Whyte, St John’s College), he also published another substantial monograph:

*Remaking the Rhythms of Life: German Communities in the Age of the Nation-State* (Oxford, 2013), a study which approached the seismic changes of the nineteenth century through the experiences of three German medium-sized cities. It was in writing this book that Oliver began to develop a fascination with the relationship between ordinary people and time across nineteenth-century Europe, a project that led to a Leverhulme Trust Major Research Fellowship.

Although appointed as a historian of German-speaking Europe, in practice throughout his time in Oxford Oliver operated on a much wider canvas in teaching and research. His second-year Further Subject on European nationalisms, established with Abigail Green at Brasenose, embraced France and Italy as well as Germany. Almost uniquely among Oxford History tutors, he tutored both the German and the French first-year text-based papers. His graduates were as likely to be researching Catalonia as Germany. As a historian whose first degree in Zurich had also included Sociology and Political Science as well as History, Oliver always exhibited a keen interest in other disciplines, particularly Economics, even if it was the quest to understand the “messiness” of History which was his ultimate motivation. This was particularly evident in his college teaching for the undergraduate course “Approaches to History”. Oliver deftly introduced generations of first-year undergraduates at Univ to the contribution made by sociologists and anthropologists to historical study.

Oliver leaves Univ to take up the post of Research Director at the Centre for Research in Economics, Management and the Arts (CREMA) in Switzerland. We will miss him greatly. Oliver
was a tremendously loyal colleague as well as a historian of great insight and imagination. He leaves Univ History students and fellows with many fond memories, including the night when he demolished the concept of global history in a student-fellow debate, and a talk on experiences of time which he delivered before a History Dinner, a set of off-the-cuff remarks that demonstrated his gifts as a scholar and teacher.

PROFESSOR CATHERINE HOLMES
A.D.M. Cox Old Members’ Fellow and Praelector in Medieval History

PROFESSOR BEN JACKSON
Leslie Mitchell Fellow and Praelector in Modern History

PROFESSOR JOEL DAVID HAMKINS
arrived at Univ in Michaelmas Term 2018, as Sir Peter Strawson Fellow in Philosophy and Professor of Logic. He joined us from the City University of New York, where he held a joint position as Professor of Mathematics, Computer Science, and Philosophy in the CUNY Graduate Center’s doctoral program. We were delighted to have attracted such a distinguished logician to a tutorial fellowship in Philosophy.

Joel took to life in Oxford with enthusiasm. He was an inspirational and creative teacher of logic. (One of his logic exercises challenged students to translate the names of pop songs into logical notation: “All You Need Is Love”, “(I Can’t Get No) Satisfaction”, “Everything Has Changed”, “All the Good Girls Go to Hell”, and so on. It turned out, to his surprise, that many students didn’t recognize pictures of Taylor Swift, let alone John Lennon.) And he threw himself into teaching new courses for the Faculty. A series of lectures he wrote for a Maths & Philosophy course was quickly turned into a book, Lectures on the Philosophy of Mathematics (MIT Press, 2021). His teaching was hugely appreciated by his students.

His love of puzzles proved an asset in the undergraduate admissions process, for which he devised a series of wonderful interview questions. You can find two of Joel’s past admissions puzzles as the 12th July 2021 and 21st February 2022 posts under “Alex Bellos’s Monday puzzle” on The Guardian website. His website jdh.hamkins.org is a testament to his curiosity and his fascination with all things logical and mathematical – as well as to his ability to explain complex matters with complete clarity. I recommend the sections “Math for Kids” and “Mathematical Shorts”.

Joel thoroughly enjoyed life in Oxford. It was very bad luck that some of what he most appreciated, not least dinner in Hall, and conversation in the SCR, was disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic for much of his time at Univ. He left Oxford at the end of Michaelmas Term 2021 to take up a post at the University of Notre Dame, where he is O’Hara Professor of Philosophy and Mathematics, with a leading role in the joint PhD program in Logic and Foundations of Mathematics. We were sorry that Oxford and Univ couldn’t keep him for longer. But we’re very grateful for all that he contributed while he was here.

PROFESSOR BILL CHILD
Tutorial Fellow in Philosophy and Professor of Philosophy
Other leaving Fellows and staff include:

SUPERNUMERARY FELLOWS

DR ELIZABETH TUNBRIDGE, Supernumerary Fellow in Psychiatry, left Univ in Hilary Term 2022 for a new position as Director of Translational Neuroscience at Boehringer Ingelheim, one of the world’s largest pharmaceutical companies. She retains the position of Honorary Research Investigator in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Oxford.

STAFF

GORDON COX, Development Director and Fellow, joined the University of Bath as Director of Development and Alumni Relations in January 2022.

ALEXANDER SIGSTON, Head of Development – Operations, left Univ in August for the post of Head of Project Development at King’s College, London.

ALINA NUTA (2018, PPE), Donor Relations Officer, left Univ in August to pursue a career in PR in London.

HANNAH THOMPSETT, Library Assistant, left Univ in July for a new position as Assistant Librarian (Bibliographical support) at Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge.

We thank them all for their wonderful contribution to College life, and wish them the very best in their future ventures.
ACADEMIC RESULTS AND DISTINCTIONS
Please note that students who have opted to make their results private are not listed below.

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

In the Schools of 2022, results were:

Class I & Distinction  42
Class II I  59
Class II ii  5
Class III  1
Merit  2

The details of the Firsts and Distinctions are as follows:

**Ancient and Modern History**
Matt Hudson

**Cell and Systems Biology**
Luna Li

**Chemistry (MChem)**
Jay Ahuja
Kate Chamberlain
Daniel Cox
Matt Rosenfeld

**Computer Science (MCompSci)**
Radostin Chonev

**Earth Sciences (MEarthSci)**
Rebecca Galbraith
Tom Hill
Amy Jackson
Justin Leung

**Engineering Science (MEng)**
Holly Mortimer
George Tucker

**English Language and Literature – Course I**
Joe Stonor

**Experimental Psychology**
Alice Vaughn

**History**
Imogen Duke
Samuel Harper
Scarlett Tommons

**History and Politics**
Darcey Bowling

**Jurisprudence**
Aleksandra Ruzikowska

**Literae Humaniores – Course I**
Aurelia Aslangul

**Mathematics (MMath)**
Nick Ryan
Harry Stuart

**Maths and Computer Science (MMathCompSci)**
Kaloyan Aleksiev
Giannis Tyrovolas

**Mathematics and Philosophy**
Cam Fraser
Mathematics and Statistics (MMath)  
Aaron Ho  
Emilie Olufsen  
Zhuangfei Shang

Medicine – Preclinical (3 year)  
Grace Annetts

Modern Languages (French and Russian)  
Sophie Smith

Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry (MBiochem)  
Eleanor Robinson  
Nicole Szekeres-Tapp

Music  
Josephine Illingworth-Law

Oriental Studies (Chinese)  
Sahil Shah

Oriental Studies (Egyptology)  
Lily Ashton

Philosophy, Politics and Economics  
Alexander Hansen

Physics (MPhys)  
Liam Goudy  
Heath Martin  
Rusko Ruskov

All of the above students were awarded Finalist Scholarships to commend their academic results in the Final Honour Schools.

In the first Public Examinations there were 33 Firsts or Distinctions in Prelims/Moderations in 2021-2022:

Chemistry (MChem)  
Cameron Brown  
Andrew Christian  
Paolo Cicuta  
Suzanne Lim  
Ed Neville  
Samuel Power  
Alex Wallop

Computer Science (MCompSci)  
Oscar Lok Tim Mui

Earth Sciences (MEarthSci)  
Julia Johnson

Engineering Science (MEng)  
Panu Hietanen  
Will Hough  
Joshua Pearson

History  
Eloise Cooke  
Enzo Cunanan

History and Politics  
Kerry Stapleton

Jurisprudence  
Justin Yuen

Literae Humaniores – Course 1  
Ishy Levy  
Anneka Pink
Mathematics (MMath)
Ahmed Ali
Elijah Chew
Tavish Gera
Joshua Lau

Maths and Computer Science (MMathCompSci)
Aidan Healy
Danny Wheeler

Medicine – Preclinical (3 year)
Jamie Adams

Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry (MBiochem)
Manraj Bura

Oriental Studies (Chinese)
Liberty Osborne

Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Molly Bartlett
Jennie Christenfeld
Gregory Cuff

Physics (MPhys)
Molly Hammond

POSTGRADUATE DEGREES

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

Alex Antoniou
*Homines Religiosi? Expectations and Evaluations of Roman Sacerdotes in the Late Republic and Early Empire*

Liliana Barbieri
*Quantitative biophysical methods to study immune cell mechanobiology*

Seb Birtles
*Modulation of Reproductive Behaviours by Neuropeptides in Drosophila*

Barclay Bram Shoemaker
*We Can Only Change Ourselves: Psychology and Mental Health in China*

Leonardo Buizza
*Understanding Advanced Materials for Solar Panels: Interplay of Composition, Structure and Optoelectronic Properties in New Metal-Halide Semiconductors*

Peter Collen
*Development of a High-Enthalpy Ground Test Facility for Shock-Layer Radiation*

Sam Cornish
*Understanding Freshwater Changes in the Arctic Ocean*

Adam Foster
*Modern Bayesian Experimental Design*
Mahan Ghafari
Quantitative analysis of the mode and tempo of virus molecular evolution

Letitia Harris
Novel approaches to targeting ATM-deficient tumours

Sylvana Hassanieh
Stratifiers for oxaliplatin outcome in colorectal cancer

Lance Hentges
Extracting Biological Insights From Genomics Data Using Machine Learning Approaches

Heather Jeffery
Genomic single molecule analysis of chromatin structure around DNA replication origins in Saccharomyces cerevisiae

Xilin Jiang
Longitudinal modelling of genetic risk for common diseases

Oliver Jones
Memory, Implication and Moral Injury in the Work of Vasilii Grossman and Heinrich Böll

Abigail Karas
On Top of the City: Rooftops, Rights to Space, and the Fight for St Petersburg’s Panoramas

James King
The Propagation and Growth of Polygonal Fault Systems

Hafsteinn Kristjánsson
Philosophical Foundations of Norms of Legal Method

Yiliang Li
Essays on the Search and Matching of Economic Agents in Labor and Transportation Markets

Amber Madden-Nadeau
Silicic caldera volcanism and the 1883 eruption of Krakatau Volcano, Indonesia

Aaron Maniam
In-Skilling Before Outsourcing: Government Technological Expertise and Public Sector Digitalisation in Estonia, New Zealand and Singapore

Grace Manley
Investigating large-scale change in volcanic time series data using machine learning analysis

James Parker
High pressure turbine blade platform cooling and feed architecture

Mandela Patrick
Learning and Interpreting Deep Representations from Multi-Modal Data

Mihika Poddar
Legal Regulation of Gender Identity – Making a Case for Change

Alistair Sterling
The Reactivity of Strained Carbocycles

Nikul Vadgama
On Atmospheric Particulate Deposition in Gas Turbines
Linda Van Bijsterveldt  
*Transcriptional Checkpoint Response SET in Motion: Role for miR-106b-5p and H3K36me3 in Regulating E2F-Dependent Transcription*

Marko von der Leyen  
*Study of Novel Electron Injection Mechanisms for Laser-Wakefield Accelerators*

Le Wu  
*Partial Naivety in Present Bias: A Meta-analysis*

Dennis Xavier  
*Topics in Quantum Gravity and Quantum Field Theory*

Denis Yukhnenko  
*Mental health risk factors for criminal recidivism and mortality in individuals given community sentences*

Tarek Yusari Khaliliyeh  
*Justifying Public Justice*

The following members of the College passed examinations in taught postgraduate degrees in the summer of 2022:

**BCL**  
Charlotte Culley

**Master of Public Policy**  
Nyan Lwin

**MSt Classical Archaeology**  
Leonie Defonteyne  
Izzi Riglia

**MPhil Economics**  
Xu Dong  
Lovisa Reiche  
Jan Ringling

**MSt English (1550-1700)**  
Myko Balbuena

**MSt Global and Imperial History**  
Jacob Feltham Forbes  
Adam Tappin

**MSt Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature**  
Ellie Lathbridge

**MSt History – Early Modern History 1500-1700**  
Euan Huey

**MSt History – Modern British History 1850-present**  
Lucy Walsh

**MSc Law and Finance**  
Nicholas Young

**MSc Mathematical and Theoretical Physics**  
Matthew Baldwin

**MPhil Politics: Political Theory**  
Maximilian Klinger

**MPhil Russian and East European Studies**  
George Hajipavli

**MPhil Slavonic Studies**  
Theodore Jefferies
The following members of the College passed examinations in taught postgraduate degrees in the summer of 2021:

**Master of Public Policy**
Laura Caccia  
Mariana Lara Valencia  
Keir Mather  
Ammar Sabouni

**MSc Contemporary Chinese Studies**
Margaret Siu

**MSc Sociology**
Emily Nethsingha

**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 her when the Record went to press. Any further prizes awarded this year will be reported in next year’s edition. (Please note that students who have opted to make their awards private are not listed below.)

**UNIVERSITY PRIZES 2022**

**Organic Chemistry and Chemical Biology Part II Thesis Prize**
Daniel Cox

**3rd De Paravicini Prize 2021**
Sophie Gull

**The Department of Computer Science Prize for Mathematics & Computer Science for Prelims, paying particular regard to Computer Science papers**
Aidan Healy

**International Seismological Centre Prize for best performance in Mathematics and Geophysics**
Julia Johnson

**The G-Research Group Project Prize for 2022**
Godwyn Lai

**Best Practical Portfolio prize**
Maria McCusker Garcia

**Davis Scholarship**
Liberty Osbourne
Law Faculty Prize for Civil Dispute Resolution
Aleksandra Ruzikowska

Proxime Accessit Prize for the Honour School of Biochemistry Part I
Isla Sandeman

Gibbs Statistics Prize of FHS Mathematics and Statistics Part C
Zhuangfei Shang

Institute of Mathematics and its Applications Prize
Harry Stuart

Proxime Accessit – Weiskrantz Prize for best overall performance in Psychology papers – Part I
Naomi Tromans

Congratulatory first
Alice Vaughn

Top mark in individual papers in Part I
Haowei Wang

Cunningham Prize
Awarded for the best performance in 1st BM Part II
Laurenz Lehmann

Frederick H Bradley Prize (Finals)
Awarded for outstanding performance in History Finals
Imogen Duke

Frederick H Bradley Prize (Thesis)
Awarded for the best thesis in History Finals
Sam Harper

Gerald Meier Prize
Awarded to the best finalist undergraduate in Economics
Alexander Hansen

Harold Wilson Prize (Finals)
Awarded for the best performance in PPE Finals
Alexander Hansen

Harold Wilson Prize (Thesis)
Awarded for the best third year thesis in PPE
Alexander Hansen

Helen and Peter Dean Prize (ML joint school)
Awarded for outstanding performance in public examinations
Max Israel

Helen and Peter Dean Prize (ML single honours)
Awarded for outstanding performance in public examinations
Sophie Smith

COLLEGE PRIZES 2022

Cawkwell Prize
Awarded to the Classicist who makes the fullest contribution to the common life of the College
Rachel Rees

Cridland Prize
Awarded to the best all round medical student based on First BM Parts I and II
Holly McGee
John and Ruth Deech Law Prize
Awarded for the best finals paper in property law in the Honour School of Jurisprudence
Aleksandra Ruzikowska

Nathan Prize
Awarded for outstanding performance in public examinations
Aidan Healey
Yusi Niu
Rupert McKay

Nicholas Prize in Physics (Prelims)
Awarded to the highest performing undergraduate in Physics Prelims, subject to achieving a distinction
Molly Hammond

Nicholas Prize in Physics (Part A)
Awarded to the highest performing undergraduate in Physics Part A, subject to achieving a First
Konstantin Dukats

Nicholas Prize in Physics (Part B)
Awarded to the highest performing undergraduate in Physics Part B, subject to achieving a First
Chun Wang Chau

Nicholas Prize in Physics (Part C)
Awarded to the highest performing undergraduate in Physics Part C, subject to achieving a First
Liam Goudy

Nicholas Prize in Physics (Progress)
Awarded to one student in any year who has showed the greatest improvement and, through work, made the greatest progress, regardless of their result in that year’s public exams
Bradley Westwood

Oxford Open Learning Prize
Awarded to the most improved second year undergraduate in English
Caitlin Price Hand

Peter Rowley Prize
Awarded for the best performance in the Land Law paper in FHS Jurisprudence
Aleksandra Ruzikowska

Stephen Boyd Memorial
Awarded to the best finalist undergraduate in English
Joseph Stonor

COLLEGE PRIZES 2021

Plumptre Major Exhibition
Awarded for academic work, conduct and contribution to college life
Sarah Chapman

Plumptre Minor Exhibition
Awarded for academic work, conduct and contribution to college life
Alexander Newton

Allen Exhibition
Awarded to a student who has contributed much to college life
Nina Dimova

Kramer Prize
Awarded to a commoner in good academic standing who has made a major contribution to college life
Nina Lewis
The following undergraduates were elected Scholars and Exhibitioners for the academic year 2021-22, based on their academic performance during the 2020-21 academic year:

**CELL AND SYSTEMS BIOLOGY**

*Exhibitioners*
- Luna Li

**CHEMISTRY (MChem)**

*Scholars*
- Daniel Alimadadian
- Ina Bradic
- Kate Chamberlain
- David Conneely
- Daniel Cox
- James Merrick
- Matt Rosenfeld
- Gabriella White

*Exhibitioners*
- Jay Ahuja
- Ayala Bernstein
- Jasper Butcher
- Naomi Costello
- Hugo Fung
- Charlie Perry
- Amy Stonehouse
- Tom Ward

**CLASSICS AND ENGLISH**

*Scholars*
- Rachel Rees

**CLASSICS WITH ORIENTAL STUDIES**

*Exhibitioners*
- Peter Tully

**COMPUTER SCIENCE (MCompSci)**

*Scholars*
- Radostin Chonev
- Laura Georgescu
- Radu Zevri

*Exhibitioners*
- Ivo Karagoyozov
- Alexa Tudose

**COMPUTER SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY (MCompSciPhil)**

*Exhibitioners*
- Chuanqi Wang

**EARTH SCIENCES (MEarthSci)**

*Scholars*
- Jack Ditchfield-Ogle
- Rebecca Galbraith
- Tom Hill
- Justin Leung
- Becky Pinnock

*Exhibitioners*
- Olivia Atkins
- Amy Jackson
- Lucy Jackson
- Mengze Li
- Adam Lindholm
- Rebecca Tanner

**ENGINEERING SCIENCE (MEng)**

*Scholars*
- Stuart MacGregor
- Holly Mortimer
- George Tucker
- Jiahao Wang
- Mikael Yeghiazaryan, Swire Scholar

*Exhibitioners*
- Dan Cotton
- Rachel Diggin
- Owen Douglas
- Natalie Tsang
- Omar Valeinis

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE – COURSE 1**

*Scholars*
- Diana Bestwish Tetteh
- Isabel Fincham

*Exhibitioners*
- Hari Bravery

**EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY**

*Scholars*
- Alice Vaughn

*Exhibitioners*
- Naomi Tromans

**HISTORY**

*Scholars*
- Imogen Duke
- Stiebel Scholar
- Samuel Harper
- Scarlett Tommons

*Exhibitioners*
- Paul Robson

**HISTORY AND MODERN LANGUAGES (German)**

*Exhibitioners*
- Alex Beard
- Burns Exhibitioner
HISTORY AND POLITICS
Scholars
Darcey Bowling

Exhibitioners
Ju Young Han

LAW (Jurisprudence)
Exhibitioners
Wan Binti Wan
Zainuddin
Kylie Chong
Aleksandra Ruzikowska

LITERAE HUMANIORES – COURSE 1
Scholars
Bill Sutton-Mattocks

Exhibitioners
Aurelia Aslangul
Raoul Lee
Ishy Levy
Luke Thornhill

LITERAE HUMANIORES – COURSE 2
Exhibitioners
Tilly Binucci
Amy Lee

MATHEMATICS (MMath)
Scholars
Rupert McKay
Nick Ryan
Harry Stuart
Thomas Wu

Exhibitioners
Yuhong Chen
Alexandra Gyvari
Paolo Sait
Carl Westerlund
Jason Zhong

MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE (MMathCompSci)
Scholars
Yusi Niu
Giannis Tyrovolas
Jingjie Yang

Exhibitioners
Kaloyan Aleksiev
Stefan Enescu
Maria Gyorgy-Spiridon
Godwyn Lai
Aric Smith
Ben Solomons

MATHEMATICS AND PHILOSOPHY (MMathPhil)
Exhibitioners
Cam Fraser
Martha Storey

MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS (MMath)
Scholars
Aaron Ho
Emilie Olufsen
Zhuangfei Shang

MEDICINE – PRECLINICAL (3 YEAR)
Scholars
Grace Annetts

Exhibitioners
Katiai Dang
Reuben Denison
Jaskiran Matharu
Holly McGee

MODERN LANGUAGES (Russian)
Exhibitioners
Hope Nicholson

MODERN LANGUAGES (Russian and Czech)
Exhibitioners
Charlie Polley

MODERN LANGUAGES (Russian with Polish)
Exhibitioners
Joseph Rooney

MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOCHEMISTRY (MBiochem)
Scholars
Isla Sandeman
Nicole Szekeres-Tapp

Exhibitioners
Susanna Alsop
Harriet Atherton
Hana Bernhardova
Emily Davis
Maciej Maciuszek
Anna Price
Eleanor Robinson
Harrison Wang
TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS

The following students were awarded a Scholarship for travel in the summer vacation 2021. Many schemes were paused in the 2020-21 academic year due to the pandemic, and the likelihood of travel disruption. We look forward to reporting on the 2022 travel scholars in next year’s edition of the Record.

DAVID AND LOIS SYKES SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TRAVEL TO CHINA
Nishta Vaishampayan

ROGER SHORT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TRAVEL TO TURKEY
Paula Domingo Pasarin

NEUROSCIENCE

Exhibitioners
Sophie Glover

ORIENTAL STUDIES (Chinese)

Scholars
Sahil Shah

Exhibitioners
Thomas Bowring
Nishta Vaishampayan

PHILOSOPHY AND MODERN LANGUAGES (Russian)

Exhibitioners
Elijah Lee

PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS

Scholars
Alexander Hansen
Sofija Petrovic,
Gladstone Scholar
Boyan Popov
Aimee Wong

Exhibitioners
Anna Bodman
Sonia Jakubiak
Henry Kwok
Mackenzie Tan Phei Huey

PHYSICS (MPhys)

Scholars
Chun Wang Chau
Nina Dimova
Ryan Elliot
Theone Ellis
Liam Goudy
Grzegorz Komorowski
Tarun Koteeswaran
Heath Martin
Jesse Wang

Exhibitioners
Konstantin Dukats
Sing Lau
Tat Sang Li
Ruize Ma
Oliver Poole
Rusko Ruskov
Lorenzo Tranchedone
Oscar Zhou

PSYCHOLOGY, PHILOSOPHY AND LINGUISTICS

Scholars
Maria McCusker-Garcia
Allyson Obber

Exhibitioners
Przemyslaw Kubiak
Alan Taylor
THE COLLEGE FINANCIALS, 2021-22

My report last year referred to the College’s welcome emergence from the shadow of the pandemic and that we were anticipating leaving behind the disruption that it had caused to so many aspects of College life, for our students, academics, staff, and our operations and finances. While some threats have indeed receded, sadly the world is not yet back to normal.

In late 2021, as the country opened up, demand for services increased and competition for staff increased. Like many, the College is exposed to increasing staffing costs, recruitment difficulties and prolonged delivery times.

Events in Ukraine have compounded those challenges. In four months, inflationary expectations went from a benign +2-3% to +50%-100% for our electricity and gas bills for the year ahead (this is despite purchasing forward our energy, including zero carbon electricity). As the contracts are renewed on a rolling basis, higher prices will inevitably flow through to the College.

The College is adapting to this new world, and we are mindful of the importance of delivering on our sustainability objective.

The College’s operation is sustained at a scale that is larger than would be suggested by student fees and rents alone by virtue of the distributions from your generous donations and endowments.
These underpin the College. They are invested roughly 50:50 between property and financial assets. The property portfolio is recovering slowly from the difficulties of the pandemic when many businesses were closed and more than a few collapsed completely. The College is working hard on sustainable cost-savings that will help bring income and expenditure more into balance. An extensive piece of work led by the Fellowship will support decisions that should bring sustainable cost savings over the coming decade without impacting the College’s excellent work.

Turning to Univ North, it is pleasing to be able to share the significant steps that have been taken this year. Univ North is now in the project phase as the team prepares to commit to the construction contracts and the build itself. The pre-project work has been transformed by the procurement of a construction contractor; refining a long list of five companies down to a shortlist of three and inviting each to pitch to secure the contract. Given the global turmoil, disruption to the construction supply chain and the inflationary pressures already mentioned, it is a relief to report that the College had excellent and enthusiastic responses from the contractor market to partner with us on this exemplary scheme.

At the time of writing, the bids are being analysed prior to selection. There is still a long way to go but we remain on track for demolitions, preliminaries and site – enabling works to begin in late 2022 with construction to follow in 2023.

In closing, it is a pleasure and a privilege to record the College’s gratitude and deep appreciation for your generosity as Old Members and supporters. This support, whether in cash or kind, underpins the extraordinary things that the College is able to do. Thank you.

DR ANDREW GRANT (1977)
When I wrote last year that we had experienced what could only be described as a hard year, I clearly had no idea what the year ahead had in store for us. The choppy waters we anticipated have done their level best to upend the life raft in the Domestic Bursary, at times seeming more like a full-blown sea state 9 in their intent to tip us unceremoniously into the drink. We have all debated whether the economic situation in which we find ourselves is the runoff of Brexit, or the long tail of Covid. It may be deeper and broader than either of those two things, and has had an impact on College life.

Much of the experience that makes College so special and memorable to our alumni has to be the academic exchange that students have with their tutors and with each other; it is our reason for being and the thing that we value above all things. However, a very close run second is the opportunities for social interaction that the students enjoy within College, and it is something which is important for our whole community, not just our students. Dining together, formally and informally, is one of the happiest and most memorable occasions of all of our lives; to do so with those closest to us, with conversation and ideas flowing and growing in the place where thousands of our forebears have done exactly the same thing resonates with each of us. We hold these
occasions very dear and look forward to the next time we can be together.

That social interaction was negatively impacted by the pandemic. The College has done its very best to “get back to normal”, but it is proving tricky. Retaining our best staff after Covid has been difficult; we are not alone in that experience, but that knowledge brings us no comfort.

Among all the turbulence, I do consider myself blessed to have the solid assurance of individuals in my team who refuse to be bowed or knocked off course by the storm going on around them: by an Accommodation Manager who never faltered when asked to also take on the whole of the Housekeeping commitment, a new Head Porter who assumed the responsibility of night duties when other options were exhausted, a Catering Manager who still manages to keep a team serving and smiling, while himself stepping back into whites and never once leaving my side. I look forward to meeting with many of you in the months and years ahead and describing these times.

We will continue to keep our arms around each other and we will continue to do our best for our students, the Fellowship and for each other. We will, with the continued support of the wider College, press on with getting and keeping the right people to keep our beloved College moving on into a bright future, to delivering on the promise of Univ North, and look forward to sharing your company over supper or dinner, or coffee or wine. Stay safe until then.

ANGELA UNSWORTH MBE
FROM THE

It’s hard to imagine a better end to the academic year than being able to celebrate with the Women’s First VIII who rowed to Head of the River, the top of Women’s Division One, at Summer Eights.

Yet despite their success, and other highlights that we celebrate elsewhere in this Record, it has been a difficult year. We began it with a special “Refreshers Week” to allow second year undergraduates some of the experience that they could not have in their own Welcome Week in 2020, when many government-imposed restrictions were still in place. Those restrictions may be gone, but the consequences of the pandemic are still all around us, and we are grateful to students and staff who have worked hard, under often difficult circumstances, to begin to rebuild our sense of community and college life. There is more work to be done, but the year now ended was so much better than the year before, and we have much for which to be grateful.

That gratitude extends to our old members, and to all who contribute to our common life, and it is good for us to express it. The importance and benefits of gratitude was the theme of my sermon at our annual service of thanksgiving for our Founder and Benefactors, and I reproduce in what follows a lightly edited version of what I said on that occasion, on 31 October 2021:

CHAPLAIN

It is quite by chance that this year our annual service of thanksgiving for our founder and benefactors falls on the same day as Halloween. But there is a reason why it is always in late October. October 28 is the day when the western Church remembers Saint Simon and Saint Jude, two of Jesus’s disciples. And that is the date when one benefactor to the College stipulated that there should be a feast for the fellows and scholars for whom he provided by his gift. That feast is now in abeyance. But in this service, close to the feast day of St Simon and St Jude, we give thanks for our founder and for our benefactors, both living and dead, without whose generosity none of us would be here tonight.

Many of us will be familiar with the idea of “five a day”. This is the public health recommendation, based on advice from the World Health Organisation, that all of us should each day eat a minimum of 400 grams, or five portions, of fruit and veg. Perhaps less well known is the NHS advice about five steps that all of us can take to improve our mental wellbeing. One of those five steps, which is giving to other people, is something for which we give thanks tonight. A second step, connecting with other people, is closely related, and also relevant tonight. Because acts of giving are acts that bring people together and help them to connect. So giving and connecting often go together. Both benefactor and beneficiary may benefit, and beneficiaries may become benefactors too. In giving to others we find that we receive, and in recognition of what we receive we may be moved in turn to give.
Looking around tonight, both in chapel and elsewhere round the College, we see buildings built through benefaction. We see people whose teaching or research and learning is made possible and is supported through benefaction. So all around us are reminders that we have much for which to be thankful, and many people to thank. Much that we see of the College today, and much that we do while we are here, relies on the generosity and vision, not only of William of Durham, but of other benefactors too, living and departed. People who went before us, and have made it possible for us to be here.

Benefactors whose generosity helps to sustain and to nourish the community that extends across generations of former students and staff. Whose generosity makes a difference to everyone at Univ, and underpins our ambitious plans to expand our site at Univ North. All this is made possible through the generosity of those who support us, with gifts of money, time, advice, and encouragement, and tonight we give thanks to God for them all.

If theological or religious insights are of any real-world value, it should come as no surprise that they bear out the advice of public health experts, of psychologists and others. It is only what we might expect if theological thinking and religious faith can help to make sense of the reality of our lives and the reality of the world in which we live. Gratitude is prized and encouraged in different religions, and is an important element in their worship of God. It forms links between people of faith, and all those for whom they give thanks, and it reflects the conviction that for all that we have, and for all that we might give or receive, each of us owes thanks to God.

To be grateful is something that all of us can do, regardless of any religious beliefs that we may or may not hold. But if we see ourselves as people of faith, then gratitude is something that helps us to relate not only to other people, but also to God, to whom we believe that we owe our very existence. In relationship to whom we believe that we may find ultimate meaning and purpose in our lives. The God whom Jesus invites us to love with all our heart and soul and mind, as he invites us to love our neighbour as ourself.

So to live in this way, in the way of love for God and for neighbour, is to orientate ourselves towards the God on whom we ultimately depend, and in relationship to whom each of us lives our lives. The God on whom people of faith believe that we depend for all that we have, and for all that we are. In relation to whom we find what it is to be fully alive, and in relation to whom we find meaning and purpose and hope in our daily lives. The God to whom Christians give thanks most especially for the gift of his son, who we believe lived and died as one of us, and lived and died for all of us, that we might follow where he leads.

REVD DR ANDREW GREGORY
By the start of Michaelmas term 2021, we were finally able to return to pre-pandemic opening hours, with both libraries open 24-hours a day, seven days a week. The students flocked back to the libraries and our statistics showed that the term was even busier than Michaelmas in 2019. Seeing the libraries bustling again after a difficult couple of years was heart-warming. In-person inductions for our new students were possible again, and we started putting faces to names of the 2nd years with whom we’d only communicated by email and welcomed back returning students after a long gap.

There have been some staff changes in the libraries over the last year. Our Assistant Librarian, Phil Burnett, reduced his hours to part time and we recruited Liz Fleetwood as his job-share in April. At the time of writing, Liz is working towards completion of her MA in Library and Information Science at University College London while continuing as Reader Services Supervisor at the Bodleian Library. Emily Green, our Project Cataloguer, started work as Librarian at The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust whilst (thankfully) continuing to work for us on the Robert Ross Memorial Collection. Finally, our Library Assistant, Hannah, left us in July for a fabulous new job as Assistant Librarian (Bibliographical support) at Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge. We wish her the best of luck in her first professional role but will also miss having her around (as will our Twitter and Facebook followers, no doubt).

After a couple of very quiet years, the Library had a number of student helpers over the past 12 months. Amber Madden-Nadeau and Izzi Riglia shelved books for us in Michaelmas and Hilary terms respectively. For Trinity term, as well as bringing on board Theodore Jeffries to join Izzi shelving books, we tasked Clare Burgess and Samuele Coen with keeping the libraries in order during our busiest term. Over the long vacation Tiancheng Wang, Shreya Khaund and Rocío Gómez-Ruiz looked after the Summer School students and undertook our annual stock-check. Jamie-Louise Lucas, a rare undergraduate helper, tackled some of our reading lists and helped with book processing. Many thanks to all our helpers.

While we sometimes struggle to recruit graduate helpers, in Trinity term we had such a good field of applicants that we were able to fill the necessary posts and also begin a project that had been on the back-burner for some years. Thomas Robertson and Tiancheng Wang began the meticulous task of transcribing one of our hand-written lists of early printed books. Before this project started, the Library team regularly scanned each page searching for the details of one of the many early printed books yet to be catalogued onto the automated system. Once complete, we’ll have a much more user-friendly list of early books which will, I’m sure, be much appreciated by researchers and the library team alike.
In last year’s Record I hoped that we would soon be able to host exhibitions, student seminars, and external researchers again. I’m happy to report that we’ve done all these over the past year. After a two-year break, the St Cuthbert’s Day Feast went ahead in March with an exhibition of some of the highlights from the Library’s collections. The Library team were also involved in the William of Durham Day, when we presented a paper and curated an exhibition to illustrate the shift from manuscripts to printed books in the fifteenth-century. We were also able to resume our research skills sessions for Historians and show our English students some first editions of the texts they study in their first year. Our students were also treated to a selection of Melissa Pearce Murray’s sculptures which were exhibited in both the Old and New Library throughout Trinity term. Melissa’s stint as Univ’s visitor in the Creative Arts was cut short because of the pandemic, so being able to bring some of her work back into the libraries was really special.

Through our annual feedback survey Univ’s students have shown that, post-pandemic, they’re eager to get back to supporting and motivating each other through the ups and downs of their studies. Our aim for the coming year is the same: we’re ready to support and motivate students so that they flourish and thrive as part of the Univ community.

ELIZABETH ADAMS

BOOKS DONATED BY OLD MEMBERS

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

**Diana Avadanii** (2013)

**Graeme Scott Baber** (1990)
Essays on International Law (Cambridge Scholars, 2017)
Preferential Trade Agreements and International Law (Routledge, 2019)
The global law of the sea: baselines and boundary delimitation (Nova Science, 2020)


The British Judges of the International Court of Justice: An Explication? The Later Jurists (Nova Science, 2022)

Peter Beresford (1964)

Participatory Ideology: From Exclusion to Involvement (Policy Press, 2021)

Peter Beresford et al, The Routledge Handbook of Service User Involvement in Human Services Research and Education (Routledge, 2021)


Peter Beresford & Jasna Russo (eds.), The Routledge International Handbook of Mad Studies (Routledge, 2021)

Andrew J.B. Cremer (1980)
Fénelon: The Adventures of Telemachus (Anastasis Books, 2022)

Robin Darwall-Smith (1982)
Robin Darwall-Smith and Peregrine Horden, History of Universities XXXVI (OUP, 2022)

Rachel Delman (2013)
“Enclosed Gardens, Female Networks, and Spiritual Kinship in Late Medieval Northern Europe” (offprint of an article from Viator, 2020)

Simon Gibson (1972)
Tales of a Meandering Medic (2021)

Simon Gladdish (1975)
Digital Encounters (2021)

Three Great Versions of Rubaiyat (2022)

Fragmented Thoughts (2022)

Dick Hamilton (1952)
Evil at Evesham Abbey: A True Story (2021)

Richard Ireland (1973)


Adil Jussawalla (1960)
The Tattooed Teetotaller and other wonders (2021)

Tony Lurcock (1962)
Finish Off with Finland: A Miscellany
(CB Editions, 2021)

Paul McKechnie (1980)
Paul McKechnie & Jennifer Cromwell, eds.,
Ptolemy I and the Transformation of Egypt, 404-282 BCE
(Brill, 2018)

Henry Noltie (1975)
Essay from Lockdown (2022)

Michael Pickering (1953) via his widow,
Outi Pickering

The Compass Dances: Selected poetry 1955-2015
(Matador, 2016)

Timothy Robey (1996)
A selection of Classics titles

Philip J. Stewart (1958)
Oxford’s Parnassus (Bothie Books, 2021)

Rick Stroud (1967)
Lonely Courage: The true story of the SOE heroines
who fought to free Nazi-occupied France
(Simon & Schuster, 2017)

Anthony Weale (1964)
Sussex, Northamptonshire & Rutland Domesday

Venetia Welby (1999)
Dreamtime (Salt, 2021)
A great deal has happened since I wrote a similar article this time last year. The world has expanded its horizons as we have limped out of the pandemic era and College life has done the same.

Music in College has continued with the Choir singing weekly services as usual, UCMS arranging Masters Lodgings concerts and both The Martlet Ensemble and Martlet Voices staging innovative concerts.

The College played host to some of the big names in choral music at the very end of September as Martin Randle Travel was able to stage its Oxford-wide “The Divine Office”. This event, postponed from the previous year, gives an audience the experience of listening to music written for the various offices of the monastic daily round; Lauds, Matins, Nones, etc. This meant that the Tallis Scholars, Stile Antico and Westminster Cathedral Choir all sang in our Chapel throughout the day.

Term proper started with the Chapel Choir singing to a congregation for the first term since March 2020 and the choir were very much relieved to be standing next to one another again, rather than the statutory two metres apart! The Community Choir, run by Carys Lane, restarted and met weekly throughout the year. This group is designed to give the opportunity to anyone who wants to sing, regardless of ability, the chance to sing secular, pop and world music in a friendly and fun environment and proved popular with students. Our next job is to get more of the staff interested!

Martlet Voices met again in November with a programme of Folk music from around the British Isles. We were lucky to have an old colleague of mine come and talk about the history and legacy of some of the songs which were sung that evening. Paul Sartin is a renowned folk musician, a singer, oboist and violin player; he was a member of the internationally acclaimed band Bellowhead, and has a busy life as a performer, writer and teacher specialising in English traditional music. In this concert, we performed music especially arranged for the concert by two of the performers.

On December 2, the College opened its doors, literally, to some local primary schools, their choirs and parents to join us in Front Quad to sing some traditional Christmas Carols. Mulled wine and mince pies were on offer, and all the children had luminous bracelets. The quad looked amazing with tea lights in all the windows, and the weather held off for us. It was wonderful to see so many people, some of whom had never set foot inside an Oxford college, enjoying a truly community event. It is definitely something which will happen again, and we all hope it will turn into a tradition with more and more local schools and groups taking part. The Chapel Choir and Community Choir also sang carols, and we rounded it all off with some group singing, finishing with *The Twelve Days of Christmas*. 
The Univ Choral Advent Calendar took place again this year, with a brand new carol being posted every day in December in the run up to Christmas. This had proved so popular in 2020 that we couldn’t resist doing it again!

The Mendl-Schrama prize auditions took place in March, postponed from earlier in the year due to a surge in Covid cases among the applicants. In the end, the auditions had to go ahead with the Director of Music absent (but present on Zoom), as he had Covid by the time the audition day came around. The competition was won by Maryam Wocial, a second year undergraduate from Lincoln College, who holds a choral bursary in Univ College choir. Her prize recital will take place in the Holywell Music Room on January 21, 2023, on which day the winner of the next year’s prize will be announced.

Trinity Term saw The Martlet Ensemble regrouping to perform its most ambitious programme to date. Wagner’s Siegfried Idyll was the centrepiece, with an ensemble of 13 players, only three of whom were professionals, the rest students. Music by Smetana, Respighi and Nadia Boulanger completed the programme.

The last event of the year had the Chapel Choir and Martlet Voices team up for a joint concert in 8th week of Trinity Term, with music by a wide variety of composers, old and new, as well as a new commission by the wonderful composer, Adrian Williams. It was a fitting end to a year which felt more like normal, and next year will see even more events. We do hope you can get to some of them in person.

Do keep November 10, 2022 in your diaries, as the Chapel Choir, Martlet Voices and cellist, Richard Tunnicliffe will be staging a Remembrance Day concert in St John the Evangelist Church on Iffley Road in Oxford. This concert will have a retiring collection for the victims of the Ukraine crisis. Further details are available on the College website.

GILES UNDERWOOD
Director of Music
12 July 2022

If you would like to know more about musical events at Univ, or would like to help with the future of music-making at Univ, then please contact the Director of Music, Giles Underwood (Giles.Underwood@univ.ox.ac.uk).
In last year’s report from the archives, I see that I wrote “like everyone else, I am getting ready for life after lockdown.” Indeed, the last year has been very much that: I have seen life returning to Univ once more, and, in particular, researchers have now been able to visit the archives in person to consult our records.

Another happy sign of normality is that I have been able to do once more many of the things which I did before the pandemic, such as give tours of the College to our Univ Ambassadors, or some new members of staff. One annual event which I enjoyed reviving was a visit from students at Kellogg College to see the Shelley Memorial. Kellogg offers a distance learning course in art history, which is based around certain “set works”, one of which is Shelley, and so, when the students on this course come to Oxford for a residential long weekend, a visit to Shelley is an essential part of their stay. I always enjoy meeting the Kellogg students: because they have been studying and discussing the Shelley Memorial for some months, they are always very excited to see it for the first time, and they often have new thoughts to share. One question asked a few years back which still floors me was: how did they get the Memorial into Univ in the first place? All suggestions welcome.

We have had no especially large donations made to the archives this year, but we have had some very interesting ones. Nigel Tully MBE (1961) gave us a collection of posters and programmes relating to the many balls and other events at which he and his group the Four Beats (later the Dark Blues) played while he was at Oxford. This is a rather special addition to the archives, because such posters are very ephemeral things, and rarely survive. Nigel’s posters really bring alive the world of Oxford in the early 1960s. Meanwhile, Ken Tucker, our former Head Chef, has given us some fascinating material about the College’s kitchen from earlier years. In particular, there are some rare photographs of the Hall and the Alington Room all laid up.
Perhaps, however, the most unusual project in which I was involved in the last year was a film directed by two of our recent students, Matthew Hardy (2018) and Jack Rennie (2017). Called *The Pacifist*, it is based on the tragic events of May 1940 when a student at Univ, John Fulljames, had a terrible breakdown, got hold of a rifle, and shot at some other Univ members, killing one and wounding two others. Matthew and Jack and I had many long talks in the archives, as we considered the material about Fulljames which is held there. When the film was actually shot last December, I was rather surprised to be asked to make my film debut as a porter! The film has now been shown, and I do heartily recommend it: Matthew and Jack have given us, I think, a very plausible portrait of Fulljames.
FROM THE DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

The most important reason for writing this report is to thank everyone who donated during the financial year August 2021 – July 2022. Whatever the purpose of your gift, we can never thank you enough. Thank you.

This has been another year of transition and change. In December, Gordon Cox bade farewell to the College having overseen the Alumni and Development Office during some extremely challenging times and has taken up the role of Director of Development and Alumni Relations at the University of Bath. This is the place to express our heartfelt thank you to him and in particular for his seminal role in delivering the Univ North campaign.

As I write, I have been acting as Interim Development Director for seven months and it has been a huge pleasure to meet so many of you either on Zoom or at events in Oxford, London and the USA. When we report on a new year in the Record, it is inspiring to reflect back on the support we receive from alumni and friends to help us build a better future for Univ’s students and scholars. The review of the past year is a humbling experience, and the commitment we have received from many is huge. I am grateful to the over 1,350 donors who have supported the College this year.

This year’s fundraising saw continued focus on Univ North, in addition to some other key College priorities. We have reached a number of significant milestones in relation to the Univ North project, including Invitations to Tender being issued to the three construction contractors that won the shortlisting competition – Beard, Gilbert Ash and SDC. After a mixture of mailings, updates, presentations and meetings, our Old Members and Friends have pledged and given a phenomenal £24,460,000 towards the project. It will be a great joy to add your names along with names to come, to internal and external spaces at Univ North. I also want to use this report as an opportunity to thank David C Frederick (1983, Politics) for his transformative generosity and his innovative philanthropic support, that is enabling Univ to realise the most ambitious building project in its history since the Main Quad in the 17th century. This project is a powerful symbol of our commitment as a College to come together and to deliver something exceptional. Please do contact the Development Office if you would like more information on the progress of Univ North or a tour of the site.

We started the academic year optimistically, joyful that we could be together again. The Alumni and Development Office team began to return to College and started to think about a return to physical events. We have had to continue to be flexible as we considered what events or meetings were possible and to deal with the inevitable with changes and cancellations. The whole team has become extremely adept at handling last minute changes to plans.

Alumni all over the world have continued to be enthusiastic with attending events, both virtual and physical. Highlights of the year include a celebration of 50 years of the Mitchell Building, attended by over 30 ex-presidents of the WCR in November 2021; a New York Dinner to welcome Baroness Amos hosted by Emily Rose (1983, History) in April 2022; the 17th
Annual Univ Society London Dinner in May 2022 attended by over 100 people, where we heard from Dr Nisha Mehta (2000, History) who, for the first 18 months of the pandemic, was Clinical Advisor to Professor Sir Chris Whitty; and The Univ Global Conversation on Ukraine, held on Zoom on the evening of 11 May, which drew on the College’s long-standing rich expertise in Eastern Europe. The year also saw a joyful return to traditional Univ sporting events – the Old Member’s Football Day, USPGA (Golf) and Summer VIIIs – along with well-attended gaudies and reunions for year groups 1988–1992 and 1970–1971.

Our student callers have been busy again with a mix of virtual and in person telethons taking place during the year. As with many of our activities over the past year, we have had to be flexible. Our December telethon was definitely exhilarating! It started with two intensive days of training in College and then calling began in a bustling office. Suddenly, the government work from home mandate forced us to change tack and move everyone to virtual calling. The energy and enthusiasm of our students has carried us through and students have been thrilled to talk to Old Members across the globe over the year. A particular thank you to those of you who give regularly – monthly, quarterly or annually. These gifts are an extremely important part of the College’s annual income and your collective donations make a huge contribution to support vital activities at Univ.

The continued support for our activities at all levels is particularly gratifying, and over £826,000 has been received in donations from individual gifts that are under £25,000. The College as a whole has received a total of £2,420,000 in new pledges this year.

Thank you to those of you who support the College whatever size of gift. We look forward to welcoming many of you back to Univ after a long gap and having the opportunity to express our gratitude.

This edition of the Record comes with our renewed and warmest thanks for your encouragement and friendship, as well as for your outstanding generosity. I would like to extend a warm welcome to you to join us at any or all of our events over the upcoming year.

**HARRIET BAYLY**
INTERIM DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
(TO SEPTEMBER 2022)
This year we launched the first season of student parties following the Covid-19 lockdown, with First Party taking possession in newly restored circumstances, including last year’s replacement of the roof and returning the surrounding landscape to its 1909 configuration.

Accordingly, to the usual mix of reading and walking we were obliged to add clearing of building rubble and wood, and the cleaning of three years’ dust and mouse droppings. SJG and KLD owe special thanks to Sam Cornish (2012), Nick Kanellakis and Ben Smith (Chalet 2007-9, 11, 17, 19) for being our advance party who assisted with the unusually demanding conditions of opening up this year. SJG’s daughter Marina (Chalet 1997-2001, 3, 17) and her husband Charles (Chalet 2003), making a brief return visit, were roped in to help and grandsons Liam and Owen added window cleaning to their introduction to chalet life. We were delighted to be joined by seasoned chaletite Sir Ivor Crewe: the presence of a political scientist during the largest ever mass resignation of government ministers provided the party with expert up-to-date commentary.

It is good to report that the labours of opening were achieved without significant limitation on normal chalet activities, although the summer’s problems with flights led to a small number of delays or cancellations. First Party took in the Gorge de Diosaz, the Aiguillette des Houches, Tête Rousse and the Aiguille de Varan during ten days of fine weather. Their eight individual croissant runs (840 m ascent; times from 50 minutes) reflected a high level of athletic prowess and provided almost daily fresh pastry. On a more literary note, this party was able to introduce the recently published history of the Chalet to the library shelves following signing by the author.
Second Party were grateful for the excellent work of their predecessors and continued the work of maintaining this great institution via the sorting of firewood, improvement of the waterfall shower, and an additional sediment trap to improve the water system. Univ’s culinary standards continue to be expressed even at altitude, with one dinner including a traditional French croquembouche. Walks included the Gorge de Diosaz, the Col de Tricot, and an evening “croissant run” by all party members as the sun was setting. Regular croissant runs were completed most days, with pastries in abundance. Improved headtorch battery and LED technology led to the invention of floodlit chalet cricket and tennis.

Our thanks as always go to all the members for creating parties which were productive, enjoyable and memorable. We are glad to put on record our heartfelt gratitude to all those Old Members who supported the 2021 roof appeal; their generosity has helped us secure the Chalet for generations to come. We very much look forward to welcoming many Old Members back to the Chalet for another special alumni party later this season.

STEPHEN GOLDING, KEITH DORRINGTON AND JACK MATTHEWS
Due to the rapid turnover of undergraduates — certainly when compared to the age of an institution like Univ — JCRs have very short institutional memories. Two years of pandemic-related disruption meant that 2021/2022 was something of a clean slate for “normal” operation in the JCR, challenging us to successfully revive staple services from pre-COVID and bring fresh ideas to engage the incoming undergraduates.

We began the year in grand fashion with a return to a fully-fledged, in-person Welcome Week. The slew of exciting events included the Univ Freshers Fair (showcasing our fantastic range of student societies), our first in-house BOP since pre-pandemic, and a ballroom dancing experience at the Oxford Union. Once again, the JCR was able to firmly establish itself as a social hub and community cornerstone for the new cohort. That said, we couldn’t let the Freshers have all the fun! The week prior, we ran ReFreshers’ events for the cohort whose Freshers Week was scuppered by extensive social distancing restrictions.

Popular JCR events continued throughout the year, including the well-loved termly welfare weeks. One new success was the various exciting cultural events organised by our Access Officer, Chloe Bardou, and her team, such as the Univ Iftar in Trinity Term.

The 2021/2022 committee have been delighted to see initial excitement translate into long-term engagement with student democracy. Amidst a veritable flood of motions, the JCR voted to provide funding to new student societies in Univ, student drama productions, and charities responding to the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine. Newly introduced hybrid meetings helped more students participate even when wintery weather left them reluctant to come in-person. Special credit goes to our Returning Officer, Alex Beard, for expertly facilitating elections and modernising our online voting system.

This year the JCR has worked closely with College staff to improve life at Univ. Student representatives were key in influencing the Academic Transition Support programme that will assist incoming students in making a strong start to their academic life at Univ. Our Hall & Accommodation Officers worked with the Domestic Bursary to co-ordinate highly successful themed dinners in Hilary term for Burns Night, Chinese New Year and more. Various committee members collaborated with the College’s welfare team in a project to update Univ’s codes on harassment, ensuring its processes are fair and rigorous. Finally, the JCR was delighted to see Univ officially adopt the Oxford Living Wage in Hilary term 2022.
Whilst the role of President remains crucial, the JCR was equally reliant on the steadfast work of my VPs. Ben Solomons, VP/Treasurer, deftly managed our finances and helped me navigate many tough situations. Tom Ward, VP/Affairs, assumed the position in Hilary and proved himself immediately as an asset to the team. It has also been a pleasure to work with the WCR President, amidst highly positive relations between the committees of our two Common Rooms.

I and the rest of the committee outgoing leave our positions confident that Univ JCR is an even better place than when we started. We wish our successors the best of luck.

SAM WILLIAMSON
(2020, Engineering)
President, Junior Common Room
After two years of the WCR community being sadly muted by the pandemic, we have at last started to see its revival into the vibrant and lively community that it was pre-pandemic. Led by those of us who remember a time in the College before the pandemic and some new faces keen to revive the social atmosphere, we have had a fun-filled year in the WCR.

As ever, the year kicked off with Welcome Week. Freed from restrictions, we were able to hold a fully in-person programme this year, with the addition of some hybrid events to accommodate the situations of various members of the graduate community. This meant that our welcome week was a truly international affair. Alongside new graduates’ academic inductions, the socials, scavenger hunts, bops and (of course) the ever-present Oxford pub-trip, meant that new students weren’t short of things with which to occupy their time. Attendance was high and we were glad to welcome many new faces to our community.

The rest of Michaelmas and Hilary terms saw the continuation of this social rejuvenation, along with the numerous cultural and sporting activities of Oxford. The “Fidelio” orchestra, a Univ-Merton-Magdalen joint venture, the Martlet Ensembles and newly founded Univ community choir all saw strong graduate turnouts. WCR football continues to go from strength to strength, and the College Boat Club continues to be heavily stocked with graduates, with this year’s captains and the president all being WCR members. The Martlet society talks have continued to be popular forums for graduates to present and discuss their research with the whole Univ graduate community and I would like to thank the organisers for running such a great series.

Trinity term saw the transition from old committee to new, and with it came a new boost of enthusiasm to the social team, helpfully paired with some additional funding from the College to run extra social events. This pairing worked wonders, and with events such as “Margarita and Margarita”, “Curry and Cobra”, “Pizza in the Park” and the long awaited return of formal swaps, the packed WCR social scene resembled that of a pre-pandemic era! The term nicely rounded out with a huge graduate formal in 10th week, which saw well over half the community in attendance.

It takes a lot of people to make any MCR run smoothly, and I would like to thank both sets of committee members and volunteers active over the last year for all their hard work. It would not have been possible to run the manifold events and activities organised without them. I would also particularly like to thank the previous president Ethan Petrou for all his work over the first part of this year guiding the WCR out of the end of the pandemic.
Likewise, I would like to thank all the members of College staff who have helped make life for the graduates of Univ better. Particular mention must include the master Baroness Amos, who has particularly championed the cause of student welfare and experience through this year. I’ve also been grateful for the leadership team of the JCR. In a time of new but productive closeness between the two committees, it has been a pleasure to work with them on improving life for all students in the College.

We are greatly looking forward to welcoming the next contingent of graduates to the WCR in October, and to the exciting next year as Univ continues to be a friendly and empowering community to be a part of.

MICHAEL HUTCHINSON
(2019, DPhil Maths)
President, Weir Common Room
OBITUARIES

FORMER FELLOWS

David John Burgess, Chaplain and later Fellow of Univ from 1969-78, died on 14 March 2022 aged 82. We are most grateful to Dr Leslie Mitchell for the following obituary:

There are many reasons why it might be argued that Univ, in the last three or four decades of the last century, was a successful and happy place. Of these one of the most important was the fortuitous acquisition of two remarkable Chaplains, David Burgess and Bill Sykes. Pivotal members of the College community, they both took seriously the suggestion that peacemakers were particularly blessed.

The bare facts of David's career are easily stated. After Cambridge, he came to Univ as Assistant Chaplain in 1966, being promoted to a full Fellowship in 1969. In 1971 he took on the Domestic Bursarship and held that post, in addition to his clerical duties, until he left the College in 1978 to be a Residency Canon at Windsor. His last post was to be vicar of St Lawrence Jewry, at the Guildhall, and a Prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral.

Cataloguing the progress of a distinguished career in the Church, however, gives few clues to David's contribution to Univ. First and foremost, he was the supreme pastoralist. Living in College, he was available to the College community all day and, often, much of the night. In his rooms on Staircase 6, he listened to whatever problems were brought there. If comment were invited, his replies would be measured, showing real concern, and, above all, non-judgmental. The late sixties and early seventies were lively times in Oxford, and undergraduates badly needed someone of David's temperament. British students were unsettled by the feeling that the values of their parental generation should be challenged. At the same time, many Americans had their thinking scrambled by the Vietnam horror; the cost of having fought there, or the rightness of avoiding going there. David, young enough to understand fully these concerns, was a balm. All sections of the College drew on his time, and felt grateful for a distinctive style of churchmanship.

Central to this style were David's sermons. His predecessor, Tom Parker, otherworldly scholar that he was, once started a sermon with the words “As you will no doubt remember, it was in December 1054…” to an audience of chemists and linguists and others. David never spoke in this vein. His sermons were more likely to invoke Wordsworth, Eliot and Blake than prelates or Pontiffs. Indeed, it seemed that he was more interested in spirituality than in religion. Anchored in what might be called a “cathedral to High” Anglicanism, he yet seemed to be hankering for something more indefinite than creeds and rituals. It was this quality that allowed him to reach those members of the College, who had no interest in chapel-going. The terms of his own beliefs were deeply personal, and only to be briefly glimpsed or suspected.

This inner reserve was not inhibiting. David was gregarious, and the willing life of many parties. An enthusiastic oarsman at Cambridge, he coached crews to the great approval of Norman Dix, the College Boatman. Employing a driving style all his own, he ferried undergraduates to the theatre and opera in
London and to the Chalet in the French Alps. At Easter and in the summer, he led his own reading parties in Cornwall, imperturbably cooking, listening and commenting.

Perhaps David’s character may best be captured in a letter he wrote to Norman Dix when he left for Windsor. David had been Domestic Bursar as well as Chaplain for seven years, and he had found it a tough experience. He inherited a project in Stavertonia that had gone badly wrong. Hence, his farewell note to Norman: “Before I cease to be an actual Fellow of the College, I wish to express my deep gratitude and appreciation of your support and encouragement during my time of office as Domestic Bursar. Without your counsel and ready advice, I would have found things very difficult at times.” Taking the trouble to write in such terms to a former Head Scout gives a small clue as to how David contributed to holding the College together in difficult times. Rare combinations of authority and humility often command admiration in others.

David’s last years were bedevilled by grinding illness, but he was sustained by living a close family life, and by always having an elfin interest in the affairs of his many friends.

**Roy Butler**, Supernumerary Fellow from 1980-4, died on 23 July 2021 aged 86. Butler was a student at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and had a career in university administration, working in the London School of Economics, and the Universities of Essex, Liverpool and Newcastle. In January 1980 he came to Oxford as Secretary of Faculties, and he was elected to a Supernumerary Fellowship here at Univ. He left Oxford in 1984 for a career in management consultancy. In 1993 he became Deputy College Secretary to Lingnan College, Hong Kong.

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**EMERITUS FELLOWS**

**Brian Crayford Loughman**: In the 2020 Record we recorded with deep regret the death in November 2019 of Brian Loughman, Fellow in 1970-92, and included a tribute to him from Dr David Bell (Fellow 1970-2000). Due to the Covid pandemic, his memorial service had to be postponed more than once, but finally took place in May 2022. David Bell spoke at this occasion, as did Professor Christopher Pelling (Fellow 1975-2003). People can turn to the 2020 Record to read David’s tribute to Brian, but Christopher has kindly given us his own tribute to include here. It is very characteristic of Brian that he should be remembered affectionately by Fellows both in the sciences and in the humanities:

Brian Loughman was a lovely man. I first met him nearly fifty years ago, when I came to Univ in the mid-seventies to teach Classics. One of his pieces of early wisdom is still with me, around my neck this afternoon: he told me that he and a senior fellow had agreed that they would always wear this tie to memorial services, not quite a college tie but that of the college Shakespeare Society. I don’t know quite why. But I have always done it since.

Brian had only been a fellow himself for a few years, but was already a stalwart of the place, serving as Dean of Graduates. One soon got used to his sidling up to colleagues and asking if they might be interested in a student to do something on X, Y, or Z. It did not take long either to realise that the next question had to be “ok, Brian, what position does he play?” True, this affected me less than many others: burly second-rows from New Zealand or South Africa rarely wanted to work on Homer or Herodotus, though we may have picked up a wily Welsh fly-half or so that...
way. But Brian played fair; he made sure that the sportsmen and later sportswomen that came Univ’s way were always academically very serious. Sometimes, indeed, almost too serious. I remember an Olympic oarsman who announced on his first night that he valued the academic opportunity so much that he planned to give up rowing. It took some persuasion to coax him into thinking twice about that (one of the dangers was that if he took to some light exercise with the third eight the boat might end up going around in circles), but Brian’s tact was up to the job.

Graduate studies were then much less part of the scene than they later became; the Mitchell Building, the home of the graduate Common Room, had only just been built. In many colleges graduates hardly featured at all, content to build their social as well as their academic lives around the lab or the library or the ward. Brian was the ideal person to ensure that it did not happen here, as many will remember. A few years ago, the College Record featured reminiscences thirty years on, as it then was, from the first generation of women students in 1979: it was notable that two names kept coming up from those who had been here as graduate students, Brian Loughman and George Cawkwell, as the ones who did most to make them feel welcome.

And the admission of women was indeed a great theme of those early years. The possibility had been in the air for some time, but never really pursued as the Master of the time, Lord Redcliffe-Maud, was known to be strongly against. That changed on his retirement, and I recall lively debates – lively, but pretty one-sided, as the bulk of the fellowship was strongly in favour. There were a few concerns for what old members might think, for the effect on the women’s colleges, and even, I remember, for the future of the rugby club. Brian did not comment that women could play rugby too, though I am sure that the later Brian would have done: I remember seeing him in white tie at a women’s varsity match that kicked off inconveniently soon after a degree ceremony. But he was one of the first to point out that old members and their wives had daughters too, and many of them would be delighted with the change. And so it worked out.

The college continued to work him hard – to his great pleasure, I should add – even after he retired, first as Dean of Old Members, good as he was at extending a warm welcome and bringing people up to date on the important gossip, and then as Dean of Degrees. One area where he and I worked closely together was in managing about a dozen students who came each year from Pomona College in California; he was Director of that programme, and I was for a time his number 2. They would arrive in mid-September: “we’re really looking forward to having seasons” was a favourite remark. They had a rather different view when they left twelve weeks later in December. Brian was marvellous at fuelling their enthusiasm, which admittedly did not need much fuelling; they would sign up for rowing and sports and music as well as a full and demanding academic programme, and there were of course the block bookings for home matches at Iffley Road. It brought home the wisdom of limiting Oxford terms to eight weeks, as they were on their knees by mid-November, though still loving every minute of it.

One high spot was a day-outing to South Wales, where both of us would revel in telling tales of
our youth. As the coach wound down the steep road into Monmouth, he would tell them of his courtship of Jean, I suppose just after the war: his pride and joy then was an Austin 7, and it was always touch and go whether it would manage the climb up the hill. He was discreetly silent on whether he really wanted it to. We would visit Raglan Castle, and the students clambered over it with relish: “oh, my first castle”. As we drove back I developed a fantasy that Brian was never happy going over the Severn Bridge unless he sang *Mae Hen Wlad y Nhadau*, and so we both launched into it. To be honest, I’m not sure he was word-perfect on the tricky bit that comes after *Gwlad beirdd a chantorion enwogion o ffr*, but my goodness how he laid into *Gwlad! Gwlad!* The coach shook, and as we finished the group erupted into whistling and whooping as the Stars and Stripes weighed in to support the Red Dragon.

And there are so many more vignettes of Brian that I treasure. Still with Pomona, there was a visit to California, where on the first morning an utterly un-jet-lagged Brian took me round the local arboretum: it was a wonderful tutorial, as we moved from tree to tree and he told me so much about each – the true plant scientist, in his element. Then there are memories of Brian at Twickenham, where he would take a small party of friends for the varsity match and host us at a sumptuous lunch beforehand, with ex-blues and ex-internationals coming up one after another to say hello. There was Brian on the cricket field for the SCR against the JCR: John Dewey remembers a catch that he took low down at slip – he always fielded at slip, as he didn’t like the high lofted ones in the outfield so much: this one was a ripsnorter of a catch low down to his right off a fairly fast bowler. Standing next to him at slip was a visiting chaplain, who was standing in that summer for the legendary Bill Sykes. “That”, said the chaplain ruminatively, “is the sort of thing that makes me believe in God.”

There was Brian beaming with delight at a Musical Society evening in the lodgings. There was Brian as Dean of Degrees, not wholly confident about his Latin: that sheepish smile of triumph when he’d had a good run at the Latin for “Master of Business Administration”, treading gingerly at times but still getting there in the end. There was Brian being clubbable in college, playing charades after the fellows’ Christmas dinner. What had fallen to him was “Brideshead Revisited”, and he was working on the “Brideshead”. He had only one gesture – he gripped an imaginary veil and threw it back over his head. And we couldn’t get it. So he tried again. And again, looking more and more desperate. It is fair to say we weren’t giving him much help, as everybody by then was collapsing with laughter. Then there was Brian talking about his family; there was Brian with Jean. At home as he was with the college, there was never any doubt where his priority and his love really lay. And most of all, perhaps, there was that glorious smile.

He was indeed a lovely man.
1943:  
**John Stanley Downham** (Royal GS Guildford) died in January 2022 aged 97. We are grateful to John’s family for allowing us to print this shortened version of a tribute by his friend Peter Mouncey:

Born in London, John attended the King Edward VI Royal Grammar School in Guildford, where he became house and school captain, leading the school’s officer training corps. He joined the local Home Guard, then the RAF in 1943 as an officer cadet on a six-month short course at University College Oxford, reading Modern History. He initially trained as a pilot at St John’s College Cambridge, making him one of the very few people to have studied arts and science at both these universities.

Returning to Oxford in 1946, he switched to a PPE course, gaining a First in 1948. After leaving Oxford he joined the British Market Research Bureau (BMRB) as its first research officer in 1948. By the late 1950s John had become joint director along with John Treasure, with John taking sole control as managing director in 1960 when Treasure moved to J. Walter Thompson (JWT), which owned BMRB.

At that time, BMRB was becoming less reliant on undertaking research for JWT clients, moving to its own offices in 1960. Unilever, by then a major client of BMRB, requested help in setting up its own in-house research international facility, with John moving there on a two-year secondment. This turned into a permanent appointment in 1962, and John became responsible for the client-side operation within Unilever; with international responsibilities including training, quality standards and special projects, a post he held until his retirement in 1988.

Having joined the embryonic UK Market Research Society (MRS) in 1953, he became its Secretary/Treasurer in 1956 and Chairman in 1959-60. In the 1960s, John served on exams and education committees, helping develop and run the MRS education and training programmes; he was also instrumental in the initial thinking behind developing a professional qualification.

John was also a founder member of the Market Research Benevolent Association committee when it was launched in 1977, becoming President in 1987 and serving until his retirement in 2001. John was elected a Fellow of the MRS in 2000 and awarded the prestigious MRS Gold Medal the following year.

John was a prolific author of papers and books. During his time at BMRB, a leading client, the Readers Digest Association, commissioned him to write a book in 1953 called *The Communication of Ideas*. This was followed in 1956 by *Readings in Market Research*, co-authored with John Treasure and Eric Shankleman. John was also commissioned to write a history of BMRB, which was published in 1993 to celebrate its 60th anniversary.

More recently, John was involved in the development of the market research oral history project; he also helped found the Archive of Market and Social Research (AMSR) in 2014.

I feel very privileged to have known John; he was widely respected for his long experience in
and extensive knowledge of market research and was always charming, courteous, incredibly helpful and great company socially.

John married June in 1949 and they had four children. June died in 2011. John is survived by his children, plus seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

John Cecil Wurr (Highgate) died on 22 November 2021. He first came up to Univ as a cadet student, and then returned in 1948. His son Peter has kindly sent us this obituary:

John Cecil Wurr died aged 96 on November 22, 2021 in Saratoga, California. He was born on May 1, 1925 in North London (Hornsey) to Harry Cecil Wurr and Rosa Olive Wurr (née Brown), their third child after sister Rosemary (1922-2019) and brother Peter (1920-1986).

At age 10 John matriculated as a weekly boarder at Highgate School in London. In 1939 John evacuated with Highgate to Westward Ho. After, he joined the Royal Signals Regiment and was posted in Italy for much of his WWII military service. Enduring some of the hardships of war he also learned rudimentary Italian and proficient ballroom dancing, the latter skill emerging with spontaneous delight across his long life whenever music and a willing partner were simultaneously available.

After demobilization, he read Physics at Oxford University (University College) followed by an MA in Electrical Engineering at Imperial College, London.

In 1953, he married Anne Elizabeth Tunnicliffe.

In 1957 John accepted an engineering position with Litton Industries near San Francisco, California, emigrating with Anne and daughters Juliet (1954), Lucienne (born 1955), and Chloë (1957). Son Jolyon was born in the US in 1959 and in 1961 John’s job returned the family to England where, in 1962, Crispin Peter was born. Later that year the Wurr family returned to settle in California’s Santa Clara Valley where, in 1964, son Adrian was born.

In 1962, John and Anne purchased an Eichler home in Sunnyvale, California as it was being built in a recently felled walnut orchard. John worked as a traveling-wave tube engineer at Microwave Electronics Corporation (MEC). Just up the road from MEC, Hewlett Packard (HP) was implementing technologies based on the newer transistor technology while the state of the art for John’s work in ground to satellite communications technology remained the cathode-ray tubes John engineered.

John obtained US citizenship just as major social, economic, and technological changes of post-WWII era transformed society, John found friends and kindred souls at the Sunnyvale Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (where he was three-time president) and joined the growing protests against the Vietnam War and in support of the civil rights movement.


In 1987 John and Elizabeth moved from suburban Sunnyvale to a country home in the mountains separating Silicon Valley from the Pacific Ocean. In 1990, after a 28-year engineering career, John retired from Teledyne MEC.

In 2004 John and Elizabeth moved to a retirement community in Saratoga, California and they enjoyed 15 vigorous years of walks, world travel, scholarly lectures, and theater. Elizabeth died in February 2019.
John maintained significant mobility and intellectual engagement well into his 90’s. He was an avid viewer of the PBS News Hour and The Rachel Maddow Show and a dedicated reader of The New York Times and the British edition of The Financial Times.

He died peacefully in his sleep on November 22.

1948:

David Hamilton Catlin (St Edward's) died 31 October 2021. His son Robin has kindly provided the following obituary and photograph:

David Hamilton Catlin has died peacefully at the age of 93 years. He was born in Woodford Green, Essex on 7 January 1928.

He spent his school years, firstly at Edinburgh House preparatory school in Lee on Solent, and thereafter at St Edward’s School Oxford, where he was in Cowells House during WW2. Even recently he vividly recalled the noise of bombers passing overhead on route to France.

At Teddies he began his lifelong love of the city and its Dreaming Spires. He left school in 1945, and planned to join the Navy for his National Service. But he was rejected because he was colour blind. So he joined the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, a battalion of the Royal Green Jackets. After a short period of training 2nd Lieutenant Catlin was posted to Berlin, aged 19.

On 23 January 1948, at the age of 20, he was put in charge of a train transporting German personnel to Holland with explicit orders that nobody should board the train. He told the story many times of how on that fateful night, dressed in his uniform over his pyjamas, he refused access to the Russian Army. In doing so he may have caused the Blockade of Berlin and subsequent Airlift, and possibly started the Cold War, with a little help from Joseph Stalin!

On leaving the army in September 1948 and returning to England, he read Law at University College, Oxford. There he met his great Swedish friend the late Goran Atmer and they shared rooms near the Bridge of Sighs. He visited Goran’s family on several occasions, and fell in love with Sweden.

He graduated from Univ, and then qualified as a barrister at Gray’s Inn. He practised at the Bar for a short period, but he quickly saw the bright lights and moved into the corporate world, working as a lawyer for Fisons in Felixstowe.

His career took him to Rockware Glass in Greenford, and then to Glaxo, a burgeoning pharmaceutical company, where he spent over 25 happy years. He loved the corporate culture, and the colourful characters that he met around the world. He travelled widely, throughout Europe, to Brazil, Egypt, India, and Korea.

He retired from Glaxo in 1986, and began to hatch plans with his wife Sue for a small hotel in the Cotswolds, close to his beloved Oxford. In 1988 they opened Elm Farm House Hotel, having purchased a Cotswold stone farmhouse in Fulbrook, near Burford.

They ran the hotel for five years and then retired fully in 1993, moving into Burford where for 26 years they lived in a quiet corner and exercised their passions for travel, opera and ballet, art, history, and their dogs, but not necessarily in that order!

They spent many days between Oxford and Burford. David was a churchwarden at Fulbrook
Church, a trustee of Burford School Foundation, and they ran both guided tours of Burford and the local branch of NADFAS or The Arts Society, as it is now known.

David married Susanna Dring in 1957, and she passed away in 2016. He leaves two sons, Timothy and Robin, daughter Jessica, and his granddaughters, Becky, Amy, and Rachel.

William John Cowler (Ilfracombe Grammar School) died in May 2021 aged 95. We are most grateful to his family for providing this obituary:

John Cowler, as he was always known, was born in Woolacombe, North Devon in 1925. His father owned the local garage, and the family was very active in the church and community. John attended Ilfracombe Grammar School, and in 1943 won a County Scholarship enabling him to attend university. First, however, he was called up for national service, with his twin brother Michael, and spent time in the army, in Burma and Malaya, a far cry from the South West.

In the spring of 1947, his father wrote to Univ, asking if they would consider John for a place once he returned home. John intended to read French, a more surprising choice then, perhaps, than now: he had never travelled abroad before national service, and heard the language spoken for real for the first time from aboard ship in the Suez Canal, as one of the sailors called out a message to a passing rowing boat.

As there were no places available at Univ in 1947, John returned home to Woolacombe, where he set about learning Spanish from scratch, as a second modern language. He passed the entrance exam and interview, and in autumn 1948 started at Oxford, where he was complimented on his Spanish accent. He had to admit that he had learned it from Linguaphone!

John very much enjoyed his time at Oxford, to which he was far more suited than to army life. He indulged his love of classical music and joined the Bach Choir, one of many choirs he would sing with until the age of around 90.

On leaving, he trained as a modern languages teacher, and in 1952 began his first job in Redcar Grammar School.

In 1957, though, he returned to Devon, and began teaching at Crediton Boys’ Grammar School, which later became a comprehensive, Queen Elizabeth’s School. Here he was Head of Modern Languages until retirement, and was instrumental in setting up a twinning arrangement between Crediton and Avranches, which continues today.

In the meantime, he had met his wife Anne on a cultural holiday to Spain. She also was/is a linguist and a French teacher. They married in 1961 and had two children, Rachel (born 1964) and Jane (born 1966). Both of their daughters studied languages at Oxford, keeping up the family tradition! Rachel is now a translator/interpreter, and Jane is a lecturer in French at Exeter University.

John took early retirement in 1985, when Spanish was discontinued at the school. He had a very long and active retirement, doing some A’ level teaching at Exeter Tutorial College, but also able to spend time at home, or singing, travelling, reading, gardening, learning some Turkish and Arabic. Church and choir were very important to him throughout his life. He also very much enjoyed spending time with his family, which
now included his grandchildren James (1999), Elizabeth (2002 – now herself studying French over the road at Queen’s!), Francis (2003), and Matthew (2005).

1949:

Francis Ernest Cameron (Mercers’ School) died on 14 May 2021 aged 93. He read Music at Univ, where he was our Organ Scholar. He had already begun a successful career in music before coming up: by his late teens he had already been Organist at St Peter’s Fulham and at St Luke’s Holloway, and Sub-Organist at St Peter’s Eaton Square. On going down, Francis returned to London to take up several organists’ posts, and then in 1959-61 succeeded George Malcolm as Master of Music at Westminster Cathedral. In 1962 he moved on to become Organist and Choirmaster of the church of Our Lady of the Assumption and St Gregory in Warwick Street.

At the same time Francis was involved in many other musical activities. In 1952-5, he travelled for UNESCO, and from 1954-68 he was Deputy Director of Music for the Greater London Council. Also in 1954 he was appointed Assistant Director of Music at Emanuel School and then Music Master of the Central Foundation Boys’ Grammar School in 1956. From 1959-68 he was Professor of Organ and Composition at the Royal Academy of Music. From 1965-8 he was an Examiner for the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music.

Francis’s career took a dramatic new turn when in 1968 he moved to Australia to become Assistant Director of New South Wales Conservatorium of Music, where in 1974 he became Chairman of Musicology. He also served as President of the Musicological Society of Australia in 1971-5, and from 1970-7 was Vice-President of the Australian Chapter of the International Society for Contemporary Music.

While he was in Australia, however, Francis developed an interest in anthropology and ethnomusicology. In 1971-2 he led an ethnomusicological expedition to the New Hebrides, and from 1974-5 he was President of the Sydney University Anthropological Society. In 1973 he was a field officer for a recording programme for aboriginal monuments in Deep Creek.

In 1980 Francis’s life changed once more when he returned to Oxford, to become a student at Univ again, now reading for a Diploma in Ethnology. He became Organist of Iffley Church in that year, moving on in 1988 to become Organist of St Michael at the Northgate. He was also a Senior Lecturer in Musical Studies at Oxford Polytechnic (now Oxford Brookes University) in 1982-6. He then began to teach computing: from 1988-96 he was a Demonstrator at Oxford University’s Computing Services, and then taught computing at Oxford’s Department for Continuing Education in 1994-6 and 2000-4, and the Oxford Centre for Adult Learning in 1992-6.

Francis wrote several compositions, including film and incidental music, but he also produced important editions of the works of the Jacobean harpsichordist and composer John Bull. He also contributed articles to many journals, both musical and pagan.

His daughter Liz Steele adds: “My father was a well-regarded man of great knowledge with many talents and interests. His house was filled
with music and books on a multitude of subjects. Blackwell’s and the Bodleian Library were among his favourite haunts in Oxford. His iMac was his constant companion for many years, be it using his Greek keyboard to translate Plato into English for two hours each morning, to be informed of parliamentary updates, to watch the latest TV dramas, or to engage with his hundreds of friends on Facebook, mostly with interesting scripts related to his past life. Francis was a unique and engaging man who was active and intelligent until three days before he died. Something I think adds to his wonderful life. Francis is missed greatly by many.”

Robin John Charteris Mallinson (Fettes) died on 17 March 2022 aged 93. His son James (1980) has kindly written this tribute:

Robin Mallinson came to Univ in 1948 following National Service in the Royal Artillery, which may have given him a head start in the eyes of Douglas Millin. He was born on a houseboat on the Dal Lake in Srinagar, Kashmir, the houseboat being rented by his parents because Europeans were not allowed to own property there. His father was an officer in the Indian Army, and Robin, his two sisters and mother followed his postings around the sub-continent. Summers were spent in Gulmarg, also in Kashmir, until he was dispatched back to the UK in 1943 aged 15 to complete his secondary education at Fettes College. He was an irrepressible raconteur, many of his stories relating to his early years in India which perhaps became embellished with the passing of time. He contributed many stories to a compilation of the early memories of individuals born between 1911 and 1940, who grew up in the British Raj or the Princely States, called Last Children of the Raj (2004). One of his great childhood friends in India was John Pakenham-Walsh (1948), who he met again at Univ. They remained lifelong friends. Robin took Mods in Mathematics and Finals in Jurisprudence, and on graduating he trained as a Chartered Accountant with Coopers in London. On qualifying he joined Alcan Aluminium where he spent most of his career, with postings to Banbury, London, British Guiana / Guyana, London and Rio de Janeiro, where he became Finance Director of Alcan in Latin America. He later worked for Blue Circle Cement in Indonesia and the UK.

Sport played a large part in his life: at Oxford he gained a Blue in Hockey and Half Blue in Rugby Fives; he played hockey for Oxfordshire; as a cricketer he qualified as a playing member of the MCC; and he was an accomplished golfer. He became the Open Golf Champion of British Guiana (admittedly not the foremost of golfing nations), and recorded a hole in one at North Hants Golf Club at the 8th hole on the 8th August in his 88th year. He finally hung up his clubs aged 89 having scored below his age every year since he was 69.

He married Elizabeth Jukes-Hughes, one of a pair of mischievous identical twins who were much seen around Univ at that time, Elizabeth’s sister Anne marrying Humphrey Chetwynd-Talbot (1948). When Robin’s son James arrived as a callow youth at Univ in 1980 he was greeted by Douglas in the Porter’s Lodge, and on announcing his name was met with a gruff but friendly exclamation “Now you wouldn’t be the son of one of them twins would you? I never could tell f***ing t’witch from f***ing t’other”. Douglas wasn’t the only one: the twins remained indistinguishable for the rest of their lives.

Robin and Elizabeth had four sons. The eldest
Peter generously endowed a bursary, in Robin’s name, to support Univ students involved in University sport. Second son James came to Univ in 1980 to read Engineering and also won a Hockey Blue, as did grandson Sam, though at BNC.

Robin and Elizabeth lived in quiet retirement in Crondall, Hampshire, interrupted only by a stint as a district councillor for the Conservatives. He died peacefully at home, Elizabeth having pre-deceased him by four years.

1950:

Godfrey Heath Fowler (Sebright School) died on 29 March 2022, aged 90. We are very grateful to Dr Jake Piper for the following obituary:

Godfrey Fowler arrived at University College in 1949 with an exhibition won whilst he was a pupil at Sebright School near his home in Wolverley (Worcs.). Godfrey had grown up as the eldest of six children in a simple and non-academic home. At Sebright, Godfrey had declared himself a pacifist and refused to join the Officer Cadet Corps in school, despite objections from the school.

Godfrey chose to study medicine at Oxford, but his spare time was given to sports, especially climbing with the Alpine Club. To compensate for the local absence of mountains, the Club “climbed the colleges” and in 2014 Godfrey recalled the tension of climbing onto the dome of the Radcliffe Camera at night and grasping the lightning conductor to get beyond the overhang.

After preclinical studies at Oxford University, and clinical studies at UCH, London and working as a junior doctor in London hospitals focussing on child health, Godfrey remained keen to become a general practitioner; though, and returned to Oxford in 1959 to undertake a year as a Trainee in the central Oxford practice of Dr Alan Richards. He became a practice partner in 1962 – shortly after marrying Sissel Vidnes, a vivacious Norwegian. They went on to have two sons.

Colleagues and friends describe Godfrey as warm, modest, and convivial but he was above all strongly focussed on medicine and on improving primary health care. His GP surgery cared for various Oxford notables, including C. S. Lewis and Lord Florey – Nobel prize-winner for penicillin work, and Provost of the Queen’s College. Impressed by Godfrey, Florey invited him to become college doctor at Queen’s – a move resisted by the Fellows, but much welcomed by the students. He later also became college doctor elsewhere, including Balliol. Feeling that student health care was poorly served at that time, Godfrey worked with other to improve this. Eventually a university-run counselling and mental health service for students was established and continues.

In 1978 Godfrey was appointed Clinical Reader in General Practice in the newly established Department of Public Health at Oxford. The post was designed so that the incumbent could remain an active GP. Now sharing his time between his patients and the University, Godfrey embarked upon medical research into how GPs can improve patient health. Themes he addressed include smoking cessation, diet and health and the introduction of a “Human MOT” to collect vital information leading to better
treatment of cardiac and other diseases. During these years he also wrote several books on preventive medicine and co-edited an OUP series on this topic.

Godfrey was appointed OBE in the 1989 Queen’s Birthday Honours. As a Fellow he worked on behalf of the Royal College of General Practice from 1978. Other fellowships included the Royal College of Physicians (1996), the Faculty of Public Health and Balliol College. He sat on several national medical committees, most notably the British Heart Foundation, the British Stroke Foundation, and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

The slow onset of poor health in recent years made Godfrey ever more dependent on Sissel, and he regularly acknowledged his gratitude for her selfless care. He is survived by Sissel, his eldest son, Jeremy, and grandson, Matthew. University College remained a significant anchor in Godfrey’s life: as College Doctor from 1981-91, he cared for the students and Fellows. The Fowlers’ engagement party was held at Univ in 1962, as were the christenings of Jeremy and Matthew. Godfrey and Sissel were most grateful for the support given by the College and Fellows when their son Adrian died following a tragic accident in 1995.

Kenneth West (Archbishop Holgate’s GS, York) died on 17 July 2021 aged 90. His widow Liz has kindly provided this obituary:

Ken was born on 1st September 1930 in Selby, North Yorkshire, to Ethel and Albert West. As a child in primary school he showed great promise and gained a scholarship to Archbishop Holgate’s school in York. From there he won a scholarship to University College, after doing his National Service at Arborfield no. 5 REME. Having qualified from Oxford with a BA in Chemistry in 1954, he joined ICI Fibres Division, Harrogate, as Technical Officer, and in 1960 became Manager of Development and Customer Services.

A friend and colleague, Alan Pedder CBE, remembers Ken:

I first became acquainted with Ken as long ago as 1970, when following a period in Charlotte, North Carolina, with Celanese Fibres, he became a rising star in ICI Fibres Division, following in the footsteps of Sir Brian Smith, then Chairman, when Ken was Technical Director.

A brilliant intellect and a refreshing sharpness of mind, and sometimes the maverick approach, saw him change the old guard and create a much-needed stimulus to an overmanned and complacent leadership as the world competition knocked on the door.

He was a risk taker and I found myself, along with my colleague Alasdair Maclean, rocketed to senior technical roles by him, to pioneer a radical technology and marketing renaissance of the company to save it from extinction. A compact leadership team led his Phoenix project to success when Ken left for new opportunities outside and became Managing Director of Thames Water. At this time he was awarded an F.R.S.C.

Apart from his incisive mind and great ability to delegate and challenge convention he had a whole spectrum of interests and skills, from playwright and actor, bon vivant, pilot, intrepid sailor and music lover to the father of three incredibly bright and able girls who have done him proud.

From Harrogate via Reading, Isle of Wight, and
the South of France to Scotland, he has been extremely fortunate to enjoy a kindred spirit, Liz, with the same interests, who has added colour to his life, and who has nursed him through progressive illnesses from their time in France to here in Scotland, and I think his long life owes much to her care and love. He became stepfather to Liz’s son Stuart and loved him as his own.

His interest in science was with him to the end, and I have enjoyed his attempts to enlighten me on subjects as diverse as quantum physics, gravity and infinity to his refreshing views on politics, environment and politicians. He will be sorely missed, but I feel fortunate to have kept in touch after he left ICI 37 years ago and that I was with him a few weeks before he died. Although he came from humble beginnings and lived in many places, he never forgot his roots and remained a proud Yorkshireman at heart.

1951:
John Joseph Monaghan (Maidstone GS) died on 14 May in 2022. He read PPE at Univ. On going down from Oxford, he studied at the College of Europe at Bruges, and then worked at the Library at Reuters, and Keesing’s Contemporary Archives, before moving to the Social Relations Department at Stevenage Development Corporation in 1957. In 1965 he became a Senior Information Officer in the Information Division of the Department of Economic Affairs. In 1981 he became Deputy Head of Information at the Treasury, and in 1986 was appointed Head of Information and Publicity Services at the Central Computer and Telecommunications Agency. He retired in 1988, and spent his last years in Wales.

Robert Thomas Taylor (Boteler G.S.) died on 26 May 2022 aged 89. News of his death reached us just as the Record was being prepared for publication. He read Physics at Univ, first as an undergraduate and then a postgraduate. On going down, he worked at Liverpool University for some years, and then joined the British Council. He worked for the Council variously in Madras, Mumbai, and Athens, and in 1990 became the Council’s Assistant Director General. He was appointed a CBE in the New Year’s Honours list of 1990.

1952:
Jay George Blumler (Antioch College, Ohio) died on 31 January 2021 aged 96. While at Univ he read for a BLitt in Politics. This obituary is based on one written by Professor Stephen Coleman for the website of Leeds University, with additions supplied by his family:

Born in New York in 1924, Jay served as a Russian interpreter for the US Army in Berlin during the Second World War. (As Chair of the American Veterans Committee in Berlin he was invited to have tea with Eleanor Roosevelt when she visited the city. She had heard of some of the charity work that his committee had done and asked to meet with them).

Jay came to the UK in 1949 to do a PhD at the London School of Economics under Harold Laski who introduced him to many of the great political thinkers of the day. Realising his PhD was going to take longer than planned, Jay took a
teaching post at Ruskin College Oxford where he made lifelong friends and set up a singing group. Jay never studied a note, but could harmonise by instinct. He loved a pun, calling the singing group “Jay and his Rooks” – The Rookery was the central building on the campus. They performed folk songs that often drew on the diverse cultural heritage of the students in the singing group. Combining his love of song and sense of humour with academic rigor was a theme that continued throughout his life.

In 1966 Jay established the Centre for Television Research and became the University’s first Professor of Public Communication in 1978. He retired from Leeds in 1989 but continued to publish prolifically as well as teaching for one semester each year at the University of Maryland. The annual Jay Blumler lecture was set up in his honour in 2007, attracting leading academics and practitioners from across the world. But it was not only on those fancy occasions that Jay was a key part of the life of our School. He continued to give lectures to students until 2019, invariably ending them with a song; was a hugely supportive mentor of many staff colleagues and PhD students; was a regular attender at research seminars, where his questions were invariably the most penetrating and illuminating; and never seemed to tire of arguing for norms of public communication that befit democracy. Jay will be greatly missed by all of us who knew him, but we will endeavour to honour his memory by seeking to emulate his energy and humanity.

Professor Blumler married and had three children and several grandchildren.

**Alan Henry Catchpole** (Marlborough), died on 2 March 2022 aged 89. We are very grateful to his son William for sending us this obituary:

Alan was educated at Marlborough College and then gained a First in Law at Oxford. He was a commissioned officer for the Middlesex regiment and was the adjutant for Major Nolder in Hong Kong. Whilst he was at Oxford he and his friend Bob Hawke, who was later to become the Australian PM, were roused by colleagues from their pub lunch to go and see Roger Bannister attempt to break the four minute mile which he duly did. Whilst Alan was not in Roger Bannister’s league he was a very fast runner and had won the Army Mile race for his regiment. He was a double Oxford golfing blue.

Alan started his legal career at MacFarlane’s in London and then moved from London to Ipswich having been invited to join his uncle Roger Catchpole’s firm Westhorpe Ward & Catchpole. He quickly became senior partner and then merged it with the neighbouring local law firm Birketts to become Birkett Westhorpe Long (this is now once again called Birketts, and is a top 100 law firm). In the world of pensions, he became an innovator and a guru in SAS (self-administered schemes) and SIPP’s (self-invested personal pensions). In 1971 he founded Suffolk Life Pensions which became the UK’s leading private pension specialist.

He had taken a break in legal work to enrol as a mature student on a business course at the London School of Economics. It was shortly after
this that the embryo Suffolk Life was formulated. As it started taking more time to administer, he left BWL to focus on developing the business. Chancellor of The Exchequer Nigel Lawson, who incidentally was born in March 1932 and was also up at Oxford at the same time as Alan, was the originator of the SAS and SIPP schemes, and was the VIP guest of honour to open Suffolk Life’s enlarged offices in Ipswich. Alan’s son Henry joined the firm in 1996 and took the reins as Suffolk Life continued to grow with over £2billion of client assets under its management. In 2005 Alan retired and the business was sold to Legal and General in 2008.

As mentioned above, Alan was a double Oxford Blue in golf and had the privilege to play against two of the greatest British fighter pilots – Wing Commander Laddie “Lucky” Lucas who amazingly had landed his damaged Spitfire on the third hole at Sandwich and Group Captain Sir Douglas Bader “Tin Legs”, who flew with two artificial legs and who was captured and imprisoned in Colditz. He won many golf tournaments but probably his most notable win being the Hong Kong Open and also captained the winning team in the Halford Hewitt.

George Frederick Dole (Yale) died on 29 June 2021 aged 89. This obituary was prepared with the kind assistance of his family:

Rev. Dr George Dole died peacefully at Mid Coast Hospital. Despite the brevity of his final illness, his family could gather by his side.

George was born in Fryeburg, Maine, to Louis A. Dole. In 1937 Louis became the pastor of the Swedenborgian church in Bath, where his own father had been minister. Thus Bath became George’s true hometown. At school George discovered the two great constants of his life: his delight in learning and his talent for running. He capped a senior year of athletics by graduating as valedictorian aged sixteen, and attended Yale on a scholarship offered by Pepsi-Cola.

At Yale he competed in track at varsity level and majored in classics. He took his twin passions to Oxford University, where he studied Hebrew and won the Oxford-Cambridge Mile. This achievement earned him a place as one of six participants in the historic race at the Iffley Road track in 1954, when Roger Bannister broke the four-minute mile.

After George completed his Oxford degree, he joined the doctoral program in the Department of Assyriology at Yale. He also met the third and greatest constant of his life: his sister Louise introduced him to Lois Seekamp, whom he married in 1957.

George had always wished to be a Swedenborgian minister, and he and Lois moved to Cambridge, Massachusetts, where George attended the New Church Theological School. After being ordained in 1960, George joined the Cambridge Society of the New Jerusalem. At the same time he transferred his studies to Harvard in order to complete his thesis, which was accepted with distinction in 1965.

From 1969 he taught part time at the Swedenborg School of Religion in Newton. He continued as pastor until 1973, when he turned to teaching full time. In addition to helping students of religion, George wrote numerous articles and books about Swedenborg’s theology. One great beneficiary of George’s work was
the Swedenborg Foundation, where he served as director for 42 years and as president for three. In the 1990s, George spearheaded the Foundation’s project to translate Swedenborg’s theological works into modern English, himself translating fifteen of its eighteen titles.

George retired from teaching in 1999, when he and Lois moved to Bath, where he became pastor of the Swedenborgian church. New technology allowed him to “unretire” in 2001 and resume teaching via video link with the Center for Swedenborgian Studies in Berkeley, California. In 2020 the Center recognized him by establishing a chair in his honor.

George read broadly and he loved music – he and Lois were members of a Gilbert and Sullivan society for many years. He was also a skilled handyman, and his friends often received gifts of maple syrup, apple cider, or crabapple jelly made with his own hands. As the years passed, he never lost his zeal for speed; his perennial fitness was legendary, and he outlived all the participants in the historic Iffley race.

Despite all his accomplishments, at the end of his life George said that his greatest reward was his family. He was a beloved husband, father, and grandfather, and is survived by his wife, Lois, his children, Stuart, Alicia, Sarah, Andrew, and Bruce, and his grandchildren, George and Genevieve.

Christopher John Fryer (Gordonstoun) was reported in the autumn of 2021 as having died; he would have been aged 90. He came up to Univ to read Physics, but then changed to PPE. In later years, he worked as a solicitor in Newbury, Berkshire.

Pran Nath Mehta (University of Nottingham) died on 5 December 2019 aged 91. He came up to Univ to read for a Diploma in Education. His family have kindly sent us this tribute:

Pran passed away peacefully at Joliette Hospital in his 91st year. He will be dearly missed by his wife Renate Beck Mehta, his children Kiran and Stephanie, and her partner Wendy, his brothers Praful Nath, and Prem Nath, sister Devi Thapar, and a wide circle of family, friends and acquaintances.

A respected teacher and elder, Pran Nath’s advice was frequently sought and highly valued.

Born in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania, and fluent in several languages, he was at home in many parts of the world over the course of his life – including Paris, Zofingen, Frankfurt, New Delhi, and since 1970, Rawdon, Quebec. Pran Nath was a Mason for 50 years with the Rawdon Centennial Lodge #135, and a long-time member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 198. He will be remembered as an avid student of history, a fine photographer, a dedicated practitioner of English, and most of all, a tireless raconteur.

1953:
Michael John Pickering (Bemrose Grammar School, Derby) died on 13 November 2021. His widow, Outi, and his Univ contemporary, Peter Dean (1954), have kindly provided this tribute:

Michael Pickering died on 13 November 2021, aged 86. He came up to Univ with a Scholarship in English, but later changed to PPE. He had a lifelong interest in drama and took part in the Univ Players.

After graduating, Michael qualified as a
schoolteacher and taught in various schools in Birmingham and Sheffield, then in Further Education in London, and obtained an MA in Linguistics at University of Manchester. In 1972, Michael moved to Finland to teach English at Turku University, where he met his future wife. His special focus was on applied linguistics and language teaching methods, but – being fluent in Italian – he also taught translation to Italian exchange students. This course was particularly appreciated, as was his Drama elective, which nobly carried on the English Department’s drama traditions. His PhD thesis for the University of Lancaster was on a tree-theoretical approach to Finnish phonology.

Michael retired from his post at Turku in 1999 and the family moved to Oxford, where he could now concentrate on his research into religion and science as well as Transactional Analysis. He was a prolific writer of poetry from a very early age and published his selected poems – a harvest of 50 years – in 2016 with the title *The Compass Dances*, two copies of which will be presented to the college library according to his wishes. He tutored young immigrants in English and took an active part in the life of St Michael at the North Gate as a member of the Parochial Church Council and editor of the parish newsletter for several years. He and his wife, Outi, greatly enjoyed the annual Advent Carol Service at Univ.

Michael is fondly remembered by friends and family in the UK, Finland and further afield. A friend remembers Michael’s inquisitive mind and wide range of interests. He recounts that, while at Oxford, Michael invited Tristan Tzara, one of the founders of the Dada movement, to a literary meeting. As a surprise, he had prepared an elaborate Dada-ist manifesto which featured a sugar lump glued to the cover. Tzara, who by then looked less like a subversive radical poet and more like a successful businessman, thanked him and murmured that if he was hungry on the train back to London, he could always eat the sugar.

1954:
**Alan John Bale** (Swansea GS) died on 28 December 2021 aged 86. His son Edward writes:

Alan Bale came up to read Law at Univ in 1954 from Swansea Grammar School after completing his National Service, becoming a sergeant instructor in the Education Corps and also winning a number of rifle competitions as he had become a good shot. He trained as an articled clerk at Freshfields before becoming a partner at an early age with Goodman Brown & Warren in Chancery Lane, and subsequently Pothecary & Barratt in Bishops Stortford. A keen Christian, from a Brethren background, he specialised in charity law and was a keen follower of Bede and Parson Woodforde. He married in 1966 and was survived by his wife, two children and three grandchildren. His grandson has just completed his first year reading physics at Corpus.

[Edward Bale thanks his father’s lifelong friend and best man Brian Lewis (1953) whose tribute has provided some content for this obituary.]
Elliott Charles Langford (Sutton CGS): in the 2021 Record we reported that Elliott Langford had died on 2 February 2021. Now his daughter Sylvia has kindly provided this tribute:

After Elliott’s death, I found a short note from a Rev. E.A. Willis amongst his papers. Written to support his application to Univ, it says: “[Elliott] is keenly interested in all that he undertakes, and has a purposeful and equable staying power. He has shown considerable gifts of leadership and has an innate friendliness…courage of a very high order…and a very pleasing modesty of manner.” I never met Rev. Willis, but he clearly knew Elliott well as a boy; my father possessed all those attributes and more.

His early life is something of a mystery. He was born in Wilmslow Cheshire on 6 August 1934; his father Charles gave Elliott his middle name but little else. By 1941, Elliott and his mother were living in straitened circumstances in Newmachar, Aberdeenshire. The same year he was hit on the leg by the bicycle of a friend who had failed to stop in time.

Growing up, Elliott told amusing stories about how one leg of his was longer than the other and why that had led him to become an enthusiastic mah jong player and captain of the Oxford Tiddlywinks team – rather than more physical sports. It was only years later that I understood the courage Rev. Willis refers to. After the accident, he was unconscious for three weeks and was only saved by what his surgeon called a “miracle”. He spent most of the war in hospital and had had 10 operations by the age of 16.

Elliott had an incredible intelligence, positivity and perseverance. He thoroughly enjoyed all Oxford had to offer and especially being part of the Oxford Union. A gifted linguist, Elliott was fluent in five languages. He pretty much taught himself French and Italian from books (the first time he heard someone speaking French was when he was waiting to go into the oral examination). Languages were of great benefit because Elliott loved people and travel.

He went to Bruges to study at the College D’Europe but his plans to join the foreign office were side-tracked by a summer internship at Booz, Allen & Hamilton in Zurich. It decided him upon a marketing career and it was where he met my mother. The fact that she was Slovenian, recently widowed and with two young sons did not deter him and they married in 1961. They fast became a happy family of six with myself and my sister joining shortly thereafter. It was no surprise that Elliott started his own successful marketing consultancy, eventually being persuaded to take over an ailing manufacturer of paper products (Terinex Ltd,) which he managed to turn around and for which he won a Queen’s award to industry.

For me, Elliott was a quiet hero and a true English gentleman. He put others ahead of himself, he never complained and never knowingly hurt a living thing. His life was one of personal triumph – coming from a lonely and unlucky childhood and applying himself diligently to both academic and personal growth. His successes and happiness were all his own work. Although afflicted by Alzheimer’s in his later years, he never lost his calm happy disposition and love for life. He passed away peacefully at home with family beside him.
Colin Shrimpton (Magdalen College School, Brackley) died in November 2020 aged 86. His widow Nellie has kindly written this obituary:

Colin, who was born in 1934, was raised on the family dairy farm in southern Northamptonshire. This settled village life gave Colin a sense of who he was, as well as a respect for others, whatever their work. Although he loved farm life, he knew that his elder brother John was destined to run the business in future. However, Colin’s academic bent took him to Magdalen College School in Brackley, from where he won a scholarship to University College, Oxford. After completing his National Service in the Intelligence Corps, mainly in Egypt, he came up to the college to read Medieval History.

After Oxford, Colin tried various lines of work including research with Victoria County History and some school teaching. Later, he won a competition providing funding for research leading to a PhD at the Department of Land Economy at Cambridge, where he enjoyed his base at Trinity Hall as well as time spent researching in Essex. His work, Land Ownership and Usage in 18th Century Essex, was published in America.

Colin then took up a post teaching at Northumberland College of Higher Education where he spent fifteen happy and fulfilling years. It was there that he met his wife, Nellie. His time as a senior lecturer included field trips with student teachers, exploring historical sites and centres in the north and in the borders. This all came to a disappointing end with the demise of the teacher training colleges. However, Colin’s own research at Alnwick Castle led to his being offered the post of archivist to the Duke of Northumberland, whose vast collection of documents – letters, accounts, diaries – was then held at the castle and at Syon House in Middlesex. His previous studies and research proved the perfect preparation for this post, which he found so fascinating and absorbing. His book on Hulne Park, touching on so much of the ducal family history, has been widely appreciated.

Not until the age of 74 did Colin finally retire from the job he had so loved, but he still had work to do! In 2012 he began at last to write the biography of the 2nd Duke of Northumberland (18th century) details of whose life he had been garnering for decades. He and Nellie enjoyed visiting Ireland, Warburg in Germany, and the United States, following in that duke’s military footsteps. Shortly before he died, Colin announced with great satisfaction that he had finished writing the biography of “my duke”. He asked an ex-colleague to type it up, and encouraged Nellie to undertake initial proofreading, which is proving an absorbing task. The work, illuminating so many aspects of 18th century life, is one which Colin’s family hope very much to have published.

As for Colin himself, he was a loving and devoted family man, proud of his son, Daniel, relishing time spent with him, his wife Anna and their three children and delighting in his role as “Grampy”. He and Nellie enjoyed theatre-going, music and languages. Ex-colleagues remember “a most intellectually impressive person”, “a great scholar and teacher” and a “wise, warm and kindly presence”. Friends from his involvement in the community in Alnwick have written of “a man interesting and interested” and of “a true gentleman with a twinkle in his eye.”
Michael Tobbell (St Michael’s College, Leeds) died on 2 February 2022 aged 88. His eldest daughter Ruth has kindly written this tribute:

Michael Tobbell was born in York on 13th September 1933, an apt place for a man who was a Yorkshire man through and through. The family moved to Leeds soon after and, apart from his attendance at Univ and a brief interlude working for Unilever, he spent the rest of his life in Leeds, living 57 years of it in the same house in Headingley. On the surface, this might suggest he lacked ambition and curiosity, but the fact is he was just not ambitious for worldly things, like wealth, possessions or fame. The things that really mattered to him were his family, his friends, his Roman Catholic faith, his intellectual curiosity and, although he did have some puritanical tendencies, he definitely liked to indulge in good food and wine! He was a man of great integrity with a strong moral code, which guided the way he lived his life, something to which those who met him throughout his life will attest.

Michael was a highly intelligent boy who applied himself well at St Michael’s Grammar School in Leeds. As a result, he achieved the third highest mark in the country for History in his School Certificate and his interest in the subject continued throughout his life – the family “endured” many a trip to a castle or a church, in both the UK and abroad, where he would indulge his passion. He read Jurisprudence at Univ, played rugby for the First XV and made some life-long friends. He did not pursue a career in Law, instead joining Unilever as a graduate trainee. However, corporate life proved to hold no allure for him and, eschewing the rat race, he quickly returned to Leeds, working for his father, Arthur, in his electrical wholesale business. This provided him with a career far preferable to him – control over his own destiny and an opportunity to shape a business and manage a workforce in a manner consistent with his own values. It also afforded him the time and energy for other commitments. He worked on a voluntary basis for 14 years as Chair of the Corporation who guided the transformation of Notre Dame girls’ grammar school into the first Catholic Sixth Form college in Leeds. He also served as a director of the Association of Colleges at a national level from 1997 – 2000.

In 1960 he married Pauline Walker, whom he’d known since school days. They had four children in fairly quick succession and went on to enjoy a long and happy life together. Pauline suffered ill health for the last four or five years of her life and Michael looked after her with characteristic dedication. Sadly, she died in May 2020, just a month short of their 60th wedding anniversary. He continued to live alone and look after himself in the family home that by then was far too large, but he stubbornly refused to leave as he much enjoyed the camaraderie of his neighbours and was a stalwart attendee of the Moor Drive social activities, particularly during Covid times when everyone’s life was turned upside down.

Well over 100 people attended his funeral, which we, his kids, thought was pretty good going for a man of 88, but is actually just a testament to the love and affection in which he was held by his family, friends and neighbours. Michael Tobbell truly had a life well lived and, importantly, it was the life he wanted to live.
Hidetoshi Ukawa (University of Tokyo) died on 17 January 2018 aged 86. He read PPE at Univ, and went on to work for the Japanese Foreign Service. He spent much of the early part of his career negotiating trade agreements. He represented Japan as agricultural spokesman in the 1966-9 Kennedy Round of negotiations, and was then minister and resident Japanese negotiator in the 1975-9 Tokyo Round of multilateral trade negotiations. He also served in Karachi, Washington and Geneva.

His career took a new turn when in 1984 he was appointed Consul General in New York. In 1992 he became the Japanese Ambassador to Switzerland, and then in 1995 their Ambassador to Brazil. He retired in 2000 and spent his last years in Tokyo.


1955:

Denis Paul Dearnaley (Stockport GS) died on 6 February 2022 aged 85. He read Chemistry at Univ, and went on to study for a doctorate which he received in 1963. He held a post-doctorate research post in the Pharmacology Department under Sir Lindor Brown until 1972. He then went on to lecture in Physiology and Pharmacology at Bristol Polytechnic, which then became the University of the West of England, until he retired in 2000. He enjoyed a long and happy retirement, and is survived by his widow, his three children and seven grandchildren. [We are grateful to Denis’s widow Jill for her help with this tribute.]

1956:

Nathaniel Hamilton Harris (Brighton, Hove and Sussex Grammar School) died on 13 June 2021 aged 83. He read History at Univ. He later became a writer.

Christopher Ian “Kim” Morbey (Radley) died on 31 August 2021 aged 85. He read PPE at Univ, and then moved to Kenya, where he lived for almost forty years. He worked in the hotel industry, eventually managing several hotels, but then he later rose in 1978 to become the Chairman of the Kenya Association of Hotel Keepers and Caterers, and then in 1985 he became the Chief Executive of Kilimanjaro Safari Club. He retired in 1999, and moved to Andalusia in Spain, where he spent the rest of his life, whilst regularly keeping a base in England at Bury St Edmunds. He was married and leaves two children.

Alan James Small (Brockley GS) died on 31 March 2022 aged 87. He read History at Univ. On going down, he worked for the A.E.R.E. at Harwell, but in 1970 moved to the University of Southampton where he became Assistant Secretary, and then, in 1977, Senior Secretary.

Christopher Richard Terras (Uppingham) died on 9 February 2022 aged 84. His father Frederick had come up to Univ in 1923 and read Law. Richard himself grew up in Cheshire and went to prep school at Treaddur Bay, Anglesey. This left him with a lifelong love of Wales, and he arranged many family holidays in Anglesey, which are fondly remembered by his children.

At the age of 13 Richard went to Uppingham School where he became head of his house and captain of the 1st XI in cricket. He was also a
keen sprinter. From school he went up to Univ where he read PPE. He still found time for his sports: he became a cricket Blue and a member of Vincent’s, and he loved his time here. Richard met and married Janet in 1962 and they had four children, Clare, Nicholas, Penny and Joanna. Janet went to Cambridge, and there was always keen family rivalry when they all watched the Boat Race!

On coming down from Oxford, Richard qualified as an accountant and became a senior partner at Arthur Anderson, setting up its Manchester office. Unofficially he became nicknamed “the Great White God of the North”. He had many interesting clients, some unexpected. One evening he told his family that he had met a new client, a polite and unassuming young man, who turned out to be Rick Astley. As a marker of his success, in the 1980s Richard owned one of the first mobile phones, which was the size and weight of a brick, and which he would carry around in a giant sock. He was widely respected for his knowledge and experience, and carried on working past retirement age because he enjoyed his work.

At the same time, Richard much enjoyed his family life, spending time with his children and always enjoying entertaining guests.

Richard retained his love of sport, especially cricket. He owned a huge library of cricket books, and played cricket for Cheshire. He was also Geoff Boycott’s accountant, and would even correct him about his cricket statistics in his memoirs. The Alderley Edge cricket club, where he served as Treasurer and President, was the hub of his family’s social life, and his children remember spending many evenings there eating sandwiches and settling down to sleep in the score box. Richard also enjoyed rugby, and friends and family would regularly watch international games at his house in front of the fire, fed with crumpets.

Richard started a happy new chapter in his life when he met Barbara through the Kidney Research charity. They married in 2005, and enjoyed travelling together, going on cruises or dancing at the Grand Hotel at Lytham. She did much to look after Richard in his last years.

Richard’s daughter Joanna called him “the very definition of a gentleman; an amazing role model who taught us right from wrong.” He leaves five grandchildren.

[We are very grateful to Richard’s widow Barbara and daughter Joanna for helping us in the preparation of this obituary.]

1958:
Kwasi Johnson Emmanuel Wiredu
(University College of Ghana) died on 6 January 2022, aged 90. He studied for a BPhil at Univ. We are very grateful to Dr Sanya Osha of the University of Cape Town for the following obituary, a longer version of which appeared on the website The Conversation:

Kwasi Wiredu, often called the greatest living African philosopher, was a central presence in the discipline by virtue of two highly influential books, Philosophy and an African Culture (1980) and Cultural Universals and Particulars (1997). He and other important contemporaries formed what is known as the universalist school of African philosophy. They included Paulin J. Hountondji in Benin, Henry Oruka Odera in Kenya and Peter O. Bodunrin in Nigeria. Of this ground-breaking
The universalists worked to establish modern philosophy practices on the continent — away from the dubious credentials of ethnophilosophy. They did this by keeping to the strictest standards of rigour in philosophy. No African philosophy curriculum is taken seriously if it doesn’t include all these philosophers. And within this esteemed group, Wiredu is often regarded as first among equals. His writings are notable for a matter-of-fact fastidiousness and tone. They are unpretentious and avoid academic fads.

Wiredu initially studied philosophy in 1952 at the University College of the Gold Coast in what became Ghana. He then went to Oxford University for his master’s degree. At Oxford, he wrote a thesis titled, “Knowledge, Truth and Reason” under the supervision of Gilbert Ryle.

It does not appear that when he completed his studies at Oxford, Wiredu had any definite ideas on establishing a modern African philosophical practice. Instead he began to write research papers on W.V.O. Quine, a major American philosopher, which appeared in Second Order: An African Journal of Philosophy. But obviously the argumentative rigour he had learned influenced his later work which explored ideas in his native Akan context and the dominant western tradition.

Wiredu returned to the University of Ghana, where he taught for several years and became a full professor. He started publishing relatively late in his career but once he was on his way, the range of his research interests made up for lost time in terms of breadth and diversity. As the Ghanaian economy plummeted during the 1970s he moved to the University of Ibadan in Nigeria.

In 1985, he left for the US for good. He lived, worked and retired in Florida.

Arguably, Wiredu formulated the most influential approach in modern African philosophy. He called it “conceptual decolonisation”. Through conceptual decolonisation, Wiredu attempted to tackle the dilemmas of modernity, on the one hand, and the conflicts embedded in the African consciousness, on the other.

In his usual unassuming manner, Wiredu attempted to re-evaluate western philosophical concepts within Akan linguistic and conceptual frameworks. His intention was to attain greater philosophical clarity and relevance. His findings were path-breaking. Many African philosophers have adopted his approach in their varied ethnic and national contexts.

Over a long and productive professional career, Wiredu held up a lamp allowing Africans to peer through the morass of coloniality and the ambiguities of modernity. With astonishing discipline and endurance, Wiredu confronted these issues with calmness, fortitude and unparalleled inventiveness.

**1959:**

Derek Burnham (Liverpool Inst) died on 22 July 2022 aged 82. He read Geography and for a Diploma in Education at Univ. His Univ contemporary, John Swift QC (1959), has kindly provided this tribute:

Derek came up from Liverpool Institute and read Geography, got an honourable Third, but was better known at Univ for vigorous engagement in all undergraduate activities, including sporting success, his soccer Blue,
cricket and lacrosse. On leaving Univ, he had a successful career in industry, starting with Pilkington’s, then mentoring future business leaders in Wales, for which he achieved a Prince of Wales Award, and continuing to play a lively part in Welsh political and social life. He was married twice and leaves two children (from his second marriage) and two grandchildren. Like many at Univ, we were at the Eastgate at the time of the JFK statement at the Cuban crisis, 1962, which we thought might have been our last pints. Not so and we had a splendid friendship for the rest of his life.

**David Alexander Robert Peel** (St Edmund’s College, Old Hall) died on 7 February 2022 aged 81. He read Classics at Univ, and then joined the civil service. He worked in the Department of Environment as an under-secretary, and later become a Reference Secretary at the Competition Commission.

**Richard Hale Prosl** (College of William and Mary, Williamsburg) died on 14 February 2021 aged 82. He read Mathematics at Univ. The following tribute appeared on the website of Altmeyer Funeral Services, and is reproduced by permission:

Richard Hale Prosl, “Dick”, of Williamsburg, passed away peacefully on February 14th, 2021. He is survived by his beloved wife of 57 years, Carol Lovell Prosl, and daughters, Elizabeth P. Arnold (Jeff) of Brentwood, TN, Karen P. Firestone (Rob) of Midlothian, VA, and grandchildren, Caitlyn, Kyle, and Hayley. He is also survived by his sisters, Janet Ragland (Ron) of Richmond, VA, and Nancy Mader (Fred) of Staunton, VA. His parents, Harry and Verna Prosl predeceased him.

Richard was born in Springfield, MA on April 21st, 1938. Richard attended the College of William of Mary (class of ’59). He received his B.S. from William and Mary, a B.A. and M.A. from Oxford University (England) and his M.S. and Ph.D. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Richard H. Prosl joined the faculty of the College of William and Mary in 1966 as a Professor of Mathematics. In the fall of 1984, Professor Prosl joined with other mathematicians and computer scientists to form the Department of Computer Science, which he chaired for many years. Professor Prosl was best known by his colleagues for his truly outstanding record of service to his alma mater. He served as a freshman/sophomore advisor for thirty-four years and as a Faculty Marshal for thirty-five years, the last eleven as Chief Marshal; leading academic processions at graduations and other official ceremonies.

His enthusiasm for teaching was central to his career. He is best remembered by his students for his course in computer graphics. Students always enjoyed his sense of humor and style of teaching. His Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8am classes were always a “full house”. He is remembered for always taking the time to talk with students, and he shared a genuine interest in making meaningful connections. Dick also served on the Board of the Wesley Foundation of the College of William and Mary.

In his personal and professional life, Dick was known for his warmth, wit and intellect.
1961:

**Nigel Charles Haygarth** (Leeds GS) died on 23 June 2021 aged 78. He read Classics at Univ. Sue Blazdell, widow of Ray (matr. 1961) has kindly written this tribute:

Nigel died of a heart attack unexpectedly in June 2021 at his home, much to the sadness of his many friends.

After leaving Oxford he joined Baker Sutton and Company as an accountant and rose through the ranks to become a Partner. Following the company merger with Ernst and Whinney in 1979, he went on to develop his talents finishing his long career as Group General Manager of Pearl Group plc.

Nigel loved London life, and being an enthusiastic and adventurous cook regularly entertained at his home in Islington. A keen musician himself, he often could be found at concerts in the Barbican and other London venues. He played the violin and was a regular quartet player. Many of his musical friends attended his funeral.

He never married but was a lifelong friend to Ray Blazdell from the days they met at Univ. A quiet, gentle man, his wise counsel and good company is sorely missed by us all.

**Michael George Rathmore Nevill**

(Eton) died on 13 August 2021 aged 78. He read History at Univ. His father, Michael George Ralph Nevill, was killed in action just before he was born, and in 1947 his mother Maureen married John Balfour (matr. 1946). He was related to the Marquess of Abergavenny, and his older brother is heir presumptive to the title. He lived mainly at Birling, Kent. He was unmarried.

**Alexander Thomas Stephen Prickett**

(Kent College, Canterbury, and Trinity Hall, Cambridge) died on 12 October 2020. He read for a Diploma in Education. This tribute was prepared with kind assistance from his family; a longer version is on the website of Trinity Hall Cambridge.

Stephen Prickett, Regius Professor of English at Glasgow University, taught in many countries including Australia and the USA, but he also relished adventure. He jumped at the chance to cross the Great Victoria Desert in Australia in 1999. Water was rationed to two litres a day, so washing was not an option. At the end of the trip, Stephen was disappointed to see his healthy “tan” vanish instantly in the shower, but he considered this trip one of the great experiences of his life.

He believed strongly in the power of Shakespeare. While teaching at the Australian National University, he was firmly told that his plan to stage a series of Shakespeare plays was pointless, as nobody around Canberra would be interested. But he found his cast, borrowed the money, and put on, in consecutive seasons, *All’s Well That Ends Well*, *Much Ado About Nothing* and *A Winter’s Tale*, to rave reviews.

During his long teaching career, Stephen taught or lectured in 23 countries. His love of teaching English literature started with a year in Nigeria at the Uzakuoli Methodist College after he had completed his BA at Cambridge. He then returned to Cambridge for his PhD, followed by a teacher training course at Oxford. His contemporaries said that he had “the luck of the gods”, because he then talked his way into a temporary post at what was then the most
innovative university in Britain, Sussex. The post was made permanent after his first year, and his career flourished: he spent nine years at the Australian National University, followed by ten years as Regius Professor at the University of Glasgow, where he built up a first-class Victorian literature department.

Stephen pioneered the first university course in Children’s (and Fantasy) Literature at Smith College in 1969/70, and this remained an innovative choice for students throughout his career. He was also enormously learned in the fields of history and art. His European Romanticism was awarded the Jean-Pierre Barricelli prize in 2010. He never stopped learning and writing, and at eighty was invited to teach at the University of Urbino for three months, which he enjoyed enormously.

The son of a Methodist missionary, he was born in Sierra Leone. Always very fit, Prickett was a daily swimmer and walker, and his main hobby was collecting secondhand books. He was likeable, hospitable and curious, and in awe of any talent he did not possess himself. Stephen married three times: his first wife was a primary schoolteacher, Diana Mabbutt; then the Argentinian journalist, Maria Visconti; and in 2000 he married history lecturer Patricia Erskine-Hill, who survives him, as do his two children from the first marriage, Ruth and Mark. Stephen Prickett died of pancreatic cancer at the age of 81 at his home in Kent. When asked how he wanted to be remembered, he said “as a teacher”.

1962: Michael James Inwood (Alleyn’s School) died on 31 December 2021 aged 77. He read Classics at Univ. His first wife, Christiane Sourvinou-Inwood, who died in 2007, was a Senior Research Fellow at Univ from 1990-5. The following tribute appeared on the website of the Philosophy Faculty, and is reproduced with the Faculty’s permission:

Michael was born in 1944. He studied classics at University College, where he graduated in 1966. A year later he was appointed a Fellow of Trinity College, where he remained until his retirement in 2011. His philosophical interests ranged widely, but he was especially well known for his work on Hegel and Heidegger and in ancient philosophy. He had an exceptional capacity, not only for engaging with what was deep in these notoriously difficult philosophers, but for doing so in a way that rendered its depth accessible. He had a wonderful knack for finding instructive examples that were simple enough to make the most abstract ideas compellingly concrete, but not so simple as to belie them.

Throughout his time as a Fellow of Trinity College, he also contributed a huge amount to the Faculty, or rather to the Sub-Faculty as it was for most of that time. He played a particularly active role in examining. This was partly because his specialisms equipped him to examine in subjects that few others could. For many years he served as the convenor of all and only those convenors who did not convene themselves – a contradiction that he was somehow able to take in his Hegelian stride.
Anyone who cherishes the Oxford teaching system will know that Michael was the very epitome of what makes it worth cherishing. He was a dedicated tutor and supervisor, and he inspired countless students to great things. His students adored him. They appreciated his kindness, his preparedness to understand what they were trying to say, and of course the rigour and breadth of knowledge that he brought to bear on whether it was something worth saying.

Among his lesser known outside interests were writing comic fiction and playing chess. (He especially liked playing chess computers, something that he apparently did first thing every morning.) Better known was his room in College, which was thought to be by many, despite fierce competition, the most chaotic room in Oxford. Piles of books occupied almost every space, and it is rumoured that many admissions interviewees thought that finding their way to a chair meant negotiating some sort of obstacle course that had been especially devised to test them. But he will be best remembered for his fierce intelligence, his sense of humour, his humility, his disdain for all kinds of affectation, and his endearing warmth.

1964:
**Stephen Benjamin Abraham** (Great Neck North Senior High School) died on 27 August 2021 aged 74. He read Maths at Univ, before moving to Berkeley College, where he received a PhD in 1974. He later lived in Nevada. Stephen was the grandson of G. D. H. Cole (F. 1925-44).

**Roger John Flavell** (Regis School, Tettenhall) died on 14 February 2022 aged 77. He read English at Univ. We are very grateful to Roger’s cousin John Holland for the following tribute:

At his funeral Roger’s family was represented by two cousins and a step-cousin, John (P.J.W.) Holland, Colin Roger Holland and Suzette Cooper. Colin was named after Roger. After a bitter dispute Roger had been estranged from his brother Nigel and sister Shirley (in Canada). They had not spoken for twenty-seven years.

The funeral took place at Saint Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton and was conducted by the Reverend Prebendary David Wright and was followed by a short ceremony at Bushbury Crematorium. Music by Finzi, Mozart and Richard Strauss was played or performed during the service.

In his youth, Roger became Head boy at Regis School, in Tettenhall, Wolverhampton, and was its first pupil ever to go up to Oxford University where he was well liked and achieved a BA. While at University Roger became secretary of the “Cherbury Club” and the University’s archives give some idea of his tastes in music and literature, including certain Lennon and McCartney compositions, Britten, Finzi and Richard Strauss. However his taste in music was universal. Finzi had set music to the poems of Roger’s favourite author and poet Thomas Hardy.

On 4th May 1966 Roger organised a dinner and literary discourse which included a reading of AA Milne’s “Eeyore Has a Birthday”. Roger played Eeyore who balanced on three legs and raised his fourth hoof to his ear to listen clearly. Then with the other ear. Roger’s progressive deafness was first diagnosed while he was at University.

Roger’s life was blighted by a broken heart and societal attitudes to gay men, and duties to his parents. Shortly after his mother’s death, in 1995, Roger retired from teaching at Tividale Comprehensive School. His active interest in literature and music continued. His books and
music collection became a protective wall around him. He lamented, however, the lack of stimulating conversation he had enjoyed during his period at Oxford. He had been very much loved as a teacher despite this profession bringing him no great satisfaction.

In 1975 Roger set down some telling words, as a part of a discussion in which he fondly remembers his late grandfather Arthur Flavell whose premature loss in 1954, had devastated the whole family. He wrote: “One has to die, obviously, but a life of sorts continues beyond our deaths in the minds and memories of those we leave behind. I certainly hope that when I die, I will be remembered and I hope remembered in a positive manner: I want to be missed.”

Roger was remembered by people from all manner of backgrounds at his funeral.


**Joseph Raz** (Hebrew University, Jerusalem) died on 2 May 2020 aged 82. The following tribute is a shortened version of one which appeared on the website of the Philosophy Faculty, and is reproduced with the Faculty’s permission:

“Joseph Raz was born in 1939 in Mandate Palestine. Encouraged in his youthful intellectual pursuits by his father, an electrician, he grew up in a house with no books except his own. Raz studied law at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, where he impressed the great Oxford legal philosopher, H.L.A. Hart, with perceptive criticisms of an invited lecture that Hart had delivered. Raz subsequently came to Oxford to work under Hart’s supervision, completing his doctorate in 1967. He then took up a tutorial fellowship in law at Balliol College in 1972, and went on to hold a personal chair in the philosophy of law (1985-2006), and then a research professorship (2006-9). In the latter part of his career he also held posts at Columbia Law School and King’s College London.

“The author of works including *The Concept of a Legal System* (1970), *Practical Reason and Norms* (1975), and *The Authority of Law* (1979), Raz was one of the three or four leading legal philosophers of the last hundred years. Together with H.L.A. Hart, Ronald Dworkin, and John Finnis, Raz firmly established Oxford’s pre-eminence in legal philosophy for over half a century. In legal philosophy, Raz succeeded Hart as the torch-bearer of legal positivism.

“Raz’s writings on legal philosophy achieved a level of intellectual depth and rigour that was historically unprecedented. Yet it is his contributions to political philosophy, especially his seminal *The Morality of Freedom* (1986), that are most likely to be of enduring significance.

“A remarkable feature of Raz’s career is that he contributed at the highest level for almost
five decades to debate across a diverse range of topics in moral, political, and legal philosophy. Raz was striking in the way he combined an intense commitment to philosophical inquiry with an unpretentious and informal personal style. He could be severe in his judgments, especially when confronted with what he perceived as intellectual sloppiness. But his fierceness mellowed over the years, perhaps in response to his growing fame, or just the temper of the times. His dedication to teaching was legendary, as evidenced by the large number of legal and political philosophers who studied under him, such as John Gardner, Les Green, Timothy Endicott, Aileen Kavanagh, and Julie Dickson, among others.

“Joseph Raz died on May 2nd 2022 in Charing Cross Hospital after suffering a heart attack a few days earlier. He leaves behind his long-term partner, Penelope Bulloch, and his son Noam Raz, an architect based in Sydney, Australia.”

Dr Bulloch supplies this memory of the friendship between Raz and Herbert Hart: “Herbert arranged for Joseph to get funding to do a DPhil with him at Oxford, so he came to Herbert’s college. Joseph’s thought was always rather concisely expressed, and English was his second language. Herbert recalled needing to wrap a cold wet towel round his head to get through Joseph’s work. Herbert became almost another father to Joseph. They remained dear friends, and Joseph looked after him in his old age, and would take him out in his wheelchair.”

Thomas Jeffrey Taylor (Royal College of Advanced Technology, Salford) died on 21 May 2021 aged 81. His widow Irene has kindly sent us this tribute:

Jeff was born on 16th November 1939 to Tom and Doris. An only child, he won a scholarship to Bolton School.

He came up to Univ in 1964 to read for a DPhil in Chemistry. He quickly got involved in all aspects of life there. He was selected for the University Football XI and played in the first team for three years. He played at Wembley against Cambridge University in 1965, 1966 and 1967. He was very proud to have been honoured in this way.

He left Oxford in 1967 and he and Irene (they married in 1965) moved to Cheshire. He worked at the Oil Refineries in Ellesmere Port but quickly decided to move on. He went to Silentnight to work in Research and Development where he stayed until 1972. He then started his own business manufacturing polythene bags, carrier bags, etc.

Jeff and Irene had two sons, Garie and Glenn, who both inherited his love of football, so Jeff spent many happy hours watching them play matches.

When the business closed in December 1998, Jeff found himself with time on his hands. He had been helping with the Youth Team at Burnley FC for several years on a voluntary basis and in June 1999 the Club offered him a full time job organizing the Scouts and Centre of Excellence. He stayed there until he retired in June 2013. In October 2013 he took up a similar post with Blackburn Rovers FC, where he remained until he died in May 2021.

Jeff was a true gentleman, always willing to help and encourage, and always did his best to make sure everyone enjoyed life with a smile on their face.

Jeff is survived by his wife Irene, sons Garie and Glenn, and also grandchildren Lily, Max and Sam. He is greatly missed by all who knew him.
1965:

Richard Clark (Manchester Grammar School) died on 11 March 2021 aged 74. This is a shortened version of a tribute by his wife Lucia which she has kindly given us:

To many Richard was a clever, compassionate, highly principled, humble and thoroughly good-natured man. Mind you, he wasn’t always the easiest person to live with. We rowed too much about too much, but we also thought, talked and laughed a lot. Life with Richard was anything but dull – and I feel lucky and privileged to have been married to him for 37 years.

Richard was born in Stockport, and won a scholarship to Manchester Grammar School which had a profound influence on him. A demanding ethos, cracking opportunities and some exceptional teachers allowed him to fly. Then it was off to Oxford to read History. He spent a post-graduate year at Univ when Bill Clinton was there, and competed with Clinton to be President of the Graduate Common Room. Richard won that election over the future US President! But what he probably enjoyed most about Oxford was socialising with Trevor and Chris Sidwell who have remained loyal and loving friends.

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After Oxford, Richard got a Diploma in Social Sciences from Bristol and then went to Lancaster University. He also began to stretch his political legs as a Labour councillor. Then he got his first job, as Director of the Playhouse and Film Theatre in Bradford. That’s where we first met. I interviewed him for the arts magazine I edited and he asked me back for dinner.

We got married in 1984 and, shortly after our son Redmond was born in 1986, Richard set up Ryburn Publishing and Typesetting, where he created the Town and City Histories series. Ruskin was born in 1990 and two years later we moved to Staffordshire after Richard persuaded Keele University to buy Ryburn, thereby creating Keele University Press. But Richard didn’t always agree with certain practices adopted by senior management. Bravely, he decided to set up his own business again, embracing the exciting new world of electronic publishing.

It meant he could work from home and we could live anywhere at a time when hardly anyone dreamt of such a thing. The move provided the boys with exceptional opportunities because we settled in the UK’s most westerly coastal town – Penzance. Here Richard set up the digital British Heritage Database. But, as with Richard’s production of some of the world’s first electronic books, he was ahead of his time. People couldn’t comprehend their advantages and it proved an uphill struggle to sell them.

We had 12 great years in Penzance. Richard joined the Old Cornwall Society and changed political colours by joining the Lib Dems and later Mebyon Kernow (MK). In 2008 Richard became Deputy Mayor of Penzance Town Council. He met, talked to and helped so many people, and loved every minute of it.

It was a shame we had to move to Swindon, then Swansea, but it’s comforting that he ended his life in Wales, a country he always loved. Richard loved books, cooking, politics, music, theatre, film, Welsh rugby, football, and, most recently, ambling through the National Botanic Gardens and looking out to his beloved sea.

As well as me, he leaves behind two sons who
meant the world to him, a daughter-in-law, a four-month-old grand-daughter, a much-loved sister and brother-in-law, two nieces and a nephew.

**1966:**

Malcolm Edwin Burn (Chislehurst and Sidcup GS) died on 4 December 2021 aged 74, following a tragic traffic accident. He read History at Univ. The following tribute is taken from a tribute given at his funeral by his sister Joyce Middleton, which she has kindly shared with us.

Malcolm and I were brought up in Petts Wood, Kent. Dad worked in London for the family firm of advertisers, and Mum was a housewife and ex-nurse. In childhood Malcolm suffered from asthma and bronchitis, and spent most of the winters away from school – there was still London smog in those days. Mum worried that he was missing his lessons, until one day she found him sitting under the dining room table reading an encyclopaedia. He was educating himself! By the age of eight he always beat Dad at chess, and in fact he became the Junior Chess Champion of Great Britain.

His health improved and he went to Grammar School. When it was time to leave, he asked his teachers if he could go to Oxford University. They pooh-poohed the idea – in those days not many children went to university – and so Malcolm wrote to Oxford University himself. They set him an entrance exam which he passed, and so he was in. The school was furious!

Malcolm loved university life, but it was at this time in his twenties that he developed arthritis which fused some of his vertebrae, causing his disability. He qualified as a librarian, but decided that wasn’t the career he wanted, and so he took a course to become a solicitor. He moved to Gloucester and worked for the Land Registry until retirement. One of his former colleagues says that, when she started, Malcolm was her mentor, and that he always had a witty remark to cheer people up. His holidays were regularly spent taking courses at Oxford University.

After his retirement he became Treasurer for a housing association which looked after his floats and other buildings in the area. He regularly took coach trips to historical places in Britain, and helped with historical research for the pageants which are held in Gloucester. In 2007 Gloucester flooded, and Debbie, a neighbour, helped Malcolm. She and her family remained friends with him, sharing humour, chess, cricket and annual birthday and Christmas celebrations, as well as her dogs Minty and Buddy. I am very grateful to Debbie for looking out for him as we live on the Isle of Wight, especially during the last two years with Covid restrictions.

Malcolm also wrote humorous poetry, some of which he published. He was a very special person – highly intelligent, independent, quiet, never complaining, with a wicked sense of humour. We will miss him.

Michael James Colbert (Maidstone GS) died on 25 November 2021 aged 74. He read History at Univ, and later became a Master at Latymer Upper School.

William Alfred Mitchell Nash (Haileybury and I.C.S.) died on 27 December 2021 aged 73. His father Eric and uncle Philip came up to Univ in 1922 and 1928 respectively. His niece Ella has kindly written this tribute:

William Nash, or Bill as he was better known to family and friends, sadly passed away at the end of 2021. He leaves behind his son and daughter, Owain and Megan Nash along with his two stepdaughters, Penny and Kirsty and his niece...

Bill’s father and mother, Eric and Polly met when Eric was a Fulbright scholar in Chicago in the 1920s. Eric was himself an Oxford graduate and became a professor of Agricultural Economics at Aberystwyth University, where Bill grew up with his sister Barbara.

Bill lost both his parents at a young age. The challenges this brought influenced his career and life profoundly. He displayed great resilience and empathy; he also sought to empower and inspire others to cope with adversity. He took a place at Oxford University within University College where his contemporaries included a future president of the USA. He studied Law, obtaining a first-class degree.

Bill was always noted for his open-door policy and hospitality with friends, family and colleagues. After graduation he moved to a house in North London where he lived with his sister. Bill hosted many people coming to London, empowering them to make London their home and feel a part of the city.

He leaves us with just shy of 50 years of legal practice and the recognition from the Law Society. He was considered by many a powerful advocate and voice for many of his clients. Bill’s career was shaped very much by his moral compass and his experiences. He was a strong advocate for human and civil rights, completing his training at Ben Birnsberg’s firm and then later at the National Council for Civil Liberties (now Liberty). He has worked on cases which have been progressive, radical and challenging. These included representing teachers who had been sacked for implementing a progressive curriculum and soldiers who faced charges for dissenting due to their moral objections to postings. He was involved in the high-profile cases such as the ABC trial, which challenged the official secrets act. He was also a notable mentor to many entering the profession, helping many young lawyers find their feet.

Bill was a man we knew at home to be slightly chaotic and sometimes prone to some rather funny mishaps. We believe that Bill must be one of the few lawyers to have accidentally set fire to themselves in court possibly more than once (in the days when smoking was permitted indoors!). One of his colleagues described him as “deceptively chaotic – he would appear outwardly shambolic but was sharp as a tack”. Which sums up Bill very well in some ways.

Recurring in all the tributes to Bill Nash are his character, advocacy, generosity and good humour: We really have lost a huge character from our lives, and he is dearly missed. As one of his colleagues put it: “A good life spent well in the law. A veritable Rumpole;” “A good man and a frighteningly good lawyer”. More than that, Bill brought his lived experience to the law, and it is richer for it.

Rameschand Seereekissoon (University College of East Africa, Nairobi) died on 5 April 1987 aged 45. He read history at Univ. Born in Mauritius, Ramesh joined his country’s diplomatic service on going down from Oxford, and was its Ambassador to the UN at the time of his death.
1968:
Timothy Duffus Holland Scott
(Gresham’s) died on 3 December 2020 aged 71. He read English at Univ. Professor Nick Rawlins (matr. 1968; F. 1981-2007) has kindly written this tribute:

Tim Scott came to Univ as an Exhibitioner from Gresham’s in 1968, the same year as me, to read English. He was one of our year’s distinctive personalities. He shared many of the attitudes and interests of the late 1960s while being simultaneously committed to the OTC and competitive rifle shooting, and to playing hockey. My lack of interest in the OTC and all its works was neatly paralleled by his own lack of interest in rowing and his cynicism about doing psychology. “You can learn far more about psychology from reading good novelists than from anything that professional psychologists have ever written.” Yet in our third year he, I, and three others banded together as a very happy house-share in a small cottage and a flat at Bayswater Farm, just beyond Headington roundabout. One reason it worked so well was Tim’s company.

He enjoyed thinking about and discussing a truly exceptional range of topics, and could always extend to a new one. His views would be clear and would make good listening and while he would thoroughly engage in an argument yet he was one of those admirable rarities who focus on the topic itself rather than seeing discussion as trial by combat to be won or lost. Enlightened agreement was the goal, though he occasionally revealed a sense of certainty that could make him unyielding. He thought that the lie detection component of the Eysenck Personality Questionnaires was utterly flawed. (One question asks if you have ever told a lie, and a “No” contributes a point to your Lie Scale score.) This brought out the most indignant side of Tim, who said that he would have been totally inappropriately classified. He didn’t respond at all positively to my explanation that we all lie but that people who can’t admit it to themselves are particularly untrustworthy; even though I surely must have said this in the nicest possible tone…

That exchange always struck me as being quintessentially Tim. He was straightforward; he was practical; he was a man of robust action; yet he was also quite other-worldly.

Tim had considered joining the army after Oxford, but instead spent two years teaching in small independent schools before taking a PGCE at Exeter University and then moving to Repton in 1974 where he taught English and later became a housemaster (alongside coaching hockey, fives and shooting, and running the philosophical and film societies); the CCF and Duke of Edinburgh awards nourished the infantryman in him. He retired in 2006.

His classroom was memorable: an Edwardian room of sheep skulls, ancient helmets and old shell casings, with a master’s dais and still with an open fire. His pupils knew him as “Sco” – which as his former pupil Will Kemp wrote for his memorial event at Repton, “…boys would utter with an exaggerated mono-syllable and bemused gaze as if to convey an astronomer contemplating the cosmos. The inference was clear: Sco was different, ethereal, popular, fun. Or as we say nowadays, cool… an establishment
figure, yet a free spirit too.” That is recognisably the young man I knew, come of age.

His death was sudden. He is survived by his wife, Fiona and their two children and two grandchildren, and by countless grateful pupils.

1969:
Andrew John Fairclough (Mount St Mary’s College, Derbyshire) died on 17 November 1996 aged 45. Charles Nevin (1970) has kindly provided this obituary:

Andy, as he was known to all, fizzed with life and friendliness and ideas which streamed endlessly from a large and energetic brain, making it all the more melancholy that he was taken so early by cancer.

He was brought up in Culcheth, near Warrington, the son of John and Kay Fairclough and the second of four brothers. His father ran a textile business in Bolton; both his parents were JPs. Andy was educated by Jesuits at Mount St Mary’s and its prep school, Barlborough Hall, where his academic prowess and progress led to his arrival at Univ in 1969 to read PPE.

Despite or because of that early education, Andy became a committed socialist. This produced lively discussions at home: John Fairclough was a prospective Conservative candidate for the Leigh constituency. Sadly, he also died early, before he could fight the seat. Andy’s socialism was much in the spirit of the times, but unlike many others he never wavered, making a career in trade unionism, national and international, after taking an MA at Warwick in industrial relations. In 1977 he joined the education department of the Trades Union Congress, where he became the assistant secretary responsible for the national education programme for union officials and executives. In 1982 he took up the first of many international postings, working with the Commonwealth Trades Union Council in Zimbabwe.

He moved to Geneva in 1990 to become Education Secretary of the International Federation of Building and Wood Workers, combining this role with classroom work all over the world, including in Chile, Bangladesh and Hungary.

His obituarist in The Guardian noted: “Andy was a pragmatist and a socialist. His enduring belief was that worker education is a vital means of social transformation or ‘getting things done’, as he would say.” Stirling Smith, a friend and former TUC colleague, wrote at the time of his death: “Andy possessed huge energy, both physically and intellectually. He bubbled with ideas but not as some abstract academic….I suppose it was because his mind could roam over so many issues that he was attracted to international work. The same skills and energy that helped to transform British trade union education were applied to the Commonwealth trade unions and then IFBWW. Andy never saw what he did as just a job – it was a passion.

“Right to the end, Andy refused to let his illness prevent him from working…. He showed great courage – though he would never have thought of it as anything else than getting on with his work…. We have lost a friend, a comrade, an inspiration.”

Andy is survived by his wife, Celia, a teacher, and his daughter, Jo, who works for Citizens’ Advice, and has two children, Selam and Zachy. “He would have been very proud of them all,” says Celia.
Christopher Stephen Peter Harding (Hampton G.S.) died on 31 December 2021 aged 70. Richard Ireland (1973) has kindly written this obituary:

Chris grew up in Middlesex and attended Hampton Grammar School. He came to Univ to study Law and then to postgraduate study in European Law at Exeter. In 1974 he joined the staff of what was then the Department of Law at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth (now the Department of Law and Criminology, Aberystwyth University). It was the beginning of a long and distinguished stay at Aber and he retired after more than forty years in the university. He was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 1989, Reader in 1991 and Professor in 1995. Within both Department and University he made significant contributions despite a limited enthusiasm for some of the more bureaucratic elements of university administration. He became Head of Department in 2006 and the first Director of Postgraduate Studies of the University, a post which reflected his long-standing enthusiasm for the development of graduate research.

In teaching, Chris had wide horizons: European Law, International Law, Criminal Justice, Criminology, Jurisprudence, Human Rights, Penal History, Legal Skills, and no doubt others which I can’t remember. He was no dilettante, but a scholar who was interested in law – where it came from, where it went to, what it did – rather than succumbing to the academic myopia which promotes the goal of knowing more and more about less and less.

As a writer Chris’s contributions were similarly wide-ranging. He authored or edited, I think, fourteen books and many articles, again on a range of topics including, but not restricted to, those mentioned above. He studied the regulation of cartels, and the construction of narratives within the law. Many works were co-authored. This was a matter of choice for Chris: he was generous to others, often those beginning their careers, and enjoyed collaboration with scholars from other jurisdictions. But I think, as one who wrote two books with him and who was working with him on a third together with another of his friends and colleagues, John Williams, that he also enjoyed the process of writing with others as much as the end product; the exploration of ideas over coffee, in the pub, or in his room with its vinyl record player and its jars of liquorice sweets.

Chris always found time for students and for colleagues. In an age when pressure on university teachers was increasing, when “Office Hours” notices were appearing on doors which would once have been kept open, he always seemed to have time not only for writing and teaching but for chats in the corridor. He also hugely enjoyed family life, music, literature, and travelling. Quite how he managed to live in such an apparently elastic version of time is a matter perhaps better explained by physicists rather than lawyers. He was fun too, with an eye for the absurd.

Chris Harding’s death was a great blow to his family, his many friends, and to the former students who spoke so warmly of him. It was also a blow to legal scholarship.
James Anthony Jaques Martland (Harrow) died in 2016 aged 65 or 66. He read History at Univ. For many years he worked as a teacher at Victoria College Jersey. This tribute to him was given in the school’s magazine when he left there in 1997 to take up a post at Jersey College for Girls, and is reproduced here by permission:

Mr James Martland has been an outstanding English teacher at Victoria College since he joined the staff in 1973. His classes have always benefited from his wide ranging intellectual interests, and in recent years he has added a commanding knowledge of the world of computing to his expertise. Since 1989 he has been head of our Sixth Form General and Liberal Studies and more recently he has developed and offered a successful A-level course in Media Studies. Mr Martland has given an enormous amount of excellent service to this school over the years, and his contribution to the development of computing has been an inspiration for many.

It is in fact this great interest in, and great command of, all that is to be of educational use in computing that has drawn him to a computing post at JCG. For his long association with Braithwaite House as a Tutor, and for all his work with us here in the College we thank him and wish him every success at the Girl’s College.

Geoffrey Snowball (Burnage HS) died on 6 April 2022 aged 71. He came up to read PPE, but changed to Geography. His son Fred Snowball has kindly provided this obituary:

Geoff was born and raised in Didsbury and went to grammar school in Manchester. Throughout school and university he was a keen sportsman. He kept wicket for Lancashire Schoolboys, played scrum half for the college and the Greyhounds, coxed a college beer boat, and earned a Blue in basketball before captaining the British Universities team.

He passed his Finals in 1972, and his Tutor Robert Beckinsale wrote about him: “A very presentable, pleasant man; well-spoken and excellent at personal relations. Strong academically – was right at top of Seconds with several alpha marks. Could well have got a First. Has a keen analytical sense and wrote an excellent thesis. Will go far – recommend strongly.”

After attending Manchester Business School he settled on a career in advertising, where he worked as a Planner at J.Walter Thompson, Allen Brady and Marsh, McCann and finally Doner Cardwell Hawkins until his retirement. He also had a brief stint running his own planning consultancy called Snowball and Found, and even spent a year at agricultural college training to become a cattle farmer, before deciding to remain in advertising.

Whatever success Geoff had in his career, for him it was a means to an end. His priority was always his family: his parents Stanley and Miriam, brother Stan, and the wider Snowball family, his children Fred (Hertford, 2007), Albert (LMH, 2009) and Rosie (St Catherine’s, 2012), and golden retriever Holly. He loved his house in Barnes, particularly his garden with its pear and apple trees. He was a keen sailor; watched every horse race, rugby match and Manchester United game he could find on TV, and loved listening to his battered cassette tapes and CDs of The Eagles, Bruce Springsteen, and Fleetwood Mac.
Ever since he first visited in 1992 he also loved the Isles of Scilly. There was nowhere he would rather be than fishing for lobster, crab and mackerel, or sitting on an empty beach in the Eastern Isles. In the last few years of his life in particular, he seemed a different person when he was on Scilly. Whenever he arrived in London, at least until he became a grandfather, it always felt like he'd been dragged away reluctantly, and couldn't wait to get back to the house he'd built and the friends he'd made on St Martin’s.

He could be stubborn, didn’t suffer fools gladly, and even when he became ill he saw the smallest personal comforts as an unnecessary extravagance. However, to the people who meant something to him, he was absolutely committed. He was so helpful to his elderly neighbours in Barnes and on Scilly, and he sacrificed six years of his retirement on Scilly to care for his father in old age.

While he was a very private person and never one to talk much about himself, the messages we’ve received with memories and stories since he passed away have highlighted what a kind man he was. Thank you to anyone who was a friend to Geoff.

1973:  
Stephen Samuel McDonnell (Quarry Bank Comprehensive) died on 10 April 2021 aged 69.

1978:  
Alexander Francis Donald Letts (Haileybury) died on 24 July 2021 aged 62. Dylan Jones (1978) has kindly written this obituary with the aid of Alex’s sister Melinda, who appears in the photograph:

In coming to Univ, Alexander broke a long-standing Letts family tradition of studying classics and cricket at Jesus College, Cambridge. The cause of this happy aberration was George Cawkwell, whose tutoring of his elder sister Melinda (a noted classicist herself and now Tutor in Greek and Latin Languages at Jesus, Oxford) introduced him to Alexander, to whom he would play an informal latter-day Aristotle.

Alex came from a most traditional background of clerics, schoolmasters and soldiers – one grandfather led the Sappers in their terrifying mine-sweeping of beaches before the Normandy landings; the other suffered a ghastly wound to the head, yet returned to serve on the Western Front in the Great War. Alex himself loved tradition – where it was valid and valuable – but where it was lazy or ossified he railed energetically against it.

At Univ, tackling Greats, Alex effectively “exchanged” his scholar’s gown for black tie and silk evening scarves in his second year, when 3:4 was a haven of lively debate and jollity, and where his redoubtable grandmother “Coocoo” introduced the young to that great imperial tonic, the gimlet. Alex could have played cricket for the varsity, but chose instead to grace the evening league Cowley Jacks with his elegant cover drives. Equally, he took an unconventional approach to academic life – he knew his Kant from cant, and doubtless gave more thought to the dining table.
rather than to the Norrington Table. This did not stop him, however, from earning a decent degree when he could have pleaded for an aegrotat – he had contracted salmonella from an infected bottle of pulque in the back of a bus full of wedding revellers when travelling in Mexico with his great Univ friend, Dylan Jones.

Advertising was the natural berth for such a creative and iconoclastic spirit, and Alex added lustre to brands as diverse as Kentucky Fried Chicken and the Royal Marines. He was always nonetheless destined to fly solo, and soon founded his own agency, SMI. Selling this business successfully, he turned his trenchant questioning to Lloyd’s of London, building an electronic trading platform which still today underpins the market. Next in his crosswires was the retail banking industry, and his venture “U” brought transparent and honest banking to tens of thousands of the disadvantaged and disenfranchised “unbankable”.

Just as he embarked on his latest mission – in the field of good health and nutrition – he was ironically and cruelly struck by an invasive cancer which took a long gruelling year to bring him down. Throughout this grim process though, he showed all of the wit, warmth and generosity for which he will always be remembered – “Forsan et haec olim meminisse iuvabit”.

He leaves behind a large body of dear friends – many from Univ – and a cherished family. One of his four sons was impressed to overhear that as a young man Alex had dated an unspecified Bond Girl (actually Katie Rabett of “Hot Gossip”) – indeed he did. This led another son to ask rather boldly “Wow Dad! So you slept with Judi Dench?!” – he did not.

Alexander will be terribly missed – a man who lived to the true meaning of the often overworked if misunderstood words “scintillate” and “coruscate”, and who did so with grace, style, and innate decency of heart, to the real benefit of all who knew him.

1980:

Richard Paul Lewis (Bournemouth School) died in early 2022 aged 60. He read Modern Languages (Russian and French) at Univ. We are very grateful to Richard’s longstanding friend and colleague Stuart Thom for supplying the following obituary:

Richard and I established the office of Ernst and Young (now EY) in Moscow in 1990, and it was the first of the international accounting and consulting firms to do so. Richard had read Russian at Univ and was in the audit department of EY when the opportunity to go to Moscow came up.

Richard took to the task like a duck to water. With his excellent Russian and enthusiasm to understand Russian tax ordinances not in translation, but in the original Russian, he rapidly became the man to talk to if you wanted to know your tax status. More importantly, as the international oil and gas companies came into Russia, encouraged by the then positive fiscal climate, they had to know exactly where they stood. Richard formed the Oil and Gas Tax Working Group that met in Moscow, London and Houston, and was hugely respected as one of the leading experts in his field.

However, it was not all work. Richard was very musical and supported the Russian National Orchestra. More than that he could sing both Russian and British songs ranging from George Formby to Russian folk songs such as “Kalinka”. One has fond memories of his pièce de resistance – the “Lambeth Walk” at the Kazakhstan Oil and Gas Show – which
demonstrated he was no ordinary accountant. Richard lived in Russia for 25 years, and was a man of charm, wit and high intelligence, enormously respected by both Russians and westerners and a credit to his country. He will be much missed.

1983:

Mark André Bond (High Wycombe RGS) died 22 June 2022, two days before his 58th birthday. He read Modern Languages (Russian and French) at Univ. His sister Christina came up to Univ in 1984. David Smith (1983) has kindly written this obituary:

Forty years on, the strains of Ashford and Simpson immediately transport a certain Univ cohort back to a sweaty and deafening Beer Cellar. At its heart, Mark Bond, incongruously dressed in leather jacket and cravat; cigarette in one hand, a sportsman’s measure of gin and tonic in the other.

Mark had arrived at Univ in a blaze of exuberance. Easily the best linguist of that generation, Mark comfortably secured a scholarship and immediately stood out as a force of nature. A gifted musician and sportsman, with a sophisticated palate and endless enthusiasm to enhance every moment, he swiftly created indelible impressions throughout college. Hockey gave way to football, cricket (his captaincy of the Utopers stretching all the game’s conventions), pool and darts whilst his proficiency on the violin was superseded by an evangelical yearning to share his musical taste as widely as the most powerful speakers in student life would allow.

As he was then, so he would remain: the most sparkling of company; an unswervingly steadfast and constantly enriching friend.

Mark returned from his year in Voronezh newly married and with a child imminent. Alissa was born early in his final year and, after intense bureaucratic wrangling, the family took up residence in Stavers. A lifelong keeper of irregular hours, Mark juggled fatherhood with finals before, improbably, entering the world of investment banking and private equity, a pioneer in FSU corporate finance. The home in Barnes, much to the delight of friends, if not the domestic tranquility of professional neighbours, bore the characteristics of staircase eleven and into this happy tumult a second daughter, Lara, was born.

His career flourished in London and New York, before moving to Moscow where, as founding CEO, he created the first private equity fund for Central Asia and Siberia. Working under tremendous pressure with no established financial infrastructure, Mark was undoubtedly happiest as an independent entrepreneur; sustaining relentless travel and effortlessly establishing high level relationships. Latterly, he was heavily involved in developing and financing climate change solutions.

Univ remained a leitmotif in Mark’s life, most notably his 2005 wedding in the college chapel to Anya when the beer cellar resounded to the old playlist. The marriage brought him great and enduring joy. Together with their son, Alex, who completes the circle by attending RGS High Wycombe, the lovely home in Tarn et Garonne provided many years of vibrant hospitality. Lunch would merge seamlessly into dinner, with Mark clambering from the cellar with several fine bottles tucked under his arm. The old passions never faltered and the small hours were spent in his soundproofed music room decorated by
framed notifications of college fines, invariably noise transgressions. As now we all do, he would smile and raise a glass….

From diagnosis, cancer took Mark relatively quickly. Blissfully so; his could never be a slow and debilitating decline. Throughout, Anya was by his side, the warmth of humanity that he represented being fully reciprocated when he needed it most.

1986:
Jonathan David Horbury (Maidstone GS) died on 27 February 2022 aged 54. He read History at Univ. The following tribute appeared on the website of the Oxford University Hospitals:

Sara Randall, Chief Operating Officer of Oxford University Hospitals (OUH), has paid tribute to Jonathan Horbury, Foundation Trust Programme Director at the Trust from 2011 to 2022, who died on Sunday 27 February.

Sara Randall, Chief Operating Officer at Oxford University Hospitals said: “I know I speak for Jonathan’s many friends and colleagues here at OUH when I say how very sad we are at Jonathan’s loss. Jonathan made a huge contribution to our Trust – he successfully led on the transformation of our health trust into a foundation trust. He has been taken from his family and friends far too soon. In particular, our thoughts are with his daughters of whom he was so proud.”

Jonathan was Foundation Trust Programme Director from 2011 until he was seconded to the Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire Integrated Care System in 2019.

Jonathan led on the immensely challenging project of getting the Trust to Foundation Trust status in 2015 and worked tirelessly in establishing our first Council of Governors.

Jonathan was known amongst his colleagues as somebody to go to for answers. Fiercely intelligent, he always had a wealth of information, knew the right person to ask about anything, and was always a pleasure to work with. His many talents were much appreciated by all who worked with him.

Jonathan had previously worked for Buckinghamshire Primary Care Trust, as well as the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust (whom he also took through the Foundation Trust registration process). He was a graduate of University College, Oxford where he studied Modern History. He is survived by his two daughters.

At this very sad time our thoughts are with Jonathan’s family, friends and the many former colleagues here at OUH and throughout the NHS, by whom he will be greatly missed.

1989:
Aveek Sen (Jadavpur University Calcutta) died on 3 December 2021. He came up to Univ as to read English. His friend Isabella Thomas has kindly supplied the following obituary:

Aveek Sen, who died of Covid in December 2021 in Calcutta aged 56, was a writer; a teacher and man of letters. Aveek was born in Calcutta in 1965 and was brought up in an extended Brahmo family: an adoring group of aunts and some uncles lived on the upstairs floors. He was a gifted student at Jadavpur University, Calcutta,
and went on to study English Literature at University College, Oxford, in 1989 as a Rhodes Scholar, and from there to Churchill College, Cambridge, a JRF at Wolfson, Oxford and a Lectureship at St Hilda’s.

He was a luminous teacher, beloved by so many whom he taught especially because of his wit, his sense of the absurd and his wide reading; he was also an acutely sensitive individual with a prodigious gift for friendship. He eventually found writing a PhD, especially on Keats, antithetical to the poetic instinct (“Keats would not have approved” he would say), and he chose eventually to put it to one side. He sought a life outside the academy, and returned to Calcutta in 1999, where he became associate editor on the *Calcutta Telegraph*. He wrote articles on Life and Art which ranged widely through literature, the visual arts, music and cinema. His articles on Indian cows, insomnia, Wagner, conversation, death rituals, on love, on poetry, Bengali and English, reveal a penetrating gaze as hilarious as it was incisive. He translated much of Tagore’s poetry into English.

He also worked with NGOs in Calcutta to help street children, and another promoting gay rights in India. He taught literature and art in colleges in Mysore, Calcutta, Goa, Bombay and many other places. Latterly he developed a highly prized forum, the Blue Room, a consultative series of conversations with prominent and emerging artists seeking definition and new horizons. He saw this role as that of “mid-wife” to artists: not curating, but enabling the art of those who consulted him: artists found the experience invaluable. Once his aunts had died, he helped install an “Experimenter” Art gallery in the upstairs floors of his house, thereby promoting the arts in Calcutta, a city which, he sometimes complained, sorely lacked venues for cultural events, to its great impoverishment. He spoke of the concert hall, the theatre, the opera house with a longing that, for the last few years, only YouTube could assuage.

Always an engaging conversationalist, his friendships spanned widely. His witticisms were recalled by many in an online memorial service. He told one friend “I think you should, in a spirit of reckless candour, tell Simon [a potential but indecisive lover] exactly how you feel”. For someone who wanted to prepare for his visit to Calcutta, “Just read Shakespeare and Henry James and you’ll be very well kitted out for life in this city”. He became an ardent, uncommoninstagrammer. He made a point of returning often to England where he retained many attachments.

He defied obvious categories. He was both thoroughly Bengali and deeply European. He married Subha Mukherji in 1991, but later lived an independent life, although they always remained the closest of friends. He spoke of being gay but loved to live alongside women. He was primarily a literary figure who became increasingly involved in the visual arts. He is survived by his sister, Sarmistha Das and countless close friends.

2000:
James Dalton (Reigate Grammar School) died on 24 July 2020 aged 38. His father Michael has kindly provided this obituary:

James studied at Reigate Grammar School and went up to Univ to read mathematics in
2000. His university career took him on to Southampton and to Malardalen University in Sweden on an Erasmus Programme placement. He graduated from the University of Southampton in 2004.

James’s working career then started with Shell as an HR professional. Highly regarded by his Shell colleagues he progressed rapidly to more senior positions, his last post being as a Senior HR Manager for Shell Global Finance based in The Hague in The Netherlands. Along the way he had posts based in London, Aberdeen, The Hague, Calgary in Canada, and Hamburg in Germany. Whilst based in Calgary he was appointed as HR Director at the inception of one of Shell’s major joint venture projects to develop an LNG facility in Kitimat, British Columbia, which is now under construction. The tributes from Shell colleagues are testimony to his success. Speaking of James, one commented “it is rare to meet someone who is witty, sharp, kind, caring and gives you advice which makes you crack up and not ignore”. Another said that “he made things that he touched better”. His last boss talked of him as a sparring partner to many, helping them to think ahead and become better versions of themselves – truly an HR professional.

Outside work, James was a keen sportsman – he played hockey and cricket; he was a runner and a cyclist. He ran in four Marathons, two in London, one in Berlin and another in Hamburg. He also took part twice in the Hamburg World Triathlon (1.5 km swimming, 40km cycling and 10km running), on the second occasion in 2019 turning in a very respectable time. His other passions in life were travelling, food and cooking. Shell afforded him many opportunities to travel and his friends will forever remember enjoying good food and wine in his company, and also his formidable collection of books about cookery by renowned chefs from restaurants he had visited around the world.

In 2007, James met Sandra Jurzok, a Shell colleague from Hamburg who remained his partner until 2019. Their daughter Elena, born in Calgary in 2013, survives him. James was originally diagnosed with a brain tumour back in 2009. He had major surgery in 2015 and again in September 2019. Further treatment following this second operation was going well until he was taken ill again in June 2020. His medical team confirmed that the tumour was spreading again very aggressively and there was nothing more they could do. He was able to return to Reigate and spend his remaining days at home with his parents, ably looked after by wonderful Marie Curie nurses.

His life was one led to the full and his illness was bravely born. He is much missed by his parents, his daughter Elena, his sister Julia, and his many friends and colleagues.

2002:

Nicholas Duke-Ambridge (né Ambridge; Taunton School) died on 28 March 2022. His father Robert Ambridge has kindly sent us this tribute:

Nicholas Ambridge died suddenly in New York on 28th March 2022 aged 39.

At University College Nicholas studied History with Spanish, so that it was not much of a surprise that on joining Diageo in London he would be assigned as a brand manager for a Tequila brand.
This meant numerous journeys had to be made to Central America. Nicholas lived in London when he left Oxford and it was here that he started his so called hobby of property development. It was also in London that Nicholas met his future husband – Gregory Duke – a graduate of the Central School of Speech and Drama.

All good things have to come to an end and Nicholas left Diageo to take up an appointment with LVMH as the brand manager for Belvedere vodka. Once again, this position meant numerous journeys overseas and attendance at all the well-known musical events. His next move was again within the drinks industry but this time with a company called Seedlip which is a non-alcoholic spirit. It is thanks to his hard work and deep knowledge of the industry that from a very small office in central London it became a world brand in over 44 countries in two years.

Nicholas’s final move was in 2021 when Seedlip was sold to Diageo so his career turned full circle. Nicholas and Gregory moved to New York where he was head of Seedlip in the Americas. Prior to his death they had been on a trip around the West coast of America – his love of travel with him to the end.

Nicholas was laid to rest in New York and a memorial for him was held in London on the 23rd April.

2017: Alexander Temple-McCune (University of York) died on 13 August 2021 aged 26. He was still a student at Univ working towards a DPhil in experimental psychology studying psychopathy. We are very grateful to some of Alex’s friends for the following obituary:

Alex grew up in Essex, the eldest of two brothers and the son of the late Christine Temple, another Univ alumnus and former Head of the Department of Psychology at Essex University. Following his mother into the field of psychology, he completed his undergraduate in psychology at the University of York. He then came to Oxford to study a masters in psychology at Linacre College before joining Univ in 2017 to begin his DPhil.

He was an enthusiastic and highly inquisitive person. He could, and would often, talk at great length about all manner of subjects which had caught his attention, not least the topic of his studies. His charisma and warm aura would draw the listener and could get them engaged in any subject. He was well versed in lively debate and wasn’t willing to just take the obvious line on anything, a trait which led him towards studying psychopathy. Though this is often depicted as a dark subject, with many social stigmas attached, Alex sought not to condemn but to understand. His hypothesis involved an attentional deficit component of psychopathy, which limited the ability to process peripheral information, leading to the commonly portrayed behavioral characteristics of recklessness and selfishness. His work is being compiled by his
DPhil supervisors and will hopefully be published in due course.

In stark contrast to his subject matter, Alex was a loving and much beloved member of the College. He had a big heart and enjoyed showing people how much he cared about them both in small, subtle ways and grandiose gestures of affection. As he would frequently say, he “loved to love.” It is therefore no surprise that his favourite annual festival was Valentine’s day, which he would approach with the same gleeful energy as a child before Christmas. He was known to send Valentine’s cards to his friends with thoughtful messages expressing how much he appreciated them. His relationship with his loving partner Diana brought him immense joy, and her steadfast support during his brief battle with cancer was a source of great comfort to him.

Alex is survived by his brother Nicholas with whom he had a strong bond. Alex made sure to spend as much time with his brother and extended family, the “Scottish contingent”, during his final year and this brought him joy in an otherwise bleak period. Alex’s strength of character and embracement of stoicism was an inspiration to all those who knew him. His funeral was attended by a large number of family and friends.

A memorial bench has been installed in the rose garden at Univ’s North Oxford site in celebration of Alex’s life, and love of love. Members are invited to visit this bench to reflect on their time with him.

As the Record was going to press, we received the very sad news about two beloved members of the Univ community.

Dr Mike Nicholson, Emeritus Fellow and Dean of Degrees, died suddenly on 9 September 2022, aged 79.

Caroline Te Aika (née Churchley) (1991, PPE) passed away on 26 August, aged 49.

We hope to include a full obituary for them both in a future edition of the Record.
The following is a list of Old Members with whom we have regrettably lost contact over the years. If you know of the whereabouts of any of them, please encourage them to get in touch with the Development Office, or contact: development@univ.ox.ac.uk.

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Peter John Skeet (English)  
Kenneth Daryll Smith (Philosophy)  
Stephen Balcombe (Geology)  
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1975 | Rafael Bolivar (Chemistry)  
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Roger Penrose Kellas (Physiology)  
David Michael Morton (English)  
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Robert Pickering (Mod Lang)  
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Andrew John Walters (Physics)  

1976 | David Ian Abbott (Engineering)  
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Gabriel Alexandre Sar (FSP)  
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David John Suckling (Classics)  
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Stephen Wayne Velik (PPE)  
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Ian Barnes (Chemistry)  
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Aziz Shahriya (Chemistry)  
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Jonathan Peter Sturgess (Engineering)  

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Paul Gunnell (Engineering)  
Robert Evan Shapiro (PPP)  
Victor David Sitai (FSP)  

1979 | Jonathan Kim Chambers (Biochemistry)  
Nicholas Humphrey Robert Collin (Plant Sciences)  
Christopher Denby Hawkins (Chemistry)  
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Patricia Margaret Hayes (History, Mod Lang)  
Mark Robert Hayhurst (History)  
Julian Robert Sears (Philosophy)  
Adrian Sinclair (Engineering)  
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1981 | Andrew John Bull (History)  
Jean Elizabeth Clews (Geology)  
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1982 | Jeremy Barnes (History)  
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Deborah Lamb (English)  
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Trevor Richard Oney (English)
Ruth Marie Pates (Medicine)
Krishan Ponnamperuma (Chemistry)
Karey Anne Taylor (Medicine)
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Nigel Walley Bridges (Social Studies)
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Barbara Desmond (English)
Christine Margaret Jamieson (Psychology)
Alexander Eric Kuiper (Engineering)
D P Mitchell (PPE)
William David Morris (English)
Richard David Nerurkar (Mod Lang)
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1984
Dominic Hugh Arbuthnott (History)
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Andrew William Paterson Gracie (History)
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Paul Christopher Bush (PPP)
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Matthew Edmund Fletcher (Maths)
James Douglas Gordon (History)
Duncan Alexander James Gray (Classics)
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Michael Seng Telk Lim (Medicine)
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Robert Howard Cox Smith (Engineering)

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Paul Edmund Mortlock (PPE)

1983
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Huw Roderic Pill (PPE)
Daniel John Rigden (Biochemistry)
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Douglas Eugene Yoder (PPE)

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Martina Lagler (Classics)
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    | Lucie Ann Cooper (History)  
    | Graham Kennedy (Engineering)  
    | Sophie Paraskiev Koveos (English)  
    | Won Sok Thomas Lee (Maths)  
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| 1999 | Jonathan Stephen Cooper (Comp Sci)  
    | Kalimba Chioneso Culverwell (Art)  
    | Colin John Stephen Davies (Engineering)  
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    | Gregor Wolfgang Hofmann (Chemistry)  
    | Helen McCormick (History)  
    | Christine A Metzger (Geology)  
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    | M Enriqueta Ramos-Meyers (FSP)  
    | Margaret Jackson Stafford (Biochemistry) |
| 2000 | Michael Schümann (Biochemistry) |
| 2001 | Julian John Benedict Arthur (Art)  
    | John Thomas Corry (Chemistry)  
    | Si Young Paek (Comp Sci) |
| 2002 | Avvy Natasha Jane Chia (Engineering)  
    | Kaushik Choudhuri (Medicine)  
    | Kelly Louise Clarke (PPP)  
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    | Joseph Alexander Streeter (History) |
| 2003 | Claire Michelle Chalmers (English)  
    | Ralf Konrad Eckel (Maths)  
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    | Kai-Oliver Mueller (Maths)  
    | Oliver Thomas O’Dell (Economics)  
    | George James Patrick Robinson (Mod Lang) |
| 2004 | Cheng Fang (Comp Sci)  
    | Xian Li (Physics)  
    | Min Zhang (Comp Sci) |
| 2005 | Hsiu Yu Cheng (Engineering)  
    | Chee Wan Lee (Medicine)  
    | Yue Ma (Comp Sci)  
    | Monte MacDiarmid (Engineering)  
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    | Marie Allen Schroeder (Physiology) |
| 2007 | Hugo Louis Gerald Phillips (History) |
| 2008 | Rachael Marie Collins (Law)  
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    | Madeleine Power (Classics)  
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| 2009 | Mitchell Grae Abermesty (PPE)  
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