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REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Because *The Eagle* has no single editor at present, we were asked to pretend to be a collective editor and in that capacity to provide an account of interesting or amusing things that had happened in College over the last year. Accordingly we met in March and were able to agree that nothing even remotely interesting or amusing had happened in College for as long as any of us could remember. On 11 June, however, bent over our task in the College Bar, one of us said something arguably amusing, one thing led to another, and we began to recall some of the events that have retained our interest in the place over the past 12 months.

Thinking backwards, as is the College's way, we come first to the election of Dave Bagg as Master of Arundel. Since his transfer to the Porters' Lodge in March 1987 from the Buttery Bar, where he had served since June 1982, there had been constant speculation as to his next move. We are delighted to be able to report that, having been pipped at Trinity by a mere Fellow of the Royal Society, Dave is now installed at the Arundel House Hotel. While at St John's, like all our best porters over time, Dave did a Tutor's turn in the Porter's Lodge in the middle of the night when it mattered. He didn't miss much but will be much missed.



Dave the Barman 1982, Dave the Porter 1997

Then there was the saga of the Card Access Control System, which was funny in its way. Or possibly sad. Since 1516 Fellows and others had been letting themselves in and out of College by means of things called keys. Not good enough, the good Colonel decreed. Let there be cards. Accordingly, at midday on 21 April (H.M the Queen's 71st birthday) the new system went live. At 6 o'clock that evening it then went dead. Whereupon life went on as usual and no one noticed the difference.

Meanwhile, however, the Queen Mother had landed on the Paddock. That did make a difference, with bedmakers waving their loyal dusters and ideologically-wrenched undergraduates cowering from it, while secretly enjoying the spectacle. Her Majesty's appearance can of course be attributed to the College's recent interaction with the OUTSIDE WORLD. Casting aside centuries of introspection with the same verve and originality that inspired the new card system, leading College lights have found a new existence in the public glare. Matt Juniper sprinted to glory at the Atlanta Paralympics, James Martin who unscrambles anagrams and performs feats of mental arithmetic even faster than Matt can run, achieved 'housewives favourite' status as the top seed in Channel 4's Countdown. Then there was Rob Andrew; there always is. Desperate not to be left out, Dr Beadle offered his services to Varsity as a Spice Girls correspondent . . . The Evening Standard could see only one possible explanation for this new Johnian dynamism, reporting that the College might be going dry, or something of that sort.

Greater prescience may have been demonstrated by *The Independent* when accusing the Domestic Bursar of being 'suitably disturbed' recently. They were one of a spate of broadsheets to feature the gallant Colonel on the front page. Dr Beadle could only weep at the publicity. The Domestic Bursar was acting as a spokesman for the millions nationwide whose lives are blighted by the sound of tourists cavorting in punts.

'Suitably Disturbed' may however be applicable in a wider context as an explanation for many of the goings on in College this year. First of all there was the College Ghost – the ghost that only knocks at twenty to one in the morning. Tentatively identified by Dr Linehan as that of the murderer John Brinkley (admitted Jan. 1746), if not that of his victim,

James Ashton (admitted Oct. 1745), it was spotted (the first known sighting) sometime in November 1996 by Olivia Browne. Engrossed though she was at the time in the Spanish Middle Ages, later on she was able to describe the phantom's raiment and to recall that he was dressed, as Aston would have been, for bed. Luke Gompels' ability to bungee jump from the top of New Court aided only by a roll of flaming toilet paper can only be understood if we assume that he too is one of the undead. The venerable copper beech tree by the kitchen bridge was, alas, permanently disturbed in the New Year. We can now see that this was necessary in order to accommodate the Queen Mother's chopper. Of course hypotheses are rarely flawless: certain things have gone undisturbed this year. The couple who chose to consummate their Boat Club connection on the New Court grass spring instantly to mind.

Love and passion are constant themes running through the life of any academic institution. This year has been no exception. Sean and Lawrence declared their affection for Mr Nolan by gatecrashing his Valentine's Day lecture as a fetching sheep and shepherd pairing. Simultaneously Dave Bagg was cementing his position in Johnian Folklore by cynically distributing floral bouquets to the wrong girls. In the year of Cambridge University Students' Union's 'shocking' safe sex campaign Cripptic (an informal College newsheet) fought back with a fantasy snog league. Participants were invited to select a football team of undergraduates whose transfer values were based on prolific strike rates (forwards) or insurmountable chastity (defenders). Unfortunately the scheme failed to attract sufficient backers, allegedly because neither Dave Bagg nor the Queen Mother was involved. Under pressure from the precocious JCR Bogsheet (the official JCR newsletter), Cripptic proved unable to survive this setback and folded accordingly.

Our perennially incapacitated College scandal sheet has, for once, not been alone in its handicap this year. Even at 97 the Queen Mother proved she can walk better than the President of the College who fell off Mount Sinai while attempting to procure commandments 11 to 20 and had to be rescued by a camel. Fortunately he is now on the mend and we wish him well. Furthermore she's still a fair bit more mobile than the numerous vehicles impaled on Bridge Street's new traffic control



The President Returns from his Travels (picture by permission of Martin Honeysett)

system: erectile bollards which rise spontaneously out of the road to discourage unsuspecting cars from using the route. The Colonel is presently enquiring as to the feasibility of operating a similar device on the Cam

What else? Not much. It's been a boring year. Very Johnian. Thank God. More conventional and therefore less memorable achievements are recorded elsewhere in these pages. In the opinion of the 'un-editors' however, it is hoped that the desire to maintain the College's precariously high position in the academic results table will not continue to impede the spread of scandal and debauchery next year.

PAL **CBH HMG-W** DAB CMT The Eagle, whose style and content has changed over the years, can claim to be the earliest College magazine to be published, at least in Cambridge. For nearly 140 years it has provided both a chronicle and a commentary on College life. Its first editorial, in 1858, was at once both bullish and defensive. On the one hand, it sought to excuse what the editors feared (or hoped) might be regarded as a subversive enterprise, because it provided another possible diversion from mathematics and the classics, and on the other it asserted the value of the magazine as a means of encouraging the writing of reflective essays and poetry.

Although uncertain whether their creation would last more than a term or so, the first editors ventured to hope that it would eventually become as significant a part of College life as the Boat Club and the Cricket Club. They expressed the hope that *The Eagle* would be 'something to fasten College spirit upon when here; something by which we can carry it down with us when we go away'. College spirit often seems so robust as to need no fastenings and the affection for the College shown by those who return for reunion dinners and the like is an immense encouragement to the Fellows and staff.

Whilst the writers in the first *Eagle* anticipated futures as clergymen, lawyers, teachers, or perhaps the Indian service, the paths taken by Johnians are now more diverse. For some years *The Eagle* has been sent to all those Johnians for whom we have addresses in order to help us all keep in touch. This year, as you will be aware, we have supplemented it by a newsletter, *Johnian News*, which we plan to produce twice a year. And *The Eagle* itself has passed another milestone with its appearance on the World Wide Web in the College's pages at http://www.joh.cam.ac.uk/.

Amongst *The Eagle's* first editors was the College's great novelist and iconoclast, Samuel Butler. His earliest published work, *On English Composition and Other Matters*, was in its first issue. For all his earlier and later scepticism, Butler entered fully into the life of the College. It was the first place he had been really happy. Slight of build, he coxed and

coached and espoused traditional boat club rivalries: 'With good luck we shall remain easily head of the river, to the great chagrin of the First Trinity boat club Just when matters were looking rather lugubrious for us, some freshmen got ripe under my assiduous coaching, and we now do the course in less time than any other boat.'

One recurrent theme in the early years of *The Eagle* was the finances of the Boat Club and the Field Clubs. Pressures even produced tensions between members of LMBC and those who played field sports. In 1883, a correspondent wrote 'everyone who paid the new average fee and did not row would be paying a heavy tax for the benefit of the Boat Club, while rowing men would not only not pay anything like the cost of their own rowing but would also, for the reduced fee, be entitled to take part in any other game'.

Reductions in the real value of the College fee in recent years have again placed increasing strains on the sports clubs' accounts. For the moment, through careful management, they remain solvent but only just. The Boat Club would already be in grave difficulties were it not for the support of the Old Johnian Henley Fund.

To avoid a future crisis and to enable the maintenance of high standards of facilities and achievement, the College has decided to appeal to all those who participated in College sport to contribute to endowment funds for LMBC and the Field Clubs. Separate funds are being established for LMBC (under the auspices of the Old Johnian Henley Fund) and the Field Clubs to avoid a repetition of the tensions of the 1880's. We hope that all Johnian sportswomen and sportsmen (that's the great majority of you) will support this Appeal. The events we are organising in this connection will provide opportunities for reminiscence about past triumphs and another excuse, if one were needed, for visiting College again.

Peter Goddard

COMMEMORATION OF BENEFACTORS

4 May 1997

My text is taken from the gospel of St Matthew, from the 27th and 28th verses of his 24th chapter:

For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

It's an uncomfortable text, a text almost pointedly inappropriate to this festal occasion, it may be thought. Yet why not? Why should we not be uncomfortable this summer morning? Though it may be a bit soon after breakfast for carcases, it's carcases, after all, it's dead meat that we're here about. It's not all attar of roses. The uncomfortable fact has to be faced. The uncomfortable fact has to be reckoned with that those at whose expense we are here today, those who once were here too, and who once upon a time walked in First Court, when that was all that the College was, and those who lived in F Cripps, when that was all they had to go back to in the evening, before becoming the names on the reassuring list we have just heard so emolliently read out, had first to endure the agony of death.

Think of Cardinal Fisher, for example, whom in our list we prefer to call Bishop Fisher. Think of Fisher as he awaited execution at the hands of a savage monarch because he would not compromise with his conscience. Our effective founder would not have failed to be here this morning. Consider the agonies that Fisher suffered on that other summer morning, in July 1535. Be reminded of the letter that the College sent him shortly before his death, that 'noble letter', 1 noble on account of the risk it ran for the College at the time and also on account of the inexpressible affection for the man that it conveyed. The sixteenth century was not kind to conscience, either side of the line. And think of some others, at the other end of the spectrum, the memory of whose deaths is still fresh for some of us – and for some of us not only is still fresh but also on days like today is also still uncomfortable. We deserve to be uncomfortable this morning.

In particular, we ought to be uncomfortable on account of those of us who are not here – of all those beneficiaries who yet again are not here, ready enough though they are to sacrifice themselves for the College at conferences in Honolulu, or in exploring the antiquities of Benidorm, or in 'touring round Turkey on foot', for example. But 'twas ever thus. Almost three hundred years ago, a champion of the Lady Margaret to whom I shall be returning in a moment lamented the fact that 'amongst so many hundreds, I may say thousands, as have eat her bread, no grateful hand has been found to do her right.'2 We may well share that sense of outrage.

However, it is not principally in order to regret the lack of pietas, or simple complacency of those who suppose that Colleges grow on trees that we are here this morning. What we are here for is simply to thank God (or providence, as may be preferred) for the likes of John Fisher, and for all those other benefactors - the girdlers, the bursars, the archdeacons, prebendaries and drapers, not to mention even more respectable types such as judges of the King's Bench, opium agents - and solicitors.

And in particular today to thank God for Thomas Baker, 'ejected Fellow, historian of the College', whose name occurs fifty-sixth in that list of 199 names. I am going to say something about Thomas Baker, about what Baker stood for, and about what he most minded about. I mean books and the College Library. Like Fisher, whom Baker loved on this side idolatry,3 Thomas Baker was a northerner. A Durham boy, he matriculated in 1674 shortly before his eighteenth birthday, was elected Fellow in 1680, and sixty years later was found dead in his rooms in the Third Court with his tobacco pipe lying broken by the side of his chair.

The College is doubly indebted to Baker. Both for his History of the College and for the books with which he endowed the Library, Baker deserves to be remembered as one of the greatest of our benefactors.

The century in which he died, the eighteenth century, was not one of the College's - nor for that matter was it one of the University's - great centuries. The College in which Baker lived out his life was not altogether well either in body or in mind. Take for example the case of Thomas Todington's hand. At a time when Fellows were not allowed to have bits missing, in 1755 Thomas Todington took the Master and the

seniors (the College Council of the day) to the Visitor for not electing him to the Fellowship. They had declined to do so, Todington alleged, inter alia because of the mutilated state of his right hand, the fingers of which had been damaged in a childhood accident - although, as was claimed on his behalf in the King's Bench, where his complaint ended up in 1756, 'he writes better perhaps than most of the College.'4

In the course of the pleadings on that occasion, Todington's counsel recited a long list of halt, lame, blind and wooden-legged Fellows and Scholars. ('Here the Chief Justice said with a smile [to Todington's counsel]: Oh, you have a list of the deformities of the College.')5 Well, of course, he did - though, needless to say, it was not an agreed list.

There was, for example, uncertainty as to James Barton's leg. Some believed that James Barton's leg was made of wood. Others however were of opinion that it was made of leg.6 Now in an age reputed for the keenness of its perception, and in a place like a College, you might think that there would have been something approaching a measure of agreement on a matter of fact such as the condition of a scholar's leg. In James Barton's St John's, however, not so. In James Barton's St John's, the Tutors were plainly not accustomed, as in the 1990s they are required to do, to check such details.

This was casual. But we need not wonder long at the extent of such casualness. For the Master and seniors of the time had even graver problems to wrestle with. Just twelve years later - after Todington's case had been decided in his favour, I may say - in May 1768, we read of the said Master and seniors meeting to discuss the nice question whether 'the insanity of the two fellows next to the seniority, namely Mr. Allen and Mr. Stubbs', did or did not constitute 'a weighty cause why they should not be elected into the number of seniors.'7

Amongst the largely lacklustre company of Messrs Allen and Stubbs, Thomas Baker stood out as a shining exception.

Of Baker's History of the College I will say only this. He had not much on which to build, but what he left provided, and will continue to provide, the sure foundations for all his successors in that task. Having

embarked on his work, he was apprised of an allegedly definitive, but unpublished, treatment of the subject by a certain 'Dr M'. Baker 'procured a sight' of Dr M's work. And what he read did not disappoint him. 'I found', he wrote of Dr M., that 'he had gone little further than his own office (for he was a bursar), that he had delivered nothing but common things, and had swallowed down all the common mistakes.'8

That extract provides a pretty good account both of Baker himself and of the flavour of his History. As a scholar, Baker was, in every sense of the word, fastidious. As a person, he was more than a bit of a grouch. Throughout his History there are all sorts of clues to grievances and broken lances in lost battles scattered.

For example, when he concludes that the election of masters of the College had better be entrusted to the Crown, and remarks that 'whoever impartially views most of our [magisterial] elections, will I believe observe that good nature and a sociable temperament are generally made the first ingredients in a master',9 he is not speaking (shall we say) generally. Similarly, in the terms of his approbation of William Beale (probably the only Master of the College, so far, to have come close to being sold as a slave), 10 we may begin to understand why it was that Baker chose to end his History in the year 1670, four years before he himself came here.

'I have no Fondness or Partiality for the present College', he wrote in 1708. 'Nor do I enjoy such Advantages from it, as to tempt me to deviate from the Truth, and I do here declare, that I have more regard to our Founders and Benefactors that are dead and gone, than I have to the present College now living.' 11 We may sympathise with, we may even applaud sentiments such as these. Even so, coming from Baker, it has to be said that in 1708 they were perhaps rather less than generous sentiments - for by 1708 Baker had been enjoying the sanctuary of the College for all of fifteen years. Baker, however, was one of those whom the College seems to nourish in every generation: men (or as often as not women) endowed with a positive genius for falling out with the powers that be. In his case, not with the College Council or the Council of the University, as might be the case today, but rather with Whitehall.

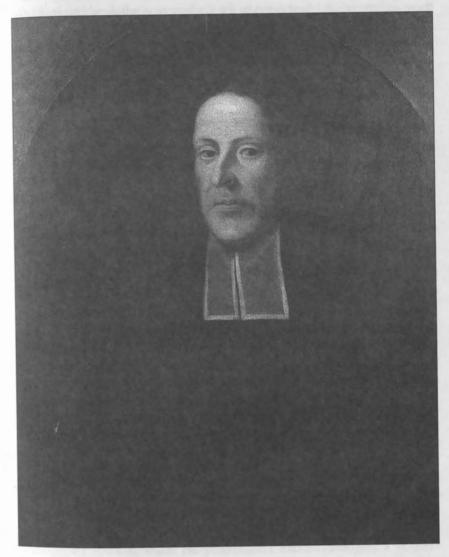
Baker's career coincided with momentous events in England's history. It straddled the Glorious Revolution (so called), on either side of which Baker contrived to make himself persona non grata with the authorities. Too little of a papist for James II, in the reign of Dutch William he got into trouble for being too much of one. Refusing to swear the oath of allegiance to the new regime, in 1693 he was ordered to be ejected from his Fellowship.

'I hate a feller who'll change his ancient doctrines for the sake of getting to heaven', the man in the pub in Thomas Hardy's novel said. 12 Thomas Baker held firm to his ancient doctrines. He refused to conform. Not all refused. Humphrey Gower, for example, our 24th Master and another of our benefactors, toed the line, and swore the oath, and for doing so received short shrift from William Cole, Baker's successor as historian of the College. Gower, wrote Cole, 'had been educated a presbyterian, and had a mastership, a canonry, a rectory and professorship to lose, and nothing to gain in the room of them, but the paltry satisfaction and empty honour of having acted according to his conscience.' 13

Cole's account of Gower was perhaps a touch harsh. For it was Humphrey Gower and Robert Jenkin, 25th Master, who ensured between them that it was not until 1717, twenty-four years after the order had been given, that Baker and other non-jurors were finally ejected. Masters of Colleges these days, and Vice-Chancellors, tend to be rather more responsive to Whitehall - and even to HEFCE. What is more, even then the non-jurors were not actually removed. Baker, for example, was allowed to keep his rooms in the recently completed Third Court, as a commoner-master, and to remain there for the rest of his life.

These days the College is rather more sympathetic to the likes of Todington and Barton, to Fellows and Scholars with gammy legs. Given the adventures some of them get up to in the Long Vacation these days, it has to be. But not even now would the Fellows' Rooms Committee show the degree of indulgence that was shown to Baker in 1717.

Whether it ought, or ought not to, I leave it for others to judge. I would only remark that it was in those rooms on F staircase, where John Kerrigan now keeps, and where before him Norman Henry (Benefactor)



Thomas Baker

used to hold court, that Baker burrowed away. And that it was from there, where when I first came to the College as a scholarship candidate in December 1960 to be interviewed by Ronald Robinson, and on presenting myself at the appointed hour was roped in to field at square leg on the evening when Ted Miller, Baker's successor as historian of the College, notched up the still intact record of 222 not out, it was from there that Baker continued to conduct his erudite correspondence with scholars all over Europe, breaking off from time to time only in order to cross the court to Bishop Williams's Library, there systematically to emend the dedications of the thousands of volumes which he had presented before 1717 with the words 'socius ejectus'.14

Baker was never in any formal sense Librarian of the College. Only de facto was he that. Baker was a gentleman rather than a player. He was only an amateur of books, only an amateur of learning. That was all he was. But thank God he was.

On the Library front too he comes across as rather a bitter man. The ejected Fellow was also rather a dejected fellow. In a letter to Thomas Hearne, that giant of medieval scholarship, in 1729, he referred plaintively to 'the old Books I gave to our Library, where they stand not very much regarded or wanted.' Happily, though, they survived, those old books of Baker's. They now constitute one of our chiefest treasures. Although 'not very much regarded or wanted' in the 1720s, books were at least safe then. Benefactions were secure. That was one of the things that Colleges were for. Of Gunning, the last of the Masters whose history he recorded, Baker wrote: 'His books were a considerable gift, left entire to the library, where they yet and always will bear his name.'16

Doubtless there was much that was deplorable about the eighteenthcentury College. But not everything about it was deplorable. At least it left Baker alone to get on with his work. They let him read his books, they even let him smoke his pipe. There is something to be said for Walpole's England. Modern administrators ought to be made to take Walpole's correspondence course. Quieta non movere, Walpole said. Leave things alone. And, as well as for affairs of state, that went for dusty old things like libraries, and books, and Thomas Baker.

I move on. 150 years after Baker's death the Penrose building was built - the building recently colonised by the College Library as we now know it - the building predicted by The Eagle of 1887 as destined to 'rank as one of the best nineteenth century works in Cambridge.'17 Whether that prediction was correct we shall never know alas. We were not quick enough about it. Fashions have changed even faster than the College has.

Indeed, fashions were already changing in 1887. There was something of the spirit of this in the commemoration sermon of that year, the first such sermon of which record has survived. The preacher on that occasion, the Rev. J. H. Lupton, Sur-Master of St Paul's School, took as his text the words of Isaiah, chapter 9: 'The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycamores are cut down, but we will change them into cedars' - the first part of which, the part about the bricks falling down and new-build, will remind those Fellows who are present of innumerable such assurances to the Governing Body provided by successive Domestic Bursars down the years.

As to its second part, well with this we are out of the Combination Room and out on the Backs. Since this time last year the copper beech by the old bridge has been cut down and its roots torn out. And what have we done? What we have not done is to change it into a cedar. What we have done is to plant another copper beech. In places like this continuities matter.

And people matter too. I refer again to The Eagle of 1887 and in particular to the report there that the Clerk of the Works (Mr Dalton) had unhappily fallen from a ladder on May 19 and broken his leg. 'He is now progressing favourably', the report concludes. 18 I seem to have had rather a lot to say about legs of one sort or another this morning wooden legs, broken legs and so on. But that may be no bad thing on an occasion such as this. For particularly at this time of year there tend to be more broken legs about the place than there are crutches.

On an occasion such as this - and particularly at the stage of the proceedings when there appears to be a sporting chance of the preacher drawing to a conclusion - one is all too apt to sit back in one's stall and

reflect on the names of the benefactors on the list - Baker's 'Founders and Benefactors that are dead and gone' - and to forget about those further legions of benefactors whose names are not read out because their names are writ in water. By whom I mean us.

Over the past twenty years I have served as a Tutor of the College, and for much of that time as Tutor for Graduate Affairs - and what a charming title that is. And in that capacity, for some years now I have been rather closely involved with the distribution of the largesse provided by those we are commemorating today.

The competition for Benefactors' scholarships which the generosity of our benefactors enables us to conduct year after year brings to the College from all over the world some of the ablest young scholars of their generation. Some of them perhaps are here this morning; I hope so. There are at least two reasons why they should be. For as well as its beneficiaries, they also are the College's benefactors. Alongside Baker's 'Founders and Benefactors that are dead and gone', they, who are alive and kicking, are its benefactors. They are the College. They - 'the present College now living' for whom curmudgeonly old Baker had such scant regard - are its principal asset.

They, you, we indeed - the Master, Fellows, Scholars, graduates, undergraduates and staff of the College - we who owe our being here at all to the likes of Thomas Baker, we are the College's benefactors too. We are its donors. We give to the place, we add to the place, by being of the place. As Baker said in the Preface to his History: 'If every one will add somewhat to what I have done, it may be a complete work in time.'19 This morning we have already praised famous men. Let us now praise and congratulate ourselves. As the continuing makers of 'a complete work in time', those of us who are here have richly deserved a glass of the Master's madeira wine and a celebratory slice of his seedcake. Moreover, we may not be altogether disappointed in the company. For, as has been written:

'Wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.'

Peter Linehan,

Notes:

- 1. As Thomas Baker described it, 'penned in such a strain, that whoever was the composer must surely have been very sensibly and feelingly affected with the bishop's sufferings, as well as with the obligations of the College': History of the College of St. John the Evangelist, Cambridge, ed. J. E. B. Mayor, Cambridge 1869, 102. See Guy Lee's exquisite translation, ante, lxxi (1986) 8.
- 2. Thomas Baker, ed., A Mornynge Remembraunce had at the Monethe Minde of Margarete Countesse of Richmonede, London 1708, ed. J. Hymers, The Funeral Sermon of Lady Margaret Beaufort, Cambridge 1840, 1, cit. Michael K. Jones and Malcolm G. Underwood, The King's Mother. Lady Margaret Beaufort, Countess of Richmond and Derby, Cambridge 1992, 5.
- 3. For Baker's panegyric of Fisher see Baker-Mayor, 102 ('In one word he was the best friend since the foundress and greatest patron the college ever had to this day').
- 4. St John's College Archives, D.89.199. I am extremely grateful to Mr Malcolm Underwood, College Archivist, for his guidance through the records.
- 5. Ibid.
- 6. Ibid., D.89.197, dorse: 'James Barton, with a wooden leg; queried' (Barton had been admitted pensioner in March 1738: R. F. Scott, ed., Admissions to the College of St John the Evangelist in the University of Cambridge, iii, Cambridge 1903, 89). The Visitor had been sent 'a letter [...] containing a collection of cases of deformed and mutilated persons, who had been f. or sch' - inter alios Christopherson ('with a hump back'), Shuttleworth, Twells and Benson ('all remarkably lame'), 'Ferne also now sch. remarkably deformed', 'Shaw had only one eye, but whether he lost it before or after his election, was not remembered': ibid.
- 7. Baker-Mayor, 1073.
- 8. Ibid., 9 (Preface).
- 9. Ibid., 199.
- 10. Ibid., 219.
- 11. Funeral Sermon, ed. Hymers, 52.
- 12. Far from the Madding Crowd, chap. 42.
- 13. Baker-Mayor, 993-4.
- 14. Cit. F. Korsten, A Catalogue of the Library of Thomas Baker, Cambridge
- 15. Ibid., p. xv. For Hearne, see D. C. Douglas, English Scholars 1660-1730, 2nd edn, London 1951, chap. IX.
- 16. Baker-Mayor, 238 (emphasis the Preacher's).
- 17. And this despite the characteristically Johnian propensity of 'the new Eagle Weathercock' to turn the wrong way in a strong breeze: ante, xlv, 408-9.
- 18. Ibid., 409.
- 19. Baker-Mayor, 10.

ONLY IN ENGLAND

The 1996 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures. An Insider's Report

So there you are: you have just lowered a plastic dinosaur into a lavatory cistern full of (clean) water. About 300 people, mostly children, are watching intently, and in due course this audience will be joined by another million. It is a demonstration in the very best traditions of the Royal Institution Christmas Lectures: simple, cheap, and infallible. The idea is straightforward and seeks to answer one of those nagging questions that occupy the brains of a surprising number of children. You tell me a dinosaur weighed more than ten African elephants, how do you know? Even if you could find a complete skeleton of a dinosaur that wouldn't tell you very much. Stacking all the bones up on a giant set of scales would only tell you how much a fossil dinosaur weighed, and that is not much help because the bones are impregnated with minerals and so weigh far more than the originals. But there is a way, using an experiment based on the principles of Archimedes¹. First, calculate the volume of a dinosaur. This is achieved by displacing the equivalent amount of water, out and into an adjacent measuring cylinder. Now it so happens that the model used was not recovered from a box of cornflakes, but obtained from a much more reliable source, specifically the shop in the Natural History Museum. The dinosaurs they sell are exactly forty times smaller than their once-living counterparts. So to calculate the volume of the original we multiply the displaced volume, say 600 cm³, by 40 cubed (403, or 40 x 40 x $\,$ 40). This figure can be simply converted into the actual weight, because the overall density of the dinosaur is only slightly greater than water, thus 3.84 x 107 cm³ is equivalent to 38.4 metric tonnes. So that is the background, and now the water is pouring out of the overflow pipe and, making some rather lavatorial noises, it is filling the measuring cylinder. The water has already passed the 300 cm³ mark, and curiously shows no signs of abating. The correct figure, of 600 cm³, is passed, but never mind, I reflect, it is the principle that matters. Or so it would be except that the flow is still unabated, and now the water is flowing out of the measuring cylinder and over the floor. Something has gone very wrong.

If, by any remote chance, you saw the lecture on television, you may have noticed the water actually stops at about 250 cm², far short of the correct figure. And that was on the third go. A fourth attempt? Better not, after 45 minutes of retakes, the audience was moving from mutinous to riot mode. And neither were they fooled. As they streamed out into the traditional Christmas scene of bomb alerts and conspicuous consumption, one irate father almost shouted 'Ten African elephants? Fiddlesticks!' I couldn't agree more.

But that perhaps was the high point in disasters. The only one that came remotely close was in the first of the five lectures. Many of the demonstrations are brought into the lecture theatre on trolleys. Because this is England, smooth and horizontal floors would be cheating. Hence the dinosaur and Archimedes. Sometimes, if the cargo is delicate or full of sloshing water, the trolley is more carried than pushed. A further feature, which would make our Government hug its collective self with joy, is an economy of trolleys. Why have enough, when you can just manage with less? Hence, one trolley used earlier for an impressive demonstration of squashing a cat with a million ton weight, was rejigged for the final demonstration. A central removable square, through which Bippin Parmar, hidden beneath the trolley top by tasteful drapes, had replaced the fluffy cat with the squashed version, afterwards had been improperly secured. And thus while I was explaining the intricacies of a stromatolite² growing on the equator 700 million years ago, assisted by two children and a Sun on a Stick, the centre of the trolley collapsed. For the first and only time, the floor manager Alex, a delightful man, who I am reliably informed is a household name amongst those who watch Songs of Praise, stopped the show. Members of the Surrealist Sportsman's Club³ glanced at their fobwatches to see the hands race backwards and then stop. The same children, who had returned to their seats, were chosen from a forest of hands, each attached to an eager volunteer. Meanwhile, frantic surgery to the trolley had been completed. The six-inch nails had, in true English fashion, worked. The demonstration was concluded, the final words given and half an hour later we were going over the next lecture, assisted by a gin and tonic the size of which would, I believe, have met even the demanding standards laid down by Dorothy Sayers4.

Four more lectures to go, each time learning more, adapting scripts and demonstrations right up to the last moment. Each lecture was preceded by a 'stagger', an entirely appropriate name as the cameras plotted the positions, followed by a dress rehearsal. Even on the last lecture, preparing to descend a steep flight of steps - pregnant with possibilities of disaster and appropriately ending beside a human skeleton - I murmured to myself 'What on Earth am I doing here?' It would have been more sensible to have told Peter Day, the Director of the Royal Institution, that I was most flattered by his invitation, but 'No'. But it was a Challenge, and if my ability to teach hasn't improved, I hope it is no worse for the experience. 'Only in England . . .', who else would try and prepare five hours of television, on a shoestring budget, demanding an uninterrupted delivery by an individual whose only claim to fame is the exhaustive study of fossil worms⁵. Not only that but are the lectures delivered in a commodious studio and to a hand-picked audience? Certainly not; they are given in a theatre eerily reminiscent of an anatomical room, that was designed to enthral and instruct the tophatted and crinolined classes of the nineteenth century by the geniuses of the Royal Institution, notably Faraday and Davy. The cameras, lights, smoke machines and general paraphernalia are wedged in, one set of double doors is removed and converted into a projector screen, and around the ambulatory of the theatre there are going to be some extraordinary sights: a giant marine reptile collected by Mary Anning6, neglected heroine of Lyme Regis who readily shared banter with the geological luminaries of her day, a tank full of piranhas, a man talking softly to a boa constrictor, a unique fossil from Greenland with an amazing anatomy that is frozen in the step between sea and land, and that squashed cat.

Work for the lectures got underway in September, initially with the producer Cynthia Page. She had only two questions: 'Where's the script?' and 'Yes, all very interesting, but who cares, what does it matter?' She certainly knows how to make programmes, but received her first set-back when she discovered I hadn't watched television for years. At this point I had to firmly insist that I had absolutely no intention of buying a television to see what antics one can get up to, so we compromised and I promised faithfully to look at previous Royal

Institution lectures on a video. Our new library in the College was the venue, and here I discovered the delights of a small button, marked 'Fast Forward'. My initial proposal was to give the five lectures with a broadly historical basis: primeval sludge to Tescos (or vice versa). The more I tried to justify it, the more my voice lacked conviction, worthy but dull. Instead, just as I teach my Part 1A class in the Natural Sciences Tripos, it had to be by topics, not history. The first lecture was suggested by the almost legendary Bryson Gore, the controller of all Royal Institution demonstrations. In the tiny room along the corridor from the theatre, where those invited to deliver the celebrated Friday Discourses wait in trepidation with decanter of whisky to hand and - so it is said door locked in case justifiable panic changes into precipitous flight7, the growing team would crowd in and try to thrash out a coherent plan. 'Tell them what a fossil is' insisted Bryson. He was right, of course. One of the many failings of academics is to assume that everyone else knows what the material is, how you study it, and why it matters. So the long path to, amongst other things, the squashed cat was underway.

By the end of November, less than three weeks before the first lecture, we were beginning to have a workable structure. In the BBC Centre at White City, the picture researcher was hunting for video clips and pictures, while the modeller Alan was hard at work preparing both the backdrop panels for the theatre and models of some of the more extraordinary forms of extinct life, such as the dream-like Hallucigenia. And then there was the problem with the specimens. Where can one obtain a giant millipede, a mammoth leg, or a fossil bird? This was in some ways the most heartening aspect of this whole enterprise, the endless willingness of people to listen to questions, give suggestions, and most important of all lend specimens, some of them entirely irreplaceable. A few days before the lectures began a convoy left Cambridge with the riches of the Sedgwick and Zoology Museums, while in the giant storehouse of the Natural History Museum in Wandsworth, once a bus depot, two of our technicians helped manhandle various items, including a huge tusk of the extinct mammoth. Room after room in the Royal Institution was crowded with fossils, each ear-marked for one or other of the lectures. Of course there were oversights, and more than once my secretary Sandra Last arrived



Professor Simon Conway Morris (photographed by Richard Kendal)

not only to hear the lectures but to hand over some vital specimen remembered at the last moment. And most important of all are the demonstrations, those apparently ad hoc items that are prepared with the minimum of expense and maximum of effect. 'What do you think, Bryson?' 'Impossible, can't be done'. 'How can we mineralize a bone in thirty seconds?' 'Here's an idea, but it probably won't work'. Bryson wasn't being awkward. He knew the theatre, its constraints, and all the tricks. When he approved it was going to work. By the time the cameras rolled, Bryson had left the Royal Institution, to go freelance but happily retained as a consultant and guide to his successor, Ilya Eigenbrot.

What was the best demonstration? In my opinion it was the illustration of what happens when a meteorite – it doesn't have to be that large, say 300 metres across - hits the ocean. A lot of kinetic energy is released, hardly surprising if something the size of the Albert Hall hits the Earth at 40 kilometres a second. The net result are tsunamis (or tidal waves) that radiate out from the point of impact. They are travelling fast, but in the open ocean they would hardly be noticed so low is their wave height. But things change dramatically when the tsunami approaches the land. As the water progressively shallows, the energy contained within the tsunami is concentrated so that the wave now rears up until it hits the coastline as a massive wall of water, 100 metres high. Graphic stuff, but in a lecture theatre? The idea came from Herbert Huppert in DAMTP, ably assisted by Mark Hallworth. A long tank was procured, with a sloping shelf at one end. It was then filled with two liquids, water dyed blue to represent the ocean overlain by colourless paraffin (yes, that's the atmosphere). The floor of the tank therefore was submerged, except for the highest part of the shelf which represented the land and so was tastefully arranged with model houses. Dropping a rock into this 'ocean' doesn't work, we tried it. But the principle of energy transfer is easily achieved by constructing a lock at one end, filling it with more blue water and then, having explained the idea to the audience, releasing it. The result was remarkable and frightening. As expected a low wave moved along the interface between water and paraffin, heading towards the 'city' at the opposite end of the tank. Crossing the slope the wave steepened dramatically and surged over the model houses. Replayed in slow motion the demonstration was even more

chilling; the audience had been given something to think about. These threats are real. Rocks do fall out of the sky, and if one hit the Atlantic Ocean the surrounding sea-boards would be inundated as tsunamis washed over our coasts. As the physicists who undertook the calculations8 pointed out, maybe we should reconsider the legends of the destruction of Atlantis.

The lectures I gave seem to have been well received, and certainly I have never had a fuller, more entertaining and often kind postbag. If the series was a success, then my contribution was only part of the equation. Apart from the generosity of scientists and museums, what I most appreciated was the sheer professionalism of the BBC. In the broadcast van parked outside, the director Ian Russell with Cynthia Page and Caroline van der Brul stitched together the seamless lectures as televised. As a parting gift, Ian gave me two things: a bottle of gin and a tape of the voice-overs from the last, just-completed, lecture. The tape had both me lecturing and the commentary from the people in the outside broadcast van. 'Camera 5 steady, very nice, over to Camera 4, wish he would hold the fossil still, now he's going to walk to the screen, Camera 5 thank you, where's he gone to' Just before the last lecture, masked with make-up and with nothing to do until Alex tapped me on the shoulder before I had one last try at walking into the theatre and tripping over some neglected object, I sat motionless in an armchair with nothing to do but watch everyone else entirely confident and moving with brisk purpose.

I thought that even if I missed the War, this was a kind of substitute. Here was a team that had magically coalesced, but not congealed, and against all the odds we were going to win. Would I ever do it again? someone mischievously asked. No, definitely only once in a lifetime, thank you very much. Ah yes, but did you know that Faraday also gave the Christmas lectures? How many times? Not once, but on nineteen separate occasions. In comparison we are just a bunch of amateurs.

Simon Conway Morris

- 1. For further details see the book by R. McNeill Alexander Dynamics of Dinosaurs and other Extinct Giants (Columbia University Press, 1989).
- 2 Stromatolites are laminated sedimentary structures built by microbial mats, notably the cyanobacteria. They are exceptionally common in the Precambrian, but thereafter are generally rare, although Recent examples are known from various parts of the world, including Shark Bay in Western Australia.
- 3. For those unfamiliar with The Exploits of Engelbrecht abstracted from the Chronicles of The Surrealist Sportsman's Club by Maurice Richardson, describing the prowess of Engelbrecht the Dwarf and a cast of grotesques, including plucky little Charles Wapentake, a delight awaits.
- 4. See Barbara Reynolds book Dorothy Sayers, Her Life and Soul (Hodder and Stoughton, 1993), where she reports (p. 333) that Sayers 'came away from the meeting very depressed. To Canon Cockin, a member of the committee, she wrote, 'It sent me out in a mood for a stiff gin and tonic".
- 5. My research thesis for the Title A competition at St John's was entitled Interesting fossil worms. But if one is looking for a longer-term memorial remember N.C. Barbellion's suggestion, in his poignant book The Journal of a Disappointed Man, for a possible inscription on his gravestone: 'He played Ludo well'.
- 6. For an interesting introduction to the life of Mary Anning see the short account by Crispin Tickell entitled Mary Anning of Lyme Regis (Lyme Regis Philpot Museum, c.1995). More technical, but equally interesting, is the paper by H. Torrens in British Journal for the History of Science, vol. 28, pp. 257-284 [1995].
- 7. Alas, all a legend. Even the story of Wheatstone, leaping from the window into the fogs of Piccadilly, never to give his Friday Discourse, is an embellishment. The locked door? Fire Regs, old boy. Whisky? Certainly, but after the lecture.
- 8. See the paper by J.G. Hills & M.P. Goda in The Astronomical Journal, vol. 105, pp. 1114-1144 [1993].

THE COLLEGE CHOIR'S TOUR OF AUSTRALIA

9-26 August 1997

'Rarely does one hear a choral sound of such unforced intensity, balance and simplicity of pitch and vocal line The public response to this unimpeachable vocal quality..has been remarkable.'

From the Sydney Morning Herald review of the Sydney Opera House Concert on 16 August 1997

As Tutor to the Choristers at the College School, I felt very privileged to be asked by Christopher Robinson to accompany the Choristers on the 1996 Summer Tour of Australia. I had sung with the Choir in 1991 when they last went to the Antipodes, and I was very excited at the thought of a return journey, albeit with supervisory and pastoral, rather than vocal, responsibilities. My excitement was not misplaced, as this was a most successful tour.

The Choristers coped admirably with the eighteen days of travel (including a delay of five hours on the runway at Heathrow before taking off at 3.30 in the morning), as well as the considerable demands of rehearsals and concerts. Despite such rigours of touring and the difficulties of being far from home, some sickness, (attended to by the school Matron, Caroline Cooper, whose last tour with the Choir this was), and the inevitable jet-lag, the boys continued to produce polished performances throughout the tour. They additionally recorded a Television programme in Melbourne Cathedral.

The Gentlemen too, contributed very fine performances in the back row, with some excellent solos, notably from Andrew Hewitt in Mendelssohn's moving setting of 'Ave Maria', and from Ian Aitkenhead, whose performance of the alto solo in Gibbons' 'This is the Record of John' was singled out by the reviewer quoted above, as one of the highlights of the Sydney Opera House concert. The Gents, in different guise, also provided a Close Harmony item during the encores in each concert and this was very well received.

The Chaplain, Nick Moir, represented the College in clerical and secular roles. His contribution to smoothing the logistical arrangements at each concert was enormously valuable. Shirley Robinson is similarly to be thanked for her work backstage and for her willing help with the Choristers.

In terms of the performances, the quotation at the beginning of this article is typical of the reviews received by the Choir. It is also true to say that the response of the Australian public in Brisbane, Lismore, Canberra, Sydney (three concerts), Melbourne and Adelaide was indeed 'remarkable'. Capacity audiences were hugely enthusiastic and showed great appreciation of the repertoire offered by the Choir. This was organised into two programmes. Each offered a wide range of composers and styles ranging from the delicate beauty of the unaccompanied 16th Century setting of a Latin text by John Sheppard to the more passionate and extended works of Mendelssohn, Brahms and Bruckner. Coronation Anthems by Wesley, Elgar and Parry, and secular pieces by modern English Composers such as Bax and Britten were all well received. Allan Walker, the Senior Organ Student assisted by Peter Davis, performed two solo organ items in each concert including the Bach D minor Toccata and Fugue and the Allegro Vivace from Widor's Fifth Organ Symphony.

John Sheppard's shimmering and transcendent setting of 'Gaude, Gaude, Gaude Maria Virgo' for unaccompanied six-part choir, opened many of the concerts. The Sydney Town Hall performance (broadcast live on the ABC National Radio Network) was particularly memorable not only because of the quality of the singing, but also because of the fact that the start of this piece, and therefore the concert, was delayed (live) for many minutes while latecomers settled. The fragile beauty of the Sheppard would have been fractured by the least of interruptions and Mr Robinson was steadfast in waiting for absolute silence before conducting the first downbeat.

This concert was part of the Awards ceremony of the World Choral Symposium. This is an international Choral Festival funded by UNESCO which, bi-annually, brings together choirs from all over the

world to compete for a prestigious choral award. Choirs had been competing in Sydney for two weeks and the St John's Concert provided the climax of the entire event. Once the extended applause for the College Choir from this international and expert gathering had died down, the broadcast ended and the winning Choir was presented the award by Dame Joan Sutherland.

The Symposium also included seminars and workshops and, earlier on the same day, Mr Robinson, with the help of six Choristers, had presented a seminar for a large number of the aforementioned cognoscenti in the Town Hall on the subject of the English Choral tradition. Coincidentally, this event took place at the same time as the Mayor of Sydney stood on the steps of the Town Hall to welcome back the triumphant Australian Olympic Team. A cheering crowd of thousands lined the streets for a ticker-tape parade. Happily, neither event disturbed the other.



The men of the College Choir outside the Opera House

I could go on at greater length about the quality of the performances and the hospitality of our hosts and audiences, about the spectacular scenery, the glorious winter weather (twenty two degrees and blue skies in Sydney), the Gents' visit to a Winery, and what it is like to feed an Emu, let alone savour a Kangaroo steak or Barrundi, but, suffice to say: in every respect this was a most successful and rewarding tour.

Special mention should be made of the extent to which we were looked after and our needs catered for by Musica Viva, the promotions agency responsible for the tour. Damien Boyle, the operations manager and his team deserve recognition for their impeccable work.

Thanks are due to the myriad of sponsors who contributed through Musica Viva, to our own agents, Stephannie Williams Artists, and to the British Council for its major sponsorship.

The English Choral Tradition is a very special and much loved export on the world stage and I am sure that it will not be too long before the Australian concert-going public once again demands to hear the sound of St John's in its major concert halls and cathedrals.

Finally, thanks are due to Christopher Robinson for a series of worldclass performances.

David Thomson

A dream come true

The Choir's tour to Australia, 7 – 26 August 1996

To tour to Australia was the dream of many in the Choir, and it lived up to expectations. Though we toured in late winter, the weather was pleasantly warm, except for a drizzly Melbourne. Starting in Brisbane, we made our way down the east coast to Adelaide via Lismore, Sydney, Canberra and Melbourne; sadly, we did not make it to Perth this time.

The tour was relaxed, with only eight concerts in nearly three weeks, so we had plenty of time to explore, especially in Sydney, where some of us fed sumptuously on sea-food, and managed to catch the Australian Olympians' ticker-tape parade, quite a contrast to scenes at home.

The concerts in Sydney were the most memorable. I can vouch for the acoustics of the Opera House's concert hall, as during the rehearsal I was able to hear our alto soloist, never the loudest of voices, from the very back. In the Town Hall, we were party to a presentation by Joan Sutherland (to a Finnish choir, I hasten to add) made after our concert, to end the Fourth World Symposium on Choral Music. It was on that occasion that the Choir became familiar with the Song of Australia which has all the qualities required to be the national anthem.

Everywhere we went we were showered with hospitality and kindness, and Musica Viva's comprehensive organisation was a welcome change from the DIY approach of many tours. May the Choir return soon; the only pity is that those of us who went this time will not be able to go again.

Reuben Thomas

THOMAS CLARKSON

(BA, 1783)

One of the kitchen staff, laden with lovely jubbly, was heard to say on the occasion of a commemoration of Wordsworth in the late 1960s, 'Why do they want to dig up old Bill Wordsworth now?' On 6 November, 1996, the College was moved to dig up old Thomas Clarkson. It was a memorable occasion and a fitting tribute to the great Johnian who, with William Wilberforce, himself a Johnian, were the Tweedle Dum and Tweedle Dee of abolitionists.

Clarkson, understood by many to be the true tireless worker in this endeavour and, unlike Wilberforce, hitherto not fully recognised, in September 1996 found his place in Westminster Abbey when the Master unveiled a plaque to his memory. It reads simply: 'A friend to slaves, Thomas Clarkson'. The Johnian character of this occasion was confirmed by the choice of preacher, Stephen Sykes, Bishop of Ely and Visitor of the College.

A service in Chapel initiated the proceedings on 6 November. The Introit anthem was Britten's setting of the Negro Spiritual 'Steal away to Jesus'. The piercing treble voice at once came between the congregation and its wits; it was that sort of sound which has a directly physical effect on its hearers. The Senior Tutor, Ray Jobling (who had done much to promote the day), read from Clarkson's writings and the Master from the Scriptures; the choir's principal offering was Elgar's 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me', a solemn meditation on prophetic vocation in big matters. Psalm 114, in exitu Israel, brought Clarkson's work into relationship with the classical, biblical liberation from slavery. A rousing sermon was given by Dr John Sentamu, sometime Vicar of Brixton and now Bishop of Stepney - the Church of England's second black bishop. The amplification system was not consistently up to the Bishop's lively diction, but, nonetheless, the Congregation perceived clearly both the serious tone of the preacher's message and also that their legs were being pulled - and hard! The Bishop's eye seemed to alight with particular force (as preachers' eyes sometimes do) on Colonel Robinson,

Thomas Clarkson, commemorated by a statue on the College Chapel

the Domestic Bursar, as if he were wearing a pith helmet, and the latter's infectious laugh mingled with that of the preacher for the rest of the day.

A buffet lunch proved a delightful occasion when fellows mixed with burghers of Wisbech, Clarkson's home town, foremost of whom was the Lord Lieutenant, James Crowden, as well as with descendants of the great man himself.

The day was completed by two lectures, naturally by distinguished Johnian historians. Professor Hugh Brogan of the University of Essex, urbane and witty, spoke to 'Thomas

Clarkson's Life and character'. Dr Keith Hart who *mirabile dictu* spoke without notes of any kind, ably put Clarkson's work within its historical context: 'Clarkson, Cambridge and the International Movement for Human Rights'. The two lectures were admirably complementary.

The Library staff mounted for the occasion a fine exhibition which displayed Clarkson memorabilia in the College's possession.

If souvent me souvient, then her College, which has taken on this sacred duty, did, on 6 November, effectively call to mind one of her great sons.

Andrew Macintosh

JOHN COUCH ADAMS AND THE DISCOVERY OF NEPTUNE

Just over fifty years ago, in October 1946, I came up to John's wrestling with the problem of whether to read Natural Sciences or Mathematics. I was much attracted by Mathematics which offered Astronomy as an option in the final year, and unfortunately at that time it was possible to do only half-subject Mathematics in Natural Sciences Part I. In the event, however, I decided on Natural Sciences, more particularly Physics in Part II.

On the first day of the Michaelmas Term 1946 a lecture was given by the Astronomer Royal, Sir Harold Spencer Jones, to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Discovery of Neptune. Since John Couch Adams, the British astronomer involved in the discovery, was a Johnian, I decided to have a look at his papers in the College Library and write an account of what happened to mark the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the discovery.

John Adams was born in 1819 in Cornwall, of farming stock, and from an early age confounded his family and teachers with his mathematical ability. He earned a place at St John's and was awarded a Scholarship. At the end of his undergraduate studies in 1843 he was Senior Wrangler, with more than twice the marks of the Second Wrangler. Despite this success he was always modest, retiring and self-effacing, but always sincere and ready to help people.

He had become interested in the problem of Uranus in 1841 when he read a report on Astronomy by the Astronomer Royal, Sir George Airy. The five planets, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn had been observed for centuries, distinguished from stars because they moved relatively to the stars from night to night. Through a telescope each planet was seen as a small disc, whereas a star was a point. Johannes Kepler had shown that each planet orbited the Sun in an ellipse – one of his laws – and Sir Isaac Newton explained these laws by the Inverse Square Law of Gravitation (doubling the distance between two bodies divides by four the gravitational force of attraction).

In 1781 Sir William Herschel, an organist in Bath, using a home-made telescope had discovered an object in the sky which moved relatively to the stars. It was the sixth planet, later called Uranus. Observations were taken of the position of the planet at various times so that its orbit could be determined. This involved finding:

its average distance from the Sun;

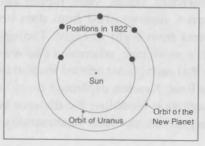
the eccentricity of its elliptical orbit (e.g. 0.9 if 'very oblong', 0.1 if nearly circular);

three angles which determine how the ellipse is orientated in space; the date and time when the planet is at a known point in its orbit, e.g. when nearest the Sun.

To find these six 'unknowns' or planetary elements, the six equations needed were obtained using the positions of Uranus in the sky at three different times.

When records of observations previous to 1781 were examined it was found that Uranus had been seen (but thought to be a star) several times, the first time by John Flamsteed, the first Astronomer Royal, in 1690. The positions observed, however, did not agree with the positions calculated from the now known orbit. Discrepancies continued to be found as more observations of Uranus were made over the years.

John Adams thought that there must be another, hitherto unseen, planet beyond Uranus attracting it and causing small changes in its orbit, called perturbations. In the figure, the New Planet at U1, and make it move faster round its orbit, whereas at N₃, the attraction would cause Uranus at U₃, to move more slowly. This idea had in fact, occurred to one or two people before, but no one had worked on it.



He spent a long time determining the orbit of the New Planet such that Uranus would be affected in the way that it is observed. He allowed for the fact that the elements of the orbit of Uranus were not known accurately, and made them unknowns in his equations, together with a similar set of unknowns for the New Planet. He made an assumption, based on the values of the average distances of the other planets from the Sun, that the New Planet was twice as far from the Sun as Uranus. Much of the work he did in his head before writing anything - in the Problem Paper in his Tripos he had thought for an hour, then picked up his pen and written all the answers without a pause.

To make the mathematics easier, he introduced other unknowns, and ended up with 27! He had values of the discrepancy for 29 different years, including readings for years both before and after 1781 when Uranus was discovered. So the problem was soluble, if difficult and tedious, and Adams solved it. Some of the later readings he had obtained from Sir George Airy the Astronomer Royal, through Professor James Challis, Director of the Cambridge Observatory, who had written to ask for them.

While an undergraduate, Adams had had rooms in the 'Labyrinth', a building which was on the site of the present College Chapel (built 1868). The rooms on the ground floor were very dark, and on a winter's night, he would work into the small hours by candlelight, often missing his first lecture the next morning (at 8 am!) After his success in the Tripos, he was appointed a Fellow and then had rooms in F1 Second Court, next to the Shrewsbury Tower. The top of the Tower was the site of the College Observatory, of which Adams was one of the curators. (The roof of the Tower has been rebuilt during recent alterations, but there are two pictures of the old Observatory in the Library). Later he had rooms in A9 New Court.

Towards the end of September 1845 Adams took his work, which included the predicted position of the New Planet for October 1 1845, to Greenwich to give to Airy, but discourteously he had made no appointment. Airy was away at a meeting discussing the design of a new breakwater at Cherbourg, but Adams left the letter of introduction which Challis had written for him. Airy wrote to Challis saying he

would be pleased to see Adams who called again on October 21 1845, again not making an appointment. Airy was out, but Adams gave his card to Mrs Airy, saying he would call back later that day. On her husband's return, she did not give him the message - she was, in fact, expecting her ninth child - and when Adams called back he was told that the Airys were at dinner and could not be disturbed. Mortified, he left his papers at the Observatory.

Airy found time to write to Adams to acknowledge the papers but, not liking the assumption made about distance of the New Planet from the Sun, he asked a question about it. Adams thought the question was trivial, because he thought it was important to find the planet first, then make certain of its distance. He did not reply to Airy, who took no further action.

On November 10 1845, a scientific paper reached Airy from France, published by Urbain Le Verrier on the perturbations of Uranus by Jupiter and Saturn, and another paper in June 1846 which convinced Airy that further perturbations of Uranus had to be due to a planet, as yet unseen. Airy wrote to Le Verrier asking the same question as he had asked Adams about distance. Airy liked the explanation of how the calculations had been done, and their accuracy.

At this stage Adams and Le Verrier did not know that the other was working on the same idea. But Airy realised that both of them had predicted the same position for the New Planet within a few degrees. He felt encouraged and on July 9 1846 told Challis to search for it, using the Northumberland Telescope (a 29.8 cm refractor) at Cambridge, which had a larger aperture than of any of those at Greenwich. Challis began searching on July 29 1846, and recorded observations of stars in the appropriate part of the sky on July 30 and August 12. There was no star map of that part of the sky in the University Library, and Challis knew that he would find the New Planet only by virtue of its being in a different position relative to the stars on different nights. He numbered the stars recorded on August 12 and found that nos. 1 to 39 also appeared in the July 30 records. It turned out later that no. 49 was, in fact, the New Planet. How nearly the New Planet was to being seen first by Britain! It had wandered into that part of the sky between July 30 and

August 12. Challis, however, continued recording stars for another 21/2 months, doing some comparisons.

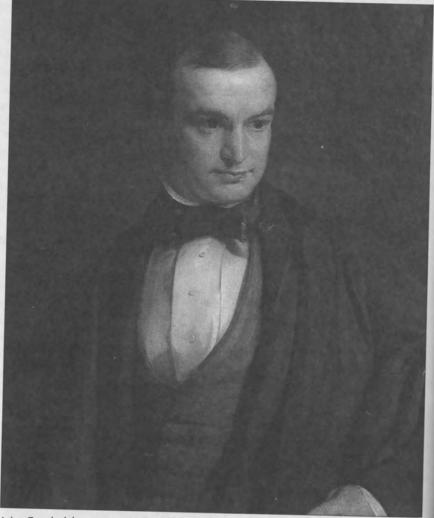
On August 31 another paper published by Le Verrier showed that the New Planet was large enough to be seen as a disc through a telescope. Challis did not hear about this until September 29, when he started looking for a star with a disc. This was a quicker operation than what he had been doing.

French astronomers were not searching for the New Planet because Le Verrier was an irritable and difficult person, who in the end sent all the information to Johann Galle, an acquaintance of his at the Berlin Observatory. With the aid of a new star atlas recently completed, but not yet published, Galle and an assistant sighted the New Planet a day or two later on September 24. The news reached Challis on October 1, two days after he had seen it himself.

Le Verrier and the French claimed the discovery. When Airy wrote later to Le Verrier he mentioned the work which Adams had done, and said that he had known about it earlier. Francois Arago, the Director of the Paris Observatory, heard about this and objected violently to any implication that the honours should be shared with someone who had published nothing.

Whose fault was it that Adams did not receive all the kudos? Should Airy have done something about Adams' work even though he received no answer to his question about distance. Was Adams too unassuming and discourteous? Was Mrs Airy forgetful? Was Challis ineffective, indecisive and lacking in initiative? On one occasion he had missed observing with a friend, because they had stopped to have a cup of tea with Mrs Challis before observing - and then the sky clouded over. Many people blame Airy, but he, though a Senior Wrangler himself, could not envisage that a prediction could possibly be made about a planet which had not been discovered. He was well-organised and efficient, but occupied with many other non-astronomical activities, such as the Commission which was deciding on what the Railway Gauge should be in Britain. And as Astronomer Royal paid out of public money, he felt that his main duty was to keep the work of the Royal Observatory up to date, rather than

spend time and money on something which might lead to nothing. No single person was responsible for what happened. Perhaps a brief summary of the situation is that Adams did the mathematics first; Le Verrier published first, and then the New Planet was discovered. The name Neptune was chosen very soon afterwards.



John Couch Adams

In 1847 Sir John Herschel, also a Johnian, son of Sir William, invited both Adams and Le Verrier to his house 'Collingwood' in Kent, where they got on extremely well together, acknowledging each other's ability. It was a kind of Astronomical Summit.

What Adams has done was hailed in Britain as a great discovery, and he was pleased to have his work recognised. He was awarded a Fellowship at St John's. He did a turn as Junior Proctor and had to deal with cheating by undergraduates in examinations. He was offered a knighthood by Queen Victoria, but refused it, because he did not have enough money to keep up the standard of living that would be required. He became Lowndean Professor of Astronomy and Geometry at Cambridge, and in 1861 was appointed Director of the Cambridge Observatory. In 1863 he married an Irish lady, Eliza Bruce, a descendant of Robert Bruce. He was twice President of the Royal Astronomical Society, but declined the post of Astronomer Royal when Sir George Airy retired.

He died in Cambridge in 1892, his wife in 1919 (almost exactly 100 years after the birth of her husband). They are buried in a corner of St Giles' Cemetery, off Huntingdon Road, under a 70 foot high granite cross with Celtic design. There is a picture of him as a young man in Hall in College, one bust of him also in Hall, next to that of Sir John Herschel, and another bust of him in the Library.

He was a genius, the greatest English astronomer and mathematician since Sir Isaac Newton. He picked up a few more pebbles from the same Ocean of Truth as Newton. In Westminster Abbey in 1895, 50 years after he completed his preliminary calculations on Neptune, a memorial tablet was unveiled, near that of Newton.

It was in 1822 that Uranus and the New Planet were directly in line with the Sun. The next time that Neptune and Uranus were positioned like this was in 1993. Perhaps in 2015 or so, a young Ph.D. student will repeat Adams' methods - with the aid of a computer?

Mr A B Ruth

'BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER VIIIS': A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

The history of the Lady Margaret Boat Club is a tale of pleasure and pain, love and betrayal, defeat and victory, on an epic scale. It is a story of blisters, bumps and boat-burnings which links thousands of Johnians around the world. As editor of the third volume of the history, I have been privileged to preview the latest instalment, and am able to bring you a few of its highlights.

In the late 1950s, where my responsibility for the history begins, it may have seemed that the glory days of Lady Margaret were over. The legendary 1951 May crew, which formed the bulk of that year's Blue Boat and the following year's Olympic squad, will almost certainly never be equalled, but then the nature of rowing, and the nature of studying at Cambridge has changed much since then.

As usually happens, what goes up must eventually come down, and LMBC's progress over the last forty years has been cyclical. Unlike some clubs, who have sunk lower and lower each year, and others who have never quite made it to the top, Lady Margaret has continued to produce Blues, Olympians and Headship crews at regular intervals. Between 1957 and 1991, the Men's 1st VIII was Head of the Lents more times than any other crew (ten times compared to Jesus' eight) and gained an unrivalled number of May Headships (eleven compared to 1st & 3rd and Pembroke's five each). In 1974-1975, Lady Margaret won every major event in Cambridge, and started a seven year run as Head of the Lents. Even in the lean years, when the downward part of the cycle must have seemed disastrous, the 1st VIII never fell lower than eighth in the Lents (unequalled by any other club) and seventh in the Mays (equalled only by Pembroke). Although the Ladies' crews only feature towards the end of this period of LMBC's history, they have already added to the Club's successes. Within a decade of the admittance of women to the College, they had rowed up the divisions to Head of the Lents and the Mays, as well as contributing to University crews and producing an Olympian.

Although the Club has attracted many talented athletes, rowing for Lady Margaret is not limited to an elite. As time has progressed, the number of freshers with previous rowing experience has diminished, allowing novices the opportunity of working their way up the ranks into the higher boats. After a gruelling apprenticeship of early morning starts, these determined novices have been known to overtake more experienced rowers and attain the heights of 1st May colours and Club Captaincy. The breadth of the Club's talent has also been noticeable over the years. Competition for seats is usually fierce and, if disappointed triallists consent to row in a lower boat, strength in all the senior crews is ensured. The 2nd May VIII has held the second boat headship at least twelve times since 1957, and in 1979 rose as high as eighth place in the first division.

It is a pleasure to acknowledge so many triumphs and victories, but for many, rowing has never been rewarded with pots, pennants and blades. These Club members have enjoyed the sport for the exhilaration it produces, and for the camaraderie that comes with belonging to such a closely knit team. Every Easter Term rowers and non-rowers alike are tempted by the balmy summer evenings to put together crews for the fun of it. In 1964, the Club managed to put out fifteen eights, which meant that a quarter of the College were on the river that summer. Rugby, football and hockey players seem to forget their derision of 'boaties' for a while, and take up rowing. All of them know that, even if they do not win blades, they will be rewarded with a lively Bumps Supper at the end of their exertions.

The Bumps Supper is always enlivened by a boat burning. The combination of copious amounts of alcohol and a blazing clinker is the authorities' nightmare, the former being usually quite enough to handle on its own. Astonishingly, I have found no reference to serious injury in conjunction with this event, which has had occasion to be held at St John's in eighteen of the last forty years. When such pleasures were not to be had, other pursuits were found for an evening's entertainment. Hanging bicycles from the college flagpole, taking ballcocks out of other colleges' toilets, painting the Railway Bridge red, and changing the direction of traffic in Trinity Street by turning any parked cars round, were a few such distractions. Some activities occasioned the involvement of the police, and the Dean would have to draw upon all his skills as a negotiator on the culprits' behalf.

As one of the oldest college boat clubs, Lady Margaret is fortunate to have a strong written and oral tradition. The conviction that the Club is the best is passed from generation to generation. This has given members the confidence to dominate the Cam, and has resulted in some of the lowlier clubs believing that St John's actually owns the river. Lady Margaret can also lay claim to producing the 'blazer', for the club's scarlet coat was originally the only jacket to bear that name. Some traditions have been forgotten, and new ones have arisen. The Club no longer performs 'Viva Laeta Margareta' at the May Week Concert, nor stays each year at Remenham Rectory in Henley. The pre-Bumps breakfast 'constitutional' has been replaced by the 'stomp': hitting a tree outside New Court, and jostling 1st & 3rd on the circuit through Trinity. 'Fitz's Picnic' at Henley is a welcome addition to Club tradition, whereas the more recent introduction of drinking mint sauce at Bumps Suppers may not please the elected participants quite so much. The function of the Club as a dating agency may seem to be quite a recent development. Certainly there have been a number of LMBC marriages since the arrival of women at St John's. However, my research has revealed that since the early days of the club, 'Henley romances' have been common between oarsmen and their fellow crew members' sisters.

It is not merely the social side of the Club that has altered over the last forty years: the nature of rowing at Lady Margaret has also had to change a good deal, especially with regard to equipment. Plastic and fibreglass have replaced much of what was once wood. Blade design has changed twice - amid controversy both times. Ergometers and cox-boxes are now ubiquitous, and have become ever more hi-tech. In addition, coach to cox communication is possible through a headset rather than a megaphone. LMBC has moved with the times, aided by David Dunn, Roger Silk and the late Brian Lloyd, who have been with the club since the 1950s. The success of Lady Margaret is due in no small part to the continuity of their support. Few clubs are lucky enough to have such dedicated and experienced coaches, a fact noted by the large number of LMBC members who cite them as their 'greatest influence'.

Lady Margaret, like every other boat club, relies not only on the talent of its rowers, but also on the multitude of coaches who, each year, give freely of their time and experience. Not all come willingly, and captains have been known to go to extraordinary lengths to persuade them to turn up. Methods have ranged from cornering their victims on a postoperative hospital bed to blackmailing those caught in compromising positions. And come they inevitably do, some to encourage considerable improvement, others to instil their proteges with great pride, a little technique, and to declare, with perhaps only a couple of years' retrospection, 'In my day we knew how to row'.

Thus far, mention has only been made of rowers and coaches, so I would like to remind you of the often forgotten, though indispensable, member of the crew: the cox. The cox must take charge of both rudder and rowers, inspiring and, if all else fails, bullying the crew into giving its best. Unfortunately the cox is more frequently remembered for the bad than the good performance, the crash rather than the 'perfect line', and some of us have contributed more to the spills than the thrills of the sport. However, many Lady Margaret coxes have represented the Club in University boats, as well as being instrumental in the successes of our own crews.

Before I conclude, I would like to draw attention to the 'infinite variety' of the Club. Members may have rowed at school, or never touched an oar before. They come from a wide range of disciplines, though engineering, medicine and theology do contribute a surprisingly large percentage. And when they leave, LMBC members become not only engineers, doctors and clergymen, but academics, government ministers and businessmen. A cartoonist, an oboe reed maker and the owner of a yacht charter company in the Virgin Islands all once rowed for Lady Margaret. There is no such thing as a typical rower and it is to every member of the Club, past, present and future, that I would like to pay tribute. They are all part of the tradition that has made LMBC successful, and that will continue to make it so.

Jane Milburn

Research for the third volume of the History of the LMBC is still going on and there is still a chance to add your memories. Please write to Miss Jane Milburn c/o the Johnian Office, St John's College, Cambridge, CB2 1TP.

WOMEN'S NETWORK AND DINNER

At the end of last year, in my capacity as JCR Women's Officer, I arranged a Women's Dinner, as Lucy Milton had done the previous year. The aim was to bring together former and present Johnian women in a relaxed environment, and to encourage the development of informal networks between Johnian women of all ages.

I was delighted at the general response to an event of this kind. Although many of the non-resident Johnian women were not able to take time out from their busy schedules, nearly all expressed great interest in attending future events and actively supported the idea of a women's network.

The dinner took place on 10 November 1996 and the evening was a great success, despite the fact that the main speaker had to cancel last minute to fly to Jordan and meet King Hussein – a clear indication of the high-powered potential of Johnian women! It was attended by 45 students, 5 fellows and 8 non-resident Johnian women. A pre-dinner reception was held in the Wordsworth Room where each of the 'old' Johnians spoke a little about themselves, their work and their memories of John's. This was followed by Hall and, finally, drinks in the Master's Lodge. The evening could not have gone ahead without the help of Catherine Twilley, the Development Officer, the catering and conference department and, in particular, the Master, who has always been extremely supportive of women's issues in college; I am grateful to all of them.

Obviously, women have not been at St John's College long enough to establish an effective networking system, but I believe that it is crucial to build one up. My view was reinforced by how well everyone got on at the dinner and by the interest shown by so many non-resident Johnians in meeting current students, and vice versa. The notion of networking has perhaps acquired rather negative connotations nowadays, associated with opportunism and unfairness. However, I believe that this view ignores the positive aspects of a system which encourages a great deal of solidarity. Over the years John's has

developed a strong old boys network which has proved invaluable. It has allowed people to keep in touch with College life and old friends, provided them with support, with helpful contacts in the world of work, and the benefit of others' experience.

I hope, therefore, that these dinners have provided the first stage of a process of women's networking and I look forward to even bigger and better evenings of this kind. I also hope that future women's officers will recognise the importance of such a process so that both men and women may benefit equally from the many advantages of attending St John's.

Treeva Fenwick

If you wish to be involved in a Johnian Women's networking group, please contact Catherine Twilley, Development Officer, St John's College, Cambridge, CB2 1TP indicating your current occupation.



Treeva Fenwick at a College Women's meeting

ST JOHN'S AND THE CENTENARY OF THE CAIRO GENIZAH COLLECTION

On 27 February, 1997, the President of Israel, Mr Ezer Weizman, made a special visit to the University Library in order to view specimen fragments of the famous and priceless collection of Jewish manuscripts from the Genizah of the Ben Ezra Synagogue in Cairo.

Charles Taylor, Master of the College 1881 to 1908, though his principal discipline was Mathematics, took a keen interest in the Hebrew language throughout his life. He was not Jewish, but he developed a particular expertise in Talmudic studies and wrote a definitive edition of the tractate The Sayings of the Jewish Fathers (Pirqe-Aboth, Cambridge, 1877) which is still valued and in use to this day. He was physically a very large man and he married, late in life, a lady many years his junior. J S Boys Smith, sometime Master, who had met her as a widow, used to recall that she always referred to him not as 'my husband' but as 'my master'. Obituary notices of Taylor are printed in The Eagle XXX (December, 1908).

Taylor was, naturally enough, a particular friend of Dr Solomon Schechter, then Reader in Rabbinics in the University. Just over one hundred years ago, Schechter had the opportunity of viewing some fragments bought from Egyptian dealers by two redoubtable Scottish sisters, Margaret Gibson and Agnes Lewis who had, incidentally, toured the Sinai desert by camel. To his amazement he concluded that one fragment represented the Hebrew original of the apocryphal book of Ecclesiasticus, hitherto known only in a Greek translation. Perceiving the importance of the find, he sought Taylor's help and the then Master sent him off to Egypt with substantial financial backing. He went, on the instructions of the sisters, to the Ben Ezra Synagogue in Cairo, and to its Genizah.

The word Genizah means 'hiding' or 'concealment' and is illustrated by its Arabic cognate Jinazah 'burial' or 'funeral'. From time immemorial Jews were forbidden to destroy any document which contained the ineffable name of God. Rather, they were required either to bury such



Dr Solomon Schechter studying the Cairo Genizah collection

documents or to place them in a Genizah, a sacred dump. In a sense, the other great modern discovery (1947) of ancient Jewish manuscripts was also the discovery of a Genizah, this time the caves at Qumran near the Dead Sea, and their contents, the famous Dead Sea Scrolls.

In the ninth century of our era the Jews of Cairo took control of a building which is likely to have been formerly a Coptic Church. They sealed off a room near the entrance, leaving open a small window near the ceiling through which habitués of the synagogue were encouraged to post all archives, scrolls, contracts, letters and receipts for which they had no further use. Most such documents, in accordance with the customs of the times, featured the divine name and hence the need for this Genizah.

Over a period of one thousand years, two hundred thousand documents had formed a rich compost and it was upon this compost that Solomon Schechter lighted. Sixty-thousand fragments had escaped before he arrived, and they had found their way via dealers to libraries and private collectors. But a haul of one hundred and forty thousand fragments was a massively substantial one. Without the use of gunboats, but in a manner which was not unlike a military operation, he removed the documents, following negotiations with the contemporary leaders of the Jewish community, to the Cambridge University Library.

For the past one hundred years, scholars from all over the world have examined the fragments, meticulously deciphering them and skilfully reconstructing the history of the period with their help. Here are letters written by Maimonides himself, documents which throw light on the Dead Sea Scrolls, electricity and gas bills, marriage certificates and children's writing exercises, parking tickets and supermarket printouts. In short, the daily life of a Jewish community's one thousand years is here to be rummaged.

If it was a Master of the College who did so much to effect this great acquisition, it is a Johnian, Dr Stefan Reif, who has tirelessly directed the preservation and cataloguing of the fragments over the past twenty five years. The majority are now safely encased in transparent plastic envelopes. And, again thanks to another Johnian, Dr Douglas de Lacey, the reader can view specimens on the Internet: http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/Taylor-Schechter/

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HOME AND AWAY

Sarah Lacey came over from Australia in 1992 with the intention of travelling around Europe. She began working in the College Library in July 1993 and left to return to Australia in June 1997. She is well known amongst non-resident Johnians for her enthusiastic tours of the Library.

Working at the Library of St John's College as a Library Assistant has been an experience I shall not readily forget. The camaraderie and support of my colleagues and Johnians, both past and present, have made me feel so welcome that I have managed to stave off an almost overwhelming sense of homesickness for nearly five years. Now however, I feel that it is time to go home - a decision I did not reach easily. My time spent here means that I shall always feel I have two homes, though regrettably on opposite sides of the world! I have enjoyed so many unique experiences at the College and I am delighted to share some of them with readers of The Eagle.

Before leaving Australia, I worked at the University of Melbourne Library as a Library Assistant so when I applied for a similar job at the College, I naively thought that the positions would be similar. It was not long before I realised I was mistaken: I was working in a building parts of which were many years older than the capital city in which I had lived and I was handling books centuries older than the earliest date of white settlement in Australia! The borrowing of library books at St John's dates back to well before Melbourne was even founded. My sense of awe and trepidation at all this history was tempered partly by the gentle wit and irreverent humour of my colleagues, who helped to ease my nervousness. Dubbed 'Dame Edna Beverage' because of my tea-making skills, I quickly found my niche. On seeing Wordsworth's life mask for the first time, I commented on his gloomy countenance – to which one of my colleagues quipped 'Yes, it's no wonder he wandered lonely as a cloud!' Needless to say, I relaxed very quickly.

Yet my sense of awe at my surroundings will never completely diminish. I still have a sense of tripping through other people's memories, especially when showing non-resident members of College

around the Library. I can recall a particularly poignant moment when showing a Johnian couple the old Library. After forty years they were finally leaving Cambridge indefinitely. As they stood hand in hand at the bay window of the old Library overlooking the Bridge of Sighs, they reminisced over moments of their courtship at the College: the glorious May Balls, which they were at pains to explain were 'not like these loud things now'; sending each other love letters via the old post box near the Bridge of Sighs; their descriptions of the sheer romance and grace of the 'punting age'; their marriage in the College Chapel and their obvious adoration for both the College and each other. I hope they are as happy today as they were on that day.

I have been amused at the variety of responses to my being Australian. More often than not it has been of the jocular variety and I fondly remember the dear elderly lady who could not remember my name and, rapping the head of her cane on the issue desk announced 'I wish to speak to the colonial gel.' Recently, a student raced into the Library and breathlessly asked if I had seen an Australian man come in. 'I wouldn't know. We're not branded anymore,' I replied. Others have taken advantage of my 'rational' antipodean nervousness of spiders and once hid a rubber spider on the edge of a bookshelf in the old Library which I only discovered, to my embarrassment, with a piercing shriek when conducting a group of visitors around the Upper Library.

I have found the cliché of the world being a very small place to be quite true. I was delighted to discover an Australian student who lived just a few doors away from where I lived as an undergraduate at Melbourne University and I surprised a visiting Professor of Art with whom I had studied.

The new Library has also presented many wonderful new experiences. I have so enjoyed showing people the new Library and watching their reactions to the eccentricities of the building. Visitors often comment on the sense of airiness and light in contrast to the sombre atmosphere of the old Library. Some agree that the Mezzanine bubble should be renamed 'The Bridge' in honour of its resemblance to that same feature in television's Star Trek. The new technology in the Library is also a

source of interest. Many non-resident Johnians mourn the death of the handwritten essay and the old guard book catalogue, while others embrace the advantages of electronic mail and the Internet. Most leave wishing that such a Library had existed when they were studying.

Library cards have proved to be a source of great amusement. All Fellows receive a Library card with an advanced date of expiration inscribed on it. As one Fellow of long standing walked through the Library and passed the issue desk with a colleague, he mischievously remarked so all could overhear '...and I was most heartened to discover that the Library staff anticipate my longevity to reach the year 2050.' One student was overseas when we asked for a passport photo for her Library card. Her mother dutifully sent one to the Library explaining it was the only one she could find in her daughter's absence. It was with great glee that I assembled her card with a passport photo of the student at age eight!

While I am excited at the prospect of seeing my family again, I shall miss all my friends at St John's very much, particularly my colleagues in the Library who have made working here such a pleasure. I would especially like to thank the Librarian, Amanda Saville, for giving me so much support and encouragement. Thank you all for making me feel so welcome.

And students, remember! Please be quiet on the stairs!





The new library

THE COLLEGE SCHOOL

The only knowledge that most members of College have of the College School is of the eighteen Choristers of the Chapel Choir. Yet the School, whose primary purpose to educate them, now boasts 420 pupils, boys and girls, aged between four and thirteen. The School strains the seams of a substantial site on Grange Road with recent buildings including a library, up-to-the minute computer room, a grand new music school and an indoor swimming pool.

Though the School itself is hidden from view, the children are visible on the playing fields, where miniature Red Boys mirror their College counterparts, playing with equal guts, determination and sheer physical fitness. It is there that I formed my slight connection with the School, it being a small step from organising cricket matches for the Choristers on tour, to umpiring at the School, where staff and parents alike have been welcoming. This connection has been fostered by singing with the Choristers in School concerts, and with the Gentlemen of St John's at the Bacchanalian PTA evenings, at which we are always well looked after.

At a time when numbers in private education are falling, particularly at this level, the School continues to expand. It is currently one of the largest preparatory schools in the country, a testimony to the quality of the staff and the leadership of their Headmaster, Kevin Jones, who says his aim is always 'to create an outstanding community of learning'. The College takes a keen interest in this aim: Mr Macintosh, the President, is Chairman of the School Governing Body which includes some other Fellows as well as external representatives. They clearly feel that the College does not end at Queen's Road, and does not begin at the age of eighteen.

Daniel Jordan Choral Student

THE 1952 HOCKEY CLUB TOUR TO IRELAND

At the Johnian Society golf meeting at John O'Gaunt last summer, two Johnians had brought the same photograph (reproduced below) with them, which included four of those present on the day. What a coincidence that four members of the College team which toured Ireland in March 1952 should meet up again at a golf day. The four were David Peters, David Waddell, George McCaw and Tony Hall.

Tony Hall (BA 1953) writes: 'the tour party was 13 strong so that one of us could blow the whistle and one could rest (or be recovering from a ball in the eye as poor George is in this match against Trinity College Dublin when I was umpiring). We took the ferry from Liverpool to Belfast for our first two matches against Campbell College and Queen's University and then went by train to Dublin.



St John's College Irish Hockey Tour, March 1952

We had a conducted tour of the Guinness brewery followed by a lunch which included the best Tournedos I have ever had and then played them on probably the best pitch in Ireland. We drew 1-1, thanks to the Northern Irishman who blew the whistle at the right moment as we had somewhat overdone the Guinness hospitality!

'That evening was unforgettable as our next match hosts, Three Rock Rovers, took us to dinner at Killiney Castle and we arrived back in Dublin between 4 and 5am! We got the ferry back from Dun Laoighaire, together with hoards of Irishmen coming over for the rugger at Twickenham – I can still recall the smell of Guinness in the saloon of the ship.'

The Johnian Society golf tournament takes place every year and is organised by John Loosley. He can be contacted at the address on the Johnian Society notice enclosed with The Eagle. At the golf day in 1996, the Marshall Hall Cup was won by John Jenkins and the afternoon greensomes were won by Tony Hall and Bob Jackson.

BOOK REVIEWS

Peter Clarke, *Hope and Glory: Britain 1900-1990*, pp. 454, Allen Lane, 1996, ISBN 0-713-99071-6.

I am the wrong person to review this book for two reasons. First it fits perfectly a passion, a prejudice even, of mine that a successful piece of history must combine high scholarship with fine writing. And *Hope and Glory* is squarely within the tradition that runs from Macaulay via A.J.P. Taylor to the present day.

Secondly, Peter Clarke bears the special imprint of a John's-reared historian – learning lightly worn, love of a good story and 'a pretty taste for a paradox' as W.S. Gilbert would have put it. And, as I was lucky enough to be brought up in the same place and raised, stylistically and intellectually, by almost the same group of people, I am bound to think that we learnt our craft in the finest place to be in the middle years of the post war period.

There is perhaps even a third disqualifying factor. Both of us are products of that mid-twentieth century consensus which put down the king of meritocratic tarmac that enabled us to tread the road to our College. For these and other reasons neither of us reaches for our intellectual revolvers when the names of Beveridge and Keynes are mentioned.

All that said, this book succeeds on several levels. It is absorbable with both value and pleasure by the general reader, sixth former, the undergraduate and the specialist in twentieth century British history. Those with little prior knowledge will neither get lost nor be put off reading to the end.

The specialist will savour those special Clarke gifts – the careful treatment of political character and the circumstances in which characteristics are displayed; his rare ability to both master political economy and to make it comprehensible to those for whom neither macro nor micro economics cause the pulses to run.

It is a brave scholar, too, who tackles a 90-year span that embraces a past of total wars, a social revolution or two, the transition from global super powers (albeit one on the slide) to a rather scratchy medium-sized entity ill at ease with the regional grouping into which an underperforming economy and an unforgiving geopolitics have engineered it during the long retreat since VE Day. Peter Clarke has managed this feat in a fashion that ensures the great synthesising tradition of British historiography will reach the twenty first century not just intact but flourishing.

If the remainder of the new Penguin History of Britain series matches the volume, the publisher will have a goldmine on his hands comparable to the early postwar series which fired-up so many of us in the 1950s and 1960s. If it does not, no matter. *Hope and Glory* needs no collective prop. Like its subject matter in 1940, it stands alone.

Peter Hennessy

Paul Sussman, *Death by Spaghetti*. pp. vi + 154. London: Fourth Estate, 1996. ISBN 1857024966

As he himself admitted to readers of the last number of *The Eagle* ('It's All Gone Horribly Wrong . . .'), on his twentieth birthday Paul Sussman wrote a letter to himself in his garden shed. To those of us who had been charged with the custody of Paul at the time this came as no surprise. By then, the end of his first year, Paul had already established a reputation as someone absolutely to be relied upon for a tasteless remark when it was least needed. The rest of that piece of his recorded much that had gone sort of right for him since. Much but not all. For example, the Sussman reticent on the subject of his deathless, Widnes Macbeth, not to mention his private detective work, his (also Widnes) Oedipus and his labours as an insurance salesman in parts of Balham, all of which, laid end to end, necessitated the establishment of a new sub-department within the Careers Service, and much of which goes some way towards accounting for the incongruity between the title of 'It's All Gone Horribly Wrong. . .' and its content. Then there is its

weakness on chronology, evidenced by its failure (it still rankles) to record the coincidence of that twentieth birthday and his Director of Studies' forty-forth. Then there is the headline to the piece: 'Paul Sussman read Oriental Studies, graduating in 1988.' Well, 'graduating in 1988' (two years after his time in the shed) is certainly right. As to what Sussman was actually reading between 1985 and 1988, my understanding of it at the time . . . But never mind about that – though ten years on it begins to explain some of his essays. Perhaps he really was reading Oriental Studies all the time. Perhaps while I thought we were discussing clause 39 of Magna Carta, Sussman was actually in Peking or already at Dunsinane.

As all current purchasers of the *Big Issue* who remember Paul's earlier exploits are aware, the claim to acquaintance with our hero entitles them to an up-to 95 per cent discount on the purchase price. Thus challenged, many vendors of that admirable mag. will gladly shell out to you, gentle Johnian, rather than be subjected to a recitation of the side-splitting *contes* of the old conteur of the Cam. For those whose sides have not been split already, however, *Death by Spaghetti* provides an antidote. With his reports of murderous melons, Mr Yasujiro Kikowo's Patent Toilet Bicycle, lethal coconuts, Professor Tribulus's tribulations, horrible things happening to delicate parts, and other such tales either culled from the world's press or dredged up from his own murky depths, with this collection of his previously published *Big Issue* pieces Paul Sussman has almost certainly established himself as one of the abiding wits of the class of 85.

Peter Linehan

Peter Linehan. *The Ladies of Zamora*. pp. xvi + 192 Manchester: Manchester University press, 1997. ISBN 0719050448.

In July 1279, Bishop Suero Perez of Zamora crossed over the River Duero in order to carry out a visitation of Las Dueñas, a community of Dominican nuns on the southern outskirts of the city. The Bishop claimed that his visit was prompted by rumours concerning 'the many

quarrels and discord dividing the said nuns'. From the depositions of the thirty-four women interrogated by the episcopal visitors, it is hard to believe that the Bishop's primary concern was with reconciling the community. One by one, the nuns were invited to articulate all their grudges and to tell tales on one another. There were standard indicators of conventual disarray, for example that certain nuns 'would not eat in the refectory with the other nuns'. There was less standard evidence of discord and outright cruelty among the nuns, such as the case of Mirovida, who 'had a row with another nun after compline, and when María Martínez went to separate them Mirovida squashed her between two doors and made her bleed'. But it is in the nature rather than the content of these 'nuns' tales' that the full extent of conventual bitchiness and back-biting is revealed: the accusations and counter-accusations which make this sort of evidence so problematic and also so much fun for historians to use.

When Peter Linehan discovered the transcript of Bishop Suero's visitation in the archive of Zamora Cathedral in 1966, it seems he was uncertain quite what use he would put it to. He provided a summary account of it in his work The Spanish Church and the Papacy of 1971 and expected that, with the existence of the documents out in the open, other scholars would hurry to publish and discuss their contents. We can only be grateful that this did not actually happen, forcing Linehan back to Zamora to revisit this extraordinary case. But if historians of medieval Spain hung back from interpreting the events with which this book is concerned, it is perhaps understandable; so too that Linehan pondered his findings for some twenty-five years before embarking on the task. For the historical evidence which is available amounts to a minefield of contradictions. Steeped in clerical corruption, those who fashioned the primary sources sought more often to obscure than to illuminate the truth. The same tradition of obfuscation has pervaded secondary accounts of the religious orders. Well into the twentieth century, the history of the Dominicans has been written with a view to protecting the reputation of the order, and to smoothing over the cracks. Linehan's commitment to setting the story of the Ladies of Zamora in full historical context has required him to wrestle with over 700 years of mythmaking.

So what was the context of the nuns' quarrels in Zamora in 1279? The immediate cause of division was over the presence of friars within the convent. According to one nun, Sol Martínez, 'the root of the problem was that the friars wanted to deprive the bishop of his jurisdiction over the convent and give it to themselves'. Yet, as Sol Martínez develops her observations, it becomes clear that the question of jurisdiction was not the only aspect of the friar problem:

The friars came frequently to the convent and had talks with the young nuns privately. Brother Munio threatened those who took the bishop's side that he would have them taken and chained up for ever. [...] Brother Juan de Aviancos stripped off in front of the nuns. Brother Martin Picamillo and another brother held conversations in the nuns' dormitory [. . .] Brother Domingo Yuañez and brother Gil were in the dormitory too, and also bared themselves, after which the girls dressed them [...] Doña Stefanía said that she had brother Gil's trousers and kept them with her by night for love of the said friar.

Gil's trousers would perhaps bear more extensive unzipping than we are given here but the author does not suffer too much wallowing in details of this sort. For Linehan, these episodes belong to a plot of wider significance.

Take brother Munio, for instance, who 'threatened [the nuns] who took the bishop's side'. This was surely also the Munio referred to by the prioress of Las Dueñas in a letter of 1281, addressed to the Spanish cardinal, Ordoño Alvarez, in which she complained, 'Apart from all the other things they did, brother Munio and the Dominicans often told the nuns not to observe the promises they had made to the bishop'. He turns out (almost certainly) to be the same Munio of Zamora who became Master General of the Dominican Order in 1285 and who was dramatically removed from his office in 1290. This is the same Munio whose career was rehabilitated in 1294, when he was appointed Bishop of Palencia, thanks to the interventions and bribery of his protector King Sancho of Castile. And perhaps brother Munio was also in the background when King Sancho had authorized a payment of 30 000 maravedís to the aforementioned Cardinal Ordoño in 1285, just one month after the Zamoran friar had been elevated to the position of Master-General. Pursuing Munio, his friends and his enemies, from Zamora to the papal Curia over a twenty-year period, Linehan shows how events in a Castilian nunnery could influence high politics in the medieval church.

This book presents an impressive kind of narrative history, which weaves the big stories in with the little stories. Linehan's mastery of the provincial archives, combined with his enormous learning, equip him for this sort of enterprise. There are those who would have settled for containing the nuns' tales within a tidy microhistorical framework, missing a wealth of broader implications. But, as Linehan himself affirms, the nuns are also 'of interest to the historian of medieval morals and manners'. Musing on some of the bizarre revelations contained in the 1279 visitation – for example, the funeral ritual acted out by a group of nuns following the exclusion of their beloved friars from the convent – Linehan asks whether it is not 'the ministrations of the social anthropologist that the Ladies of Zamora require'. Well, perhaps. But in the meantime, we have an account which is scholarly, insightful and a pleasure to read – which is enough to be going on with.

Mary Laven

Robert Hinde. *Relationships: A Dialectical Perspective*. pp. Xxi + 586 Psychology Press 1997. ISBN 0-86377-706-6.

Roland Barthes once wrote 'Love's atopia . . . causes it to escape all dissertations'. In 'Relationships – A Dialectical Perspective', Professor Robert A. Hinde attempts not merely to elucidate the complex factors which affect the ways in which we love, but establishes a theoretical framework by which we can embark upon a science of all human relationships. The key to understanding human relationships lies in what Hinde calls (and represents diagramatically as) the dialectical relationship between various levels of social complexity. These levels include not only the individual in terms of his 'psychological processes',

'individual behaviour' and 'interaction' with others but also encompass larger levels of influence – 'group', 'society', 'physical environment' and 'socio-cultural structure'.

The need for dialectic in a science of relationships emerges when one begins to understand the nature of the interactions between these levels. Relationships are influenced not only by current local context (individuals' psychology and behaviour) but also by previous history (of individual, group and society) and these factors influence the nature of future relationships. Crucially however, (and this is why the notion of dialectic is so important) changes in the nature of relationships feed back to influence the nature of the various levels of complexity. Any science of relationships, states Hinde, will need to encompass these dynamics.

Having established this perspective in the first part of the book, Hinde embarks upon a scholarly account of the studies of the various aspects of relationships (referencing over 1600 titles). He begins with those which have focused primarily on the description of, rather than the processes involved in, relationships. Hinde organises these studies according to categories of dimensions of relationships, beginning with the objective aspects of relationships – the content of interactions (what people do), the qualities of interactions (how they do what they do), the diversity of interactions and the frequency and patterning of interactions. Studies concerned with the subjective aspects of relationships are then considered, such as intimacy, interpersonal perception, satisfaction and commitment.

The proceeding section is devoted to an account of those studies which have addressed the principles underlying the dynamics of relationships, considering issues such as the effect of cultural values, attributional styles and quality of early maternal interaction on relationships. These principles are often referred to by Hinde as 'processes' – indeed, he emphasises that relationships themselves are processes not entities. The use of the word process is salutary – it reminds us that because of the dynamic nature of the subject matter at hand, a science of relationships will need to be more than a search for a few underlying psychological or

behavioural mechanisms which may operate with regularity across relationships, cultures and time. It will need to be eclectic by drawing from a number of disciplines and imaginative in integrating its diverse findings. As a result of the insights shown by Professor Hinde, this book will become the seminal work in a much needed science of relationships.

Kate Plaisted

Nicholas Mansergh. *Nationalism and Independence: Selected Irish Papers*. Edited by Diana Mansergh. pp. Xvii + 264 Cork University Press, 1997. ISBN 1 85918 106 6.

The writer of this review recalls attending, as an undergraduate, a meeting of the College History Society at which a 'brains trust' of College historians answered questions put to them by the more precocious among us. The only person I can clearly recall as having been on the panel was the then Master, Nicholas Mansergh. No doubt there were others, perhaps a Young Turk (it was some years ago) like Peter Linehan, and an ever-reliable guide like Henry Pelling. But Nicholas Mansergh remains in my mind for one specific answer to a question posed about the historian's working method. Having written a piece of work, he said, he liked to 'leave it in a drawer for a year or two' before revising it (or not) and offering it for public consumption. This procedure seemed amazing at the time, when one's life was dominated, if only intermittently, by the desperate struggle to cobble together a weekly history essay. Today, moreover, such a leisurely approach to publication is so grotesquely out of kilter with the compulsive researchassessment-based publishing frenzy which characterises contemporary historical activity that one regards it with a sort of bemused wonder. It testifies to a more spacious scholarly world and an altogether more civilised academic environment. The past is indeed 'another country'.

Nationalism and Independence reflects the virtues of humane scholarship which Nicholas Mansergh himself exemplified. And if not all of the pieces in the book by any means spent very much time in a drawer before being given to the wider world, like really good wine they have

all aged well. Gathered together here are a range of papers which reflect Mansergh's own rubric for the study of history: it 'requires not only detachment, but detachment with sympathetic insight'. One revolutionary Irish nationalist, with whom one would suppose Mansergh had very little in common, thought his high quality as a commentator on Irish affairs was underpinned by his being 'an Irishman with no political axe to grind'. This, of course, was only true in a narrow party-political sense, for Mansergh certainly had a political vision in which, as Professor J. J. Lee (of University College Cork) in his admirable foreword writes (quoting David Harkness, of Queen's University Belfast), he 'held firmly to certain basic values, especially tolerance, a sense of justice, and a sense of fairness'; in short, 'the essence of civilised society'.

The papers in this volume, which are drawn together from published and unpublished work written over nearly forty years, reflect not only Mansergh's Irish interests, but also his work as a leading historian of the British Commonwealth. The implications of 'dominion status' for Ireland are explored, as is the changing relationship of independent Ireland, both in and with the Commonwealth. Particularly to be welcomed is the republication of his important 1976 Commonwealth Lecture, which lucidly dissected the concepts and aims which lay behind partition in Ireland and India. Of especial interest is the previously unpublished material. This includes notes of conversations with leading Irish politicians, including Eamon de Valera and John A. Costello. It is fascinating to see information from these 'research notes' coming through in subsequently published work. A wonderful occasion-piece (perhaps prepared for another College History Society meeting?), 'Letters that we ought to burn', is included as an epilogue.

There are also some extracts from Mansergh's diary between 1934 and 1939 – would that there were more! They demonstrate a familiar and attractive lack of any particular self-regard. Reflecting on some Anglo-Irish Ascendancy types who had come to lunch at his home in Tipperary, he wrote that 'with rare exceptions the products of the 'gentry' here seem to me the most incompetent, the most critical and in many instances the most idle people I have met', adding, 'I am one of

them myself.' There is an unhappily resonant comment about Northern Ireland when in 1935 a professor at University College Dublin warns him against going to meet violent politicians in the North. 'There are people up there', he said, 'whose politics are no more intelligent than the beating of an orange drum'. This bleak, if apt, observation, all too abundantly reinforced by the events of recent years in Northern Ireland, sadly contrasts with the easing of political passions in the mid-to-late 1960s which Mansergh noted in a 1968 piece. He remarked that everyday life in Ireland was 'no longer overshadowed by the consuming demands of an all-pervasive militant nationalism'. That this proved not to be the case - especially in Northern Ireland - was due in no small measure to the intransigent orange attitudes observed in the 1930s. On the other hand, the establishment of civil, indeed civilised, and amiable relations between independent Ireland and the United Kingdom as sovereign states owes much to the work of Nicholas Mansergh himself (a 1948 paper here republished received the attention of the British Cabinet) and the 'quiet, calm deliberation' he employed in helping to disentangle the Irish (or Anglo-Irish) knot.

A personal diary note was struck when he reported in April 1939 'tea with Diana Keeton'. The footnote, exemplary as they all are, reveals: 'Wife and Research Assistant of Nicholas Mansergh, December 1939-1991 and editor of this volume of papers'. In the last sentence of the epilogue-piece, Nicholas Mansergh suggested that 'historians should not now, and still less in the future, overlook the unwritten, the mislaid, or the destroyed'. We have Diana Mansergh to thank that the papers in this volume, neither unwritten nor destroyed, cannot now easily be mislaid.

Keith Jeffery

OBITUARIES

Derrick Robert Puffet, 1946-1996

Derrick Robert Puffett was born in Oxford on November 30, 1946. He suffered from muscular dystrophy from an early age and spent his life in a wheelchair. He graduated with first-class honours at New College Oxford, and was a Research Fellow at Wolfson College Oxford for some ten years before taking up a lectureship in Cambridge and a Fellowship at St John's in 1984. He married Kathryn Bailey, herself distinguished in music analysis, in 1989. Ill-health from the early 90s made it difficult for him to participate in College life, and also hampered his teaching – a task which he cherished. It was with great reluctance that he gave up his lectureship and his post as Director of Studies at St John's in 1994. He died on 14 November 1996.

Derrick Puffett was a pioneer among British musicologists. He was among the first to adopt the formalist approach of the music theory centred at Yale University, developing it, along with colleagues at Kings College London, to establish music analysis as an essential discipline within the university curriculum in Britain. By the 1980s, music analysis was 'all the talk' (if not 'the rave') of musicology. This was quite an achievement, given the opposition that Derrick often witnessed, even in his own universities of Oxford and Cambridge. It is a credit to his commitment and charisma that he managed to raise the profile of the discipline in the two universities, almost single handedly, inspiring many undergraduates and graduates to the subject. It was both his passion for music and the rigour of his analytical approach that attracted them to him.

Supervisions with Derrick were always incisive; his sharp wit and his keen eye for errors made them something of a challenge. He was both a goad and a guide. Sometimes the strength of his opinion was devastating, but it was never something that could not be made up over a meal or at one of his end of year champagne and ice-cream parties. He simply wanted the best for his students – which is why, I suppose, he fed us with Möet et Chandon and Häagen-Dazs.

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The strength of his opinions, however, was balanced by an open mindedness when it came to the editing of the internationally influential journal *Music Analysis*. He opened it up to new ideas, which he did not necessarily agree with; but which needed an airing, and Derrick wanted to maintain the impetus of the discipline. It is perhaps to his credit that the recent criticism of formalist analysis by the so-called 'new musicology' was already inherent in the journal. Of course,



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he was not going to let formalism lose hands down; his counter-offensive, in the editorial of the journal (Vol. 13 No. 1), will probably be remembered as one of the most significant contributions to the debate. But it can never be said that he was narrow or hard-line in his approach – his publications and translations attest to the diversity of his interests. His polemics were not simply directed at new-fangled ideas but at old-fashioned notions too; the task at hand was always to gain a critical and a musical understanding of composers and their music.

Derrick's final period of illness was one of the most productive of his life, thanks not least to Kathryn's constant care and support. The articles he completed during this time on Beethoven, Debussy, Berg, Webern and Stravinsky will undoubtedly be recognised not only as some of his finest work, but will establish him as one of the great writers on Western music of our time.

Daniel Chua

Malcolm Schofield adds:

My first encounter with Derrick was in Sandy Goehr's rooms in Trinity Hall, where Peter Goddard (then Senior Tutor) and I (as Tutor to Musicians) had been invited for the usual negotiations which precede the offer of a Fellowship. Derrick's warmth and huge grin are what I remember from that meeting. We naturally saw quite a lot of each other over the years, and the warmth and the grin seldom failed to materialise, although he could be pretty fierce if he disagreed with one. He was not a comfortable person, but a passionate contemplative, whose massive physical frame conveyed an extraordinary sense of both gentleness and frustratingly suppressed energy. In the first instance our meetings would usually be to talk about music students, teaching, and admissions, but Derrick always wanted to know how my own research was going, and whether I had stimulating pupils to teach Classics to. Not surprisingly he had no patience with the idle, the self-indulgent, and the uncommitted, but would support strongly those of his students who worked hard with no pretensions, especially perhaps the ones who Were a bit unsure of themselves. At the same time I remember his sadness at the fate of the idlest of all, who was sent down for failing the

Tripos. I said: 'I thought you thought he deserved it.' 'Well, I do,' he replied, 'but it's such a rotten thing to happen to anyone'.

I became general Admissions Tutor for three years in 1985, and in this role was viewed with some suspicion by Derrick, as I attempted to thread my way between the often conflicting viewpoints of the Organist, the Tutors and the Director of Studies in Music on the occasion of the annual competition for Choral and Organ Students. I remember anticipating a particularly robust discussion with him the year that the famous boy treble Aled Jones applied (voice now broken) for a place in the tenor line-up. The candidate's academic record was not of the strongest. But when I entered Derrick's room I found his face wreathed in smiles. He said he had just enjoyed half an hour's talk with about the most musical person he had ever met in his life – and to my utter astonishment said that despite the low grades he was prepared to take him if George wanted him. The irony was that George decided that the voice (Welsh or not) was not ready.

Derrick was always hugely proud of his Fellowship of the College, and regretful that he could not contribute more. He served a brief term on the College Council, which he regarded as an important duty. In his later years he was unable to lunch or dine with the fellows, and I no longer had Tutorial business to discuss with him. But if I saw him sitting at his desk in D2 Chapel Court I would sometimes drop in for a chat. The last time I ever spoke to him was one such occasion last summer. We talked for over half an hour, mostly about the future of music teaching in the College, for which he was deeply concerned. He would have been delighted to know that the Council has elected a newly appointed Lecturer in the Faculty to be Fellow and Director of Studies. Derrick was himself utterly unique and irreplaceable.

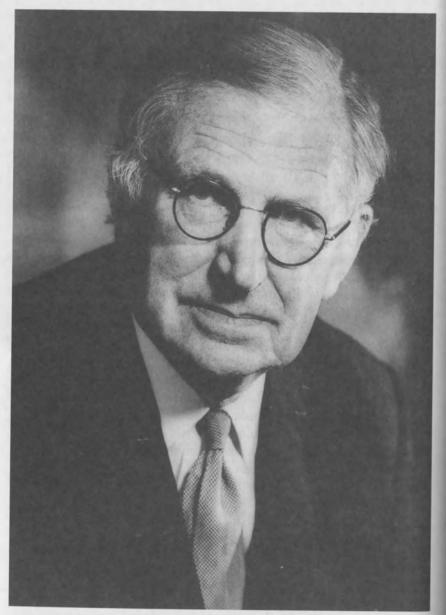
Professor Sir Nevill Mott, CH, Hon.ScD, FRS 1905-1996

Professor Sir Nevill Mott was born in 1905 and took his BA at St John's College in 1927. He was a Fellow at Gonville & Caius College 1930-33 and 1954-96 and Master 1959-66. He was made an Honorary Fellow of St. John's College in 1964 and won a Nobel Prize for Physics in 1977. He died in August 1996.

Nevill Mott played a major role in the development of solid-state physics, from its infancy in the 1920s when the techniques of quantum mechanics first became available, through to his Nobel-prize winning work on non-crystalline semiconductors in the 1970s, and his final work on high temperature superconductors in the 1990s.

His parents met when students under J J Thomson at the Cavendish, and his father became Director of Education in Liverpool. Mott was sent to Clifton College because it was reputed to have good science laboratories, but while there he found his interests to lie with mathematics. He won a scholarship to St John's College in mathematics and physics in December 1923, and came up to read the Mathematics Tripos in 1924. He embarked on Part II which he completed in 2 years, gaining Distinction. He recalls in his autobiography, 'A Life in Science' (1987), varying degrees of success with his supervisors in the College. Harold Jeffreys (later Plumian Professor of Astronomy and Experimental Philosophy) would ask 'Have you any questions' which, if the answer was no, he would follow with 'Well, if you haven't any questions you'd better go'. Ebenezer Cunningham, less distinguished in research, provided more inspiration, and introduced him to a research problem that occupied him for much of his professional career, that of the metal-insulator transition. During this time he spent long enough in the practical physics classes run by Dr G F C Searle (who had taught his parents) to establish that he found experiments dull, and he determined to be a theoretical physicist.

Nevill Mott spent his third year, with his examinations behind him, preparing for research. He describes 1926 as a 'most fortunate time to start research in theoretical physics because there were so many easy problems to solve'. Quantum mechanics was developing rapidly,



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through the work of Heisenberg in Göttingen and Schrödinger in Vienna and Dirac in Cambridge, and Nevill Mott had appreciated how much work there was to do to match quantum mechanics to experiments. In Cambridge it was Paul Dirac, also a Johnian, who understood the new theories, but Nevill Mott did not identify him as an accessible teacher, and he went instead to Ralph Fowler, Rutherford's son-in-law. Fowler was off to the USA for a year, and left Nevill Mott to work by himself, largely from the German literature. He found the 'wave-mechanics' of Schrödinger to be more accessible than the matrix mechanics of Heisenberg, and used this intuitive formalism for much of his work over the following half century. Nevill Mott spent the next year in Copenhagen working with Niels Bohr, was in Cambridge in the spring of 1929, and the rest of the year in Göttingen. During this time he had built up his confidence, and was able to show how quantum mechanics modified the scattering of alpha particles with helium atoms from the classical model due to Rutherford, and this matched very well the experiments carried out by Chadwick.

He spent one year in Manchester, working with Lawrence Bragg, but was invited back to Cambridge to a University Lectureship and College Fellowship at Gonville & Caius. One reason for returning was to be nearer his future wife, Ruth Horder, a Newnham classics undergraduate. He spent 3 years in Cambridge, working on problems in nuclear physics. Not having taken his PhD, he was still registered as a research student and therefore paying £4 per term to Fowler as his supervisor. When Fowler again went on sabbatical he left Nevill Mott to supervise his students. This unusual situation was resolved when Mott's name was taken off the register, and so he did not get his PhD (He was eventually given an honorary doctorate by Cambridge in 1995!)

Mott moved, at the age of 28, to Bristol to be Professor of Theoretical Physics. There he switched from nuclear to solid-state physics, and built up Bristol as one of the leading groups in this rapidly emerging field. The implication of quantum mechanics on, for example, the properties of metals had been made earlier, by Sommerfeld, Bloch, Peierls, and Wilson, but there was still a very large distance between these early models and the realistic, predictive models for materials that would

have impact on engineering-oriented sciences such as metallurgy. Mott appreciated that the art was to develop theory just far enough to provide strong working models, and always looked to experiments to provide the match with his models. This approach proved to be very effective, and with a number of colleagues he laid down much of the framework for current understanding of metals and semiconductors. His co-authored books from this period, 'The Theory and Properties of Metals and Alloys' with Harry Jones, and 'Electronic Processes in Ionic Crystals' with Ronald Gurney, are still widely used. His work on the nature of semiconductor-metal contacts and the generation of the photographic 'latent image' in silver halide emulsions stands out particularly. During the war, he was eventually brought to head a theoretical physics group at Fort Halstead in 1943, working on problems related to munitions such as deformation in metals due to projectiles. He was much concerned by the arrival of atomic energy, with which he was not directly involved, and was one of the founders, in 1946, of the Atomic Scientists' Association, set up to inform the public about the true facts of atomic energy. His own publications for this Association were critical of British policy. He was also much involved in international scientific cooperation, and was active for many years with Pugwash (an international group set up to discuss ways of avoiding nuclear war), hosting a Pugwash conference in Caius College in 1962.

Mott was elected to the Cavendish Professorship of Physics in Cambridge in 1954. He took over from Lawrence Bragg, who had succeeded Rutherford and had built up a strong crystallography group in the Cavendish, among whom were Perutz, Kendrew and Crick. Mott appreciated that there were difficult decisions to be taken; in particular, nuclear physics had been the creation of Rutherford, but at Cambridge was being overtaken by the advancing scale of the technology. Mott was surprised to discover that no one in the University (Vice-Chancellor, Registrary, internal electors) seemed to have views on such matters of strategy; he had had a close working relationship with the Vice-Chancellor at Bristol, Philip Morris, and had expected something similar in Cambridge. Mott did shut down the linear accelerator, and also recognised that the fledgling molecular biology group was growing too fast for it to stay within the Cavendish. Solid state physics and

radio-astronomy were the two areas which particularly flourished during this period. He was now less active in research, considering that his time for research was probably behind him, and he had also decided that he had obligations to address the pressing educational and administrative problems that he found when he came. He pushed for reform of the Natural Sciences Tripos, and was baffled and frustrated by the effectiveness of the rear-guard actions from those who feared change. It took him three years to get the reforms which made it possible to learn quantum mechanics earlier than the third year of the Tripos!

He was elected Master of Gonville and Caius College in 1959, and had a generally uncomfortable time. His predecessor was Sir James Chadwick, who had been Rutherford's right-hand man in the Cavendish in the 1930s and had won the Nobel Prize for Physics for the discovery of the neutron. He had returned to Cambridge from Liverpool, where he had built up an excellent Department, but did not find it easy to deal with the strongly factious Fellowship, and had retired early. Mott's experience was similar; following a very acrimonious battle within the Fellowship for the appointment of a new Bursar, he came to the view that he did not lead a united Fellowship, and in 1965 he resigned the Mastership. Unlike Chadwick, who is said never to have put a foot inside the College after he resigned, Mott remained in the Fellowship and was active in the College.

After the resignation from the Mastership, with more time to devote to his science, Mott took up interest in the new field of non-crystalline semiconductors. The electronic structure of crystalline solids had for some time been understood in terms of the effects of diffraction from the translationally symmetric lattice, but this description could not be readily translated to materials with no such symmetry, such as glasses. Whether or not such a disordered material could be an electronic conductor was the basic question, and this touched on the more general question of what determined whether a material should be a metal or an insulator. This was a problem that Mott had been alerted to many years previously in connection with the electronic properties of nickel oxide. Together with Phil Anderson, based at Bell Labs in New Jersey, but for several years a visiting professor at the Cavendish, he established the central concepts that were needed to provide the framework for the rapidly increasing pool of experimental information. By the 1970s when he had retired as Cavendish Professor, he was immersed in this field. His approach was intuitive; mathematical formalism was used to shore up the results that he knew were right, rather than to provide the framework. He produced the enduring concepts and models, including the 'temperature to the power of one quarter model' for the variable range hopping of charges trapped in the random potential due to the disorder present. He again produced the text that defined the field, coauthored with Ted Davis, 'Electronic Processes in Non-Crystalline Solids', which ran to two editions, and wrote also 'Metal-Insulator Transitions'.

This was the time that I came across Nevill Mott; to a new graduate student he was an unlikely figure, appearing to be timelessly old, but with a boyish enthusiasm for acquiring new information that none of us could match. What really impressed us was his conviction that what mattered were the new experimental results. He had a steady stream of visitors from all over the world visit the Cavendish to present their latest findings, which though often poorly digested and presented, were lapped up by him. Mott won the Nobel Prize in 1977. He shared the prize with Phil Anderson (their joint work on disordered materials was cited) and also with van Vleck with whose work he was less directly associated. He enjoyed the associated ceremony, and also that attached to his many honorary degrees (at least 28). Mott's final research interest was the field of high temperature superconductors, which were discovered in 1986 and provided a 'gold rush' for many scientists. For him these were materials close to his cherished 'metal-insulator' transition. He worked with Sasha Alexandrov, and generated new models (magnetic polarons). The problems caused by advancing age, both his own and his wife's, weighed increasingly heavily with him, but he found energy and relaxation in his science.

Nevill Mott was elected to an Honorary Fellowship of the College in 1964, and used his dining privileges from time to time. He was in the College in December 1994, when he gave the after-dinner speech in the Hall at the end of a one-day conference at St John's. He described where he, Cockcroft, and Dirac sat for dinner in Hall when he was an undergraduate in the 1920s, then touched on the many research areas which he had seen come and go in the Cavendish. In doing so, he spanned the several generations of science to which he had so importantly contributed, and gave us a sense of continuity back to the inception of solid-state physics which no one else could convey. He was without doubt one of the giants of twentieth century physics.

Richard Friend

Abdus Salam, 1926-1996

Abdus Salam, who died on 21 November 1996, was one of the leading theoretical physicists of the century and the first Muslim to win the Nobel Prize. He was born on 29 January 1926 in Jhang in the Punjab in what was then India, the son of a clerk in the office of the Inspector of Schools. At age 14, he entered Government College, Lahore, breaking all records in the matriculation examination. He continued in like fashion, winning an unprecedented succession of prizes and scholarships, through the B.A. courses in both English and Mathematics, ending by taking his M.A. in Mathematics from Lahore in June 1946.

That summer, Salam won a scholarship to Cambridge. St John's had been expecting another student from India, who had intended to do research in English Literature, but he withdrew in August. The Indian High Commission offered to nominate another student in his place and the College said that it would prefer an undergraduate. It was by this happenstance that Abdus Salam came to St John's.

Once in Cambridge, Salam did not take long to impress his new teachers, as the recollections by Fred Hoyle which follow make clear. Salam first took a two-year course to Part II of the Mathematical Tripos, followed by Part II of the Physics Tripos a year later, being placed in the First Class in each. In 1949 he began research in the Cavendish Laboratory. Nicholas Kemmer, one of the pioneers of theoretical

elementary particle physics, later Tait Professor of Mathematical Physics in Edinburgh, was his first official research supervisor, but Kemmer put him in the direction of Paul Matthews, then a postdoctoral fellow, thus initiating a lifelong association. Matthews introduced Salam to the problems of renormalisation theory.

Renormalisation theory provides the methods by which sensible answers (and highly accurate experimental predictions) can be obtained from quantum field theories, which would otherwise just produce infinities. It was in this technically extremely difficult but crucially important area that Salam first became known internationally. In January 1951, he went to the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, New Jersey, USA, for the Lent and Easter Terms, accompanying Matthews, who officially became his supervisor. It was here, on 2 May 1951, that he learnt of his election as a Research Fellow of St John's.

Salam however had already made arrangements to return to Government College, Lahore, now in Pakistan, as Professor of Mathematics. Here he spent the academical years 1951-54, returning to College in the long vacations. Although he had always intended to return to Lahore, his years there were frustrating because he found it almost impossible to continue with his research. So in 1954 he accepted an invitation to return to Cambridge as a University Lecturer in Mathematics and Fellow and College Lecturer of St John's. In 1957 he was persuaded to move to Imperial College as Professor of Physics, where his old supervisor joined him as Reader. In 1959 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society at the age of 33.

The central theme of Salam's research was the attempt to form a unified theory of the forces of nature, using principles of symmetry. His greatest triumph, probably the greatest in elementary particle physics in the last forty years, was his construction of a theory which successfully unified electricity and magnetism together with the weak nuclear force (which is responsible for radioactivity) into a single theory. For this he shared the 1979 Nobel Prize with S. Glashow and S. Weinberg.

An achievement in its own way as outstanding was his creation of the International Centre for Theoretical Physics in Trieste, Italy. This was



Abdus Salam, 1926 - 1996

borne out of his own frustration in attempting to carry on research after returning home to Pakistan. He saw that for it to be possible for theoretical physicists from the Third World to be able to continue with their research, a first rate international research centre at which they could take leave was essential. Creating the Institute took all the qualities which made Salam such a remarkable physicist: charisma, irrepressible enthusiasm, vision, and an astounding capacity for hard work. Salam was Director of the Institute from its inception in 1964 until 1994, retaining his Professorship at Imperial.

Abdus Salam was elected an Honorary Fellow of the College in 1972, he was awarded an Honorary Sc.D. by the University of Cambridge in 1985 and he was appointed an Honorary K.B.E. in 1989. He will be remembered not only for his contributions to some of the most significant advances in physics in the twentieth century but also for inspiring and facilitating the work of so many young physicists from all over the world.

Peter Goddard

Sir Fred Hoyle adds:

I am not sure of it, but I think Abdus Salam arrived in St John's just in time to experience the exceptionally bitter winter of 1947-48. Unless you actually experienced those post-war years it is surely impossible to visualise how bad it really was. Churchill had promised us an ascent to the 'broad sunlit uplands'. What it actually brought was a descent into that appalling winter of 1947-48.

I had rooms in New Court which by common consent was the worst place in College to be. Designed with mid-nineteenth century spaciousness, rooms that had been planned with large fireplaces and wide chimneys that gobbled coal supposedly to service the boilers supplying steam to the academic engine. Designed to be lit in the morning by a College servant and 'made up' similarly throughout the day. But definitely not in 1947-48. If you wanted a fire in that winter you lit it yourself, and if you wanted it 'made up' you made it yourself. Except you didn't because you were out of coal. My ration for a whole

week's supervision of mathematics students in I8 New Court was one bag per week.

The one luxury we enjoyed was non-material. John's still maintained four College Lecturers in Mathematics. There was Peter White and Frank Smithies on the 'pure side' and, Leslie Howarth and myself on the 'applied side'. Howarth had the rooms next to mine on the same landing of I staircase. How I envied him for them! The reason being that they were technologically more advanced than mine. The fireplace had been blocked there and Howarth luxuriated in a gas fire, of which the operative area of the front measured about 4" x 8". Off-peak hours it would glow a fairly bright red but those who arrived at noon for a supervision with Leslie would be greeted by a small rectangle of pale pink.

Temperatures outside were at -20°C day after day after day and I didn't have even a 4" x 8" rectangle of pale pink to offer my students. So everybody soon learned to pick on whatever was available. Like everything else, clothes were severely rationed. Meaning that it was a case of wearing whatever you could lay your hands on, no matter how outlandish the garments. Anyway my students soon learned to pick on whatever they could seize hold of, as we sought earnestly to solve ingenious problems of spheres rolling on spheres. It was into this icy atmosphere that Abdus Salam found himself plunged on his arrival in Cambridge. Much of his later success can be attributed to the fact that he survived it.

Abdus had already done a mathematics degree back in India, as it would have been then, Pakistan as it became, at just about the time Abdus travelled to Cambridge. Warmth into cold he must have expected. But food into no-food he did not. His food ration book would have been taken immediately on his arrival in College. Through that first winter, he always averred in later life, he lived on apples, which was all that were in the markets to be bought without coupons. Except perhaps potatoes with which I suppose he was not equipped to cope. No joke this - even as late as 1951-52 the weekly cheese ration was a mere one ounce. Why people stood for it tells a not particularly flattering story about the British temperament.

As the senior of the four College Lecturers in Mathematics, it fell to Peter White to decide how to group students. A grouping into an occasional one, but mostly in twos and sevens, lasted generally for a year. Occasionally there would be a permutation that produced a minor shift but not often. Each student got two hours of supervisions each week, one hour of pure and one of applied. And there was an alternation term-by-term between White and Smithies on the pure side and Howarth and myself on the applied side.

It was a system that put as little strain as possible on the individual College Lecturer. The smaller Colleges with only one mathematician as a Fellow tended to pair, one College with a pure expert and another with an applied expert who taught together with students from both. There was still a sprinkling of College dons who sought to do both pure and applied, L.A. Pars of Jesus and, perhaps outstandingly, A.E. Ingham of King's. I am told that my own graduate student, J.V. Narlikar, who became a Fellow of Kings in the 1960s, was practically the last of the doboth experts.

Anyway, Abdus Salam was one of the rare ones who had to be 'taken' alone, there being no obvious partner or partners with whom he could be grouped. Howarth had him in the Michaelmas Term of his first year. Howarth told me over coffee one night after dinner that he had a 'man from India who was very good', which was the first I ever heard of Abdus. What I also heard about Abdus from Howarth was that he had the embarrassing habit of greeting his readers in the John's Courts with a fully pledged Muslim salute, practically going down on the cobble stones with his knees. It must have taken for Leslie, or for Peter White I suppose, to inform Abdus that such reverences was not considered necessary in Cambridge. At any rate the full Muslim greeting had been reduced to a wave of the arm and a cry - or shout as we would say - by the time it came to my turn in the Lent Term to have Abdus for supervision on a one-to-one basis.

It was the Lent Term when the real cold struck, with matters reduced to plain survival. I would be anticipating the end of the hour, when it would be possible to rush to the Combination Room, where an austerity

fire would be burning, and Abdus, would no doubt be anticipating his next apple.

The Lent Term gone, but not forgotten, it was mid-June before I saw Abdus again. I ran into him in Second Court. I asked him how he had done in 'Prelims'. He said awful, with a lot of absurd mistakes and then disappeared with a big laugh. In the case of Prelims the class list plus actual marks was sent round to supervisors. Abdus had a first and was, I believe, third on the list.

Then it was into his Tripos year, when I seemed to see much more of him. Howarth left at approximately this time, to take up the Chair of Applied Mathematics at Bristol, which was perhaps the reason for my seeing more of Abdus. It was a clash of two cultures. Back home he had been educated in what might be called the Ramanujan school, according to which knowing what is true takes first priority, with knowing how to prove it a definite second, while I had absorbed the Cambridge system in which knowing what is true is not seen as of much relevance, only knowing how to prove it. Between us we managed to solve most Tripos problems.

I could never bring myself to build up neat files of solutions to Tripos questions the way many did. Doing things however inpromptu led to much suffering in October, when having gone wholly rusty over Long Vac, it all started up again. By mid-November the dread of getting tied-up was wearing off, and so on through the year until by mid-May it all seemed straightforward to a degree where one would never believe that come October everything would be back to square one. It was in the bad times when I found it much less of a strain to tackle hard problems with a student like Abdus than it was to be asked easier things by those chaps who just sat there and stared out into space. With the latter you had to roll two stones uphill simultaneously. One stone, was the problem itself, the other was to get the chap to understand. With Abdus you only had one stone and he would do a fair amount of the pushing.

The Earth had moved relentless again around its orbit and Abdus had done what was expected, a First in Part II of the Mathematics Tripos. And I ran into him again, this time in Third Court, as you go round the

corner towards the Library. He gave me his big hail. I stopped in my tracks and we walked towards each other. He had a problem he said, a policy problem, which was this:

The people back home, Pakistan now, had granted him a scholarship for a third year. He had a thought that he might take Physics Part II, rather than Maths Part III. But not having 'done' any experimental physics to this point, he could hardly expect to achieve better than an upper second. Whereas if he went for Maths Part III he felt reasonably confident of a first, which would be much better received by the authorities back home. What did I think he should do?

After some moments of discussion I eventually said he should do what he judged would be best for Pakistan in the long run, rather than being too much concerned by short-term judgements, which I rather thought meant he should do Physics Part II. In after years he always said this was the most critical conversation of his life. In the event he did take Physics Part II, and in the event he got still another first. And of course among the Cavendish staff, having someone of high mathematical understanding crashing around the lab like a beginner was quite an experience. Especially as the breakages were done with a big chuckle. Anyway it soon got Abdus very well known and he was soon into the latest avant garde research in theoretical physics, renomalisation theory.

As the years moved with remorselessly increasing rapidity he was soon a Fellow of the College, soon a University Lecturer, and then - regretably - leaving to take a Professorship of Theoretical Physics at Imperial College. I always hoped that one day Abdus would return to Cambridge and I think that an offer of a Chair in Theoretical Physics would indeed have brought him back. There were two chances in the 1960s. But on both occasions the Faculty of Mathematics instructed the electoral board that there was a greater need for an appointment in Continuum Mechanics than in Theoretical Physics. This I did not believe myself and it was one of the reasons why from the mid-1960s my relations with the Faculty fell to zero point.

After I had left Cambridge in 1972 and after Abdus had become the Director of the International Centre for Theoretical Physics in Trieste, I

would drop in on him with a fair frequency. So in the event I saw more of him in later years than I might have expected. One firm view of his, which he held to the end of his life, I must record now by way of ending this short appreciation.

For Abdus, the greatest Scientist of the twentieth century was undoubtedly Dirac. Of course, you could say this was one John's man supporting another. But when I asked him if this included Einstein he was clear in his answer, which went something like this:

'Einstein had his mathematics all done for him. Dirac invented his. Not only that, but it was Dirac who first made it clear that the route towards real understanding in theoretical physics lies through abstract mathematics not through engineering mathematics.'

For those of us who do not aspire to more than engineering mathematics this may seem deflating. But I think it was entirely correct.

COLLEGE SOCIETIES

St John's College Choir Association

Formed in 1995 from The Old Choristers' Association, the Choir Association exists for all former members of the College Choir, including Organ Students. It is widely supported by both the College and the College School.

The Association is a self-financing organisation which provides, inter alia, a corporate identity for its members who span many generations of the choir. Currently, reunions are held annually in Cambridge and every second year, the College extends an invitation for these to coincide with their Open Day or Weekend. Open Days attract up to 1200 non-resident members of the College. Association members are invited to sing a major work with the College Choir at the Eucharist on the Sunday morning.

Officers of the Association include the President (the current Organist), Vice Presidents (former College Organists, The Dean, and Headmaster of the College School) and an Executive Committee. The Executive Committee, which comprises both former Choristers and Choral Students, meets regularly to plan events and develop the longer term objectives of the Association. These include supporting both the College and the School in their musical projects financially and through utilising the expertise of individual members.

Currently, members are requested to pay a £10 annual subscription fee. An annual newsletter is produced and circulated which also contains details of forthcoming activities. In 1997 the reunion weekend takes place on 28 and 29 June to coincide with the Johnian weekend and College Open Day.

The Choir Association can be contacted at the College.

Alastair Roberts Chairman

The Classical Society

'in vino sermoneque gaudeamus'

This year the College Classical Society has flourished, with almost 40 members. After an initial gathering in the Michaelmas Term, we held a highly successful play-reading. After Hall, members of the society read Aristophanes' *Frogs* long into the night. Notably amusing performances were given by Duncan Hancox and Dr Schofield, to mention but two.

A small group also watched Magdalene College's production of *Oedipus Tyrannus*, which was excellent, with Johnians playing the roles of Oedipus and Tiresias energetically.

In the Lent Term, we kicked off with the ever-popular Dessert in the Parsons Room, our annual tribute to the practises of hedonism, where wine and conversation flowed freely long into the night. Students and fellows discussed past, present and future concerns, ranging from Socratic paradoxes to the relative merits of out-of-town supermarkets.

Soon afterwards we invited a guest speaker to St John's, Bradley Creevey, an Australian archaeologist, who is presently preparing a PhD thesis at Sheffield University. After treating him to a sumptuous Guest Hall, 'vino languidi, conferti cibo' we listened to him talk on the subject of 'Marine archaeology techniques and seafaring in the Mediterranean'. Bradley was a fascinating and enlightening speaker, whose topic encompassed both Classical and modern elements. The evening ended with more traditional Classical Society hospitality in Professor Crook's room.

All in all, we have had a very successful year and would like to thank all members for showing such interest and enthusiasm, especially Professor Crook for being so generous and accommodating yet again, and, of course, for taking care of the accounts!

It has been a pleasure to run the Society over the year. We wish the incoming Presidents all the best and look forward to another successful set of events.

Lin Metcalf and Phil Watson Presidents

The Economics Society

In the absence of recent entries (in fact in the absence of entries at all except in 1994 it seems), we thought that it was about time to record the progress of this thriving society. The past year has seen several steps forward in the development of this society, and hopefully this will pave the way for further expansion in the future.

The society aims to widen the horizons of economists and noneconomists alike, highlighting a more news-based, rather than academic, approach to topical economic issues and also to act as a social environment in which economists in all years can meet. This is something which has increased this year with a larger number of events ranging from Formal Halls to Speaker meetings.

The Annual Dinner in November was well attended and, we hope, this will create a precedent for future years. Unfortunately the speaker, Dr Llewelyn, Global Chief Economist of the Lehman Brothers, was called away to the Middle East at the last minute, but we hope that he may attend sometime in the future.

The Dessert in the Lent Term was attended by both economists and noneconomists. The speaker was John Plender, Economic Correspondent for the Financial Times, who gave an interesting talk on the Implications of European Economic and Monetary Union (particularly topical as it becomes an increasingly difficult issue for both the general public and the leading political parties!!)

Over the next year, the society hopes to extend its calendar of events to include a larger number of speaker meetings, dinners and desserts, which have proved successful so far. We would like to thank Ashok Notaney for his work as President last year and we hope that the society will continue to thrive under the new Presidents who will be taking over towards the end of the Michaelmas Term but, in the meantime, we hope to be arranging several more events before our retirement

> Minal Shah and Katie Witter Presidents

The Gentlemen of St John's

The activities of the Gents are mostly those of the College Choir, and I shall not repeat what is told elsewhere. It is perhaps unsurprising that while the Choir's engagements tend to run like water off a duck's back, those of the Gents sometimes clog like oil in the feathers. The recording in July of our second CD, Ca' The Yowes, was a particularly sticky example. Made shortly after an effortless recording by the Choir, our smaller and quieter group was forced by building works in First Court, traffic in Bridge Street and the exacting standards of our producer to record late at night. Even then we could not escape the loquacity of Trinity's bells and, on one memorable evening, the combination of a thunderstorm with the hospitalisation of our star baritone. Doughty hearts and stiff upper registers prevailed, however, and the disc is now available from the College.

In August the Choir's tour to Australia gave us the opportunity to perform in the Sydney Opera House concert hall, a venue which, one imagines, rarely hears close harmony, except perhaps from the lips of the King's Singers.

It is the near future which is most exciting, though, with a brief tour to Holland to promote our CD in July followed by a longer visit to Japan in September, where we shall be following in the footsteps of a similar delegation from just up the road which toured there last year. After a few years without tours abroad this is a thrilling prospect. It will be the first time the Gents have been to Japan.

Reuben Thomas

The History Society

The History Society has enjoyed this year what Dr Linehan describes as a 'golden period' of thoroughly enjoyable and well attended speaker meetings. We began in the Michaelmas Term with our very own Professor Clarke's multi-media presentation on Thatcherism (accompanied by poached egg on toast in Hall - on reflection my advice

to future secretaries is make sure you check the menu before embarking on the controversial course of undergraduate table rather than guest table!) There followed the Prince Professor Sir Dimitri Obolensky from Oxford who talked on the Byzantine Hesychasm, and another Johnian, and former Master, Professor Sir Harry Hinsley, who packed out the Castlereagh Room with his recollections of Enigma and second world war intelligence.

In the Lent Term we were honoured by the presence of Professor Warren Kimball visiting from America whose talk unfortunately had to compete with the appeal of the World Cup qualifier England vs Italy due to the secretary's lack of foresight. It was nevertheless a very entertaining evening and there was all the more wine for the rest of us.

We concluded the Lent Term with the highlight of the year that is our annual dinner. We were very privileged to be able to use the Senior Combination Room for this event which was as ever well attended. Many thanks to our guest of honour, Magnus Ryan and to Dr Tombs who kindly allowed us to use his room to carry on the festivities. Thanks must also go to Dr Linehan for his encouragement and advice and to Ben Griffin, the President of the Society, especially for his speech at the dinner.

> Sarah Boardman, Secretary

Jazz at John's

The inspiration for a new jazz club at St John's came over a year ago, with a 'Valentine's Jazz' night which brightened up even the dingy depths of the Boiler Room. Cambridge was evidently crying out for its own Ronnie Scott's!

Creating such a place was not easy, but after a great deal of time, effort, money and insomnia we found ourselves with capital through the generosity of Arthur Andersen and the College's Associated Societies' Fund, and a committee of dedicated and talented undergraduates. We were lucky enough to be given permission to use the Fisher Building

Foyer, which provides a perfect venue when bedecked with our own posters, black balloons, rugs, and characteristic red bean-bags. We would like to thank the College authorities for all the help and support they have given us.

We bombarded the University with our term-cards and posters to ensure that queues at the door half an hour early became a regular occurrence. At our first event, on Friday 24 January 1997, the club came to life with a storming performance of brilliant jazz improvisation from The Steve Denton Quintet.

'Jazz at John's' works because of the radiant atmosphere - it's relaxed and mellow, yet there's always a buzz in the air. With waitress service nobody even has to move! We succeeded in creating a place where anyone can relax and listen to great music, and where dress and personal image is not important. We even have our own jazz-loving porter, Herbie! Five sell-out events, superb music, and a five star rating in Varsity have made 'Jazz at John's' an instant success, and we hope the club will still be here in years to come.

> Sarah Abramson, President Alex Massey, Treasurer

Another great year for the JCR, but then perhaps I would say that. Our activities ranged from the noisily obvious June Event, to an unexpectedly loud Jazz evening, to mundane committee sittings. All of which we hope are for the good of John's!?

The most obvious thing that has happened this year is the revitalisation of the Junior Common Room. Alas, this was the year that the Coffee shop project came to an end. However every cloud has a silver lining, and in this case it was the all new, all dancing, all yellow JCR. Not only does it boast quality reading areas, but also surround sound television and a spanking new hi-fi. Most undergraduates agree that this makes it an excellent retreat from a hard days work.

On the entertainments side, Ben Hoyle pulled trick after trick from hand to produce one of the finest Events ever seen to grace River Court. The spectacular array of inflatable playground equipment combined with, amongst others, John's very own R & B band *The Soul Purpose* produced a party extravaganza. Everyone had a fantastic time, nearly everyone that is. Asked whether he enjoyed the event at 12 noon the next day, Ben was heard to mumble, seen to fall over backwards, and discovered to be in a dreamlike sleep. Good luck and a pack of caffeine tablets to this year's JCR.

The President of the Clarkson Room, alias Nik Stanton, has opened up the variety of music on offer at John's with her introduction of the highly successful Atomic and Beatitude. The Clarkson Room continued to flourish under her careful tutelage. There was only the one moment when I thought Nik might lose her cool. This was when our fresher friends decided they would prefer to watch the television serial 'Friends', than bop the night away. The student status of our new year was initially at stake, but most have more than managed to redeem themselves.

This year has also seen rape alarms issued to all members of College, male and female, courtesy of Jenny Clarke our Welfare Officer. The women's lunches seemed to be getting more and more popular, thanks to Treeva Fenwick's hard work, but alas I am not speaking from experience. The Year Book also managed to catch the imagination, with Rich Conway managing to secure more colour pages than ever. Showing off our great College from some interesting positions, and catching some of its members in interesting positions.

This was also the first year to see the emergence of The Bog Sheet – the new JCR newsletter. This fine publication is undoubtedly the chronicle for the nineties being an invaluable read for anyone who uses the toilet. Melanie Christian, the editor, impressed on it a disarmingly unusual style, uniquely her own, which ensured everyone was informed and charmed simultaneously. While Mel was letting Johnians find out what was going at John's, Malcolm Gates was working equally hard to let everyone else know what happens here. Malcolm trains people to go to

schools and try to dispel some of the myths about Cambridge. This should mean that fewer people are intimidated or put off from applying. Nobody at John's realises or appreciates how much work he has put into target schools, but many future Johnians are dependant on it.

I have two more people to thank for all their hard work. Alex Massey, as Vice-President, never failed to get stuck into any problem, and seemingly always managed to put it onto a spreadsheet on his computer. My life without Alex to help would have been hell. Thanks also to Katie Witter who managed somehow to keep us all under control. She even got us to do most of the right things at the right times. The minutes and accounts published in the JCR are just one testament to both Alex's and Katie's dedication.

One person remains, Myles Fleming, who thought last year was so great he wanted another go. Congratulations and good luck to him as President next year. I now look forward to reading his interpretation of events next year. Thanks are also due to the Fellows, students and staff who made our life a little bit easier.

> Peter Horsley JCR President 1996-7

The Johnian Society

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

permits easier liaison with the Development Officer, to our mutual advantage.

The Society includes among its activities an Annual Dinner in the College in early December. The dinner has been well attended for many years, and provides an evening of reminiscence and good company for members of all ages, from those who graduated a couple of years ago to those who graduated over fifty years ago. The application form for this year's dinner on December 13 1997 is included with this copy of the Eagle.

This year the Society's Biennial Lecture was given by Professor Peter Hennessy, a member of the Society, whose lecture was entitled 'Her Majesty's Puzzle: Politics, the Monarchy and the Constitution'. Such a topical subject attracted a large audience. After the lecture the speaker and the officers of the Society were entertained to dinner by the Master and afterwards at a Dessert in the Lodge.

The golf tournament for the Marshall Hall Cup was initiated shortly after the Society was founded and had been well supported by the members, to such an extent that the plinth for the name-plates of the winners is now full. An additional plinth is needed and the Society has agreed to provide this. Members wishing to play golf are asked to contact John Loosley at the address on the dinner application form. The tournament is normally held at Sutton, Cambs, on the last Friday in July.

The Society seeks to promote the association of the College and its members and to assist the College whenever possible. To this end, the Society finances a number of travel exhibitions each year for Junior Members of the College. This year the Society has also agreed to provide £1,000 each to the College Field Sports Fund and the Lady Margaret Boat Club, to be paid out of the Society's accumulated reserves.

Those wishing to purchase a copy of the text of 'Her Majesty's Puzzle: Politics, the Monarchy and the Constitution' may do so by sending a cheque for £2.50 to the Johnian Office.

> Roger Morgan Chairman

The Johnian Society Midland Group

The next Johnian Society Midland Dinner, to which Members are most welcome to bring a guest, will be held in Birmingham on Friday 24 October 1997. Those who may be interested and whose names are not already on the mailing list should contact Dr A J Waring, 55 Tillyard Croft, Birmingham B29 5AH.

The Larmor Society

The success of the May Week Garden Party set a precedent for the rest of the year's events. Held in the Fellows' Garden along with live band 'Soul Purpose', lashings of strawberries and cream, an intoxicating cocktail and a balmy summer evening, the event was enjoyed by all.

The Freshers' Squash in the Michaelmas Term was a great success, thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. This was followed by a second-hand book sale for all Larmor Society members.

Determined to introduce new ideas into the society we then produced a list of books which members of the society wished to sell. A social Hall was organised for all Larmor members - this was well received and the decision was made to make it a regular event. Another new idea was 'NatSci Intercollegiate Football' - unfortunately we were beaten by Oueens'!

A number of speaker meetings were organised. Dr Summers talked on 'Molecular Engineering'; Professor Goddard talked on 'Space and Time in the Twentieth Century'; and a discussion on 'Science and Religion' was organised, with Professor Hinde, Professor Conway-Morris and Dr Chua all speaking. I would like to thank all the above people for kindly providing the society with interesting and enjoyable evenings.

The Annual Dinner, held in the Senior Combination Room, went extremely well. Many thanks to Rod Morode for his enlightening talk on 'Chemicals in the public - why so much mistrust?' and also to Zeneca for their very generous sponsorship.

Finally, congratulations and a huge thank you to the committee for their hard work and making it all so much fun! Good luck to next year's committee - hope you enjoy it all as much as we did.

> Roseanne Burton Chairman

The Music Society

It is my belief that music should play an integral part in the life of St John's and I hope that the activities of the Music Society over the past year have gone some way towards realising this aim.

In the Michaelmas Term the forces of St John's Singers and the College 'Come and Sing' Chorus combined in a performance of Mozart's Requiem, directed by James Martin. This followed a highly polished performance of Mozart's Symphony No. 38 which was conducted by Peter Davis. The concert combined a high standard of music-making with the enthusiastic involvement of a large number of students, and was warmly received by one of the largest audiences the Music Society has ever had.

The highlight of the Lent Term was a concert of French works, held in the Concert Hall, West Road. Peter Davis conducted Dukas' 'The Sorcerer's Apprentice' which was followed by Poulenc's Concerto for Two Pianos, performed by Jane Sims and Korin Leddy. Choral music by Faure and Saint-Salens was performed by the St John's Singers under the direction of Graham Walker, before the evening was drawn to a spectacular close with Saint-Saens' 'Carnival of the Animals', enlivened with poetic readings by Dan Jordan and Alex Ashworth. The concert was a memorable occasion, not only on a personal level, but for all those Johnians who came to support what was for some their first experience of a 'classical concert' since coming up to Cambridge. The evening had a significant impact on College, as well as extending the Society's reputation around Cambridge.

In February the Senior Combination Room provided the perfect setting for the annual concert of soloists and chamber ensembles within College.

The weekly Lunchtime Recital Series and fortnightly Organ recitals have continued to provide an invaluable platform for performers. There have been some excellent recitals over the past year. Particularly notable was the performance of Butterworth's 'A Shropshire Lad' by Alex Ashworth and Christopher Robinson, and Korin Leddy's performance of Prokofiev's Piano Sonata No. 3. In addition, the Master's Lodge Recitals have been held throughout the year, thanks to the kind generosity of Professor and Mrs Goddard. The highlight of the series was undoubtedly a recital given by the Allegri String Quartet.

There have also been a number of new ventures over the past year; notably our association with Cambridge University Music Club, through which we hosted a cello masterclass with Alexander Baillie, and our work for RAG in a concert featuring Big Red Swing. A new College Orchestra has been established which, it is hoped, will provide all instrumentalists with a regular opportunity to play. The purchase of a drum kit also displays our aim to promote a wide variety of music, not just classical.

I must thank everyone on the Committee, both Senior and Junior members, for all their efforts in what has been a very busy and productive year.

> **Jane Sims** President

The Norman Henry Society

The Wordsworth Room was once again abuzz every other Monday evening before Hall, throughout the Michaelmas and Lent Terms, as the Norman Henry Society continued to hold wine and food tastings. The Junior Secretary was accused of gross inefficiency in his handling of the society's publicity, which was blamed for the slightly smaller following amongst junior members this year.

However, the tastings were of their usual high standard, and excellent presentations were given by Dr Johnstone of 'Wines of Southern Italy' and 'Around the World by Cabernet Sauvignon', Professor Matthews of

'Cheese and Wines' and Dr Hutchings of 'Pudding Wines'. The port, sherry and pâté evenings were also agreed to be resounding successes.

This year the 'best society dinner in College', took Alsace as its theme, and was as popular as ever; the exotic food and wines from the Northeast of France were thoroughly enjoyed by all, and festivities went on until late in the evening. We are holding out for the final event of the year, the tour of the College's cellars, looked forward to by members as a relaxing way to unwind after exams.

Thanks again to all those who gave their loyal support to the society over the year, and I hope that you will continue to enjoy it in future years.

> Tim Freeman **Junior Secretary**

The Purchas Society

In my three years at St John's, the Purchas Society has gone from strength to strength. This year, we have had the good fortune of having Julian Gould as Secretary. He has organised some memorable meetings and an outstanding Annual Dinner.

At the first of our meetings this year, we had the pleasure of the company of Mr Benedict Allen, who is currently working on a travel series for the BBC. He shared with us some poignant moments from his lone expedition across Amazonia. Next, Dr Glasscock gave a superb account of St John's College in the time of the Reverend Samuel Purchas, our namesake. This was followed by Ms Denise Heywood and her 'Cambodian Odyssey'. The final talk of the year was by Dr Erlet Cater, from the University of Reading, who talked about the sustainable components of 'ecotourism'.

The Annual Dinner on 7 May 1997 was a huge success. We had the pleasure of Dr Corbridge from Sidney Sussex as our guest speaker and it was a suitable setting for members to meet the College's new 'Fellow elect', Dr Arnold.

I also wish to report an exponential increase in the number of Purchas ties worn by the male members of the Society this year. Back in October, the manager of Ryder and Amies announced that he was going to cease stocking them after 'a complete lack of demand'. The Secretary should be given the credit for this revival, which symbolises the new life, energy and pride which exists within the Society. It is these qualities which make the Purchas Society the envy of all other College societies.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to invite all Purchasians back next year to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Purchas Society. Until then . . .

'Long live the Purchas Society'

Hilary Crowther President

The Samuel Butler Room

The Samuel Butler Room in name and geography is the 'HQ' of graduate life in College. This year it has excelled itself once more in providing a comprehensive social calendar for its members, due in part to the enthusiasm and imagination of its Social Secretary, Philippe Masson. We launched the year with a frantic two weeks of social events, designed to appeal to the diverse group of graduate freshers that arrived in October. The fortnight started with a Committee 'At Home', drinks courtesy of our ever generous treasurer, Selwyn Blieden, followed by a popular barbecue, an exploratory pub crawl and daily coffee and cakes, to keep up the calories . To compensate for all these excesses we had a tranquil stroll to Grantchester and serene nights in front of the video, watching Cambridge classics such as Porterhouse Blue. The fortnight culminated in a Moonlight Jazz Cruise with live band but not before another fun-filled week including a whistle stop tour through a local Laser Quest, a Treasure Hunt, taking in sites from the Sidgwick Site to the Botanical Gardens, and a gastronomic tour of the College hostels.

Of the many highlights of this year, the Christmas Pantomime, the SBR Comedy Revue and a cultural trip to Stratford have to be among the most memorable. 'Hood! The Musical' entertained a capacity audience in the School of Pythagoras, well endowed with blatant cross-dressing, witty repartee, the 'Much' loved Dame and of course the Pantomime cow, the rear end of which giving a well defined role for our endearing Welfare Officer, Damien Browne. The stapled sack costumes of the Merry Men were outshone only by the Golden jacket worn by Philippe at the Revue in March of this year. His compering skills were employed in the service of a wide variety of acts, few of which matched the quality of Elvis and his Morris Dancers or the quantity of Paul Cook's juggling routine. We are indebted to the talents of Luke Purshouse and Matthew Moss for both these entertainment extravaganzas and a number of cultural experiences besides!

The grand day out to Stratford stopped first at Warwick Castle, an event that saw SBR members participate in a reconstructed medieval battle scene and absorb the sights and smells of that period and further still allow them to re-enact the 'World's Strongest Men Final' in push-starting their somewhat antiquated conveyance in the Coach Park. Still, it was a memorable trip, if a little reminiscent of school outings, and those who went were rewarded in the end by an outstanding RSC production of one of Shakespeare's last plays, Cymbeline – a theatrical triumph.

Gastronomic events were well represented in the past year; the two formal dinners, at Christmas and at St Patrick's Day, drew large attendances, and friendly relations with other College MCRs were fostered on a number of Exchange Dinners, expertly arranged by KK Damodaran (DK). Throughout the year the graduates have enjoyed the privilege of dining with Fellows at High Table and we have even welcomed the company of some Title A Fellows at our events. An international cuisine night provided a unique opportunity to sample the far-flung culinary expertise of our cosmopolitan contingent. There were also a number of wine tastings, ably presented by Michael Jennings and his partner in crime Simon Ross, combining cultural education with bacchanalian decadence. Other tastings included a selection of cheeses

from a local delicatessen and some specially imported Belgian Chocolates. Chocolate was also the centre of termly get-togethers for graduate women in fondue evenings and even a traditional Easter Egg Hunt.

The newly introduced term planner included fortnightly video nights and monthly coffee and cakes, the latter assisted by our newly refurbished kitchen. Other Calendar events were celebrated in customary style including a fancy dress Halloween Party, A Burn's Night soiree replete with Haggis and Whisky, an Australian Night, complete with 'Tinnies' and vegemite, and Bastille Day. The term planner, now distributed by the hostel representatives, also formed the baseline for the SBR Web Page as part of our expanding advertising campaign along with a regular comprehensive newsletter, all credit to our Secretary's, alias Robyn Sorensen, word processing skills. Other graduates have surpassed expectations with their sporting prowess with an impressive cricket season in hand and the continuation of both men's and women's boats.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have donated gifts to the SBR, guests, Fellows and members past and present, from pictures and dictionaries, to pots and game boards. I would also like to thank Colonel Robinson and the College staff for all their support and the Chaplain for entertaining waifs and strays in the vacation. Last, but not least, I would like to extend a warm thanks on behalf of graduates past and present to Dr Linehan who stands down this year as Senior Treasurer and Tutor for Graduate Affairs. The Samuel Butler Room is indebted to him for his dedication and achievements for the graduate community. In summary, I hope this year has been both an enjoyable and memorable one and that the spirit that exists in the SBR will continue throughout the coming terms.

Suzy Haywood SBR President 1996–7

The Winfield Society

The Winfield Society provides our lawyers with a social environment in which to meet other lawyers, explore different aspects of the law and learn about legal practice. In keeping with committees of the past we have attempted to strike the correct balance between purely social events and social events with an academic angle.

In addition to events involving only Johnian lawyers (such as the introductory tea, garden party and lawyers' formal hall), the Winfield Society has joined forces with other college law societies. A joint event with Newnham College proved particularly popular, and it is hoped that links forged by the Society in 1996/7 will be continued in future years.

Again, the Winfield Annual Dinner turned out to be an especially memorable event. More than a thousand Old Johnians were contacted directly by post and the response was as pleasing as ever. People from far and wide made the journey to Cambridge and, even if they were unable to attend, others expressed an interest in future Winfield events. The atmosphere at the Dinner was relaxed, with students, Fellows and Old Johnians mixing together with ease. The committee would like to thank all those who made the effort to attend on 8 March. The diversity brought by returning Old Johnians - in terms of age, outlook, professional and personal experience - served to highlight the value of this now regular event.

At the kind invitation of Lord Mustill, a group of Johnian lawyers took the opportunity to visit the House of Lords in January. Although dogged by transport difficulties, the party were given a guided tour of the House and sat in on a debate. It is to be hoped that a similar trip will take place in the future, allowing those who could not secure a place this year to enjoy a similar experience.

Last, but not least, the final of the 1997 Mooting Competition was held on Monday 3 March. Now a regular event on the Winfield calendar, this year's competition proved to be especially popular amongst the new intake. Having fought off strong opposition in previous rounds, Louisa Denning eventually clinched the title in combative fashion. Many thanks to those involved in the competition at all levels - judges, organisers, sponsors and especially competitors.

This year's committee were:

Eric Ho (President) Sian Jones (Vice-President) Manmeet Bhamra (Treasurer) Joanne Woolford (Social Secretary)

On behalf of Johnian lawyers past and present, the committee would like to thank Dr Linehan for the advice and encouragement he has offered over the years as tutor.

> Ross A Olson Secretary

COLLEGE SPORTS

Men's Badminton

With a strong intake of enthusiastic fresher badminton players, we were lucky enough to be able to field two really competitive sides. The absence of any university badminton league last year left us the job of recruiting two teams from scratch. Although we were badly lacking any blues players, there was strength in depth, with there being very little to choose between the three pairs in both teams.

In the Michaelmas Term, the first team scored convincing wins over Emma, Christ's, Downing and Robinson in division two to gain promotion, and our second team, under Roland Lindsay's captaincy, also consistently outplayed the opposition to gain promotion to division 5.

With the return of past captain, Paul Cook, for the Lent Term, the first team was slightly reshuffled with the fresher Alan Castle lining up with Paul as a successful first pair.

Nagulan Saravanamuttu (still our only player yet to lose) and I continued as 2nd pair and Lior Zivan teamed up with Mark Dowson as a strong 3rd pair. Kieren Murphy also proved himself as our capable substitute. During term, we managed to overcome Churchill, arch rivals Trinity (despite their bitter complaints about the air conditioning affecting their game!) and St Catharine's, and lost narrowly to Queens' and Fitz to come a respectable second in the division.

The second team managed to go one better, by beating St Catharine's II, Peterhouse I, Churchill II and Christ's II to become division 5 champions. Congratulations to the whole team: Roland Lindsay, Kieren Murphy, Baylon Kamalarajan, Wayne Kark, Noel Rutter, Sumit Gupta, Rupak Chandra, Steven Balls, Pete Silverwood and Andrew Bailey.

In Cuppers, the last event of the year, our team of four put up a masterful display of singles and doubles beating Emmanuel 3 – 1, before losing to Anglia in the quarter finals. The other team members, Alan Castle, Paul Cook, Nagulan Saravanamuttu all receive college colours, as do Lior Zivan and Mark Dowson, our reserves.

Finally, thank you Baylon, for doing a great job as secretary and again to everyone who swung a racquet for college during term.

Robert Pagnamenta Men's Captain

Women's Badminton

After a year in which the University reeled in the destruction of the University Courts, inter-college teams have again sprung up and the League and Cuppers have made a valiant return. After a slow start, with the women's team having considerable difficulty both in arranging matches and winning them, the Michaelmas Term League was declared a practice run and a new League began again in the Lent Term.

Thanks to the Film Society, who kindly let both the Men's and the Women's Teams play before the Films on Sunday, training and matches could take place on a weekly basis in the Lent Term and our play took a turn for the better. During the Lent Term not a single game was lost by the side, leaving the team unbeaten League Champions (second division), although a couple of games could not be played due to the problems of getting a team and a court at the same time.

This means that the team should be promoted to the first division next year. In Cuppers, we reached the semi-final before being defeated by a very strong Newnham (who went on to win the competition).

Thanks to all the team for turning out for those Sunday morning training sessions – I know they were early!! – and to Baylon Kamalarajan for all the work that he put in for the club as Secretary.

I hope that the next year will be just as successful!!!

College colours are awarded to: Ellie Hanson (blue), Felicity Britton, Clare Northcott and Rosie Burton.

Katie Witter Captain

Basketball

After a one year NBA exile, 1997 saw the return of former players Jim Standing and Bret Vykopal. This strengthened an already promising team, turning them into legitimate title contenders, with a mix of shot-blockers, rebounding monsters and long range shooters. Despite an early loss, the team soon got into their stride, developing from a stifling defence, through to the shooting of Rupak Chandra and Jim, who both amassed over 100 points each during the regular season.

Excellent wins were recorded against Jesus, Fitzwilliam and St. Catharine's before Christmas, which was enough for midway in the first division at the break. The second half of the season saw wins against Robinson, Queens' and Christ's, but despite this St John's finished the year fifth in the league behind champions Darwin. This position was achieved despite key injuries to point guards, Gabriel Lim and Brian Tom. Overall, the team made significant improvements throughout the year, both on a team and an individual basis, with Bret earning most improved player for his defence, closely followed by new players Greg Bacon, with his picture jump-shot, and Andy Young, whose incredible rebounding will be missed next year. The talent on the team gained recognition on a further level, with many of the players representing the university, led by Australian Vaughn Wittorff who was part of the blues squad.

The Cuppers competition is still ongoing at the time of writing. The first round saw the team matched up with Queens' despite a poor first-half performance, the side eventually found their rhythm in the second period, ending up winners by a comfortable 17 point margin, behind Greg's floor shooting, Rupak's accuracy from the line, and some spectacular tips by Vaughn. The second match against Trinity, who put forward two blues guards, was much more difficult. The game was a tight affair, level at the interval but once again John's showed their character. With encouragement and advice from Shash Virmani and Andy (Mr.) Wines, important components of the team all year, the men in red pulled ahead as Rupak connected with 3 shots from downtown. This was comfortably the best performance of the season, against an

excellent side and John's fully deserved the victory over their old rival and thus qualified top of their division.

The second round saw John's scrape past Emmanuel College by two points in a tense and somewhat scrappy affair. Once again, the match was neck and neck all the way, with John's pulling ahead often, but failing to secure their lead at any stage. However, aided by the return of Gabriel with his steals (minus his behind-the-back passes which set off fire alarms), and with important free-throws iced by Vaughn in the closing seconds, the team had just enough to defeat Emmanuel who had beaten them earlier in the season. The next match is against Christ's, and a win here would make St. John's favourites to win the tournament.

Dave Sharma excelled as secretary, his patented shuffle step and put backs will be missed, as will his organisation skills. Finally, the team chemistry was excellent, players were full of encouragement and unselfishness and it was this spirit that helped see us past a number of more individualistic teams. We had some excellent nights out, and days on the outdoor courts, where Andy and Bret would showcase their aerial moves, whilst Shash would be unstoppable on his way to the hoop. In fact, the outdoor courts were very helpful in encouraging more people to get involved and practice and therefore it would only be just to thank the groundstaff and Dr McConnel for all their help with respect to this.

In fact with so many of the players leaving to such far away places as Singapore, Australia, Trinidad, the US, and Blackburn, Pierre Shlimon, next year's captain will find it a hard job to recreate a similarly successful and cohesive team. I wish him all the best, and hope that the vision he shows on court translates off it.

Rupak Chandra, Captain Dave Sharma, Secretary

The Flamingoes

The members of the Flamingoes Club have seen another very successful year on the pitch, court and water. Congratulations must go to all our

college captains who have managed to maintain excellence in their college teams whilst also being involved on a University level themselves.

Over the year we have welcomed several new members:

Michaelmas 1996

Vanessa Boag Athletics Half-blue

SJC Football Captain

Melanie Christian SJC Netball Captain

University Netball colours

Hope Cooper SJC Rugby Captain

Rugby Half-blue

Emily Grabham 1st Fairbairns, Lents and Mays, LMBC

Rowing Blue

Sculling GB Juniors

Easter 1997

Hannah Bradley Rugby Half-blue

SJC Rugby team
SJC Football team

Andrea Bull Rugby Half-blue

SJC Rugby team SJC Football team

SJC Hockey team

Jill Cameron Netball Blue

Clare Northcott SJC Netball Captain
Netball Blue

Lin Metcalf Rugby Half-blue

SJC Rugby team

Odette Valentine SJC Hockey team Rugby Half-blue

SJC Rugby team
SJC Hockey team

As well as all the sporting success, the club has also managed a healthy social schedule. Easter Term saw a repeat of last year's inaugural dinner with the Club's Senior Members. In elections held before the event, the following people were elected to take over the positions of President, Treasurer and Secretary. They are, respectively, Sophie Dixon, Susie Hodgkinson and Melanie Christian.

I wish them, and all members of the Club, the best of luck for next year.

Sally Mayhew President

Men's Football

This season, for the first time in years, the First XI went on tour. Despite a number of tempting offers including a weekend in Oxford, and the possibility of a trip to Keele, we elected instead to try the continent. Greece, to be more precise. And yet this was no ordinary tour. It took us back two-and-a-half millennia to 480B.C., and to Thermopylae, where the heroic Leonidas and his three hundred Spartans fought to the death against the five million invaders of Xerxes the Great in the defining moment of Classical Greek history.

Although we did not physically go to this quiet mountain pass a few miles north of Athens, in our hearts and in our minds we were there throughout the season. And our intimate knowledge of that battle helped us to understand that there is a great deal more to football than the superficial trivialities of the game, such as which team can force a distended pig's bladder through a wooden frame more times than the opposition. Winning, by its conventional definition, is not what St John's First XI were seeking; rather, a spiritual triumph. And this we achieved.

The League campaign started off well, as arch-rivals Trinity were given a lesson in finishing by the talented David Hunt. Having lost six regulars from the previous season, we were forced to blood half-adozen freshers in this most intense of all local derbies, hoping they would not buckle under the pressure. And, indeed, when the going got tough, these young men got going. Despite often lacking the experience

of their opponents, they proved their mettle time and time again over the season, indicating that for a good few years to come they will form the core of a successful St John's side. Richard Samworth stood out as the supreme commander between the posts, whilst Tom Henderson and Alex Starling created much up front. Alongside this new-found talent were the old, calm heads, who could guide them in this formative season. Individuals such as the gritty John Ratledge, the skilful Paul Alexander, and the speedy Tom Hodge, stand out.

Losses to Anglia Polytechnic University and Christ's did not dampen our spirit, just as Peisistratus refused to be cowed by the many difficulties he encountered on his route to power in ancient Athens. We knew that it was only a matter of time before wins would start flowing again. Churchill were crushed 4-0, with captain Duncan Hancox bagging a rare hat-trick. Robinson, a recent addition not only to the University, but also the first division, showed what youthful vigour can do by just getting the better of us in a thrilling encounter – one can only hope they can one day match us in examination performance, too. A last-minute equaliser gave us a point at home to Fitzwilliam, demonstrating our resilience and training regime – our players would make Mr Motivator look like a couch potato.

In amongst this festival of football, the club was busy raising its College profile in other ways. The inventiveness and energy of our post-match celebrations have enabled us to surpass both our hockey and rugby counterparts, as our renown has spread throughout the University as well as the College.

Downing, the eventual League champions, proved their credentials, as did Girton, by scoring more goals than we did. Jesus held us to a draw. And so our fate was sealed, and we slipped out of the top flight. Several short-sighted individuals remarked that this was not good. But for St John's First XI, it was mission accomplished. Following years of mediocrity, devoid of challenge, the rot had set in. Now we have a chance to face a new challenge; we have a new mission; we can reinvent ourselves, redefine what we stand for. Just as Sparta's glorious place in history was assured at Thermopylae, whilst the victorious Persians

were confined to backwaters of academic study, so too have St John's confirmed their position in footballing folklore, from now until eternity. Other colleges attribute high status to sporting achievement. At St John's, we seek a different version of success. Who were the real winners at Thermopylae? St John's may be proud of themselves, for Simonides' epitaph to the Spartan dead applies to us too. ' ω ξειν, $\alpha\gamma\gamma\epsilon\lambda$ ειν $\lambda\alpha\kappa\epsilon\delta\alpha$ ιμονιοισ στι τηδε κειμεθα τοισ κειμεν ρημασι πειθομενοι.'

Cuppers was a different story. Inspired by our heroic trio of Blues stars, Richard Millar, Dan Echevarria, and Stevie Lloyd, we took the competition by storm. Pembroke were brutally slain in round one, and our neighbours, Magdalene, aspirations to giant-killing were left in tatters, as Julian Gould smashed home the winner. Finding ourselves in the last eight against Robinson, we soon showed them the proper order of things. Malcolm Gates (two) and Millar put us into the semi-finals, where we faced the holders, Long Road. This was to prove a bridge too far, and the concession of two goals in the first two minutes was definitely not in the game plan. Piling on the pressure for the rest of the match, we could not break through. To the detriment of the competition, we had been knocked out, and our season ended there.

I would like to thank my tireless committee of Malcolm Gates and Julian Gould for all their work, and hope that next year's replacements, Lee Sanders (Captain), Salvan Masilamany (Treasurer) and David Hunt (Secretary) can build on the platform which they have been given.

Duncan Hancox Captain

Women's Football

Despite losing large numbers of quality players for the 1996–7 season our prospects still looked promising due to the large numbers of first years who turned up to the first training session. We managed to field two teams in the league again and the first team looked especially

strong in their first match, a stylish 6-1 outplaying of New Hall. Although the second team lost their first match 3-1 to St Catharine's 2 they too seemed to have great potential particularly given that many of them had hardly watched any football, never mind played before.

Unfortunately this encouraging start was not representative of the rest of the season. Numbers at training dwindled as the injury list grew, making first team selection very difficult. Many second team players (and hockey and rugby players) valiantly stepped into the breach against the more accomplished (and very scary) sides of the first division. The first team suffered crushing defeats against Hills Road and Fitzwilliam because of this and because of the poor judgement of the captain in accepting games on Thursdays and Sundays when yet more first team members were not available. Turn-out again proved to be a problem against Jesus in the last match climax of the relegation dog fight when we were forced to concede to a very weak side, throwing away our place in next season's first division.

Our performance in Cuppers was far more impressive with a repeat of last year's 7-0 destruction of Churchill. We reached the quarter finals only to be beaten by Charlotte, the blues striker, who was occasionally assisted by the other 10 Girton players, as she scored two amazing goals from the touch line. Maybe if we'd had the guts to 'Shoe 'er!' (as Duncan Hancox shouted from the side!), things would have been different. At the end of Season dinner there were many awards for commitment and the award for most improved first team player went to Becca Royce.

The second team performances in the league were also disappointing but only from the point of view of the results. They were on many occasions very unlucky and were narrowly defeated by weaker teams. The level of commitment and improvement in skills and tactical awareness was outstanding, especially from a core of players who regularly turned up to training and were available for almost every match. Their performance in the plate was far better and, like the first team, they reached the quarter finals with a nail biting 3-2 defeat of Peterhouse in extra time. The improvement shown by this team will provide a solid base for next season and the award for most improved second team player went to Elle Webb.

It only remains for me to wish Cathy McClay good luck as next year's captain and to say many thanks to Duncan Hancox, Malcolm Gates, Dave Hunt, Billy and Lee for refereeing and coaching, to Vanessa Boag, the second team captain, and to Sally Mayhew, last year's captain, for her invaluable advice.

Sarah Boardman First Team Captain

Men's Hockey

During the course of the 1996-97 season, the hockey club regained its rightful place on top of the college hockey pile, proving once again that form is temporary and class permanent. The sad loss of hockey club legends Cake, McCarthy, Knight, Beaumont, Bhadri, Stewart and Taylor meant substantial changes were inevitable. On paper the side appeared a bit lightweight, but the arrival of Colin Campbell from the rhino farms of Zimbabwe soon saw to that. The recent trend of cheap foreign imports flooding the market has been much criticised of late, but SJCHC has benefited considerably from the continental flair of Dutchmen Jasper Berkenbosch and Dirk Meerburg, who came on a one year contract.

The team worked well together from the start, scoring 21 times in the first two league matches. The defence looked solid with the immovable object Nigel Edwards in goal, and the ever youthful if slightly rusting Steve Griffiths terrorising centre forwards. Sweeper Colin Johnston made defending look deceptively easy, simply tackling anyone who got into a dangerous position. It would be unfair to call our two full backs defenders, as they envisaged their role as being at least fifty yards from their own D, but Dirk Meerburg and Shalabh Baijal were hugely entertaining, and were involved in lots of goals. In the midfield, Colin Campbell was the rock around whom everything revolved and Darren James never gave the ball away to anyone on his side or the opposition. The wide men Berkenbosch, Mayes and Polonius provided endless streams of chances that not even Samworth and Fitzherbert could fail to

score from. Slightly surprising was the fact Felix went a whole season without getting sent off or threatening an umpire. Adding in Jon Mayer for Cuppers made for a heavy cocktail, and the total for the season of 84 goals scored in 16 games is testament to the way the game was played.

The serious business of regaining Cuppers was done in true style. We progressed serenely to the final, scoring twenty goals and conceding one along the way. The final against Clare was a chance for revenge after their miraculous win last year, which stopped a run of five consecutive Johnian cuppers victories. John's eased into a 2-0 lead, dominating the match in all areas of the field. Not wishing to disappoint the hundreds of supporters who had travelled far to see a close game, we lost the plot for forty minutes, conceding three goals, two from inside the D! With thirty seconds remaining, and prospects looking bleak, Shalabh Baijal (left back) justified years of loitering in the opposition D by actually scoring. After a nervy period of extra time, Nigel Edwards saved one of the Clare penalty flicks, and Dirk Meerburg duly sealed victory with aplomb. A harsh end to a superb game, but all independents agreed that justice was done.

The league season transferred to astroturf this year, and the speed of the pitches and the John's attack meant that some teams were almost defenceless. Three double figure scores were posted in the course of the season, and sixty one goals were scored in total. Despite this record, we contrived to lose the league thanks to the now obligatory umpiring point, and losing to Jesus in a last day league decider. This unfortunate result was largely due to Jesus playing their Dean, and end of season injuries, though it should not be forgotten that we did beat them 4-0 in cuppers.

The hockey club traditions are rightly held in high regard, and the annual tour this time made its way to Utrecht in Holland courtesy of Dirk and Jasper's hospitality. Despite many attempts, we completely failed to get lost and even made it back on the right ferry. In addition to the regulars, Baylon Kamalarajan was added for his organisation and driving ability, and Rick Brice was added for comedy value. Funniest of all was the way it looked as if he had kept goal before. All those who

went will remember the city fondly and doubtless the reverse is true as well. The grand occasion of the old boys match resulted in an easy 9-8 victory for the college, thanks largely to seven goals from Richard Samworth on his 1st XI debut. The captain would not be drawn on why he had not played sooner, but was seen trying to hide his stick.

The second XI, led by Richard Lloyd (no relation), once again proved the strength in depth of John's hockey, finishing third in the second division, and beating five first teams in the course of the season. Although seconds cuppers was not arranged this year, we won the unofficial version by beating Jesus 3-0 in a one round challenge trophy. Leading scorer Neil Miller assumes control next year and good luck to him. The mighty third legion was led into battle by Adam Girling, and the motley crew distinguished themselves by turning up to every game and winning two of them. The mixed hockey club once again introduced more people to the joys of hockey in a less serious environment, and thanks to Isobel Churchill for her enthusiasm in getting people involved.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have made this year such a success, particularly the ever dependable secretary Colin Johnston for making my life so easy. Best of luck to Will Mayes as captain next year, and Colin Campbell as secretary, and God Bless the Hockey Club.

James Samworth Captain

Women's Hockey

This year we were blessed with three very talented first years in the guise of Andrea Bull, Anna Smith and Kath Joy. We also welcomed Nat Redpath, a teamless stray from St Edmunds, who actually turned out to be rather useful at scoring particularly flair goals (Blue 96, 97). A special mention must also go to the backbone of our defence this year, Rachel Jones and Nicole Armstrong. Both second team players last year, their improvement has been phenomenal. Throughout the year we have constantly battled with Blues commitments (both hockey and rugby)

and injuries, and as a result, there have been few occasions when we have been able to put out a full strength team. Our cause, though, has been helped much this year in that we are able to play some of our matches on astroturf. This greatly improves the standard of our game and allows us to show off our superior stick skills which are not as apparent on grass.

Yet again, the women's league went down to the last match of the season, a mirror contest of the men, John's v Jesus. Our task was to beat Jesus to stop them winning the league, our chance of glory having been thwarted by Girton early on in the season. With the vociferous support on the sideline, including the omnipresent Duncan 'Horn and Saucepan' Hancox, we eventually won 2-1 having gone down a goal in the first half. Our Cuppers run ended in defeat against Emma (2-1) and with a broken nose for Kath Joy in the first five minutes. Consolation, however, can be taken in the fact that we did manage to score past their England U21 Goalkeeper.

Sarah Boys Smith and Sophie Gilder were again awarded their Blues in the Varsity Match which ended in a draw, though Cambridge retained the silverware due to the previous year's 3-0 victory. Next year John's welcomes back Sarah Crowther (Blue 95, 96) from her year off in Germany, bringing with her a wealth of experience and enthusiasm for hockey in John's.

Thanks to everyone who played this season and special thanks to Baylon, Nigel, Dirk and as ever to Jim. Also to Isobel for her fantastic organisation throughout the year, and Nicole and Rachel for managing the second team. Good luck to next year's Captain, Sophie Dixon, and Secretary, Nicole. God Bless the Hockey Club.

Sophie Gilder Captain 1st XI

Women's 2nd XI

The 1996-97 Women's 2nd XI were bounding with energy and enthusiasm. There were plenty of new faces both from among the 1st

years and the 3rd years who were willing to give it one last try before packing up as students. Having been newly promoted into the 2nd division, our season proved to be quite full of 1st team 'years of training' opposition. As a result the outcomes were usually much to their approval, though particular credit must go to Pamela Mangat in goal who kept our 'defeat-extraordinaires' to a minimum.

Thanks to a great team who really worked together well and most importantly enjoyed themselves. Thanks also to Rachel Jones for being secretary and to the 1st team for all their help. Good luck to Caroline Boddy and Claire Skerrit, next year's Captain and Secretary.

Nicole Armstrong 2nd XI Captain

The Lady Margaret Boat Club - Men

Are you, like me, sick of reading Eagle Reports that appear more like dirges? A story of 'respectable results,' few, if any, victories and an atmosphere of resignation rather than of delightful optimism. Where are the stories that the Rugby Club are able to recount, tales of 'immortality' stories of 'talent and flair' recountings of fun and frolics around the small sleepy market town that is Cambridge? Well, it appears that there are changes afoot. There were stories of the 1996 May Crew seen smiling and enjoying rowing. What is more there are unsubstantiated rumours that the members of Lady Margaret have been seen in the Bar together and consuming alcohol. Wonders will never cease. So here we have an optimistic Eagle report which conveys glad tidings and victories aplenty, despite a disappointing few days for the May VIII.

Henley 1996

The Henley campaign of 1996 was a memorable occasion for all those involved. With the ever increasing entries for the Temple Cup it was necessary, as last year, to enter the qualifying race. Fortunately we retained the majority of the May Crew, losing only Pete Mallin-Jones

(through ineligibility) and Mark Hambly (to the Goldie Crew.) The crew shook off the poison of May Week at the Marlow Regatta where we performed well to lose in the Semi Final to Radley College, not before having taken the scalps of a confident American school boy crew in the proper regatta and of the Marlow RC 'A' and 'B' Crew in the lunchtime sprint in front of a crowded enclosure.

It was thus with spirits high and an appetite for racing that the crew paddled to Henley to find the customary rack waiting for us (Rack Number A1 for the uninitiated) and the marvellous hospitality that is now customary with Anne Arlidge.

The crew then had a balmy week of training under the expert and critical eye of Roger Silk who managed to increase the speed of the boat profoundly. With a week of temperatures in the high eighties, it was a surprise to find on the Friday of the qualifying race that the great meteorologist in the sky had other plans. Needless to say, the wind blew straight down the course, but our intrepid crew were not put off from their purpose. In short the crew qualified, the stewards did not give out the times for the qualifiers, suffice to say that only four Cambridge Crew qualified and the time taken by our coaches was easily the fastest.

The crew settled into the idea of racing at the regatta and went about their business in a jovial fashion. There were many impromptu races off the stake boats in the training against competition of varying standards, all of which, regardless of the result helped to build the spirit of the crew. The Old Johnian Henley Fund had managed to organise thirty tickets for present members of the club to come down and enjoy the Wednesday of the regatta and to watch the club race. However we got a bye on the first day, but the day was enjoyed by those who came to watch. The Thursday saw the Lady Margaret Boat Club racing Bristol University and coming off second best, but we were able to pride ourselves with the knowledge that the Lady Margaret Boat Club was the last Cambridge College to be knocked out of the regatta. However I am able to report a marvellous fortnight in Henley for the crew and an enjoyable number of days at the Regatta for the many members, past and present of the Lady Margaret Boat Club.

The Lady Margaret Boat Club Henley Crew

Bow: Andy South
2: Ben Richardson
3: Nick Geddes

4: Rob Ranson

5: Nick Pye

6: Tim Fisher-Jeffes

7: Tom Cairns

Stroke: Paul Alexander Cox: Joasia Zakrzewski

Michaelmas 1996

Fortunately the Club appeared in good shape at the beginning of the term, losing two of the '96 May crew, but retaining many and the appearance of a clutch of schoolboy oarsmen. Alterations to the CUBC rules meant that the Light IV has been switched to the May Term, meaning instead that there is instead two divisions of Coxed IVs. The Club was able to put out three IV's, none of which were particularly successful but which served to put individuals into boats, especially the new faces.

1st Coxed IV 2nd Coxed IV

Bow: Jim Kemp
2: Tom Latter
3: Rob Ranson
Stroke: Andy Jones
Cox: Helen Clarke
Bow: Mark Brand
2: Rob Starling
3: Rob Pagnamenta
Stroke: Tom Southern
Cox: Greg Jeffris

Fairbairn Cup

The Club was able to put in two senior VIIIs, both which showed promise. The 1st VIII reported a creditable 4th place with minimum time on the water through work commitments. The 2nd VIII reached an impressive 12th position, beating a number of 1st boats in the process, obviously benefiting greatly from the input of Roger Silk.

Novices

It is official, The Lady Margaret Boat Club is the best nursery for novice oarsmen. There is little that can be added to the results:

Men's 1st Novice VIII Fastest Novice boat in the Fairbairn Cup. Winner of the Clare Sprints Regatta.

Men's 2nd Novice VIII Fastest 2nd Novice boat in the Fairbairn Cup.

Men's 3rd Novice VIII Fastest 3rd Novice boat in the Fairbairn Cup. Fastest Clinker Novice boat in the Fairbairn Cup.

Men's 4th Novice VIII Fastest 4th Novice boat in the Fairbairn Cup. Second fastest 3rd or lower Novice boat in the Fairbairn Cup.

This is evidence of the efforts of both the oarsmen concerned and the expertise of the coaching from the present members of the Club, the majority whom also noviced with Lady Margaret.

Lents 1997

The term's campaign started with a training camp at Eton with Guy Pooley. After spending the first morning breaking the ice, literally, we managed to get down to some quality training and Guy's much needed technical input brought on those who were present. On return to Cambridge we found that the Cam had been frozen since Christmas Eve and was set to remain in that condition until 28 January. Fears of wasted training were lost as the squad managed to get in some quality land training, building up a core of fitness which was to serve us well. When the ice finally melted we only had five weeks until race day. Crews were rapidly thrown together and the work on the water started with vigour. Injury problems robbed the 1st VIII of the stroke man after two weeks and the Captain five days before the races started. However, the crew had more the look of a May VIII than a Lent VIII, strengthened by one returning trialist and Carl Seymour, veteran of six May Bumps campaigns. The crew put in a showing at Peterborough and realised that there was some serious work to be done for the crew to realise

its potential. A fortnight later the VIII entered the Pembroke Sprints on the Cam and even with two subs on board was defeated in the final by 1st & 3rd by only 3 feet.

Heads were turning in the direction of Lady Margaret and concern in the other colleges was in evidence, two weeks with Andy Silk had paid off and we had the magic of Roger to come.

In the Bumps themselves the crew rowed over the first day, the result of a pedestrian Queens' crew in front of 1st & 3rd who bumped out extremely early. The following three days saw bumps being made on Queens', Christ's and Caius, all within fifty yards of each other. It became a common sight to see Lady Margaret coming around Grassy Corner on station with the opposition, then, after a sneaky Jumps ten in Plough Reach, find themselves with overlap on Ditton. The atmosphere in the boat was of a job well done, especially with two of the first choice oarsmen on the bank, showing the strength in depth within the Club. The Second boat were successful in making three Bumps, regaining the second boat headship from Downing, winning the Pembroke Sprints for Second Boats and gaining a number of 1st Boat scalps at Bedford, all boding well for the future of the Club.

Three other boats entered the Bumps, and whilst they did not crown themselves in glory, the oarsmen went about their business and there was much fun had by all. In essence at the end of the week it was obvious that the Club was in good health and that success was returning to Lady Margaret.

1st VIII		2nd V	2nd VIII	
Bow:	Jim Kemp	Bow:	Dave Tickler	
2:	Rob Milner	2:	Mark Brand	
3:	Jeremy Ip	3:	Steve Webb	
4:	Nick Pye	4:	Tristan DuPisaine	
5:	Rob Ranson	5:	Rob Starling	
6:	Carl Seymour	6:	Rob Pagnamenta	
7:	Tim Fisher-Jeffes	7:	Dave Joiner	
Stroke	: Tom Latter	8:	Alex O'Reilly	
Cox:	Amanda Walker	Cox:	Greg Jefferis	

Again, as has been the pattern of the last few years, any hope of a training camp at the beginning of the May Term was scuppered by work pressures, not least finalists' dissertations and projects which appear entirely incompatible with rowing. Unfortunately this appears to be the pattern nowadays as the academic pressures upon undergraduates tend to restrict the time they can spend out of Cambridge before their Finals.

1997 Boat Race

The Club was represented on the Tideway this year by Nick Geddes who stroked Goldie to an emphatic victory against Isis, breaking the course record in the process. Not a bad achievement for one who was regarded as the 'weak link' in the 1996 May Crew!

May Term

The term started early and in earnest with Roger Silk running the trials for the boat. The length of the trials themselves was a testament to the strength in depth which the Club enjoys at this point. Eventually a May VIII was selected and began six weeks of hard training. After a fortnight of training under Bill Harcourt which included many pieces from the Black Barn to the Forked Tree and a row to Ely, the crew were moving well and together. This was then complemented both by the highly proficient technical fortnight under the stern and critical gaze of Dave Harvey and the arrival of a new VIII courtesy of the OJHF for which the club is extremely grateful. This set up the crew for the final fortnight with the Goldie Boatman, Ian Dryden, who was able to use the raw materials which were available to develop a racing crew. This crew was never going to be the prettiest nor the most technical, however the raw power that was available was at times quite phenomenal.

As has been the story of the 1st VIII this year, the crew suffered cruel luck as on the second night Tim Fisher-Jeffes (a CUBC trialist) injured

his ribs and could not finish the campaign. The end result was down four, falling to Caius, Queens, 1st & 3rd and Robinson, all whom won their blades. This leaves the Club at ninth on the river and under no illusions over the task ahead next year.

The second VIII with the majority of the previous term's crew available were ably coached by Pete Mallin-Jones, Chris Atkin and Sandy Black. They looked strong all term and outclassed all other second VIIIs on the river. This is reflected in their results; bumping Selwyn, on the second day then St. Catharine's on Saturday. Subsequently rowing as the Sandwich boat at the bottom of the 1st Division they bumped Clare to ensure the Club is the only one on the river with two boats in the 1st Division. This left them with the 2nd Boat Headship and results of which to be justifiably proud.

The third VIII managed to make two bumps on the first two days then rowed over, but technical failure meant that they were bumped at the railway bridge on Saturday despite having rowed with only seven men since a seat came off in the gut and for a still unexplained reason was thrown overboard. A 4th VIII was thrown together at short notice after the Graduate VIII informed the rest of the Club less than 48 hours before the start of the races that they could not make the race because of prior commitments. Whilst the subsequent scratch crew that went out ended up down four, the slot on the river is kept for next year.

The Fellows managed to put out an VIII this year which struggled in the 4th Division, going down on each day to crews at least half their age (and often more) but they remain the only Fellows boat on the river, an achievement of which to be proud in itself. Finally a Rugby boat was put out which managed to row on and was subsequently denied its blades by cruel luck as a huge pile up on the first night meant that they had to re-row as the head boat and simply paddled over the course with approximately twenty five lengths to spare. However some solace was gained by making matchsticks of a Girton crew in front of all the cameras!

1st VII		2nd VIII
Bow	Rob Milner	Mark Brand
2	Jim Kemp	Dave Joiner
3	Nick Pye	Rob Pagnamenta
4	Nick Hardy	Dave Tickler
5	Tom Southern	Tristan DuPissane
6	Tim Fisher-Jeffes	Rich Seago
7	Nick Geddes	Alex O'Reilly
Stroke	Tom Latter	Rob Lewis
Cox	Joasia Zakrzewski	Helen Clarke

The Club has changed Presidents this year with Professor Perham stepping down after having been involved with the club for twenty five years and with the Master taking over the office. Professor Perham has been a loyal servant to the Club both as Senior Treasurer and as President and we extend our gratitude for his support and efforts over the years. I am happy to be able to report that the Club is in good shape, that Roger Silk is still running a very tight, efficient and effective ship and that with the continued support of the OJHF and the College (not least through the appeal) the Lady Margaret Boat Club will go from strength to strength.

Viva laeta . . .

Benjamin Richardson Captain

The Lady Margaret Boat Club - Women

This year has been successful and enjoyable for the women of Lady Margaret. We have continued to build on the strength of the Club by producing many dedicated and talented oarswomen. This has been reflected in our results this year, and the fact that most of the rowers in the Club will still be rowing for Lady Margaret next year shows promise for an even stronger club in the future!

Henley 1996

The 96 May boat entered Women's Henley with an optimistic view to challenge some crews from outside Cambridge and see how they

compared, at the same time as learning about Regatta racing and improve on their rowing for the following academic year. Racing side by side on the famous Henley course did not put them off and in the first round they had probably the best row of the term against Manchester University, winning by one and a half lengths. In the second round they were knocked out by Pembroke who were the fastest crew on the Cam at the time. Despite the defeat, much fun was had and a lot of race experience was gained. The crew also had an opportunity to support the Maggie men at Marlow and watch some excellent men's racing. Thanks to the OJHF for the support.

Women's Henley Crew:

Bow: Sarah Power
2: Lisa Campbell
3: Carrie Allison
4: Sarah White
5: Gemma Watts
6: Anna Turk
7: Emily Grabham
Stroke: Sam Davies

Summer 1996

Cox: Jon Lloyd

Four LMBC rowers spent the first four weeks of the summer training with the Cambridge University Women's Boat Club (CUWBC) development squad to compete in the National Championships at Nottingham. The experience gained by these rowers was a contributing factor to the growing strength of LMBC women.

Michaelmas 1996

The enthusiasm and dedication of the Lady Margaret rowers is always the contributing factor in determining the success of the novice crews and the high proportion of novices who carry on rowing throughout their time at Cambridge. This year was no exception. Three novice VIIIs were selected and some great rowing potential became rapidly apparent from all three crews.

Novices

The 1st and 2nd Novice VIIIs started well with good performances in the Cam Winter Head. They then went on to the Clare Novice Regatta, where both crews showed determination in some 'gutsy' races. The 1st Novices suffered bad luck when their opponents, St Catharine's, caught a 'boat swerving by 90 degrees' crab which forced them to steer into the bank (after they had won the race of course!) This caused damage to LM6 which meant that they then had to share the heavier Midland Pride with the 2nd VIII for the rest of the term. Nevertheless they went on to the quarter finals of the Regatta where they were knocked out by Jesus in a close race. The 2nd VIII were knocked out in the quarter finals of the plate by Fitzwilliam 1, having rowed well in all their races. The 3rd VIII were unfortunately drawn against Churchill 2 (who were the second fastest novice boat on the Cam) in the first round and, although rowing well, suffered from being in a clinker and lost the race. In the Fairbairn Cup, all three crews had a strong and solid race and achieved 3rd, 10th and 25th respectively (out of 53 women's novice crews.) The 1st VIII were still in Midland Pride and possibly could have won if they had had LM6. The 2nd VIII were the second 2nd boat and the 3rd VIII were the first 3rd boat, both crews beating a lot of 1st and 2nd VIIIs. Overall, it was a successful novice term!

University IVs

This year a last minute 'fun' crew decided to enter the university IVs (it had been previously decided to concentrate training in the VIII and not enter the IVs.) The IV were knocked out by a strong Trinity crew, but did not disgrace themselves at all.

The University IVs crew:

Bow: Lisa Campbell 2: Rachel Harker 3: Naomi Tuck

Stroke: Susie Hodgkinson

Cox: Jon Lloyd

Fairbairn Cup

The senior rowers in the club were slightly depleted this term, losing five rowers and a cox to CUWBC trials and a few more to study. Nevertheless a strong 1st VIII and 2nd IV were selected. Unfortunately the IV suffered from injuries and illness and ended up as a 'training' pair/double scull. The VIII had a good term, starting well by winning their first race, the Cam Autumn Head. They then entered the Winter Head where they were 4th. The Fairbairn Cup was raced in thick mist but this did not deter the crew (or cox!). The VIII achieved fifth place, with Pembroke winning with a large margin, but the next four crews were within ten seconds of each other.

Faibairn VIII:

Bow: Hilary Crowther
2: Clare-Lise Burton
3: Alex Blackburn
4: Lucy Malenczuk
5: Naomi Tuck

6: Nikki Brotton

7: Lisa Campbell Stroke: Cath Twilley

Cox: Jon Lloyd

Lent Bumps 1997

Two crews arrived in Cambridge before term began for the Lent training camp, keen and eager to start rowing, only to find the Cam completely

frozen. The prospect of 7 days of land training was easier to cope with once a hectic social program had been arranged! Everyone benefited from some good ergo coaching from Roger and the general level of fitness shot up after a week of ergos, circuits, weights and aerobics.

The big freeze meant that Peterborough was again cancelled. When the river eventually thawed, three crews took to the water with enthusiasm and dedication to carry out some intensive training. This training proved worthwhile, as the crews started entering races. In the Pembroke Sprints the 1st VIII had some good races but were just pipped by Jesus in the 3rd round. The 2nd VIII won their division, thrashing both Jesus II and Emma II in the process. The 3rd VIII also won their division. All in all a good day for Lady Margaret! For the first time, two crews went to Bedford where the 1st VIII were third Cambridge crew and the 2nd VIII were fastest second boat and beat several first boats.

The Lent Bumps were exciting as usual. The first day saw two bumps for LMBC women: the 1st VIII bumping New Hall in the Plough Reach and the 2nd VIII bumping Emma 2. The 1st VIII then spent the next three days having hard row-overs to try and catch Queens'. Although they closed the gap, they just couldn't quite get the bump, but the crews behind did not even get near them. The 2nd VIII proved to be the LMBC heroines and, with the help of a lucky pineapple (and some good coaching!), continued their winning streak to bump every day and win their blades. The 3rd VIII suffered from crew changes, had several subs, and never quite got it back together which, unfortunately, led them to be bumped three times.

1st Lent VIII 2nd Lent VIII – blade win

1St Lent VIII		2nd Lent VIII – blade winners		
Bow:	Clare Skerritt	Bow:	Emily Greenwood	
2:	Clare-Lise Burton	2:	Amanda Fuller	
3:	Jess Wilson	3:	Alex Kent	
4:	Anna Turk	4:	Doreen Bernath	
5:	Lisa Campbell	5:	Jo Griffiths	
6:	Nikki Brotton	6:	Kylie Reed	
7:	Alex Blackburn	7:	Kathleen Spencer-Chapman	
Stroke:	Sarah Power	Stroke:	Lucy Malenczuk	
Cox:	Jon Lloyd	Cox:	Hannah Bradley	

Tideway Women's Head of The River Race 1997

This year was the first year that LMBC women took two crews to race the WHORR. The 1st VIII suffered a huge disappointment before the start when one girl was injured during the warm up and they had to withdraw. The 2nd VIII continued to be unbeaten and had a fast race to finish top second boat, and beating several college 1st VIIIs.

CUWBC The Henley Races 1997

Lady Margaret was again represented in the Varsity races by Gemma Watts (3) and Emily Grabham (Bow) both rowing in the Cambridge Blue Boat which beat Oxford convincingly. Gemma and Emily both deserve many congratulations on their great achievement.

May Bumps 1997

The May Term began with a training camp for potential first and second eight rowers on the Cam, under the watchful eye of Roger Silk. After a week the crews were chosen and training for the races began in earnest.

The first VIII went to Nottingham and managed to beat a few University crews before being knocked out, and four eights entered the Cam Sprint Regatta. The first and third boats won their divisions, while the second boat was featured in the Cambridge Weekly News for its race in the final of the competition against Emmanuel II which was so close that a re-row was declared, which LMBC then lost by a few inches. The graduate women's VIII also raced in another regatta during the term and won the Plate division.

In the Bumps themselves, the first VIII went up two and was unlucky not to have made more Bumps. They are now seventh on the river and in a good position to continue their upward move. The second VIII fought valiantly amongst much larger, stronger first boats, but fell by three places, avoiding spoons by holding off a fast CCAT first boat on

the last day. The third VIII was surrounded by second boats and did well to row over on two days, thus falling by only two places.

The Club managed to put out six women's boats this year - a testament to the popularity of rowing in College, even among those who normally feel more at home on the playing fields. Three boats entered the 'Getting-on' race, but unfortunately only one managed to secure a place in the Bumps in the intense competition. The fourth boat started bottom of the bottom division, bumped Newnham III, was bumped back by Newnham III, and so ended up at the bottom too!

1st May VIII 2nd May VIII

Bow:	Sarah Power	Bow:	Lisa Campbell
2:	Naomi Tuck	2:	Amanda Fuller
3:	Sam Davies	3:	Alex Blackburn
4:	Jess Wilson	4:	Lucy Malenczuk
5:	Nikki Brotton	5:	Jo Griffiths
6:	Gemma Watts	6:	Rachel Harker
7:	Anna Turk	7:	Hilary Crowther
Stroke:	Emily Grabham	Stroke:	Cath Twilley
Cox:	Amanda Walker	Cox:	Hannah Bradley

Thanks to Roger Silk, the Boatman and Chief Coach, and to my fellow officers: John Lloyd, Vice-Captain, and Sarah White, Lower-Boats Captain. Good luck next year to Alex Blackburn, Captain, Nikki Brotton, Vice Captain, and Hannah Bradley, Lower-Boats Captain.

Samantha Davies Ladies' Captain

The Old Johnian Henley Fund

With the announcement of the new College Appeal, this edition of *The Eagle* is probably a good opportunity to publicise the existence of the Old Johnian Henley Fund to all members of College, especially to those who suspect it to be a rather elitist organisation dedicated to the enjoyment of the few!

Historically, the principal purpose of the OJHF was indeed to assist members of the LMBC who wished to represent the College at Henley Royal Regatta. In recent years, however, the role of the OJHF has changed significantly. Support is still provided to the men and women rowing at Henley Royal Regatta and Henley Women's Regatta but this represents a small proportion of the funds now distributed by the OJHF for the benefit of members of the LMBC. For over fifteen years the OJHF has donated funds directly to the Club specifically for the purchase of equipment: initially on an ad hoc basis as the finances of rowing began to change, but recently as part of a jointly-planned investment programme. The plan covers not only equipment for the two first VIIIs but also boats and oars for the lower crews, gym equipment, tub pairs, bank tubs and the Club trailer. In 1997 the percentage of the LMBC inventory funded by the OJHF reached the astonishing figure of 75%: all contributed by Old Johnians concerned that the opportunities available in their day should remain available to present and future members of the College. The OJHF committee have racked their brains to come up with a more appropriate name for the Fund to reflect its much wider remit, as yet with little success!

With the increasing financial commitment to the LMBC has come the desire to publicise the activities of the OJHF to the wider College community, in particular to those who enjoyed their rowing at LMBC but who are unaware that their successors, be it in fifth, ninth, 'gents', 'ladies' or just novice VIIIs, are benefiting now from the generosity of OJHF subscribers. The OJHF is proud that its support of the LMBC has been recognised by the College in the planning of the new Appeal. The challenge for this Appeal is to grow to support the day-to-day running costs of the College sports clubs as government funding declines: to do this we must increase the subscriber base to reflect the broader range of rowers now benefiting from the OJHF.

What can the OJHF offer to Old Johnians? Apart from the annual newsletter, the OJHF has in 1996 and 1997 organised a get-together of the whole Club along with past LMBC members on the Wednesday of Henley Royal Regatta. We would wish to see this develop into a formidable reunion of Old Johnians in the future. We shall also seek to assist the College's Johnian Office in the planning of other reunions and

dinners throughout the year: we are determined to involve all Old Johnians who ever sat in a boat!

In the coming years the opportunity to play sport for the College will only be available through the generosity of Old Johnians. Please help the College Appeal and the OJHF to keep your successors on the river, if only for a term!

Chris Atkin Hon. Sec.

Long Vacation Cricket 1996

Any of the Discontent of Winter was indeed made Glorious Summer by the revival of Long Vacation cricket. The playing fields become something of a retreat for those students and Fellows still resident during the long dog days of summer when College is abandoned by most of its members and is given over instead to the rather earnest Conference attendees.

The Long Vac. Team is traditionally something of a strange amalgam of mixed talent and experience, held together partly by the collective experience of exile, but principally by a fine spirit of conviviality and love of the game. The core of the team was drawn from the remnants of the SBR Graduate Cricket team, which had just come from its most triumphant season to date. Much praise must go to Brian Tom, whose organisational efforts helped keep the team together over the course of the summer, and whose unflappable good spirits kept these much harassed graduates up to their game. In this he was ably assisted by Drs Midgley and Linehan, whose experience and steadiness, not to mention good humour, were a most welcome addition to the side.

The first of four fixtures was against the village team of Pinchbeck, always a favourite, a hard team to beat, but a fine team to lose to. This was followed by a hard fought draw against Thames Valley University, a match in which I saw a delightful century scored by our Captain, Ed James. (We were happily assured by Dr Linehan that, had Ed not run him out, he too would have gone on to a ton). Then came the clergy from the

Diocese of St Albans, who, seemingly with God on their side, raced to a declaration which was surely unbeatable. SJC prayers were answered, however, in the form of a sterling innings from Hugo Malan which helped us secure a miraculous victory. The final fixture of the season saw us face the formidable team from the University of Liverpool, whom we were more than happy to come away from with a draw.

Altogether a fine season of Long Vac. Cricket, boding well for the season to come. If the trend continues we may well see a revival in the Long Vac. Cricket Team tie, which I, for one, would most heartily welcome.

Damien A Browne

Netball

First Team

The pressure was on this year. Following on from Jill Cameron's successful season last year, I knew that captaining John's to the Ladies League 1st Division League title would not be easy. There were two only options:

- a) to retain the title
- b) to fall from grace

The latter seemed the most probable at the beginning of the season. Freshers' Fair didn't prove promising. Few people signed up and, competing with other sports for the longest list of sign ups, many unsuspecting friends names were added. Pacts were made with the basketballers, following the same fate as we were, to exchange names of enthusiastic people!

Fewer people turned up for trials. A total of 4 people managed the first set and seven the following set. Trials therefore had to be carried out during the first match against Newnham. We won this comfortably 15 - 7.

Next we were up against Pembroke (and their four Blues players!) and this was not our most treasured match of the season. John's fought hard (when everybody had finally found the courts!) but unfortunately didn't quite have the edge on this talented side. The score not quite reflecting the closeness of play 5 – 13.

Apart from that, and a narrow defeat by Magdalene, (due to flu causing the absence of our 'storming' goal attack – Blues player Jill Cameron), John's had a successful season in the league and therefore this will be one of the College's sports sides that will remain in the 'premier' division next year!

Cuppers was another story. John's were out to take revenge on Pembroke for claiming the League title. And we did just that. Unfortunately some of our team were missing but that made us even more determined. The morning pool was fun. All the team played well together in this 'never played in before' combination. The shooters, however, did not play as well – but the score lines, ranging from 10-14 to 1-3 in our favour, didn't quite reflect this.

Thankfully in the important afternoon session, with support (thanks Nikki), John's went from strength to strength and didn't fade under pressure. Victory followed victory and before we knew it we were in the semi-finals against Girton; the Girton team including an England defender! Probably the lowest score of the day was recorded here, John's narrowly gaining a place in the final with a 4-3 win. Pembroke went out to Selwyn in the other semi-final. The final loomed We were confident and just went out there and did it, winning 13 – 6. We were ecstatic! Although we didn't have the league title again, at least we had Cuppers Champions 1997 to add to our name.

I would like to thank LMBC, Women's Rugby, Flu, Forgetfulness and Romantic Boyfriends whisking valuable team members off for the weekend of 14 February, for causing me big headaches and near heart attacks! I would also like to thank and say sorry to Jess Wilson for being woken up and agreeing to play netball 10 minutes before the game was scheduled to start. A game we won by miles – 14 – 2 and a game when we wished we'd had Jess all season! Hopefully we will drag her away from the river next year and she will be a regular member of the team.

College Netball Colours this year are awarded to: Melanie Christian, Jill Cameron, Sally Mayhew, Vanessa Boag, Nikki James, Meena Brahma, Claire Northcott and Felicity Britton. Congratulations go to Jill Cameron for gaining her Netball Blue in style this year and to Melanie Christian for her University Colours.

Many thanks go to joint second team captains Marika Lemos and Minal Shah for their part in organising the second team. I know it caused them a lot of hassle! Good luck to the newly elected captain Felicity Britton and I hope that we have just as successful a season next year.

Melanie Christian Captain

Second Team

The second team (when we managed to get together more than three players) made a good start in the Michaelmas term beating Magdalene 5 – 3, but after that it was downhill all the way. Our next match of the term was against Emmanuel to whom we lost 10 – 2. The Lent Term saw a forfeiting of a match to the Vet School when only three of John's players turned up to face ten rather large opponents. We did play a friendly against them with three of their side joining ours. After that day, what little interest there had been died away, and we did not enter Cuppers. Hopefully next year we will see a more enthusiastic response from those who sign up at Freshers' Fair, reflecting the fact that a College as large as John's should have more than one committed netball team. Thanks to the people who did make the effort though, and good luck to next year's captains!

Minal Shah

Mixed Netball

An excellent day was had by all who attended, the highlight being the pub lunch! John's played well with their controversial imports (thanks Jill!) and was finally beaten (by the umpire!) in the Quarter Finals. Thanks to Dave Sharma for captaining the side for the second year running.

Gentlemen's Rugger

The 1996-7 season has seen a wind of change rattle through the lofty halls and cosy lounges of Rugby Union. A sport that for decades has prided itself on its amateur values of fellowship and sportsmanship has had to adjust itself to the demons of commerce, to sponsors, agents and the rigours of training. Committees and friendships established upon camaraderie and a taste for fine wine have been split apart by infighting and the sharks of commercial television. St. John's College R.U.F.C, a bastion of tradition and excellence, has had to rise to the challenge. The aim this season: to maintain its status as the premier power in University Rugby, to continue to provide free flowing and attacking rugby of eulogistic artistry and to adhere to the traditional values of Rugby Union and all that it entails.

This challenge was compounded at the start of this season by the loss of many of the stalwarts of last year's Double winning squad. The likes of Zinger Stokes, Matt Bonnetti, Nick Spence, James Rutter-Griffiths and Will Thomas, legendary players of panache and verve who had brought such a confidence and spirit to the side, would be sorely missed; we prayed for a suitable intake to fill this void.

Our prayers were answered with the arrival of a fine body of men whose commitment, skill and love of the game has ensured the continued health of our club. The new players slipped into the team with ease at the start of the league season. Sion Jones slid comfortably between Pete Evans and Tal Lomnitzer bringing dynamism and a novel scent to the front row. In the second row the powerhouses of Tom Tweddell, returning to the fold following three years in the backs, and Mal Green were salmon in the lineouts. The hardy veterans Nick Hartley and Rob Cadwallader were joined by the youth and good looks of Justin Atkinson and Jim Wilde on the flanks. The pack was once again a force to be reckoned with in the league, lighter for the loss of Paul Godfrey and yours truly, but infinitely faster and more capable with the ball in hand, enough to scare our first two opponents, Emmanuel and Clare, into capitulation.

The first competitive match came against Churchill where the mettle of this new and inexperienced side would be rigorously tested. It was here, in a commanding 36-14 victory, that we saw the true class of the new recruits out wide. Mike Rennoldson played consistently well at scrum half; a threat at all times, he provided excellent service to Jamie Goldberg at fly half, who ably filled the boots of Olly Jones (LX club) with a poise and confidence that belied his youth. Further out, the experience of Matt Dobson, Alex Theos and Luke Kevan was added to by the talented running of the dummy maestro, Richard Samworth, and the pace of our sometime footballers, Salvan Masilamany and Dave Hunt, filling the role of 'gasmen' so tragically vacated by Dan Jordan and Luke Gompels, season-long casualties.

The league season progressed well with crushing victories over Sidney Sussex, Christ's, Pembroke and the old rivals St Catharine's in fine style; however foul weather and injury problems that exposed a regrettable weakness in playing numbers conspired against us in the end. A draw to Robinson in the worst conditions and a painful loss to the Village of Magdalene with a weakened side meant that we finished the League as runners up by one point, a dark day for John's rugby.

Revenge came in Cuppers with the return of seven players from last year's side. Sion Jones was joined by Paul Godfrey and Nick Studer in a front row that comprised the most intimidating force in the competition. While in the back row Russell Earnshaw, when available, complemented our strong pack of flankers. In the backs, the resurrected Dave Richards, Olly Jones, Adam Green and Matt Dobson created a fearsome three-quarter line, with the pace of Samworth and Theos out wide, that was to prove incisive and unbreechable. Our passage through the preliminaries was overcome with ease, leading to the inevitable clash with Magdalene and their compliment of ringers at Grange Road for the repeat of last year's epic final. The Red Boys secured it once again before a baying crowd, with a fine all round performance that spoke volumes for the team's commitment and abilities against a strong and motivated opposition, awesome in attack and rocklike in defence, the Cup came home once more.

With the season completed the Red Boys once again undertook their annual pilgrimage to the furthest reaches of civilisation. 'Go West' was the quest, and westward we headed towards the land of the setting sun and Cydhur, armed with our boots, our hats and our literature. Via the

belligerent spired city on the Isis, where we were assaulted by a Keble rugby team while sunning ourselves in the Parks, we headed to the Mecca of Agrarianism, that temple to all things agricultural where the locals consume liquor at a mythical pace. From here, refreshed and full of intrepid spirit, we ascended unto Devon, where, assaulted once again, we were grateful for the heavenly touches of Exeter's sacred nurses, our Devonly host. Inevitably Judgement Day came, the quest was complete, our sins were forgiven but will never be forgotten. The Red Boys returned to the peaceful life of Cambridge, content in the knowledge that the challenge had been overcome.

I would like to pass on my thanks to all who have assisted with this memorable and very happy season: Roddy Vann, my able and ever willing secretary; Rob Cadwallader, my vice captain who bravely took on the responsibility for the league side with aplomb; and to Jim and all the ground staff who have produced such consistently excellent pitches. Finally I would like to wish the best of luck to next season's incumbents, Justin, Sion and James. Long may *Les Garçons Rouges* flourish.

Charlie Courtenay
Captain

Women's Rugby

To take on the captaincy of a team that has had two consecutive years of winning everything is a daunting task and one that is hard to equal, let alone improve on. However, the Red Girls continue to go from strength to strength and I am privileged to have been a part of the success this season.

The first team, consisting of several committed veterans of the game and spurred on by the enthusiasm and talent of outstanding new players – Katherine Joy, Andrea Bull and Nell Boase, were unbeatable, winning every game in the season to nil and once again walking away with the league and cuppers double. To pick one match from the season, it would have to be the league decider against Downing, which brought out the true aggression and spirit of the team, supported all the way by the trusty kicking boot of 'Flies'.

The second team, under the inspirational and dynamic leadership of Lin Metcalf, also had their fair share of success. They too benefited from the enthusiasm and determination of committed new and returning players, most notably Adele Langlois, Sarah Abramson and Sian Jones. The seconds, mirroring the success of the firsts, finished fourth in the top division and made history by becoming the first ever second team to reach the quarter-finals in cuppers. Next year the firsts will have to really watch their backs!

Not only are the mighty girls of red involved in College rugby but their talents have been fully utilised on the University pitch as well. No less than seven of the team got their half-blues this year and a further seven gained their second team colours.

This track record may sound farcical, but it is success justified by the hard work of the players involved. I must give special thanks to our coaches: Luke Kevan, Dave Richards and Oly Jones whose support, advice and tireless enthusiasm this season has undoubtedly helped mould such strong teams. In fact the support from the Red Boys generally this year has been recognised and truly appreciated.

For the first time ever the Red Girls went on tour at the end of the Lent term thanks to the brilliant organisational skills of the honorary secretary, Hannah Bradley. Hungry for further national recognition, the squad also entered a team in the National Sevens tournament in Marlow. The team fought valiantly to the end despite the rock-hard ground, resulting in skinned knees for all. Beating club sides such as the Nomads and Wimbledon, the Red Girls reached the Quarter-finals of the plate finally meeting their match against Clifton II. No doubt we will be giving the Wasps and Richmond a run for their money next year.

I feel privileged to have captained and got to know such a fantastic group of people. I would like to wish Katherine Joy and Adele Langlois all the very best with their captaincies, and I look forward to joining them on the pitch again next year. Thanks and congratulations go to Lin for helping me so much and taking her team to unprecedented heights, and of course to Jim and his staff for such 'marvellous' pitches as always.

As a result of commitment and talent throughout the season, colours have been awarded to the following: Sarah Abramson, Nell Boase, Hannah Bradley, Andrea Bull, Hope Cooper, Sian Jones, Katherine Joy, Adele Langlois, Lin Metcalf, Amelia Torode and Odette Valentine.

Hope Cooper Captain

Cricket

Right from the start, the first's displayed the flair and commitment necessary to prove themselves the best college team in Cambridge. Only the Cuppers final awaits. An already strong squad from last year was strengthened by the arrival of Richard Samworth, Matt Siddle, Rich McDowell, and Colin Campbell. The first three friendlies underlined the strength of the team, as we dominated all three. We built on this success and once again have had a great season.

The first match was against the Gentlemen of Suffolk. New recruit Richard Samworth provided a show of his honed batting skills in getting to 78, the other batting debutante Jamie Goldberg also started well, making an unbeaten 43. This was supported by the traditional run scorers of last year, Raj Jayarajasingam, Jamie Samworth and Pete Horsley playing cameo innings of 40 plus. The final total of 297 for 3 proved too much for the Gents who ended up batting out the last three overs to avoid losing. Another debutante Matt Siddle spearheaded the bowling attack with 5 for 41.

The strength shown in batting brought a deserved victory against the Stoics. We put them in to bat first and they reached 252 for 7. Tom Grafton was the most successful of our bowlers taking 3 for 64. Fine displays of batting by Richard Samworth (92), Ed Cropley (68), and Raj (43 not out) lead to a John's victory by 7 wickets.

In the next match against the Jesters, the one and only ton of the season was made by Jamie Samworth. In typical style, he dismissed the bowlers to all areas of the ground, particularly an area just wide of moo. This lead the way to another win, by 95 runs.

The first Cuppers game against St. Edmund's was a mere formality. A fantastic spell of bunny blasting by Colin Campbell (6 for 7), allowed Cropley and James Samworth to knock off the runs in 5 out of the 40 allotted overs. The second Cuppers match also saw a fine bowling performance by Colin taking 1 for 22 in 8 overs. This was supported by Matt Siddle who conceded only 19 runs off his 8 overs. The John's top order easily notched up the remaining runs to win by 7 wickets.

Against Hetaioi, Cropley used all his experience to show that he too can bowl. He wove a web of spin and guile to take 4 for 20, and leave Hetaioi all out for 142. A total that was a player who had been picked to play for India in a test match: a Mr. Bhaskar. This caused quite a stir in our camp. A player who shall remain nameless announced that he had finally met his hero, many of his friends even owned posters! He then promptly engaged in his own special form of hero worship, proceeding to drop the great man twice before leaving the field a happy man. We batted first and despite a handsome 93 by James Samworth, and a flurry of pinch hitting by Mayer we only made 206 all out. Campbell bowled tirelessly, producing a regal spell of 22 delightful overs. However, our fielding let us down badly, and having dropped 5 catches we were unable to gain the upper hand. We were eventually beaten by 4 wickets.

It has been a great year for the first XI, and I hope that this success will continue to see us become Cuppers champions. Three other players are worth noting for their contributions: Roddy Vann was at all times excellent behind the stumps, Richard McDowell is a fine opening bat despite his knack of being given out, and Richard Brice a man without whom no cricket game can be truly complete.

Many, many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Williams who work so hard to allow us to play cricket and have such a wonderful time. We are so lucky to have a great ground to play on and superb lunches and teas to feast on. Thanks also to everyone (Theos, Sumit, Will, and Dan just to mention a few) who have turned up at the last minute to fill in for lost players. Hopefully the side will move onwards and upwards next year under the new captain Tom Grafton.

The second and third teams have also had a fun season. The seconds had a mixed season firstly under the careful tutorage of Rob

Cadwallader, and then Sumit Gupta. They have helped to ensure the growing ground for future first cricketers has been kept fertile. Now for the thirds. Very few colleges can rival the social cricket played at this level. Ash Notaney has managed to sculpt a huge squad of students of all abilities, shapes and sizes into the meanest looking cricket playing party machine I have ever seen. Congratulations to all the men's teams who have played cricket in the best of spirits, I look forward to another season with everybody.

That is not the end however. Women's cricket is starting to make an impact at John's. So far the practises and nets have been well attended by keen players. Cuppers takes place soon and hopes are high. Particularly, we look forward to some good bowling from Jo Griffiths, and solid batting from Hannah Bradley, Odette Valentine, Helen Hendry, and Sophie Dixon (the captain). Thank you to the Samworth brothers, Matt Siddle, and Roddy Vann for their coaching. Thanks also to everyone who donated kit to the new kit bag.

Peter Horsley

COLLEGE NOTES

College Officers

The College Officers as of October 1997 are:

The Master Professor P. Goddard ScD FRS

The President The Reverend A.A. Macintosh MA BD

Senior Tutor R.G. Jobling MA Senior Bursar G.A. Reid MA, PhD

Deans The Reverend A.A. Macintosh MA BD

D.M. Carrington BA, PhD

Domestic Bursar Colonel R.H. Robinson OBE

Librarian A.J. Saville MA, ALA

Praelector Professor P.H. Matthews MA FBA
Organist C.J. Robinson MA BMus CVO
Chaplain The Reverend N.I. Moir MA

The College Council

As of October 1997, the College Council consists of:

The Master

The President Dr Snaith
Dr Reid Dr Watson
Dr Leake Professor Segal
Mr Jobling Mr Nolan

Dr Bayliss-Smith To be determined.

Dr Tombs Mr Evans

The Fellowship

Elected to a Fellowship under Title B and appointed a Lecturer in Economics from 1 October 1996:

Gregory Dawson Hess (B.A. 1984, University of California at Davis; M.A. 1986, John Hopkins University)

Elected to a Fellowship under Title B and appointed a Lecturer in Law from 1 January 1997:

Christine Diana Gray (B.A. 1976, M.A. 1979, Ph.D. 1980, Newnham College)

Elected to a Fellowship under Title B and appointed a Lecturer in Computer Science from 1 January 1997:

Philippa Anne Gardner (M.A. 1987, St Hugh's College, Oxford; Ph.D. 1991, University of Edinburgh)

Elected to a Fellowship under Title B and appointed a Lecturer in Physiology from 1 April 1997:

Ian Michael Winter (B.Sc. 1983, D.Phil. 1987, University of Sussex)

Elected to a Fellowship under Title B and appointed a lecturer in Mathematics from 1 October 1997:

Nicholas Stephen Manton (B.A. 1974, M.A. 1978, Ph.D. 1979)

Elected to a Fellowship under Title B and appointed a Lecturer in Geography from 1 October 1997:

Neil Stuart Arnold (B.A. 1988, Ph.D. 1994, Christ's College)

Elected to a Fellowship under Title B and appointed a Lecturer in Music from 1 October 1997:

Stefano Castelvecchi (Laurea cum laude 1988, University of Rome; M.A. 1992, Ph.D. 1996, University of Chicago)

Elected to Fellowships under Title A (Research Fellowships) with effect from 1 October 1997:

Philip James Connell (B.A. 1993, University of Liverpool; King's College), Intellectual History

Russell Paul Cowburn (B.A. 1993, M.A. 1997, St John's College), Experimental Physics

Sophia Margaret Elliott (B.A. 1993, McGill University; M.Phil. 1994, Darwin College; Churchill College and St John's College), Ancient Philosophy

Yong Mao (B.A. 1994, Trinity College), Theoretical Physics

Barbara Ravelhofer (University of Munich; Trinity College), Renaissance Studies

Timothy John Guy Whitmarsh (B.A. 1992, M.A. 1996, M.Phil. 1994, King's College), Classical Literature

In view of these elections, the complete Fellowship as of October 1997 is as follows:

The Master (Professor P. Goddard)

The President (The Reverend Mr A.A. Macintosh)

Dr F.S.J. Hollick	Mr G.G. Watson	
Dr F. Smithies	Dr J.A. Charles	
Dr G.C. Evans	Dr D.J.H. Garling	
Professor Sir F.H. Hinsley	Professor R.N. Perham	
Mr A.G. Lee	Dr G.A. Reid	
Dr G.C.L. Bertram	Professor P. Boyde	
Dr K.G. Budden	Dr J.A. Leake	
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Mr J.R. Bambrough	Professor D.L. McMullen	
Professor J.A. Crook	Dr E.K. Matthews	
Mr F. Hanley	Mr R.G. Jobling	
Dr E.D. James	Dr J. Staunton	
Dr G.H. Guest	Mr D.G. Morgan	
Professor R.A. Hinde	Dr C.M.P. Johnson	
Dr R.H. Prince	Dr M.A. Clarke	
Professor J.R. Goody	Dr A.G. Smith	

Dr W.D. Armstrong Professor J.A. Emerton Dr R.A. Green

Professor J. Iliffe Dr J.H. Matthewman

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Dr T.P. Bayliss-Smith

Dr S.F. Gull
Dr H.P. Hughes
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Mr Y. Mao

Mr P.J. Connell

Miss B. Ravelhofer

Dr S. Castelvecchi

Honorary Fellows

Sir Mark Oliphant

The Rt Revd & Rt Hon. Lord Coggan

The Revd Professor W.O.

Chadwick

Sir Humphrey Cripps

The Rt Hon. Sir John Megaw

Professor W.A. Deer Sir Samuel Curran

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Sir Douglas Wass Sir Vivian Fuchs Sir David Wilson Sir Brian Cartledge

The Rt Hon. the Lord Griffiths

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Professor Sir Roger Penrose Professor Sir John Horlock

Dr I. Pesmazoglou

Professor Sir David Cox

The Rt Revd P.K. Walker
The Rt Hon. the Lord Mustill

D. M.C. Hootloy

Dr N.G. Heatley

Professor A. M. Cormack

Mr Justice R.J. Goldstone The Rt Hon. the Lord Hope

Sir Tim Lankester

Sir Christophor Laidlaw

Elected as Fellow Commoners:

Dr A. Chaudhuri, BA University College, London, 1986; DPhil. Balliol College, Oxford 1993, Harper-Wood Student 1992-3, for the period of two years from 1 January 1997.

Dr E.P. Trani, President of the Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, USA, for the Easter Term 1998

Elected as Overseas Visiting Scholars:

Hans-Harald Müller, Professor of Literature, University of Hamburg, for the Lent Term 1998.

Alexander Olevskii, Professor of Mathematics, University of Tel Aviv, for the Lent Term 1998.

Michael Wormington, Associate Professor of Biology, University of Virginia, for the Lent Term 1998.

Gordon L. Fain, Professor of Physiological Science and Ophthalmology, University of California at Los Angeles, for the Lent and Easter Terms 1998.

Degan Shu, Professor, Department of Geology, Northwest University, Xi'an, China, for the Lent and Easter Terms 1998.

Nicole Woolsey Biggart, Professor of Management and Sociology, University of California at Davis, for the Easter Term 1998.

Thomas Anthony Lipo, Professor of Power Electronics and Electrical Machines, University of Wisconsin, for the Easter Term 1998.

Robert Adolphovich Minlos, Professor of the Theory of Functions and Functional Analysis, Department of Mechanics and Mathematics, Moscow State University, and Principal Researcher, Head of the Laboratory, Institute for Problems of Information Transmission, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, for the Easter Term 1998.

Agostino Paravicini Bagliani, Professor of Medieval History, University of Lausanne, for the Easter Term 1998.

Bequests and Donations to the College

During 1995-96 the College received notice of the following gifts and bequests (not including gifts which continue to be received as part of the Library Appeal):

Mr E.H. Foottit (B.A. 1931, M.A. 1944) gave £750 on behalf of the Coventry Boy Foundation. The gift has been credited to the Foottit (Coventry Boy Foundation) Fund, for the repair and improvement of College buildings.

Mr H.Steffen Peiser (B.A. 1939, M.A. 1944) gave £50 as an unrestricted gift in memory of Dr Arthur J.C. Wilson (Ph.D. 1942). The gift has been credited to the Overseas Scholarships Fund.

The College has received an unrestricted bequest of £1,000 under the will of Dr F. White (B.A. 1948, M.A. 1952, Sc.D. 1992). The gift has been credited to the General Bequests Fund.

The College has received an unrestricted bequest of £1,000 under the will of Mr F. Cheers (B.A. 1940, M.A. 1956). The gift has been credited to the General Bequests Fund.

The College has received a bequest of £10,000 under the will of Mr G.K. Powers (a local resident) 'to be used for the Chapel Fund'. A Powers Fund has been instituted for the general purposes of the College, the income of the Fund to be applied until further order to Chapel purposes.

Mr W.N. Campion-Smith (B.A. 1975, M.A. 1981) gave £1,000 to be credited to the McMahon Law Studentship Supplementary Fund. The gift has been credited to that Fund.

Sir Humphrey Cripps (Honorary Fellow) gave the College a gift of a Persian carpet, which has been placed in the Lobby of the Master's Lodge.

The Reverend Canon A.N. Thompson (Ph.D. 1962) gave £200 'for the Chapel, Choir and Services of St John's College Cambridge', following a visit to Cambridge from Canada and after attending a service in the Chapel. The gift has been credited to the Alldred Fund.

The College received £1,022, being the one-third share of a gift in 1986 to St John's, Newnham and Clare Colleges by R.H. Bathgate (B.A. 1954, Ph.D. 1959), in memory of his mother, Mrs Fanny Bathgate 'for the relief of hardship among students', which until now has been administered by Newnham College. A Fanny Bathgate Fund has been established, the income being added to the Tutors' Praeter Fund.

The College received by gift aid the sum of £1,000 from Mrs J. Hawthorne Amick (widow of Dr C.J. Amick, Fellow 1977-79) for the purchase of mathematics books for the Library. The Librarian has purchased suitable books which contain book plates approved by the donor.

The College has received a bequest of £1,000 under the will of P.D. Thorp (B.A. 1947, M.A. 1949, LL.B. 1948, LL.M. 1985) for the College's 'Building Fund'. A Building Fund has been established and this bequest credited to it.

Professor A.T. Fedorchenko (Overseas Visiting Scholar) presented to the College a framed ink drawing by himself in gratitude to the College for its hospitality. The drawing is on display in the Green Room.

Professor P.J. Freyd (Overseas Visiting Fellow 1980-81) visited the College during the Long Vacation 1995 and asked that the remainder of his cheque after meeting the cost of his accommodation and meals, be retained by the College as 'a contribution'. The sum of £339.90 has been credited to the Staff Fund.

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

Mr G.C. Harbinson (B.A. 1931) gave £1,000 for the 'new library building . . . or any other capital project aiming to improve facilities for the students'. The gift has been credited to the Building Fund.

The College has received by Gift Aid the sum of £5,333.33 from a Fellow, who wished to remain anonymous, for the general purposes of the College.

Mrs F. Hancock expressed the wish to make a gift of a tree to the College, in memory of the wife of Dr A. Shivtiel (Ph.D. 1977), Mrs E. Shivtiel. After discussion with the Domestic Bursar, Mrs Hancock has kindly agreed that the lime tree which is to be planted near the Kitchen Bridge should be nominated as the gifted tree, and has agreed to meet the costs involved.

The College has received a gift of £750 from Mr A.H. Norris (B.A. 1972, M.A. 1976) and Mrs Norris, to be credited to the McMahon Supplementary Fund.

The College received a bequest of £2,066.67 from the executor of the estate of the late Professor C. Embleton (B.A. 1952, M.A. 1956, Ph.D. 1956) who died on 4 July 1994. The gift has been credited to the B.H. Farmer Fund.

The College has received £50,000 from Mr J.A. Cargill in memory of his son, A.M. Cargill (B.A. 1974, M.A. 1978; Ph.D. Leeds) who died on 19 July 1993 'to constitute an Alex Cargill Fund for the award annually of a prize to the best student in the final examination in the Engineering Tripos, and for the support and aid, by way of scholarships, studentships or grants, of students in the fields of Engineering Science and Applied Mathematics'. The gift has been accepted and a fund established. The Cargill Prize for Part IIB of the Engineering Tripos has been instituted and the Council had great pleasure in awarding it for the first time in 1996.

The College has received £25,000 from Mrs A.L. Elliott in memory of her husband, Mr K.W. Elliott (B.A. 1963, M.A. 1967), who died on 28 July 1992, for the purpose of constituting a Kenneth Walter Elliott Fund, 'the income of which is to be used for the purpose of the provision of scholarships, studentships or other grants (whether or not in the nature of scholarships or studentships) to students of the College, or otherwise for the benefit of students of the College, in the wish that (but without creating a trust binding on the College) preference be given to mature students of the College and to students of Criminology or Law'. The gift has been accepted and a fund established.

Professor Hinde gave £100 as a 'donation to the College's Swimming Bath Fund in recognition of Professor Goody's many achievements and of his initiative in organising this Fund'.

From the following American Friends of Cambridge University:

To the Overseas Scholarships Fund:

Mr Milan L. Hauner, Dr H. Steffen Peiser, Mr Roger N. Radford, Mr H.R. Tonkin

To the Tutors' Praeter Fund:

Dr Jeffrey D. Bernard, Dr Eliot Duncombe, Professor E.C.B. Hall-Craggs, Dr John L. Howarth, Miss E.M. Hunt, Mr Kevin Lewis, Mr P.D. Peterson, Professor Ronald S. Rivlin, Dr Stanley W.R. de A. Samarasinghe

To the Hinsley Award Fund:

Mr Milan L. Hauner, Professor Thomas R. Metcalf, Professor J.H.M. Salmon

To the Cyril George Cooper Memorial Fund:

Dr R. Ian Harker

College Calendar - Main dates

Michaelmas Term 1997

Oct	tob	er
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Wednesday 1

First day of Term

Tuesday 7 Full Term begins, Choral Services begin

November

Saturday 29 Sunday 30

Advent Carol Service Advent Carol Service December

Friday 5 Saturday 13 Friday 19 Full Term ends, Choral Services end

Johnian Society Dinner Michaelmas Term ends

Lent Term 1998

January

Monday 5 Tuesday 13

First day of Term

Full Term begins, Choral Services begin

March

Sunday 8

Passiontide Service

Friday 13 Full Term ends, Choral Services end

Wednesday 25 Lent Term ends

Easter Term 1998

April

Saturday 4

Johnian Dinner for matriculation years 1954, 1955,

1959, 1960

Friday 10

First day of Term

Tuesday 21

Full Term begins, Choral Services begin

May

Sunday 3

Service of Commemoration of Benefactors

(10.30am)

Wednesday 6

Linacre Lecture: Fisher Building (4.30pm)

Thursday 21

Ascension Day: Music from the Chapel Tower at

12 noon

June

Wednesday 10

May Bumps begin

Friday 12

Full Term ends, Choral Services end

Saturday 13 Monday 15 May Bumps end May Week Concert Tuesday 16 Thursday 18 Friday 26 Saturday 27 May Ball

Easter Term ends General Admission

Johnian Dinner for matriculation years up to and

including 1938, 1980, 1981, 1982

Benefactors' Scholars 1996

Elected to Benefactors' Scholarships from 1 October 1996:

James Frederick William Birney, Balliol College, Oxford (Biochemistry)

Giovanna Ceserani, University of Bologna and St John's College (Classical Archaeology)

Jeevan Singh Deol, University of British Columbia and University of London (History)

Karen Jessica Fullard, Stellenbosch University (Clinical Biochemistry)

Dorian Q Fuller, Yale University and Darwin College (Archaeology)

Peter Kian Hoon Ho, National University of Singapore (Physics)

Richard William McDowell, Lincoln University, New Zealand (Geography)

Roberto Polito, University of Milan and St John's College (Classics)

Anneli Randla, Tartu University, Estonia, Central European University, Budapest and Newnham College (History of Art)

Elena Retfalvi, Kazan State University (European Literature)

Joop Schaye, University of Groningen (Mathematics)

Erik Varden, Magdalene College (Divinity)

James Richard Wilde, St Catherine's College, Oxford (Materials Science & Metallurgy).

FELLOWS' APPOINTMENTS AND DISTINCTIONS

ALEXANDER, Dr J.A., was appointed President of the European Forum for African Archaeology in 1996.

BERTRAM, Dr G.C.L., published Antarctica Sixty Years Ago: A reappraisal of the British Graham Land Expedition 1934-37. It also appears in The Polar Record, Vol. 32. No 181., 1996.

CHUA, Dr D.K.L., has been appointed Lecturer at King's College London from 1997.

CLARKE, Dr M.A., will publish International carriage of goods by road, (3rd edn), 1997 and Policies and perceptions of insurance, October 1997.

CRIGHTON, Prof. D.G. FRS, has been elected Master of Jesus College, Cambridge, and will take office on 30 September 1997.

DASGUPTA, Prof. P.S., has been appointed President-Elect of the Royal Economic Society to serve as President: 1998-2001 and President-Elect of the European Economic Association to serve as President in 1999. He was also elected Foreign Honorary Member of the American Economic Association.

GRAY, Dr C.D., has recently published Host state consent and United Nations peacekeeping in Yugoslavia, 1996, Duke Journal of Comparative & International Law, and Bosnia and Herzegovina: Civil war or interstate conflict? Characteristics and consequences, 1996 British Yearbook of International Law.

GOODY, Prof. J.R., published The East in the West, Cambridge, 1996 and The Expansive Movement, Cambridge, 1997. He was also appointed Visiting Professor, Department of History and Civilisation at the European University Institute, Florence, from September 1996 to April 1997. He has also been awarded the Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et Lettres

HINDE, Prof. R.A., former Master, was awarded the Royal Medal from the Royal Society in 1996 for contributions to establishing the discipline of Ethology and the Tinbergen Medal from the Association for the Study of Animal Behaviour, 1997, for work on animal behaviour. He has also published Relationships: A dialectical perpective, Hove:Psychology Press, 1997.

HORROCKS, Dr G.C., has been appointed Professor of Comparative Philology, University of Cambridge from 1 October 1997 and he has published Greek: A history of the language and it's speakers, Longman, May 1997.

HOWARD, Dr D.J., was elected an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland in May 1996. She was elected to a Samuel H. Kress Senior Fellowship at the Centre for Advanced Studies in the Visual Arts in Washington DC, for the Michaelmas Term 1997. In addition she has been awarded a Leverhulme Research Fellowship for the Lent Term 1998.

JOHNSTONE, Dr P.T., has been appointed Reader in the Foundations of Mathematics, University of Cambridge from 1 October 1997.

KERRIGAN, Mr J.F., published Revenge tragedy: Aeschylus to Armageddon, 1996.

LEAKE, Dr J.A., was re-elected a member of the University Council and was re-appointed a member of the General Board for four years from January 1997.

LINEHAN, Dr P.A., was elected Corresponding Member, Real Academia de la Historia (Madrid), 1996 and has published The Ladies of Zamora, Manchester UP, 1997 and Les Dames de Zamora, Paris: Les Belles Lettres, 1997.

LISBOA, Dr M.M., has recently published Machado de Assis and Feminism: Re-reading the Heart of the Companion, Edwin Mellen Press, 1996, and Machado de Assis and the Beloved Reader: The squatters in the Text, in Naomi Segal and Nicholas White (Eds) Scarlet Letters: Fictions of Adultery from Antiquity in the 1990's, Basingstoke: Macmillan, 1997.

MACFARLANE, Dr A.J., has been appointed a Reader in Mathematical Physics in the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, University of Cambridge from 1 October 1997.

MACINTOSH, The Revd. A.A., President, published A critical and exegetical commentary on Hosea in the Series The International critical commentary on the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1997.

METAXAS, Dr A.C., published Foundations of electroheat – A unified approach, John Wiley & Sons, 1996.

PELLING, Dr H.M., published (with Alistair Reid) A Short History of the Labour Party 11th Edition, July 1996, and Churchill's Peacetime Ministry, February 1997.

PERHAM, Prof. R.N., was re-appointed to the Consiglio Scientifico of the CNR Istituto di Biochimica della Proteine ed Enzimologia, Naples, Italy and appointed to the Scientific Advisory Committee, Academia Sinica, Taiwan, ROC.

SPENCE, Dr C.J., has been appointed University Lecturer in Experimental Psychology, University of Oxford and has been elected a Fellow of Somerville College from October 1997. He has also been awarded the McDonnel Pew Fellowship.

MEMBERS' NEWS

The Johnian Office

The Johnian Office, home to the Development Officer, Miss Twilley, and the Biographical Assistant, Mrs Roberts, is located in F2A Chapel Court and is open to all Members of College. Johnians are welcome to call in when they are visiting Cambridge to find out about events and news in College. We hope the office will become a focal point for Johnians, both resident and non-resident. The Johnian Office is generally open on weekdays from 9am to 5.30pm and we can be contacted by telephone on 01223 338700.

The World Wide Web pages continue to be maintained and are proving popular amongst non-resident Johnians. The Johnian E-mail Directory is particularly well supported and we hope that many Johnians will renew contact with friends via the Internet.

The Johnian Office pages are specifically aimed at non-resident Johnians and include details of special events, Johnian Dinners, Open Days, Dining Privileges, Choir Tours and Chapel Services. We very much hope you will continue to use these pages.

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

Alumni Passes

Following the notice in last year's Eagle, many Johnians have requested Alumni Passes. The passes are valid indefinitely and can be used in all the Cambridge Colleges, meaning that Johnians and up to four guests can enter free of charge. The passes are available by post from the Development Officer or can be picked up from the Johnian Office during normal working hours.

Dining Privileges

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

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

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

We very much hope you will take the opportunity to exercise your dining privileges and will join the Fellows at High Table. You may wish to let your old Tutor or Director of Studies know that you will be dining.

Johnian Dinners

The Johnian Dinners for 1998 will take place in April and June. The first Dinner will take place on 4 April 1998 for matriculation years 1954, 1955, 1959, 1960 and invitations will be send out later in the year.

The second Dinner will be held on 27 June 1998 and matriculation years up to and including 1938, 1980, 1981, 1982 will be invited. Invitations will be sent out in January 1998.

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

Spring 1999 1974, 1975, 1976

Summer 1999 up to and including 1939, 1967, 1968

Spring 2000 1983, 1984, 1952, 1953

Summer 2000 up to and including 1940, 1988, 1989, 1990

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

Johnian Day

The College is hoping to hold another Open Day for Johnians and their families in 1999 to which we expect to invite the following years: 1956-58, 1961-66, 1977-79. Again, these years are provisional and information and invitations will be sent out nearer the time.

Chapel Services

Johnians visiting Cambridge are reminded that they are most welcome at the College Chapel Services. During Full Term, Choral Evensong takes place at 6.30pm every day except Monday and there is also a sung service at 10.30am on Sundays. The dates for Full Term for 1997-8 are as follows:

7 October to 5 December 1997 Michaelmas Term 13 January to 13 March 1998 Lent Term 21 April to 12 June 1998 Easter Term

In addition, Johnians may be interested to hear about the Choir's tours. In recent months, the Choir has toured in Australia, the Netherlands, the US, Canada and France, as well as the UK. Details of future tours can be found on the College's Web pages or by contacting the Development Officer. We hope that Johnians living outside Cambridge will want to attend the Choir's concerts and hear the College's world-famous Choir.

Johnian Groups

Following a request for help in setting up Johnian Groups and offering careers' advice in last year's Eagle and the first edition of Johnian News, a number of Johnians have kindly agreed to help. We are very grateful to them for their support of the College. Anyone else who can help is asked to contact the Development Officer.

Audio tapes

St John's College was one of the first of the Colleges to produce an audiotape containing conversations with various College members. This provides a fascinating look into life at the College and includes conversations with the Master, the President, the Senior Tutor, the Librarian, an Undergraduate and a Research Fellow. The tapes also include an excerpt from the Choir's new CD. The tapes can be obtained from the Johnian Office at a cost of £4.50 including postage and packing.

Biographical Register

We are sure you are aware that the College is intending to produce a Who's Who style Register of 20th Century Johnians before the 500th anniversary of the College in 2011. Work is underway and we are grateful for the information included in the returned record sheets from last year's Eagle. Please note that this year the reply form has been modified to include requests for specific information which will help build up the Biographical Register. We are also pleased to receive CVs which may be sent by fax or E-mail, if you find this more convenient. The information you provide is stored on the Biographical Database and this autumn we propose to start sending printouts of the data currently held, with the Johnian Dinner Invitations. This will give you the opportunity to request any inaccuracies to be amended and also to add any new information.

Punts

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

College Facilities

Johnians are welcome to visit college at any time. If you would like help in arranging a private dinner or in exercising your dining privileges, the Development Officer will be pleased to help. There are also a limited number of College Guest Rooms available for Johnians. A charge is made for the use of such rooms, except on the nights you exercise your dining privileges.

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News

The following items are listed by year of admission to College.

Honours

- 1935 LASLETT, Thomas Peter Ruffell, was awarded a CBE in the New Year's Honours List in 1997, for services to the Cambridge Group for the History of Population and Social Structure.
- 1944 ALLAN, Peter G., was awarded an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours in June 1996, for services to Franco-British Industry.
- 1944 KNOWLES, Dr Alan Keith, was awarded an MBE in the New Year's Honours List in 1997, for services to Remploy in Norwich, Norfolk.
- 1954 DOWER, Prof. Michael S.T., former Director General of the Countryside Commission. was awarded a CBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours in June 1996, for services to conservation and countryside recreation.
- 1954 HORROCKS, Gyde, was appointed Justice of the Peace in 1971 and awarded a CBE in June 1983.
- 1955 PRICE, David B., former Grade 4, the Department for Education and Employment, was awarded a CBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in June 1996.
- 1956 KENT, Paul.B., was awarded a CBE in the New Year's Honours List in 1995.
- 1959 COLLIER, Andrew J., was awarded a CBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in June 1996, for services to education.
- 1960 GREENHALGH, Colin A., Principal, Hills Road Sixth Form College, Cambridge was awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours List in 1997, for services to education.

- 1962 ROBSON, Stephen Arthur, Director, Finance Regulation and Industry Directorate, HM Treasury, was awarded a CB in the New Year's Honours List in 1997.
- 1969 DUFF, Andrew Nicholas, was awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours List in 1997, for political service.
- 1978 BUTLER, Matthew N., was appointed a Member of the Royal Victorian Order in the New Year's Honours List in 1997.
- 1983 KING, David E., was awarded an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in June 1996, for services to the Army Cadet Force.

Appointments, Distinctions and Events

- 1929 BRIGHTMAN, The Rt. Hon. Lord, who has been a regular visitor to the High Arctic, since retiring as a Lord of Appeal, has written an article on *The Historic Sites of Franz Josef Land*, for the Circumpolar Journal, published by the University of Groningen.
- 1931 WILKES, Prof. Maurice V. FRS, was awarded the IEEE Jon von Neumann medal in recognition of a lifelong career of seminal contributions to computing, including the first full-scale operational stored-programme computer and to the foundations of programming.
- 1933 CLOSE, Hubert M. OBE MC, is author of *A Pathan Company* published in 1994 by the National Book Foundation, Pakistan.

 LEWIS, George M., and his wife celebrated their Golden Wedding

on 25 October 1996 in Solihull, West Midlands.

- 1934 MILLER, Dr Edward FBA, was presented with *Progress and Problems in Medieval England:Essays in honour of Edward Miller*, Ed.R.Bretnell and John Hatcher (CUP) on 31 May 1996.
- 1935 NEWIS, Kenneth, CB CVO FRSAMD, was appointed Fellow of the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama in 1995.

- 1939 SILBERSTON, Prof. Z. Aubrey CBE, retired from the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution in early 1996, after 10 years service. He remains Senior Research Fellow at the Management School, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, London and is also Professor Emeritus of Economics at the University of London.
- 1940 BRUCE-LOCKHART, Logie, former headmaster of Gresham's School has published a new book, *Stuff and Nonsense*. The book has been extremely well received by reviewers and deals with family life and school, education, fun and games, war, life in Provence and old age.

HAY, Andrew M. CBE, was elected to the Board of *The American Friends of Cambridge University* in 1997.

LEAPER, Prof. Robert A. B. CBE, was re-elected Chairman of Age Concern England Training Committee in 1996 and also Chairman of Exeter Age Concern in the same year.

ORCHARD, Anthony C., and his wife were delighted that the Reverend Andrew Macintosh was able to attend and preside for the reaffirmation of vows at their Golden Wedding Service held at Foxton Church on 1 June 1996. There were three old Johnians in attendance.

PETERS, Theophilus, became President of Stamford and Peterborough National Trust Association in 1995.

- 1941 PETERSEN, Richard C., has recently retired, after 28 years, from the Council of the Chartered Institute of Patent Agents, for much of this time he was Chairman of the Board of Supervising Examiners. Also, after 18 years, has retired from the Council of the European Patent Attorneys Institute.
- 1942 COX, Prof. Sir David FRS, was made a Member of Council, Royal Society, 1995-96 and President of International Statistical Institute 1995-97.
- 1943 HAYMAN, Prof. Walter K. FRS, returned to the Imperial College as a Research Fellow in October 1995 and was awarded the de Morgan Medal by the London Mathematical Society in the same year.

- 1944 HAWS, Edward T., was appointed Vice-President to the International Commission on Large Dams 1993-96 and was the Royal Society Parson's Memorial Lecturer in 1996: *Tidal power a major prospect for the 21st century*.
 - WATERHOUSE, The Hon Sir Ronald G., retired as High Court Judge in 1996 and is Chairman of a Tribunal of Inquiry into child abuse of children in care in North Wales.
- 1946 SINHA, K. Durganand, was appointed Chief Expert for the basic Research Project on Cross-Cultural Management and Productivity by the Asian Productivity Organisation, Tokya. He was awarded the Jawaharlal Nehru National Award for the Social Sciences (for 1993) by the Madhya Pradesh Council for Science and Technology, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal, (India) in 1996 and during the 26th International Congress of Psychology held in Montreal during August 1996, a symposium on Applications of Psychology on Social Change and Development was held in his honour.
- 1947 DAWSON, John K. N., appointed Chairman of the Bedfordshire County Beekeepers Association in 1996.
- 1947 HARRY, John, was Patents Manager for BP Chemicals Ltd at their Sunbury Research Centre and has been working as a senior debt counsellor at Horsham Citizens Advice Bureau since retiring at age 61 in 1985.
 - HOSIER, Dr John, CBE, is President-Elect for the Incorporated Society of Musicians, 1997-8 and will become their President from 1998-9.
- 1948 BARTON, Dr George P. QC, in recognition of services in the law to Western Samoa was created a *Matai* in accordance with Samoan custom and usages under the name of *Vaitoa SA* in 1995. He was elected President of the Bible Society, in New Zealand, and one of the eight World Vice-Presidents of the United Bible Societies in 1996. In October 1996, he was elected as the only New Zealand practising lawyer to the membership of the American Law Institute.

COTTON, Revd John H. B., retired as Rector of the Hertford Hundred Group of Parishes in 1996.

1949 CLARK, Dr H. Edward, is author of *Dictionary Catalog of the Collection of African American Literature in the Mildred F Sawyer Library of Suffolk University*, Boston, Massachusetts, He is also Emeritus Professor of English at Suffolk University, Boston.

HEUGHAN, Donald M., participated in the forum established by the Royal Society of Edinburgh and Scottish Enterprise in October 1995 to commercialise Scotland's scientific and technological base. The enquiry report *Technology Ventures* was published in August 1996.

REESE, Clifford R., after retiring in 1993, now spends his time devoted to flying, gliding and gardening. He is active in the Kent Wildlife Trust as well as the Local Conservative Association and two Round Tables (Transport and Green Tourism).

SCOTT-PARK Jock H., would like to add his appreciation for Brian LLOYD (1947), after reading of his death in The Eagle 1996. He states that Lloyd took on the coaching of the College Third May Boat, raising it to Thames Cup standard at Henley, and he was responsible for creating the wonderful harmony between nine men, their boat and the water.

SPARKS, Alexander P., still remains active as Governor of Oundle (Chairman 1985/6); Friend of the Royal College of Physicians; Director of Lomond Underwriting plc; Director of City and Guilds School of Art; Council Member of City and Guilds and a Steward of Windsor Racecourse.

1950 BAIRD, Alan James, retired in 1991 from the BBC Monitoring Service, where a knowledge of Russian acquired during National Service was put to good use. Still pursuing parallel career as a music teacher (clarinet and saxophone).

BOWDEN, Dr H., was Town Mayor of Mirfield Town Council for 1996/7.

HITCHENS, William J., was awarded the Johan Amos Comenius Prize by the Government of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic in 1992. In February 1996 he received an Honorary degree of Doctor of Letters from the University of Sheffield.

KAY, Jolyon C., appointed Editorial Director of the London Insurance Insider.

LAWSON, Gordon B.G., in October 1996 he commissioned a CD to be made of some of his works entitled *Seasonal Music by Gordon Lawson*. Later in the same year he conducted a concert in Seaford in connection with his 65th birthday.

MOORE, Dr W.R., wrote a novel entitled *These Things Shall Be*, published by the Book Guild, 25 High Street, Lewes, E. Sussex in January 1997.

REED, Dr J.L. CB, resigned from his post as Special Advisor to the Department of Health in August 1996 and was appointed Medical Inspector, HM Inspectorate of Prisons in September 1996.

WILSON, J.J.H. OBE, has been Chairman of Frederick Hiam Ltd, Manor Farm, Ixworth Thorpe since December 1987.

1951 FOSTER, Prof. Keith, has retired from full-time work and has been appointed Visiting Professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Surrey. He was awarded an Honorary Doctorate at Middlesex University in July 1996.

WYATT, Dr J.F., was appointed Visiting Professor in the Faculty of Education at the University of Southampton in 1996. He was also awarded DLitt (honoris causa) on the occasion of his retirement as first Director of the Chichester Institute of Higher Education, a college of the University of Southampton.

1952 MARSHALL, Richard C. FIEE FInst M&C, has retired from his post as Technical Director of Rotork Instruments Ltd. He is assisting with the re-build of the Colossus Computer at Bletchley Park and working part-time as a Consultant in electro-magnetic compatability and safety-critical systems.

METCALF, Prof. D. Michael, was appointed Professor of Numismatics, University of Oxford in 1996.

WORDIE, P.J. TD CBE, has been appointed Chairman of The Buildings of Scotland Trust.

1953 COX, Prof. Christopher B., retired at the end of September 1996 as Assistant Principal and Professor of Biology at King's College London and will now be concentrating on writing the 6th Edition (with P.D. Moore) of Biogeography - an Ecological and Evolutionary Approach (Blackwells Scientific, Oxford).

DUFF, Dr T. Brian, retired from his NHS Consultant Otolaryngologist appointment in Preston and Chorley Hospitals in April 1996 and in 1995 was appointed to sit on Medical Appeal Tribunals and in 1996 appointed to sit on Pension Appeal Tribunals.

NEEDHAM, Prof. Roger M., was appointed Pro-Vice-Chancellor in 1996 and awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Science by the University of Twente, Netherlands.

NICHOLLS, Dr Peter, was elected President, Science for Peace (Canada) for 1996-7 and is Vice-President at the Canadian Biophysical Society 1995-7.

SARGENT, Michael H. J., has now retired after 40 years with Allott & Lomax, Consulting Engineers, based in Manchester. He served on the Board of the Company for 20 years, and was Managing Director of Allott & Lomax (Middle East) Ltd. and a Director of Allott & Lomax (Hong Kong) Ltd. His career has been devoted to the design of civil engineering works for nuclear and fossil fuelled power stations all over the world. He continues his active involvement in the profession by being a member of the Chartered Member review panel.

1954 CHARNAUD, C. Adam, is Chairman and Chief Executive of Charnauds Ltd a distributor of aeronautical technical and navigation information.

DOWER, Prof. Michael S.T. CBE, is now full-time Visiting Professor of Countryside Planning at Cheltenham and Gloucester College of Higher Education. He is active in research and consultancy projects related to the well-being of rural Europe; and is Secretary General to the European Council for the Village and Small Town (ECOVAST).

DOWN, The Rt Revd Bill W.J.D. FNI, was appointed Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Leicester in December 1995.

EMERY, Fred A., was awarded a US 'Emmy' in the 1995-6 awards for the BBC-TV Watergate series.

NASH, Revd Peter J., was appointed to the Ministerial Team of Hereford Baptist Church from 1 October 1996.

ROBSON, Dr John G., was appointed Senior Research Professor in Visual Science at the College of Optometry, University of Houston, Texas from 1 January 1997. He was awarded the Edgar D. Tillyer medal of the Optical Society of America in 1996.

ROFE, Prof. Brian Henry, was appointed Visiting Professor in Engineering Design at the University of Hertford and was elected to the Senate of the Engineering Council from January 1997.

WILSON, John F., retired as the first Secretary-General/Chief Executive of the European Association of Insulated Cable and Wire Manufacturers, EUROPACABLE, which he established in Bruxelles in 1990.

1955 AYERS, Dr Michael R., was appointed Professor of Philosophy at the University of Oxford in 1996.

HOLLINS, Revd John E., in retirement he continues to work for a local church in the Looe/Liskeard area, teaching Scripture to voluntary groups and promoting missionary interest.

PRICE, David B. CBE, following his retirement as Director of Human Resources, Employment Service in December 1995 he became a Visiting Fellow at Sheffield Business School, (part of Sheffield Hallam University).

1956 BROGAN, Prof. Hugh, his book Kennedy was published by Longmans in December 1996.

COGSWELL, Dr Jeremy J. MD FRCP CP CH DCH, has been Consultant Paediatrician for Poole Hospital Trust since 1975 and he is the author of numerous papers on Paediatric Respiratory Medicine.

DYKE, Prof. Keith G. H., was appointed Professor of Microbiology at the University of Oxford, in 1996.

KENT, Paul.B. CBE, retired from H.M. Customs and Excise in May 1996.

KING, Michael S. FRCS, since semi-retirement in 1994, he has been offering surgical services to District hospitals in northern Malawi where he lives, with his wife, in a caravan in the 'bush', often travelling to the local hospital by canoe.

PHILLIPS, Prof. Owen M., became a member of the National Academy of Engineering in 1996.

WHITFIELD, David J. C., has retired from the Nuclear Installations Inspectorate. He has been appointed Registrar of the Ergonomics Society and External Examiner for the M.Sc. in Occupational Psychology, at the University of Hertfordshire.

1957 GAHAN, David C., retired in 1996, after 14 years as Master of St Edmund's Junior School in Canterbury, Kent. During this time he was a Member of the IAPS and the Choir Schools' Association

SCOTT, John N. MICE FIMC, was appointed Managing Director of British Power International (the international consulting arm of Eastern Electricity), in March 1996.

1958 BADGER, Prof. Geoffrey M., was invited in the Spring of 1997, to give the Fordham Lectures on the history of publishing, at Tulane University, USA.

BERRY, Revd David L. E., has been Chaplain of St Mary's Rotterdam, Diocese in Europe since February 1997.

BOWEN, Anthony J., has been a Fellow of Jesus College, Cambridge since November 1995.

EVANS, Christopher R., is due to retire at the end of August 1997, after 12 years as Headmaster of Dauntsey's School, near Devizes, Wiltshire.

MASEFIELD, John T. CMG, is to be Governor and Commander in Chief in Bermuda from June 1997.

RAWLING, William J. F., retired from teaching at Houghton Kepier School in 1996.

1959 BAILEY, Revd John R., was appointed Diocesan Director of Education, Diocese of Lincoln in 1995.

BRAMLEY, Richard A. C., is now Managing Director of Bramley Tourism Analysts Ltd in Brisbane, Australia and was recently appointed as Consultant to the Melbourne-based Grand Hotel Group.

COX, Alan J., took early retirement, on health grounds, from the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, London, after 27 years service, latterly as Assistant Secretary-General.

GOUGH, Prof. Douglas O. FRS, was elected to the Fellowship of the Royal Society on 15 May 1997. Professor Gough is Professor of Theoretical Physics in the University of Cambridge. He was distinguished for his theoretical work on helioseismology, determining for the first time the depth of the solar convection zone and the internal rotation of the sun.

HOPE, Rt Hon the Lord J.A.David, (Lord Hope of Craighead), Lord President of the Court of Session and Lord Justice-General of Scotland, has been appointed a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary as from October 1996.

IMLACH, John A., retired in June 1996 and moved to Ulverston, Cumbria in early 1997. He looks forward to establishing contact with Johnians in the area.

LAWLEY, Dr Johnathan C., retired in 1996 from RTZ and started part-time work as Regional Director for a charity The British Executive Service Overseas. He was awarded a doctorate by the City University London for his thesis entitled Transcending Culture: Developing Africa's Technical Managers.

1960 DAVIES, Dr Robert H. FRCP, was appointed as a member of the BMA's Central Consultants and Specialists Committee for Wales from 1990 and is Chairman of the CCSC Paediatric sub-committee.

PRICE, Harold E., was appointed Manager of the South African team at the 32nd World Chess Olympiad in Yerevan, Armenia in 1996.

RAVEN, Prof. John A. FRS FRSE, was awarded an Honorary PhD from the University of Umeå, Sweden, in 1995 and is a Corresponding Member of the Australian Society of Plant Physiologists.

WOOD, Christopher E.R., has been appointed Visiting Professor of Art at Southampton University.

WOODMAN, Dennis, is now repairing oriental carpets opposite the east exit of Kew Gardens Station.

1961 CLINES, Prof. David J.A., was President of the Society for Old Testament Study in 1996.

DESFORGES, Dr Charles D., has been appointed President (Brussels and Luxembourg) of the European Association for Innovation Technology and Information from 1994-97.

KUMAR, Prof. J. Krishan., was appointed Professor of Sociology at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville from October 1996 (formerly Professor of Social and Political Thought at the University of Kent at Canterbury).

1962 BUTLER, Dr Colin A., received the Kent County Council Local Education Authority's Exceptionally Able and Talented Child Committee award. An award to develop and trial an interdisciplinary course for outstandingly gifted sixth formers at Borden Grammar School, Sittingbourne, Kent.

EGERTON, Prof. Raymond F., published a Second Edition of the textbook Electron Energy-Loss Spectroscopy in the Electron Microscope (Plenum Press) in 1996.

FULTON, Dr Andrew J., is a Senior Consultant Radiologist at Royal North Shore Hospital, Sydney, Australia and has been appointed Secretary of the Medical Staff Council.

HAWTON, Dr Keith E., was given the title of Professor of Psychiatry by Oxford University in 1996.

IACOBUCCI, The Hon Justice Frank, was awarded an Honorary LL.D from the University of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada in 1996.

McEWEN, Dr Michael J., retired from General Medical Practice in early 1995.

ROBERTS, J. Trevor, is Senior Vice-President of the Royal Town Planning Institute and is due to be appointed President in 1998. He informs us that he is the second Johnian to be President of the RTPI; the previous one was Martin Bradshaw (1954).

STANBURY, Robert G., was appointed Vice-President, Research & Development and Marketing, for the Rotating Equipment Group of the Duriron Company Inc. in January 1995.

SUTCLIFFE, John H. F. H., wrote the book Paint, (Frances Lincoln, London), in the autumn of 1996. He informs us that this is the first book to address the question of decorative paintwork using waterbased products only.

1963 ANGUS, Howard R., MBE, was the over 50 British Amateur Real Tennis Champion in 1996 and in the same year was in the Sunday Times 1000 Makers of Sport.

BISHOP, Robert H., was appointed Associate Lecturer at the Open University in January 1997.

RATZNER, Prof. Gerald F.G., teaches Computers in Engineering to most incoming McGill University Engineering students in Montreal. He is Honorary Secretary of the Oxford-Cambridge Society of Montreal and any graduate from either university in the Montreal area is invited to contact him on Tel: (514) 398-7082 or E-mail: ratzer@cs.mcgill.ca

1964 HENDERSON, Dr John C., is currently the Hon. Librarian to the Royal School of Choral Music and in 1996 has published a book about organ music

HORSLER, Timothy, was appointed Business Development Director of Larousse plc in 1996.

MONRO, Prof. David H., retired from the Chair of Philosophy at Monash University, Australia at the end of 1976.

PAYNE, Anthony C., is Chairman of the East Midlands Association of Classical Teachers and piloted a system of Graded Tests in Classical Greek from 1993-4, which were nationally approved by the SCAA in Spring 1996. He is now the Administrator of the tests.

1965 ARCHBOLD, Prof. Robert J., was appointed to a Personal Professorship in Mathematical Sciences at the University of Aberdeen from October 1996.

DALZIEL, Ian M., has been Chairman of Continental Assets Trust since 1989 and he was appointed Chairman of Cymbolic Sciences Inc. in 1994. In 1996 he became a Director of Precision Systems Inc.

MAVOR, Michael B. CVO, Headmaster of Rugby School, was elected Chairman of the Headmasters and Headmistresses Conference for 1997.

RONAYNE, Prof. Jarlath FRSChem FAIM FTSE, was elected a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering (FTSE) in 1995. In 1997 he was elected as an Honorary Fellow of Trinity College, Dublin.

TARRANT, Prof. Harold A.S., was elected Fellow of the Australian Academy of the Humanities in November 1995.

THUNDER, Dr David R. FRSA, was one of the three founding trustees of the Inside Out Trust which won the Guardian Jerwood Award 1996 for innovation and excellence in a new charity.

1966 BALLANTINE, Prof. Christopher J., is the L.G. Joel Professor of Music at the University of Natal, in Durban, South Africa, and is also a Fellow of the University of Natal. He received the 1996 Top Researcher Award from the Centre for Science Development, of South Africa's Human Sciences Research Council..

THURSFIELD, Dr Gordon, was appointed Chairman of the Board of Alcatel Canada Inc. in October 1996 and he continues as President of Alcatel Canada Wire.

1967 ADAMS, Aubrey J., has been Managing Director of Savills plc since 1991.

BOYES, William O., was elected to the Law Society Council as the constituency member for North East London in July 1996.

ELSBURG, John W., has recently appeared in Orbis#100, a special issue titled 100 Major Modern Poets.

GOLDSMITH, Alan, was appointed Director of Finance and Corporate Affairs at Shell UK Ltd in April 1996.

OLLEREARNSHAW, Steven J., was awarded Chieftancy title (Oforoh of Ogunu) by the Ogunu Community, Delta State Nigeria

in March 1996 and he was appointed Managing Director/Chief Executive of Nigeria LNG Limited in February 1997.

PRIEST, Prof. Graham G., was appointed Fellow of the Australian Academy of Humanities in 1995, and he was elected Chair of the Council of the Australasian Association of Philosophy in 1996.

WILKINSON, Dr Simon R., MD CPsych was appointed consultant in charge of the adolescent services at the National Centre for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Oslo, Norway, in September 1996.

1968 BROWNE, David M., was re-elected Treasurer of Aberystwyth Town Football Club

CATFORD, Prof. John C., was elected a Fellow of the Australasian Faculty of Public Health Medicine of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians, in February 1996. He has also been appointed as Chair of the Academic Board of the Australian Health Management Network and he is a Board Director of the National Heart Foundation and continues as Editor in Chief of Health Promotions International, published by Oxford University Press.

HAGGARD, Melville E. V., was appointed a Director of the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi (UK) Limited in April 1996 with responsibility for aircraft, structured lease and property financing.

HARDING, Robert G., as part of a hundred strong UK group, ran the Athens Centenary Marathon in five hours, raising over £3,500 for five educational charities around the world. The group raised over £300,000 in total.

HERRON, Peter W., was appointed Director of Music at Thomas's Preparatory School, Clapham, London in September 1996.

MACKAY, James D., has been appointed Managing Director of Railfreight Distribution Ltd, the operator of freight train services between mainland Europe and Britain through the Channel

QUINTANA, Dr H., was awarded a Presidential Chair in Science to be held from 1996-98, and he was appointed Head of the Astronomy and Astrophysics Department, P. Universidad Catolica de Chile.

ROYLE, Dr Stephen A. FRGS, is a Lecturer in Geography at the Queen's University of Belfast and he has been appointed Vice-President (President-Elect) of the Geographical Society of Ireland, 1997.

1969 BEVAN, Nicholas V., has been Headmaster of Shiplake College, Henley-on-Thames since 1988 and was appointed Chairman of the Society of Headmasters and Headmistresses of Independent Schools in 1997.

BIVAND, Prof. Roger S., was appointed Professor of Geography at the Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration, Bergen, Norway from May 1996.

DOWNES, Prof. Andrew, has been commissioned to compose an overture to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers entitled, *Towards a New Age*. The work received its first performance in January 1997 in Symphony Hall, Birmingham by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. His *Sonata for Eight Flutes or Flute Choir* was premièred in August 1996 at the United States National Flute Convention in New York. His *Sonata for Eight Horns* has also received numerous performances, including the International Horn Convention in Oregon in 1996.

HEWITT, Prof. Brian G., Reader in Caucasian Languages at London University's School of Oriental and African Studies since 1992, became Professor of Caucasian Languages there in October 1996. In 1993 he was appointed Honorary Consul for Abkhazia

HIND, Timothy C., was elected to the General Synod in 1995. He was elected by the General Synod to the Board of the Church of

England Pensions Board in 1996; and he was also made Vice-Chairman of the Board of Governors, of Kings of Wessex VC School in Cheddar, in the same year.

KIRBY, Roger S. MD FRCS, was appointed Consultant Urologist to St George's Hospital, London in 1995, with a special interest in diseases of the prostate.

PACEY, Captain Peter J. RN, was appointed as Defence Attaché, Madrid, in December 1996.

WALSH, Dr Rory P. D., was given the Back Award by the Royal Geographical Society in 1996, for contributions to tropical hydrology & geomorphology. In 1995 he was appointed to the Royal Society SE Asia Rain Forest Research Committee.

1970 BONSALL, Christopher J., was appointed Honorary Lecturer in the Department of Professional Education, University of Hong Kong in September 1994 and he has been a Member of the Standing Committee on Compliance of The New Society of Hong Kong since 1988.

CRISP, Edmund N. R., was appointed Regional Director for the NHS for South Thames and has been a member of the NHS Executive Board from February 1997.

FANAROFF, Dr Bernard L., was appointed Deputy Director General: Office of the President in South Africa in 1994. He was seconded from Office of the President, in 1996, to manage the National Crime Prevention Strategy.

de FLUITER, Ruurd, is now a member of Senior Management of Swiss Reinsurance Zurich with responsibility for its operations in the Netherlands, Scandinavia, USA and the UK.

FOX, Dr John P., has been Honorary Professor of Psychology at University College London since 1991. He was appointed Honorary Professor of Computer Science at University College London in 1996 and was awarded the Laureate Prize, European Federation for Medical Informatics, in the same year.

HUMPHRIES, Revd Christopher W., was granted a three month sabbatical during 1996 when he studied the language of hymnology and wrote three new hymns. He also spent time at York Minster and on the Isle of Iona.

SALMON, Patrick C., is currently Headmaster of the English Section at Lycée International de Sèvres and in October 1996 was elected President of ELSA-FRANCE a new association of schools offering English education in France.

1971 BLAD, Lt.-Col. Timothy J., has been employed as a military advisor to the Defence Evaluation and Research Agency since March 1996.

GWYNN-JONES, Huw, was co-founder, in 1993 and is now joint Managing Director of Synamic Limited, a company specialising in writing bespoke software and providing consultancy to banks, the media/publishing and manufacturing sectors.

HIGGINSON, Richard A., is author of Transforming Leadership: A Christian Approach to Management, published by SPCK, 1996.

JEFFERY, Prof. Keith John, was appointed to a personal Chair in Modern History at the University of Ulster (Jordanstown) from January 1997.

SHAH, Asif J., has been appointed Managing Director of the Bank of Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan.

1972 ELLIS, Mark, is President of 4 Front Software International Inc. a UK Computer Services Company, which was listed on US NASDAQ Stock Exchange in 1996.

GRIFFITH, Revd Dr Terry M., has been awarded a PhD in New Testament Studies at King's College, London for a thesis on The Ending of the First Epistle of John.

HARDIE, Dr Richard J. MD TD FRCP, was elected to the Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of London (FRCP) in 1996.

PEEL, Robert A., is now President of the Galton Institute.

TAYLOR, Philip G., established his own independent consulting company, Profound Solution, in 1994. He seeks to make others more successful through business, project and quality management services.

1973 BROOMHEAD, Anthony D. W., has been appointed a Director of Arup Associates.

CHAPMAN, Michael B., the successful LMBC crew (Henley) including MBC, had a reunion at John's and paddled up the river this summer (and they weren't stiff the next day).

CRONSHAW, Mark B., has left the University of Colorado. He is now an Assistant Professor at the Economics Institute in Boulder, Colorado. During 1996 he gave presentations on environmental economics and game theory in Russia, the Netherlands and Belarus.

DAVIES Dr Dylan H., was appointed Department Manager at the Houston Product Center of Schlumberger Well Services in Sugar Land, Texas in January 1997.

ENNOS, Dr Richard A., was appointed Senior Lecturer in the Institute of Ecology & Resource Management at the University of Edinburgh in 1996.

LEAMAN, Dr Oliver N. H., was promoted to a personal Chair in Philosophy at Liverpool John Moores University during 1996.

McCALL, Dr Michael H., was appointed Head of Mathematics at the Portsmouth Grammar School as from September 1996.

OLSSON, Carl O.F., was awarded an MBA by Brunel University, in May 1996, following study via Henley Management College.

TILSON, Keith, was appointed Head of Corporate Finance at Price Waterhouse from April 1996.

WILLIAMS, W. Hywel, is political advisor to The Rt. Hon. John Redwood MP and director to the Conservative 2000 Foundation.

1974 BEATH, Prof. John A., was appointed Chairman of the Royal Economic Society, Conference of Heads of University Departments of Economics, in 1997.

CASH, Derek G. F., is currently Sales and Marketing Director of Howmar International Limited.

HALL, Dr James A. MD, was appointed Consultant Cardiologist at South Cleveland Hospital, Middlesborough, in 1993. He is married with three sons.

PAVLOVIC, Dr Milija, was appointed to the personal Chair of Structural Engineering and Mechanics in the Department of Civil Engineering at Imperial College, University of London as from 1 October 1996.

SINSWAT, Dr Vilas, was appointed Deputy Governor of the Thailand Institute of Scientific & Technological Research in 1993. In 1994 he was appointed President of Eternal Petrochemical Co. Ltd; and in 1995 he was appointed Technological & Scientific Advisor to the Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment, in Thailand.

THOMPSON, Andrew M., has held the post of Conservation Manager for Warwickshire Wildlife Trust since January 1996.

1975 AYRES, Nigel P., was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Work/Life Benefits, a subsidiary of Accor SA, in Orange County, California, USA in June 1996.

BREEN, Dr John L., was appointed Senior Lecturer in Japanese at the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London in 1995.

LANG, Rupert G., has been commissioned to compose a choral work for The Vancouver Chamber Choir entitled *Duo Seraphim*, for double choir, soloists and organ. He had two compositions

premièred at Carnegie Hall, New York, in April 1997-Spirit of the Child and Mass for Many Nations.

WHELAN, Dr Timothy R., attended the BMA Annual Overseas Congress in Istanbul in September 1996 and took the opportunity to visit the Barrack Hospital, Scutari (Ushkutar) on the opposite shore of the Bosporus, where Florence Nightingale won fame.

WILLISON, Prof. Keith R., was appointed Head of Laboratories, from I January 1996, and Director of Research of the Institute of Cancer Research at London University from I January 1997.

1976 CLARK, Dr Andrew F., was appointed Senior Lecturer in Adolescent Psychiatry at the University of Manchester in 1997 and Honorary Consultant in Adolescent Psychiatry for the Mental Health Services of Salford NHS Trust in the same year.

COLE, Dr Andrew T., was appointed Consultant Gastroenterologist at Derby City General Hospital in March 1996.

JEFFES, Christopher D., was awarded an MBA from Warwick Business School in November 1996.

McALLISTER, Mark F., joined Monument Oil & Gas in July 1996 as Technical Manager.

REIF, Dr Stefan C., published Hebrew Manuscripts at Cambridge University Library: A Description and Introduction, during 1996.

TAHA, Dr Munir Y., was appointed as full Professor at the College of Fine Arts and Information in Tripoli.

WHITFORD, David L., was elected to a Fellowship of the Royal College of General Practitioners in November 1996. This was achieved through Fellowship by Assessment.

WILSON, Frank D.M., was awarded a PhD in Cognitive and Neural Systems by Boston University in January 1996. He returned to employment with the Raytheon Company, of Marlborough, Massachusetts but he is currently on assignment in Germany (1996).

1977 BAIN, Dr Stephen C. MD CP, was appointed Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians in 1996 and a Fellowship of Postgraduate Medicine in the same year. He is pleased to announce the birth of a son in October 1996.

COCKTON, Dr Gilbert, was appointed Reader in Human-Computer Interaction, Department of Computing, at the University of Northumbria in Newcastle and on a part-time basis is a consultant for interactive systems design

DODDS, Nigel A., was elected a Member of the Northern Ireland Forum in May 1996.

GARDINER, Stuart J., was awarded an LLD degree by the University of South Africa in April 1996.

LEWIS, Geraint, was appointed a Member of the Arts Council of Wales and a Chairman of the Council's Music Board in May 1996. As Artistic Director of the North Wales Music Festival, which was held from 14-21 September 1996, he was commissioned to write a Mass entitled Missa Brevis to commemorate the 1400th anniversary of the death of St Asaph, by the Dean and Chapter of St Asaph Cathedral. The work was first performed liturgically by St John's College Choir in College Chapel on 14 July 1996. His National Eisteddfod commission, which was a tribute to Dr Gwynfor Evans, was performed at Bro Dinefwr by the Eisteddfod choir and orchestra in August 1996.

McINTYRE, Dr Neil F., was appointed Deputy Managing Director of Earth Observation Sciences Ltd in April 1996.

PENNELL, Dr Dudley J., was appointed Director of Clinical MRI at the Royal Brompton Hospital, London and elected Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology and American College of Cardiology during 1996.

PIKE, Dr Brian H., who for several years studied the Open University's Philosophy of Arts course has given it up in favour of becoming a full-time professional artist. He has had a number of successful shows in the north of England. He has been appointed Artist in Residence at the Museum of Archaeology, Durham for the summer of 1998.

TUCKER, Prof. George H., was appointed to an Established Chair of French Studies at the University of Reading, from March 1996. after serving as a Fellow and Director of Studies in Modern Languages at Downing College, Cambridge. He was also Visiting Professor at the University of Leuven (Belgium) during 1996.

1978 ARNETT, Peter R., has been posted, by Ernst & Young, to Moscow for 2 or 3 years, advising multinational clients on Russian tax issues. Moscow is a dynamic city whose bad reputation is undeserved. Any Old Johnians resident there or passing through are invited to make contact with Peter through his company.

BALL, Dr Richard D., was appointed Lecturer in Mathematical Physics at Edinburgh University in 1995.

BUTLER, Matthew N. MVO, completed his three year appointment as Assistant Private Secretary to the Prince of Wales. He is now Director of Corporate Affairs at Thames Water plc, while remaining a extra Equerry to his Royal Highness.

HYTNER, Richard J., was appointed Chief Executive of the Henley Centre for Forecasting in April 1996.

MULLIN, Lt Col Jon G. MBE, was appointed to command the 28 Engineer Regiment in Hameln, Germany, in 10 January 1997.

WONG, Dr Simon, was appointed Director of EQE International Limited in April 1996.

1979 BOYD, Dr Ian L., was awarded the Bruce Medal from the Royal Society of Edinburgh in 1995 and a DSc from Aberdeen University, 1996. He received Individual Merit Promotion to Grade 6 (Senior Principal Scientific Officer) at the British Antarctic Survey.

HARWOOD, Dr Rowan H., was appointed Lecturer in Geriatric Medicine at the University of Nottingham and subsequently, in 1996, Consultant Geriatrician at the University Hospital Nottingham. In October 1996, was awarded an MD for his thesis entitled Measurement of Handicap. He is pleased to announce the birth of a daughter in July 1993 and a son in September 1995.

JACKSON, The Very Revd Dr Michael G. St A., was appointed Dean of St Fin Barr's Cathedral in Cork from March 1997.

MACKLIN, Alistair J., was appointed as President and Director General of Zenica Agrochemicals French Subsidiary SOPRA, in October 1996 and he now takes part in the Triathlon.

1980 BARRINGTON, Dr Julian W. COG, was appointed Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist at Torbay Hospital, Torquay in January 1997.

BURN, Dr Kevin, was appointed as Senior Lecturer at the University of Sunderland, School of Engineering and Advanced Technology, in January 1996.

COCKROFT, Neil E., joined the investment bank SBC Warburg as an Associate Director, Human Resources, in 1996.

GILL, Charles E., was admitted as a Freeman of the City of London in 1996 and a Member of the Worshipful Company of Butchers in the same year.

PAIGE, David G., was appointed Consultant in Dermatologist at The Royal London Hospital and at St Bartholomew's Hospital in 1996.

SAMPSON, Dr Anthony P., was appointed as the Newman Foundation Lecturer in Immunopharmacology and a Royal College of Surgeons of England Research Fellow, Immunopharmacology Group at the University of Southampton, in 1995.

SKINNER, Geoffrey C. M., was appointed Operations Director for Ogilivy and Mather's Teleservices Division in October 1996.

1981 DELANEY, Brendan C., was appointed Senior Lecturer in the Department of General Practice at the Medical School of the University of Birmingham in 1996.

FOSTER, Charles A., now a barrister at the Chambers of Kieran Coonan QC and he makes regular contributions to legal periodicals. He also works as a freelance travel writer, specialising in the Middle East and contributes to a number of publications.

FULTON, Ashley P. ARICS, has formed Fulton Estates Limited, a company investing in property throughout the UK. He was previously with Burford Group plc, a property investment company with a reputation for increasing the capital value of property assets particularly effectively and would be pleased to hear from anyone interested in investing in property. He can be contacted by telephone on 0181 349 0069 or E-mail: Ashley. Fulton@Virgin.net.

LAWRENCE, Kevin, has been licensed as Lay Reader to the Church of England in the Diocese of Lichfield in 1996.

MILBANK, Nigel P., MA ACA ACT, was appointed a Vice-President of Credit Suisse Financial Products in 1995 and was admitted to the Association of Corporate Treasurers in 1996.

O'CALLAGHAN, Dr Margaret M., was appointed Visiting Professor at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana for 1997-8.

RADFORD-SMITH, Dr Graham L. FRACP, was appointed a Fellow of the Royal Australian College of Physicians in 1995 and he is currently finishing specialist training in gastroenterology in Brisbane, Australia.

ROSS-MacDONALD, Rupert A., became a partner of Willoughby & Partners, Solicitors, London in 1994, and a Director of Rouse & Co International Ltd, Intellectual Property Consultants in 1996. He moved to Hong Kong in January 1996, to manage Rouse & Co International's operations in China and South East Asia. He is pleased to announce the birth of his daughter in September 1996.

ROTHERA, Mark A. MBA, was appointed as European Marketing Director of Amylin Pharmaceuticals, based at Oxford Science Park, in 1996

STEBBING, John F. FRCS, was appointed Senior Registrar in General Surgery in the South West Region in 1996 and elected as Hunterian Professor at the Royal College of Surgeons of England (1996-7) for Research work on *Nitric oxide as a neurotransmitter*.

WELLS, Mark N., was appointed Director of Merchandising and Marketing for Boots Stores (Nederland) B.V. in 1996.

1982 DIGARD, Dr Paul E., was awarded a Royal Society University Research Fellowship in 1995 to carry out research into the influenza virus.

JENNEY (née COX), Dalla M.E., has informed us of the birth of her two daughters in May 1994 and August 1996.

SAMUELSON, Robert W., is continuing his career in Management Consultancy with Arthur D. Little, where he was made an Associate Director in August 1996, concentrating on corporate finance work.

SULLIVAN, Dr Keith F., was appointed Associate Dean for Postgraduate Studies at the Faculty of Education, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand from December 1996. He was Charter Fellow in Human Rights at Wolfson College, University of Oxford from 1995-6.

WEBBER, Stuart J., was appointed Corporate Tax Manager with Morley & Scott, Chartered Accountants, Bloomsbury, London in 1996 and is a Member of the Chartered Institute of Taxation.

WILLIAMS, Dr David L., was appointed Research Ophthalmologist at the Animal Health Trust, Newmarket, Suffolk in July 1996 and he was awarded the Sir Harold Hyam Wingate Scholarship to undertake biographical studies of Casey A. Wood, ophthalmologist, at McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

1983 ATHERTON, Mark B., and Claire Atherton are delighted to announce the birth of a daughter in 1996, in Seattle.

ATKIN, Dr Christopher J., was appointed Honorary Secretary of the Old Johnian Henley Fund in 1995.

BERTRAM, David C., was appointed Corporate Affairs Manager (UK & Ireland) for Philip Morris in May 1996 having formerly been Public Affairs Manager, British Gas Trading, 1995-6 and Public Affairs Manager, London Underground 1989-95.

COX, Meyrick, is pleased to announce the birth of his daughter in 1995.

DeVINCENT, Stephen J. DVM, was awarded a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine, North Grafton, Massachusetts, USA in 1995 and a Master of Arts in the International Environmental Policy Program from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Medford, Massachusetts, USA in 1996.

DOUGHTY, Dr Heidi-Ann, was awarded a Sickle Cell Fellowship by Guinness Breweries Ltd to study in the MRC Laboratories, Jamaica in 1995. She received a Territorial Decoration for service with the Territorial Army in 1996.

GADD, Stephen J., recorded a CD of Puccini Operas with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and his wife (Claire Rutter) which is due for release in April 1997.

HELZLE, Dr Martin, received tenure in the Classics Department at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio in May 1996, the month his third daughter was born. Later in the year he was awarded a Humboldt Fellowship to study manuscripts in Munich and he was elected 2nd Vice-President of the Ohio Classical Conference.

LE SUEUR, Dr Catherine R., is pleased to announce the birth of her daughter in March 1995 and a second child was expected in February 1997.

MUNDAY, Stephen C. R., was appointed as Assistant Head of Saffron Walden County High School in April 1996 and he published a textbook Current Developments in Economics with Macmillan in October 1996.

TAYLOR, Dr Sarah J., was appointed Departmental Assistant to Canada's Minister of Foreign Affairs in November 1996. She has also been acting as speechwriter for the Minister since September 1996.

1984 ADAMS, Dr Elisabeth J., is currently working as a Specialist Registrar in Obstetrics & Gynaecology in Chester. She was awarded an MD by Cambridge in May 1996 for a thesis entitled Human papilloma virus, p53 and epidermal growth factor receptor: do they add prognostic information in cervical cancer?

HENDERSON, Brian S., was recently awarded an MBA from Cranfield University School of Management. He and his wife Mary, née MILLS (1987) are pleased to announce the births of a daughter born in 1994 and a son in 1996.

PAISH, Oliver F., has been working as a Project Manager with I.T. Power Ltd since 1990, working in the design and development of renewable energy technologies, principally wind, solar and hydropower systems. He is still active in the midfield of the St John's Nightmare XI and can be contacted at ofp@itpower.co.uk.

POON, Dr Wilson C-K., was awarded a Nuffield Foundation Science Research Fellowship to study Non-equilibrium phenomena in model colloids, from 1996-7.

NIENOW, Dr Peter W., was appointed Lecturer in Physical Geography at the Department of Geography & Topographic Science, Glasgow University from January 1997.

RADFORD, Dr Sheena E., was awarded the Biochemical Society's Colworth Medal in 1996 and was appointed Lecturer in Biochemistry at the University of Leeds in the same year.

STAPLETON, Annamarie, was selected to row in the British Women's eight at the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta USA where, they finished seventh.

1985 BECKETT, Mark A., was appointed Company Secretary of Chiltern Railways and of its new holding company, M40 Trains Ltd, on completion of the successful management buy-out of the company.

CHENERY, Jane E., is currently working as a Regional Manager for the Higher Education Funding Council for England in Bristol.

BAGINSKI-DOAR (formerly DOAR), Dr J.Matthew, is pleased to announce the birth of his daughter in 1996 in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

EVANS, Rebecca, has moved from the Consumers' Association and is now Legal Advisor at the Office of Fair Trading.

HARCOURT, Dr Robert G., was appointed Lecturer in Ecology at the Graduate School of the Environment, Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia in January 1997.

MASH, Richard T. B., was awarded a DPhil in Economics from Oxford University in June 1996 and is currently a Senior Research Fellow at St Antony's College, Oxford.

McINTYRE, Dr Iain G. FRCS, became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in May 1995 and is currently working as a Urology Registrar in the Manchester area.

NORMAN (née CULLEN), Amanda, left her job as Marketing Manager of Hobsons Publishing plc (Cambridge) in 1994 to undertake Theological Studies at Virginia Theological Seminary, Washington DC and Ridley Hall, Cambridge. In 1995 she was admitted as a Reader (lay preacher) in the Church of England and she has moved to Paris where her husband is curate of St Michael's, an English speaking Church. She now serves there as Reader and teaches English to business people.

ROWBOTHAM, Dr Peter S., is currently working as a research geophysicist at EIF Geoscience Research Centre in London.

SMITH, Dr David A., has been appointed a Director of the Otter Controls Ltd group of companies, which specialise in the manufacture and distribution of electro-mechanical controls world wide.

TEOH, Kristine FRCS, became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in February 1996.

WHITAKER, Dr Charles W. A., has published a monograph entitled Aristotle's de Interpretatione: Contradiction and Dialectic, 1996.

WILSON, Gillian H., is player manager of South London Women's Football Club which won promotion to Mighty Division 4 of the Greater London Women's Football League in the 1995-6 season...

WILSON, Dr Sarah L., obtained her US Private Pilot's Licence in 1994.

1986 BOYLE, Stuart P. MIEE CEng., was admitted as a Member of the Institute of Electrical Engineers and became a Chartered Electrical Engineer in April 1996. He is currently working for the National Grid Company as a commercial analyst and studying for an MSc in Electricity Industry Management and Technology at Strathclyde University.

BUCHHOLZ, Todd G., has joined the Tiger Management Corporation as a Managing Director where he develops investment strategies for the global bond and currency markets. His new book From Here to Economy has been published by Dutton/Penguin.

CARRELL, Thomas W. G., was elected as a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in February 1996 and appointed Lecturer in Surgery at St Thomas's Hospital, London in the same year.

HICKS, Dr Peter G. B, was appointed visiting Fellow at the School of Architecture and Civil Engineering at Bath University in 1996 for three years.

HUNTINGTON, Richard H., was appointed to the board of the Advertising Agency AMV.BBDO in April 1996. He is currently the planner on their BT, Homebase and Weetabix accounts.

MACKLIN, Adrian R., was awarded a MSc in Aerodynamics and a PhD in Road Vehicle Aerodynamics from Cranfield University in 1996, and he is moving to Los Angeles with his work.

ROBERTS, Simon T., worked for Gemini Consulting for four years in London and Johannesburg. He attained an MBA from Sloan School, Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1995. He is currently working for Bain & Company in Boston, Massachusetts.

SCHOFIELD, Warren L., was appointed Clinical Lecturer in Large Animal Surgery at the Veterinary College of Ireland, University College, Dublin in September 1996 and he is currently the veterinary correspondent to the Irish Field newspaper.

TAYLOR, Keith E. DipFS MBA ACIB, is currently working as Senior Relationship Manager, Correspondent Banking, for the

Royal Bank of Scotland with responsibility for Nordic countries. In 1996, he gained his MBA, with distinction, from City University Business School, as part of their evening MBA programme. He won the Lombard Association Prize for Finance of Trade and Large Projects and was awarded a Diploma of Financial Studies by the Chartered Institute of Bankers.

TIVEY, Justin D., took up the post of Assistant Solicitor in the Insurance Litigation Division Bond Pearce, Exeter in December 1996.

WHEWELL, Lisa M., was awarded an MBA, with distinction, from INSEAD, France in 1993. She has recently moved to Los Angeles, with Zeneca plc as Health Care Strategy Manager.

WHILE, Gethin, was appointed as European Co-ordinator & Media Antenna Cardiff for the European Commission at Sgrin Cymru/Screen Wales, Cardiff in 1996,

WILSON, Andrew J., was awarded a post-graduate Diploma in Marketing in 1996 and was elected a member of the Chartered Institute of Marketing.

ESPOSITO, Dr Giampiero V. M., is currently a Research Fellow of the National Institute for Nuclear Physics, Italy and has been lecturing on Quantum Mechanics at the University of Naples during the academic year 1996-7.

HARPMAN, Louise J., is an architect in New York and is also a Lecturer in Architecture at the University of Pennsylvania and the Yale School of Architecture, from which she received her M.Arch degree. She has received her A.B. from Harvard University and she is a Fellow of the Design Trust for Public Space and a Partner at Specht Harpman Design in New York.

LINDSEY, Rosalie J., qualified as a chartered accountant in 1994 and is now working for the Audit Training Department at Arthur Andersen in London.

THOMPSON, Robert W., appointed Head of Mathematics at Spalding High School with effect from September 1997.

WIGGLESWORTH, , David J. FIA, joined William M Mercer Ltd. Actuaries and Benefit Consultants Edinburgh in 1993 and qualified as a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries in December 1995.

WILLIAMS, Jeremy H., baritone, will sing the three main Mozart-Da Ponte roles, Figaro with the English Touring Opera, Don Giovanni in Nürnberg, and Guglielmo in Nantes, during 1997.

WOOLFSON, Dr Derek N., took up a Lectureship in Biochemistry at the University of Sussex in January 1996.

1988 MORGAN, Dr Alan R., was awarded a PhD in Radio Astronomy by the University. of Manchester in 1996 and is currently an electronics engineer with Cambridge Consultants.

MÜLLER, Dr Mark R. MD , was registered as an *Internist*, the German equivalent of FRCP, in October 1996.

NELLIST, Peter D., has taken up a Research Fellowship at Magdalene College, Cambridge, from October 1996, having spent the previous 18 months at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Tennessee.

STAFFORD, Alison J., having passed the Legal Practice Course with distinction at The College of Law in London, she has commenced a training contract with the city solicitors Baker & McKenzie.

SUTTON, Richard C., after three and a half years in Japan, he moved to the Head Office of AGF (Paris), in 1997.

SWEENEY, Dr Claire H., currently works at Proctor & Gamble in Research and Development and finished her PhD in April 1995.

de SMET, Dr Ingrid A. R., holds a British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship at Magdalen College Oxford and the European Humanities Research Centre, Oxford. She and her husband Prof. George Hugo Tucker (1977) are pleased to announce the birth of their second daughter in 1996.

1989 DRUMMOND, P. Rory, has been appointed English Teacher at Blundell's School in Devon from September 1997.

HARMER, Quentin, has completed his PhD in Engineering Design at Cambridge University and was appointed as a mechanical product design engineer at Cambridge Consultants Ltd in December 1996.

INNES, Prof. Christopher D., was appointed Distinguished Research Professor, Fall Convocation 1996 at York University, Toronto.

MAWDSLEY, Emma E., was appointed Lecturer at the Geography Department of Durham University in October 1996.

PRETORIUS, Dr Jan P.G., became associate Director/Quantitative Analysis at Bear Stearns International, Investment Bank in May 1996.

SANDERSON, Alison J., has been promoted to Principal with Smith System Engineering Ltd, Guildford, for whom she has worked since graduation, in Guildford, Italy and most recently at the NATS Air Traffic Management Development Centre in Bournemouth. She is currently studying for a Diploma in Engineering Management.

1990 CALDERBANK, Ian T., has been employed as an internet systems consultant by UUNET, The Science Park, Cambridge since July 1996.

HOSKING, Simon P., has been appointed Second Secretary with the Diplomatic Service at the British Embassy in Santiago, Chile.

PALMER, Emma J., began work as a Research Assistant in Forensic Psychology in the Department of Psychology at the University of Leicester in October 1996.

- SETHIA, Keerti, has joined the International M&A team in the Corporate Finance division of BZW.
- 1991 De KOKER, Louis, was awarded a LLD in Company Law at the University of the Free State in 1996 and was promoted to Associate Professor in the Department of Mercantile Law at the University of the Free State from January 1997.
 - MARKÓCZY, Dr Livia, was appointed to Senior Research Fellow at the Cranfield School of Management from October 1996
 - SHAW, Dr Graeme L., was appointed Junior Research Fellow at Wolfson College, Oxford in 1996.
- 1992 DALE, Off Cdt Richard N. RN, joined the Royal Navy in April 1996 as Officer Cadet.
 - FRASCA-SPADA, Dr Marina, was awarded her PhD in March 1995 and she also held a Dorothy Ray Cohen Junior Research Fellowship at Newnham College, Cambridge from 1993-1996. In June 1996 she was appointed as an Affiliated Lecturer in the Department of History and Philosophy of Science at Cambridge University and since October 1994 has been the Associate and Book Reviews Editor of *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science*.
 - STEPHENSON, Dr Paul A., received his PhD in 1996 and has been appointed a British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow at Keble College, Oxford.
- 1993 HARRIS, Carl J., is now Lead Consultant at Booz Allen & Hamilton, based in London.
 - TSAI, S-H. Terence, has been elected as a Research Fellow at Clare Hall and will stay in Cambridge for another three years. The Judge Institute of Management Studies has also appointed him to the post of Rothmans Research Fellow in International Business.
- 1994 MERRIMAN, Sally E. A., was appointed Curatorial Assistant at the Victoria & Albert Museum in November 1995 and is currently Curatorial Assistant to the Gallery Team on the British Galleries Project, 1500-1900.

Marriages

- 1943 HAYMAN, Prof. W.K., FRS, married Waficka Katifi in May 1995.
- 1952 BURNHAM, Dr C.Paul, married Mrs Maureen Tompkins on 25 September 1996.
- 1959 COX, Alan John, married Christine Marper (née Barrett) on 1 March 1997 in Reading, Berkshire.
- 1964 HENDERSON, Dr John C., married Mrs Janet A.L.Willis on 31 August 1996.
- 1968 BURNHAM, Thomas G., married Hazel Margaret Morton on 26 October 1996 at Old Independent United Reformed Church, Haverhill, Suffolk.
- 1969 JONES, Trevor married Patsy Costigan (Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon at the Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary) in May 1996.
- 1972 ROGERS, Prof. L.C.G., married Miss Judith Flora Lindeck on 18 January 1997 at St Luke's Church Wellsway, Bath.
- 1973 PRITCHARD, Dr David J., gave advance notice of his wedding to Christina Cook on 16 August 1997.
- 1974 GODFREY, Robin W., married Julie on 22 April 1995 in Kenilworth, Warwickshire.
- 1980 CARRIER, Andrew John, married Valentina de Notaristefani di Vastogirardi on 18 May 1996 in Naples.
- 1981 BEDFORD, Martin R., married Judith Mary Wilkins on 23 March 1996 at Christ Church, Bromley.
 - BICKETT, Margaret Kay, is now known as Mrs M.K.Jackson.
 - ROSS-MACDONALD, Rupert A., married Jane Elizabeth Graham-Maw (Christ's 1982) in 1993.
- 1983 GADD, Stephen James, married Claire Rutter on 28 June 1996 in Mauritius.

- 1983 TAIT, Celia H.G., is now known as Mrs C. H G. Jones.
- 1984 HOWARD, Emma L., is now known as Mrs E.L. Hooper.
- 1985 CHENERY, Jane, gave advance notice of her wedding to Graham T. Hoar in September 1997.

EVANS, Rebecca, married John Stäheli on 6 July 1996.

ROWBOTHAM, Dr Peter S., married Helen Jane Norgett on 22 June 1996 at St George's Church, Hansworth, Middlesex.

1986 BLANSHARD, Hannah, gave advance notice of her marriage to Dr Richard G. Dell on 12 April 1997.

BOOT, Peter, gave advance notice of his marriage to Miss Melanie Pett on 21 June 1997 in Crawley Down, West Sussex.

MACKLIN, Adrian Roger, married Claire Rosemary Patesen on 27 July 1995.

NICHOLLS, Dr Andrew J., married Hilary Frances Groom on 21 December 1996.

WHEWELL, Lisa M., married Andrew Anson on 17 August 1996, in Perthshire, Scotland.

WHITE, Hazel, has married Guy McWilliams and is to be known as Dr H.L. McWilliams.

WILKINSON, Amanda, married Martin DAVIES (1987) in September 1995.

1987 CURTIS, Rachel, gave advance notice of her marriage on 7 June 1997.

DAWBER, Elizabeth, married Peter Michael Fussey (Corpus Christi 1989) on 29 March 1997 at St Martin's Church, Haverfordwest.

HARPMAN, Louise J., married Scott John Specht on 7 October 1995 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, and is to be known as Ms L.J. Harpman.

LINDSEY, Rosalie gave advance notice of her marriage to Adrian Winston on 12 April 1997 at St Peter's Church, Caversham.

LOUTH, Christopher J., married Dr Susana Hubjar on 14 December 1996, at St James-the-Less Church, Stubbings, Berks.

POOLEY, Dr Guy R., married Sarah Blackhall (Jesus 1987), on 9 August 1996 in Eton College Chapel.

1988 APPLEBY, James C., married Sophie Vines on 28 June 1996 in Paris.

BELTON, Adam C., married Alexandra Justine Wood (Newnham 1988), on 15 June 1996 at the Parish Church of St George, Doncaster, South Yorkshire.

SUTTON, Richard C., married Emi Horiuchi on 20 December 1996 in Yamanashi, Japan.

1990 CALDERBANK, Ian T., married Sarah Margaret Tearle (New Hall 1992) on 7 June 1997 at St Michael and All Angels Church, Blackheath, London.

SANDS, Dr Duncan J., married Agathe Subtil on 4 May 1996 in the Church of St Saturnin, Puy de Dôme, France.

WESTBROOKE, Adam, gave advanced notice of his marriage to Nicola MARTIN (1990) on 10 May 1997 in St John's College Chapel.

- 1991 de KOKER, Louis married Adv Jeanne Nel on 29April 1995.
- 1992 BECHARD, Anne, is now known as Mrs A.F. Bechard-Leaute.
- 1993 STOCKDALE, Paul L., gave advance notice of his marriage on 23 November 1996.

Deaths

- 1920 MAHÉ DE CHENAL DE LA BOURDONNAIS, H.H.Prince, John Bryant Digby, died on 30 October 1996. His daughter has informed us that he was ninety-five years old and throughout his long life he always spoke with great affection and pride about St John's.
- 1921 BARKER, John Townsend, died after a long illness on 11 September 1996. During his life he ran the family business and was active in local politics and the Rotary club. He was a keen sportsman, playing for and supporting his local cricket team and also the Corinthian Casuals Football Club. He was with the Tank Corps during the war and after being captured at Tobruk, he was a prisoner-of-war in Italy and Germany.

MAYNE, Leslie Samuel, died on 12 April 1997, after a brief illness. After graduating from St John's Mr Mayne worked in forestry and land management in Borneo and Sarawak, before travelling to Alaska and British Columbia, where he was a logger. In the early 1930's he moved to California and established the Mayne Tree Expert Company and was a consultant arborist for a large number of projects in the San Francisco area. Mr Mayne was the past president of the California Arborist Association and one of only three honorary life members of the American Society of Consulting Arborists.

1923 HERRIDGE, Geoffrey Howard CMG, scholar at St John's, died in March 1997. After graduation he joined the Turkish Petroleum Company which later became the Iraq Petroleum Company (IPC). After twenty years service with IPC in Iraq, Jordan and Palestine, Herridge was appointed its general manager in the Middle East in 1947. He returned to Britain in 1951, becoming managing director in 1957. He was elected President of the Institute of Petroleum in 1964 and in 1965 he became Chairman of the IPC group of companies until his retirement in 1970.

LEVERSEDGE, Leslie Frank CMG, died on 12 June 1996. His early career as a barrister at the Inner Temple, was followed by a

career in the Colonial Service in Northern Rhodesia. He became Economic Secretary to the Northern Rhodesia Government from 1956 until his retirement in 1960. Following this he served as the British Council Local Correspondent for Kent from 1963-1975.

1924 INCE, Ralph Edward, died in Cambridge on 10 July 1996. After graduating he joined the Colonial Service and was posted to Malaya as an Education Officer. In 1939 on the outbreak of war he joined the Johore Volunteer Engineers as a sapper. While on leave in Sydney in 1942 he discovered that the Japanese were about to invade Malaya and he returned unbidden to Singapore. When Singapore fell he was taken prisoner by the Japanese for two and a half years. During this time he worked on the Burma Railway, acting as an interpreter, having previously mastered the Malayan tongue. After the war he returned to Malaya as Senior Inspector of Schools in Penang and he later became Deputy Director of Education in Singapore and Chief Commissioner of Scouts in Singapore. He had always shown a great interest in music and for seven years he was organist at the Cathedral in Singapore. Following the independence of Malaya he had to retire prematurely from the Colonial Service at the age of fifty-two and he and his wife returned to Cambridge, where he taught mathematics at a number of schools. He kept a life-long passion for mathematics and read books about it for pleasure to the end.

PARKINSON, Mark Mervyn Leofric, son of John Parkinson (1901) died in 1996. Following service in Europe and Venezuela he joined Trinidad Oil in 1938 and became field manager in 1946 and general manager in 1957. In 1958 he became assistant manager of Texaco Trinidad Inc.

LEWIS-BOWEN, Gerard Arthur FICE, father of Edmund Lewis-Bowen (1951), died on 30 July 1996, aged ninety at Brownlands Nursing Home, Daventry, Northants.

1925 BUTLER, Felix John, scholar of St John's College, died on 17 February 1997

- 1926 STEELE-PERKINS, Dr Guy Shirley, Consultant Anaesthetist who retired in 1973, died in 1996 and was son of John Shirley Steele-Perkins (1904) and brother of Thomas Harrild Steele-Perkins (1930).
- 1927 HARBINSON, George Chamberlain, brother of William Kenneth Harbinson, (1925), died on 26 September 1996 at Elgin, Moray, Scotland.
- 1928 ASTLE, Edward William Browne, scholar of St John's College, died on 26 December 1996.
 - PAXTON-PETTY, John Dennis MBE, died on 22 October 1996.
- 1929 STEVENS, John Richard, died on 14 January 1996. We are grateful to his daughter for information on which the following notice is based. After graduating he became a schoolmaster, and in 1937 took over from Michael Redgrave as Head of English at Cranleigh School, where he was the driving force behind its drama department. A lifelong pacifist, he was a founder member of Casualties Union in 1942. Leaving Cranleigh in 1948, he went into educational publishing, and was responsible for setting up Hutchison Educational. Soon after his retirement in 1973, he was asked by the Commonwealth Office to set up a national educational publishing enterprise in Jamaica. Back in England he returned to teaching, starting his own secondary school. At the age of 77, he finally agreed to retire, but his enthusiasm for life remained undimmed to the end - up to the day of his death, every issue of New Scientist was read and discussed from cover to cover. He leaves a widow, five children and eight grandchildren.
- 1930 MONTAGUE-JONES, Brigadier Ronald CBE, died in August 1996. He was a Royal Engineers officer whose career in transportation and Combined Operations took him through North Africa, Palestine, France, Sicily, Italy, Burma, Malaya and Indonesia. He represented St John's at swimming and athletics and won a blue for fencing (foil). After retiring from the Army in

1960, Montague-Jones worked with the British Iron and Steel Federation until the industry was nationalised in 1963. Having retired to Dorset, he became a county councillor in 1964, serving for 21 years. He was Chairman of the county's Public Protection Committee, and President of the Royal British Legion.

SYMONDS, Major Frederick Michael, son of Noel Parry Symonds (1883) brother of Robert Vincent Symonds (1934), the late Ronald Henry Humfrys Symonds (1928) and Reginald Askwith Symonds (1925) died in October 1996. He was a highly successful cattle breeder, exporting stud bulls to some twenty countries from his Llandinabo herd in Herefordshire. An accomplished oarsman, he won the Colquhoun Sculls in 1932. After leaving Cambridge he joined the family law firm briefly before working for Viyella in Northern Ireland. At the outbreak of the Second World War he joined the Herefordshire Regiment, which was amalgamated with the Shropshire Light Infantry. Symonds was promoted to major and won the MC in the Normandy campaign.

- 1931 BAYLEY, Arthur Desmond Charles, cousin of Arthur H. Wood (1952), died in 1982.
- 1931 EGNER, William Edward CBE FIMA, father of the late Geoffrey Egner (1960), died on 13 February 1997. Following a First Class Honours in Mathematics at Durham University he was a B Star Wrangler in Mathematics at St John's College in 1933. Between 1933-39 he was assistant master in three schools, including Pocklington School, York. From 1939-76 Mr Egner was headmaster of four grammar schools in Newcastle, Derbyshire, Lancashire and South Shields. His war service included time with the Operational Research Section, RAF Fighter Command, 1941 and RAF Flying Training Command, 1944.

LACK, Dr Christofer Cheyne MRCP MRCS LRCP FRCPsych., died on 23 June 1996. Dr Lack who was formerly a major RAMC specialising in psychiatry and he was psychiatrist at the King Edward Memorial Hospital, Ealing in the 1950's.

MOSSOP, John Coubro, scholar and Johnson Exhibitioner of St John's College and father of Samuel Charles Mossop (1963) and Patrick John Mossop (1966), died on 5 September 1996.

NANAVATI, Arvind Mohan Dhirajlal, son of Dhirajlal Dayabhai Nanavati (1904), died in Bombay in August 1992. He retired as Personnel Director of Glaxo Laboratories (India) in 1969 and then set up his own management consultancy.

WILLIAMS, Prof. Glanville Llewelyn, former Rouse Ball Professor of English Law at Cambridge University, died on 10 April 1997. Professor Williams was a prolific writer in the fields of both civil and criminal law. His works include Criminal Law: the General Part (1953), The Proof of Guilt (1955), The Sanctity of life and the Criminal Law (1958) and Textbook of the Criminal Law (1978). He played an important part in the succession of bodies set up to review England's criminal law. He was a member of the English Criminal Law Revision Committee for 21 years. He began his legal education at University College of Wales, Aberystwyth and continued at St John's College where he was a Research Fellow from 1936-42. He went on to become Reader in English Law and Professor of Public Law and Quain Professor of Jurisprudence at University College London. He was made a Fellow of the British Academy in 1957 and in the same decade he returned to Cambridge, first as a Reader and then as a Professor and from 1968 he held the Rouse Ball Chair of English Law. In that year also he took silk. In 1955 he was elected to a Fellowship at Jesus College, Cambridge and made an Honorary Fellow in 1978. During his last three decades he was awarded a string of honours culminating in an Honorary Doctorate of Letters from the University of Cambridge in 1995.

1932 GUILLEBAUD, Peter Delabere, father of John Guillebaud (1958) and nephew of Walter Henry Guillebaud (1909) and Claude William Guillebaud (1909), died on 7 November 1996

MITCHELL, Robert OBE, father of Robert Mitchell (1965), died on 12 November 1996. Mr Mitchell was Chairman and Managing Director of R.Mitchell & Co (Eng) Ltd from 1959-81 and a Councillor of the Greater London Council from 1964-86, becoming its Chairman from 1971-72. Mr Mitchell represented Cambridge University at swimming and water polo from 1932-35, becoming captain in 1935. He was selected for Great Britain as a swimmer and water polo player in the 1936 Berlin Olympiad and again in Wembley in 1948. Mr Mitchell was elected a Verderer of Epping Forest from 1976 for seven years and was Chairman of the London Ecology Centre from 1986-88. He published Bob Mitchell's Epping Forest Companion in 1991 and wrote numerous newspaper and magazine articles on countryside and political subjects.

PARKINSON, Desmond John OBE, died in 1996 after a long illness.

THOMSON, Prof. James Leonard CBE, Professor Emeritus in Civil Engineering, Royal Military College of Science, Shrivenham, died on 12 January 1997.

TURNER, William Aylmer AMICE AMIEE AM MechE, died on 3 January 1994. After graduating in Mechanical Sciences, Mr Turner became an apprentice with the British Thomson-Houston Company, Rugby. In his later career he served as chief engineer with the United Power Company and in 1965 he became manager of the English Electric Company.

YOUNG, Dr Archibald TD FRCS (Glasg), died on 2 November 1996. He was born into a distinguished medical family, his father became Regius Professor of surgery in Glasgow University. After graduating from Cambridge he returned to Glasgow to complete his medical training. During the Second World War he saw active service in the RAMC in North Africa and Italy. Later as a Territorial, he commanded 157 (Lowland) Field Ambulance, and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel with a Territorial Decoration and three bars. He will be remembered as a teacher of anatomy and he made substantial contributions to the study of the placenta. He belonged to a large range of professional and civic societies, was elected a Deacon of the Tailors and was active in scouting and church circles.

1933 COVERLEY, Leonard James, a classicist and Marquis of Exeter Exhibitioner, died on 2 January 1997. After graduating he became Senior classical master at Chelmsford Hall, Eastbourne. This was followed by war service in the RAMC from 1940-43 and a Lectureship in Classics at the University of Cairo, Giza, Egypt for three years afterwards. In 1946, Mr Coverley undertook postgraduate study at the University of London.

FUCHS, Prof. Wolfgang Heinrich Johannes, Professor of Mathematics at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York since 1958, died of liver cancer on 24 February 1997. Professor Fuchs had been at Cornell since 1948, and prior to that he held Lectureships at Aberdeen, Swansea and Liverpool Universities.

SAINT, Henry Lancelot Basil, a University Exhibitioner and scholar of St John's, died on 15 August 1996. Mr Saint was a Wrangler and member of St John's Football XI under the captaincy of A.W.Gaminara. He retired after twenty-five years as Head of the Mathematics Department of Shrewsbury School in 1971, following a career as Head of Mathematics at King Henry VIII Grammar School, Coventry and service as a RAF Flight Lieutenant and Instructor in Navigation at the Empire School of Navigation, Shawbury, Shropshire.

1934 HAYMAN, Revd. Canon, Perceval E.C., brother of the late Christopher H.Hayman (1943), died on 12 May 1997. During the Second World War Hayman served with the 15th-19th King's Royal Hussars and wrote part of the official history of tank warfare. He was ordained in 1950 and, in 1953 became Senior Chaplain of Marlborough College, moving to Sussex in 1963 as vicar of Rogate and Terwick. He was Rural Dean of Midhurst from 1972-81 and a Canon and Prebendary of Chichester Cathedral from 1977-94. In 1971 he founded the Rogate and Terwick Housing Association and in 1973 helped to found the Chichester Diocesan Association. He also pioneered the Council for Pastoral Care Counselling. Revd. Hayman retired in 1981 but still visited Chichester, the cornerstone of his spiritual life. He later moved to Dorset, close to his daughter, the Countess of Sandwich, and nursed his wife through many years of illness.

ROBINSON, Maurice Allpress, died on 24 August 1996. Mr Robinson was born in Cambridge and attended the Leys School before coming up to St John's to read Law. He was articled to Mr Lawrence Barr before serving in the Army during the Second World War, after which he became the senior partner in the old established Cambridge firm of Ellison & Co. This was amalgamated with Barr & Co. and Mr Robinson became senior partner following Mr Barr's death in 1975. In the early 1970's he became Secretary and eventually President of the Cambridgeshire and District Law Society. He also became Under Sheriff of Cambridgeshire before his retirement in 1977.

1935 CHALLIS, Revd. Prebendary James Dobb, Barrow Exhibitioner at St John's and Prebendary of Lincoln Cathedral 1980-81, died on 29 December 1996.

CROSTHWAIT, Michael Leland MBE MICE, died on 8 November 1996. Following his retirement as Brigadier Corps of Engineers, he was elected Fellow and Bursar of Darwin College from 1970-1986. He was also President of the Cambridge University Society for Visiting Scholars from 1981-1993.

DEHN, Harold Bruce, died peacefully in his sleep at home on 16 June 1996

GUTHRIE-JONES, G. Winston QC, brother of David Guthrie-Jones (1935) and the late Edward Guthrie-Jones (1931) and uncle of Edward Patrick Guthrie-Jones (1958), died on 4 August 1996. After graduating he was called to the Bar by Gray's Inn and joined the Royal Artillery and served in North Africa, Italy and Yugoslavia. After the war, with the rank of Major he joined the Judge Advocate General's department in Germany and, after his demobilisation went to Italy in 1946 as Judge Advocate in a lengthy war crimes trial. Soon afterwards he returned to private practice at the Bar, becoming Queen's Counsel in 1963.

SABIN, Howard, Westcott, died on 9 January 1996. After serving in the Royal Navy during the war he reached the rank of Lt-Cdr. He was called to the Bar at the Middle Temple in 1946 and in 1963 he was appointed to the Midland Circuit, where he was Prosecuting Counsel in the Great Train Robbery Case

TINKLER, John Eric, scholar of St John's died on 30 April 1996. After a Diploma in Administrative Law and Practice in Edinburgh in 1951, Mr Tinkler became Assistant Secretary at the Scottish Home and Health Department before his retirement in 1977. Following this he became Secretary to the Central Midwives Board for Scotland.

1936 BIBBY, Howard Morton, died on 6 April 1997.

GAMBLEN, Prof. Frank, died suddenly while on holiday in Bangkok in November 1996. He was Professor of Mathematics at the University of Perth, Western Australia and had retired in December 1978. He was an Honorary Fellow of St George's College within University of Western Australia and an eminent Freemason.

NIXON, St John, died in Amsterdam on 4 October 1996. He was Senior Lecturer in English at The Netherlands School of Business, Nyenrode, Breukelen, from June 1947 and Tutor in English and Dean of Students there before his retirement in 1980.

1937 CAMPBELL, Frank W.A., died on 13 March 1996.

POTTER, Revd. Guy Anthony, died on 18 October 1996 after a long illness. After graduating Revd. Potter trained at Cuddesdon College, Oxford and he was ordained as a priest in Winchester Cathedral in 1942. After ministries in Bournemouth, Yorkshire and Hampshire he was inducted as Rector of St Botolphe, Heene, Chichester from 1965-75 and was appointed Rector of Black Notley, Chelmsford, before his retirement in 1983.

REDPATH, Dr Robert Theodore Holmes, Open Strathcona Research Student 1937, died on 30 January 1997. Theodore Redpath obtained a starred first in English and a PhD from St Catherine's College, Cambridge. In the Second World War he worked in intelligence and in 1948 he was called to the Bar. In 1950 he became the first teaching Fellow in English appointed by Trinity College Cambridge, and he was an Assistant Lecturer in English from 1951-54 and a University Lecturer from 1954-80. His books include *Tolstoy* (1960), *The Young Romantics and Critical Opinion 1807-24* (1973), *Ludwig Wittgenstein: a student's memoir* (1990).

RICKETTS, Malcolm, died in March 1997. He was a Captain in the Royal Corps of Signals and saw service in Africa, Cyprus, Palestine, Italy and Greece.

1938 CARDNO, Prof. James Alexander, of the Department of Psychology University of Tasmania, has died.

HOMAN, Dr George Maxwell MRCS LRCP DLO, general practitioner, has died.

1939 BELL, William Rupert Graham CB, scholar and brother of Sir Raymond Bell (1934), died of cancer on 6 October 1996. Mr Bell had served in the Royal Artillery from 1940-45, where he was mentioned in despatches. He was appointed Under Secretary at the Ministry of Power from 1966-70 and became Deputy Principal of the Civil Service College prior to his appointment as Under Secretary, Department of Industry from 1975-80.

JEAVONS Prof. Peter Machin FRCS FRCPsych, who was a world leader in the study of epilepsy and made a major contributions to electroencephalography (EEG), died on 17 March 1997. After graduating Prof. Jeavons undertook medical training at All Saint's Hospital and Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham. He served in the RAF as a neuropsychiatrist with the rank of Squadron Leader and returned to All Saint's Hospital as consultant psychiatrist and deputy medical superintendent. After training in EEG at the Burden Neurological Institute and the Maudsley Hospital he became consultant electroencephalographer

at the Dudley Road Hospital Birmingham and from 1958 he was Head of the Convulsions Clinic at Birmingham Children's Hospital. Having retired from the NHS he worked for the following fifteen years at Aston University as a Professor in the Department of Vision Sciences. In 1984 Aston University awarded him an Honorary DSc for services to epilepsy and the Royal College of Physicians elected him to a Fellowship.

LEWIS, Ian Alexander Darroch MInst P MIEE CEng., died on 17 October 1996.

SEALE, Dr George Hall, Vidalian Exhibitioner, died on 3 December 1994. Mr Seale studied Medicine and ran for the Hare and Hounds Cross country team, being awarded his half blue against Oxford while at St John's. He continued his medical studies at Bristol Royal Infirmary and Bristol Children's Hospital. Mr Seale spent two years in the RAF, partly in Coastal Command and just as the war with Japan finished he was in the last RAF plane to leave Padang. In 1951, following one year working in West Bromwich, two years in Leeds and several months at the Rotunda Maternity Hospital in Dublin, he moved back to Exeter to become a general practitioner. In 1963 he was elected as a member of Exeter City Council, where, with Prof. William Hoskins he fought to save central Exeter from the building of a dual carriage way through the main street. Mr Seale was a keen hockey player, skier, cross-country runner and in 1988 (aged 67) he completed the Exeter Marathon. On his retirement in 1991 he celebrated with a two week walk on the Cornish coastal path and later he became a Dartmoor National Park guide, introducing many people to the pleasure of walking on Dartmoor.

1940 MAVOR, Henry Alexander, brother of the late John Osborne Mavor (1949) died on 14 March 1996.

THOMAS, Robert Edgar (Roy), brother of the late David Llewelyn Thomas (1936) died on 30 April 1996. Mr Thomas was a solicitor, founding the practice of David and Roy Thomas Solicitors in Swansea in 1946.

1941 HOLLINGS, John Shaw, CEng FIMechE MSAE, brother of Peter (1934) and scholar of St John's College, died on 23 July 1997. He contributed to the design and development of Rolls Royce cars during the 1970's. His war service was with the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, where he was a second lieutenant, being posted to Cairo, Tobruk, Sudan, Khartoum and El Fasher. He began as an aero-engine designer at Rolls Royce in Derby in 1948 and became Chief Designer on nuclear reactors for submarines in 1957 and Manager and Chief Engineer at the Admiralty Establishment at Dounreay in 1962. He was appointed Chief Engineer in 1968 before becoming Technical Director until his retirement in 1981.

SLATER, William Rex MIMech E C.Eng., consulting engineer and father of Timothy Rex Slater (1980), died on 4 December 1996.

WHITEFIELD, John Reginald, died on 19 November 1996.

1942 MORTON, William Douglas, died on 17 July 1995.

ROBINSON, Geoffrey Hodgson, former Headmaster of Rede School, Strood, Rochester, Kent, died on 1 June 1996.

WATTS, Michael, Choral Student, 1948, died on 2 July 1996.

BARCLAY, Norman Veitch Lothian, an intrepid amateur sportsman died in April 1997. Barclay, who was a qualified chartered accountant, built up Daniel Montgomery Ltd., a Glasgow whisky closure company and then transformed the Aberdeen comb works into a modern plastics company. This was eventually merged with the MacFarlane Clansman group to form one of Scotland's leading industrial public companies, from which Barclay only retired two years ago. His sporting exploits included winning the Baron Oertzen Cup in his first season on the Cresta Run in the early 1950's and he competed for the British Team in the World bobsleigh Championships in Austria in 1963 and the Winter Olympics in Innsbruck in 1964. In the early 1950's he was the first person to water-ski from Scotland to Ireland and

in the late 1960's he took up offshore power-boat racing, achieving second place in the Round Britain power-boat race of 1969. In 1968 he took part in the London to Sydney car rally, but unfortunately arrived too late for the boat to Australia and the last leg of the rally, nonetheless he returned home to a hero's welcome. During 1972 he took part in the first trans-Alpine balloon crossing.

LETHBRIDGE, Christopher John, died in February 1996

THOMSON, Donald Einar an Exhibitioner in Modern Languages, died on 10 December 1996. He was Governor of the Reserve Bank of Malawi from 1968-71, and Advisor to the Bank of England on Europe from 1980 until his retirement. He then served on the Council of the National Trust for Scotland, and was Treasurer of the Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness and was associated with other charitable bodies.

1945 GIBSON, Dr John Nevill, died on 25 November 1996 after a long fight against cancer. Dr Gibson became a Master of Surgery after training at St Mary's and then working as a Registrar at Guy's. In 1966 he was appointed as a consultant surgeon at Pembury Hospital and lived nearby in Tunbridge Wells for the rest of his life.

WORDIE, Sir John Stewart CBE VRD, son of Sir James Mann Wordie (1910; Master 1952), brother of George Thompson Wordie (1948) and Peter Jeffrey Wordie (1952), died on 21 January 1997. Sir John was commissioned into the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve in 1942, subsequently serving on ships in the Arctic convoys. He came to St John's to read Law and at that time his father, the eminent geologist and polar explorer, was Senior Tutor. He won a blue for cross-country running . He was called to the Bar, Inner Temple in 1950 and practiced until 1986. He became increasingly involved in industrial relations and from 1966-87 he was Chairman of the Burnham Committee, the negotiating forum for teachers' pay. He also became Chairman of the National Joint Council for Lecturers in Further Education, in 1980 and, in 1975, Master of the Salters' Company in London. He retained his links

with the Royal Navy, becoming a commander in the Royal Naval Reserve and second-in-command of RNR's London Division. He also preserved his interest in athletics and belonged to the Thames Hare and Hounds Club.

1946 BANSALL, Harry Allan C.Eng, formerly works engineer with ICI, Bristol, died in 1995.

RAMSAY, Hugh Baxter, Exhibitioner at St John's, died on 4 November 1996.

SALAM, Prof. Abdus, Hon. Sc.D., Hon.K.B.E., F.R.S., Honorary Fellow of St John's College, Emeritus Professor of Theoretical Physics, Imperial College London, and President, International Centre for Theoretical Physics, Trieste, Italy, died on Thursday 21 November 1996, aged 70 years. There is a full obituary notice above.

- 1948 GALLOWAY, Lt.Col. Antony Lennox MIEE CEng., died on 19 February 1997.
- 1949 GOODE, James Edward, brother of John Goode (1942), died following a stroke on 19 April 1996.

MAVOR, John Osborne, brother of the late Henry Alexander Mavor (1940), died on 3 April 1996.

PARTRIDGE, Prof. Astley Cooper, Dominion Fellow 1950, died in Johannesburg on 12 September 1996. He was formerly Head of the Department of English, University of Witwatersrand from 1954-66 and since 1969 had been a full-time writer and editor.

WHIDDINGTON, Richard Harcourt, died of cancer in New York in 1992. We are grateful to his room-mate Mr Angus H. Duncan (1949) for the following notice. Mr Whiddington read Natural Sciences and was the son of Professor R Whiddington FRS. He spent a lifetime in the oil industry, mostly with Mobil and had just retired when he died.

1950 LANGDON-DAVIES, Paul Roger, died on 11 April 1996

LONG, Andrew Robert, We are grateful to Mr John D.Mounsey (1950) for the following notice. We shared rooms in New Court and North Court for our two years in College and we both took our PGCE in Cambridge in 1953-54. Andrew taught Physics at Wallasey Grammar School for four years, and during this time he married Honor. He then moved to Witney Grammar School where he remained until retirement 29 years later. He was a great lover of mountains and he had climbed Mt Blanc and Mt Ararat. He was deeply involved in local work for Oxfam.

RUSSELL-SMITH, Rupert Hugh, nephew of Hugh Francis (1906) and Alan (1911), cousin of Roy Sabine (1933) and uncle of William (1978), died on 31 January 1997. Prior to St John's, Mr Russell-Smith completed his National service in the Royal Artillery where he was trained as a surveyor. After graduating in Agriculture, in 1954, he became Assistant County Secretary to the Somerset Branch of the National Farmers Union for five years. This was followed by posts as Company Secretary to Quantock Poultry Packers and as a consultant to Tetra Poultry Ltd, before his retirement in 1995.

1951 BATTEY, Dr Maurice Hugh FGS, died on 26 March 1996. He began studies on a part-time basis, at Auckland University College before the Second World War, as well as being employed by the State Forest Service. In 1941 he was called to army service but invalided out with asthma. Dr Battey completed his BSc in 1943 and his MSc in 1945 at the University of New Zealand, where he was also awarded the Sir Julius von Haast Prize. From 1947 he was appointed Auckland Museum Geologist where in 1951, he was given leave to take up a British Council Scholarship to study for his PhD in Geology at Cambridge. He graduated in 1954 after acting as a Demonstrator in mineralogy and crystallography and a Supervisor to St John's College undergraduates. The day after graduating he married Pam Beckham and returned to the Auckland Museum three weeks later. In 1955 Dr Battey was appointed Lecturer in Geology at Durham University King's College Newcastle (later the University of Newcastle) where he was to spend 28 years teaching. His work at Newcastle culminated in his undergraduate textbook Mineralogy for Students, first published in 1972. Illness forced Dr Battey to take early retirement in 1983 and he settled in Auckland permanently in 1986.

JONES, Timothy Fraser, died on 6 July 1996. After school at Shrewsbury he completed his National Service with the Rifle Brigade, before coming up to St John's. On graduation Mr Jones joined stockbrokers Buckmaster and Moore. In 1957 he moved to Akroyd and Smithers and remained there through the transition from partnership to private then public company and finally the merger with Warburgs, Rowe & Pitman and Mullens, until his retirement from the city in 1986. He became High Sheriff of East Sussex in 1987 and Deputy Lieutenant and Vice Lord-Lieutenant from 1992.

LE MAITRE, Andrew Christopher son of Sir Alfred Sutherland Le Maitre KBE CB MC (1917) died on 30 July 1996.

- 1957 DELARGY, Bernard, has died in Grenada, Spain.
 - REDMAN, Dr David Roderick, general practitioner, son of Professor Roderick Oliver, Fellow of St John's College (1923) and brother of Richard (1964), Christopher (1960) and father of Nicholas (1995), died in March 1996
- 1958 BONY, Prof. Jean V.E. Fellow of St John's College and Professor of the History of Art, University of California at Berkley 1962-80 died on 7 July 1995. He was assistant master at Eton College from 1937-39 and 1945-46. During the Second World War he served as 1st Lieutenant in the French Infantry and was a prisoner of war in Germany from 1940-43. He was Slade Professor of Fine Art, University of Cambridge from 1958-61.
- Peter James, a distinguished classicist and 1962 CONNOR, archaeologist at Melbourne University died in Oxford, England on 8 December 1996. Connor was born in Lancashire but moved

to Melbourne when he was a teenager. Before reading Classics at Melbourne University he became a Christian Brother and gained primary teacher training. He was awarded the Shell Scholarship in Arts for Australia together with a Cambridge Jebb Scholarship in Classics, and studied Classical Archaeology at St John's College, Cambridge from 1962-64. During this time in England he met and married his wife Dorothy. In 1965 he returned to Melbourne University as a lecturer and finally became Associate Professor of Classics and Archaeology in 1994. He was Secretary of the Classical Association of Victoria for 18 years and he also edited its journal for a long period of time.

- 1966 GRAY, Robert Michael Ker QC QC (NI), died in May 1996. He held the MacMahon Studentship from 1969-73, reading for an LLB and the Russian Tripos. Michael Gray was called to the Bar in 1969 and became a member of the South-Eastern Circuit, with a varied practice including Chancery work, wardship and town and country planning. He took Silk in 1983 and began to sit as a Deputy High Court Judge in the Chancery, Family and Queen's Bench Divisions and then from 1985, as a Recorder at the Old Bailey.
- 1970 BENNETT, John Frederick, Exhibitioner of St John's, died on 24 November 1996.
- 1971 NOAKES, Patrick Charles, died suddenly on 9 August 1996
- 1983 DUNLEAVY, Katrina, died tragically in Brazil on 26 February 1997. Ms Dunleavy was working in Rio de Janeiro as a telecommunications expert for her company the management consultants KPMG.
- 1985 HOLMES, Thomas David, software engineer, died on 11 March 1997. We are grateful to Dr Peter Rowbotham (1985) Tom's roommate in 1986 for the following notice. While at St John's, Tom was a Choral Scholar, a goalkeeper for several football XI's and played rugby for the 3rd XV. He maintained his musical interests after College, playing french horn and singing with groups in Cambridge and Leeds.

- 1985 PUFFETT, Dr Derrick Robert, Fellow 1984-96, formerly University Lecturer in Music, died on 30 November 1996. There is a full obituary notice above.
- THORNLEY, Richard Stephen Wilshaw, and two companions died in an avalanche in August 1996, in northern Pakistan. Their expedition aimed to make the first ascent of the central peak of Distaghil Sar (7760m) in the western Karakoram Range, with a six strong team of Wellington based climbers. After graduating, Mr Thornley, who was an accomplished pianist and linguist, moved to New Zealand and completed a PhD in geology at Victoria University of Wellington. Prior to that he had worked in the Antarctic, where he had been responsible for the safety of a geological study team.

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