

**MESSAGE FROM
 THE PRESIDENT**

Tim Heald, my distinguished predecessor, wrote ‘the President of the OS Society exists in order to have lunch or dinner with other Old Boys.’ I have done my best to follow this advice. Thus there have been opportunities to listen to those who were at Sherborne before the War, those in the media, the property world and those who work in the City. I must confess that such occasions tend to fill me with trepidation, but any fears have been made needless by the sheer friendliness, not least from Michael Slade and John Peat, who organized their respective dinners with such style and generosity. In turn, the Society hosted a summer party for all former members of the Common Room and their wives that was much appreciated by a wonderful group of people.

Most of you who come to any of the OS gatherings will almost certainly hold the School in affection. However, I am also aware of those members of the Society who look back on their school days in a different light. Growing up has never been easy and some would have found life much easier if they had been born aged 21. But I do want to stress that every person who has been at Sherborne is important to the Society and, if you have any doubt about that, you only have to meet our Secretary, John Harden – a man with a great smile.

The first years in any job tend to be coloured by one’s inheritance. John is the first to admit that he has been singularly fortunate in that respect. In the last decade, the Society has gone through a series of changes, which has enabled the present Committee, splendidly led by Hugh Archer, to go forward as shown in the pages of this *Record*. It should not be forgotten that we are an integral part of the School so that, as the School prospers with increasing numbers, ever higher standards of teaching and offering an education that is way beyond relentless public examinations, we can feel proud to play our part in a first-class institution.

Richard Morgan (d 53-58)

DIGBY REUNION



FROM THE HEADMASTER

I welcome this year’s new-look *Record* and, at the same time, I wish the best of luck to the ever expanding and increasingly vibrant Old Shirburnian Society. The School is happy to increase its support for all that the Society does because it recognises the importance of maintaining the closest possible links with former pupils and friends.

In particular, it is exciting to anticipate the increasing number of events and opportunities, which will be on offer to the younger generations of OS – be they parties and activities at universities, in cities or in Sherborne. Meanwhile, I continue to relish my contacts with Old Shirburnians of all ages and 2004 has been another year of fruitful and enjoyable meetings.

May 2005 be even more successful and fun.

Simon Eliot



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I extend a warm welcome, on behalf of the OS Society, to our new President, Richard Morgan, whose immediate support during the summer and autumn was greatly appreciated. He has already attended several of our events including two initiated by his predecessor Tim Heald, to whom go our heartfelt thanks.

Secondly, I would like to record how grateful we are to Christopher Knott who has recently retired as Editor of *The Record*. No one could match his expertise and attention to detail – his contribution was invaluable.

The OS office continues to flourish and, if the response to events by OS during the year, combined with the increasing volume of correspondence through the OS office, is a measure of the Society's well-being, then 2004 has been a great year. The ability of the OS office to cope so readily with this increased business is due to three main factors – the continuing support of the Governors and the Headmaster in allocating further financial support – secondly, the unstinting efforts of the OS Secretary, his assistant Janey Goddard and Richard Gould whose support in producing OS publications is invaluable, and lastly, the continuing work of all your Committee members who voluntarily and enthusiastically support and conduct OS business on your behalf – thank you all as we look forward to 2005.

Hugh Archer
(c & m 61-66)

financial support available to seek ways to benefit our entire membership and, in particular, the younger faction. We are already helping more OS with Careers advice than ever before and you will see in the Careers section of this *Record* that this service is to be upgraded to become a permanent and integrated network. In addition, we are instigating a rota of university visits so that as many young OS as possible are kept in touch with the School and are made aware of the benefits of membership of the Society. We also remain committed to constantly improving the OS Website so that Old Shirburnians can receive updated news at any time of the year as opposed to just annual information via this *Record*.

The year 2004 has been a busy one in the Old Shirburnian Office. OS events have been numerous and varied and I hope that you will enjoy reading about them. They have been attended by OS ranging from 18 to 92 years old and have taken place at a range of venues located anywhere between Sherborne and Sydney. Speaking as someone who has attended most of these, I can testify that they are always good fun and I remain in awe at the alacrity with which OS renew old friendships and forge new ones. One of the best sidelines of this accord is the welcome given to those who have not previously attended an OS event. May I ask those who confine all OS correspondence straight to the wastepaper basket, just to hesitate a while when they next see an invitation under the OS letterhead? We would really value your company – it does not matter if your own memories of School were not particularly happy ones, I am sure that there will be others just like you. I hope that 2005 proves to be an 'annus mirabilis' when a record number of Old Shirburnians of all ages will gather – I can assure a very warm welcome at any event that you choose to attend.

No report from your Secretary would be complete without thanking my assistant, Janey Goddard, who continues to be the centrifugal force in the OS Office. Janey's rôle varies from charming our visitors, designing new pages on the website right through to deciphering my appalling scrawled notes for this *Record* – I would not survive without her!

John Harden (g 66-70)

May I start by explaining the later mailing date of the *108th OS Record* and also the change in format? Neither of these decisions was made for the sake of change – there are good reasons for them. Christopher Knott (a 53-57) meticulously edited *The Record* for five years but then found that he could no longer spare the amount of time needed in his rôle as Editor. I am sure that we would all like to thank Christopher for his hard work and also wish him luck with his book on the history of the School, which will hopefully be published in 2005. In the absence of a ready-made replacement for Christopher, there was no alternative but to compile the 2004 *Record* from the OS Office. Any attempt to copy Christopher's hallmark format would, I am sure, have resulted in a pale imitation of the maestro's work and it was therefore decided by the Committee to adopt the layout that you now see before you. I am very much hoping that this edition allied with the twice-yearly *Sherborne Review* and the new-look OSS Website, will give Old Shirburnians a wider range of information than ever before.

SECRETARY'S LETTER

At the Annual General Meeting in May, Tim Heald (g 57-62) retired as President of the OSS after an unprecedented four years at the helm. Tim initiated several events that have become regular fixtures in the OS Calendar such as the Presidents' and Media Luncheons. Above all he made everything that he attended great fun and ensured that the most important element of OS events was that everyone enjoyed them. We owe him a huge debt of gratitude and shall miss him as President but, hopefully, we shall continue to see plenty of him as Tim Heald OS. His last act as President was probably one of his most crucial as he had the foresight to propose Richard Morgan (d 53-58) as his successor. In the short time that Richard has been President, he has already ensured that the links between Old Shirburnians and the School are closer than ever.

In this age of fierce competition between independent schools, where falling behind one's competitors can perhaps result in a struggle for survival itself, farsighted schools have realised the importance of the rôle that their alumni societies can play to ensure a feel-good factor around their school. I am delighted to report that our School has responded to this challenge and is giving the Old Shirburnian Society the moral and financial backing needed to move forward alongside the best of our competitors. We intend to utilise the extra administrative and



THE SCHOOL YEAR IN RETROSPECT



Music 2003

Robin Nelson, former director of Music at Marlborough College, did more than fill the gap at Sherborne before Jamie Henderson (m 79 – 84), pictured above, arrived in January 2005 to become the School's new director. Robin has done a brilliant job and the boys and staff responded accordingly.

Joint Schools' Concert 2003

The concert in the Michaelmas Term featured a vast array of musical talent from all three schools. The Concert Band, under new directors Bob Spiller and Miles Homity, provided an excellent start to the evening with a variety of pieces. The Sinfonia Orchestra, who finished with an arrangement of Rimsky-Korsakov's *Scheherazade*, and the Symphony Orchestra, who provided the finale, the fourth movement of Dvorak's Ninth Symphony, both performed impressively. An excellent evening included performances from the St Antony's Leweston's Chamber Orchestra and the Girls' School's Madrigal Society.

Music 2004

The Sherborne School Music Society's concert in February was an 'occasion of high achievement and of high appreciation'. The Abbey was full and each item on the programme was received with great enthusiasm and appreciation. The concert opened with Shostakovich's Festival Overture of 1954 followed by Szymanowski's *Stabat Mater* and finally Carl Orff's *Carmina Burana*. An impressive event with three very different and demanding pieces tackled with the greatest success.

Some fifty boys have been busily preparing for Verdi's *Requiem* to be performed in February and the choral highlights of the Michaelmas Term included an Evensong in Wells Cathedral with SSG in October, a Remembrance Day Service in the Chapel in November and an Advent Carol Service that featured some haunting Advent Responses from various points in the Abbey. The Choir was enhanced by the presence of an 8-strong alto line provided by the 3rd Form boys, including Oliver Longland (e) who impressed all with his fine solo voice in the Carol Service.

Lunchtime concerts were well attended, culminating in the Swing Band's performance in the OMS Recital Room at the end of term. Orchestral preparations began in September and the numbers of boys taking part in both Symphony and Sinfonia were at an impressive high. In the end of term Joint Concert, the Concert Band opened proceedings with a polished ensemble and a varied programme. The Sinfonia followed with conventional modern and film score material and the Symphony Orchestra closed proceedings with an Overture, a Symphony movement and an extract from Saint-Saëns' 'cello Concerto played by Ed Lyon (b), whose impressive performance acted as a kind of rehearsal for his upcoming 'cello diploma exam in the holidays.

Ben Trepress (e) gained a place at the Royal Northern College of Music, Manchester, as well as some funding. Nick Arden (m), who leads the Horns in the Orchestra, won an Organ Scholarship to Brasenose College, Oxford following on from his Grade 8 Distinction (142) achieved in the Summer Term.

Sherborne Concerts opened in September with the *Swingle Singers* who at one point performed an arrangement of a jazz standard with a selected choir from the three senior schools and this set a trend for more pupil involvement in master-classes and talks and a slight improvement in pupil attendance as was borne out by other concerts given by a jazz trio in October and a guitarist in November.

Concert in The Courts

Over a thousand people attended this spectacularly successful evening in April. The atmosphere was immense and it was very much a 'night to remember'. The School bands were joined by one from the Girls' School and a guest band *Homer's Donuts*.

Robin Nelson

Art

Sherborne's students can now choose a diet of creative experiences, and indeed have veered towards a new spirit of anonymous aesthetic choices, through the range of visual arts exhibitions available to them both in the School and at other local, national and international sites. Members of the School have been made aware of professional standards in the Oliver Holt Gallery through shows such as Vives/Edmonds, Andrew Stock (b 73-78), the group show *Killing Time* and the local history exhibition *The Collection*; they have shared the successes of School artists, such as Charlie Minter (g 99-04) and David Holborow (c 99-04), in their work professionally mounted. These experiences have fostered a new spirit of intelligent artistic engagement. This engagement has been pleasingly reflected in strong examination performance against an untypical slight decline in national standards in this subject area for males. The Art School intends to foster an environment in which all members of the School have the opportunity to think about Art. The presence of a visiting resident artist in the latter part of the year, not only considerably supported staff, but also introduced a new range of activities and pedagogical approaches for the students. The resident artist made us all aware of the dynamism of practical engagement and drew in an uncomplicated amicability from professional partners elsewhere in the town.

Andrew Stooke

Art Study Tour to Rome

At 8.40am in February 2004 thirty art students, mainly from the Sixth Form, set out for Rome. Our first visit was to the Trevi Fountain. The flowing water over the magnificent Roman sculptures creates a very romantic feel, and this obviously had an effect on one of us, who bought a rose and offered it to a young Italian girl in exchange for a kiss! Next on the agenda that evening was a visit to the Spanish Steps, where groups of all ages gathered and where we were able to view true Roman culture at its finest. Day two, we set off for the Vatican Museum, its vast interior filled with peerless works on panel and canvas as well as the timeless pieces by Michelangelo and Raphael. But perhaps the most impressive was the Sistine Chapel, which in some ways is quite overwhelming with its sheer complexity of architectural details. Later that afternoon we visited St Peter's, which disappointed no-one and is the perfect setting for Michelangelo's amazing Pieta.

The following day we travelled to the Museo e Galleria Borghese which is effectively the Italian National Gallery with its collection of masterpieces by Michelangelo, Caravaggio and Titian. After a study of the Renaissance and Baroque periods, we then visited the Galleria Nazionale d'Arte Moderna e Contemporanea. This houses the finest collection of Italian artists' work in Rome dating from the 1800s to the present day.

On the penultimate day we visited the Capitoline Museum, the world's first public museum in a suite of palaces designed by Michelangelo. It is home to some of the most renowned and beautiful statues the world has ever known. On the final day, we explored the city in groups – some went to the flea market and others to the various galleries. The Art Tour, as usual, was stimulating, memorable and something which I am sure the Art School will repeat again and again.

Jack Little (b)

Drama

Giles Robinson, Head of Drama; Hannah Llewellyn, drama teacher; Jim Donnelly, Theatre Technician; Margaret Cracknell, Wardrobe; and all the various directors were responsible for a very varied and excellent programme of drama in 2003/2004.

Digby House Play: This was the stage version of the BBC television comedy *'Allo, 'Allo*. Under the direction of Chris Hamon, the Digby boys – no girls involved – produced a memorable evening. The audience were transplanted into a surreal version of native France seen predominantly from inside the Café René. It was a triumph for the Digby.

The Green – Brassed Off. The direction of Hannah Llewellyn, Vicky Clayton and Paul Carling was responsible for an unforgettable evening. All the boys as miners at the Grimley colliery played their parts convincingly, conveying perfectly the misery of their lives of drudgery and hopelessness but also the spirit and hope that playing in the Colliery Band gave them.

Lyon House's choice was Noël Coward's *Nude with Violin*. It was an ambitious choice but they managed to pull it off with some style. The cast of eight boys and six girls gave a fine performance under Jennie Ward's direction. The momentum and dénouement of the truth of artist Sorodin's paintings was skilfully styled.

Paul Carling's direction of the **Wallace House** play, *The July Plot* written by Roger Manvell, proved a memorable occasion. The secret rebellion of German officers ending with their arrests and the execution of Von Stauffenberg provided a poignant evening for all.

The production of Lorca's *Blood Wedding* involved Sherborne boys, and girls from St Antony's Leweston. For the first time, a play was performed at both venues and with two directors, Giles Robinson from the School and Rebecca Peacock from St Antony's. Under their skilful direction, they achieved a play that was very real and relevant. It was a stunning production with the actors involved rising magnificently to all the challenges.

Sherborne School for Girls' production of *Oh What a Lovely War*, directed by Sally Wolfenden, chronicled the horrors of the First World War. The play managed to combine comedy and sincerity, toe-tapping moments and the shocking depiction of war. It was a production with real skill and gusto in which both boys and girls excelled.

The Commemoration plays, *Hansel and Gretel* and *Rabbit*, were somewhat unsettling plays which presented childhood and adolescence laid out in all their painful, vulnerability and aching cruelty. Directed by Hannah Llewellyn, *Hansel and Gretel* depicts innocence under threat from malign forces, which centre on the wicked witch. *Rabbit*, directed by Giles Robinson, deals with children's repetition of their past mistakes and takes place in a holocaust setting in which only children have survived. Visually both plays were impressive though very different in style. Not an easy evening's entertainment, but one which highlighted the promising young dramatic talent moving through the School and which questioned some of our cosier notions about the nature of childhood.

The School play, *The Royal Hunt of the Sun* by Peter Shaffer and directed by David Hedison, was a beautiful and intricate piece of choreography of which all those involved should feel proud. The play is replete with matter on which to think and it is to the credit of all concerned that the theme of the clash of cultures was put across so clearly and so memorably.

In October **Harper House** performed two plays. *Can You Hear the Music?* involved the younger members of the House with a tale of six mice, who hear a flute being played and each being affected but in different ways. The second offering was a play called *Kids*. Set in a children's playground, we see five children aspire to great feats and watch the interaction between older and younger siblings and their views on the adult world. Both funny and poignant, the play was enjoyed by all. Chris Hamon, the producer of the two plays, deserves a special mention.

The last production of the year saw more than 1200 people treated to some excellent entertainment in Giles Robinson's production of the musical *Scrooge*, which involved all three schools. The verve and energy of the chorus was wonderful to see and Tristan de Souza (e) produced an unforgettable portrayal in the title rôle.

Giles Robinson



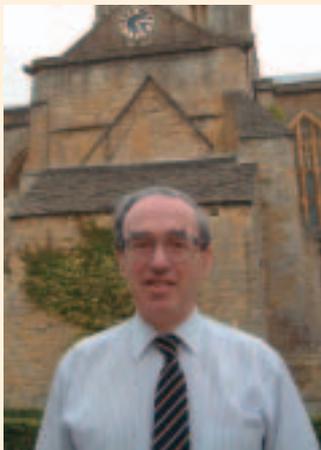
'Sherborne's Own Cinema' – This was a new initiative from the School with modern feature releases and older classics shown to both members of the School and the general public in the Powell Theatre. The Michaelmas Term's films included *Troy*, *Touching the Void*, *Girl with the Pearl Earring*, *Shrek II* and *The Italian Job* (Michael Caine).

Valete

David Smart (1967-2004)

David came fresh to Sherborne from his Degree (a First at Clare Cambridge) and a PGCE in 1967 and was offered a job in the Mathematics department only a few weeks after the then HMI inspection. I came across a copy of that report the other day – and it makes interesting reading:

'Examinations are taken seriously, but, by and large, without the type of preparation which might distort education; it follows that there are some individual failures, but the general level of success is very high.' For instance, of the 144 candidates for O-level in 1966, twenty-six actually failed the exam and it was quite acceptable for Sixth Form economics, for instance, to be taught in two sets which together totalled thirty-seven boys . . . not something we would find easy today. David recently gave a wonderfully clear address in the Abbey to the entire School in which he told us of the changes he had seen over his thirty-seven years as a schoolmaster at Sherborne. David was appointed Head of Mathematics in 1972 and has occupied the increasingly complex job of Director of Studies since 1985 – an outstanding nineteen-year reign in which he has had to cope with three Headmasters. David's attention to detail, his encyclopaedic mind, his ability to see through a problem (either mathematical or organizational) with computer-like accuracy and speed – all these are well known. He could be stern when necessary and sensitive and understanding the next moment; he was very rarely angry or thrown off balance. He has worked tirelessly and selflessly for III terms and for much of the holidays as well, and this School has been very fortunate to have had someone so up-to-date with national developments in Mathematics and Education in general, but above all someone so loyal, dedicated and positive. We wish David, Ann and the family the happiest of times for many years to come.



Mark Aitken (1993-2004)

Mark Aitken and I discussed at one stage that we might have played against each other in an inter-school rugby match between arch-rivals in the Oxford area some thirty-five years ago. I have no idea who won but I do know that I could never have been such a successful and charismatic coach of the 3rd XV at Sherborne. Another of Mark's great loves is Norwich City FC – and it is no coincidence that Ramsgate should allow somewhat easier access to those premiership games which Norwich has earned next season. Mark came to be Chaplain from a large parish in Norfolk and he quickly taught himself to be a teacher and to make sense of a school community.

He is an enabler, a thinker, a shrewd observer and an ideas man; he is an outstanding preacher; he believes passionately in many things but is also prepared to change his mind; he has been the leader in pastoral and spiritual matters for eleven years and much of Sherborne's fine reputation has been built on Mark's work and influence. He has run several brilliant Lent Term projects, he got boys and staff to be a part of chapel life, he masterminded the big occasions with great style and skill, he is a lover of and encourager of both rock music and fly-fishing. One of his most effective and electrifying public moments has been when he talked to Fourth, and now Third Form parents about the joys and heartaches of adolescence. Above all he has been the port in a storm for hundreds of boys and staff and others whom he has privately counselled and advised over the years. We wish Mark every success as Headmaster of St Lawrence College, Ramsgate with his wife Kim and sons Jacob and Reuben.

Ursula Dedek (1977-2004)

Not many people have taught four languages in a foreign school. Ursula, who came as an Assistant in 1973 for two years and returned as a full-time member of staff in 1977 is, of course, German herself but she has also taught French, Spanish and even Arabic. She ran fencing and organized innumerable trips abroad. Ursula commanded enormous affection from her pupils – they responded to her high expectations combined with her great sense of fun. I have been especially struck by how she has selflessly and kindly looked after sometimes rather isolated boys from abroad. Ursula: thank you for all that you have done in your many years at Sherborne – we shall miss you.



James Murphy-O'Connor (1995-2004)

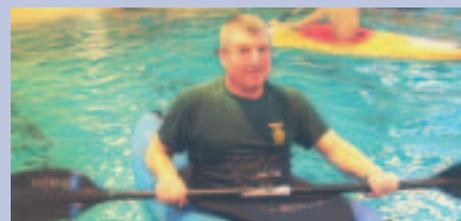


James joined the staff in 1995. After being senior tutor at Harper for three years, James became Housemaster at Abbey in 1998. He

taught History to all ages and enjoyed coaching, especially rugby. He has been appointed Headmaster of Sheffield School near Basingstoke. We wish James, Alison and their four children every success and happiness.

Peter Thompson (1986-2004)

For eighteen years, Peter was the gentle yet firm mainstay of the CCF and the success of our contingent was due to his influence. He did far more than just be the School Staff Instructor; He was a rugby coach and was involved in the many outward bound activities. He was i/c shooting and canoeing and managed teams in the annual Ten Tors events. He was also i/c of the Dining Hall and the minibuses. His wise and avuncular presence will be greatly missed and we wish him and Christine a very happy retirement.



The OS Website

This has been reconstructed and redesigned. We would urge all OS to use it more frequently. This lively site now offers a feast of information and news for all OS and provides a forum for discussion on many topics. With this in mind, we have highlighted below what the new website offers and would be very grateful for ideas and comments, both positive and negative, which will help to improve the site.

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Rugby 2003

1st XI – Won: 3 Lost: 9

A season in which the 1st XV was comprised mainly of Lower Sixth boys was bound to put pressure on an age group who were lacking experience at this level. Only one colour was available from the previous year. The season could be referred to as a 'nearly' season when we looked as if we were going to win matches only to be out-gunned at the death. The loss of Michael Saunders (c) at outside half and Seamus Crawford (f) in the centre with long-term injuries certainly did not help the cause. Good victories over Canford, Bishops Wordsworth's and King's Taunton possibly led everyone into an early false sense of security. Wellington, Marlborough and Cheltenham all went away from us. The other games could have and, in some cases should have, swung in our favour, especially at Bruton and King Edward's Bath. Even the final game at home to Millfield, with a touch more belief, could have finished up with a win. There was certainly no lack of effort, though unfortunately there did tend to be a lack of concentration at times, when mistakes were punished.



The bonus of the season was the success of the Junior Colts in the *Daily Mail* competition where they reached the Twickenham final but were just eased out in an exciting match. This was a wonderful effort by a multi-talented group of boys. In fact the Junior Colts year group were not just successful at the top level; the B's, C's and D's only lost two matches throughout the season. A promising future beckons.

The Mini Colts age group took longer to hit their stride, but then finished off with excellent wins over Clifton, Cheltenham, Bruton and Blundell's. The final game against Millfield, although a loss, was described by their staff as one of the best games they had seen at this level. Again there is promise for the future. *David Scott*

School Sport

Rugby 2004

Won: 7 Lost: 5 Drawn: 1

The 1st XV had a fine season with especially good wins against Canford, Clifton, Marlborough and Wellington. They were superbly led by Alex Willis (b), whose loss to the team with an injury half-way through the season, was a major blow.

Overall it has been one of the most successful seasons for some years with the A teams winning 34 out of the 53 matches played. The Senior Colts A side, despite losing three of their players to the 1st XV, only lost two of their thirteen matches, including ending Radley's three year unbeaten run. The Junior Colts A team only lost four of their fifteen matches and had a good run in the *Daily Mail Cup*. The Mini Colts A struck form to win their last five games including defeating unbeaten Bryanston and Cheltenham sides and ending with an excellent victory against a previously undefeated Millfield team.

Fives

It was always going to be interesting to see how the success in the National Schools' Colts Doubles last season affected the numbers playing the game in the School. Numbers are booming! Every Tuesday and Thursday there are now over forty Junior boys playing the game, as well as those Seniors who opt into Fives as their Lent Term sport. The results this year have been impressive with the 1st IV defeating Blundell's, Clifton, Marlborough, King's Bruton (twice), the Pilgrims and the Old Tonbridgians. Losses against the very strong Winchester side, Wessex and the RFA were the only defeats. All Junior sides performed well and the overall results were: played 19, won 12, lost 7. It is good to see that adult club sides are now being defeated. In the Schools' National Championships, Sherborne again had great success reaching the Colts Doubles Final for the second year running but, this time, just losing out to a very strong St Paul's pair. Michael Oates-Wormer (f) and Edward Leakey (b) proved to be an outstanding pair and, with Edward Leakey still a Colt next year, the future looks promising. Sherborne once again hosted the West of England Open Championships and it is hoped that the School will be home to the West of England Schools' Championships in early January 2005. The top players do enjoy playing at Sherborne and the facilities are second to none.

Michael Cleaver

Cricket

1st XI Cricket

A season in which the first XI, with only three Upper Sixth boys, managed nine wins can only be seen as a great success. Three of the six defeats occurred against strong MCC, Free Foresters and Millfield sides, all games that were excellent tests for the boys against opposition of greater experience. The only two really disappointing defeats came in the first match against Bruton and in the first match of the Festival against Cheltenham. For the first time in many years both King's Taunton and Taunton School were defeated, and Canford were comprehensively beaten. Two Junior Colts boys, Jack Jenkins (b) and Charlie Esson (b), featured for the 1st XI with some success. The key cricketer, however, was the captain, Seamus Crawford (f) in the Lower Sixth, who scored nearly 500 runs and topped the bowling averages. Seamus' 164* against the Pilgrims on the Upper, including 100 before lunch, was a fine performance. The academic results of the team showed that, with a well-structured and flexible practice programme and good organization on the part of the boys, cricket can be a most positive experience. In order to develop the 1st XI team, a cricket tour to Sri Lanka took place in December 2004.

Giles Reynolds

The very positive atmosphere amongst members of the 1st XI permeated down to the lower years.

In the Junior School, cricket is as strong as it has been in recent years. The Junior Colts reached the quarter-finals of the Lords Taverners competition, losing narrowly to the eventual winners, Millfield and The Colts performed above expectations. However, the quality of cricket at this level is a concern: many schools opt to put their best Colts straight into their 1st XI, leaving many sides much weaker than we expect. Only the larger schools – Marlborough, Canford, and King's Taunton – can field reasonably strong Colts teams.

Congratulations to Seamus Crawford who was selected to represent England at U17 level and to Jack Jenkins who played for the West of England U15.

I now leave the Cricket in the capable hands of Rob Hill who has taken over as Master in Charge. I wish him every success for the future.

Mark Pryor

Basketball

Basketball in the senior part of the School continues to be a popular option during the Lent Term and is played to a high level. We are now on a tough circuit with matches against Winchester, Marlborough, Dauntsey's, Sexey's, Downside, Wellington, King's Bruton, KE Southampton and Clayesmore. The boys lost narrowly against the first four schools and then beat the rest reasonably comfortably. The number of takers in the Lower School, however, dropped considerably this year and it was sometimes difficult to put out competent teams. The U16s won half of their fixtures but the U15 and U14 sides failed to gain a single win.

Steve Clayton



Athletics

It was another satisfying season for the Sherborne athletes as they notched up a record number of representative places. Twenty-three boys represented the Region of which seven went on to represent the County at the South West Championships and then two of these were selected to compete at the National Championships at Gateshead. Neither Jamie Payne (f) nor Philip Anscombe (f) managed a medal, although Philip came sixth in the Triple Jump and Jamie broke a 21-year-old School record for the Javelin throwing 57.4 metres. Both were performing out of their age group and will benefit from this experience next year.

In the first half of the term the boys competed against Millfield, Blundell's, Bryanston, Canford, King's School Bruton, Taunton, Dauntsey's, Kingswood, Milton Abbey and Clayesmore and beat all except Millfield. The Lutra Shield competition, which is the largest of its kind in the South West, saw Sherborne finish second once again.

Steve Clayton

Hockey

1st XI – Won: 6 Lost: 9

Rob Hill took sole responsibility for the 1st XI for the first time. In his annual report, he stresses that we have a 'Premiership' fixture list, playing high quality sides week after week. The 'win:lose' ratio, of 6:9, should therefore be put in perspective. It is very rare for the School to achieve wins at 1st team level against the likes of Millfield, Dean Close and Canford, but it is vital that these sides remain on our fixture list as benchmarks for the future. His report refers to opportunities missed, particularly against Monkton Combe and Bryanston. These are clearly games that could have been won with an outstanding goal scorer. This is one aspect that was certainly missing this year in comparison to the last two years and something that is virtually impossible to coach.

Other teams

The three other senior teams were very successful, losing only four of their twenty-seven games. There is much enthusiasm for the sport at this level. Team of the year has to be the Senior Colts who were transformed by Alistair Hatch into a fine unit. Having struggled in their first two years, to only lose one school fixture is a massive achievement.

The impressive Junior Colts lost seven key players during the season owing to the success of the U15 rugby side in the *Daily Mail* Cup. This was particularly disappointing after they had performed so impressively in the U14 divisional tournament the previous year.

The Mini Colts proved themselves to be a useful outfit, winning as many games as they lost. The clinching of the County Cup for the second year in a row was an excellent achievement, although they did not do themselves justice at the divisional tournament.

Jeremy Wadham

Squash

Despite losing close games to Marlborough and Exeter School, the squash teams made considerable progress this year. The 1st V is really quite strong and is only ever likely to get beaten by strong schools such as Exeter. Despite our proficiency at the moment, the sport exists on something of a knife-edge and, if a handful of players are lost to injuries or other sports, one will find it hard to put out teams. Very few boys seem to be playing much at either prep schools or clubs. In the short-term, however, the future is bright. No one is leaving this year and next year's 1st V looks like being particularly strong.

Richard Bool

Cross Country

Sherborne's cross country runners have had a magnificent season, with a string of wins at Senior and Colts level. Over thirty boys signed up for the sport this season, the largest number in living memory. Simon Dawson (m) captained the team splendidly and trained and raced his heart out. There were outstanding performances at all levels: David Nicholls (g) and Ed Pitt Ford (m) for the Seniors, Ed Knudsen (d) for the Colts, and Alex Stewart-Grumbar (f) as a Third Form Colt, come to mind. Sadly, we must say goodbye to stalwarts such as James Dutton (c), who has been a low-scoring competitor for Sherborne since the Third Form, but we have been able to welcome into the squad some promising Third Formers, and a Fourth Former in Alex Latham (e) who look set to do very well in future years. Our Colts had a particularly good season. Possibly their best performance was in the prestigious and very competitive Canford Relays, where they came second to Sandown (Isle of Wight) Colts, both these teams of four finishing ahead of all the Senior teams! It was a great satisfaction to beat Winchester, who undertake some of their specialist pre-season training in Lanzarote, into third place. A very successful innovation this year was the use of the Sherborne Castle Estate for the House Cross Country and the Sherborne Trophy. This provided a magnificent and spectator-friendly setting for our home fixtures. It is worth noting that over 450 boys took part in the House Cross Country competition.

Bernard Holiday

Golf

The 2003/2004 season has certainly been one of the most enjoyable, if not the most successful, of recent years. The School played a total of fourteen matches, using eleven different players and playing on seven different courses, including Celtic Manor. The numbers in the Society have remained constant in the Michaelmas and Trinity Terms with over fifty members and thirty in the Lent Term. Sherborne Golf Club has again been extremely good to the School Society allowing it to use the course on every day except Saturday. Fourteen matches were played, five were won, two halved and seven lost. The victories were against King's Bruton, Milton Abbey (twice), Blundell's and the Staff. It is worth commenting on the fact that all the top players are in other School teams – all at A team level – and therefore it is impossible to practise for matches.

Michael Cleaver

Tennis

Won: 1 Lost: 6 Drawn: 1

After several seasons devoid of sparkling performances, it fell to the new blood to match the successes of old and put Sherborne's VI back on the map. This proved no easy task as the team lacked the big servers and net dominance needed to score rounds quickly. However, it was an enjoyable season and there were some closely fought matches. Congratulations to the Junior Colts team who remained unbeaten. The strength of the team will continue to be put to the test over the next few years, but the care, advice and attention given to the boys by our coach, Kester Jackson, is integral to any lasting improvement and all hands are thankful for his input.

David Ridgway

Soccer

The 1st XI was highly inexperienced at the beginning of the season, with only one player remaining from the excellent 2003 line-up and, with this in mind, the results achieved were creditable – five wins and three draws from eleven senior fixtures. The 2nd XI also did well with only three losses from ten matches and the 3rd XI lost just one out of five.

Don Cameron

Shooting

I took over the Shooting during the Autumn Term, since it had rather fallen into abeyance. I found a group of enthusiastic boys keen to shoot and take part in competitions. During the course of the year a team entered a series of indoor 0.22 competitions and some outdoor 0.76 target rifle competitions and, whilst it was apparent that there was a lack of practice, they did reasonably well. The re-appearance of Sherborne on the circuit was well received by all and we did give some schools a run for their money. Given that the team is young there is the real potential to do well.

On an individual basis a number of boys did well in the South West area indoor competition. Senior Section: Michael Pope (a) 1st (class B); Junior Section: Max Cosby (c) 1st (class B); Richard Sworder (d) 3rd (class B).

Over the course of the Lent Term the Inter-House Shooting competition was resurrected with the Seniors being won by School House and the Juniors by Harper. During the term some sixty boys shot and the range was well used.

Chris Hamon

Sailing

Abylly captained by Michael Hutton-Ashkenny (g) the sailing team had a good season winning most of their matches. The main losses were against strong Old Shirburnian teams. In our regular two way matches the only loss was a young B team against Milton Abbey B's. There were notable wins against Canford, Bryanston and Milton Abbey, and a B team draw against Canford. Entry in the British Schools Dinghy Racing Association regional heats in May resulted in Sherborne being placed third. Sherborne gained a silver trophy when the Junior team won the CCF area regatta at Portland, racing against five other entries.

The new racing 420 had its first outing at the Schools championships at Itchenor. Sailed by Michael Hutton-Ashkenny and Nick Arden (m), they achieved a respectable 23rd position out of 55 entries. James and Thomas Bowker (m), raced their own boat under the School flag, achieved 4th position out of 48 boats. The School boat had a second outing at the 420 nationals with Nick Arden and Freddie Saunders (m). Inexperience clearly showed with them trailing the fleet overall but with their best position being 46th in

a fleet of 88. The Bowkers came 47th overall. In both cases this was a considerable achievement given that a significant number of national squads competed.

Chris Hamon

Polo

This is the first year that polo has been recognised within the School as an official sport. Two teams played regularly throughout the Trinity Term. Once again we used Taunton Vale Polo Club as our home ground. Last year's fixtures were repeated against Taunton Club, Millfield, and Marlborough. New fixtures included Milton Abbey and two adult tournaments held over two days. At this point both teams had had an unbeaten season.

In June the 'B' team took part in the Intermediate Schools Competition at Inglesham and did very well to win Division Two. Later the 'A' team travelled to Warwickshire to contest the National Schools Championship. A total of sixteen schools entered their 'A' teams which were subdivided into two sections of eight based on age and ability. Sherborne were

rightfully placed in the top division, and finished fourth overall after losing in the semi-finals at the eleventh hour to Cheltenham, the eventual winners. George Mackintosh (e) won the cup for the most promising player of the tournament.

Prospects for 2005 look good with no leavers and at least two promising new players in the third form.

Roger Horne (Parent)

Swimming

Victories at both levels against Canford and Taunton School were swiftly followed by an impressive victory against King's Bruton. The annual fixture at King's Taunton has grown in size with King's Taunton, Blundell's, Clifton College and Plymouth College all competing. The Seniors were narrowly beaten by King's, and the Under 16's lost to Blundell's and to an outstanding young team from Plymouth College. A new fixture against Clayesmore rounded off the season with a final flurry, with wins at both levels. The continued format of arranging matches with SSG has remained popular.

Lindsey Millar

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Lent Term Project

As a result of Mark Aitken's enthusiasm and vigour, the biannual Lent Term Project has become a huge event in School life. This year's chosen cause was the Parkinson's Disease Society. Over 80 activities were organized by boys from all the Houses and, as a result of these, the staggering sum of over £50,000 was raised.



Royal Marines Cadet Competition

The Pringle Trophy 2003 was the twentieth and last to be held as it has now been renamed the Royal Marines Cadet Competition. The renaming made no difference to the Sherborne boys who distinguished themselves by winning both the 2003 and 2004 competitions from a large number of competing schools. It was apt that Sherborne should win the last Pringle Trophy when Sir Stuart Pringle (f 42-46) presented the team with the award.



Steven Lawn Lectures 2003 and 2004

The family of Steven Lawn (m 87-91), who was tragically killed on '9/11', chose to honour Steven in Sherborne by setting up lectures on 11th September each year. Major General Patrick Cordingley (c 58-63) gave the inaugural lecture entitled 'Religious Intolerance is still a major problem even in Europe'. Douglas Hurd was invited to give the 2004 lecture and spoke on 'International Relations'. Both spoke to packed audiences in the Powell Theatre.



Sherborne House Report



Kids Company, a charity working with disadvantaged youth in South London, took over the occupancy of Sherborne House, Bermondsey this summer, replacing the Probation Service. *Kids Company* was chosen after an extensive review of the various candidates. A representative of the charity attended Commem last summer, and its founder, Camila Batmanghelidjh (who attended Sherborne School for Girls), is due to speak at the School early this year.

Kids Company held an exhibition, in collaboration with Tate Modern, called 'Shrinking Childhoods', from 18th November 2004 to 17th February 2005. Nearly 1000 children exhibited their work, most of which was created at Sherborne House.

Kids Company now has the space and premises to carry out their invaluable work. However, it still relies on charitable and statutory funding for its activities.

The Sherborne House Trust also makes donations to other charities working with youth in the inner city.

Sherborne House has not approached the OS community directly for many years, and we would like to send a mailshot to let them know about the latest developments and offer them the opportunity to contribute to the Trust's work by making a regular donation.

James Nurton (m 87-92)



School Development

2004 has been a very busy and satisfying year as several projects have been successfully completed and others are starting to get off the ground. The programme of boarding house improvement has continued apace, with the completion of the Abbeylands refurbishment and of the new wing at Wallace, which included a three-bedroom tutor's flat. Once further internal works at Wallace have been completed in summer 2005, the House will provide superb accommodation for about seventy boys. Whilst all Houses benefit from internal improvements each year, we are now looking ahead to the next major boarding projects. Our aim is to provide all Houses with spacious and pleasant accommodation for a resident tutor as well as the Housemaster and Matron, and we are now looking at ways of providing this at both Lyon and Harper.

Thanks to the generosity of donors to the Sherborne School Foundation, the Upper Pavilion has been extended and refurbished and will now provide ample changing facilities as well as space for entertaining. Looking forward to 2005, there are some exciting projects in progress. The International College has been a successful venture for many years, both educationally and commercially. The School is reinvesting in the College in the form of a new £1m classroom block to replace 'temporary' classrooms, which have been in use for some fifteen years!

Although we are making real progress in achieving the objectives of the School Development Plan there are still many ways in which we will need to enhance and extend our facilities over the next few years. We are also very conscious of the School's location in the heart of Sherborne and hope to enable members of the local community to gain as much benefit as possible from use of our glorious buildings and grounds.

Margaret McKenna, Bursar

The Foundation

New Chairman and Trustees

Guy Hudson (m 76-80) was elected Chairman of the Foundation in November 2004. Guy works for Mellon Bank and has been a Trustee of both the Foundation and the American Friends of Sherborne for over three years. Guy succeeds Michael French (a 61-65), the founding Chairman who retires after five years of establishing and overseeing the Foundation's work. Michael is remaining on the Board and has also become a Governor of the School.



The Foundation welcomed Jeremy Marshall (a 51-56), John Pocock (f 73-78) and James Ross (h 52-57) to the Board of Trustees. Our thanks go to James May (h 62-67) who has decided to retire as a Trustee this year. James was one of the first Trustees in 1999 and the first parent Trustee.

In the year ending June 2004, the Foundation generated an income of £594,000 before expenses, which was on target for the year, and helped support several projects.



Capital Projects

The Patrick Shelley Recording Studio was opened in June by John Pocock, the benefactor and a former pupil of Patrick's. The Studio will aid the teaching of music technology.

The Upper Pavilion refurbishment has been completed with the official opening taking place on 2nd July to coincide with OS Day – we look forward to seeing many of the

supporters on that day. The Pavilion retains its old character but has new changing and hospitality facilities.

The Foundation is seeking support for the refurbishment of the Big School Room which the School would like to complete by June 2006. The aim is to make the BSR a more practical assembly and presentation hall without losing its traditional charm.



Scholarships and Bursaries

The Foundation continues to support boys in the School through various bursaries, and we are aiming to fund further bursaries over the coming years as one of our priority projects.

Annual Fund

You will be pleased to hear that, through your support of last year's Annual Fund, the boys are already enjoying the use of sport analysis equipment, a 420 dinghy, travel and tour bursaries and mathematics exploratory.

The Annual Fund this year is aimed at supporting an interactive teaching suite for the modern languages department; improvements to the School's tennis facilities and the new Lower and Upper School social centres, along with further funding for the travel and tour bursaries which were established in 2003. The 2004 telephone campaign helped kick-start the Fund with £20,000 in pledges from OS.

Legacies

The Bow Society, the club for those who have pledged a legacy to the Foundation, enjoyed the annual lunch held at the Royal Thames Yacht Club in June, hosted by Michael Slade (c 60-65). The generosity and support of OS through legacies is one of the greatest gifts the Foundation can receive. Members of the Society have, to date, pledged over £8m. I would urge all Shirburnians, when revising their wills, to consider a modest bequest to the Foundation, which will benefit the School in the future.

Benefactors and Patrons

The second dinner for the Benefactors and Patrons took place at the House of Commons in November. Our thanks go to our local MP, Oliver Letwin, who kindly hosted the dinner.

Thanks

Finally, thank you for your support and generosity. It is only with the help of OS and other members of the Sherborne family that the Foundation can help the School stay at the forefront of secondary independent education.

If you would like further details on any of the above, do please contact me at the Foundation Office, 01935 810556 or aballard@sherborne.org

Adrian Ballard
Foundation Director

Careers



Lower Sixth Careers Convention

The benefits of this event, for both current students and for the School's profile with OS and the local community, are considerable.

The decision to hold the Higher Education Forum for Lower Sixth boys and parents as an event in May, separate from the Lower Sixth Parent/Staff meeting, was justified both by the high attendance and the response of all involved. In addition to the department's contributions, we were able to call upon three university admissions tutors and nine OS students, who represented a broad spectrum of disciplines and types of university.

Philip Rogerson

Mentoring

The OSS are firmly committed to finding ways in which it can benefit its membership outside the traditional paths. Careers is an area where we believe that we have both the personnel and technology available to help in a meaningful way. With this aim in mind, 2005 will see the creation of the Old Shirburnian Careers Advice Representation (OSCAR).

The principal objectives are:

- To provide all Old Shirburnians with as wide an access as possible to experts in industries and professions of all kinds. Advice from these experts will hopefully help OS who are starting their careers or seeking a career change
- To provide the School's Careers Department with support for its various activities, especially the Lower Sixth Careers Forum
- To provide a medium for OS to communicate with each other

In order to achieve our objectives, we are asking for volunteers to agree to become representatives in their own specialist field. The system would be operated by email through the OSS Office so that the volunteers would not be contacted too often or at inconvenient times.

The list below shows businesses and professions for which we are seeking representatives. We would be extremely grateful if you would offer your assistance in your own specialised sphere by contacting the OS office at oss@sherborne.org

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Actuary
Commodity Broking
Fund Management
Insurance Broking
Insurance Underwriting
Investment Banking
Retail Banking
Stockbroking

ARTS & CULTURE

Art – Design
Art - Dealing
Auctioneering
Heritage management
Music
Stage

COMMERCE

International Trade
Entrepreneur
Overseas general

MEDIA & MARKETING

Design & Graphics
Fashion & Clothing
Photography
Television/Film Production
Journalism
Marketing/PR
Publishing/Literary Agency
Communication/Presentation

HOTELS, TOURISM & LEISURE

Hotel/Restaurant Management
Cookery/Catering
Travel Agency
Gardening
Entertainment
Wine Trade

ACCOUNTANCY

Global practice
In-House
Regional

Continued overleaf

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COUNTRYSIDE

Agriculture
Forestry
Viticulture

MANAGEMENT & CONSULTANCY

Business Practice
Communication
IT
Management
Recruitment

MEDICINE

General Practice
Consultancy
Surgery
Dentistry
Veterinary
Teaching
Pharmaceutical
NHS Management

PROPERTY

Architecture
Estate Agent
Chartered Surveying
Quantity Surveying
Real Estate Development

LAW

Solicitor:
• City
• Global
• Provincial
• In-House
Barrister

INDUSTRY

Biotechnology
Brewing
Chemical Engineering
Civil Engineering & Construction
Computers
Energy – Oil & Gas
Energy – Power & Water
Manufacturing
Mining
Pharmaceutical
Shipping

SERVICES

Royal Navy
Royal Air Force
Army
Police

GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC SERVICE

Civil Service
Politics

TRANSPORT

Aviation
Shipping
Merchant Navy
Surface Transport
Road

ACADEMIC & VOLUNTARY WORK

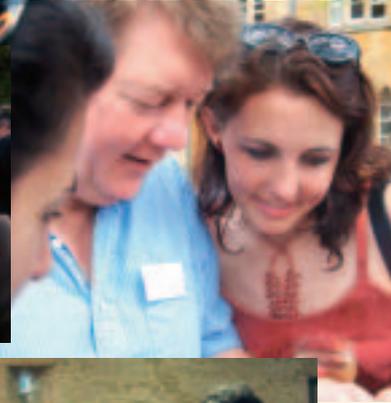
Teaching
Theology/The Church
Charities
Housing Associations

OS Day 2004

The bright May sunshine showed Sherborne at its loveliest on the day when the School plays host to its old boys. The day opened with a service in the Chapel followed by a reception in the Courts where over 250 OS and guests were entertained by the School Jazz Band. Those who left the School between 1971 and 1980 were the guests of the School at the Gaudy Luncheon. This is now combined with the ticketed lunch, which allows OS of all age groups to meet without in any way removing the fun of renewing acquaintances with those of their own generation. One of the most endearing aspects of the last few OS Days is to see so many of you bringing your families and friends. This really adds to the festive atmosphere.

Freedom of choice was the theme of the afternoon. Many looked around the School, where, amongst other exhibitions, there was a splendid display of the pictures of Andrew Stock (b 73-78) in the Oliver Holt Gallery. Others took themselves down to The Upper or went on a tour of their respective houses.

A hog-roast in Sue and Hugh Archer's (c&m 61-66 and OSS Chairman) tithe barn brought a happy day to its ideal conclusion.



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OS Day 2005 and 1300th Celebrations

In 2005 the Town and School are celebrating the 1300th Anniversary of the founding of the Abbey and the arrival of St Aldhelm and, as a result of the festivities taking place in the Town in May, **OS Day 2005 will be held on Saturday 2nd July**. We hope that many of you will be able to attend this special celebration. The School's own 2005 celebrations will be taking place on Sunday 3rd July and Monday 4th July with Commemoration on Tuesday 5th July.



OS Northern Dinner November 2003

HMS Trincomalee provided a wonderful setting for the OS Northern Dinner, which was kindly hosted by Richard (g 54-58) and Jill Warren. Richard's great-great-grandfather was the first ever Captain of the ship when she sailed from Portsmouth on active service in 1847.

We were delighted to be joined by a charming contingent from Sherborne School for Girls who all ensured that the evening was a big success. We were welcomed on board with a glass of mulled wine and a tour of the ship, which has been restored so authentically that it requires no imagination to feel what life was like aboard a mid-19th century frigate. We dined in style in the 'Great Cabin' where Geraldine Kerton Johnson (Headmistress SSG) and the Headmaster made informative and entertaining speeches.

We hope that we shall see many familiar and some new faces when the OSS holds the next Northern Dinner in the Autumn of 2005.

Fifth Form History Day

It is particularly satisfying when Old Shirburnians are able to help the current pupils in a tangible manner. The Fifth Form History Group are currently undertaking a project on the Second World War. Huw Ridgeway (Head of History) asked if we could assemble a group of OS who had either served in the War or been at the School during the duration so that the boys could hear of their experiences. The OS that we contacted were most enthusiastic and the day proved a huge success culminating in the august panel handling questions from boys and masters alike.



We must extend our thanks to Geoffrey Manning (c 31-36), Philip Burt (c 33-38), Michael Earls-Davis (a 35-39), David Russell (d 36-41), John Arkell (d 37-41), Desmond Bungey (f 38-42), Mark Romer (a 38-42), Harry Brewer (a 42-46), Christopher Grellier (g 42-46) and Bob Tozer (a 44-47) whose clear recollections and considered opinions gave the boys so much help in their project. We also thank the History Department for their help in arranging the day.

2004 City Dinner

John Peat (d 65-70) kindly arranged for the City Dinner to be once again held at the City Club. Forty guests attended the dinner with the Headmaster coming as a guest of the OS. We were entertained to amusing speeches from the Host and OS President, Richard Morgan.



Digby 40th Anniversary

The Digby opened as a boarding house in 1964 and, at the instigation of its first housemaster, Peter Currie, it was decided to celebrate its 40th Anniversary with a dinner on 14th May. Thanks to the kind hospitality of Alistair and Pauline Morgan, the event was held in a marquee in the garden of the House. All four of the Digby's

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Housemasters, Peter Currie, Simon Wilkinson, Mike Davis and Alistair Morgan were present together with over 150 Old Digbyites and their guests. Alistair Morgan presided over the festivities and speeches were made by the Father

of the Digby, Peter Currie, and his first Head of House, Paddy Barwise. The current generation at The Digby gave a resounding rendition of *Forty Years On*. The evening continued with the singing of *The Carmen* followed by the guests being bid farewell on the bagpipes played by the Digby's own piper, George Findlay, on their way to further sustenance in the Bow House Bar.

OS Chartered Surveyors Dinner

The OS Chartered Surveyors are a naturally gregarious group and it came as no surprise to have a great attendance at the Royal Thames Yacht Club in October. The



dinner was hosted and all the wines kindly provided by Michael Slade (c 60-65), Managing Director of Helical Bar PLC. Sixty-seven Old Shirburnians and one guest (an Old Marlburian!) enjoyed the dinner. Excellent speeches were given by Richard Morgan (OS President) and by the Host himself. It was a memorable evening but one that would be incomplete without mentioning the brilliant organization of Helical Bar's Carolyn Morgan.

OS Cornish Luncheon – Luggar Hotel, Portloe near Truro

In November 2003 former OS President Tim Heald organized a lunch for OS living in the Duchy. Richard and Sheryl Young kindly agreed to host the event at their hotel, *The Luggar*.

We had heard from friends living in Cornwall that they considered *The Luggar* to be the best hotel in the county and we were not disappointed. The food, the wine and, most importantly, the company were all superb and the setting of the hotel is stunning. It is always nice for regional events to have a strong flavour of the region itself and Portloe is straight out of the pages of Cornish fishing and smuggling folklore.

Recent OS Publications

Tom Bradby (b 80-85)

The God of Chaos

1st February 2005

Publisher: Bantam Press
ISBN: 0593052676



Tim Heald (g 57-62)

Village Cricket

1st April 2004

Publisher: Little Brown
ISBN: 0316859184



Death and the Visiting Fellow

30th April 2004

Publisher: Robert Hale Ltd
ISBN: 0709075782

Death and the D'Urbervilles

31st March 2005

Publisher: Robert Hale Ltd



Ben Jeapes (h 84-87)

The New World Order

4th November 2004

Publisher: David Fickling Books
ISBN: 0385606869

Robert McCrum (b 66-71)

Wodehouse: A Life

2nd September 2004

Publisher: Viking
ISBN: 0670896926



Peter Osborne (d 70-74)

Basil D'Oliveira:

Cricket and Controversy

17th June 2004

Publisher: Little Brown
ISBN: 0316725722



Philip Short (a 58-63)

Pol Pot:

The History of a Nightmare

11th October 2004

Publisher: John Murray
ISBN: 0719565685



Hugh Thomas (g 45-50)

The Conquest of Mexico

4th November 2004

Publisher: Pimlico
ISBN: 1844137430



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1963 1st XV Reunion 40 Years On . . .

In December 2003 eight of us, Robin Amoore (g 64), Will Boog-Scott (g 65), Peter Newbald (flew from Jersey) (b 64), Robert Twyford (travelled from Northumberland) (a 63), David Gray (b 64), David Watney (c 64), Charles Nicholas (a 64), Ian du Pré, the organizer (b 63) met initially in the *French Horn Bar* and then moved on to *La Cappanina* in Soho.

It was an entertaining and amusing evening, even for the thirty year-old ex-SSG and her slightly bemused fiancé who found themselves adjacent to our table. Some of us indicated that this was the first occasion we had been 'allowed' to speak to a member of the 'opposite sex' from SSG since we all started at Sherborne in 1959!! David Watney reminded us of the Radley Match in 1963. We were being entertained to drinks by the Warden of Radley when a young Radleian boy came running up to their sports master tugging his sleeve and spluttering 'Sir, Sir, Kennedy's been shot!! Kennedy's been shot!!' to which the master replied rather vacantly 'Kennedy? Hmm . . . Kennedy? Oh dear, which House (*Social*) is he in then?' Of course, it was 23rd November 1963. It was a great evening and I'm sure all will meet again some day before the zimmer frames kick in.

Ian du Pré (b 59-63)

Hong Kong Reception

A number of OS met at the Hong Kong Club in November thanks to the hospitality of Duncan Abate (b 79-84). The OS were joined by current parents, old girls from Sherborne School for Girls and former students from the International College. Another gathering is planned for March/April 2005.

Sydney Gathering

A reunion of OS based in Sydney took place in November. The group met for drinks at a central hotel before enjoying an informal open air dinner at the *Rocks Restaurant*. There has already been another get together and the group is hoping to meet again in the Australian autumn.



Toronto Reception

In September, a large number of OS gathered in Toronto for an informal reception, with Old Girls from Sherborne School for Girls. The group also celebrated the launch of the Canadian Friends of Sherborne.

Geneva Party

A combination of OS and past parents of the School met at the *Hotel Bristol* in Geneva in May. Ben Holt (a 57-62) kindly arranged the event which gave us a chance to meet and enjoy the company of the Swiss-based sector of the Sherborne community.

OS European Directory

We are in the process of arranging a directory of all OS in Western Europe, which should provide an easy way for OS to communicate with each other and also help with the organization of similar reunions.



Guernsey Reception

John and Mary Hallam (current parents) very kindly hosted a reception in April for the Sherborne community (OS, past and current parents) resident on Guernsey. A large number attended with ages ranging from 20 through to 92. We also invited the three OS who are resident on the island of Alderney and were rewarded with a 100% turnout from this corner of the OS Empire! Guernsey rose to the occasion with a beautiful spring evening highlighting John and Mary's wonderful hospitality.

Madrid Reception

Anthony Pralle (g 72-76) and Jock Fraser (c 79-80) arranged a reception in Madrid in October with the event attended by Spanish-based OS from as far away as Barcelona and Majorca. The date coincided with the visit of the Fifth Form Modern Languages Group to Madrid under the supervision of Peter Such. Anthony and Jock worked miracles in finding a tapas bar where fifty-two OS and boys could all sit together and the evening was enhanced by the Spanish speaking OS in discussion with their successors.



Media Lunch

Peter Moeller (a 51-57) once again organized the annual OS Media Lunch, which was held at the *Groucho Club* in Soho in July. The Headmaster attended as a guest of the Old Shirburnians. This has become an established event in the OS calendar and no ice-breaking seems necessary as old hands acquaint themselves with each other and always ensure the warmest of welcomes to any new faces. As ever, there was a diverse cross-section of professions and ages present and the usual jolly lunch ensued.

New York Gathering

In September the annual New York reception of OS took place at the *Williams Club*, by courtesy of Tim Lovell (a 66-71). There was a record turnout of OS along with parents and old girls of Sherborne School for Girls. Most went on to dinner at a local Italian restaurant, which finished with a singing of *The Carmen*. New York based OS hope to organize another event in the spring.

Sherborne Quinquagesimal

I am delighted, once again, to be asked to say a few words about the Sherborne 'Q', as it has become known, though, as a devout sceptic, I doubt if many will be at all interested in what old buffers of the School get up to.

I am glad to say our sixth 'Q' day seemed to go as well as ever. The numbers attending remain extraordinarily high, if one considers those of our seven year 'spread' who are available and able to come, so I am emboldened to continue while the brain cells remain passably functional. Indeed, it is an activity which brings me much pleasure (my



apologies for this egocentricity). Needless to say, it could not happen without the great support given by the School and the OSS.

This year we had something new. Our first symposium was made a public event, held in the Powell Theatre, with a large number of boys and town residents invited to attend. They came in large numbers to hear Robert McCrum's (b 66-71) talk on P G Wodehouse, on whom he has recently published a very successful book. 'Q' members were at the School at the same time as his father, Michael McCrum (b 37-42), who attended our first 'Q' in 1996, but was unable to be with us this year. Robert's talk was very much enjoyed.

The afternoon session was held in our favourite venue, the Old Library (now the Westcott Room), thanks to the kind hospitality of the School Librarian. A very amusing talk by Hugh Carless (a 38-42), concerning his adventures in the Diplomatic Service was much appreciated. It should encourage those who know of Eric Newby to read *A Short Walk in the Hindu Kush*. Hugh was his companion.

At the Dinner, we were delighted to have Bill Burn, the Second Master, tell us about the School today, with which many of us are less than familiar having left over half a century ago.



To close, many thanks go to Bill Blackshaw (h 44-49), who sent us away in good spirits. He recommended vodka and *Windolene* as a closing nightcap. If you couldn't get up in the morning, at least you could see out of the window!

Sam Smart (a 41-44)

Anyone wishing to know more about the 'Q', please contact Sam Smart through the OS Office.

Pilgrims

While results did not always go the Club's way during 2004, there was much friendship and laughter during fixtures that underline the continuing appeal of the Pilgrims in an increasingly professional age. It should not be forgotten by OS that anyone who has been a pupil at the School can apply to become a Pilgrim, regardless of the sporting standards reached while at Sherborne – so please enter the fold if you are interested; there is a warm welcome here.

The cricket season was not as profitable as previous years, with some poor weather affecting matches and, in some cases, games being cancelled through no fault of the Club. Particularly disappointing was the performance in the first round of the Cricketer Cup against Lancing Rovers. Five for three in the sixth over of any game constitutes a problem and although Charlie Warren battled to a half-century, defeat was not wholly unexpected. The margin of eight wickets arguably was – but when a former county player like Jon Robinson 'gets in' (and scores a hundred), it tends to presage a battering. The organization of the cricket next year will be slightly different because of Warren's absence until July in the southern hemisphere. Andy Searson will set up the fixtures and Rupert Bagnall returns to take charge of the Cricketer Cup side. In the first instance, any Shirburnian interested in playing cricket for the Club should get in touch with Andy – andrews@haileybury.com



1st Round of the Cricketer Cup 2005
Sherborne Pilgrims v Rugby Meteors (away)
Sunday 12th June

Will Hargrove's stewardship of the rugby side continues to be impressive, with fixtures at regular intervals, including both matches and tournaments, and a hard core of players who turn out consistently, while Jimmy Cheung has performed similarly valuable service with the hockey team.



Two deaths of note that saddened the Club should be recorded here: John Tallent (c 24-29), whose association with the Pilgrims

spanned nine decades and whose career included caps for England at rugby, died in April. A full obituary will appear in the 2005 booklet. The Club was also sorry to learn of the passing of Jamie Alan Smith (a 49-53), who had audited the accounts since 1966 with customary thoroughness. He also died in April.

And finally, as the newsreaders no longer say, the response to the questionnaire sent out with the 2004 Club booklet was sadly rather small. Those Pilgrims who have yet to reply stating whether they wish to continue receiving the booklet will not receive one this year – some 600+ members have not, as yet, expressed an opinion. A modest number of spare copies will be available should any dilatory Pilgrim decide, belatedly, that they would like to receive a copy. Please send any thoughts on the matter, or indeed any thoughts on anything concerning the Club, playing or otherwise, to Charles Eglington at 2 Rectory Orchard, Church Road, London SW19 5AS, or charles.eglington@blueyonder.co.uk

Robert Hands (b 87-92)

OS Cross Country

A typical dark and dank December day saw the gathering of the faithful on the A3 side of Wimbledon Common.

Our open team initially looked promising with a couple of new faces (one of whom didn't appear) but the Vets looked a little weak with only the evergreen Chris Chataway fully fit. The course was firm but wet.

The race had its usual fast start and the front runners, cracking out their five minute miles soon disappeared, leaving the over 50 Vets crew to take care of several very attractive young women from Bedales, entering for the first time. Those of us at Sherborne in the 60's were brought up to believe that accompanying young women across the countryside was more important than winning a cross country race!

Rupert Waters had a good race, finishing 8th in a respectable 27.58, Next in was Nick Moseley who had his best race for a while to finish 38th in 32.39. Anthony Brummitt, running for the first time, finished 66th in 38.11 closely followed by Chris Chataway, dreaming of Kuts whom he famously defeated at the White City 50 years ago, in 38.43. Angus Cater trailed in at 72nd, finishing in 40.08. A total of 82 runners finished.

Sherborne came sixth overall, and second in the Vets 50, which was creditable if a little surprising. We can definitely win this category – I have started training already!

Sherborne has had some outstanding XC teams in the last few years. It would be good if some of you could be persuaded to come and express your talent on behalf of the OS.

Angus Cater (c 65-70)
angus.cater@sfs-group.co.uk
T. 01306 746312 – direct line

Old Shirburnian Golfing Society

In defending the Brent Knoll Bowl in March 2004, the Society had good wins against Clifton and Warwickshire Bears before losing in the semi-final to a strong Epsom side.

We went into the Halford Hewitt missing two key players, although this did not prevent a

solid victory over Aldenham in the first round. The second round against Berkhamsted was more challenging. We needed to win the final two matches, and this, at one time, looked unlikely when we were two down on the 17th tee in both. After Nick Aubin and Greg Tustain had won at the 21st, attention turned to Hugo Ambrose and Philip Brown who had survived at the 18th when their opponents missed a very short putt for the match. The next ninety minutes were exhausting for players and spectators alike. Chances were created and not taken by both sides, until finally we lost at the 27th.

Better news came in May when we qualified for the knockout stages of the Grafton Morrish in late September. A first round bye was followed by wins against Nottingham, Repton and Ampleforth, but Birkenhead were too good for us in the semi-final.

In the G L Mellin, the over 55s suffered another first round defeat against Haileybury. The team played well in the Plate before losing to Cranleigh in the final, a match that we should have won.

The Society played 27 matches in the year, with 10 won, 13 lost and 4 halved. The winners of the major prizes at the three meetings were: Spring: Nick Hyde, Ian Rosser, Orme



Webster-Smith and David Watney; Summer: Simon Giles, Edward Thring, Jimmy Cheung and Tom Williams; Autumn – Ian Rosser, Doug Lamont, Bill Davis, Andrew Rose and Stuart Gillett.

At the AGM in April, Gavin Webb-Wilson was elected Captain, with Peter Martin and Bill Davis as Vice-captains, whilst John Youngman succeeded Charles Eglington as President.

This year was the 75th Anniversary of the founding of the Society by Tom Parry in 1929. The highlights were the Golf Day at Woking in May and the Dinner at The East India Club in November. At Woking, 65 members played in one or both rounds and were joined by ten others for lunch. At the Dinner, our members were joined by 48 guests from the many clubs and societies we have played against since 1930, as well as the tournaments in which the Society has competed. Good food and wine, together with excellent speeches, made for a memorable evening.

The Society is keen to attract new playing members and it must be stressed that higher handicap golfers are very welcome. You may believe you are not good enough to play in matches, but this is not true. All are very welcome to play and I am sure will enjoy the experience and make new friends. Those who are under twenty-seven receive a subsidy towards the cost of a day's golf.

Please look at the website (www.osgs.org) or contact the Hon Secretary, Howard Gill – 020 8946 8588 (H); 020 7863 8494 (O); 07788 628678 (M); hfgill@forsters.co.uk

Howard Gill (f 1976-8)

Old Shirburnian Sailing Society

It seems only yesterday that we enjoyed the first sailing of the season in some chilly March airs around the Solent. At the time of writing we are into Advent and thoughts turn to preparations for next season, planning repairs, enhancements and, of course, looking forward to another splendid season for the OSSS. It has been a busy year for the Society, and an exciting one in that we are seeing the emergence of a new generation of OS, who are the lifeblood of our Society.

There have been many enjoyable events both ashore and afloat. As has become traditional, the year started with the Boat Show Supper in Central London. This was the first year that the show had been held at Excel in London Docklands, and our Commodore, Nick Ware, perhaps let the excitement go to his head as he found himself in possession of a new Bavaria '49, which many members of the Society and boys from the School have greatly enjoyed sailing and for which Nick is offered our sincere thanks. The OSSS is, of course, made of hardy souls, but our next event also happened to be ashore, with a well-attended AGM and excellent dinner at the Winchester House Club in Putney (which seems to boast an unusually high contingent of OS as members; surely nothing to do with the quality of their cellar?)

Spring saw us venture afloat, and there was much excellent sailing to be had not only in the Solent but also inland in some enjoyable (though always competitive!) racing against the School. The Stanger Leathes series always attracts OS back to Sutton Bingham where the School are excellent hosts – it is a credit to the youth of the current OS team that we have beaten the School in each match this year. The final match in the series took place at Arne – and for once in 2004 the sun shone!

The London Dinghy Evening took place in June in weather that can only be described as inclement – our thanks once again to Marcus and Nicky Chavasse for their expert organization and a delicious barbecue.

As the Society continues to seek to innovate, a rally was held in the West Country for the many OS sailors active there. Once again the weather lacked a certain consistency; however there was some beautiful sunshine, a Pimms reception and some excellent remote-controlled yacht racing in the National Maritime Museum, followed by a fine dinner. The Boys' weekend took place in early October, and approximately twenty boys from the School were hosted aboard four yachts brought by members of the society. Once again, the weather did not smile on the Saturday though some exhilarating sailing was had the following day.

We again had an entry in the Arrow Trophy (contested annually between old boys of the strongest 'sailing' schools). Though never truly out of contention, the Sherborne entry did not make it through to the match racing final on the Sunday.

2004 will be remembered by the OSSS as the year when it never stopped raining at OSSS events. However it has certainly been successful in that new events have been run and very well supported by new members and friends, and we look forward to a vigorous, enjoyable and sunny 2005.

The OSSS welcomes all Old Shirburnians with an interest in sailing. If you are interested in joining please contact the Commodore, Nick Ware

T. 020 8940 6659 • E. nick.ware@chindit.co.uk

Neil Duncan (e 91-96)

The Old Shirburnian Lodge and Chapter No 3304

In March, James Higham (m 94) was installed as the 96th Master of the Lodge and in April, Dr David Foster (a 84) was installed as 6th First Principal of the Chapter. Thanks to the good offices of Philip Burt (c 38) an excellent dinner was enjoyed after both installations at *The Savoy*.

Both the Lodge and the Chapter a few years ago decided to adopt and support The Almshouse of SS John, Sherborne on a permanent basis. Each gives £500 a year to the Amenity Fund. The total of £1000 is spent on the members and is independent of the Foundation Funds. It covers outings and many other general items helping to make life more comfortable for the members. In June, the Lodge presented the members of the Almshouse with a new large, non-flicker flat screen television, complete with a digibox.

The Lodge will be celebrating its Centenary in 2009. It is hoped that there will be support for this event from OS who are masons but not members of the Lodge. If anyone is interested in either knowing more about, or joining the Lodge or Chapter, please contact Ian Baird (a 55) on T. 01202 532159.

Travel Club

Swan Hellenic Cruises

The 2004 OS Swan Hellenic cruise was the first OS discount cruise to take place on their new cruise ship *Minerva II*. Several OS took advantage of this favourable rate to take the chance to visit the Baltic, culminating in a visit to St Petersburg. *Minerva II* provides all the luxuries available on a top-class cruise liner and Swan Hellenic have offered the OSS a further discount on future cruises.

Lugger Hotel

The Lugger Hotel in Portloe, Cornwall, besides kindly hosting the OS Cornish Lunch, also acts as sponsor for the Sherborne 1st XV. The Lugger is owned by Richard Young (h 61-65) and his wife



Sheryl. If any OS are in Cornwall and would like to stay at *The Lugger*, Richard will offer them a complimentary bottle of Veuve Cliquot and tickets to the Eden Project. The hotel also offers reduced rates at Trevoze Golf Course. (*The Lugger* was voted by the *Sunday Times* in 2002 as 'Best New Seaside Hotel of the World'.)

For further details please contact the hotel on T. 01872 501322 or visit their website:

www.luggerhotel.com

Forthcoming Events 2005

Tuesday 12th April
Drinks Party in Paris

Sunday 8th May
Chapel Service and Luncheon
at the School to celebrate 60th
Anniversary of VE Day

Friday 27th May
Irish Reunion Dinner
Kildare Street Club, Dublin

Saturday 2nd July
Old Shirburnian Day
including Gaudy for those who
left between 1981 and 1995
All OS and families are most welcome

Future dates to be announced for:

- Media Lunch at the Groucho Club
- 1995 Leavers – Ten Year Reunion
- 2000 Leavers – Five Year Reunion
 - Reunion for all OS living in the Salisbury area
 - Northern Dinner

Invitations and details for all the above events will be issued shortly

Adventurous Appetites

James (Jock) Fraser (c 89-94) was brilliant in helping to arrange the OS Madrid Reception. Jock has started a tourist service in Madrid taking people off the tourist track to experience the authentic 'Madrileño' ambience. *Adventurous Appetites* will take you to sample traditional Spanish cuisine in some of the hidden corners of central Madrid, helping with language difficulties, advising on local specialities and imparting interesting local facts about the tradition, history and myths of Madrid. *Adventurous Appetites* can be contacted on:

T. 0034 639 331 073

E. tours@adventurousappetites.com

W. www.adventurousappetites.com



Engagements

ANDERSON, Justin Robert Marc (d 85) to Miss Naomi Elliott
BICHARD, Nicholas Mark (m 87) to Miss Lynne Bartram
CHESTER, Dominic E G (a 92) to Miss Tessa Davies
CLARK, James Henry Nicholas (b 97) to Miss Kate Sinton
COUNSELL, Richard J (a 94) to Miss Pippa Rowley
DALTON, Rupert Jonathan Favager (m 96) to Miss Tracey McManus
DAWSON-MORAY, Elliot Bruce (b 66) to Mrs Anne Hughes
EVERARD, Simon Richard (f 93) to Miss Rhona McNair
FUNNELL, Benjamin Toby Charles (a 87) to Miss Raj Singh
GRIEG, Jonathan James Le Mesurier (d 94) to Miss Sacha Martin
GRIME, Charles James (e 94) to Miss Louise Saunders
GUY, John William George (m 93) to Miss Georgina Nedas
KNAPMAN, Patrick Edward (m 86) to Miss Susanna Williams
LILLEY, George Biffo (d 93) to Miss Sophie Gerard
LONGMAN, Julius Edward Hatcher (h 86) to Miss Pippa Smith
KITSON, John Buller (a 99) to Miss Victoria Hyde
MAIDMENT, Benjamin Richard (d 93) to Miss Diana Yule
MORETON, Patrick John (g 92) to Miss Anna Baxter
OLIVER, Benjamin Philip (m 92) to Miss Annie Swire
OLSEN, Thomas Anthony Lewis (f 94) to Miss Emily Biddulph
PERRIN, Daniel Durrance (m 93) to Miss Caroline Neuman
PERSSE, James Alexander Jocelyn (d 91) to Miss Emily Gordon
PHILLIPS, Alexander William Stuart (a 68) to Mrs Rowena Malcolm Green
REARDEN, Charles William (c 96) to Miss Harriet Morrell
ROBSON, Simon Kenneth Geoffrey (g 89) to Miss Victoria Thomas
RYAN, Mark David Charles (g 84) to Miss Francesca D'Arcangeli
SOUTHCOTT, William Gordon (m 98) to Miss Ayse Rifat
STURGES, Benjamin Patrick Millais (c 90) to Miss Jessica Batchelor
TRIGGS, William Edward Charles (f 97) to Miss Emma Peters
WELSH, Simon James (b 90) to Miss Vanessa Wits
WICKHAM, Patrick David Wykeham (d 90) to Miss Reinier Luijckx
WILLIAMS, Thomas Andrew Joseph (m 93) to Miss Kate Edge
WOODWARD, Alastair Edward Charles (m 92) to Miss Ulrike Maur

Marriages

ALEXANDER, Robert Ian Maurice (a 63) to Mrs Sally-Ann Mason 11/09/2004
MACLAREN, Rupert Oliver Alexander (e 95) to Miss Katrina Sharpe 07/08/2004
MARTIN, Christopher Anthony John (m 95) to Miss Gwyneth Paltrow 12/03/2004
SOUTHCOMBE, David Michael (m 88) to Miss Caroline Howes 06/12/2003
WARREN, James Laird (g 93) to Miss Anna-Viktoria Gale 28/02/2004
ZU YSENBURG, Ferdinand-Maximilian (a 86) to Miss Sophie de Bois 30/08/2003

Deaths

ALAN SMITH, James Cameron (a 49-53) 15th April 2004
AUCKLAND, Martin Edward ((e 83-88) January 2004
AYLWIN, David Hugh (h 40-44) 1st August 2004
BARKER, Herbert Mark Vere (h 45-50) 15th October 2004
BASHFORD, Humphrey John (c 34-36) 2nd August 2004
BEADEL, Anthony James Stebbing (c 57-62) 4th June 2004
BEAGHEN, Patrick Russell (g 42-45) 2004
BETHELL, Richard Anthony (d 36-41) 17th February 2004
BLACKSHAW, John Bantock (h 49-55) 16th September 2004
BLANFORD, Alan Henry (g 40-45) 7th July 2004
BOISSIER, Peter Clement (staff 48-82) 8th November 2004
BOULTON, Ernest John Prior (a 31-35) March 2003
BRAYNE, Richard Boulding (a 38-42) 24th October 2004
BURTON, Bertram Dennis Stuart (b 49-53) 29th September 2004
CANNON-BROOKS, Victor Montgomery (g 25-30) 18th April 2004
CARSE, Verner Duncan (h 27-30) 2nd May 2004
CHESTER-MASTER, Reginald Hugh (h 31-35) 1st July 2004
CLEMENTI, Kenneth John (a 28-33) 12th October 2003
COOMBE-TENNANT Alexander John Serocold (h 23-27) 21st November 2003
CORBETT, Anthony Bagot (a 26-31) 26th September 2003
CORKE, Antony Trafford Kernot (a 34-39) 26th September 2004
COUCHMAN, John Malcolm (a 26-31) 17th November 2004
DAVID, Peter Morgan (g 39-42) 23rd July 2004
DICK, Robert Charles Stewart (a 27-31) 19th May 2004
DUNCANSON, Ian Malcolm McKenzie (a 45-49) February 2003

EASTGATE, Basil Charles Toulmin (c 43-46) 23rd September 2003
 EVANS, Alan Lewis (c 28-33) September 2000
 FERRY, Robert Bird (Staff 49-58 & 67-73) 4th December 2003
 FORD, Stephen Wilbraham (g 42-46) January 2004
 FOSTER, Peter Martin (a 38-42) 1st April 2004
 FREWEN-LATON, Peter John (d 38-43) 16th November 2004
 GREENE, James Wheelock ((e 81-83) 2004
 GREENSLADE, Andrew Brian (a 52-57) 26th October 2003
 GREENWOOD, David Leonard (d 42-46) 24th September 2003
 GROVES, Jeremy Grimble (f 59-64) 24th March 2003
 HAMMICK, Alexander Philip (d 42-47) 2004
 HANCOCK, Clifford Paul (a 65-71) 2001
 HARCOURT, David St Clair (g 36-41) 18th November
 HARGREAVES, Anthony George (d 42-45) 2003
 HARWARD, Robin Alistair (a 47-51) 17th February 2004
 HASELDEN, Cyril Ormrod (b 24-29) 10th October 1992
 HASTINGS, William Philip Stuart (a 31-35) 6th December 2003
 HILLIARD, David George Nicholas (a 47-50) 29th September 2003
 HIRST, Raymond Harry Sandwell (c 28-34) 10th October 2003
 HODGKINSON, John Francis Nicholas (b 32-37) January 2003
 HOMFRAY, John Leonard (a 29-34) 15th February 2004
 HOWARD, Peter Eliot Layland (a 34-38) 29th January 2004
 JAMES, Gwynne Douglas (Bill) (g 38-42) 12th June 2003
 JAMESON, Ian (a 48-51) 29th February 2004
 JARRETT, John Derek (Staff 52-64) 2004
 JEANS, Thomas Bernard Wilson (c 35-38) 16th January 2004
 JEFFERISS, Christopher David (c 54-59) 26th November 2004
 JOHN, Anthony Stephens (d 51-55) 21st November 2003
 LAIRD, Hugh MacGregor (a 62-66) 2002
 LANE, Thomas Ronald Henry (a 47-49) 28th October 2004
 LATTER, Francis Christopher Russell (f 47-52) 15th September 2004
 LEDGER, Peter Kingsmill (a 35-39) 10th September 2003
 LESTER-GARLAND, John Maxwell Vallis (c 43-47) 23th July 2004
 MARSHAM, Michael Henry (Earl of Romney) (h 24-28) 5th June 2004
 MARTIN, Clifford Frederick Victor (a 33-37) 5th December 2003
 MARTIN, Simon Philip James (f 66-70) 1st May 2003
 MEGGESON, George Dacre (a 46-49) 4th March 2004
 MILLARD, Leonard John (h 43-47) 25th October 2003
 MORRISON, Martin John Faber (Bobby) (b 37-42)
 10th February 2004
 MULHERIN, Sean Thomas (m 84-89) 25th February 2004
 MUNGALL, Peter Norman (g 57-61) 22nd August 2004
 NASH, Richard Edward (a 24-28) 2nd December 2004
 NEWBERY, Robin Gerald Nicholson (h 54-58) 8th September 2004
 NORRIS, John Roderick (c 45-48) 16th June 2004
 PASLEY, John Malcolm Sabine (d 39-44) March 2003
 PHILIP-SMITH, Peter Bellamy (b 35-39) 22nd October 2003
 PROWSE, Roger Beresford (d 40-45) 29th October 2003
 RICKETTS, Michael Rodney (h 37-42) 21st November 2004
 ROBERTS, Stephen Cranston (a 57-62) 28th March 2004
 ROWAN, Hugh Walmsley Buchanan (c 60-64) 14th December 2003
 SCRASE, Thomas Davis (d 41-42) 17th August 2002
 SHAW, William Glen (a 36-40) 21st September 2003
 SIMPSON, Peter Chatham (c 61-66) 5th May 2003
 SMITH, John Gordon (f 30-34) 2004
 STALLYBRAS, Frank Clifford (a 41-42) 6th February 2004
 STAMP, Peter Edmund (a 29-33) June 2004
 STANFORD, Dennis Antony John (f 38-41) 11th November 2004
 STIRLING-AIRD, Peter Douglas Miller (g 29-33) 10th July 2004
 STOKES, Eric Gordon (a 36-40) 23rd November 2003
 SUGDEN, Michael Desmond (b 45-49) 20th August 2004
 TALLENT, John Arthur (c 24-29) 14th April 2004
 TURTON, Edward Meysey (g 28-33) 10th May 2003
 VAUGHAN, James Christopher Dalrymple (c 45-48)
 23rd January 2004
 VICKERY, Christopher (f 44-49) 2004
 WARE, John Desmond (f 33-37) 21st October 2003
 WEBER, John Henry Elliott (d 32-36) 2nd July 2004

WESTLAKE, Peter Alan Grant (d 32-37) 10th December 2003
 WHYTE, Charles Edward Atherry (g 28-32) 22nd June 2003
 WOOD, John Metcalfe (f 26-30) 12th February 2004
 WOOD, Matthew Alexander (g 91-93) 28th July 2004
 WOOLLCOMBE, Victor Rupert de Ambrosio (g 34-37)
 3rd October 2004
 YEO, David Andrew (g 32-35) May 2003
 YOUNG, Keith Digby (b 29-34) 25th May 2003

We offer a huge apology to Richard Burchmore (g 79-84) for erroneously reporting his death in last year's edition of *The Record*. All his friends will be delighted to know that he is alive and well.

Obituaries

The following obituaries appear in full on the OSS website www.oldshirburnian.org.uk

Due to limited space and for copyright reasons (all obituaries now have to be published in full) we are unable to include the following obituaries. However, if you would like hard copy of any of these, do contact the OSS Office

Tony Bethell (d 36-41)
 Peter Boissier (Staff 48-82)
 Duncan Carse (h 27-30)
 Charles Dick (a 27-31)
 Derek Jarrett (Staff 52-64)
 James Maxwell (g 70-75)
 Peter Mungall (g 57-61)
 Malcolm Pasley (d 39-44)
 Peter Rogers (a 59-64)
 Peter Stirling-Aird (g 29-33)
 John Tallent (c 24-29)
 Grant Westlake (d 32-37)

Queen's Birthday Honours

CB AIR VICE MARSHALL D A HOBART (d 65-69)
 CBE COLONEL C M B COATS (d 63-67)
 OBE SQUADRON LEADER C P BECKLEY (f 76-81)

Honours and Awards in The Forces

MC
 LT D C M O'CONNELL (c 91-96) Irish Guards
 QCVS
 MAJOR H I M CLARK (g 83-88), Argyll, Sutherland Highlanders
 MAJOR H J L CLARK (g 85-90), Argyll, Sutherland Highlanders

Commissions

Dartmouth

G J TOTTENHAM (h & b 98-03) as Midshipman (Submariners)

Sandhurst

2003

C S KIERSTEAD (f 94-98) Queens Royal Lancers
 C B REEVES (g 90-95)
 Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters
 E D SHORT (h 93-98)
 9th/12th Royal Lancers (Prince of Wales)

2004

D L O CROSTHWAITE-EYRE (d 91-96) Royal Horse Guards
 J F R WESTROPP (g 94-99) Welsh Guards
 H G P P EVANS (b 89-94) Royal Signals
 M J SANDBACH (b 97-99) Army Air Corps

OS VC Plaque Dedication

Major Edward Bamford VC, DSO

At the time of his VC award he was:
Edward Bamford, Captain Royal Marine Light Infantry



The idea for a memorial to Sherborne's five Victoria Cross winners was the brainchild of Brian Edwards (d 40-45) and Julian Thompson (a 48-52), both former Royal Marines.

With financial help from Sherborne School Foundation, the Victoria and George Cross Association and the Royal Marines, a plaque was commissioned, the unveiling of which took place in the School Chapel on 19th September 2004. This coincided with the 60th Anniversary of the defence of the Arnhem Bridge by the 2nd Battalion of the Parachute Regiment between the 17th and 20th September 1944 where John Grayburn (b 31-35) fought so valiantly. 2004 is also the year that celebrates the 150th Anniversary of the action that saw the first award of the Victoria Cross.

The ceremony was attended by many OS alongside several guests of honour including Lt Col E C T Wilson VC (pictured left) one of only thirteen living recipients of the Victoria Cross, Mrs Althea Place, a Sherborne resident and widow of Rear Admiral B C G Place VC and M M L Hudson (d 39-43), the son of C E Hudson VC, one of the OS recipients.



His Citation reads:

'On 22nd/23rd April 1918 at Zeebrugge, Belgium, Captain Bamford landed on the Mole from HMS *Vindictive* with three platoons of the Royal Marines storming force in the face of great difficulties. When on the Mole and under heavy fire, he commanded his company with total disregard of personal danger and showed a magnificent example to his men. He first established a strong point on the right of the disembarkation and when satisfied that it was safe, led an assault on a battery to the left.'

As with several WWI actions where so many officers and ranks distinguished themselves, such as 'The Six VCs Before Breakfast' won by the Lancashire Fusiliers at Gallipoli, the Royal Marines Zeebrugge VCs were awarded by ballot, whereby those involved in the action voted for whom they deemed to merit the award.

Edward Bamford had been awarded the DSO for his gallantry aboard HMS *Chester* at The Battle of Jutland, the ship that also was the scene for the actions of Boy 1st Class John Cornwell who, posthumously, became a recipient of the VC at the age of sixteen.

Bamford died in 1928 aboard HMS *Cumberland* en route to Hong Kong and was buried in the Bubbling Wells Road Cemetery in Shanghai. A 1930's photograph in the RM Museum shows a picture of his grave and headstone. All cemeteries containing 'foreigners' were destroyed in the Cultural Revolution and a shopping centre now stands on the site. Not one brick of the cemetery remains.

Other memorials to Edward Bamford are in the Depot Church in Deal and there is a Bamford House in the RM Barracks at Eastney. On 3rd April 2004, the Royal Marines presented a plaque in his memory to the Officials of Zeebrugge.

Colonel Sir Arthur George Hammond VC, KCB, DSO

At the time of his VC award he was:
Arthur George Hammond
Captain Bengal Staff Corps, Indian Army

His Citation reads:

'On 14th December 1879 at the action on the Asmai Heights near Kabul, Afghanistan, Captain Hammond defended the top of the hill with a rifle and fixed bayonet against large numbers of the enemy, while the 72nd Highlanders and Guides were retiring. Again, on the retreat down the hill he stopped and helped to carry a wounded sepoy, the enemy being only 60 yards off and firing heavily all the time.'

Arthur Hammond was born in Dawlish, Devon in 1843 and, on leaving Sherborne, graduated from Addiscombe Military College in 1861. After serving in the Prince of Wales's Volunteer Regiment he joined the Bengal Staff Corps and Queen Victoria's Own Corps of Guides.

In addition to the Afghan war of 1878-1880, he served in the Jowaki Campaign of 1877-1878 and also in the Hazara Campaigns of 1888 and 1891 and the Tirah Campaign of 1897-1898.

Following his long military career, Arthur Hammond retired to Camberley in Surrey where he named his residence Sherborne House. He died in April 1919 and is buried in St Michael's Churchyard, Camberley.

His VC is in private hands.

Brigadier Charles Edward Hudson VC, CB, DSO Bar, MC

At the time of his VC award he was:
Charles Edward Hudson, T/ Lieutenant Colonel Sherwood Foresters

His Citation reads:

'On 15th June 1918 near Asiago, Italy, during an attack when the enemy had penetrated our front line, Lieutenant Colonel Hudson collected and personally led various headquarter details such as orderlies, servants, runners, etc., to deal with the situation. He rushed a position with only two men, shouting to the enemy to surrender, some of whom did. He was severely wounded by a bomb, which exploded on his foot and, although in great pain, gave directions for the counter-attack which was successful, about 100 prisoners and six machine guns being taken.'

Charles Hudson (c 1905-1910) was born in 1892. He was a graduate of the Staff College and was Chief Instructor at the Royal Military College from 1933 to 1936 and was an ADC to the King from 1944-1946. In 1949, he became the Devon County Commissioner of St John Ambulance Brigade and later Chairman of the Order of St John in Devon.

He had two sons at Sherborne – J P C Hudson (d 36-40) who was killed in action in N. Africa in 1943 and M M L Hudson (d 39-43) who was present at the Dedication Service.

Charles Hudson opened the Big School Room at Sherborne in 1956. He died on the Scilly Isles in 1959 and is buried in Devon.

His VC is to be found in the Foresters' Museum.

Captain John Hollington Grayburn VC

At the time of his VC award he was:

John Hollington Grayburn
Lieutenant Parachute Regiment

His Citation reads:

'During the period 17/20 September 1944 at Arnhem, Holland, at the assault on the bridge over the Rhine, Lieutenant Grayburn led his men with supreme gallantry and determination. Although wounded early in the action, in pain, short of food and without sleep, his courage never flagged. He constantly exposed himself to the enemy's fire, moving among his men encouraging them, and seemed oblivious to danger. If it had not been for his inspiring leadership and personal bravery, the Arnhem Bridge could never have been held for this time.'

He was killed on the night of the 20th September diverting the machine-gun fire from an enemy tank onto himself, in order to allow his men to withdraw to the defensive perimeter. He was posthumously gazetted Captain.

John Grayburn was born in 1918 and was in Abbey House between 1931 and 1935. After working in the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, he joined the Parachute Regiment from the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry. He served in North Africa, Sicily and Italy before his Battalion was assigned to Operation Market Garden.

There are memorial plaques dedicated to his memory in the parish church of Chalfont St Giles, on the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank War Memorial in Hong Kong and in the Oosterbeek War Cemetery, Holland.

His VC is to be found in the Airborne Museum.

Rear Admiral Henry James Raby VC

At the time of his VC award he was:

Henry James Raby
Lieutenant Royal Navy (Naval Brigade)

His Citation reads:

'On 18th June 1855 in the Crimea, immediately after the assault on Sebastopol, a soldier of the 57th Regiment, who had been wounded in both legs, was observed sitting up and calling for help. At once, Lieutenant Raby and two seamen (Curtis, Henry and Taylor J) left the shelter of their battery works and ran forward a distance of 70 yards, across open ground, through heavy gunfire and succeeded in carrying the wounded man to safety.'

As with all Crimean VCs, the award was not gazetted until 1857. On 26th June 1857, Henry Raby was given the unique distinction of being the first person to actually receive the Victoria Cross from Queen Victoria.

He was born in France in 1827, boarded at Sherborne in Revd James's (Sherborne's first Housemaster) House (now Abbey House) until leaving in 1841. In his later career he became a Rear Admiral and was made a CB in 1875.

Henry Raby died in Southsea, Hampshire in 1907. His VC is in the Royal Naval Museum in Portsmouth. His VC is mounted on a dark blue ribbon as were all Naval VCs until shortly before the foundation of the RAF in April 1918, when King George V approved a move for the crimson ribbon to apply to all Services.

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1940's



SIR CHRISTOPHER CHATAWAY (d 44-49) was the inaugural winner of the Sports Personality of the Year award, which celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2004.

R H DALY (b 38-42) has been awarded Omani citizenship by HM the Sultan of Oman in recognition of his services.

H L FISHER (d 42-45) lives in Cranborne, Dorset, and has written a book on the history of Victorian mountain exploration, in particular expeditions by Douglas Freshfield, an RGS Gold medallist and President of the Alpine Club. He kindly presented a copy to the School Library.

H B MILNE (g 44-48) the founder chairman of Sunninghill School, Dorchester, reports the School is so oversubscribed that prospective pupils need to register at birth!

1950's

SIR RICHARD EYRE (h 56-61) is director of the new production of *Mary Poppins*, which has attracted rave reviews.



E R L JONES (a 47-51) served in the Royal Welch Fusiliers for 25 years, then spent twenty years in Oman becoming field manager for the White Oryx Project – an introduction of the Oryx to the wild. For the last seven years, following retirement, he has been travelling to Afghanistan as a trustee of the Afghan Mother and Child Rescue Charity involved in establishing emergency obstetric clinics in the Panjsher valley. In April 2004 at the age of 70, in order to raise further money for an Afghan village baking scheme, he completed a tandem parachute jump.



J A ALSTON (h 51-54) was sworn in as High Sheriff of Norfolk on 26th March 2004.

R HOOPER (a 53-57) after a career in BBC Radio and TV as a producer, being involved with Prestel, the precursor of the Internet, and running a Satellite channel, is now Chairman of the Radio Authority.

G R BARLOW (h 57-62) has sailed 5000 miles from Sydney to Singapore via the Great Barrier Reef, Darwin and Indonesia. He spent Christmas in Thailand before continuing through the Red Sea to Cyprus in the New Year.



S P JOHNSON (g 54-58) has been selected as the Conservative parliamentary candidate for Teignbridge, Devon.

SIR JOHN WESTON (h 51-56), Chairman of the Governors, won the 2004 Peterloo Poets Annual Open Poetry Competition with his poem entitled *May Lane, Birmingham*.

1960's

D J M JENKINS (g 58-62) after retiring from the Army as Director General Land Systems in 2003, has since been the Under-Treasurer of The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn.

A M CREE (a 61-65) owner of Wire Fittings Designs Ltd., the No 1 UK Manufacturer of wire and tube display stands, has become Deputy Chairman of South Dorset Conservative Association.

J V M BEST (m 62-66) has been appointed Chief Executive of Milton Keynes Corporation.

1970's

Q M C ANDERSON (d 78-81) informs us that, when recently a joint master of foxhounds, the field comprised of over twenty Old Shirburnians ranging from 18-80 years of age, which, he says, 'might mean that the School may gain a disproportionate number of criminals in the near future!'

E D FURSDON (m 66-71) was appointed Deputy Lieutenant for Devon on 10th July 2004.

A D LEAKEY (b 65-70) has been appointed the Commander EU Force from December 2004 with the rank of Major-General.

T S SPICER (a 66-69) Articles in the *Boston Globe* and *International Herald Tribune* reported that Aegis Defense Services was awarded the largest private security contract in Iraq. Tim is Chief Executive of this company.

E C T PUCKLE HOBBS (g 68-73) has been working as a Management Consultant for IBM, since 1989, following an eleven year commission in the Royal Artillery.

G C G TODD (f 69-73) based in Zurich, has been elected to the 'AIEP' (Association International Experts de Philatelic) as one of only three English people in this worldwide association for the certification of philatelic rarities.

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N A FORBES (c 72-77) has now become a Senior Lecturer in avian medicine and surgery at Bristol University Veterinary School whilst remaining proprietor of the Clockhouse Veterinary Hospital at Stroud.



A N STOCK (b 73- 78) *Bird Illustrator of the Year* in 1995, was elected President of the Society of Wildlife Artists in December 2004.

A H V WAY (g 75-80) was appointed Deputy Head of the UK's department for International Development in Addis Ababa in July 2004 following four years in Uganda where he met N H BATES (c 62-67) who was counsellor for Regional Affairs with the FCO in Uganda.

1980's

H W AMBROSE (d 76-81), together with a friend, competed in the gruelling trans-Atlantic rowing race in their boat Atlantic Wholff to raise funds for Children in Need. They started from the Canary Islands on 19th October 2003 and arrived in Barbados fifty-nine days later.

S M SPEARING (h 78-82) was appointed Full Professor at the School of Engineering Sciences, Southampton University and is head of the Engineering Materials research group. His research focuses on developing mechanism-based models and design approaches for the failure of advanced engineered materials.

J B M PUREFOY (d 77-80) has appeared in over thirty-seven film and television productions since 1986, including *The Tenant of Wildfell Hall* (1996), *Jilting Joe* (1997), *Mansfield Park* (1999), *Maybe Baby* (2000), *A Knights Tale* (2001), *Mayor of Casterbridge* (2003) and *Vanity Fair* (2004).

J I S STEVENSON (d 75-80) has taken over his new post at RHQ AFSOUTH from another OS, M M LILLINGSTON-PRICE (c 73-78).

R J SPENCER (f 78-83) is the Beijing correspondent of *The Daily Telegraph* and has contributed articles to *The Spectator*.

C D POMEROY (e 80-85) has lived in Madrid since 1988 where he owns and runs a marketing company.

A J L MORTON (a 82-87) wishes to contact OS Media professionals through his new website www.wanderingminstrel.co.uk

W A KNAPMAN (a 83-88) works as part of a new financial institutions team within the specialist insurer, Hardy Underwriting Group plc.

D C R FINCH (g 83-88) has been working in Hong Kong for the past seven years as a solicitor specialising in criminal law.

C M GREENE (c 84-89) has been working as an assistant director, production manager and producer since 1995.

1990's



C T COX (c 96-01) starred as Lorenzo in the 2004 film version of *The Merchant of Venice* alongside J J IRONS (b 62-66) as Antonio and Al Pacino as Shylock. He has just finished filming *Casanova* playing the part of Giovanni.

A J H LEA (d 87-90) has been running a landscaping company in North Wiltshire for the last three years

A A E JONES (m 88-93) ran in the 2004 London Marathon raising money for the Brain and Spine Foundation after undergoing extensive surgery in the Charing Cross Hospital.

J B FRASER (c 89-94) runs a tour company in Madrid called *Adventurous Appetites* offering an authentic 'Madrileno' experience.

T E HORDER (a 92-97) was called to the Bar (Middle Temple) in July 2004.

T A S RYALL (c 93-98) passed Royal Marines training in September 2003 to serve as a Troop Commander in Scotland also playing for the Royal Navy XV in 2004.

W M DRAYTON (a 95-00) reports that the OS team came 4th in the Baltic Exchange Shipping Regatta and might have been placed higher but for diplomatically deferring to important clients!

S L PEEL YATES (m 98-03) travelled throughout Europe before attending Exeter University.

G J TOTTENHAM (h&b 98-03) has completed initial training at the BRNC Dartmouth in May 2004.

A D C HARDIE (e 98-03) has composed orchestral and choral works performed at Exeter and Salisbury Cathedrals. His *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* were performed in Rochester Cathedral in January 2004.

AGM and Accounts

The minutes of the OSS Annual General Meeting held on 15th May 2004 are available on the OSS website. If you do not have access to this and require a copy of either the AGM minutes or the audited accounts for the OS General Fund or the OS Charitable Trust for the year ending 31st July 2003 approved at that meeting, please contact the OS Office who will happily forward you a copy.



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1957	Christopher Knott (a 52-57)
1958	Richard Warren (g 54-58)
1962	Mike Rearden (b 58-62)
1964	Richard Anderton (a 60-64)
1966	Charles Ouin (d 61-66)
1970	Angus Cater (c 65-70)
1980	Patrick Macintosh (h 75-80)
1981	Stephen Rees-Williams (h 76-81)
1983	Ben Jeapes (h 78-83)
1988	Alasdair Vaux (g 83-88)
1992	Will Wingfield Digby (d 87-92)
1994	Will Hargrove (h 89-94)
1997	Balthazar Fabricius (e 92-97)
1999	Jonathan Morris (e 94-99)
2000	James Meeke (b 95-00)
2001	Jimmy McKillop (m 96-01)
	Tom Williams (f 96-01)
2002	David Hoey (d 97-02)
2003	Tom Fox-Davies (c 98-03)
2004	Ed Selfe (c 99-04)

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