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Fellows' Building in the Sunshine

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# College news

## Letter from the Master



The Master with Dr Finian Tan (m. 1986) and Ms Fiona Goh in Singapore

My last year as Master has passed rather quickly! There has been the usual hectic schedule of activities, with some of the academic, sporting and social highlights for our students recorded later in *The Magazine*; and our Fellows' successes in research and scholarship and the varied and remarkable achievements of our alumni continue to impress.

The Collegiate University launched its campaign, to raise £2 billion, in Cambridge last October, and in Singapore and Hong Kong in April. Our own *Campaign for Christ's*, to raise £50 million, is an integral part of the University's target, and I'm pleased to be able to report that we are about a third of the way towards both targets.

It was a particular pleasure to meet with our alumni in Singapore and Hong Kong, given the College's long connections with both places.

In August Jackie and I will be moving from the Master's Lodge to our house in Cambridge. One of the experiences we shall miss the most about the Lodge is our annual sequence of lunches with newly arriving undergraduates. It is remarkable to recall these first encounters when, three or four years later, I award the same students their degrees at the Congregation in the Senate House. Indeed for the last few years the graduands returning to the MA Congregations, generally as mature sophisticates, are instantly recognisable as the students we first met in their early weeks in Cambridge.

I shall revert to my previous role as a Fellow in College, and continue with my academic work in Mathematics. That I have been able to be Master for as long as ten years while continuing to hold a University post is thanks to the strong support I've had from many groups: the Fellows, who have been willing to chair and run key committees in College and especially the successive Presidents, Martin Johnson, David Jones and Ian Leslie; the alumni, who have been immensely supportive, including in the key area of fundraising where first Mary Redmond and then Guy Whittaker have led the Development Board; successive JCR and MCR Committees and Presidents; and the ever helpful and loyal College staff led initially by Geoffrey Payne, as Domestic Bursar, and now by Martin Spooner, our Director of College Services. The Master's Lodge team of Clare Kitcat, Master's Assistant, and Jill Geraghty, Lodge Housekeeper, have tried their best to keep Jackie and me sane, amidst the cheerful chaos of life at the centre of a College. And I owe an especial debt to the successive senior College Officers in my time as Master, to: Bursars Michael Halstead, Reg Hinkley and David Ball; Senior Tutors Kelvin Bowkett and Robert Hunt; Development Directors Elizabeth Norris and Catherine Twilley; and, in charge of Admissions, Paula Stirling and Andrew Spencer. In different ways I have learned from each of them, and it been a pleasure to have known and worked with them all.

Frank Kelly

### Tribute to the Master



Frank and Jackie Kelly on First Court Lawn on Graduation Day

Professor Frank Kelly CBE FRS will be stepping down as the 37th Master of Christ's at the end of August 2016. We the College owe an enormous debt of gratitude to both Frank and Jackie: together they have guided us, welcomed us, and (particularly in the case of Jackie) entertained us. For a decade they have served the College with calm, informal panache.

We are not saying goodbye – Frank will continue as a Professor in the University and will return to the Fellowship of the College – but we are most definitely saying thank you.

Frank is an extremely distinguished mathematician with a particular talent for making very complex things understandable to the layman. He has made seminal contributions to the theory of networks, applicable in both communications and transport. Notably he has used ideas from economics to understand networks (and of course *vice versa*). It is perhaps because his academic life is spent understanding relationships between elements in networks that he has such insight into the workings of a community as complex as the College.

Frank arrived at Christ's in 1976 as a Research Fellow. Shortly after, Sir John Plumb – the famous historian, and Master from 1978 to 1982 – marked Frank out as a future Master. Jack was of course a noted "talent spotter" of future achievement amongst young historians, but was astute and experienced enough to see well beyond the confines of his own academic field. In due course Frank was indeed elected to the Mastership – and by acclamation. But it's one thing to want someone to head the College, quite another to expect that person to accept what is an increasingly onerous role on top of everything else a leading academic is expected to do. We were very lucky that he chose to accept the challenge.

There is one particular aspect of Frank's Mastership that deserves mention. It is his work in connecting the College, indeed the Colleges in general, to the University. (See the remarks about networks above!) He has served on the University Council, and was in charge of the search and appointment process for the current Vice-Chancellor. In the complex relationship between University and Colleges, Frank has been an ambassador from each to the other.

The College has changed out of all recognition over the past 40 years, but the many improvements and advances that



have taken place over this time are well documented, so we are not going to repeat them here. Suffice it to say that under Frank's Mastership the College has further developed its special character, which derives from our historic "Independence of Mind and Spirit", going back to Darwin, Paley, Milton and Lady Margaret – a remarkably cohesive community of self-driven, innovative, entrepreneurial, iconoclastic, and inspired people; who celebrate the achievements of our staff, students and academics; cherish our informality, our lack of hierarchy, and the value we place on diversity and creativity; cherish our alumni and friends, and the support they bring to us; and seek

to connect ourselves across the globe.

In this context – and quite apart from everything else Frank's done – it's been one of his great skills to know how to support and encourage us in everything that we stand for, and in so doing help make the College the wonderful place it is today.

Of course, Frank has not achieved all this on his own. Frank and Jackie are a team, and Jackie has put enormous energy into creating a oneness in College so that students, staff, alumni and the Fellows all feel they belong to the same whole. Her annual pumpkin-carving contest at which forty-or-so pumpkins with candles ring First Court is a conspicuous example of this, but this bringing of people together has been a constant theme in Jackie's time in the Lodge. Her disarming informality and humour is key to this. On one occasion when walking out of Windsor Castle having been at a (small) reception given by the Duke of Edinburgh, the then Chancellor of the University, Jackie announced in a rather flippant way (aping Hyacinth Bucket??) that she really had to get back to Cambridge because she had the Archbishop of Canterbury coming for supper (which of course was true).

But we should pause to note that Frank and Jackie (in particular) did all this for us while living in the goldfish bowl that is the Master's Lodge with a personal sacrifice of privacy. To paraphrase Alan Munro, a previous incumbent, the Mastership is a part-time job for one and a full-time lifestyle for two.

And so to you, Frank and Jackie, on behalf of the students, staff, alumni and Fellows, we thank you deeply for an extraordinary decade of service to the College.

Ian Leslie, President David Jones, President 2010-14 Pumpkins encircling First Court lawn

## BURSAR'S UPDATE



The College has had another successful year, culminating in excellent examination results and a memorable May Ball. Following the end of the Easter Term, the main College site is now busy with our summer conference activity (which makes an important and growing financial contribution) and with the normal programme of planned maintenance. I emphasise each year the great importance to the College of our management team and staff, who maintain consistently high standards and ensure the College environment is conducive to study and research. We are particularly

David Ball

fortunate to have a number of long serving colleagues, and this year the Master presented long service awards to three senior people who had completed twenty five years with the College: Mr Chris Austin (the Assistant College Accountant), Mr Steve Griffiths (the Head Gardener) and Mrs Teresa McManus (the Domestic Supervisor). All three have been actively involved in their respective areas in developing the College's ways of working, both in term time and to make possible the growth in our external business.

The financial environment for the Cambridge Colleges remains very challenging, with the recent proposals on undergraduate fees doing little to address the large and ongoing shortfall against the University's and Colleges' teaching costs. There is also continuing pressure on the financial support available for graduate students. We have been able to contain the College's cost base and to generate additional income during vacations, but we are not able to generate from our 'current operations' any significant funds to provide additional student bursaries and accommodation. The Development Campaign therefore remains very important to ensure that we can maintain (and widen further) access to the high quality of collegiate experience, including small group teaching, to which we remain committed.

As any recent visitor to Cambridge will have seen, there is a considerable amount of construction activity locally, including the University's North West Cambridge project and the Biomedical Campus to the south of the city. This has inevitably placed stresses on local industry and planning resources. However, our project to make major improvements to the Boathouse is currently out to tender, and we hope to begin work on site later this year. This project would not have been possible without the enthusiasm and generosity of alumni. Planning permission has also now been sought for redevelopment of part of the main College site, facing on to King Street. The scheme would provide additional student rooms and facilities, together with modern retail space on King Street.

As I write in mid July, it is clearly too early to comment on the implications for the College of the recent referendum on EU membership. We have seen some initial reaction in the UK property market. The College had completed two planned sales of commercial properties earlier in the year, but the endowment continues to have significant exposure to UK property. Our investments are however well diversified overall. I would like to take this opportunity to record my warm thanks to the College members who serve on our Investments Committee, and provide us with wise advice.

David Ball

## Letter from the Senior Tutor

As usual, I start with a report on the College's examination performance. The proportion of final-year students receiving a II.1 or higher (a "good degree" in the words of the media) was 92%, the same as last year. The proportion of first-class finalyear results was a remarkable 34%, well up on last year's 28% (but still a little shy of our all-



time record of 36% – we are never complacent). In fact examination results have been truly excellent across the entire College, not just for final-year students.

It is unavoidably true that, as I pointed out in the College *Magazine* in 2014, grade inflation has had a role to play in the inexorable rise in grades at Cambridge. But our students' desire to work hard to maximise their employment prospects (or their prospects for further study) is just as important a factor. The challenge for Tutors and Directors of Studies at Christ's is to balance a desire for hard work with a pleasant and supportive atmosphere, avoiding an unreasonably stressful environment. That is something that the College hasn't always got right in the past, but it is something on which I have been working hard for several years. Indeed, I firmly believe that while examinations are inevitably important, the "rounded person" is equally important and I think that we now have a healthy balance.

The College has awarded Scholarships, Exhibitions and Prizes on the basis of examination results, and all of this year's awards are listed on pages 54–57. Eleven of our students (compared to six last year) have won University prizes (rarer than College prizes), in Anglo-Saxon, Norse & Celtic, Education, English, Geography, Law, Modern & Medieval Languages and Pharmacology.

This year has not, unfortunately, been a notable one for College sports teams (with the exception of our unexpectedly strong Pool Club teams). However, the JCR organised a completely new intercollegiate event: a sports day competing against Wadham College, our sister College in Oxford. This huge event, attended by 120 students combined and involving 8 matches in rowing and a range of field and court sports, led to a 6–2 win for Wadham. The highlight for Christ's was the tennis. Hopefully, this inaugural sports day will be the start of a long tradition, one in which we have given Wadham a headstart merely to lull them into a false sense of security.

The College's Music Society has had a very active year, with an ever-expanding range of recitals and less formal jazz, folk and blues nights. The JCR and MCR have also been busy, although in both cases some of their energy has been diverted to domestic matters as they have decided to redecorate their rooms with new furniture and artwork (the latter being rather a matter of taste). Of course the May Ball was a highlight of the year, with College transformed in a spectacularly atmospheric fashion. The Ball's title, *Biophilia*, may have confused guests but the night delighted them! Later on in May Week, CADS (the Christ's Amateur Dramatic Society) performed

Robert Hunt giving a supervision

to critical acclaim *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in the warm and fortunately dry night air of the Fellows' Garden, after an stereotypically last-minute period of organisation and rehearsal.

Students across the University, and at Christ's in particular, have supported several campaigns this year to change the way that Cambridge works for the future. At Christ's we have had student debates about certain of our historical alumni and how to recognise that some of their views and activities were, to modern eyes, unacceptable. I would never wish to prevent open discussions of this kind, which brings me to the Government's Prevent legislation, designed to prevent individuals from being drawn into terrorism. Whilst admirable in its intent, it is in the Cambridge context rather a sledgehammer, requiring us inter alia to vet all requests for student events and room bookings to ensure that no extremist speakers are being invited into the College. Unless handled carefully, this could easily cause us to stifle student debate about contentious topics by erring on the side of caution. The College community can rest assured that I will do my utmost to ensure free speech and open debate. Another student-led campaign in Cambridge aims to abolish the publication of class lists at the Senate House and indeed anywhere else: there would be no public lists of Tripos results, students would know only their own results, and Colleges would know only the results of their own students. This has caused some consternation amongst Senior Members of the University and no decision has yet been reached.

A second piece of legislation will be of concern to Cambridge and indeed the entire UK Higher Education sector: the proposed Teaching Excellence Framework (or "TEF"). This is designed to rate the quality of teaching provided by Universities, to enable prospective students to compare institutions quantitatively and not just by their reputations. An initiative of this kind could raise the profile of teaching at Cambridge and elsewhere for the good, and naturally I strongly support any efforts to improve standards in teaching: nobody would claim with a straight face that University teaching is uniformly excellent. Unlike Ofsted inspections for schools, however, no inspectors will visit the University to carry out the assessment: instead, it will be rated on a spreadsheet using various questionable "metrics" such as student satisfaction, retention rates and graduate employment statistics, taking into account ethnicity, gender and disability. The one thing not to be measured is actual teaching excellence. For instance, student satisfaction can generally be improved quite easily by dumbing down a course, which would be a perverse outcome. So there are serious concerns about the proposals, but perhaps I had better say no more since one of the architects of the scheme is a Christ's alumnus (a civil servant doing his Minister's bidding, I should say, not a politician), described by the University's Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education as "fiercely intelligent". Perhaps our concerns can be overcome and University teaching will be all the better for the TEF.

Our outreach programme has gone from strength to strength since last summer. The Admissions Tutor, Dr Spencer, reports on this in detail on page 12. The wide range of activities is strongly supported by Fellows of the College and new ideas are being introduced every year. One particular initiative, the History Essay Prize for schools, has been a great success and we shall be extending it to other subjects in the future. This is, I'm sorry to say, Dr Spencer's final report before he leaves us for another College: I would like to pay tribute to his tremendous achievements at Christ's and the way in which he has managed our admissions process fairly and professionally whilst encouraging ever-larger numbers of applicants. His presence on social media, notably *The Student Room*, has been a major success to reaching out to students of all types and persuading them to consider Christ's.

Finally, as I write this the implications of the outcome of the EU referendum are starting to sink in. The College (and indeed the whole University of Cambridge) has moved rapidly to reassure our current students from the EU that we shall treat them fairly and equitably for the remainder of their courses. Indeed, we have promised the same for students not yet here but due to arrive this October. The long-term future is at this stage, however, difficult to predict.

Robert Hunt

### Letter from the Admissions Tutor

Undergraduate admissions at Cambridge is very much in a state of flux and will likely remain so for a number of years. I am pleased to report, however, that Christ's is in a position of strength to weather any challenges that face us. Following last year's record number of applications (795), numbers were always likely to fall back a bit, especially as many students continue to base their college choice on studying the numbers from the previous year and trying to work out their best chance on the basis of this. It's not a good tactic thanks to the sophistication of the



Andrew Spencer

Pool, our moderation system which helps to even out the differences in application numbers between colleges. Despite this tendency, Christ's still managed to attract 741 applications for entry in 2016, which is the third highest total in the College's history, after entries for last year and 2010. This is the seventh year in a row that Christ's has received more than 600 applications, ensuring our place among the most popular colleges in Cambridge, both in terms of absolute numbers and, especially, in respect of applications per place.

The quality of applications remains remarkably high and only ever seems to get more so. The number of A\*s at A Level achieved by successful applicants to Christ's in 2011 was 2.77. By 2013 it had increased to 2.97 and for entry last year it was 3.15. The University average last year was 2.7 A\*s, so Christ's applicants are among the most highly qualified at Cambridge.

The fundamentals for Christ's of excellent teaching, beautiful grounds and buildings big enough to accommodate all undergraduates either on site or in Jesus Lane, our historic reputation for excellence and central location second to none, are such that I am confident that the College will continue to attract large numbers of the best students. The challenges ahead are, however, significant.

First, there is our reaction to the changes to A Levels which have started this year. A Levels are now being taught in a linear fashion, with the entire course examined at the end of Year 13 (Upper Sixth), rather than the modular AS and A2 system that has been in place since the introduction of Curriculum 2000 under the New Labour

government. In last year's report, I promised to report on the plans to cope with the loss of AS Level results at the end of Year 12, something that had been a significant part of our Admissions processes at Cambridge.

With effect from this year, the University is introducing Admissions Assessments in all subjects (with the exceptions of Maths, which is retaining the STEP exam, and Music). In many subjects, especially the bigger ones, these will be conducted in the applicant's school or a recognised test centre in early November, while in other subjects the assessments will happen in Cambridge at the time of interview, as has been happening in a number of subjects (such as Law and Philosophy) for several years. They will mostly replace the proliferation of college-based tests that has happened in recent years. It is important to stress that this is not a return to the old entrance exam abolished in the 1980s. These assessments are not pass or fail (hence avoidance of the term 'test') and will form part of the overall assessment of candidates that takes place during and immediately after Michaelmas term. As well as helping with selection, the assessments will also allow popular middle-sized colleges such as Christ's to avoid being overwhelmed by the number of applicants and to call to interview only those with a realistic chance of an offer. These assessments have been introduced as a two-year trial and we will judge their effectiveness as predictors of tripos performance and on other measures before deciding whether to continue with them when the trial period comes to an end.

The other major challenge facing all of us is how to respond to 'Brexit'. While we remain in the EU, students from the other 27 countries will still pay Home fees and if we do end up leaving then the University, and Christ's, will remain open to attracting the best students from Europe and around the world and we will need to redouble our efforts to ensure that the message goes out that Cambridge is a truly global institution and that we all benefit from that, whether from the UK or beyond.

But while we must maintain a global perspective, Cambridge and Christ's also has a duty to find and encourage applicants from our own country and to work with schools, charities and government to ensure that talented people from all backgrounds can find a home here in our beautiful College. We continue, therefore, to play an important role in this effort on the part of the University. Over the course of the last year we have visited or had visits to Christ's from 75 schools and spoken with around 5,000 students in addition to the Open Days that we run and the Taster Days which offer students a chance to listen to lectures given by fellows to sample what studying their subject at Cambridge might be like. We continued our History Essay Prize this year, and one of last year's winners is arriving at Christ's in October, and we plan next year for other subjects to develop their own competitions.

Our work with the charity IntoUniversity, helping children in Southwark, continues as does our commitment to the HE Plus project with sixth formers in Herefordshire. HE Plus is a University scheme with around a dozen colleges involved with hubs around the country but we ran a residential for Worcestershire schools this year along the same lines as HE Plus which went very well and is due to continue. The GCSE prize that I mentioned in last year's report for Harrow and Southwark ran very well and fourteen prize winners from the two boroughs, all on Free Schools Meals and with multiple A\*s at GCSE, came to Christ's in the October half term to be shown around and receive their prizes. This will continue this year and we hope, in the future, to be able to extend it to our other link areas.

Our biggest new access project, however, is our Low Participation Neighbourhood (LPN) Summer School, which will run this August for students who have just completed their GCSEs. LPNs are postcodes where few people go on to higher education and increasing participation at Cambridge from these neighbourhoods is a priority for the University's access strategy and this will be a part of supporting that. Unlike many summer schools, however, it won't simply be three days in Cambridge and then nothing more. Students will have a continuing programme of engagement throughout their Year 12 with web-based seminars that will help them continue their studies up to the point of application.

On a personal note, this is my final report as I am leaving Christ's in the autumn to take up post as Admissions Tutor at Murray Edwards College (New Hall as was). Moving from a college with one of the highest numbers of applicants to the college with the lowest is a big challenge but one I am hugely excited about. Any excitement, of course, is also tinged with sadness as I have had a wonderful time at Christ's and had huge support from fellows, staff, students and alumni. I particularly wish to thank all the directors of studies with whom I have worked and the team in the Admissions Office, Ella Rule, our Schools Liaison Officer, and Jan Marshall, our admissions co-ordinator, whose professional support and friendship I have valued immensely.

Andrew Spencer

### Letter from the Chaplain

As a Christ's 'fresher' myself, it was a somewhat curious feeling to lead the Freshers' Service in Chapel, on the first Sunday of a new academic year. Over drinks in the ante-chapel, I found myself welcoming new undergraduates whilst simultaneously being welcomed by returning ones. By the end of the service, though, I had at



least gained one crucial nugget of wisdom, which would stand me in good stead for the months to come – namely, that 'Guide me, O Thou great redeemer' and 'Jerusalem' are firm favourites with the Christ's congregation, and so are guaranteed to ensure a hearty sing-song at any Chapel service!

Michaelmas Term proved to be full of highlights. Our Evensong sermon series, on 'Encounters with Jesus' from the Gospels, helped us to explore the very heart of the Christian faith, which is a personal encounter with Jesus Christ – to know Him, and to be known by Him. Our preachers for the series were a fascinating bunch. They included Dr Michael Ward, Fellow of Blackfriars, Oxford, who had previously appeared in *The World is Not Enough*, presenting James Bond with a pair of X-ray specs; and the Reverend Julian Hardyman, Senior Pastor of Eden Baptist Church in Cambridge, who was known to many of our students. Perhaps most poignantly, the

The Chaplain (left) with the Master and Reverend Christopher Woods on the occasion of the Commemoration of Benefactors Service preacher at the final Evensong of term was the Right Reverend John Taylor, formerly Bishop of St Albans, who had come up to Christ's to read Classics in 1947. Bishop John spoke with great power and grace on the story of Jesus' raising of Lazarus, and many that evening were touched by his kind and humble character. It was, in fact, to be one of John's last engagements before retiring from public ministry, and he died peacefully only a few months later, at the age of 87. You can read the College's obituary from John on page 124.

In addition to the regular weekly rhythm of Evensong, Michaelmas Term also brought with it a number of rather special services. In late October, there was a sung College Eucharist, followed by a Chapel Dinner – this proved so popular, indeed, that the Dinner had to be moved from the OCR to the Hall in order to fit everyone in. The Christmas Carol Service (celebrated, in true Cambridge style, about three weeks early!) was another extremely well-attended occasion, beginning with the Chapel in complete darkness, before, one by one, the candles were lit, and the Choir began to sing 'Once in Royal David's City'. Term ended with the annual Commemoration of Benefactors Service, and we were delighted to be joined by a much-loved former Chaplain, the Reverend Christopher Woods. Christopher preached in his characteristically entertaining style – and he was just as splendid a *raconteur* at the Feast afterwards!

Lent Term saw the start of a new tradition in Chapel – Alumni Evensong. Alumni of Christ's were invited back to join the regular congregation for a termly celebration of our shared ties to the College, with a canapé and drinks reception following the service. This further developed the Chapel's significant role in encouraging links between different parts of the Christ's family. The revival of the College's connection with the Katherine Low Settlement provided another example of this dynamic. The KLS is a charity in west London with a long-standing Christ's association, and its Director, Mr Aaron Barbour, was the College's guest at a Sunday Evensong during Lent Term. In a similar vein, a number of marriages and christenings held in Chapel during the year brought together Fellows, staff, students, and alumni alike, as important milestones in life were marked and celebrated.

Sunday Evensong services in Lent Term were structured around selected passages from St Mark's Gospel, as we followed Jesus' journey towards the Cross. The guest preachers included two bishops among their ranks – the Right Reverend Stephen Conway, Bishop of Ely, who spoke on Jesus' calming of the storm; and the Right Reverend Donald Allister, Bishop of Peterborough, who spoke on Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The series culminated with a service of readings and music for Passiontide, which wove St Mark's narrative of Jesus' crucifixion with the Choir's moving performance of Scarlatti's *Stabat Mater*.

Throughout the year, there was lots going on beyond the walls of the Chapel itself. A group of student 'Chapel Officers' was appointed, who contributed a great deal of energy and fun to Chapel life. In addition, a weekly discussion group on Christianity ran on Thursday evenings throughout the Michaelmas and Lent terms, and enabled students to ask questions, and to explore the Christian faith together. Daniel Argent, a third-year HSPS undergraduate, became a Christian during the course of the meetings – and the most memorable and joyful occasion of the whole year came when, on the first Sunday of Easter Term, Daniel was baptised at a service attended by his friends and family. Daniel's experience is a wonderful reminder that Chapel life is not just about services and singing, but about personal stories of faith in Jesus Christ.

Easter Term also saw a new weekly fixture in the Christ's undergraduate calendar – the Chaplain's Afternoon Teas. Held each Thursday at the College Pool, the teas gave students a chance to relax amid the pressures of revision. Indeed, one rather eloquent third-year wrote to me to say that the plentiful supplies of food had achieved just the right balance of "brain-boosting brownies and stress-releasing scones"! The very final Sunday Holy Communion of term also had something of a watery theme, as, after the service, the Chapel congregation took to the River Cam, and punted along the Backs to celebrate the end of exams. Sunday Evensongs during Easter Term explored the Book of Revelation, and we welcomed to Chapel, among others, the Reverend Alasdair Paine, Vicar of St Andrew the Great, Cambridge, and the Right Reverend Dr Christopher Cocksworth, Bishop of Coventry, as guest preachers.

No summary of the year, however, would be complete without paying tribute to the College Choir. The choristers' level of commitment and quality of sound are truly exceptional. Whether appearing twice weekly at Choral Evensong, singing anthems from the roof of the Great Gate on Ascension Day, giving Christmas concerts in prominent London churches, or travelling across Australia on their annual tour, the Choir have been unfailingly beautiful to listen to, and a complete joy to work with. They have been ably directed, as ever, by Professor David Rowland, and special thanks go to him for his superb dedication and good humour.

It has been, in short, a profoundly happy and vibrant year in the life of the College Chapel. At a personal level, I am very grateful indeed for the many words of encouragement, and acts of kindness, that I have received from a large number of students, staff and Fellows over the course of these three terms. The Chapel is, ultimately, only as strong as the people that make it up – and for that reason I look back on my first year as Chaplain feeling greatly blessed.

Mark Smith

### Letter from the Development Director

Last year I reported that we had launched our new Fundraising Campaign and, as the Master reports in his Letter, we are now around one third of the way to our £50m target. We have received many wonderful gifts for all areas of College life; thank you to all those who have supported us so far.

We were delighted to elect two new Lady Margaret Beaufort Fellows, Mr Jim Warwick (m. 1983) and Dr Jane Dominey (Queens', m. 1983; PhD Lucy Cavendish) in recognition of their generous support of graduate students through Warwick Studentships. You can read about Jim and Jane in the New Senior Members' section.

We ran the ninth Telephone Campaign just after Easter with sixteen current students telephoning alumni to talk to them about the College and to seek financial support for our Student Support Appeal. As always, the students had some extremely interesting conversations about life at College, career choices and so on, and were genuinely disappointed not to get through to some of the alumni whose careers were of particular interest to them. During the two week calling period, the students spoke to more than 780 alumni and they, and others who were not available during the campaign, have now made donations totalling more than £227,000 which will be used to provide financial support to students in need. We were particularly pleased

that nearly a quarter of those who made a gift did so for the first time. Alongside the Telephone Campaign we introduced a Student Support Appeal mailing and were delighted at the response from alumni who have so far made donations totalling £55,000. Thank you to everyone who supported these initiatives.

The Christ's College Fisher Society is well established and recognises those who have included a bequest to the College in their Will. There are tax advantages to UK taxpayers in leaving a bequest to charity, with the charitable bequest excluded from inheritance tax, and a reduction in the rate of inheritance tax from 40% to 36% for those leaving more than 10% of their estate to charities. Please do get in touch if you would like to discuss a possible legacy.

The Master has spoken of the University's Campaign which aims to raise £2bn across the Colleges and University. We are playing our part, with gifts to the College for our own Campaign counting towards the University's overall total. In October 2015 we were involved in the formal Campaign Launch in Cambridge, and in April 2016, the Master and I travelled to Singapore and Hong Kong to attend the University's Campaign Launch events there. We were delighted to meet a number of alumni in both places and are particularly grateful to Dr Finian Tan (m. 1986) and his partner, Fiona Goh, for hosting a dinner for alumni at their beautiful home in Sentosa Cove. Everyone was very welcoming and I am looking forward to returning before too long to introduce the new Master, Professor Jane Stapleton.

Closer to home, the Distinguished Speaker Dinner Series continues to flourish, with a conversation earlier this year between Mrs Natalie Livingstone (m. 1995) and Professor David Reynolds, about Natalie's new book, *The Mistresses of Cliveden*. We are currently organising our next event which will be an interview with Mr Barry Davies MBE, renowned sports commentator and TV presenter, hosted by Mr Colin Cameron (m. 1983).

There were some new initiatives this year, including 'Alumni Evensong' which we held in the Lent and Easter terms, inviting alumni and guests to come to Evensong



Catherine Twilley with the Master, and Jennifer and George Yeo (Honorary Fellow) in Singapore and meet afterwards for a reception. We also held two Women's Networking events in London which were well attended and provided helpful insight to those participating. Thank you to Ms Caroline Webb (m. 1989), Ms Jane Martinson (m. 1987), Ms Nina Gold (m. 1982), Ms Jane Graham Maw (m. 1982), and Dr Penny Pullan (m. 1986), who were speakers at the two events.

One of the unexpected highlights of the year was the planting of the Kingdon-Ward rose in Grantchester. Frank Kingdon-Ward (m. 1904) was one of the last great 'plant-hunters', famed for his discovery of the blue poppy. He is buried in the churchyard in Grantchester. In February this year a rose in his name was planted in the churchyard and the Senior Tutor, the Master's Assistant, and I attended the ceremony; and we felt very privileged to be part of the occasion.

I write every year about the advice and support we receive from members of our Development Board and their involvement really does make a difference. This year, to mark the retirement of the Master, the past and present members of the Board made a generous donation to establish a Kelly Prize at the College. Particular thanks also go to Guy and Utti Whittaker for again hosting a reception at their home for members of Christ's. Dr Susan Hill has recently joined the Board and we are all looking forward to working with her.

The current external members of the Development Board are: Mr Guy Whittaker (m. 1974) – Chair Dr Alan Smith (m. 1964) Mr Tim Lintott (m. 1971) Mr Sushovan Hussain (m. 1983) Mr Mark Davies (m. 1990) Dr Susan Hill (m. 1992) Mr Bindesh Shah (m. 1992) Dr Peter Speicher (m. 1993) Ms Caroline Carr (m. 1995) Ex officio members are the Master, Development Director, Bursar and Professor Ian Leslie (who Chairs the College Development Committee).

Our secure website continues to be well used with many of you booking for events on-line. You can access the pages via http://alumni.christs.cam.ac.uk/. You can also search for friends or other alumni living in your area.

In the Development Office, Sarah Proudfoot, formerly Alumni Officer, has returned to College after the birth of her son in the role of Alumni Communications Officer, and Bethany Blakeman has been promoted to Alumni Relations Officer. They, together with Rebecca Pitcaithly (Senior Development Officer, and also back in College after a period of maternity leave), Adam Kent (Development Officer), and Will Finch (Development Assistant), very much enjoy working with alumni, as I do. We would like to thank you for your support and involvement.

Catherine Twilley

## SENIOR MEMBERS

Each list includes the current Senior Members as expected at October 2016 in order of election in the various categories, and records only higher doctorates and external honours. The date in brackets indicates the date of original election.

#### Master

Prof. Jane Stapleton FBA		
Fellows		
1950	Mr David Yale FBA HonQC	
1961	Dr John Rathmell	
1962	Dr Cecil Courtney	
1963	Prof. Peter Landshoff	
1966	Prof. Archie Campbell	
1969	Prof. Martin Johnson FRCOG FSB	
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1969	Prof. John Wilson	
1971	Dr David Jones	
1972	Dr Geoffrey Ingham	
1976	Sir Peter Lachmann FRS FMedSci (1962)	
1976	Prof. Frank Kelly CBE FRS	
1976	Dr William Peterson	
1976	Prof. David Sedley FBA	
1978	Dr Kelvin Bowkett (1966)	
1983	Prof. David Reynolds FBA	
1983	Dr Gareth Rees	
1985	Prof. Ian Leslie FREng	
1986	Prof. Christopher Abell FRS FMedSci	
1986	Prof. Susan Bayly	
1987	Prof. Nicholas Gay	
1990	Dr Richard Batley	
1994	Prof. David Klenerman FRS	
1996	Dr Alan Winter (1975)	
1998	Dr Robert Hunt	
1998	Dr Gavin Alexander	
2001	Prof. Marcelo Fiore	
2002	Dr David Norman	
2002	Prof. Jonathan Gillard	
2003	Prof. Michael Edwardson	
2004	Prof. Simon Tavaré FRS	
2006	Dr Caroline Vout	
2006	Dr Sophie Read	
2007	Dr Julia Shvets	
2008	Dr Mauro Overend	
2008	Dr Elena Punskaya	
2008	Prof. James Secord	
2008	Prof. Sanjeev Goyal FBA	
2008	Ms Catherine Twilley	
2008	Dr David Thomas (2007)	
2009	Dr Helena Browne	
2010	Dr Duncan Bell (2004)	
2010	Dr Tom Monie (2006)	
2010	Prof. Gerard Evan	
2010	Dr Rune Nyord	
2011	Mr David Ball	
2011	Prof. Ash Amin CBE FBA	
2011	Dr Joel Isaac	
2011	Prof. Sarah Radcliffe	

2012	Prof. Sarah Franklin (2011)	
2013	Dr Richard Williams	
2013	Dr Valentina Pugliano	
2014	Dr Anup Patel	
2014	Dr Mark Darlow (2006)	
2014	Dr Sam James	
2014	Prof. Gábor Betegh	
2014	Dr Helen Pfeifer	
2014	Dr Shona Stark	
2014	Dr Bernardo Zacka	
2014	Dr Dominic de Cogan	
2015	Prof. Theresa Marteau (2013)	
2015	Dr Jason Sanders	
2015	Dr Melanie Eckersley-Maslin	
2015	Dr Christopher Thomas	
2015	Dr Vytautas Gruslys	
2015	Dr Kai Liu	
2015	Dr Ori Beck	
2015	Dr Henry Spelman	
2015	Dr David Trippett (2009)	
2016	Dr Richard Mortier	
2016	Dr Mathew Horrocks	
2016	Dr Richard Turner	
2016	Dr Anthony Coyne	
2016	Dr Marcus Boehm	
2016	Dr Felix Waldmann	
2016	Dr Michael Stock	
2016	Dr Andrew Stewart	
2016	Dr Edward Allen	
2016	Dr Emily McLaughlin	
2016	Dr Kylie Murray	
2016	Dr Kathryn Howley	
Emeritus Fellows		
1975	Prof. Sir Hans Kornberg FRS	
1962	Dr Alan Munro	
1964	Dr Richard Maunder	
1964	Dr Richard Axton	
1966	Dr Robert Diamond	
1969	Dr Visvan Navaratnam	
1969	Prof. Peter Rayner	
1975	Dr Douglas Barker	
1975	Dr Douglas Ferguson	
1974	Prof. Andrew Cliff FBA	
Honorary Fellows		
1978 1984	Prof. Sir Peter Hirsch FRS (1960) Prof. Barry Supple CBE EBA	
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1984	Sir Robin Nicholson FRS (1961)	
1984	Sir John Lyons LittD FBA (1961)	
1989	Dr Jeffrey Tate CBE	
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1988 Prof. Bernard Bailyn (1986)

- 1990 Sir Rodric Braithwaite GCMG
- 1991 Sir Dillwyn Williams
- 1993 Prof. Sir Christopher Ricks FBA (1975)
- 1995 Prof. Simon Schama CBE (1966)
- 1996 Rt Hon Lord Irvine of Lairg PC QC
- 1996 Mr Neil McKendrick (1958)
- 1997 Prof. John Clarke FRS (1972)
- 1998 Dr Adrian Ning-Hong Yeo (1970)
- 2002 Prof. Phillip King FRA CBE
- 2002 Dr Charles Saumarez Smith FSA CBE (1979)
- 2002 Sir Nicholas Serota CH
- 2002 Lord Williams of Oystermouth PC FBA 2004 Prof. Sir Martin Evans FRS FMedSci
- 2004 Rt Hon Lord Turnbull of Enfield KCB
- CVO
- 2005 Prof. Sir Keith Peters FRCP FRSFMedSci (1987)
- 2005 Sir David Cannadine LittD FBA FRSLFRHistS (1975)
- 2005 Prof. Linda Colley FBA CBE (1978)
- 2005 Rt Hon Lord Luce KG GCVO PC DL
- 2008 Prof. Quentin Skinner FBA (1962)
- 2008 Dr Yusuf Hamied
- 2009 Prof. James Smith FRS FMedSci (2001)
- 2009 The Rt Hon Lord Justice Moore-Bick PC
- 2009 Mr George Yong-Boon Yeo
- 2010 Sir Hugh Pelham FRS FMedSci (1978)
- 2013 Prof. Sir Michael Edwards OBE
- 2014 Prof. Margaret Stanley OBE (1991)
- 2016 Prof. Tony Hunter
- 2016 Dr Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein

#### **Bye-Fellows**

- 1999 Dr David Webster
- 2001 Dr Thomas Matthams
- 2005 Prof. David Rowland
- 2011 Dr Michael Gonzalez (2008)
- 2012 Dr Mike Housden
- 2013 Dr Timoleon Kipouros
- 2014 Dr Andrew Coburn
- 2014 Dr Rob Doubleday
- 2014 Dr James Jones
- 2014 Dr Tomasz Matys
- 2014 Dr Steven Murdoch (2008)
- 2014 Dr Imran Noorani
- 2015 Dr Jamie Gundry
- 2015 Dr Isabel Huang-Doran
- 2015 Dr Kayvan Sadeghi
- 2015 Dr Jason Varuhas (2010)
- 2015 Dr Thomas Hopkins
- 2016 Dr Richard Bassett

#### Fellow-Commoners

- 1994 Mr Graham Ballard (1982)
- 1998 Prof. Geoffrey Martin LittD FSA (1966)
- 1998 Ms Shelby White
- 2003 Prof. Ian Smith FRS (1964)
- 2008 Dr Michael Halstead (2002)
- 2009 Miss Elizabeth Norris (2004)
- 2010 Prof. William Steen
- 2010 Mr Michael Perlman

#### Lady Margaret Beaufort Fellows

- 2001 Sir Simon Campbell CBE FRS
- 2001 Lady Jill Campbell
- 2004 Mr Cecil Hawkins
- 2004 Mr Guy Whittaker
- 2006 Mr Alfred Harrison
- 2006 Dr Mike Lynch OBE
- 2008 Mr Graham Clapp
- 2009 Prof. Stephen Blyth
- 2012 Dr Alan Smith CBE
- 2012 Mr Terry Cann
- 2013 Mr Richard Gnodde
- 2013 Mr Simon Palley
- 2016 Mr Jim Warwick
- 2016 Dr Jane Dominey

#### Honorary Members

- 1999 Sir Li Ka-Shing KBE
- 1999 Mrs Fiona Fattal
- 1999 Mr Oscar Lewisohn
- 1999 Mr Chia-Ming Sze
- 2001 Dr Raymond Sackler Hon KBE
- 2001 Mrs Beverly Sackler
- 2004 Ms Solina Chau

#### Chaplain

Reverend Dr Mark Smith

#### **Distinguished Visiting Scholars**

Prof. Luke O'Neill, Trinity College, Dublin, January – December 2016

Prof. Charlie Kennel, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, January – April 2016.

Prof. Paul Hertzog, Hudson Institute of Medical Research, April – October 2016

Prof. Voula Tsouna, University of California Santa Barbara, Easter Term 2016

Prof. Richard McKirahan, Ponoma College, Easter Term 2016

#### **New Senior Members**



Professor Jane Stapleton

#### THE 38TH MASTER:

PROFESSOR JANE STAPLETON On 1 March 2016, Professor Jane Stapleton FBA was pre-elected as 38th Master. Jane Stapleton is a distinguished academic lawyer who currently holds posts at the Australian National University College of Law and the University of Texas School of Law. She was elected a Corresponding Fellow of the British Academy in 2015. She began her academic career as a scientist before moving to law, specialising in the law of torts. As a result of her background in the sciences, and her work on three continents, she has wide ranging intellectual interests in the UK, the US and Australia. A major

focus of her research in the last ten years has been on causation in law, philosophy and science.

Professor Stapleton is familiar with College life, having been a Fellow of Balliol College, Oxford, for 10 years, and a Fellow of St John's College, Cambridge, for one year while she was Arthur Goodhart Visiting Professor of Legal Science at the University. She is an Emeritus Fellow at Balliol and an Honorary Fellow of St John's.

In 2008 the University of Oxford awarded Professor Stapleton her third doctorate, the Doctor of Civil Law (DCL), her others being a PhD in physical organic chemistry and a DPhil in law. In the US she is a Council Member of the American Law Institute, in the UK she is an Honorary Bencher of Gray's Inn, and in Australia she is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law. In 2013 the Association of American Law Schools bestowed on Professor Stapleton the Prosser Award which honours those "who have made an outstanding contribution to the world of tort law scholarship". In August 2016 the American Bar Association will bestow on her the Robert B. McKay Law Professor Award which was created to honour "those attorneys who have shown commitment to the advancement of justice, scholarship and the legal profession, demonstrated by outstanding contributions to the fields of tort and insurance law".

Professor Stapleton has published widely; and her work has been frequently cited with approval by appellate courts in many common law jurisdictions, in academic publications and reports of Law Commissions.

She has been invited by the University of Oxford to deliver the Clarendon Lectures in Law in 2016–17.

Professor Stapleton is married to Peter Cane DCL FBA, himself an eminent academic who is a Distinguished Professor of Law at the ANU College of Law and Emeritus Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford where he was Law Fellow from 1978 until 1997. He was also Arthur Goodhart Visiting Professor of Legal Science at the University of Cambridge in 2011–12 and was a Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, during that year.

#### Edward Allen elected a Fellow

It goes without saying, I hope, that I'm delighted to be joining the Fellowship at Christ's, but it feels a particularly special transition, for me at least, because it also feels like a homecoming. I came up to Christ's in October 2005 to read for a degree in English, and I continued here (after a sunny hiatus in Padua) as a graduate student in 2009. I've since held research fellowships at the Library of Congress, the Huntington Library in California, and most recently at Jesus College, Cambridge, where I've spent



three years getting to grips with the history of sound aesthetics, and doing my best to persuade students that reading poems is still a worthwhile thing to do. In September 2016 I will take up a position in the Faculty of English as a University Lecturer.

My research centres for the most part on literature of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, and especially on the interface between literary invention and technophilia. My first book illuminates this interface in relation to a cluster of North American poets – Frost, Stevens, Moore, and Hughes – each of whom became more than usually attached in the early years of the twentieth century to elements of their new media ecology, from rural telephone lines to synchronized cinematic sound. My next research project, which is funded by the Wellcome Trust, has to do still with hearing literary voices, but is specifically attuned to the phenomenon of sticky listening – that is, the experience of getting a tune or poem stuck in your head – and to the problems this phenomenon may pose for cognitive behaviour and artistic representation. Lots of the students at Christ's have already given me their two cents on this, and I look forward to working more closely with them, and with my colleagues in English, in the years to come.

# MARCUS BOEHM elected a Sackler and Cambridge Foundation Research Fellow

I am thrilled to return to Christ's College as a senior member after having appreciated the graduate life in this very college.

In 2005 I started my academic career at Heidelberg University in Germany, which provided a similar academic and socially nursing environment as student life at a Cambridge College. During my undergraduate studies in chemistry which also included a short academic interlude at Auckland University

in New Zealand, I was fortunate enough to acquire research experiences in the many different fields of the chemical sciences ranging from nuclear-, synthetic-, physicaland also biophysical chemistry. While the variety and ingenuity of all these disciplines were indeed inspiring, I felt particularly drawn towards the interdisciplinary research fields at the cross-road between chemistry and physics. In 2011, I therefore joined the Cavendish Laboratory in Cambridge to study the photophysics and device concepts of nanostructured optoelectronics. Implementing novel photophysical mechanisms into the device physics of 3rd Generation solar cells and emerging light-emitting-diodes (LEDs) was indeed fascinating and inspiring as I could apply my synthetic skills as a trained chemist to develop state-of-the-art nanocrystalline materials and also study their complex photophysics through steady state and transient spectroscopic techniques. To broaden my vision for these nanostructured materials I ran the risk of jumping over



Marcus Boehm

Edward Allen

the pond and joined the Alivisatos Group at the University of Berkeley, USA for an extended research stay.

During my PhD studies I also got to know the sweet life of a Christ's College graduate student – an experience, which contributed to my decision to remain in Cambridge after graduation and for joining the Fellowship of Christ's College as a Research Fellow. I feel fortunate indeed for having received the chance to continue my studies at the forefront of solar cell research as a Postdoctoral Research Associate at the Cavendish Laboratories and at the same time contribute to the academically inspiring environment of Christ's College.



Anthony Coyne

#### ANTHONY COYNE elected a Fellow

I am thrilled to be joining Christ's College as a Fellow. I carried out both my undergraduate studies and PhD at the National University of Ireland, Galway. My PhD work was focused on a physical organic chemistry project looking at the acceleration effects of using water as a solvent for organic reactions. I subsequently held positions in industry and at University College Dublin. In 2006 I came to Cambridge as a postdoctoral research associate where the focus of my research was at the interface of

Chemistry and Biology. I was involved in a number of projects looking at developing chemical tools to target enzymes in amyloidosis, tuberculosis and cancer therapeutic areas.

In 2016 I took up my current position as a Senior Research Associate at the Department of Chemistry. I work closely with Professor Chris Abell and currently co-supervise his research group. My current research focus is in the area of fragment-based drug discovery. I am interested in using this methodology to develop novel inhibitors that can target enzymes specifically from Mycobacterium tuberculosis. I am excited to have been elected a Fellow and I am very much looking forward to being involved in life at Christ's College.



Mathew Horrocks

MATHEW HORROCKS elected a Junior Research Fellow It is a great honour to have been elected as a Junior Research Fellow at Christ's, a college with a rich history in Natural Sciences. After completing my undergraduate studies in Chemistry at Oriel College, University of Oxford, I moved to Cambridge to undertake a PhD with Professor David Klenerman. During this time, I developed microscopy techniques to investigate the oligomeric species believed to be responsible for Parkinson's Disease. Following this, I spent a

year as one of the Vice Chancellor's Research Fellows at the Illawarra Health and Medical Research Institute, University of Wollongong, Australia.

I have now returned to Cambridge to work with Dr Ragnhildur Thóra Káradóttir in the Stem Cell Institute. I am now using super resolution microscopy to investigate the role of white matter in brain function, and how damage to this may be involved in Alzheimer's Disease progression. In October, I will be taking up a Herchel Smith Fellowship to fund this research.

When not in the laboratory, I spend a lot of time training for and competing in triathlons, and am a member of the University triathlon club.

KATHRYN HOWLEY elected a Lady Wallis Budge Research Fellow

I'm very excited to be joining Christ's as a Junior Research Fellow and continuing the long and distinguished tradition of Egyptology at the College. While growing up in Birmingham my youthful dreams of emulating Indiana Jones failed to be replaced by any more practical ideas, so I read for a joint honours degree in Classics and Egyptology at Worcester College, Oxford, before moving to the US to undertake a



doctorate in Egyptology at Brown University. Since completing my PhD in May 2015, I have lectured in Egyptian art history at the Rhode Island School of Design in the US and at the University of East Anglia. Having fallen in love with East Anglia since arriving in Norwich, I'm very pleased that coming to Christ's means moving just down the road!

I study the art and material culture of ancient Egypt and Sudan in the first millennium BC, and in particular how the interactions of these two Nilotic cultures are reflected in archaeological remains. This happily means that I get to conduct fieldwork at several sites in both Egypt and Sudan, and during vacation periods I am most often to be found getting my hands dirty in the desert or a dusty museum storeroom. I'm very happy to be returning to a college community – especially one as welcoming as Christ's – and taking advantage of the lovely surroundings to begin a study of Egyptian-style temples in northern Sudan, unpicking the complex cultural influences and interactions that shaped them.

TONY HUNTER elected an Honorary Fellow

I was elected as a JRF in 1968. I was in residence from 1968– 1971 and then again from 1973–1974; from 1971–1973 I intermitted my fellowship and spent two years as a Research Associate at the Salk Institute for Biological Studies in La Jolla, California. I returned to California and took up an Assistant Professor position at the Salk Institute in 1975, and have been there ever since!

I have fond memories of my time in Christ's. For the first

three years I had a room in Third Court (in what is now the Blyth Building), and for my final year a room in Second Court (unfortunately not in the Fellows' Building). In addition to supervising biochemistry for Christ's undergraduates, who included Hugh Pelham, I played for the College first teams in squash, hockey and tennis. I was also Fellow in charge of the 1974 May Ball, which was a big success apart from the fact that one of the advertised bands was unable to play! I was married (for the first time!) in the chapel, and we had our reception on a glorious early July day in 1969 in the Fellows' Garden with Lord and Lady Todd in attendance. Because we did not have a television, I watched the historic moon walk on July 20, 1969 by myself on the set in the Fellows Room! Of course, I remember the wonderful food served on high table and for feasts, and the amazing selection of wines at dinner and in the Senior Combination Room.

During my two years in California my life style had changed significantly, and upon my return to the College I sported a long beard and long hair, and I wore a





Tony Hunter

macramé headband! Although no one made any comments when I dined on high table wearing a headband, I'm sure that many of the older Fellows were aghast.

When I left for California early in 1975, I must admit that I never dreamed that I would be elected as an Honorary Fellow, and it is indeed a great honour to have been recognized in this manner over 40 years after I left Christ's.



EMILY MCLAUGHLIN elected a Fellow

I am hugely excited to be taking up the post of Leverhulme Early Career Fellow in French at Christ's College this year. I grew up in Derry in Northern Ireland and studied French and Spanish as an undergraduate at Oxford University. After a brief spell in publishing, I did an MA at Royal Holloway and a DPhil at Balliol College, Oxford. I have been a Junior Research Fellow and a College Lecturer at The Queen's College, Oxford. My research focuses on contemporary French poetry, in

particular the relationship between poetry and thought. I am currently finishing a monograph on the poetry of Yves Bonnefoy for publication with Oxford University Press. *Yves Bonnefoy: The Performative and the Negative* analyses Bonnefoy's pronounced use of theatrical structures in his relatively neglected late work. Examining his highly performative poetics in the light of Jean-Luc Nancy's philosophy, the monograph explores the crucial role that his work plays in furthering some of the most pressing questions in twentieth- and twenty-first-century thought: finitude, subjectivity, community, materiality, and aesthetics.

In the coming year, I will be working on a new research project on contemporary poetics and ecological thought, investigating how strands of recent French and Francophone poetry use experimental formal practices to cultivate nonanthropocentric and ecologically aware modes of thought. This project will explore how form is conceived in relational terms by many contemporary poets, as a process of exchange that decenters and deprivileges human thought, and that allows us to conceive of forces like creativity, emotion, intelligence, or agency, not as uniquely human properties, but as qualities distributed in networks of relation.

I love teaching and I am excited at the prospect of engaging with the students on a wide range of topics. Christ's is a lively and inspiring college and I am very much looking forward to being part of its community.



#### RICHARD MORTIER elected a Fellow

I re-joined the Computer Laboratory from the University of Nottingham in January 2015, and recently also chose to join Christ's. Prior to spending time with the University of Nottingham, I founded and ran a startup, was a researcher at Microsoft Research Cambridge, and worked in the USA at Sprint ATL, California. Before all that, I did my degrees here in Cambridge, obtaining a PhD from the Computer Laboratory after completing my BA in Mathematics.

My background is in computer systems and networking. I've worked in a very broad range of Computer Science fields. While at Microsoft these included distributed systems performance, capturing and modelling the performance of computer systems

Emily McLaughlin

Richard Mortier

that involve software components running on multiple machines; on network routing, studying how the internet actually behaves as it moves data between your device and the servers you access; and on network management, inventing alternative ways to manage large corporate networks. While at Nottingham I began working in Human-Computer Interaction, including inventing new designable visual codes – like QR-codes but flexible enough to be created by professional designers so they actually look nice! – as well as developing technologies that make home networks easier to use and manage.

Now I'm back in Cambridge I'm continuing a related strand of work focused on Human-Data Interaction: how we can build technologies for personal data management that put us back in control of our online lives. It's good to be back!

#### Kylie Murray elected a Fellow

I am thrilled to be joining Christ's as Lecturer, Fellow, and Director of Studies in English. I work on the literature of Medieval Britain in English, Latin, French and Scots. At Christ's, I will be teaching literature from Britain c.1066-c.1550. I am a graduate of St Andrews, and Lincoln College, Oxford, where I completed my MSt and DPhil degrees in Medieval English and Older Scottish Literature. Before coming to Christ's, I was a British Academy Post-Doctoral Fellow in English at Balliol College, Oxford.



Kylie Murray

My first book, *The Making of the Scottish Dream-Vision*, is forthcoming from Oxford University Press, 2017. It looks at Scotland's distinctive response to literary dreams in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. Many of the primary texts on which I publish were first brought to light by Walter Skeat, another Christ's Medieval English specialist. I very much seek to continue his legacy by opening up access to these remarkable and celebrated works for our students.

Currently, I am working on a second book about the influence of Boethius in Medieval and Renaissance Scotland. I am also part of a British Academy collaborative project cataloguing Medieval Aristotle Commentary Manuscripts in the British Isles. Cambridge itself houses numerous manuscript and print treasures, and I am looking forward to incorporating these exceptional resources into the study of Medieval Literature at Christ's College.

#### ZEID RAAD elected an Honorary Fellow

I have one of the most meaningful jobs any international civil servant could wish for. The dismal state of human rights in much of the world today, guarantees it to be one of the most challenging too. Brutal conflicts, terrorism, torture, rising ethnic nationalisms (again), collapsing civil society space and room for dissent, discrimination, racism, deprivation and extreme poverty are all widespread and splashed daily across our broadsheets and the internet. My primary task is to



Zeid Raad

defend the victims of these violations, those who need to be heard. Not surprisingly, governments do not take kindly to public criticism of their rights records, no matter how well founded the evidence. Most react furiously and because they also fund my

office, a certain amount of skill is required to be both outspoken and solvent. It's a tightrope that fortunately, I am not alone in walking; alongside me in my office are 1,200 talented UN professionals, most of whom are human rights lawyers (indeed some of the world's best) promoting human rights world-wide, making the effort entirely collective. All of us are inspired by the extraordinary bravery of so many of the human rights defenders around the world, willing to forfeit all they have for the sake of standing firmly on the side of principle.

Still, the emotional strain imposed on those of us who challenge governments for defaulting on their human rights obligations is undeniably there. The continuous exposure to the suffering of the discriminated against and the disadvantaged – the victims – is also tough to bear over time. And for me, many of the diplomats from across the globe with whom I used to work, some of whom were friends, are now wary of me.

It was to be expected however. As my wife Sarah said to me on the day of my election by the UN General Assembly: "Be sure to enjoy your remaining time with your friends the ambassadors, for they won't be friends for much longer!"

With these circumstances in mind, when I received the Master's letter inviting me to join the Honorary Fellowship, I was simply delighted. Christ's for me was a joyful and thoroughly stimulating experience where many of the friendships formed then, some thirty years ago, still remain. And although I did not quite realise this at the time, my long discussions with the late, and extraordinarily talented, Davidson Nicol, may well have implanted in me the idea of a career at the UN. Like him, I was fortunate enough to later preside over the UN Security Council and go on to lead a UN office or agency.

Over the years, I have enjoyed bumping into members of the College like Honorary Fellow Sir Christopher Ricks, or collaborating professionally with former members like Sir Stewart Eldon, who played a crucial role in the Security Council representing the United Kingdom. I was fortunate to know too the former Foreign Minister of Singapore (and Honorary Fellow) George Yeo, whose interventions at international conferences were always thoughtful and much admired. And recently, I also worked with Professor G L Peiris, the former foreign minister of Sri Lanka, who was once a distinguished visiting Fellow of the College. Today, I often see and correspond actively with the Foreign Minister of the Maldives, Dunya Maumoon, who was at Christ's around the same time I was. All of us, representing different countries and perspectives, yet bound together by the unique experience of being associated at one time with this great Cambridge College.



Michael Stock

MICHAEL STOCK elected Charles Darwin and Galápagos Islands Fellow

I am honoured to be joining the fellowship at Christ's College this year as the first Charles Darwin and Galápagos Islands Fellow. My background is in geology, and I am enormously excited to continue my research at the college where Darwin developed his love of natural sciences.

I spent a significant proportion of my childhood exploring the British countryside in Cornwall, the Lake District and the

South Downs. During this time, I acquired a fascination with the natural world that led me to read Geology for my undergraduate degree at the University of

Southampton. I moved to Worcester College, Oxford, for my DPhil in Volcanology and Igneous Petrology. My postgraduate research focused on developing novel methods to decipher sub-volcanic processes through chemical analysis of erupted rocks and minerals. In particular, I looked at the mineral apatite and how this can be used to assess the behaviour of gaseous elements dissolved in magmas beneath the Earth's surface. These gases provide the driving-force for volcanic eruptions, and through combined chemical analysis and thermodynamic modelling I was able to identify potential 'warning' signs that might be observed at the Earth's surface before an eruption of the Campi Flegrei volcano in Naples, Italy.

Although Darwin is best known for his seminal contribution to evolutionary biology, he was foremost a geologist. At Christ's, I will be following in his footsteps, investigating the petrology and geochemistry of erupted volcanic rocks on the Galápagos Islands. Using state-of-the-art analytical techniques, I hope to unravel the petrologic record of pre-eruptive magmatic processes in the archipelago, identifying eruption triggers and controls on the style of volcanic activity. Additionally, the islands provide a unique natural laboratory that I will utilise to investigate the fundamental link between volcanic processes at the Earth's surface and the mechanisms of magma generation deep in its interior. Galápagos is one of the world's most volcanically active regions and eruptions pose a significant threat to the islands' ecology and human population. Ultimately, my work will aid in hazard assessment, and will feed into civil and wildlife protection efforts.

#### ANDREW STEWART elected a Fellow

I first joined Christ's as a medical student in 2005, and have been here ever since. Having completed my undergraduate medical training I started supervising pharmacology for the medical students while finishing my PhD and clinical training. I remained at the college as a bye fellow following qualification as a clinician, and most recently I have been the Director of Studies for Pre-Clinical Medicine. I am thrilled to now be elected to the fellowship.



My academic, clinical and teaching interests are centred on renal tubular physiology, pathology and pharmacology. I undertook my PhD with Professor Mike Edwardson in the Department of pharmacology here in Cambridge using atomic force microscopy to assess the structure of a number of proteins. These included the epithelial sodium channel (EnaC) the target of the drug amiloride and cause of Liddle's syndrome and uromodulin the defective protein in familial juvenile hyperuricemic nephropathy. I have continued my interest in tubular biology and nanotechnology by working with Professor Fiona Karet in the Cambridge Institute of Medical Research. My current research is focused on differentiating urinary exosomes by the segment of the nephron from which they originate. I use techniques including dynamic light scattering, nanoparticle tracking, flow cytometry and high resolution fluorescent microscopy. The aim of this work is to use variations in the number of exosomes from each tubular segment as a non-invasive marker of pathology. I continue my clinical training as an academic clinical fellow in renal medicine.

I look forward to being further involved in Christ's as a member of the fellowship.

Andrew Stewart



David Trippett

#### DAVID TRIPPETT elected a Fellow

I am delighted to be returning to Christ's after several years at the University of Bristol, where I was Reader in Music. One of the benefits of moving away is that one gains perspective, and to leave and return to Christ's has redoubled my appreciation of the inspiring environment, warm colleagues and glorious grounds of the College. It is a privilege to return.

After leaving Christ's as a Junior Research Fellow in 2013, I moved to Bristol, where the Georgian delights of Clifton made their mark. Here my research into 19th Century aesthetics increasingly shifted towards the history of science and digital technologies for music. One example is a project relating to phrenology and theories of brain localisation, which has become one part of my research into musical materialism. Leading British phrenologists spoke of a 'Faculty of Tune' (by which they meant general musical intelligence rather than anything to do with melody *per se*), and sought to rationalise musical pedagogy into a quasi-automatic system that could be applied to any individual – all guided by cranial examinations, of course. More recent articles have focussed on Wagner's little known mature piano works, literary responses to Wagner's *Ring* cycle, and scientific approaches to melodic theory, from Aristoxenus to Schoenberg.

My impulse to study relatively arcane corners of 19th-century history forms part of a larger research project I am pursuing into Sound and Materialism in the 19th Century; this is actually the title of a five-year project, funded by the European Research Council, about which I'm quite excited. It will bring three postdoctoral researchers to Cambridge in due course, where together we'll be examining everything from train sounds and historical hearing aids to materialist philosophies of mind and stage technology. This work sits alongside two other ongoing projects: into an abandoned opera by Franz Liszt (*Sardanapale*); and a book on sound and virtual reality, both funded by a Philip Leverhulme Prize.

Alongside this funding, I am very fortunate to have received two awards for my books since leaving College in 2013: the Bruno Nettl prize (Society for Ethnomusicology) for *The Origins of Music*, and the Lewis Lockwood Award (American Musicological Society) for *Wagner's Melodies*.

I've also been blessed with a second daughter, Emilia (now 19 months), who joins her sister (Persephone, just 5) in causing delightful mayhem at home. Both keep me on my toes, join me at the piano every now and then, and continue to remind me how important brevity is in communication. I'll stop there.



Richard Turner

#### RICHARD TURNER elected a Fellow

I am delighted to become a Fellow of Christ's College. It seems only a short while ago that I was an undergraduate at Caius College (matriculating in 1999) where I studied Natural Sciences. I specialised in Physics with the goal of using theoretical and computational tools from the physical sciences to study information processing and learning in the brain. Following that path, I studied for a PhD at the Gatsby Computational Neuroscience Unit at UCL, before taking up

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an EPSRC Postdoctoral Research Fellowship that I spent in Cambridge and New York University.

I have been a University Lecturer in the Department of Engineering since 2012. My research group's interests span the fields of machine learning, computational neuroscience, hearing research and signal processing. We're developing state-of-theart algorithms for one-shot learning that can extrapolate from very small numbers of novel examples in much the way humans can, as well as building intelligent hearing tests and devices that leverage machine learning.

FELIX WALDMANN elected a Junior Research Fellow I am delighted to be joining Christ's College as a Junior Research Fellow. I grew up in Sydney, Australia, before crossing the planet to read History as an undergraduate at Caius (2006–9). I completed my doctorate there in May 2016, after an MPhil in Political Thought and Intellectual History (2010-11) and a year at Princeton as a Jane Eliza Procter Fellow (2009–10).

My research so far has focused on the intellectual history of late 17th and 18th Century Europe. My doctorate centred

on the history of philosophy in the 18th Century Kingdom of Naples, and particularly the work of Antonio Genovesi (1713–69) – a somewhat obscure metaphysician and political economist from Salerno. On the side, I have also worked on the life and manuscripts of David Hume (1711–76) and John Locke (1632–1704).

I am excited to have four years at Christ's to convert my doctorate into a monograph, and to commence a new project on the teaching of philosophy in Enlightenment Italy. I am also thrilled to be joining Christ's vibrant community of Fellows, staff, and students – while having the chance to rediscover Cambridge, after a long absence in Naples.

JIM WARWICK and JANE DOMINEY elected Lady Margaret Beaufort Fellows

We both matriculated at Cambridge in 1983 – Jim at Christ's and Jane at Queens'. Jim initially read Natural Sciences before realising the maths was too hard and switched to the then new Part II Computer Sciences from which he graduated. The maths was not too hard for Jane, who successfully graduated in the subject.

Following graduation, Jim joined Analysys, a then small Cambridge based telecoms consultancy, as IT director. In 2000 Jim led a piece of planning work for a new Cambridge start-up, Abcam (a Cambridge spin-out founded by Jonathan Milner to support life-science researchers) which led to him joining the company as Technical Director when it had around seven employees.

Jim helped design Abcam's business model which combined the then emerging techniques from retail e-commerce systems to catalogue and organise the explosion of information arising from the innovations in life-science research. The company has done well – floating on AIM in 2005 and growing to now employ around 900 staff in nine offices globally. Jim is now Chief Operating Officer and one of the executive directors on the board.



Felix Waldmann





Outside of Abcam he holds a couple of non-executive posts for Quartix (a Cambridge start-up which develops and markets vehicle telematics systems) and Cambridge Nutraceuticals (a recently founded food supplements start-up formed originally from IP developed within Abcam) as well as being a Governor of Chesterton Community College.

Following graduation, Jane volunteered at a project for homeless people in London. This was originally intended as a gap year plan before postgraduate study but became the first step in a career as a Probation Officer. Jane worked for the probation service in London, Leicester and Cambridge before leaving practice for an academic post at De Montfort University in 2001. Jane returned to the University of Cambridge in 2011 as a full-time PhD student at Lucy Cavendish College. She now works as a post-doc Research Associate at the Institute of Criminology. Her research interests include probation supervision, community justice and the role of the penal voluntary sector. She is also involved in teaching, including the supervision of Christ's Law undergraduates.

We continue to live in Cambridge. Our two children (now aged 18 and 20) have grown up enjoying the city's opportunities (including, for both of them, the opportunity to study maths at Hills Road Sixth Form College). We are pleased that we are able to contribute to a number of projects providing practical support and financial help for young people in Cambridgeshire and at the University. This includes our endowment of the Warwick Studentship in the Sciences, providing funding for graduate students (who are very good at maths).

We are honoured and delighted to be elected Lady Margaret Beaufort Fellows.

#### Erratum

In last year's *Magazine*, Dr Christopher Thomas was incorrectly listed as Thompson in the New Senior Members' section. We apologise for this error.

#### Fellows' News, Academic Activities and Honours

PROFESSOR CHRIS ABELL (Fellow) was the first Director of Postdoctoral Affairs (30% time) in the University from 2013–2015. He stood down in December 2015, and on 1 January 2016 became the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research. Professor Abell has also been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society.

PROFESSOR SIR DAVID CANNADINE (Honorary Fellow) is to become the thirtieth President of the British Academy. He will take up office in July 2017.

DR DUNCAN BELL'S (Fellow) new book *Reordering the World: Essays on Liberalism and Empire* is to be published by Princeton University Press this year.

PROFESSOR JOHN CLARKE (Honorary Fellow) was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2015.

PROFESSOR LINDA COLLEY (Honorary Fellow) was appointed this year to serve on Lord Stern's steering committee to review REF, the UK's Research Excellence Framework. She has delivered a Lowell Humanities Lecture at Boston College, USA; the Thomas Jefferson Foundation Lecture at the University of Virginia, USA; and the John Mackintosh Lecture at Edinburgh University. A profile of her career in history was published in the *British Academy Review* in June 2016.

PROFESSOR SIR MICHAEL EDWARDS (Honorary Fellow) was awarded France's highest distinction, the Légion d'honneur, by the French President. In December 2015 he became the first British person to preside over a public session of the Académie française. He also published *Bible et poésie* and a book of poems, *L'Infiniment proche*.

**PROFESSOR** SANJEEV GOYAL (Fellow) has secured a large three year European Horizon 2020 Grant, worth  $\notin$ 2.6 million to conduct large scale experiments to understand human behaviour in complex networks.

In November 2015 D R Y U S U F H A M I E D (Honorary Fellow) was put forward by UN chief Ban Ki-moon to sit on a high-level panel for health technology innovation and access, in an effort to escalate investments in research and development for diseases where financial returns are not guaranteed. Dr Hamied was awarded a Life-Time Achievement Award from the Indian Drug



Dr Hamied with the Vice-Chancellor

Manufacturers Association in January 2016. In March 2016 Dr Hamied was presented with the inaugural Alumni Medal by the Department of Chemistry in recognition of "services to the community that have brought honour to the University of Cambridge Department of Chemistry".

PROFESSOR SIR PETER HIRSCH (Honorary Fellow) writes that his wife, Steve, passed away on 15 June 2016, aged 98, after a long illness. Some of the older Fellows, Emeritus and Honorary Fellows may remember her. On a lighter note,

he was interviewed for the British Library's Oral History of British Science project. This interview will be accessible soon to the public through the oral history section of the British Library website (http://sounds.bl.uk).

DR MATHEW HORROCKS (Fellow) has obtained a Herchel Smith Fellowship at the University, which starts in October.

PROFESSOR MARTIN JOHNSON (Fellow) was invited to give the annual R G Edwards Lecture by the Indian Association of Clinical Embryologists in Jaipur.

Professor Simon Tavaré, President of the London Mathematical Society and Fellow of Christ's; Professor Frank Kelly; Professor Chris Linton, President of the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications



PROFESSOR FRANK KELLY (Master) was presented with the David Crighton Medal for "services both to mathematics and to the mathematical community". The award is made by the London Mathematical Society and the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications.

PROFESSOR SIR PETER LACHMANN (Fellow) is the founder of a new company, Gyroscope Therapeutics, set up by Syncona (the venture capital branch of the Wellcome Trust) and Cambridge Enterprise with laboratories at the Veterinary School. Gyroscope aims to exploit the work of his group on the complement system to develop novel therapies for Age Related Macular Degeneration, the most common cause of blindness in the old.

DR TOM MONIE (Fellow) had two scientific research papers on the innate immune system shortlisted for the 2016 Federation of European Biochemical Societies Award. From 1 October 2016 he will be taking on the role of Academic Director for Biological Sciences at the University's Institute of Continuing Education at Madingley Hall.

DR ANUP PATEL (Fellow) has been awarded a European Society for Applied Superconductivity prize for his work on magnetic levitation between HTS tape stacks and permanent magnets for rotary bearing applications.



Baby Ludo

PROFESSOR SIR KEITH PETERS (Honorary Fellow) was awarded an Honorary Degree by the University of Cambridge on 15 June 2016.

DR SOPHIE READ (Fellow) and DR JONATHAN MORGAN (former Fellow) had their second child, Oscar Ludovic Edward Martin (to be known as Ludo), on 11 May 2016.

PROFESSOR DAVID REYNOLDS (Fellow), having completed his two-year Chairmanship of the History Faculty, wrote and presented a two-part series on BBC Radio 4 in February 2016 for the centenary of the Battle of Verdun. He is now working with Russian colleagues on a complete annotated edition of Stalin's correspondence with Churchill and Roosevelt, 1941–5, drawing on new material from Russian, British and American archives. Supported by a major grant from the Leverhulme Trust, this is scheduled for publication in 2018. His book of multinational research on Cold War summitry entitled *Transcending the Cold War: Summits, Statecraft and the Dissolution of Bipolarity in Europe, 1970–1990* was published by Oxford University Press in September 2016 and was co-edited with P R O F E S S O R K R I S T I N A S P O H R of the London School of Economics (Junior Research Fellow 2001–2004).

SIR NICHOLAS SEROTA (Honorary Fellow) was awarded an Honorary Degree by the University of Cambridge on 15 June 2016.

DR DAVID THOMAS (Fellow) won the Department of Medicine Post Doctorate poster prize and was runner up in the Lancet's Young Investigator of the Year Competition (organised by the Academy of Medical Sciences) for his work on *Eros – a Novel Transmembrane Protein Essential for Host Defence and the Phagocyte Respiratory Burst.* 

DR DAVID TRIPPETT (Fellow) was promoted to Senior Lecturer within the Faculty of Music, and gave endowed guest lectures at Stanford, UC Davis, and Duke University.

DR JASON VARUHAS (Bye Fellow) has been appointed an Associate Professor/Reader at the University of Melbourne Law School.

DR CARRIE VOUT (Fellow) curated the exhibition *Following Hercules: the Story of Classical Art* at the Fitzwilliam Museum which ran from September to December 2015.

**PROFESSOR** SIR DILLWYN WILLIAMS (Honorary Fellow) gave the annual Totovic lecture and received the Totovic medal from the International Academy of Pathology in Germany in Bonn in March. He also gave a plenary lecture at an International Conference on the Consequences of the Chernobyl Accident at the International Agency for Research on Cancer in Lyon in June.

D R A D R I A N Y E O (Honorary Fellow) has been Adjunct Professor at the Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, since 2006. A former Cabinet Minister in the Singapore Government for 14 years, with portfolios in Communications, Information, National Development, and Defence, he lectures on government and public policy to senior government officials from China, India, Vietnam, Philippines, and other Asian countries.

M R GEORGE YEO (Honorary Fellow) took over from Professor Amartya Sen as the second Chancellor of Nalanda University in Bihar, India, in July 2015. Nalanda is the revival of an ancient university in India, probably the world's first, which existed between the 5th and the 12th century. More information of the revival of Nalanda as a secular postgraduate university can be found at www.nalandauniv.edu.in. DR BERNARDO ZACKA (Fellow) was awarded the 2015 Robert Noxon Toppan Prize from Harvard University for his dissertation *When the State Meets the Street: Moral Agency and Discretionary Power at the Frontlines of Public Service.* 

D R A L E S S I O C I U L L I (former Fellow) was awarded the 2015 European Federation for Medicinal Chemistry (EFMC) Prize for a Young Medicinal Chemist in Academia. This annual prize was established by the EFMC to acknowledge and recognise the work of outstanding young medicinal chemists (within 10 years of completion of a PhD) working in academia within Europe. Dr Ciulli was also awarded



Reverend Dr Mark Smith collecting his PhD

the International Chemical Biology Society (ICBS) 2015 Young Chemical Biologist Award for his accomplishments as a young chemical biologist, his ground-breaking contributions to chemical biology, and his promise as a future leader to serve the chemical biology community.

REVEREND DR MARK SMITH (College Chaplain and Director of Studies in Theology), received his PhD in Theology, from Cambridge, in April 2016. His thesis was on fifth century church history.
## Staff News



John Roland Giles Pitcaithly



Jack and Zara Heneghan This year we are lucky enough to have three new babies to report. **Rebecca Pitcaithly** (Senior Development Officer) gave birth to a gorgeous baby boy, John Roland Giles Pitcaithly, on 11 August 2015.

**Matthew Woosnam** from the Maintenance team and his wife Katie, became proud parents with the birth of Hector James Woosnam on 21 August 2015.

**Darren Heneghan**, also from the Maintenance department, welcomed a baby boy into the world on 16 September 2016. Jack Lewis James Heneghan is a little brother for Zara.



Hector James Woosnam

**Beth Blakeman's** (Alumni Relations Officer) daughter, Georgia, competed in her first Powerlifting competition at the end of June. At the age of 17 and weighing in at only 49.5kg she lifted a total of 207.5kg over three disciplines and has qualified to compete at the British Junior Championships being held in Newcastle in October. She is also able to 'unofficially' claim the British record for her age/weight group in the Bench Press, which she will hopefully claim 'officially' in October!



Georgia Blakeman at the Powerlifting competition

**Carmel Marshall** (Catering Office Account Clerk) and her husband **Tony** (Executive Head Chef) celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on 23 March 2016 with family and close friends. They were married in the College Chapel and had their wedding breakfast in the OCR. They said of their wedding: "it was a lovely day within a venue that has become a big part of our lives for many years now". Not long after their anniversary, they went on to celebrate their daughter Bethany's marriage on 11 June 2016 at Cambridge Registry Office followed by lots of eating, drinking, dancing and merriment at a local hotel. Congratulations to all the family!

We are delighted to extend our congratulations to a number of staff members for their achievements over the past twelve months. **Jo Taylor** (Senior Tutor's Assistant) received her MA in History from Birkbeck, University of London. **Matthew Woosnam, Wayne Bell**, **John Dearden** (all Maintenance Department) and **Chris Austin** (Accounts) took part in the Cambridge Town & Gown 10k race in October 2015. They ran in aid of muscular dystrophy and all made it round the course (although some quicker than others!). It didn't stop there for **Chris Austin**. He went on to take part in the Edinburgh marathon in May to raise money for College to celebrate 25 years as a member of staff, and completed the race in the very fast time of 3 hours 15 minutes and 25 seconds.



There are also a number of staff changes to report. We were sad to say goodbye to **Lottie Collis**, Deputy Head Gardener and Bee Keeper here at Christ's, in January 2016. She left to take up the position of Head Gardener at Newnham College, Cambridge.

Our Head Gardner, **Steve Griffiths** is also set for pastures new when he leaves Christ's this summer.

Steve has worked for the College for 25 years and says: "I have enjoyed working at Christ's so much; it's like working for one large family. Thank you to everyone for making Christ's such an amazing place to be." We wish Steve all the best for the future.



Head Porter, Kevin Cash, with David Broadley

The Christ's Gardening team

wishing Lottie a

fond farewell

Our Deputy Head Porter, **David Broadley**, retired at the end of June having worked at Christ's for just under ten years. He took up his role at College in 2006 after retiring from a career in Human Resources at Royal Mail. We wish him all the best. The College is delighted to have appointed Roy Sloane as the new Deputy Head Porter. Before coming to Christ's Roy was an Inspector in London

Police then prior to that, a Sergeant in The Black Watch regiment of the Army.

The Porters' Lodge saw more change earlier in the year with the departure of **Ian Benstead** who left the College for the sunny south coast, as he has bought a pub in Cornwall. Ian had been a porter at Christ's for nearly eleven years and he hopes to make regular trips back to Cambridge to visit family and friends.



The finished portrait of Kevin Cash by Louise Riley Smith Our very own Head Porter, **Kevin Cash**, recently featured in an art exhibition and writes: "I was first made aware of the 'Head Porter' series of portraits by Louise Riley Smith when a colleague at Emmanuel, who had just had his portrait painted, showed me a photograph of his portrait. The idea of painting all of Cambridge's Head Porters would certainly be a challenge.

Louise contacted me and spoke about the project and time requirement (five or six one hour sessions). The thought of sitting and reading a book for an hour appealed as it would offer a safe space and time to reflect. How wrong this turned out to be. I had to stand! If you

have ever had to stand stationary for an hour you will appreciate how difficult this can be, especially when your curiosity is roused with students passing, looking at the work in progress and glancing back at the subject with varying facial expressions. However, Louise had insisted I would not be allowed to view the portrait until completion."

The finished portrait was a great success and the exhibition took place in the Pitt Building, Trumpington Street, Cambridge between 18 and 25 June 2016.

The Library team were delighted to welcome **John Wagstaff** as the new College Librarian in June 2016. John joins the College from the University of Illinois, where

he was Head of the Music & Performing Arts Library. Previously, he worked as Music Faculty Librarian at the University of Oxford. The Library team said a very fond farewell to **Amelie Roper**, former College Librarian, in December 2015. Amelie made an enormous contribution to the Library during her time with the College and we wish her all the best in her role as Curator, Digital Music at the British Library. There have been a few further changes to the Library staff. **Charlotte Hoare** joined the team as Senior Library Assistant in June 2015, having worked previously at the English Faculty Library and St John's College Library, Cambridge. Charlotte has taken over the role from **James Smith** who has been appointed Assistant Librarian. The Graduate Trainee for 2015–16, **Nick Butler**, will complete his traineeship in August 2016 and has proved an invaluable member of the Library team. We wish to thank Nick for all his work over the past year, not least his excellent contribution to the current Library exhibition, *Off the beaten track: documenting discovery in the long 19th century*. You can find out more about the exhibition here: www.christs.cam.ac.uk/off-the-beaten-track

On 7 April there was a celebratory lunch in the Buttery held to mark the long service of our members of staff. **Chris Austin** (Assistant Accountant), **Steve Griffiths** (Head Gardener) and **Teresa McManus** (Domestic Supervisor) have each worked at the College for the past 25 years.



From left to right: Chris Austin, Teresa McManus, Professor Frank Kelly (Master) and Steve Griffiths

Changes were also afoot in Upper Hall over the Easter vacation. Staff and students returned to find the space renovated, complete with new salad bar and serving areas. It has been well received and has made mealtimes even more enjoyable!



The completed renovation in Upper Hall

On 26 and 27 June this year a group of current and previous members of staff, including their friends and families, met for an annual golf competition at the Manor of Groves Golf Course in Hertfordshire. 28 golfers took part and played for the Dick Lawrence Memorial Cup. The Cup was won this year by Miguel Spina (friend of the College). The players extend their thanks to all



those who donated prizes for the raffle which raised £320 for Macmillan Cancer Support. The venue for 2017 has yet to be decided but it will take place over 25 and 26 June. If you would like to play, please contact the Development Office.

Miguel Spina (centre) collecting the trophy alongside Brian Ferris (Left; Maintenance) and Donald Keeble (Right; Porter)

## Students

#### **Reports from Clubs and Societies**

Each report is composed by the President or Captain of the society concerned.

#### THE JCR

#### Website: www.thejcr.co.uk

President: James Fox Vice-President: Sophie Parry Treasurer: Andreas Ioannou Committee: Arqum Anwa, Sophie Bodanis, Alexandra Boulton, Phelan Chatterjee, Sam Dunbavin, Fergus Egan, Ed Farrow, Ryan Frost, James Jarvis, Mariane Lisboa, George Lord, Chloe Marsh, Arjun Rajani, Laura Scully, Hannah Taylor Lewis, Richard Tynan, Heloise Ungless

The year began with a fantastic Freshers' Week, which was superbly organised and overseen by the Freshers' Reps Sam Dunbavin and Chloe Marsh. The timetable was carefully thought out to include a balance of activities suiting varied personalities and to ensure that the transition to Cambridge life was as easy as possible for the incoming students. Nevertheless, I know that this October the competent Nancy Thorpe and Sam Perkins will seek to match, if not surpass, this benchmark.

I am also indebted to the Welfare Officers throughout this year who have worked tirelessly to ensure the friendly, supportive and inclusive atmosphere that we all cherish at Christ's. Arjun Rajani and Hannah Taylor Lewis held these crucial positions in Michaelmas term and magnificently handled the responsibility of easing new students into the Cambridge workload. After Christmas, Fergus Egan and Mariane Lisboa seamlessly took over and kindly continued the increasingly popular weekly 'Tea + Talk' amongst other events.

The social calendar was packed full by the outstanding Laura Scully (Ents) with other excursions, talks and events organized by Arqum Anwar (Internationals), Phelan Chatterjee (Ethnic Minorities) and George Lord (Fourth Year Rep). Heloise Ungless and Greg Harker (sequential LGBT+ Officers) similarly hosted socials throughout the year, whilst lobbying for the Rainbow flag to be flown above Christ's in solidarity with other colleges to mark the beginning of LGBT+ History Month. I thank the outgoing Master, Frank Kelly, and the rest of the Governing Body, for their progressive thinking in this regard.

I've been fortunate to have had three amazing Access Officers during my time as President. Rohan Last, Ryan Frost and Chaya Kupperman have wonderfully coordinated with the Admissions Office and mobilized large numbers of student volunteers to undertake the vital access work ensuring Christ's remains inclusive and accessible for all. Their work coordinating Open Days, College tours and visits to our target areas (Lincolnshire, Worcestershire, Herefordshire, and Harrow) has resulted in Christ's having more applications than ever.

Undoubtedly, the Sports day that we organised against our sister college in Oxford, Wadham, was one of my highlights as President. The aim was to re-establish an historic inter-college relationship. The result was a day out for Christ's sporting elite to take on Wadham on their home turf. Although Wadham turned out to host a surprising number of strong athletes, and despite their attempts at some pre-rowing sabotage, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day that ended with a joint formal

socialising with our 'rivals'. We look forward to greeting them on their return visit to Christ's next year!

Ed Farrow (Charities) compiled the JCR's first Charity Calendar at Christmas, which we look forward to offering to more alumni, staff and Fellows next year. Alexandra Boulton and Lily Freeman-Jones (sequential Green Officers) established 'Green Monday', an initiative limiting the amount of red meat served on Mondays (to increase the awareness of both the environmental and health benefits). They also coordinated the popular Garden Tours, which enabled the gardeners to reveal the historic and contemporary delights of the extensive college gardens. We all also look forward to Richard Tynan's (Webmaster) redesigned website after the summer. James Jarvis (Catering and Facilities) carried out his duties throughout the year to perfection as we are now finalising the plans for our complete refurbishment of the TV and JCR room over the summer.

Finally, I'd like to thank Sophie Parry and James Burn (Sequential Vice-Presidents) for their support throughout the year and Andreas Ioannou (Treasurer) for his astute management of the JCR's finances. I've been truly humbled by the hard work and energy put in by the rest of the team and I also thank the dedicated staff, Fellows and other students that have helped secure the JCR's position at the centre of student life at Christ's.



Rainbow flag flying at Christ's for LGBT+ History Month

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President: Liz Chan Secretary: Jake Pollock Treasurer: Gavin Rutledge Committee: Matt Baron, Nigel Burke, Rachel Cliffe, Sophia Cooke, Ben Gilding, Kim Groothuis, Sean Heisler, Hayden Henderson, Johannes Lauenstein, Jean Lavarenne, Raghd Rostom

Over the last few years, the graduate community at Christ's College has grown larger and livelier. This year, Christ's College was home to almost 250 graduate students from MPhils to PhDs and what better place to connect us all than the MCR?

This year's MCR events were especially well attended. During Freshers' week, old and new graduate students connected over picnics, BBQs and punting. We used seasonal events as an excuse to show off our pumpkin carving skills for Halloween, to warm up on mulled wine and mince pies at a Christmas charity sale and to dance until late at the Burns Night ceilidh. We celebrated ends of terms at bops and superhalls, and then relaxed during film nights, afternoon tea and theatre trips. We even picked up some new skills at a sushi making workshop! Of course, we are all academics at heart – we showcased and shared the exceptional research conducted by MCR members and Fellows in our College during our jointly hosted SCR-MCR Emerging Research Seminar Series. We gathered to discuss current events such as the ethics of genome editing during the Changing Health Seminar and held a debate closely examining the arguments complicating the Brexit debate. Most recently, the MCR saw a re-launch of the pre-grad hall talks, where MCR members introduce their research in an informal setting over a pleasant glass of wine.

Entering into summer term, we are preparing for more garden parties, BBQs and of course the well anticipated May Ball. In October, we will be saying goodbye to our successful graduands and welcoming a fresh wind of new talent.

Christ's College is home to a group of exceptionally talented and hardworking academics conducting world-class research. The MCR will continue to provide a great environment for them to connect, relax and make the most out of their time here in Cambridge.

Liz Chen

### CHRIST'S COLLEGE ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

The Christ's College Association Football Club (CCAFC) has enjoyed a tremendous campaign during the 2015–16 season. Having suffered consecutive, disappointing relegations down to division 3, the aim for the 1st team was to get back to the higher divisions, where we belong in accordance with our illustrious history. This project of re-building was emphasized by the integration of new and experienced players into a team, which gelled together superbly as the season progressed. Having started the season with two convincing league wins, a narrow 1–0 defeat to division 2 side Darwin in Cuppers and a disappointing league loss to historic rivals Sidney Sussex left us with a mixed first half of the season.

However, in Lent term we really pushed on with our promotion aspirations, beating Jesus and CCCC (Corpus Christi) in hard-fought victories. The combination of rock solid defending and creative attacking football, big victories over Fitzwilliam and Gonville & Caius left us knowing a win against third-placed Clare in the final game of the season would send us up in 2nd place. Coming back from 3–1 down at halftime to a deserved 3–3 draw against Clare resulted in an uncertain end to the season regarding promotion. Due to complications with other teams having not played all their games, definite confirmation of our promotion has still not been received, but I have been informed that 'without a compelling reason', we will be promoted.

Despite the uncertain end to the league campaign, our run in the Plate competition was ultimately the highlight of the season. An impressive 4–1 win over division 1 Trinity Hall at the end of Michaelmas and another crushing 4–1 victory over King's in the semi-final, arguably our best performance all year, gave us a mouth-watering chance to get revenge against arch-rivals Sidney Sussex in the final. After a gruelling, relatively entertaining but goalless 120 minutes, the excitement continued into a nail-biting penalty shoot-out, which thanks to the goalkeeping heroics of Yumi Deng and the cool penalty-taking of Christ's players we finished 13–12 and victorious. A special mention must go to Stephen 'Gas' Harrison, who incredibly passed the century mark of goals for the CCAFC, finishing his ten season tenure at the club with 102 goals, an achievement which is unlikely to ever be matched in College football. Stephen embodies all the values that our club stands for and it

will be impossible to replace not only his exceptional footballing ability, but also his personality and role as a father figure in the CCAFC. (Stephen's number 10 shirt, signed by all the players, will be exhibited permanently in the College Buttery as recognition of his outstanding contribution to the Club and College).

The 2nd team also had a good season, finishing 4th in Division 4. Having won all their games in Michaelmas, promotion was a definite objective. Unfortunately, some narrow defeats left the 2s just shy of promotion, but overall it was a pleasing season, emphasised by the large number of 2nd team players that made the step up to the 1st XI without difficulty.

Fresh off their promotion last year, the 3rd team struggled a little more than the previous season, but enthusiasm remained high and we hope that the 3s will continue to perform well next season.

Overall, as Captain, I must say how proud I am of the boys for what we have achieved this season. The commitment, passion and support has surpassed all expectations and the Plate final victory in particular is certainly one of the favourite memories of my time at Christ's so far. I wish the very best to Kenki Matsumoto, the new 1st team Captain, and hope that next season we can build on this success and secure another promotion to return to the top division of college football. The Club continues to go from strength to strength on and off the pitch and the future certainly looks promising.

Alex Reeds

### ATHLETICS AND CROSS COUNTRY

Christ's has enjoyed a highly successful 2015–2016 Athletics and Cross Country season. Experienced students and a strong fresher intake ensured that the College stood out over the mud and on the track.

The highlight of Michaelmas term was the Christ's women finishing second at the Annual Cross Country Cuppers held at Wandlebury. Finalist and Women's Captain Nadia Ogilvie was joined by fresher Florence Stansall-Seiler, post-graduate Hannah Green and 2nd Year Sofia Pedersen, who all finished well to secure second place behind a strong Pembroke team that boasted two Blues runners. Individual performances from Florence Stansall-Seiler and Christ's Men's Captain Henry McTernan that day saw them qualify for selected spots for the Varsity Match held in Shotover in Oxford, each reaching the Cambridge 2nd Teams.

The University Athletics season reached its climax at the beginning of Easter Term with this year's Varsity Match held at Iffley Road in Oxford, where Roger Bannister

was the first to break the Four-Minute Mile. A range of Christ's students qualified for the Blues and 2nd Teams on the track that day. Fourth-Year Patrick Calver, competing in his second Varsity, competed in the Men's Alverstones Team for 200m Hurdles. Florence Stansall-Seiler built on the promise she had shown over the Cross Country season to achieve Blue's representation for the 2000m



Laura Cook competing in the 400m hurdles

Steeplechase and Laura Cook, another promising fresher, comfortably won her 400m Hurdles event for the Women's Alligators. Fresher Laragh Harvey-Kelly and Finalist Nadia Bates topped off the immensely strong female Christ's contingent competing at Varsity with strong performances in the Alligator's Javelin and Mile events respectively.

As an average-sized college, Christ's has performed admirably in achieving such levels of success at both inter-collegiate and University levels. With many athletes returning next year, the College hopes to build on this.

Henry McTernan

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Team list: Daniel Adeyemi, Matthias Bauer, Antoine Feylessoufi, Steve Foulkes, Jonathan Ho, Mpampis Kouratzoglou, Geoff Nelson, Eoghan O'Neill, Benny Wong.

The season has been a huge success for our Christ's/LMB basketball team. The team finished the season with nine wins, one draw and one loss overall, with two promotions in one season and advanced to cupper's semi-finals, the best record in our team's history.

Having lost none of our players and with the addition of two quality players from MPhil programmes, the season started very well for us with four straight wins in Division 3 and snatching the 1st spot of the division, earning a guaranteed promotion to Division 2. Things got tougher in Lent as Division 2 was more physical, however our team stayed strong and manged to pull off two wins, one draw and one loss, earning the 2nd spot in the division and a promotion game. It was a great performance by Geoff Nelson in the promotion game and our team will be playing in Division 1 for next season.

The team continued with its strong momentum in Cuppers and advanced to the semi-finals with ease, only missing the finals by two points losing to a strong Gurdon Institute side. This season has seen solid performances from everybody on the team, notably Steve Foulkes, Benny Wong, Mpampis Kouratzoglou,



Jonathan Ho, Geoff Nelson and Antoine Feylessoufi. Matthias Bauer has been the most improved player. We say farewell to Geoff Nelson, Mpampis Kouratzoglou and Eoghan O'Neill at the end of the season. Their absence will certainly make things very difficult in Division 1 for next season and we wish them the best of luck in the future.

Benny Wong

The Basketball team 2015/2016

#### MEN'S BOAT CLUB

It has undoubtedly been a tough year for Christ's rowing, but despite this the men have still managed to have a good time and have formed a decent base for next year. Michaelmas started with barely enough senior rowers to get out an VIII, but nonetheless some fine and truly enjoyable rowing was produced in those first few weeks, as was reflected in our Autumn Head result (0.4 seconds slower than Clare, who ended up blading in Mays). This and a few successful social events kept the seniors going until Fairbairns, through what is arguably the most difficult term. The men had one of their best years in terms of novice recruitment, managing to get three novice VIIIs to Peterborough and racing Fairbairns, in which NM1 came 7th of the Colleges thanks to their impressive number of outings.

Although we were looking forward to our usual training camp in France, numbers and



M1 avoiding Spoons at the May Bumps

availabilities meant we had to organise a different trip away to Nottingham, where the novices who were able to come made huge progress and the whole of CCBC got to know each other a little better. This set us up well for Lents, with established crews managing to get some serious training done, as was reflected in our Bumps results: M1 managing to hold off fast crews behind and bump King's on the 2nd day to go up one overall, and M2, despite going down the first three days, made the most of their significant amount of training to bump twice on the last day, back into Division 2. These results and a fantastic Boat Club Dinner in the OCR had the Club in high spirits and keen for the next set of Bumps.

Easter's pre-term training saw an eclectic Christ's VIII have a great time racing the Head of the River Race, and some really valuable composite VIII outings back in Cambridge, most memorably a whole-Club picnic over the lock. This had us ready for the incredibly busy Head of the Cam, where a total of ten Christ's boats (six alumni + four student) raced. However as term hit, a mixture of poorly timed injuries and exams meant none of the men's boats got enough training in as a full crew to be competitive in Mays. M1 worked really well together as a crew, our 'fly-or-die' approach very nearly saving us on the first day, but sadly it was not to be and our lack of training showed through, but we narrowly avoided spoons on the last day in one of the best races of our lives. M2 had only really come together in the week before Bumps, and despite a number of seniors, got spoons. Lastly M3, or 'R1' (the Rugby boat), similarly managed to avoid spoons on the last day, by bumping back Jesus.

In such a difficult year it would not have been possible to field three men's boats without the continued help of Kate Hurst the Boathouse Manager, Emily Gray the women's captain, Richard Mifsud the M2 (amongst other boats) captain, and the senior men of CCBC, both in terms of their support and criticism (at any time of day), but most importantly in keeping rowing enjoyable and accessible to all. Further thanks must go to all the alumni who have supported us in many ways, whether by coming to the picnic at Osier's Holt, reading the race reports, or just sparing us a thought. Our results do not do our coaches Alister Taylor, George Watson, Alasdair Dowcra, Kate (and many others) justice, but we hope they've enjoyed their time going up and down that narrow stretch of river as much as we have. Finally, I would like to wish all the best for next year's Committee, who have got off to a promising start, and with a bit of help and good fortune could do very well, after all, what goes down, must come up.

Tom Chess

#### WOMEN'S BOAT CLUB

The following have all been a part of the Club (beyond just novicing) and rowed in the first or second boat at some point this year: Lucy Griffin, Miriam Apsley, Cath Aitchison, Selena Yang, Alex Graves, Heloise Ungless, Caitlin Hogan Lloyd, Jasmin Congreve, Arianna Rabin, Helena Kelly, Elisabet Lindgren, Tiffany McConaghy, Mira Tiwari, Laura Scully, Sophie Bodanis, Rachel Tilley, Emily Marr, Sofia Pederson, Amalia Thomas, Amelia Wallis, Alexandra Boulton, Sarah Benham, Mariane Lisboa, Page Nyame-Satterthwaite, Emily Gray, Bex Masters.

It has been a year of fun, challenge and progress for the women of CCBC. Every athlete has stepped up to compete at a higher level – be it achieving personal goals or making the commitment to our first boat from school level or realising that there is more to come after novicing – it has been wonderful to see friends get the most out of themselves through investing in the sport. Highlights include the progression of the novices to very capable senior rowers, W2 winning Uni Fours, W1 coming 6th in the Fairbairns, rowing over on the first day of Lent Bumps as Head of the River, competing at Women's Head in London, with 320 female crews racing on the Tideway course and our most recent victory – winning the IM3 pots back on the Cam at Champs Eights Head. Training has been tough for W1 this year, knowing we're a lighter crew but we've kept our determined fight through every session – almost every outing has resulted in physical or psychological gains, and this is down to the attitude of the crew to be constantly developing on the water. We enjoyed pre-term training camps in Cambridge and Nottingham and a day in Peterborough to welcome the novices into the Club.

Despite the results from May Bumps we are still proud of the performance of our crews across all days. We knew that the boats surrounding W1 and W2 would put up strong competition, and we were not surprised. Despite a gutsy row in all races we were bumped, but know that we did not make it an easy bump for any crew. Our Hippolytans crew (W3), despite only starting to row this term, put up a good fight and, most importantly, enjoyed themselves!



Huge thanks, as always, must go to Kate Hurst. our excellent coach, skilled boatman and all round dedicated supporter of the captains, crews and club. Thank you to every rower, cox, sub, bank-party, coach, committee member and non-rowing friends who have made our squad be the best we can be!

Emily Gray

Michaelmas W1

#### CRICKET

We were chomping at the bit early May to get outside and test the skills we had been practising over the winter; the weather, however, delighted in frustrating us (in fact, it put paid to many of our willow related intentions this 'summer'!). When we did take to the hallowed turf, it was refreshing to see so many new and fresh faces – a record turnout! – to replace the old Cuppers-winning guard. Our cuppers campaign was rather shorter than last year's: we cruised past Trinity Hall in the group-stages, but came unstuck against a good Homerton side, lacking much of the experience we had last year; that said, we only lost by one run. Cuppers, however, was not really the aim this year; it was, rather, to get Christ's playing cricket again. I am proud to report that this was a resounding success. We enjoyed a plethora of friendlies against local and visiting sides and we had many beginners who took their very first steps in cricket this summer.

The highlight of the season, though, was doubtless the revival of the Staff XI game after it had fallen into abeyance. Inestimable gratitude is owed to Reverend Dr Mark Smith (the new Chaplain) for drumming up so much support for the game staff-side. (Even the Master turned out at eleven to do his best to blunt the Christ's attack!). This, for me, is indicative of how cricket is thriving at Christ's and, more importantly, forging relationships between *all* members of College, which – I believe – is so important. Long may it continue!

Looking back: it may not have been the most successful season, but I pass the baton on to a new generation enthused for cricket and I wish the new skipper Alex Petrie all the best for what is to come. Looking forward: I hope, next year, to formalise an alumni side (London based) to continue to foster relationships between Christ's graduates of all generations, and also to build further connections with our sister college in Oxford, Wadham, following the success of our inter-college sports day this year.

Mark Baldock

#### STAFF & FELLOWS V STUDENTS CRICKET MATCH

Friday 10 June 2016 saw the revival of a great Christ's tradition – the annual cricket match between the staff, Fellows and the students. Battle was joined at the College ground on the final day of term, in beautifully sunny conditions, with the students opting to bat first.

Their captain, third year Classicist Mark Baldock, decided to lead from the front, and sent himself in at the top of the order. Only a couple of hours beforehand, Mark had won the College's Bishop Porteus Prize for the public reading of Scripture – but his equally fêted eloquence with the willow was, on this occasion, to prove short-lived. For, steaming in from the Pavilion End, College Gardener Terry Hayden produced a brutal yorker with his very first delivery, rapping Baldock's pads and triggering the umpire's finger. After one ball bowled, the students were 0-1. It was the perfect start for the Staff & Fellows XI.

The student team, however, had strength in depth, and Baldock's early departure merely served to usher in a succession of big hitters to the crease. Jonathan Davies smote a breezy 14, before an inspired fielding change found him driving the ball straight into the waiting hands of Hayden. Sam Dunbavin and Toby Pleming were rather less rapidly dislodged – Dunbavin retired after racking up a quick-fire 40, and Pleming did likewise after scoring 49. Pleming's strike-rate was, admittedly, briefly slowed by bringing on his supervisor, Dr Henry Spelman, as a surprise bowling change. Seemingly overawed by Spelman's unusual action, Pleming attempted an increasingly eccentric succession of shots in the hope of asserting his dominance, but did not always succeed in connecting bat with ball.



Indeed, although the runs kept flowing throughout the students' innings, they were never able to assert total control. This was attributable, in large part, to the eclectic (and never entirely predictable) range of bowling styles employed by the Staff & Fellows XI. Ian Smith, a member of the kitchen staff, and Terry Hayden, were the team's

Lillee and Thomson, hurling the cherry down with mighty speed; Mark Smith and Alfred Duncan provided some nagging medium pace; Henry Spelman and James Smith (one of three Smiths to grace the team) brought variety and guile; and Darren Heneghan and Wayne Bell asked questions of the batsmen with their many 'mystery' balls. Peter Pride and Matthew Woosnam further helped the team's efforts by keeping things tight behind the stumps, and Kevin Cash, the Head Porter, was in excellent form at first slip.

After 20 overs, the students had set an impressive total of 174. Both teams were then able to have a brief rest between innings, and enjoy a splendid tea provided by Christ's kitchens. They were joined in this merry munch by an enthusiastic crowd of spectators from the College, who had come to cheer on the teams and to watch the drama of the run chase unfold.

Kevin Cash and Matthew Woosnam opened the batting for the Staff & Fellows XI, and it was clear that an aggressive attitude was going to be taken from the outset. Woosnam unleashed three boundaries off the first three balls he faced. Cash broke his bat. And, even though wickets fell at regular intervals, for the first 10 overs the team kept up with the required run-rate handsomely. Ian Smith, in particular, ran riot, blazing 55 runs (including 7 fours and 2 sixes), before a looming evening shift back at the College forced his retirement.

With Ian gone, and Hayden tragically run out just as he was beginning to tick, the students smelled blood. James Smith played a lone hand among the lower order, striking a cultured 12 before being dismissed. But, as the shadows lengthened, there was one more ace to play. The Master himself, Frank Kelly, strode to the crease as the last man in, ready to defend the Staff and Fellows' honour. He picked up a nurdled single before the final wicket fell, and the match was brought to a close with the Staff & Fellows XI on 125 off 19.2 overs. It was a great win for the students, but, even more importantly, a great deal of fun all round.

Mark Smith, Chaplain (and Captain of the Staff & Fellows XI)

Staff & Fellows V Students 2016 cricket match (photo credit: Jamie Gundy)

#### THE DARWIN SOCIETY



The Darwin Society Annual Dinner

The Darwin Society has continued in a rich tradition of inviting guest lecturers from across the University and the UK to present to students, and organising popular networking events with scientists from other colleges. In terms of talks, the Darwin Society had a very successful year with speakers visiting weekly in Michaelmas term, followed by several more lectures in Lent term as well, all of which were well-received. The talks featured a mini-series on the Large Hadron Collider (indeed, you would be forgiven for thinking from the Darwin Society's talks this year that the only focus of scientific research is the LHC!), however we also hosted several talks on other subjects across science including nanostructured steel, microcapsules, evolutionary genetics and protein folding.

Our social secretary was extremely efficient, organising many events to meet with science students from other colleges, and inviting the guest speaker for the Darwin Society's annual dinner: Robin Ince, comedian of science who presents *The Infinite Monkey Cage* with Brian Cox. He gave a very inspirational and amusing talk on Charles Darwin and the role of science communication.

We look forward to another exciting year of encouraging scientific interest in students with new co-presidents Caroline Clarke and Andreas Ioannou.

Miriam Apsley

#### THE LAW SOCIETY

This academic year has been another excellent one for Christ's College Law Society. We have continued to build on the already close-knit law community within Christ's through a variety of events, both social and otherwise.

Michaelmas, as always, was a busy term for the Society. Festivities began with Freshers' Drinks, which was a lovely occasion on which to welcome the first-year law students. Shortly afterwards, the annual trip to Pizza Express was made for Law Pizza. This fun and informal evening helped welcome the Freshers to the Christ's law family and to the chaos that is Cambridge law. The rest of the term was, as always, packed with networking events and dinners, sponsored by various law firms, maintaining the society's strong links with some of the best firms in the City. The Christmas Dinner was once again held in the OCR and was a lovely evening of delicious food and good company. In Lent, we were delighted to host the society's Alumni Dinner, an opportunity for former denizens of the Law Library to relive their student days. We were particularly pleased to welcome back, as our guest speaker, Lord Justice Moore-Bick (m. 1965), Vice-President of the Civil Division of the Court of Appeal: his Lordship gave an inspiring address. Lent also saw the final of the Freshers' Moot, which was once again judged by HH Judge Bate, a great friend of the Society. The winner was announced that evening at the Annual Dinner, kindly sponsored by Slaughter and May. Cory Lawrence was this year's victor after a well-mooted final on '*R. v. Steele*', a case of exotic encounters.

Finally, Easter term ended with the Annual Garden Party held in the Fellows' Garden. It was a suitably grand event at which to announce the committee for the 2016–17 academic year and to say goodbye to this year's graduands. It has been a pleasure to preside over such a friendly society, and I look forward to passing on to next year's President.

Douglas Morton

## CHRIST'S COLLEGE MUSIC SOCIETY

Committee: Chair: Zoë Lakota-Baldwin, Secretary: Gabriel Harley, Treasurer: Max McGinley, Concert and recitals manager: Maisie Hulbert, Publicity officer: Laura Dunkling, Jazz officer: Arthur Robijns, Special events officer: Hamish Innes, Webmaster: Raphael Taylor-Davies

It has been a busy year for the Christ's Music Society. Michaelmas term got off to a great start with the committee and Freshers' recitals, along with Freshers' squash, where old and new members had a chance to meet over informal drinks. We welcomed Australian pianist Chris Lloyd who gave a recital and a masterclass for college pianists, and also enjoyed a recital by choral scholars of the Chapel Choir. The termly jazz night, Week 5 Blues, was a fantastic evening and a great chance for students to relax in the middle of



CCMS Christmas concert term. The highlight of Michaelmas was, of course, the Christmas Concert, where Christ's Voices, Orchestra and Jazz band performed to a packed-out chapel, with music ranging from Elgar to Queen to a jazzy White Christmas.

The annual Charles Blackham Memorial Recital competition in Lent term was a great success, with four performances of an extremely high standard. It was won by Charlotte Lapham who gave an exceptional clarinet performance. Recitals included Finnish pianist Julia Wallin, Cambridge alumni chamber group String Theory and Christ's musicians Gideon Gray, Zhiyuan Lin, Maisie Hulbert and Laura Dunkling. The annual CCMS dinner provided a chance for members of the society to enjoy a meal together. Finally, the Lent Term concert was a fantastic way to round off the term, with highlights including Carmen's *Les Toreadors*, a choral rendition of *May It Be* and Duke Ellington jazz standards. CCMS held some relaxed jazz and folk nights in Easter term, and we look forward to the annual Garden Party in May Week.

We have had a brilliant year which I think reflects the friendly and welcoming nature of CCMS, as well as the diversity of genres. It has been a real celebration of music at Christ's, and everyone involved should be extremely proud! A big thank you is owed to last year's Chair, Maisie Hulbert, and the rest of the outgoing committee. I look forward to the coming year and to the wonderful people and music it will bring. *Zoë Lakota-Baldwin* 

### LADIES NETBALL

Netball Team: Pippa Ball, Saakshi Bansal, Caroline Clarke, Lauren Cunningham-Amos, Sophia Economides, Sammy Love, Laragh Harvey-Kelly, Ella Hayward, Zoe Lakota-Baldwin, Nadia Ogilvie, Sofia Pedersen, Nancy John, Annie Sage, Amelia Wallis, Anna Westcott.

This has been a fantastic year for Christ's ladies netball team. In October we welcomed many players who were completely new to the sport, but they soon developed confidence and were delivering great performances, helped by their enthusiasm in drills sessions and encouragement from teammates.

The team has really benefited from the addition of fresh faces such as Ella Hayward, Laragh Harvey-



The Netball Team 2015/2016

Kelly, Nancy John and Anna Westcott. These players have been absolutely crucial to our success this year, with Ella delivering consistently stunning performances in defence, Nancy and Anna allowing us to dominate centre-court play and Laragh injecting energy into both the attacking and defending thirds as needed.

In Michaelmas the team dominated every game played. Finishing the term with a game won 18–2, we won our division and secured promotion into the second division. In the second division for Lent term, the team rose to the challenge and continued to deliver convincing wins. We went into our cuppers tournament with confidence, making it through to the quarter finals and were agonisingly close to making the semis.

We wait to hear whether we will be promoted into the first division for next year, but regardless have enjoyed playing some top-class netball and can be proud of our successes this year.

We will be sad to say goodbye to Nadia Ogilvie and Sophia Economides, who have both shown particularly great commitment and delivered some exceptional performances, as well as the other fantastic finalists in our team – Amelia Wallis and Lauren Cunningham-Amos. Yet the netball team retains many talented players and under the captaincy of Laragh and Nancy can certainly look forward to continued success next year.

Sammy Love

#### Pool

Michaelmas 2015 commenced with little in the way of title hopes: following the loss of two 1st team players from the previous year there was a noticeable lack of optimism for the pool year ahead. However, during the early weeks of term news reached the team rumouring of two new college members who had participated in the university Novices tournament, both reaching the final. These were 1st year Connor Powell and new graduate Karl McCarron, and with their recruitment the 1st team began to feel like a title-challenging squad. Also forming the team were old hands Krishan Sareen, Jack Fielding, Ollie Smith and the captain Evan Lynch.

The first league match delivered a fierce match-up between the Christ's 1st and 2nd teams, with honours narrowly going to the 1st team. Improvements were certainly there to be made but this sparked a fine run of form with notable wins against last year's winners Peterhouse 1 and an 8–1 thrashing of Fitzwilliam. The only sour note was a potentially title-challenge-derailing loss away at St Edmunds. However, Christ's regrouped and grinded out some needed big wins in the remaining matches, and spectacularly fought back from 4–2 behind to snatch an important victory over Robinson 1. Connor and Karl take all the plaudits for this one; the match of the season. The year ended with Christ's 1 and Trinity Hall 1 tied top of the league, level on points and frame difference. And the deciding factor? A narrow 5–4 win for Christ's in the head-to-head result early in the Lent term. Christ's thus won the league, securing its second ever trophy for the College.

Elsewhere the 2nd team finished as the second highest ranked 2nd team across all divisions, but were unable to avoid relegation from division 1. And the Pool Club historically saw the formation of a 3rd team, responding to the growing popularity of pool within the College. Captaining our lower teams were Ciaran Lunt and Sean Hao. The club has continued its internal program of competitions, with Krishan Sareen developing a small dominance over the tournament trophy.

Philip Durkin



Pool Team 2015/2016

From left to right: Jack Fielding, Connor Powell, Ollie Smith, Alex Evans, James Famelton, Krishan Sareen, Evan Lynch, Matthew Priddin, Ciaran Lunt, Philip Durkin.

#### Rubgy

We've finally done it! It is my proud privilege to report that Christ's College Rugby Football Club has been promoted to the second division. On 17 October 2015 at Queens' College, we had returned to face the team that stood between us and Grange Road earlier that year. Freshers' flu and timetable clashes had taken our starting team down to just nine men, however, with the first points secured in minutes, it became clear that we were not going to allow a walkover. Three tries later, we left the pitch as champions, 27 points to zero. Clashes resolved, the momentum that ensued was terrific. An impenetrable defence secured a 30-0 victory over Pembroke. Trinity appeared tougher, with some hard running centres breaking through to score two early tries. The CCRFC responded to this, playing with speed, style and grace, and as the final whistle blew, we had secured a 48-12 win. The week after, Sidney turned up with the correct number of players. Not only this, but they proved to be our biggest challenge to date. A close battle ended with the score at 14-5. The following match against Churchill ended 38-19 to the brown rings, and we left the pitch confident that we could round off an unbeaten first term. Our final match against Trinity Hall was excruciatingly close, reflected by, or even a result of, the six yellow cards handed out by the referee. A disallowed try left us a point short. We left the pitch 12 points to 13, but heads held high after an excellent first term.

It is with regret that I report that the 'curse of Christmas' struck once again for the CCRFC. St Catharine's brought skilful centres, a couple of Blues, and a number 8 that should have counted as two men. We left the pitch 25–5 down in this first round Cuppers match. Unfortunately, the subsequent plate competition ended abruptly

after a close 24–26 loss to a strong second division Homerton side. Duncan Scott had an outstanding season and was accordingly awarded the President's Cup (kindly restored by Dr Norman this year). Mark Devine will be leading the squad next season and I am confident that the CCRFC has the potential to thrive in the higher divisions.

Sam Hair



#### The Rugby team

#### THE SEELEY SOCIETY

The Seeley Society has had an excellent year fostering interest in the humanities amongst the College's students. We have been lucky to have had talks from a number of pioneering historians; our first talk of the year from Professor Quentin Skinner, Honorary Fellow of the College, was attended by approximately 225 people from across the University. The Yusuf Hamied Theatre has likely never accommodated so many people! We also hosted talks from the BBC classicist Dr Michael Scott, the Chief Executive of the Royal Academy of Arts Dr Charles Saumarez Smith, and much-loved members of the history faculty including Professor Ulinka Rublack, Dr Mary Laven, Dr Helen Pfeifer, and Dr Julia Guarneri. The society has been honoured to host such influential historians.



The society finished the year with its annual black tie dinner, which was attended by students from a variety of subjects. For one evening, the society's members united to celebrate the progress made by the historical community throughout the year. We will also be celebrating the conclusion of examinations with a garden party during May Week.

Overall, the society's future looks rosy: it has developed a university-wide reputation for historical excellence, and over 130 students and fellows are now members of the society. This year's secretaries, Bethany Pickett and Lewis Wade, offer their best wishes to the new secretaries, Kim Sorensen and Richard Miller. There is no doubt that Kim and Richard's leadership will allow the society to flourish further. *Lewis Wade* 

#### Tennis

The Christ's Tennis Team held great anticipation for the 2015/16 year after a reasonably successful year last year. Old hands, including Phil Durkin, Max Tan, Henry McTernan, and myself, and 2nd year recruit Geejoy Cheuk, were welcomed by a large influx of promising first years this time with Richard Liang, Cameron Magrath, Jonny Carr and Nodar Barbakadze joining the team.

Just like last year, the Men's 1st team performed magnificently in the Winter League, securing the top position in 2nd Division with a 100% winning record, thus ensuring our promotion into the Top Division in Cambridge. Special mention should be given to Phil in our hard fought 4–2 victory against Trinity, where he secured two crucial wins to keep our clean sheet in the League. The Trinity victory was noteworthy for Christ's who were narrowly beaten by the same team in last year's Cuppers.

Despite having no University 1st and 2nd team players, the Christ's team performed unexpectedly well in Cuppers this year and managed to upset Downing, last year's Cuppers winners, 5–4 in a very tight first round. We went on to comfortably defeat the Trinity 2nd Team next before facing a very strong St John's side, comprised completely of University players in the quarterfinals. Alas, we were soundly defeated by St John's, though not before Henry secured our only win in his match against their Captain.

The Wadham Games was a new addition to our usual Tennis activities. The friendly match was a great experience for our players, who were given the opportunity to play against University level players from the Oxford side. The 4–2 win was a nice bonus for the team.

Our Women's team suffered due to numbers this year. Nevertheless, the team, captained by Sophia Economides and comprised of Elise Lanteri, Alisha Chauhan and Miho Sugiyama, still performed admirably in Cuppers, reaching the quarterfinals and only losing to a formidable Newnham side with Blues players. Thanks to Sophia for leading our Women's side for two years and good luck to Miho who will captain the team next year.

The Seeley Society Annual Dinner

## ULTIMATE FRISBEE

Christ's Ultimate Frisbee team, Chrembroke House (a joint team with Emmanuel, Pembroke and Peterhouse) this year had our most successful league finish ever, finishing in 6th (the previous best was 10th). Unfortunately this was followed the next term by relegation from the top league but we have recovered to have some success in the bottom league. For the first time ever the club was



able to field two teams at indoor Cuppers in November although both had little success, finishing 11th and 14th out of 17. The next year sees the captaincy of the club move to our first ever Peterhouse captain who will hopefully be able to build on the successes of this year.

Ultimate Frisbee Team 2015/2016

James Famelton

## Prizes 2016

The College awarded the following prizes on the basis of results in the examinations of June 2016.

Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic Levy-Plumb Prize	Mr A. S. Sidhu-Brar
Architecture Levy-Plumb Prize	Miss A. Russell
<i>Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</i> Rajah of Cochin Prize	Miss A. G. Boulton
<i>Classics</i> Calverley Prize S. G. Campbell Prizes Rev'd E. T. S. Carr Prize Harrison Prize Levy-Plumb Exhibition Prize Thompson Prize	Mr T. Pleming Mr T. Cowie, Mr J. Jarvis, Miss I. E. J. Mifsud Mr I. Barker Mr G. A. Lord Mr S. A. Marshall Mr M. Baldock
<i>Computer Science</i> Sir Robert Cox Exhibition Prize Bob Diamond Prize	Mr J. S. Cheah Mr T. P. Tiplea
<i>Economics</i> College Prizes James Meade Prize Mabel Elizabeth Chapman Prize A. R. Prest Prize	Mr J. M. Carr, Mr A. W. Petrie, Mr A. Roden Mr Z. Chen Mr A. W. Petrie Mr V. G. Midha
<i>Education</i> Levy-Plumb Prizes	Miss J. Coates, Miss S. Parry
<i>Engineering</i> College Prizes M. R. Lynch Prizes	Mr G. Brooks, Miss C. Sexton, Mr E. Y. Tee, Mr Y. Wu Mr J. N. Aduol, Mr G. J. Cheuk, Mr P. H. Durkin, Miss S. Ingram, Mr C. W. Lim, Mr E. Markou, Mr L. A. Murphy, Mr B. Wong
T. C. Wyatt Prize	Miss A. M. Styles
English Levy-Plumb Prize	Miss S. Cockle-Hearne, Mr E. A. Farrow (Exhibition), Miss C. A. Hard (Exhibition)
Milton Prize Skeat Prizes	Miss R. Hartwell Miss K. N. Dodhia, Miss B. Kang

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Canon Greville Cooke Prize

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Sir Arthur E. Shipley Prize Dr Kaetrin V Simpson Prizes Rosabel Spencer-Thomas Prize Lord Todd Prize Todd-Salters Prizes

Simon Wilson Prizes

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Miss J. E. Bowen Mr A. Reeds Mr S. J. Dunbavin (Exhibition), Mr C. Robinson, Mr L. Stuart-Bourne

Mr S. A. S. Harley (Exhibition), Miss M. E. Hulbert

Mr S. B. Bownson (Exhibition), Mr B. L. Fidler (Exhibition), Mr H. Garland, Mr A. J. Ioannou (Exhibition), Mr K. Kiso, Miss C. Leonard-Booker, Mr J. M. Mortlock, Miss S. L. Pedersen (Exhibition), Mr Y. Sun, Mr C. E. P. Talbot, Mr D. S. Y. Wong, Miss S. R. Yang Mr A. Anwar Mr N. McConville Miss S. R. Miocevich Mr C. J. Cundy Mr B. J. Akrill, Miss H. M. Goh, Mr H. F. Goodhew, Miss C. L. Griffiths, Miss E. Silberbrandt, Miss C. Tong, Mr T. Weatherley, Miss E. J. Woods Mr R. Hennell James Mr M. McGinley, Mr A. J. McNab Mr M. G. Johnston Mr H. I. Innes Mr R. H. P Liang, Mr D. Scott, Mr Y. M. Shin Miss M. Apsley, Mr C. Lunt, Mr D. A. Payne

Mr M. Danciger

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Miss R. E. Chapman, Miss A. M. St John Wallis

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*English* The Gillian and John Beer Prize Miss S. Cockle-Hearne

Law	
The Slaughter and May Prize	Mr R. J. A. Gregson
The Erskine Chambers Prize	Mr Z. B. Fathoala
for Company Law	
The Clive Parry Prize for	Mr R. S. C. D. M. Leme
International Law (Overseas)	
Geography	
William Vaughan Lewis Prizes	Miss N.C. Ogilvie, Miss K. E. Scott
The Andrew Hall Prize	Mr D. J. Ryan
PGCE	
Charles Fox Memorial Prize	Miss E. T. M. Lanteri
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Modern and Medieval Languages	
Ukrainian Prize	Miss C. A. Bull
Pharmacology	
Department of Pharmacology	Mr H. Garland
Project Prize	
Anglo Saxon, Norse and Celtic	
Wallenberg Essay Prize	Mr S. Payne

## Special features



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#### Democracy and its Discontents



John Shattuck, President and Rector of the Central European University gave a Lady Margaret Lecture in College on 2 March 2016. The text of his talk is reproduced here.

I'm delighted to be back in Cambridge, and honored to have been invited to Christ's College to deliver this Lady Margaret Lecture, despite my Clare College pedigree! I'm grateful to Professor Kelly for hosting me, and to my friend and colleague Gábor Betegh for suggesting my visit.

I remember springtime on the Cam as my favorite season. I was an oarsman, and training for the May races was much more enjoyable than slogging through the winter to get ready for the Lents. Now that spring is almost here, winter is

still with us, at least metaphorically, in the winter of our discontent, as Shakespeare's Richard III points out. Even as the weather changes here in early March, I'm afraid my lecture this evening predicts an extended winter for democracy. However, hope springs eternal, as the poet said, and maybe we can find some hope embedded in my subject.

My goal is to describe what's happening to democracy today, especially in Eastern Europe, but also elsewhere in Europe and in the United States, and to ask questions about what may lie ahead. I will follow the wise advice of Vaclav Havel to "keep the company of those who seek the truth, but run from those who claim to have found it." I make no such claim.

My perspective is that of an American who's spent a dozen of the last 20 years in Central and Eastern Europe, five of them as a diplomat in the former Yugoslavia and the Czech Republic, and seven as the Rector of an international university in Budapest. You might call me a post-Cold War realist who carries hope for democracy.

Two great forces have been at work in Europe since the fall of the Berlin Wall. These competing forces are driving the politics of our time. The forces of integration have broken down longstanding barriers, promoting democratic development, creating economic interdependence and facilitating the digital revolution. Meanwhile, the forces of disintegration have created failed states like Yugoslavia in the early 1990s, making it possible for cynical political leaders to rise to power by instigating ethnic and sectarian conflict, and nationalist leaders to challenge the idea of European integration.

There are conflicting theories about how these competing forces might ultimately play out in the post-Cold War world. One is Francis Fukayama's *The End of History*, which envisioned steady progress toward a universal realization of democracy. A second is Samuel Huntington's *Clash of Civilizations*, which painted the prospect of steady regress toward inevitable and continuing civilizational conflict. Over the years since they were introduced, these theories have come to symbolize competing visions of post-Cold War hope and despair, and they provide a useful starting point for my analysis of what's happening today to democracy in Europe and the United States.

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In 2014 a European Commission poll revealed that 68% of Europeans distrusted their national governments, and 82% distrusted the political parties that had produced them. In the US, a Gallup poll in the same year found that 65% of Americans were dissatisfied with their system of government and how it works – a striking increase from 21% in 2002.

The reason for this discontent may be a growing sense that the world is spinning out of control, and that democratic government may only be making things worse. A deeper reason may be that people are confused about the meaning of democracy – they are demanding both greater participation in their own governance and greater efficiency in the way government operates. So the idea of democracy is at war with itself, as people look to government to solve their problems, but are often unwilling to recognize their own responsibilities.

Digging deeper, we can find the roots of this confusion in four landmark democratic revolutions of the last fifty years. As my colleague Ivan Krastev has written, these four upheavals have simultaneously strengthened and weakened democracy in Europe and the United States.

The *Cultural Revolution of the 1960s* gave birth to a whole array of individual rights and freedoms, while at the same time reducing the sense of collective purpose essential to democratic governance. Rights and responsibilities became intertwined and democracy was temporarily overwhelmed by liberty.

The *Market Revolution of the 1980s* released the power of a market economy to produce economic growth while reducing the role of government in regulating the economy. It destroyed the "Keynesian Consensus" (forged here at Cambridge in the 1930s) about the social benefits of a mixed economy and a welfare state, and paved the way for the rise of new economic elites, increasing inequality and globalization.

The *Political Revolution of 1989* marked the end of Communism and the Cold War, the opening of borders, and the beginning of a transition to democracy and market economies in Eastern Europe. But it also marked the collapse of longstanding social support systems in the East and an end to the informal social contract in the West between elites and the people.

The most recent democratic upheaval, the *Internet Revolution*, opened the floodgates of information, creating unlimited opportunities for peer-to-peer communication and horizontal grassroots pressure for change. But at the same time it spawned vast echo chambers and ghettoes of communication, reducing discourse across political divides and increasing the polarization of democratic societies.

Today's discontent with democracy is particularly acute in Eastern Europe, where the roots of democratic governance are very shallow.

Eastern Europeans were ruled for centuries by successive empires of Ottoman, Russian, Hapsburg, Fascist and Communist authoritarian regimes. A long-suppressed hunger for national identity and honor among the peoples of the region constantly stirred the resentment of outside oppressors – the Hapsburgs executed the first elected Hungarian Prime Minister in 1849, Russia dominated Poland throughout the 19th century, and the collective memory of the Turks' defeat of the Serbs in the Battle of Kosovo Polje at the end of the 14th century was so powerful that 600 years later Slobodan Milosevic was able to invoke it when he launched the first of his notorious campaigns against the Kosovar Muslims.

In the 20th Century communism destroyed civil society in Eastern Europe, along with the sense of personal responsibility to the community that is essential to the growth of democracy. I learned in Prague in the 1990s that "volunteering" was a bad word, and in Budapest that common spaces in apartment buildings were rarely cared for by the residents. As an alternative to civil society, communism provided state employment and social security, but this was dismantled by Western market economists after the fall of the Berlin Wall.

After 1989, hopes in Eastern Europe that democracy would bring immediate economic benefits were unfulfilled. Standards of living failed to keep pace with popular expectations, especially after the financial crisis hit the region in 2009. In this neuralgic environment Eastern Europeans found themselves attracted to political leaders who claimed they could defend them against outsiders, such as the foreign banks that had called in their mortgages when the financial markets collapsed.

The building blocks of a new nationalism were created out of these festering resentments. Two elements went into their construction.

First was the politics of national identity. The longing for national identity was generally ignored by liberal proponents of post-Cold War European integration. It was taken over by nationalist leaders who developed new narratives to appeal to a resentful and confused populace.

In Hungary, which had been on the losing side of both world wars as an ally of Germany, the new national narrative distorted history by casting Hungarians as victims, stripped of two-thirds of their lands and separated from their compatriots by the "Trianon" treaty after the First World War, then occupied by Germany and allegedly forced to participate in the Holocaust at the end of the Second War. A particularly dangerous claim in this twisted narrative is that "Brussels is the new Moscow". After decades of being dictated to by a distant Soviet regime, Hungarians were susceptible to such a claim. Casting the European Union as a hostile foreign power served the interests of nationalist politicians like Viktor Orban whose popularity was boosted whenever EU authorities questioned the quality of Hungarian democracy.

A second building block of nationalism is the politics of fear. Central European leaders are linking the threat of terrorism to the influx of refugees fleeing the violence in the Middle East, promising to protect their countries from outsiders. In Hungary, Slovakia and Poland, the governing parties are characterizing Muslim refugees as "a threat to Christian civilization". Not to be outdone, the Hungarian government has warned against the infiltration of refugees by terrorists, and is preparing to enact an anti-terror law to give the government emergency powers to declare "a state of terror threat" and suspend the constitution for 60 days, subject to continuous extension.

#### III

Once the nationalist state is constructed, it is given a new name.

In July 2014, Viktor Orban declared that Hungary was building an "illiberal democracy". The Prime Minister asserted that Hungary and its Eastern European neighbors were rejecting the liberal values of individual rights, and returning to the collective values of the nation state. To emphasize his point he asserted that "the Hungarian nation is not a pile of individuals." He claimed that liberal democracy was a failure, pointing to political division and economic inequality in the US and dysfunction in the EU on issues of financial policy and immigration. In Orban's view, countries that are "capable of making us competitive" in the global economy "are not Western, not liberal democracies, maybe not even democracies", citing as his models Russia, China, Turkey and Singapore.

What then are the elements of an "illiberal democracy"? The entry point is an election, to preserve the claim to be a democracy. Beyond that, the critical feature is majoritarian rule, implemented in a parliamentary system by a supermajority that guarantees total control by the ruling party. This allows the enactment of constitutional changes to eliminate checks and balances and other key distinguishing features of a pluralist liberal democracy.

The central claims of this new illiberal system are its promises of efficiency, collective purpose and national pride. The tradeoff to achieve these goals is the centralization of power and curtailment of freedom. The question mark hanging over the system is whether it is sustainable, especially inside a larger transnational system like the European Union that is based on the values of liberal democracy. In his 2014 speech, Viktor Orban challenged the EU, claiming that "I don't think our EU membership precludes building an illiberal new state based on a national foundation."

By contrast, the values and structures of a liberal democratic order are intended to maximize accountability and liberty – checks and balances of power; freedoms of expression and assembly; due process of law; independence of the judiciary and the media; protection of minorities; a pluralist civil society; and the rule of law. These are the values and structures on which the European Union has been built. They are at the heart of a political culture that reflects the forces of integration in a post-Cold War Europe. But the new illiberal regimes of Eastern Europe are alien to this culture, and their neo-authoritarian leaders are rejecting it. Forces of disintegration unleashed by Viktor Orban's challenge seem to threaten the very concept of European integration.

Last fall, the Hungarian model of illiberal democracy galvanized European nationalists when Hungary constructed razor wire fences across its borders and stationed its army and police to keep out all refugees. The result was a huge boost to the governing party's flagging popularity at home, and the Prime Minister's emergence on the European stage as a challenger to German Chancellor Angela Merkel whose response to the refugee crisis remained true to the liberal values of the EU. To paraphrase the Polish sociologist Zygmunt Bauman, "illiberal leaders must introduce chaos to create the opportunity for imposing order." A new Polish government is now emulating the Hungarian model. It made the refugee issue a central feature of its election campaign last fall, promising that religious and ethnic nationalism would protect Poles from the invasion of Muslims into Poland's homogeneous Catholic society. The government took a page out of Orban's playbook after the election by attacking the Constitutional Court and the independence of the Polish judiciary.

A battle is now shaping up in Europe between Liberal and Illiberal Democracy. At stake are the values that safeguard Europeans against a repeat of their catastrophic experience with 20th Century fascism and communism.

Not only are these values challenged by the proponents of illiberal democracy, they are also challenged from within liberal democracies in Europe and the US. There are many worrying signs about the health of these democracies, including a steady decline in voter participation, anger at political leaders, alienation from distant decisionmaking, the disproportionate influence of money in politics, the inability of political leaders on both sides of the Atlantic to make decisions on urgent issues like the Eurocrisis and immigration, and growing evidence of inefficiency, polarization and gridlock.

#### IV

So this is why the winter of our discontent may not be ending any time soon. But if we step back and ask some big questions, I think we will find some surprising answers that may point toward a more favorable season for democracy.

#### The first big question is whether the EU will survive the challenge from Eastern Europe and the proponents of illiberal democracy.

Without major structural reforms, EU institutions are vulnerable to nationalist movements. The Brussels bureaucracy is remote, and voters have no connection to it. Only the member governments participate directly in EU governance, and they have shown little interest or inclination to discipline a member who challenges EU values, because they want to be free to do so themselves.

Paradoxically, illiberal members like Hungary benefit greatly from the EU and are therefore ultimately not a threat to its existence.

Three basic factors tie Viktor Orban to the EU: money, politics and values. The money is plentiful, and comes in the form of structural funds with few strings attached. Over the next five years Hungary is slated to receive 22 billion EUR from the EU, and many of the country's major capital projects, public investment opportunities and employment strategies are connected to this beneficent and benign source. Despite its beneficence, the EU provides a juicy political target for Eastern European politicians who bite the hand that feeds them with their slogan that "Brussels is the new Moscow". And despite their assault on the EU's liberal values, Eastern European countries benefit substantially from the Schengen rules that provide employment mobility for their citizens.

So the EU is likely to survive the challenge from the East. A far greater challenge, however, is coming not from the new illiberal democracies, but from one of the world's oldest liberal democracies in the West, right here in the UK. Now that the EU has given Prime Minister David Cameron what he was asking for, it would be devastating for both sides if the Brexit referendum were to pass. But I'm here not to lecture on this subject but to learn more about what's likely to happen! My second big question is whether illiberal democracy in Eastern Europe is sustainable. If an illiberal government can be changed by democratic means, then paradoxically the system may have resilience. But if the centralization of power has been so successful that the government is able to fend off a democratic challenge, then the system may not be sustainable in the long run.

There are four key weaknesses in the system.

First, the legacy of state control over the economy and its eventual collapse under communism shows that it is difficult for centralized regimes to deliver economically to their citizens without liberalizing their political institutions. This is particularly true for a small country like Hungary – or even a large one like Poland – that have been incorporated into an interconnected continental market like the EU. Russia and China, the two main countries cited by Viktor Orban as models of illiberal governance, are both faltering economically.

Second, illiberal governance leads to systemic corruption, which is a source of political instability and a drag on economic growth. Eastern European countries have unfavorable ratings compared to other EU members on Transparency International's European Corruption Index.

Third, illiberal governance is vulnerable to the digital revolution, which allows increased peer-to-peer flows of information and horizontal pressures for change. Although traditional media may have fallen under the control of illiberal regimes, digital media have not. In Hungary, over 100,000 people demonstrated in 2014 when the government threatened to tax the use of the internet, and the government had to back down.

Fourth, as the internet tax controversy showed, illiberal regimes have few safety valves for citizen discontent. When popular pressures build, the regime must either back down or resort to coercion, which as the recent example of Ukraine shows, is likely to lead to even greater public discontent.

# *A third big question is whether liberal democracy is in recession, or in permanent decline?* The answer to this question depends on the perspective of the person asking it.

If one looks at increasing popular demands for participation in governance and engagement in decisionmaking – as demonstrated by democracy movements around the world from Euromaidan to Taksim Park to Tahrir Square to Hong Kong to Black Lives Matter in the US – these ideas of democracy have greater appeal than ever, even as the supply of healthy democracy may be diminishing.

But if one looks at the popular appeal of the politics of national identity and security, and the demand for stability and efficiency in governance, as the opinion polls in Europe and the US seem to show, then liberal democracy with its ageing pluralist institutions and short-term election perspectives may be in decline.

It will all depend on the capacity of liberal democracy to reform itself – to use the tools of the digital revolution to strengthen participation while leveling the playing field and curtailing the economic power of the top 1% to exercise disproportionate influence over decision making. It will also depend on liberal democracy giving stronger recognition to national identity and security, and creating channels for national citizen participation in supranational structures like the EU.

My final question is about what's going on the United States. I'm sure you're all wondering (and so am I) whether the US will elect a nationalist, populist, unilateralist, illiberal president.

There are certainly threats to liberal values in the US from the far right, on immigration, racial issues, and women's rights, to name a few. But there's also plenty of energy, especially on the left, for economic and political reforms that would strengthen liberal democracy. On foreign policy, no one should mistake populist discontent for support for foreign intervention. US military deployment is very unpopular in the wake of the disastrous intervention in Iraq. If anything, I'm concerned that the US will be swept by a wave of neo-isolationism that may keep it from engaging as a leader in the world, and particularly from working with Europe and Russia to resolve the crises in Ukraine and Syria, and manage the global refugee crisis. My prediction is that the US will NOT elect a nationalist, populist, unilateralist, illiberal president, but that gridlock and polarization will continue to plague American politics unless one party wins both the presidency and the Congress, especially now that the Supreme is up for grabs.

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I promised at the outset not to claim to have found any special truth about the state of democracy in Europe and the US. But let me offer a short concluding summary of the situation I've been describing.

There is no doubt that the problems facing new democracies in Eastern Europe are deeply rooted in the long legacy of authoritarianism, and solutions must come from within and take time to develop. These countries do not pose an existential threat to the European Union – in fact, what the EU provides makes them grudging but strong supporters.

Illiberal democracies stimulate and feed on popular fears and anxieties, but without institutional safety valves for popular discontent, they may not be sustainable.

The popular demand for participation is growing, but it needs new language and new structures beyond those of traditional liberal democracy.

Democracy always sparks discontent. But discontent can also spark change. Democracy offers a path for change but illiberal governance does not because its proponents are determined to control all the levers of power, and block all the avenues for change.

In the end, democracy as Winston Churchill famously pointed out, is the worst form of government, apart from all the others.

Finally, Vaclav Havel sums up my view about democracy and its discontents: "I'm not an optimist because I don't believe all ends well. I'm not a pessimist because I don't believe all ends badly. Instead, I'm a realist who carries hope, and hope is the belief that democracy has meaning, and is worth the struggle."

#### James Meade

Professor Sue Howson of the Department of Economics, University of Toronto spent time in College recently in connection with the biography she is writing of James Meade. James was one of the most influential Fellows of the College in the 20th Century, and one of the College's three Nobel Prize winners.

This article is based on a talk she gave in College in June 2015 which outlined James Meade's career from the 1930s, when he first spent a year in Cambridge, to his return to Cambridge in 1957 as a Fellow of Christ's and Professor of Political Economy.



The Nobel Prize winning economist James Meade was a Fellow of Christ's from 1957 to 1995. He worked in almost all areas of economics and wrote 30 books and at least 80 articles. I shall take my cue from an account of his life he wrote at the time he won the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Science in 1977 and concentrate on his macroeconomics and international economics.

James Meade was elected a Fellow of Christ's when he was appointed to the Cambridge Chair of Political Economy in 1957. It was not the first time he was offered a position in Cambridge: he had turned down the new second chair in economics in 1949. He had been in Cambridge before *only* for one year, as a

postgraduate at Trinity in 1930/31, but that year had been 'the intellectually most exciting year of my life'.<sup>1</sup>

James was an undergraduate at Oriel College, Oxford from 1926 to 1930: he told his daughter Carol that he 'met people ... and became a member of the Labour Club' and enjoyed himself during term, saving work for the vacations. After two years reading Classics he switched to the new Philosophy, Politics and Economics degree (PPE), concentrating on economics, as did many of his friends in the Labour Club: the heavy unemployment in Britain 'fired ... [us] to study economics in order to consider how an end could be put to such stupid and wicked nonsense'. Although he is remembered as an economic theorist he was always concerned 'with the contribution which economic analysis has to make to the solution of problems of practical economic policy'.<sup>2</sup>

James remained active in the Labour Party for many years; in the 1930s he was advising the Party's Finance and Trade Committee on the best economic policies for a future majority Labour government, first by organizing a group of young Oxford economists but soon directly to the future Chancellor of the Exchequer. (There had only been two minority Labour governments so far and the second had collapsed in 1931.) But that was after his year in Cambridge.

When Meade graduated with a first in PPE in 1930, Hertford College elected him a Tutorial Fellow in economics on condition that he spend a year learning more economics before teaching it. He came to Cambridge because he was invited to Trinity by Dennis Robertson, a Fellow of Trinity who had been a pupil, collaborator

<sup>1</sup> The Collected Papers of James Meade volume 1 page 1.

<sup>2</sup> James Meade 'On becoming an economist' *Christ's College Magazine* May 1970; *The Collected Papers of James Meade* volume 3 page 67.

and friend of Maynard Keynes. (Meade happened to know Robertson because Robertson's great-aunts lived next door to James's parents in Bath.) So for a year he wrote weekly supervision essays for Robertson, mainly on monetary economics. He also met Keynes, first at Keynes's Political Economy Club.

Robertson told him he should meet Richard Kahn, another former pupil of Keynes recently elected a Fellow of King's. Richard Kahn is famous for inventing the Keynesian multiplier: an increase in government expenditure on public works will not only directly provide employment to those engaged on the works; their expenditure out of their increased income will raise other people's incomes and those others' increased expenditure will further increase incomes etc: a process that will generate a converging series of ever-diminishing expenditure – diminishing because people do not spend all their extra income, some is saved – and result in a finite level of national income which is a definite and calculable *multiple* of the initial government expenditure. He was working this out when James met him. James came up with a complementary way of describing this process in terms of the savings out of the increments of income at each round showing they will add up to the initial government expenditure. When Kahn published his results in a famous article in June 1931 he included this calling it 'Mr Meade's relation'. Their joint work had the very important practical implication that governments could *do something* to increase employment and incomes in a depression like that of the 1930s. At the time it used to be claimed that government investment would crowd out private investment: Kahn's multiplier provided the counterargument that the investment would increase employment; Meade's relation showed the government investment would create the savings necessary to finance it.

Equally important, James met Richard Kahn just when Keynes's major book *A Treatise on Money* was published. Kahn and Meade and a few others got together to discuss the book, which has many puzzling features, and soon found themselves criticizing it. Kahn passed their criticisms on to Keynes and within the following year Keynes began to work on what became his *General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money* in 1936 – the book that embodied the Keynesian revolution in economics. Thus it came about that Richard Kahn, Austin Robinson (a Fellow of Sidney Sussex), his wife Joan Robinson and James Meade were the *very first Keynesians*. Meade used Keynesian ideas in his policy advice to the Labour Party from 1932 onwards.

The Keynesian revolution may (or may not) have been a revolution in economic theory but to James Meade: 'The revolution in practical governmental policy [was] of much greater importance and significance for the welfare of mankind. ... If [total] demand is insufficient to provide full employment, it is the government's duty to raise it by stimulating the injections (investment, government expenditure, and/or exports) and/or by discouraging the leakages (by reducing the proportions of incomes saved, paid in taxes, or spent on imports) [and to do the opposite when demand is excessive].'<sup>3</sup>

James taught at Hertford College for six years. He lectured on economic theory and wrote the first Keynesian textbook, *An Introduction to Economic Analysis and Policy* before Keynes's *General Theory* was published. It was a non-technical book in which he tried to include *all economic analysis with any relevance to practical policy*. As well as Keynesian macroeconomics it included microeconomics (especially the then new theories of imperfect competition), the distribution of income, the supply of the factors of production, and international economic issues (the gold standard;

<sup>3</sup> The Collected Papers of James Meade volume 1 page 348.

the balance of payments and exchange rates; tariffs and international trade). The book was very popular and went into a second edition within a year; there was an American edition in 1938.

He also lectured on international economics. He was a convinced *internationalist*, believing in international cooperation in economic and political affairs, especially the creation of a supra-national authority such as the League of Nations, as the best means to prevent war. He met his wife Margaret when she was secretary of the Oxford branch of the League of Nations Union. He was already an advocate of flexible exchange rates (and against the gold standard, fixed exchange rates and common currencies) long before that became popular among economists. The main reason for his initial advocacy was that if one country pursued Keynesian employment policies when others did not it could find itself with a deficit on its balance of payments and might be forced to abandon its expansionary policies if it had to maintain a fixed exchange rate. But freely floating exchange rates have their own problems so he argued for international cooperation as well.

By the mid-1930s James was getting tired of giving tutorials; he was also Bursar of his college. He began to look for a more policy-oriented position. In 1937 he was offered the job of writing the annual *World Economic Surveys* of the League of Nations; he and his family moved to Geneva in December 1937. He wrote two surveys in 1938 and 1939. The Second World War broke out while he was in Geneva.

In January 1940 Austin Robinson, James's friend from his Cambridge year, who was already in wartime government service, wrote to James to see if he could come and compile official estimates of the national income and expenditure, which were required to implement Keynes's ideas on how to pay for the war. (To put it simply, with government expenditure and investment set by the needs of war and exports and imports controlled, you had to estimate the total national income in order to work out how much consumption would have to be restricted by taxation, rationing, compulsory savings etc.) Meade and his wife and three small children left Geneva in May 1940 and had a hair-raising journey by car across falling France and across the Channel just as Dunkirk was being evacuated. James started work in Whitehall in June. Austin asked Richard Stone to help him with the statistics; by the time Stone arrived at the end of August James had already drawn up the format of a set of balancing tables - like bookkeepers' accounts - the format still in use around the world. This is the first thing for which Meade (with Stone) could justifiably have been awarded a Nobel prize in economics. As it was he was awarded one for something else and Stone (later) got one for his national income work. At the time the estimates, which were made by the end of 1940, were used to formulate the 1941 budget, the first so-called Keynesian budget.

James Meade was a member of the government's Economic Section, whose members worked on a wide range of wartime economic problems. At the same time his major contributions were in the plans for postwar reconstruction, both of the British economy and of the world economy. In 1944 the wartime coalition government of Winston Churchill published a white paper on *Employment Policy*, which proposed a (watered down) Keynesian employment policy after the war. James had written the first draft a year earlier, and although other economists in wartime Whitehall had a hand in drafting the final version, most of his ideas survived to the final version.

Even more important than employment policy were the UK government's plans for a better postwar world. James Meade is generally recognized as a founding father of *General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT)* signed in Geneva in 1947. GATT eventually became the World Trade Organization. Keynes (who was in the Treasury during the war) wrote the first draft of what eventually became the International Monetary Fund and sent it to James Meade in October 1941. James, who had written a little book called *The Economic Basis of a Durable Peace* in his last months in Geneva, advocating both something like Keynes's proposal for a sort of international bank and an international agreement to reduce tariffs (which many countries had raised during the 1930s), not only welcomed it enthusiastically but also produced a complementary plan for trade arrangements in 1942. Keynes called his proposed organisation a 'Clearing Union', Meade his, a 'Commercial Union'. Countries joining the commercial union would have to agree to lower or at least not to raise duties against each other; there would also be an institution to deal with complaints.

The two plans formed the basis of discussions that British economists working in government had with their American counterparts in 1943, 1944 and 1945. Meade accompanied Keynes to Washington for the first of these in 1943. Meade's plan survived as an Anglo-American proposal for an International Trade Organization until the USA failed to ratify the version agreed at an international conference in Havana in 1948. But the main principles of Meade's commercial union had already been embodied in the preliminary agreement (i.e. GATT) in 1947 (and James had been involved in the negotiations).

In November 1944 James agreed to become Director of the Economic Section after the war. It was a difficult decision to make: as he said 'the attraction of academic liberty was very great' and he wanted to write a new edition of his textbook.<sup>4</sup> And so he unexpectedly found himself working for the first majority Labour government in Britain elected in July 1945. But while in principle he had the opportunity to further the plans and proposals made by the economists advising the Labour Party before the war and the coalition government during the war, in practice it did not work out like that. It was only partly because of the difficulties in rebuilding the British economy after the war. For the first two years of the Attlee government Hugh Dalton was Chancellor of the Exchequer: he had his own ideas about, for instance, how to deal with postwar inflation; when he and Meade disagreed Dalton did not take Meade's advice. By 1947 James had had enough; he was also ill again as he had been in Geneva in 1939–40. He accepted the offer of a Chair in International Economics at the London School of Economics, from Lionel Robbins who had been Director of the wartime Economic Section.

He took up his position at LSE in September 1947. By now he realized his new textbook would be a multi-volume treatise.

'So, as I was appointed at the LSE to teach international economics, I started on *The Theory of International Economic Policy*. It grew into my two books *The Balance of Payments* and *Trade and Welfare* with their two mathematical appendices. The former examined the international relations between a number of national economics constructed on the Keynesian model; the latter applied the theory of economic welfare to international transactions.

'These books took up practically the whole of my ten years at the LSE; but even so they did not cover the whole of the international problem ... the part which I did manage to cover was sufficient eventually for me to gain the Nobel award.'<sup>5</sup>

The first of the two books, *The Balance of Payments*, published in 1951, put together for the first time both Keynesian and earlier ideas about what determines a country's

<sup>4</sup> The Collected Papers of James Meade volume 4 page 1.

<sup>5</sup> The Collected Papers of James Meade volume 1 page 3.
balance of trade and payments and the effects of the resulting balance (or imbalance) on the rest of the economy (and on other countries' economies). The most important thing is that he made a simple mathematical model which incorporated the different ideas and then *used the model to study the effects of different economic policies on what he called internal balance and external balance*. the two books were after all on the theory of international economic *policy*. The second book *Trade and Welfare*, published in 1955, also provides a way of evaluating the effects of policies, the policies in this case being tariffs and other controls on imports, export taxes and subsidies, controls on capital flows etc. While the analysis is quite abstract, you can get an idea of its practical relevance from the fact that James was able to use it to discuss the topical issue of *customs unions* – he was writing at the time of the proposed creation of a European Common Market.

He was not keen on customs unions (and not in favour of Britain joining the European Economic Community): although they can be regarded as a move towards free trade because tariffs are lowered between members of the customs union, they also can be regarded as a move in the opposite direction because there is a common external tariff against nonmembers. But with his analysis you can identify the circumstances in which the adverse effects are likely to outweigh the positive ones or vice versa. He also showed, by the way, that it is better to have flexible exchange rates, not a common currency (eg the euro), between the members of a customs union, so that countries have some scope for independent financial policies to deal with unemployment and other problems.

Although Meade was 'very happy' at LSE he could not refuse the offer of succeeding Dennis Robertson in the Chair of Political Economy in 1957. His experience in the Chair was not so happy: he was not made welcome by his old friends, especially Joan Robinson and Richard Kahn, who had come to believe that they were the only true Keynesians and that James was too 'neoclassical', being prepared, as he told students, to 'use Classical and Keynesian analysis, and any old tools which seem to be relevant' to economic problems.<sup>6</sup> (It did not help that when he got interested in the then fashionable theory of economic growth, he entitled his book on the subject *A Neo-Classical Theory* 

of Economic Growth [1962].) He intensely disliked faculty politics – and as the Professor of Political Economy he was *ex officio* a member of all major committees in the Faculty of Economics. When he decided to resign his Chair in 1968 Christ's made him a Senior Research Fellow until his formal retirement in 1974 (and an Honorary Fellow thereafter).



During his 28 years as a Fellow James wrote four volumes of the multi-volume treatise he had originally planned to work on at LSE. But he could not resist going back to policy-oriented work. Instead of the fifth volume he wrote a political tract, *The Intelligent Radical's Guide to Economic Policy* (1975). He chaired a committee on the reform of direct taxation in 1974–8, whose report is known as the '*Meade Report*'.

6 'James Meade interviewed by the editors' Marginal Man number 3 page 3.

(There is also an earlier 'Meade report' on the problems of economic development in Mauritius in 1961.) He initiated a major research project with young colleagues in the Department of Applied Economics on a 'New Keynesian' way to conduct financial policy so as to avoid both inflation and unemployment. In his last book, published shortly before he died in 1995, he tackled the question of whether full employment could be achieved without inflation, arguing that Keynesian policies were still relevant and necessary to prevent unemployment.

That last little book included other policy ideas he had been advocating for many years. These included: the creation of labour-capital partnerships (rather like the John Lewis Partnership) to replace capitalist firms; a government commitment to maintaining the desirable rate of growth of money gross national product (this was part of his New Keynesian financial policy) rather than a particular rate of price inflation; and a whole slew of tax and other measures to encourage a more equitable distribution of income and wealth, including the provision of a 'basic income' to all citizens.



In 1964 he had published what he regarded as his favourite book Efficiency, Equality and the Ownership of Property, in which he emphasized the inherent conflict between efficiency and equality: the use of flexible factor prices (wages etc) to ensure efficient employment of resources can lead to unacceptably low wages. Fifty years before Thomas Picketty he realized that technical progress in modern capitalist economies would aggravate this problem by raising output per head relatively to the marginal product of labour thus leading to an ever-increasing proportion of national output accruing to property owners: the rich would become richer while wage-earners incomes would steadily fall. He thought this 'Brave New Capitalists' Paradise' 'a hideous outlook' and argued that it was necessary deliberately

to separate the problem of employment from the problem of distribution. Hence the 'basic income' proposal. There has also to be a more equal distribution of property. His concern for both efficiency and equality goes back to his Oxford years, when he defined socialism as the combination of the 'social control of industry' (for efficiency) and 'social equality' (by redistribution of wealth). In those years the first was the more pressing concern.

I would like to end by quoting something James said of Keynes, that beneath his wit and charm and cleverness he had "a passionate desire to devise a better domestic and international society", a desire that James wholeheartedly shared.

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# Alumni news



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### LETTER FROM ALUMNI OFFICE

It has been a very busy and successful year. As always in September we hosted two Reunion Dinners, at the first we invited back those who matriculated up to and including 1956 to join us in celebrating the 60 year anniversary of those who matriculated in 1955 and the 70 year anniversary of those who matriculated in 1965. The second dinner saw those who matriculated between 1960 and 1965 invited back to celebrate the 50 year anniversary of those who matriculated in 1965. Both dinners were well attended and enjoyable evenings were had by all.

Also in September our Friends of the Old Library event drew in a good crowd to hear best-selling Tudor biographer, former film journalist and commentator on royal affairs Sarah Gristwood talk about Lady Margaret Beaufort. Those attending took tea in the Master's Lodge and were able to peruse the items in need of conservation as part of the ongoing Sponsor a Book campaign.

October heralded the return of our annual Young Alumni event. Alumni who left Christ's in the past 10 years were invited to join us for a tour of the BBC's headquarters followed by drinks in the Media Café overlooking the working newsroom. Many famous faces were spotted and those who attended were given the chance to produce their own news broadcast and weather forecast.

Once again in December we returned to the prestigious Athenaeum Club in Pall Mall for our Winter Drinks reception, thanks to David Ormrod (m. 1966) and the event was fully booked. We will be returning to the Athenaeum again this year on Tuesday 6 December so ensure you book your place early. Later in December a hardy bunch of rugby fanatics met up at Twickenham for a beer in the Blues Village before braving the cold to watch the Varsity Rugby match; many old acquaintances were re-forged and new acquaintances made.

In the Lent Term we held another of our series of Distinguished Speakers events at the Oxford and Cambridge Club in London. Natalie Livingstone (m. 1995) spoke about her new book, *The Mistresses of Cliveden*, a story about sex and power and the ways in which exceptional women have evaded, exploited, and confronted the expectations of their times. We also hosted events for the Former JCR Committee members, Former May Ball Committee Members, Marguerites and the Christ's College Medical Alumni Association. Those who matriculated in 2009 were welcomed back to take their MA, on one of the most glorious sunny days of the year so far and after the ceremony they enjoyed drinks in the Master's Garden, followed by lunch and a formal dinner in Hall in the evening.

For the first time we invited alumni back to College to attend a canapé and drinks reception following the last Thursday Evensong of Term. At the end of Lent and Easter Term guests enjoyed a fantastic service given by our new Chaplain, Mark Smith, and had the pleasure of hearing the brilliant voices of the Choir fill the Chapel with song. The events were so well attended that we are hoping to repeat them at the end of every term. Keep any eye on our website for more dates (https://alumni. christs.cam.ac.uk/).

The annual May Bumps Picnic was held at the beginning of May Week in June, luckily this year we managed to dodge the rain clouds. The rowing, Hog Roast and afternoon tea were once again enjoyed by all. Many alumni also joined us at this year's May Ball, entitled Biophilia where humans became animals and the buildings came alive. May Week was topped off by the arrival of those who matriculated in 1975 – 1979 and their guests for a Reunion Lunch in the Fellows' Garden. They were treated to a delicious buffet lunch and there was much hilarity as we tried to assemble each year group for a group photo.

A week later alumni and their guests gathered to say farewell to the Master and Mrs Kelly at the Association Dinner. Alumni from a wide range of matriculation years enjoyed a feast in Hall with a speech given by Samantha Fabbro (m. 1983). Half an hour before the pre-dinner drinks Cambridge was subjected to the biggest hail storm ever seen, but fortunately this didn't dampen spirits.

As I write, we are in the throes of organising the Family Day Garden Party to which we will welcome back alumni and their families for an afternoon in the Fellows' Garden to have fun on the bouncy obstacle course, have their faces painted, laugh at the children's entertainer and enjoy afternoon tea in the sun (hopefully!).

After that it all starts again with the September Reunion Dinners where alumni will be able to meet the new Master for the first time, before we welcome the new first year students, and welcome back the current students to the start of Michaelmas Term.

> Beth Blakeman Alumni Relations Officer





#### 1950 Year Group Representative Peter White writes:

News this year has featured a number of notable anniversaries. The first to mention must be the 90th anniversary of his birth reached by Frederick Miles. He was in very good spirits when we spoke on the telephone last month, as always grateful for being so wonderfully cared for in the Residence run by the Little Sisters of the Poor in Vauxhall. Michael Evans and his wife Wendy anticipated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary next October with a family holiday in the Scilly Isles in April. Another 60th anniversary, in this instance of their call to the Bar in November 1955 in the Middle Temple, was celebrated by a meal for family and friends in Middle Temple Hall by James Nursaw and his wife Eira. James Greenhalgh recently received an award from the British Society for Animal Science to mark the 50th anniversary of his book Animal Nutrition, which he and two colleagues wrote and published in 1966: it is now in its 7th edition and has since been translated into five other languages. Lastly, and completely forgotten by both of us until I last year rediscovered some old letters home, it is now 60 years since Chris Barber and I met by chance in Agaba (South Jordan) during our National Service, he with the 80 Light Infantry AA Regiment and I with the Queen's Bays. Chris is still a Priest Vicar at Ely Cathedral, sings in the Ely Cathedral Octagon Choir, cycles 50 miles in aid of Historic Churches in September, and is a member of the U3A Music Appreciation Group. Finally, my thanks to Alan Sutherland, Clive McKeag, Dick Winfrey, Pat Redlich, Michael Chesterman and Gordon Brocklehurst for also keeping in touch.

#### 1952 Year Group Representative Graham Galer writes:

We were very sad to hear of the death of **Paul Spencer** in July 2015. Philip Wyatt recalls that 'Paul was my first roommate and my introduction to College life, Cambridge style'. Professor Paul Spencer taught social anthropology at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), London, where a meeting in his memory was organised in June 2016. David Vermont and his wife Grizelda attended this, and David reports that 'contributions came from four emeritus professors and his two wives and we learnt a great deal about life among the tribes of Kenya, the insights and interpretations which live on through the books Paul wrote and the effect he has on research. His two sons from his first marriage were also present'. David also tells me that he recently had lunch with Azhar Tyabji, town planner and author, now a Fulbright scholar, who is the son of our late contemporary, Hasan Tyabji and his wife Zehra. Edward George reports that his younger son, Martin, is just finishing his second year as Headmaster of Epsom College Malaysia in Kuala Lumpur. Sadly, Edward lost his youngest brother, Christopher (m. 1958), in March from leukaemia. Berwick Coates has a new grandson, and continues to pursue his writing activities. He is currently 'hawking a set of teaching memoirs round the agent market', as well as seeking publication of 'my third Great Novel, about the Domesday Book'. Very soon Paragon Press Publishing will be publishing a paperback of Berwick's record of his work as a school archivist: Nearly off the Record - the Archives of an Archivist.

**Philip Wyatt**, in a lively missive, recalls his struggles with mathematics whilst at Cambridge, in spite of which 'this past year has produced further growth for my company (we now have about 140 employees worldwide) and in my 84th year, I decided to start a new firm focused on some new markets for our key focus: light scattering. It looks encouraging and is a great sink in which money may be flushed down. I still write scientific papers and regularly file associated patents'. The only items I myself have to contribute are a visit to David and Grizelda Vermont in London last August, and a week spent in Prague, also last August, with my son Stephen (Pembroke m. 1978) and his wife and son. In company with my grandson Benny I was exploring in an amateur way various elements of Czech history, while his parents were at a scientific conference. More recently, the forthcoming centenary of the Battle of the Somme is leading me to revisit the related research I did for the post-retirement PhD I completed a few years ago.

#### 1953 Year Group News:

Walter Head writes that he and his wife Jean now live on the beautiful Mornington Peninsular 70km outside Melbourne, Australia. His wife is doing pretty well after having a stroke a couple of years ago. He plays golf twice a week (thank God for the handicap system!) and is still a fanatical football enthusiast, following the English Premier League thanks to pay TV. As he wrote this, he looked misty eyed at his Cambridge football photos on the wall of days gone by! Christ's Cuppers winners 1953 & 1954; Cambridge Falcons 1955; Pegasus 1955; Cambridge City 1955.

Anthony Eastwood writes 'my Engineering degree took me via aerospace, mining, and merchant banking to publishing overseas. Then in a Damascene moment, with some surprise I found myself championing the environment! This led to chairing CPRE South of England and then creating the East of England environment forum, and later chairing the National Trust's East of England projects committee. It was altogether a particularly refreshing break from business – interesting people, interesting places. And now – not quite retired, but hoping to keep fit enough to keep sailing and trekking – the Grand Canyon's remoter trails especially. And our current priority – to downsize dramatically – but, oh the amount of stuff we have!'

#### 1954 Year Group Representative Lawford Howells writes:

**Martin Hugh-Jones** wrote to me about a special, nostalgic celebration he enjoyed in 2015, along with two Cambridge graduates of his same 'vintage'! In 1960-61 Martin, together with these two friends, travelled by Land Rover from Terra Del Fuego to Alaska through seventeen countries. Of course, they had to overcome many and varied 'obstacles' in their journey – but that is another story! Last August, the present owner of their Land Rover, an expert mechanic, had got it up into safe running order, and with a journalist friend, invited the three to join them and their overlander friends to complete the expedition to the Arctic Circle, and on up to Coldfoot, Deadhorse and the Beaufort Sea. Martin continued: 'so we flew to Fairbanks and joined them. A great bunch of guys each with their own Land Rover, some almost as old as ours. Plus a couple with a Jeep Wrangler who were expert cooks. Alaska north of Fairbanks is beautiful, with striking mountain ranges, and a tundra in autumn colours. It went smoothly, and a good time was had by all! Mike, Ben, and I can now claim that we have driven from the Beagle Channel to the Beaufort Sea. I believe a unique claim. It just took a while.'

#### **1955** Year Group News:

Martin Vye writes that after a career in teaching, including being Head of Modern Languages, then Housemaster at The King's School Canterbury, he was elected to Kent County Council in 1989, and has managed to be re-elected every time since then. In between he also spent 16 years as a member of Canterbury City Council, during which time he was co-leader in a shared administration, and then Lord Mayor for a year. One of the most memorable events during that year was a civic visit to Vladimir in Russia, where he was able to practise again the Russian he had learnt at Cambridge. **Joe Connor** (m. 1957) is a good friend of his, living in the same village. Until retirement he was Professor of Chemistry and Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University of Kent. Together with their wives, they have gone on many foreign holidays; and in the colder parts of Europe local residents have been able to see two Christ's College Boat Club scarves being worn on their high streets.

George Astbury writes that he had attended the funeral of Roger Charles Valentine Cornwell, a fellow lawyer. Roger, as the editor of *Varsity*, wrote what many oarsman regarded as scurrilous comments on rowing, under the name of Ambrose Way! George continues: 'as a year group I have often noticed that we communicate and contribute to The Magazine far less than other years from the same decade. Perhaps this is that as a year most of us fell into Dr Pratt's third category (those that neither excelled at sport or academically but really needed the help that a Christ's education provides!). Unlike most of the contributors, I have led a very ordinary life, perhaps because I still do not know what I want to do when I grow up! However I have enjoyed the journey so far very much with my family and friends for which I have to thank Christ's a great deal.' Malcolm Page writes that he has lived in Vancouver, Canada, for fifty years, and is Professor Emeritus of English at Simon Fraser University. He has three sons and six grandchildren. For nearly 30 years he has written regularly on theatre in Vancouver for the magazine, Plays International. In recent years he has annually visited Europe (in Britain, relatives and friends, including Fred Cooke (m. 1956); recently Tunisia, Berlin and the Baltic states) and Australia during the Canadian Winter: his partner, Christine, has a house in Brisbane.

#### 1956 Year Group News:

**Philip Johnston** has been much involved in the amalgamation of the Headmasters' Association Benevolent Fund with the Association of School and College Leaders' Benevolent Fund. This Fund has been supporting the widows of former head teachers for the last 90 years and Philip was a Trustee of the Fund for 26 years and Honorary Treasurer for 8 years. **Richard Boxall** writes that he has now settled in East Sussex where he has been for the last 12 years, having consolidated three houses into one. His two sons and families live in Melbourne and Maryland. His eldest granddaughter is the only relation living in the UK and has two boys. His wife's mobility is very restricted as is increasingly his own having passed the 80 mark! He retired last year following 25 years as a Wandsman of St Paul's Cathedral.

David Carr writes that *Romany Wood*, a musical for children that he wrote with a friend some time ago and which was once performed in Ely Cathedral, organised and conducted by another former Christ's Alumna, **Rebecca Duckworth** (m. 1983), has surfaced again and is to be performed in June by several hundred Birmingham school children in the Symphony Hall, conducted by the Musical Director of King Edward's School, Birmingham, Martin Leigh, and narrated by the High Master. It has also been performed in Perth, by the Perth orchestral society and schoolchildren, following the enthusiasm of another Christ's Alumnus, **Sigurd Scott**, (m. 1957) who has now sadly died. Performances have been given in various Cathedrals and Halls up and down the country in aid of children's charities, and has had some distinguished narrators including Timothy West and Alan Titchmarsh. A Ballet was added, choreographed by Kit Holder of the Birmingham Royal Ballet and performed by the students of Elmhurst, the Birmingham ballet school in front of the Duchess of Cornwall.

#### 1957 Year Group Representative Hamish Donaldson writes:

**Anthony Harkavy** tells me that he decided he wanted to re-join the Independent Monitoring Board at The Mount Prison. His application was turned down, but after threatening the Ministry of Justice with a Judicial Review he received confirmation that his application could proceed and he re-joined last October. Maybe there is something in the Christ's culture which imbues its alumni with tenacity. **Mike Rouse** is not on email but is always delighted to see anyone who visits Masterton, near Wellington, NZ; I am told he is a very good host and will give them an hilarious time. **Sam Legerton** has been intensely involved with the building of an Anaerobic Digester for the last 9 months – 4 months to go. He celebrated **Mike Payne's** 80th last April with **Peter Colville** and **Steve Benson**. His granddaughter Lucy played in the winning Cambridgeshire under 13 East of England hockey championship and reached the National Schools Finals.

**Joe Connor** is one of several who celebrated their Golden Wedding this year. Joe celebrated with his daughter in Australia. He is also involved in prison visiting and working in the local hospice. **Chris Eyles** celebrated his Golden Wedding last August. He is still a card-carrying member of the National Union of Students having started an MSc course in geochemistry at Birkbeck College last autumn. He is still flying his Cessna and indulging in much travelling – to Nepal and Bhutan, to Krakow, to the Canal du Nivernais and skiing in the French Alps.

I (Hamish Donaldson) combined Golden Wedding celebrations with my 80th birthday party. Christ's men who attended included Peter Dixon and Bryan Mills (m. 1952), Mike Thwaites and John Pitchford (m. 1954), George Astbury (m. 1955), Horace Mitchell, Patrick Mannix and David Skinner (m. 1961) and daughter Fiona (m. 1987) – all rowing alumni, including Fiona. Jeremy Willings has moved house after 24 years to nearby Easebourne, West Sussex. He is still enjoying his *en primeur* wine tastings in Burgundy and Bordeaux chateaux tastings in London and is looking forward to his 30th attendance at the Le Mans 24 hours race. John Ball is chaplain to a convent of enclosed contemplative nuns (which means he gets up every morning at 5.30) and chaplain to a Catholic secondary school in Finchley – academically rather successful. He teaches A level Philosophy of Religion and the girls do extraordinarily well (of course) – he tells me that he just points them in the right direction and gets out of their way. He has recently written a doctorate on contextualisation.

**Carl Whitehouse** was sorry to hear of **Gordon Solway's** death, and also that of **Roger Peverley** a little earlier in the year (two from the first floor corridor of W staircase in past years). He enjoyed meeting up with **Rodney Hillman** and **Chris Eyles** when Chris and Win celebrated their Golden Wedding last August, and also with **Nigel Stanley** at the 1960 Medical Class's 55 year reunion. After 12 long years Carl has seen in print his history of the development of academic general practice in Manchester. **Michael Edwards** continues his meteoric rise through the French ranks and sends greetings, as do **Paul Fitzgibbon, Tony Fawkes** and **Peter Colville. Howard Clase** plans to visit the UK to see **Joe Connor** and **Glyn Price. Norman Thomson** still returns to Cambridge for A level examiners' meetings, establishing that weakening brain power has not yet hit its asymptote. **Tony George** was widowed two years ago but has remarried and inherited three step children and twelve step grandchildren. Learning their names has kept him busy but he is still involved with the reserve forces, two museums and four charities.

#### 1958 Year Group Representative David McGill writes:

Ronnie Hoare tells me he maintains good contact with the sporting fraternity, particularly former (not 'old') rugby players including, from 1958, Tony Lewis. The bonding is now with a small white ball rather than an oval one. Laurence Ayling is an example to us all by continuing full employment. He has founded a new company, LAMA International Technology and last year won the Energy Institute's Individual Achievement award. Donald MacBean and his wife met up with Norman Hardie (m. 1960) to see one of the RWC matches at Twickenham. Norman had come over from Toronto to offer his support to South Africa. They later entertained him to lunch in Suffolk. David Simpson has 'downsized' but not very far from his former home. He keeps in touch with Mike Brufal, John Crowley, Donald MacBean and Richard Epton. Mort Voller still lives in Galveston where he is managerially involved with several environmentally focussed non-profit companies. A holiday trip in 2014 gave him and his wife the opportunity to renew acquaintances with Mike Elliot and Dick Pearce. John Collis has been in Southern Mexico photographing rustic baroque churches and pueblos. (As a photographer with more ambition than technique, I envy him). Maurice Elliott is suffering from Multiple System Atrophy, which means he is unable to pursue his great love of reading. Andrew Kerr retired from his law practice in Edinburgh in 1999 and was for some years Secretary to the Fringe at the Edinburgh Festival. He has also been involved for 50 years in the conservation of buildings in the Edinburgh World Heritage site. (I take it he himself has not been cleaning them up with a stiff brush). More recently, he was consultant Naval Historian for the recent BBC programme, Scotland's War at Sea and is a member of the Scottish government's Jutland Commemoration Working Group. John Sefton continues his sterling work organising and running the Christ's Alumni Golf Society. Raising teams against other colleges can be a difficult task, as I know from my own experiences doing it against other clubs. Your correspondent continues to enjoy life in his Sussex village but visiting his wife's family in New Zealand fairly often, although experiencing one earthquake is enough. Sadly, we have learnt of the deaths of Chris George (leukaemia), Anthony (Max) Seager (cancer) and Martin Suthers.

#### 1959 Year Group News:

David John writes that 'seven members of College recently lunched together at Armoury House, HQ of the Honourable Artillery Company in London, including



Michael Weston-Burt and Josephine on their wedding day John Radcliffe, Don Brewin, John Lloyd, Mike Gore and Robin Webster, hosted by me. It was a very pleasant reunion which we are planning to repeat later in the year'. Michael Weston-Burt married Josephine McArdell at Worth Abbey, West Sussex, on Saturday 16 April 2016. The ceremony was the full Roman Catholic Nuptial Mass, attended by the monks, who concelebrated the Mass. A reception for 350 guests was held in the abbey precinct following the ceremony. The honeymoon followed in Sorrento. John Radcliffe tells us that Philip Wilson Publishers have just brought out his volume, *George Lance: Victorian Master of Still Life*, which he describes as 'the most definitive study of the mid-Victorian art world to appear in recent years'! George Lance is a direct ancestor of John's. John Thompson has had his book, *A Sense of Power: The Roots of America's Global Role*, published by Cornell University Press which came out in November 2015.

#### 1961 Year Group News:

David Harriss writes with news of the Christ's 1961 Golfers:

July 2015 saw us assembling in the Vale of Evesham for our annual golf day, this year at Evesham Golf Club hosted by **David Scott**. Age is beginning to catch up with us and this year **Les McMorris** was unable to make the trip while awaiting knee surgery and **Alan Martin** was a last minute drop out for health reasons. **Peter Larkman** was buggy bound and not able to swing a club because of a bad back. However, nine of us ventured out on this very interesting and attractive 9 hole course on a delightful warm summer day. The clear winner was **Michael Gibbs** with 34 points, **David Skinner** hit the longest drive and **Jerry Simmonds** was nearest the pin. We were joined in the evening by **Tony Sleight**, who lives nearby, and we enjoyed an excellent dinner in the clubhouse. Grateful thanks go to **David Scott** for impeccable organisation and generous hospitality. Our next and tenth meeting is at Woking Golf Club on 2 August 2016.

#### 1962 Year Group Representative Brian Lott writes:

I am writing this from World's End in Chelsea where Judith and I bought a house last year in Lamont Road, close to what used to be The Man in the Moon pub on the King's Road. We have recently finished renovating the house and adding a roof terrace with the help of some excellent European craftsmen, so we are voting to Remain! Peter Brewin is also voting to Remain as he is still working as a supervising consultant for the European Commission on a variety of technical assignments and research projects as well as continuing his work as a Lay Reader in Shipbourne in Kent. He and I often meet with Tim Callan who, as a Trustee of Bella's estate, has now closed down the travel agency and Bellissima B. Tim can sometimes be spotted on his bicycle in Richmond Park and further afield in Kent and Hampshire. Oliver Everett moved out of London at the end of last year and now resides in the depths of Essex, not far from Felsted, when he is not travelling and lecturing. Peter Mrkusic was in London recently on his annual visit to his son and daughterin-law Greg (m. 1994) and Sarah Mrkusic and their family, before travelling on to Vienna and his flat in Dubrovnik. He has closed his shop in Johannesburg and is now selling his jewellery and antiques at fairs in South Africa. Congratulations to Professor Geoffrey Parker who has been elected Corresponding Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and appointed one of three 2016 Carnegie Centennial Professors at St Andrews where he taught for 14 years. Another of our distinguished academics is Professor Norman Stone who currently holds the chair in International Relations at Bilkent University in Ankara. Duncan McRae responded to my request for up-to-date email contacts noting that Ansel Slome has now retired from his role as an attorney in Los Angeles. Robin Kerr remains very active representing the alumni on the Christ's boathouse rebuild committee and doing a bit of rowing on the side. Highlights and lowlights of his year included a spell in hospital after being

hit by a snowboarder in Colorado and being evacuated from his house in Bath due to the discovery of a 500lb German bomb nearby. Granville Tunnicliffe Wilson coauthored and published a book on dependent time series in July. He and his wife Jean have been working on a community project to bring fibre broadband to their village (for more info search B4RN) resulting in 200 premises now having gigabit speed internet and a lot of good neighbourly cooperation as they worked together digging through fields and gardens and under hedges and walls. John Murray is very happy to be 'still kicking and cancer-free 18 months after radical prostate cancer surgery' and is still running his fleet of four deep sea charter fishing boats at Pompano Beach, Florida. He celebrated catching a 300lb swordfish in May and can be heard on several local radio spots promoting his business. Mike Muir-Smith was divorced five years ago 'having retired to the Dordogne in 2005 and predictably found we didn't work, and I hated France...' He met his partner Amanda through rowing and now lives in Riverside Quarter in Putney. She helps with his businesses and they race in a mixed double scull, based at Pangbourne, which involves wearing a rut down the M4. He is working on various projects; a residential home business in Norfolk, hotel interests in Seychelles and the chairmanship of the Cambridge Sport Lakes Trust which is planning to build an Olympic-standard rowing and sport complex between Milton and Waterbeach alongside the A10 to Ely. Mike continues to compete in sculling and rowing, and has been known to turn out for the Crustaceans (CCBC Old Boys), which is a fun way of keeping up with alumni. Stephen Bown set up the National Medical Laser Centre (NMLC) in UCL in 1984 which became a global focus for the development of Photodynamic Therapy (PDT) and led the development of PDT



Stephen Bown with the nomadic community health team in northern Kenya for cancers of the prostate and pancreas. He has lectured in 45 countries around the world and was recently awarded an honorary DSc degree from the King George's Medical University in Lucknow, India. He is now partly retired, although still undertakes some clinical endoscopy sessions and retains an involvement in PDT research projects.

Stephen is a Trustee of the charity 'Population Matters' whose aims are to increase awareness of and stimulate action on the serious environmental and social problems arising from the continuing growth of the world's human population. He has a particular interest in family planning programmes in Kenya and has recently visited outreach programmes in remote rural areas where many young people have no jobs and the environment is severely threatened. Robin Thompson is working on a book on the church in India alongside his part time work with the South Asian community in the UK where issues related to peace and the dangers of extremism are still high on the agenda; a quite different focus from the Hindu community, where questions relate to exclusive claims. In that connection they have met with Rowan Williams, now Master at Magdalene, and more recently Justin Welby. Robin's family is scattered, with a daughter Sarah in Barcelona and son Jonathan in Tokyo. Robin sees Adrienne and Peter Brewin occasionally and was at Peter's 70th birthday party last October. **Charles Lysaght** is still living in the same house on Dublin Bay where he grew up and survived a stroke six years ago. He writes obituaries and on legal topics for Irish and British newspapers and represented the Master in 2015 at the memorial mass in Dublin for former law fellow Mary Redmond. In April he presided at the annual dinner of the Oxford & Cambridge Society of Ireland in Dublin which was also attended by **Cormac Sreenan** (m. 1988). He plays cricket occasionally and will get up a team in July to play in Ireland against White City, a touring team captained by Christ's alumnus **Peter Oborne** (m. 1975) which also includes **Peter Stevenson** (m. 1978) and portraitist **Anthony Oakshett** (m. 1975). Charles was one of several of our 1962 year who attended the reunion in September. **Clive Vero** came all the way from Argentina; also present were Bristol Emeritus Professor **Roger Kerridge**, **Robin Kerr**, engineer **John Gorman**, retired History Professor **Edward Royle**, **Steve Bown**, **Graham Minto**, **Ian Lang**, **Granville Tunnicliffe Wilson**, **Patrick Parrinder**, **Godfrey Newham**, **Robin Pike** and **Donald Pilgrim**. Finally, I recently dined with **Rufus Clarke** and Jeanette when they passed through London on a trip to Europe. Rufus was a Research Fellow at Christ's in 1963 and emigrated to Australia where he has been active in the Medical departments at the universities in Newcastle and Sydney for many years.

#### 1964 Year Group representatives, Roy Nettleship and Mike Jenner, write:

The main item of news from **St John Bates** is that in October 2015 the Commonwealth Secretariat invited him to join the 15 person Commonwealth Observer Group, led by the wonderful ex-President of Nigeria, His Excellency Goodluck Jonathan – for a ten-day mission to observe the general election in Tanzania. In case you think that it was all just cakes and ale, St John has to tell you that the most exotic animal he saw was a goat! Of potentially less interest, in November 2015 he went on a mission for the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe to the Parliaments of Kosovo and Georgia to review their standing orders.

Chris Brown is 'still living in Toronto, enjoying a healthy retirement in this good city'. He wants everyone to know that he would enjoy a visit from anyone from Christ's and, if you want to see more of Canada, he suggests you drive 20 hours east to visit Paul Vincent Smith in Inverness, Cape Breton. Paul has chosen a very different life style. Mike Dawson reports that the last eighteen months have been busy but more for his family than himself. His daughter Judy (m. 1989) underwent a major brain operation in October 2014 but has made an amazing recovery, albeit with some unavoidable sight and hearing loss. She is now back working as a barrister, plus the more demanding task of mother to her three very active girls. Meanwhile Mike's son Mark (m. 1993) has, together with his wife Christie, set up a wedding venue business near Horsham. They have built a 'stunning' Sussex oak barn, and totally refurbished the existing hotel. The site includes a lake and nine-hole golf course. Mike has lent a hand on some of the less demanding tasks. Their first wedding is in June, and, though bookings are well ahead of target, Mike is sure there would be a discount for any Christ's 1964 alumni or their families. Now summer is here Mike will be spending lots of time on the golf course, much of which will be in a refereeing capacity for Yorkshire and England Golf championships. Charlie Findlay would like to clarify that he did not in fact, as reported last year, hold a huge formal gathering for 120+ guests in Thornton Manor (on the Wirral) to celebrate his 70th birthday. However he and his lady partner attended such a gathering, which was held by a more affluent old school friend. Therefore no old friends from Christ's have reason to feel they were overlooked! Just like the delightful Nik Wilkinson, Charlie continues to lead a 'busy but entirely unremarkable life'!

**Ian Harvey** is delighted to say that parts of Cambridge (at long last) are beginning to see, study and teach the importance of intellectual property (IP) to commercialising research and stimulating innovation. The Institute for Manufacturing (part of the

Department of Engineering) now has a group doing research on, and teaching, the importance of IP to the innovation process. They have also created a Cambridge Strategic Intellectual Property Forum. Little did Ian know when he graduated from Engineering that he would be back 50 years later lecturing on how the Chinese in many respects are ahead of the UK in this. If anyone needs persuading of that, Ian has a paper on his website (www.ianharvey-ip.com) which gives the facts. The course on Innovation-IP-Business Strategy that Ian has been running at Tsinghua University in Beijing for the past five years has just been expanded, the (American) person Ian had handed over to didn't deliver so he has taken it back, and it is now being taught in Chinese. Ian was given special dispensation to teach his class in English. John Hider is happy to report all is well, with news of a grandson who will hopefully perpetuate the Hider name. He continues to support the British cruise industry. In the last year Ken James has continued to work as a business coach and joined the local Rotary Club. He has continued to enjoy travelling with a memorable trip on the Canal Du Midi and more recently joining Obama and the media circus in Cuba. He has enjoyed representing Christ's College Alumni Golf Society including a great win recently at the inter college match between eight colleges at Cambridge Meridian Golf Club.

Mike Jenner and his wife Elaine Emling have exerted themselves to do some serious travelling in the last year. They took two weeks in September 2015 to travel up the west coast of the USA from San Francisco to Portland, Oregon via Yosemite. Elaine plotted a route that avoided the forest fires. Having limbered up with this trip, Mike and Elaine spent five weeks of February and March 2016 touring New Zealand, Australia and Hawaii. The undoubted highlight of this trip was their stopover in Cairns, Australia, where they visited the threatened Great Barrier Reef at the point where it meets Australia's tropical rainforest. Mike was sorry to miss Charles Jones in Adelaide, where he had been fishing with Howard Rose and Marion (living in Melbourne). In the meantime Mike continues to row every week with Capital Rowing Club in Washington DC; just how long those elderly sinews can take this punishment remains to be seen. Those who remember Michael Jones's sporting prowess (or have been kind enough to forget) might be a little surprised that his younger son, Matthew (m. 1999), also a Christ's man, has taken to running marathons for fun. The latest one is the Marathon des Sables in Morocco this April. Nigel Martin is now into his final year as a County Councillor in Durham, having decided some time ago to step down at the next elections in May 2017, making 32 years in all. Local government has changed out of all recognition in that time, and not for the better in his opinion. More time for travel and croquet while Susan and he are still fit.

**Brian May** is in semi-demi retirement from full time further education. He has completed a year as Access Adviser for Open College Network, West Midlands region and now continues with them as external moderator and centre reviewer in further education colleges in the Midlands. This keeps him well occupied and in touch with education developments. Meantime, Patricia and he have a fifth grandchild and a houseful of rescued animals! Later in the summer he plans to visit Christ's along with one of the said five, Oscar, as 'I want to be a palaeontologist when I grow up', and an interest in Darwin cannot go unexplored! Life goes on pleasantly and quietly for **Roy Nettleship**, but with a certain amount of excitement. March took him on a Coastal Voyage journey round Northern Norway to the Russian border, a journey made quite memorable by the storm force 10 wind, which meant that they ignored most of the ports of call. April included leading a small tour by train and boat to Hamburg, mainly for the travelling, but also to visit 'The Biggest Model Railway in the World' – they will go again. And, as he writes in the summer of 2016, Roy has just started to mark his last A-level paper. This is a hobby which he took up when he retired and now, after 21 years, they want him to mark on a computer screen, so 'no thank you'. Roy's Principal Examiner through most of that time has been **David Nelson** (m. 1957) who also appears to be finally stopping marking, in his case after 54 years.

John Parker reports from Sheffield that retired life continues to be full in so many ways. Writing a monthly news item on aspects of Glass History requires constant research and the small but well-formed glass museum collection he curates in Sheffield creates frequent and varied demands. For example, talks to a Local History group, an Italian Society, and during the Sheffield 'Off the Shelf' literary festival are currently on the menu. All that's left of John's Natural Science tripos is that he still assists with Annual Schools for Research Students in France and China, and is webmaster for a large glass website (International Commission on Glass)! Oh, and he's just received the prestigious President's Award from ICG - another item to fit into his wife's glass collection. Richard Peacocke is still working - doing it as long he's learning interesting stuff, while they want him, and while the excellent coffee machine is operating! Paul Ramsey managed successfully to retire on 30 June 2015. This was after 48 years in the railway industry working in the UK, France and Abu Dhabi. He is now a founding director of Bridgeclear Limited, which provides patented low bridge warning systems. Paul is a Fellow of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers and CMIOSH, CMILT and MCIM. He and his wife Gail have two sons - David who is a project manager for Bombardier Transportation in Sweden; and Peter who is a Divisional Manager in Transport Planning for Kier/ Mouchel in Manchester. Gail and Paul have two grandchildren in Sweden. They still live in Nantwich where they have lived for 34 years. Paul has been active as a lay person in Church life throughout, becoming a Reader in the Chester Diocese in 1999. It is in this role that he is finding much to do in an active retirement. Last month he was at the Celebration of 150 years of re-established Reader Ministry at All Souls' Church, Langham Place.

The last year has passed quickly for Peter Reynolds with a wonderful trip to South East Asia in the spring, golf - some good some bad, up and down a few more munros, visiting offspring in various parts of the world, and looking after grandchildren from time to time. He re-joined their local choral society after some time out, and enjoys the odd hand of bridge. All rather predictable activities, but they keep body and mind exercised, and give considerable pleasure and satisfaction. He reports that he passed through Cambridge in June 2015 when he got soaked at the College May Bumps picnic – fun nonetheless! Julian Rouse continues to operate his exclusive tour company from his base in Brighton (julian@echotango.co.uk). Mike Smith has been very involved in Flood Relief activities in Deeside through his local Rotary Club, which set up a Flood Relief Fund for immediate assistance to support those left with no home. The members got stuck into activities ranging from sand bag filling, packing and removing stock from flooded premises to dry locations, assisting with the local efforts to sort and distribute food and clothes, clearing debris. He also produced a quiz on NE of Scotland place names which brought in over £1,500 for the fund, considered locally as the product of a 'fiendish' mind.

Martin Stentiford can't remember when he last sent a note for the magazine so this is to assuage his guilt! He has now fully retired but finds more than enough to keep himself busy! He continues to umpire rowing, mainly at regattas in the West of England, although the rules will curtail these activities soon as his 70th approaches. His grandchild count now stands at five and his first great grand-daughter is just nine months old. All the children have now left the roost so Claire and he rattle around the house a little. They have both become shareholders (owning two bar stools and a few empty glasses!) in a local community pub, The Tally Ho at Littlehempston, which they helped to re-open to much local acclaim and an entry in the 'Good Beer Guide'. Martin currently serves on its management committee. If anyone is in the Totnes area, do call in - Martin might even be at the bar! Retirement hasn't changed anything much for Ian Tattersall, who still occupies his huge office at the American Museum of Natural History doing business pretty much as usual. Since Easter 2015 he has published two books that might be of interest: The Strange Case of the Rickety Cossack, and Other Cautionary Tales from Human Evolution and (with his colleague Rob DeSalle) A Natural History of Wine. And he continues to take study groups to the Ice Age decorated caves of France and Spain. Could be a lot worse! After Christ's, Wendy and Alex Tweedie set off for Stanford for an MA in development economics. There followed a career in agricultural economics, finance, Africa and the US, banking, education and charities. Now semi-retired, Alex remains on the board of the MicroLoan Foundation (Zambia), a microfinance charity. Meanwhile Wendy publishes children's reading books, (see: www.phonicbooks.co.uk) after a career as a special needs teacher, retiring as head teacher at the Bloomfield Learning Centre at Guys Hospital. Her company currently publishes 270 little books and dispatches over 40,000 per month, mainly to English medium primary schools in over 20 countries. John Urry was a regular contributor to this column, always with publication of a new book or two on sociology to report so we were saddened to hear of his death in March 2016, and we will miss him. David Wacznadze continues to enjoy retirement in Alsace. Last year he visited the Baltic countries in September and today, as he writes in the summer of 2016, he is packing suitcases to fly to Georgia the land of his ancestors. He will be interested to compare how this country manages its post-Soviet independence.

#### 1965 Year Group News:

Joe Conway reports from sunny Western Australia that he is still enjoying the climate and the lifestyle opportunities it affords for outdoor activities such as bushwalking, beach going, sailing, canoeing, and swimming. He recently underwent the removal of a little squamous cell cancer on his back. This was no great drama but has greatly increased his status with his mates in the Fremantle Surf Lifesaving Club and his local sailing club. It could almost be regarded as a rite of passage from Pommie to Aussie. He is now being a bit more cautious about outdoor exposure and is cynical about the claims of all that renewable energy available from sun and wind. He says 'if it is so good, why does it not renew the energy in his ageing body'. He is also enjoying semiretirement, being in the process of handing over his building/property development business to his brother-in-law, a mere lad of 57 years. This gives him more time to be exhausted by playing with his two small grandchildren and making frequent Skype calls to his two sons, one in London, one in Toronto. He wants to remind all readers of the existence of the Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race on the Swan River, Perth, WA, which takes place in November each year. This is an ancient tradition which dates all the way back to 2009 and he has been a regular rower since its inception. The results have been a bit weighted towards the Dark Side to date, mostly because Cecil Rhodes chose the wrong university to educate his colonial scholarship boys, but hopes are high to rectify this aberrant score in the near future. He was thrilled to be reunited last September with so many of his contemporaries at Christ's Reunion Dinner and hopes to read of their news in the *Magazine*.

Graham Rees writes to tell us that 'after a career which took me all over the world culminating in being CEO of an International Mining organisation I am now settled in Sidmouth, Devon. Career highlights were being responsible for developing the World's richest Diamond Mine in Botswana, pioneering the recovery of diamonds from the deep water off the coasts of Namibia and South Africa and winning the diplomatic battles in Ireland which enabled them to benefit from their Mineral Resources. I now have more onerous responsibilities caring for my wife Trisha who suffers from Motor Neurone Disease. This restricts my ability to get to Cambridge easily but I keep in touch through Christ's College communications as well as the Hawks Club and the University Rugby Club.' Graeme Murray reports that on the weekend of 20 May 2016, Alastair Simkin, Ron Smith, Robert Culpin, John Hodgson and himself all from 1965 met in the Barron's Court Theatre in London to watch a performance of a play, *Real Life TV*, written by Ian Buckley. Some of them hadn't seen each other since they graduated in 1968, and Graeme even flew over from Toronto for the weekend to be part of it. Ian plans another production next year and would welcome one and all. Wynne Aveling writes that having taken the NHS pension aged 60 and worked part time as an anaesthetist, he now plans to retire completely before he is 70. This will leave more time for ski touring and completing the Scottish Munros (only 140 to go!) not to mention visiting children and grandchildren in Australia and USA. Tony Gilbert has continued to do quite a lot of (amateur) graphical art over the years which he enjoys and Andrew Lauder launched his first historical children's book in October last year. He explains, 'entitled Falconius Fox and the Roman Invasion of Britain, the books are for children aged 8-108 and combine fun with historically factual descriptions of the various major events in which The Heroic Foxes of Foxwood have been closely involved during the last 2000 years.' The books are illustrated by the prize winning V&A illustrator Dan Ungureanu. Rudy Markham, formerly the finance director of Unilever and now a non-executive director of Legal & General, has been appointed temporary Chairman of L&G pending the appointment of a full-time successor to the current Chairman. Michael Harris represented the Great Britain Over 65s hockey XI in the World Cup competition held in the first half of May this year in Australia.

#### 1966 Year Group Representative Dick Clements writes:

**Michael Vaughan** has now retired from Shell after 25 years living and working in a variety of locations around the world including 10 years in Nigeria and assignments in Brunei, Qatar, Oman, London and The Hague. He tells me that his career has been 'always challenging, never dull and very privileged. My most memorable shorter trips were to the Empty Quarter of Saudi Arabia and Siberia. I joined Shell as a surgeon in Nigeria where I later became the Chief Medical Officer and subsequently finished up as an Occupational Physician back home in London as Health Manager for Shell UK. I revalidated my medical licence last year and still continue to practise part time mostly in Aberdeen and the Gulf.'



**Paul Main, John Prichard, John Rookwood** and **Rob Ingram,** with their wives, celebrated 50 years since meeting in 1966 with a trip to St Mellion in Cornwall. As you can see in the photo to the left, the four of them share a certain sporting interest!

**Barclay Jackson** retired in 2008 after 35 years lecturing in business statistics at Manchester Metropolitan University. He says 'This allows more

time to keep fit for e.g. rambling, playing rugby and entertaining my 10 month old granddaughter.' He remains in contact with **Phil Tepper** and his Probus group was recently addressed by Reverend **Michael Burgess**. **Phil Tepper** retired two years ago and is 'attempting to keep the Reaper at bay by a mixture of cooking, gardening, walking our Thai rescue dog, singing in a local choir and doing voluntary work at the Greater Manchester Museum of Transport. In 2014 my better half, Christine, and I managed to get away for our 'holiday of a lifetime' to New Zealand!'. **Anthony Trodd** (who many will recall as the Organ Scholar from our year) has happy memories of being at Christ's and is still active musically as pianist, organist, etc. He lives near St Austell where he was involved in teaching, mainly A-level music.



Christ's College rugby pennant from the 1969 tour to Spain

Paul Main. Iohn

Rookwood and Rob Ingram golfing in

Prichard, John

Cornwall

During a recent house move **Gordon Beer** came across the pennant from the Christ's College rugby tour to Spain in 1969. He attached a photograph and says 'I would love to hear from any of the participants. I have a cine film of the tour which I have just put onto DVD.'

**David Eade** has, for some years, enjoyed the hobby of gliding. He sent this card showing the 'high point of my 2015 – a flight



David Eade's gliding photos

up to Mont Blanc in July.'

**Geoff Garrett** has just completed leading a major study on Great Barrier Reef water quality in his capacity as Chief Scientist of Queensland. He and Janet have



Geoff Garrett with Pepper the Robot lived in Australia for 15 years, and have recently celebrated 44 years of marriage (having met at Cambridge!) They have four sons and three grandchildren. He sadly missed out on a recent and inaugural get together of Cambridge/Oxford Boxing Blues now resident in Australia, including former Prime Minister Tony Abbott, but says he will be there next year! He attached a picture of himself with 'his new best friend' (and helpmate), Pepper the Robot, at the World Science Festival in Brisbane in March.

**Phil Child** says 'Facebook has put me in contact with **Neil Kenyon**, a fellow oarsman in possibly the worst third VIII in living memory.' Phil retired about five years ago, and in order to keep an ageing brain active, he has started an Open University MSc course on Molecular Medicine. He did a year's Pharmacology course at Cambridge and found it fascinating, but 'by 'eck there have been some changes in 50 years – as you must be aware, we are in the era of Big Data.'

**David Gooch** reported that a number of them met up at the Kent and East Sussex Railway (where **Peter Bolton** is a volunteer) last September and plan a repeat at the Bluebell Railway (where **David Gooch** is a volunteer) this July. He sent the photograph to the right of (left to right) **Richard Foreman, Martin Hampar** and **Peter Bolton** in front of a partially restored GWR Railcar.

**Philip Kitcher, Peter Emmerson** and **Will Mason** will be coming to the September Reunion Dinner together. Philip, I understand, has worked in



Richard Foreman, Martin Hampar and Peter Bolton in front of the GWR Railcar

US universities for much of his career. **David Banford** has relocated to St Emilion, France, with winters in Stellenbosch, and is in the throes of buying a small St Emilion chateau and vineyards for renovation together with a syndicate of investors. He comments 'this is no easy task, as the French like to keep those for themselves and there is a mountain of protocol, so it is still work in progress.' We look forward to hearing more! **Robin Derricourt**, who has lived in Sydney, Australia since 1986, took early retirement from his publishing career in 2010, having been the Director of University of New South Wales Press. Since retiring he has returned to writing, primarily in archaeology and history. His most recent book, a critique of 'invented pasts', is *Antiquity Imagined: the Remarkable Legacy of Egypt and the Ancient Near East.* Other activities include some consulting in the publishing industry, some volunteer work, travel and grandparenting.

Bankole Thompson (who took a PhD in Law at Christ's) was, from 1995-2012, a Professor of Criminal Justice Studies at Eastern Kentucky University. He also served as a Judge of the UN-backed Special Court for Sierra Leone (an international war crimes tribunal) from 2002-2009. He is now retired from the academic world but is a judge of the Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone, and also a member of the West African Commission on Drug Trafficking and other transnational crimes, sponsored by the Kofi Annan Foundation. In August 2015 his fourth book, Universal Jurisdiction: The Sierra Leone Profile, was published by TMC Asser Press. David Bradley is now retired from a lifetime's work as a solicitor, mostly in Cambridge. He says 'on retirement I took up wood working and have been working as a volunteer handy man at the Cambridge University Botanic Garden for the last year. I get to do much of the wood work because the Maintenance Manager prefers metal. It's great fun. I used to 'work' in the Botanic as an undergraduate when in digs at 88 Hills Road which is opposite an entrance which is now closed.' Since retirement David and his wife travel to Australia every year both to visit family and to see more of the country. In recent years they have travelled in Tasmania and North Oueensland. David tries to bring back examples of local wood for his carpentry! Heather and Peter Osborne 'are looking forward to the imminent arrival of our second grandchild. We have had a lot of fun getting to know the first one, now four years old.' He also says 'keeping a sketch journal is now my principal hobby in retirement and the most interesting at the moment are wildlife subjects. But engineering creeps in too!'

#### 1967 Year Group News:

John Beech writes that in January 2013 he retired from Coventry University, where he had been Head of Leisure, Sport and Tourism Management, and latterly a Senior Research Fellow. He was awarded an Honorary Research Fellowship and currently does some contract work for the University. Rather than sink into the world of television, he continued to be active on two fronts: lecturing in Sports & Events Management and research/writing in the same area. The former involves mainly flying visits to various European universities, including the Russian International Olympic University at Sochi. The latter requires the maintenance of three portals, all prefaced by Scoop.It! and through tweeting recently got back into contact with **Jim Webber**. He has travelled far since graduating with a degree in History and the Philosophy of Science and heading off to teach English in Saudi Arabia! Maintaining his stance in local politics, **Clive Butchins** was re-elected Mayor of Elstree and Borehamwood in May by fellow councillors for a second term, so he 'must have done something right...', he modestly confesses. Clive continues to work on improvements in the local area for the benefit of his electorate.

**Owen Davies** reports he is now retired. After Christ's he trained as a social worker at Sussex University. He spent most of his working life as a trade union officer for UNISON representing public service workers at various levels, before returning to social work in 2006 and working in national bodies until 2015. In retirement he cycles extensively, Land's End to John O'Groats last summer, and sings with the London Welsh Choir. Retirement has allowed **Richard Green** to develop his interest in drawing and water colours. He is Honorary Secretary of the Birmingham Watercolour Society. Much of his professional career was concerned with urban



regeneration and he still finds inspiration from urban centres, only now tries to capture the atmosphere on paper. He exhibits his work mainly in Birmingham and the West Midlands. Having just returned from holiday in the West of France, he sent the following pen and watercolour of a view over the River Vérère in Terrasson-Lavilledieu, Perigord Noir near Brive.

Ian Martin is now enjoying retirement after nearly forty years in the surveying world, focusing primarily on the hospitality sector of the commercial market. He is now taking some time to appreciate such establishments from the users' perspective and recent trips have included Vancouver (for a family visit and skiing), Cortina in the Dolomites (skiing), Lienz in the Austrian Tyrol (visiting and skiing), Ypres in Belgium (with the Croydon Male Voice Choir to sing at the Menem Gate following the sounding of the Last Post), and the foothills of the Atlas Mountains, Morocco (purely leisure). Ian recently met up with fellow alumni Mike Kyle, Ian Johnson and Richard Summerhill to welcome Peter Foster on a visit to the UK. Ian's avid rugby interest is at present centred on his grandson who boasts the authentic Welsh name of Macleod, his father being Scottish, and is playing in the Under 20s World Cup for Wales, a difficult switch of allegiance for an England supporter!

**David Williams** has just been appointed Executive Dean of the Professional Colleges and Dean of Engineering at the Ohio State University. He wrote on 12 June that it was 'the 40th anniversary of my marriage to Margie at the College Chapel followed by a reception in Hall'. Christ's was well represented by **Sandy Pratt** (m. 1971, Best Man), **Tim Lintott** (m. 1971), **Brian Wynne** (m. 1965) and **Peter Doig** (m. 1966). The then Master, the late Lord Todd, put in an appearance, rumoured to be checking the standard of catering! In true Marguerite spirit David postponed his departure on honeymoon to attend the annual cocktail party the next day which

Watercolour by Richard Green dawned blisteringly hot. It was of course incumbent that the nuptials were celebrated with a dunking of the bride and groom in the Malcolm Bowie Pool. Unfortunately, during the frivolity the bride lost her new wedding ring, but undeterred, the stalwarts of the Rugby XV spent several hours trawling the pool with the result that the best man was able to present the bride with her lost article of treasure. Such excitement is not anticipated at the wedding of David and Margie's eldest son this coming summer.

#### 1968 Year Group Representative Philip Bradney writes:

Greeting to old colleagues from Mike Woffenden, Chris Veal, Bill Bennett, Phil Tomlinson, Stephen Hart, John Child and Keith Rankin. Sumanjit Chaudrey says he would be very happy to host anyone who visits Delhi over dinner and also act as a touch point for them in India if they need any help or advice for their visit. Colleagues should note 'there is a plan for a reunion dinner in Delhi sometime over

the next few years'. Sumanjit also says he is busy consulting in the school education space and serves on a number of Boards of Public companies. He still plays a lot of tennis and is always on the look-out for a partner who enjoys singles at our age. **Chris Farrell** sends a photo of the 3rd boat. He is rowing 4 and thinks **Howard Ford** is 5. Perhaps others will recognise themselves! He reports he is attending a Cambridge in America event at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago in June and wonders if he'll meet any who matriculated in 1968 and who might also have been Natural Scientists?



to be too hypocritical – our carbon footprint flying to Japan and Georgia must have been pretty heavy – but it's no use denying the consequences. If present trends continue, skis and polar bears will both be things of the past for our grandchildren.'



**Tom Hardy** says he is still winding down to retirement, thought more slowly than he would have liked, and now able to spend more time travelling, which he enjoys, and looks forward to a 50th reunion in 2018. **Nigel Collin** writes that after 22 and a half years as the Finance Director of a chemical conglomerate he is hanging up his boots on 31 July. The plan is to acquire a sports cruiser and play in the



Chris Farrell with the 3rd boat

Robert Borgerhoff Mulder and Harley Nott searching for snow in Japan

Mediterranean with or without a Brexit. An added twist is his attendance at this year's May Ball which he is really looking forward to as a veritable blast from the past. He sends his best regards to all who remember him. **Richard Warren** is doing more gardening and **Peter Wilkinson** is largely retired now. He is determined to be very active, physically and mentally, but looking for some additional activities other than serious travel, theatre, music, cinema, cycling, swimming and walking (which he already does), and golf, bowls and committee work (which he has vowed to never



Keirnan Ryan's new book do). He also recently attended a very nice small wedding of one of his old mathematician friends from College. **Chris Veal** is still working at Warwick University part time and still enjoying it. The 400th anniversary of the Bard's death has kept **Keirnan Ryan** busy debating 'Why Does Shakespeare Matter?' in the 'Battle of Ideas' at the Barbican, giving the plenary lecture at the quatercentenary conference held at the University of Alicante, and discussing his new book *Shakespeare's Universality: Here's Fine Revolution* (Bloomsbury, 2015) at the National Arts Club in Manhattan as a guest of the Shakespeare Guild of America.

His articles on *Hamlet, Othello, King Lear* and *Macbeth* for the Shakespeare website specially created this year by the British Library can be found at www.bl.uk/ shakespeare. Following his impending retirement from Royal Holloway, he plans to continue writing and lecturing as Emeritus Professor of English at Royal Holloway and an Emeritus Fellow of Murray Edwards College, where he looks forward to spending more time. **Tim Palmer** sends greetings to all the 1968 year group. He finds life in retirement is busier than ever it was at work, despite not lecturing in Germany



Tim Palmer and his 1974 MGB this year. He and Sarah have settled down happily to their now not-so-new life in Cambridge with plenty of singing and, at the time of writing, active campaigning in favour of staying in the EU in advance of the referendum. He has spent several months on the hands-on barn conversion in the Ardèche – it's coming along nicely and should see a guest bedroom added this summer. The folly of the year has been buying a 1974 MGB – trying to rediscover 1970s life immediately post-Cambridge? Repair skills have needed to be dusted off after years of taking cars to a garage to be mended!

**David Topham** has completed an off-campus research project at Brunel University London, and was awarded a PhD in respect of *The design of 3D miniaturised integrated products*. David writes: 'in particular I recorded in the acknowledgements my huge debt to Dr Albert Kempton, my tutor at Christ's, who inspired me greatly and sent me in the right direction, despite my lack of academic prowess. I still assist in EU research projects, but not for money. As long as they are happy to pay for my flights and hotels, and a few beers, it keeps me on my toes'. **Philip Bradney** writes, 'I have very much enjoyed the annual correspondence over the last 12 years with fellow alumni as year group representative but it is now time to let others with fresh energy and enthusiasm to take over, particularly as there is our 50th anniversary of matriculation coming up in 2018. Very many thanks for all the many and varied contributions to the *Magazine* over the years which have made our year group's section one of the liveliest, despite our grey hairs, wrinkles and general age and decrepitude (speak for yourself you might say.) I continue to be busy with

family, garden and various extra-curricular activities like the Village Shop and would very much welcome keeping in touch with any former colleague who wishes to do so on an *ad hoc* basis'. Finally, **Mike Duffey** has been travelling in the US (battlefields again; Chickamauga and the Little Bighorn).

**Richard Savage** has stepped down from the management of the Surrey Archaeological Society after ten years but remains Vice President. Richard had been the co-founder and then Chairman of the Woking Palace archaeological project

which, with a substantial grant from the HLF, ran for seven seasons of excavation from 2009 to 2015. The substantial manor-house at Woking was the principal home of Christ's Foundress Lady Margaret Beaufort from 1467 to 1471 and had become known as Woking Palace before the site passed from her to her son King Henry VII in 1503.



Open Day at the end of the excavations, September 2015 (© Giles Pattison)

**Stewart Fergusson** writes: 'I am enjoying retirement, or at least not working for anybody. Keeping busy in some non-executive roles with regional theatre, further education and energy conservation. I have again taken up history research and writing on 17th Century local history which occasions regular visits to the CUL, and I have just become a 'friend' of the Centre for English Local History at Leicester University. My travel 'bucket list' is getting shorter after visits to China and Russia this year. Lots of conversations with my children who, like me, are angry and depressed over referendum. They are disappointed with us wrinklies who never had it so good.'

#### 1969 Year Group Representative Robert Swanson writes:

As we approach Advanced Middle Age, the 1969 cohort generally continues to maintain a discreet silence about its doings, although this year the crop of responses to the plea for news did creep above a bare handful. Retirement and/or grandparenthood (imminent if not yet attained) are becoming regular themes, but dotage is being determinedly kept at bay. Stitching a report from what their suppliers may describe as a 'few drips of news' deemed 'hardly earth-shattering' presents its challenges, but they have to be overcome. A striking feature is the fact that, forty-seven years after our matriculation, knots of old friendships still flourish: Mike Dickenson's lastminute email to report his annual speech at the Chicago Oxford-Cambridge Boat Race Dinner, sent from Ghent and the company of David Brown and Jane; Robert **Taylor** just off to join **Tom Cassidy** and Kate in the Orkneys, and recalling a visit to **David Bevington** in the Isle of Wight last year; the hardy perennials at the Association Dinner in June (reduced numbers this year, additions welcome). While tempus fugit, it is also stimulating some to revive memories and re-establish contacts. Geoff Wilson sent news of a reunion with Graham Beesley, Paul Taylor, Stewart Buckingham, Bill Hollingworth, and John Colyer to mark this as the academic year in which they all turned 65, meeting together (accompanied by wives) 'for the first time in what we think was nearly 30 years, although we'd met up individually on many occasions,' to spend an enjoyable but decidedly wet May afternoon and evening in Dovedale.

Meanwhile, 'having not appeared in any recent College *Magazines* (if ever)', **Harley Nott** wrote 'to announce that I am still alive, living in SW London close to daughter and two grandchildren.' He has not yet retired, but 'ski mountaineering is an important part of my life, often in the company of **Robert Borgerhoff Mulder**  (m. 1968)'. An email of reminiscence arrived from the Blue Mountains of Australia, where Jonathan Best (aka Jonah) is now in retirement after a career which followed 'an eclectic path in areas including information technology, school teaching, lecturing, public service management - and finally becoming a psychologist.' He promises that 'those who knew me at Christ's will not see huge changes from the flamboyant leftwing drug-fueled anti-materialist of yore apart from the usual mental conservatisms that seem a necessary adjunct to the ageing process and the thinning of hair on the scalp'. He firmly adds that 'I no longer wear wide paisley cravats as I did for the matriculation group photo.' Tony Jewell asserts the privilege of family seniority so that this report, rather than the one for 1972 (unless it's there as well), can record the publication by him and **Richard Jewell** of an edition of the manuscript memoir left by their grandfather, Dr Norman Parsons Jewell. This covered his civilian and military experiences as a doctor in the Seychelles and East Africa between 1910 and 1932 (plus a near-fatal interlude in Ireland in 1920). The resulting book appeared earlier this year: On Call in Africa - in War and Peace 1910-1932 (see www.oncallinafrica.com). An additional College connection comes from that Dr Jewell served in the East African campaign in World War I under General Smuts. One of Eric Webb's recent projects also had a College dimension, as a 'mini-biography' of Gerald Stanley Davies (1845-1927), a Christ's graduate (m. 1865) who went on to be a founder-housemaster at Charterhouse in Godalming. In very different vein, Clive Bell continues his musical life, and has recorded a solo album on shakuhachi (Japanese flute), for release on Manchester's Cusp label. The early stages of OAPdom may bring some creaks, and occasionally signs of something else, but the clogs (or walking boots, or flip-flops) are definitely not yet being hung up.

#### **1970** Year Group News:

**Carlo Filippini** writes: 'I was a (full) Professor of Economics at Bocconi University, Milan, retired on 1 November 2012 – because of age limits set in the Italian university law, and given the Emeritus title. My research interests are unchanged – East Asian economies, in particular Japan which I regularly visit. I joined Christ's in 1970 as a special student and attended a few third year courses and met people who matriculated in 1968.' **Mono Chatterji** has retired from his Chair at Dundee University and is a Fellow and Director of Studies in Economics at Sidney Sussex, still playing squash for Christ's in Cuppers.

**Dan Smith** was appointed Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies at the University of Manchester in January 2014, a part-time position. He started as Director of the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute on 1 September 2015. During 2015, a report, *A New Climate for Peace*, of which he was one of the lead co-authors, exploring the risks climate change carries for peace and stability in developing countries, was endorsed by the G7 Foreign Ministers' annual meeting. In 2010 and 2011 he was Chair of the UN Peacebuilding Fund Advisory Group, nominated by the UK government and appointed as its Chair by the UN Secretary-General. John Watson retired from the law in 2013 and is now editor of the online weekly current affairs magazine *The Shaw Sheet* (www.shawsheet.com), which he founded with some friends in 2015. John invites you to take a look if you are bored. He says it takes up more time than you would believe. David Beverley writes: 'I partially retired four years ago and then became the Responsible Officer for revalidation for all the consultants and non-training doctors in my NHS Trust. I

fully retired two years ago and am enjoying life now immensely. We are having our gap year(s) 40 years late, having visited Australia and New Zealand, California twice, Canada (where I was a research fellow in the 1980s) and several European countries. The highlight for me was a three week trek to Annapurna base camp. Michele and I are members of our local camera club and appreciate the challenge of producing good images for competitions and local exhibitions. No prizes won as yet. The last year has seen a move from our lovely old Georgian farmhouse to a warm modern house. No downsizing though as we need the space for all our hobbies and activities'.

#### 1971 Year Group News:

**Pete Clarke** writes that unlike most of the year who headed off to claim the glittering prizes on offer in The City and with companies like Unilever, Boots and Club 18–30, he stayed on to do a PGCE because he had no idea what he wanted to do and it gave him another year in Cambridge. He retired in 2014 after a wonderfully enjoyable 39 years at the chalk face. His teaching career (in his words 'career' as in 'go down a road completely out of control') saw him working in St Albans, Papua New Guinea, Singapore, Harpenden and Hong Kong. His last 10 years of teaching were spent at Bristol Grammar School and Kingswood School in Bath where he settled with his family after returning from Hong Kong. He now spends time watching rugby and cricket, playing golf and hanging about in pubs that haven't received the Farrow and Ball 'gastro' treatment. He has two daughters who have just finished university but sadly his wife passed away in November 2015. **Christopher Southgate** is now Associate Professor in Interdisciplinary Theology at the University of Exeter. His new poetry collection, *Chasing the Raven*, will be launched at the 2016 Greenbelt Festival.

#### 1972 Year Group Representative Steve Bagnall writes:

By the time you read this, apocalyptic doom predicted by each side in the referendum debate will be upon us. It's sobering to think that our EEC vote in June 1975, the month we graduated, revealed us as either far-sighted visionaries or just naive? On a less philosophical note, the good news is that the top response to this year's request for news is 'I'll tell you when I see you in September' for it's our turn to be invited back for a reunion dinner. It's possible that, by the time you read this, the news will be old, as you've heard it in person! In Winter 2015 Ed Cole found my Summer 2015 email and made some interesting observations on just how far removed our jobs can be from undergraduate subjects. He writes: 'nothing spectacular to report and, following what seems to be a common theme, I decided to retire in July last year from the obscure (unless you're in the business!) field of banking cross-border Tax Information Exchange Reporting. A bit of a leap from Materials Science and people always ask "how did you get into that" (or even "why"?!), but that is too long a story for here. Nonetheless, it gave me the opportunity to represent the British and European Banking industries on several trips to Washington to meet with US Congressional staff, Treasury and IRS officials as well as UK Ambassadorial staff and of course here in the UK, HM Treasury and HMRC to explain the practical difficulties with the original draft law. Along the way I discovered the niceties of meetings with US officials such as always bring your own water/coffee as none are ever provided and to wonder whether it would be acceptable to roller-skate along the endless corridors in US Government buildings! As for retirement - it suits me well and I sometimes wonder where all the time goes. The other thing people might

remember me for is canoeing (we do, along with the memory of another member of year sinking his scull as a College eight sped past) and I'm pleased to say I'm still actively paddling, either running white water rivers or, more recently, flat water racing. It keeps me fit and it's always good to be out on the river. In July 2015, I also had a great return trip to several old favourite white water rivers in Austria, which I first paddled in the 1970s!'

Last year Simon Read noted the 'retirement' thread running through our lives. Fearing we might find this depressing, he gives some upbeat encouragement: 'Hopefully most people will have got used to being retired by next year and be finding life fun again. Personally, being in charge of my own time is the biggest gift one could be given.' Jo Whaley remains in Cambridge and is at Caius, his third College: I changed Faculty from History to Modern Languages when a promising job came up and eventually became a Professor of German History and Thought there. Last year I was elected a Fellow of the British Academy. Otherwise I've led a quiet life!' I admire his out of office email saying 'I am currently on research leave'. Bob Stevenson has completed the long-awaited production of a private CD of demanding piano music. He implies commercial considerations meant it was privately produced, but of course creating your own 'record label' has been in fashion since the Beatles went with Apple Records. Bob continues to host an annual summer garden party, but you'll need to get his new email address for an invite. He concludes about his change of service provider I am abandoning those XXXX at XXXX asap'. This reminds me I must apologise that I did not contact everyone personally. I realised far too late that for some of our year group we have addresses but no email. If you do not have an email address, congratulations, you have done extremely well to avoid this, but otherwise it would be useful to know. I shall certainly not bombard you with advertisements for books and CDs from class of 1972.

#### And there are books:

**Taylor Downing** has published a series of books on 20th century history over the last few years which have been very well received. They include *Spies in the Sky: The Secret Battle for Aerial Intelligence in World War Two* (2011), *The World at War* (the making of the epic television series, a BFI Classic, 2012) and most recently *Breakdown: The Crisis of Shell Shock on the Somme 1916* (2016) which was a best seller on Amazon. He regularly gives talks, lectures and media appearances on recent history. As reported in the 1969 Year Group News, **Tony** (m. 1969) and **Richard Jewell** (m. 1972) published their grandfather's memoir of his time in Seychelles and East Africa between 1910–1932. Richard Jewell lives in Bruxelles and works as a consulting engineer. He is a Visiting Professor of Engineering at Bristol University.

And it's not just authors for whom no retirement is on offer... Tommy Teague says the Home Secretary has appointed him to chair a public inquiry into a fatal police shooting. Tommy is still in touch with fellow Christ's alumnus Gerhard Heyer (m. 1973) and was flying out to Leipzig to play chamber music with him and some other friends of his. He also comes to England quite regularly, and occasionally brings his violin to play chamber music with Tommy and some of his friends. Phil Atkinson cannot get to the dinner but offers an annual rendezvous in Scarborough: 'I've lived in Edinburgh for the past 35 years, but can usually be found in the pavilion bar at Scarborough Cricket Club when Yorkshire CCC is playing there in the county championship. Cricket and beer have turned out to be perennial interests of mine, which will come as no surprise at all to people in our year.' He looks forward to 'a bit more spice in our year group's doings' such as 'Joe Soap was sent down for 16 years for his part in the importation of 20 tons of cannabis into the USA'. None of our year group appear currently to have a prison address, and of course I could not tell you if they did.

But probably the ordinary is more fun! 'We're now up to 6 grandchildren' writes Dave Pope with a worthy plug for the Gower Festival 'I'm very busy at the moment with preparations for the 40th Gower Festival at the beginning of July. The College Magazine will probably come out too late for this year's Festival, but we have a great line-up of international artists. I'd be delighted to welcome old friends at the Festival, either this year or sometime in the future'. For my part I'm pleased to say I have recently seen Alan Cottenden and Keith Ison OBE. Alan's office in Euston is set to become a platform for HS2, and Keith, based at St Thomas' Hospital London is modestly an expert on medical physics ... and how to get an allotment in London. My most noteworthy achievement is doubtless the Oxford 'Town and Gown 10k Run'. Addicted to performance targets of dubious meaning from my decades in the public sector, I set two targets and met both. I was thrilled to make it into the top 100. This was tempered when I discovered there were only 85 entrants for the over 60s men. But I was also placed higher than my race number 3499. When I was 40 I lived by the start of the London Marathon and told my small children daddy was too old to do that sort of thing, but an Oxford College I cycle by regularly has just carved in stone on its walls 'It's later than you think but it's never too late'. And finally, congratulations to Douglas Gale who has been elected Fellow of the British Academy.

#### 1973 Year Group Representative Christopher Rees writes:

It is not just in Cambridge that men and women of numbers are revered: they are after all the only Tripos to have their own book in the Bible, and it is appropriate that our focus this year, allows us to note the coincidence that the late Christopher Zeeman (m. 1947), one of the country's greatest mathematicians published his doctoral thesis in 1955, the year that many of the 1973 mathematicians were emerging into consciousness. Crispin Taylor will be remembered for his donnish ways even as an undergraduate (perhaps inherited from his father AJP) and as a member of the University Challenge team of 1974. After leaving College Crispin reports that he spent two wonderful years teaching differential and integral calculus to the amazing people of Ghana, and then a few more years trying to do the same to the not always so amazing people of Wiltshire. He then spent the next 22 years with HMRC, crossing swords with the best law and accountancy brains that Christ's has produced, but also finding time to be the chair of the leisure services committee on Bristol City Council. Crispin thought he was retiring to Weston-super-Mare but found a new outlet as clerk to a parish council and is now national finance advisor to the Society of Local Council Clerks. He remains passionate about politics and about young people registering to vote. The public service ethos in Crispin's career is mirrored in that of Selvan Anketell's, which we covered in the 2012 Magazine when we were considering the 1973-ers who had followed a spiritual calling. Selvan's work with Japan Christian Link continues pretty much full time and is going very well. He anticipates continuing that work while granted health and strength. Selvan's older son has just graduated from Pembroke and is starting a chemistry PhD. His youngest son is a first-year biology student at another ancient university. Selvan has continued his academic interest in maths, and is reading *Mathematics – a very short introduction*,

which sounds like the sort of book that all of us would benefit from, except when we learn that it has taken Selvan 6 months to get through half of its 138 pages. Must be a lot of dark matter involved. For light relief Selvan plays clarinet with the Sevenoaks Symphony Orchestra.

Music is also a passion for **Joe Cerkeliunas** who, having taught in the further education sector for 34 years and run maths departments in two different colleges, was made an offer he couldn't refuse that enabled him to retire in 2011. However, in order to maintain his uninhibited lifestyle as a real ale connoisseur he realised he needed to supplement his pension. He therefore took the plunge as a supply teacher and has taught in over 20 different institutions ranging from inner-city comprehensives to an international Ballet School in Birmingham. But the most interesting aspect of Joe's life is that when he isn't teaching or drinking beer he sings opera and plays the piano in pubs around Derby. On the basis that we arm him with a piano and a sufficient supply of beer he has kindly agreed to lead the singing at the reunion dinner in September. Stuart Marshall says, modestly, that he was never a mathematician. He had been good at maths at school, but when he came to Christ's he was overawed by the ability of his contemporaries and thought he'd struggle to get a third so made the rational decision to change to engineering, only to discover that there were stars such as George Yeo (who went on to be a leader in Singapore politics) on that course. Stuart feels he learnt much from the eclectic mix of fellow members of his floor in Y block: Paul Reacher, Mark Losac, Mike Hovington, Mike Sandberg, Andrew Tattersall and Andrew Jackson (he does not say whether he lists them in ascending or descending intellectual order). He also was strongly impacted by Alistair Duncan (1969) who introduced him to the arcane art of tiddlywinks, a sport for which Christ's enjoyed something akin to hegemony in the early 1970s. After College Stuart enjoyed a successful corporate career in BP's IT Department that took him to Hong Kong, the US, Singapore, Saudi Arabia and Bahrain. His final job was Head of IT at the FCO, where he overlapped with one of the other residents of



Stewart Eldon and Cheryl Marshall demonstrate one of Mr Newton's laws of motion his floor in Y block, **Stewart Eldon** (m. 1970). Government departments still ask Stewart to carry out reviews of their major IT procurements and he uses the desire for elegance and simplicity that his maths/ engineering education gave him to solve the problems presented to him. A major recreation is cycling and even for that he has used his maths to work out that it is more efficient to use a tandem, which

seems to have tangential benefits as his cycling partner is the same Cheryl whom he met at Cambridge.

While our prime focus is on mathematicians we should pause to note that one of the medics we covered last year, **Richard Kirk**, has thought better of retirement and accepted an invitation to be the Director of heart transplantation at Southwestern and Dallas Children's Hospital. He and Denize will move to the US in the autumn, just before the American electorate is due to decide whether to elect Donald Trump as President. Former members of CCBC and CCRUFC may have a view as to which is likely to provide the greater shock to the American system of government.

#### 1974 Year Group News:

**Paul Littlewood** was lucky enough to be able to travel around the world at the start of 2016 and was delighted to meet up with **Karl Railton-Woodcock** (m. 1973) in Melbourne: 'I am sure that many of the 1974 group will remember him as he was particularly good at pinball!' **Hugh Ashton** is moving back to Lichfield in Staffordshire having spent the last 28 years in Japan...good luck to him with the move. **Nick Rennison** has been earning his living as a writer and literary journalist for the last 20 years and has had two very different books published in the last 12 months. *A Traveller's Year* was published by Frances Lincoln in October 2015 and is an anthology of short pieces of travel writing he edited, mostly from the 18th and 19th centuries. *Carver's Truth* is due out from Atlantic Books in the summer and is his second novel about a Victorian adventurer and traveller called Adam Carver, set in London and Berlin in 1871.

**Mark Greaves** has celebrated 35 fascinating years of living in Asia and 30 wonderful years of marriage to his Singaporean wife Lucie. Having joined Rothschilds in the City after graduation in 1977, the bank shipped him off to the Far East in 1980 for an initial 3-year stint which became 5 years and then 8 and then indefinite....after 25 years of merchant banking in the region from home bases in both Singapore and Hong Kong, he left the group to set up an M&A/corporate consulting practice in Singapore as the mainstay of a portfolio existence which has included a number of interesting board positions and advisory roles. He's pleased that his son **Alexander** (m. 2008) followed in his footsteps through Christ's taking a Double First in Nat Sci (Biology) before going on to the Judge Business School for an MPhil in Management. **Richard Baker** continues to paint and examples of his work can be found through a web search for 'Richard Baker Cambridge Artist'. Finally, congratulations to **Richard Treisman**, who was knighted for Service to biomedical science and cancer research.

#### 1975 Year Group News:

Andrew Jordan writes: 'In October 2015 a Christ's College alumni crew from the 1973, 1974 and 1975 year groups travelled to Cambridge, Massachusetts to take part in the Head of the Charles Regatta. The race is over a 3 mile course upstream on the Charles River and attracts an entry of well over 2,000 crews from around the world. We rowed in the over 50s Masters division and although we finished in the lower part of the division we avoided coming last and did succeed in overtaking Rome who started a couple of positions ahead of us. In the masters' divisions the event is a pageant as much as a race, with some venerable oarsmen taking part in their 50th consecutive Head of the Charles. All in all a fantastic experience and

great fun to still be taking to the water with old College friends. In November 2016 we are off to Switzerland to take part in the Basel Head on the Rhine and 2017 might, if we are lucky, see us at the World Masters championships at Lake Bled, Slovenia, by which time we will be in the over 60s category.'



Christ's alumni crew from '73, '74 and '75 year groups taking part in the Head of the Charles Regatta in Cambridge, Massachusetts

#### 1976 Year Group News:

A number of the 1976 year group enjoyed meeting again at the Reunion Garden Party in June this year.



Left to right: Hil Brunner, Tony Overs, Patrick Wheeler, Simon Sandberg, Jerry Thomas (front) / Tim Davies (rear), Alec Allen, Brian Edwards, Leigh Sparks, Larry Amure, Tim Elsworth, Paul Greggor, Tony Price, Jan Chojecki, Stephen Morris, Paul Ridley behind Ian Archibald, Mike Collinson, Shu-Kee Wai in front of Mark Thompson, Tim Robson, Rob Dearden, Richard Morrogh, Mark Roseman, Colin Pendrill, Rob Murgatroyd, Peter Thomas, David Coulshed.



Jan Chojecki's book **Jan Chojecki** is publishing a book on 15 October containing the letters and diary written by his great uncle during the First World War. *We are all Flourishing – Letters and Diary of Captain Walter JJ Coats, MC 1914–1919*, will be published by Helion & Company. Walter was an officer in the 9th Highland Light Infantry, the Glasgow Highlanders. The book has a foreword by Alexander McCall Smith and the cover includes a painting by the artist, Kurt Jackson.

David Coulshed writes, 'I am a staff specialist cardiologist, roughly the equivalent of a full-time NHS consultant, at the Nepean Hospital in Penrith, NSW. I

am Director of the Department of Cardiology there, working with another eight consultants. Nepean is a teaching hospital of about 400 beds on the western border of Sydney. I worked for the NHS for a decade after graduating, meeting my Australian wife when we were both doctors in Leeds General Infirmary. We emigrated to Australia in 1993, and really have never looked back. In many respects an immigrant becomes naturalised when they have a family in their adopted country, as I have done, and I definitely identify as Australian now. Life in Australia suits me – I have come to love the climate, and live in a lovely part of the world – the Blue Mountains.



I visit England on a regular basis, though, because I still have family there, and of course many friends, including several from my days at Christ's. I am the father of two boys, not 'boys' any longer. The picture shows myself, my wife Sue and 'boys' Nick and Andrew, taken eighteen months ago at Andrew's valedictory dinner from his high school (note my Christ's bow tie!).'

Brendan Gallagher lives in Pacific Palisades, California with his wife Rebecca. He writes: 'Our daughter Caroline works for Cambridge in America in New York in the planned giving department. Our son Graham is an investment banker currently working on the Puerto Rico government debt crisis. I am semi-retired from running global distressed funds and now focus on investing in real estate and blue chip collectible cars. I was honoured to have the Vice-Chancellor visit a couple of years ago to take a look at my car collection and we went for a fun drive in one of my old Ferraris. I am still an avid runner and biker. I was awarded bronze medals in the US national masters cross-country championships in 2014 and 2015 though run at a far slower



Brendan Gallagher at the finish of the 2014 race in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

pace than when I competed for Cambridge! I keep in touch with several Christ's alumni including Simon Palley, Kaamil Ansar, Scott Whittle and Simon Lewis.'

Kevin Loader is 'in the middle of producing two feature films at present, both of which will be released in 2017: Roger Michell's adaptation of Daphne Du Maurier's psychological thriller, My Cousin Rachel, starring Rachel Weisz and Sam Claffin; and Armando's Iannucci's The Death of Stalin, which satirically follows the events leading up to Stalin's death in March 1953. Simon Russell Beale plays Beria in a cast that also includes Steve Buscemi, Jeffrey Tambour, Michael Palin and Paddy Considine. Like many other film producers in Britain, I'm also hoping to move back into long-form television series having won last year's BAFTA for the mini-series The Lost Honour of Christopher Jeffries.' Colin Pendril has retired after 35 years teaching history at Oundle School and is currently employed by the School writing a book about Oundle School and the Great War, '256 old boys were killed and their stories are very moving. Since retiring I have re-joined the CUMS chorus which I sang with as an undergraduate - in the days of Ledger! I had to re-audition with the great Cleobury but sneaked in. Since then we have had a wonderful singing tour to Rome at Easter which included a roof-top reception for us hosted by Her Britannic Majesty's Representative to the Holy See - who was, naturally enough, a Cambridge historian in his day but at Caius!' He adds, 'I had dinner in London in March with Peter Thomas, Alan Stevens and Rob Murgatroyd. All were in very good form. We drank a toast to Ian Gibson – much missed.

Alastair Reid has been Head at Ballard School in New Milton for seven years and has become a schools' inspector in recent years. 'I continue to play hockey once a week for our parents / staff team (continuing on from my Christ's hockey playing

days) and Rosalyn and I are now grandparents (of a boy called Harvey). All three of our children are now married and spread between Oxford, Liverpool and Petworth and our eldest daughter, Alix, now works for me at Ballard in our marketing department. We remain well connected with our former school in India, Hebron, and continue to support a charity in the UK which helps it with resources and staffing.' **Mark Roseman** married Roberta Pergher in Brixen, Italy, in June 2013. Mark and Roberta are both historians at Indiana University, Bloomington, where Mark also directs the Borns Jewish Studies Program.



Mark Roseman on his wedding day

**Leigh Sparks** became Deputy Principal of the University of Stirling in early 2016, with special responsibility for internationalisation and graduate studies. His policy work has had a high profile in Scotland in recent years through his membership of the National Review of Town Centres (the Scottish version of the Portas Review into

High Streets) and his subsequent Chairmanship of the Board of Scotland's Towns Partnership, the body set up to help implement the findings of the National Review. He was also a part of a small team reporting to the Minister on the lessons of the horsemeat scandal for Scotland, the recommendations of which are now being taken forward by the newly established Food Standards Scotland.

#### 1978 Year Group Representative Tim Podesta writes:

As a group we enjoyed meeting old friends and enjoying the ambiance of College again at the Reunion Garden Party in June. We reflected on the nearly 40 years since we matriculated and felt the strong bonds with College; once matriculated as a member of College – a member for life. It was great to meet with the surrounding year groups, particularly 1977 and 1979; the first year with a fully mixed male/female intake. We were the last all male undergraduate year group and we reflected what a difference it made for our 2nd year.



Pictured: John Leibeschuetz, Chris Barnett, Yaver Bashir, Chris Parsons, Peter Brown, Christopher Oxford, John Ivory, Andrew Ninham, John Pearson, Beverley Dean, Tim Podesta, Paul Barnes, Peter Davison, Piers Dawe, Andrew Brown, Steve Duncan, Simon Jones, Piers Spence, Ian Nunez.

#### 1979 Year Group News:

Following **John Cridland's** retirement as Director General of the CBI, after a 33 year career starting after graduation, he has taken on two new roles: Chairman of Transport for the North, a new transport body to deliver the connectivity required to build a northern powerhouse, and Independent Reviewer of the State Pension Age. John will report next year to the Government on this. He is also starting as a visiting professor at University College, London. On 13 April 2016, **David Long** organised a reunion of the 1982 May Ball Committee, kindly hosted by **David Eastwood**, now a partner at KPMG. Of the 16 committee members (excluding senior member



Dr Mary Redmond, RIP), eleven attended the reunion, with Maria Lee (née Pack), Skyping in from Sydney Australia). David said, 'it was a really fun evening catching up with everyone, and it was great to find out what everyone was doing now.' In other news, Peter Straus has been awarded a CBE for services to Literature.

The 1982 May Ball Committee reunion

#### 1980 Year Group News:

**Paul Moss** has been elected a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences. **Stephen Jolly** has taken up a three-year Visiting Fellowship from September 2015 at King's College, London, where he is working with the War Studies Department on a project on information operations. **David Smith** is still CFO at Roll-Royce, and has just published his third novel, *Love in Lindfield*.

#### 1982 Year Group News:

Lynn Oxborrow writes, 'I graduated last July with a Doctor of Business Administration entitled *Future Scenarios in UK Apparel Supply Chains* from Nottingham Trent University. I'm a Principal Lecturer at NTU with the glamorous title of PL in Small Business and Supply Chain Management, which as its name suggests is pretty much 3 jobs in one!' Nick Brasier was vice-captain of the Great Britain Match Rifle Team to Australia, which travelled to Tasmania in February 2016. Over a period of three weeks, the team enjoyed the sights of Tasmania including its upcoming food and wine attractions, and some excellent competition on the Campbell Town rifle range in

the centre of the island. In the 'Woomera Match' against Australia, which is shot on targets at distances of 1000, 1100 and 1200 yards, the Great Britain team put in a strong performance at each range to win the Woomera Trophy by 31 points. You can read more about the team and their trip at www.gbmrt2016.org.uk.

Lucy Wood is going back to university next year to do a Master's degree in Science Education at King's College, London. She says: 'One of my eight-year-old pupils said "Mrs Wood, aren't you a bit old to be a student?" I guess he may be right!' Nina Gold was the recipient of the Television Craft Awards Special Award at the 2016 BAFTAs for her work as a casting director. Arjuna Karunaratne's

start-up company, IdentiToy, takes the toy brick building experience to the next level. An app creates moving landscapes below the toy bricks. His company is also pioneering 'a machine interface over a display surface', which allows a toy to automatically launch an app and interact with a tablet PC when the toy is placed on the screen of a tablet. See the exciting new concepts at www.IdentiToy.com.

#### **1983** Year Group News:

Jamie Davies writes to tell us of his new book, *Life Unfolding: how the human body builds itself* (Oxford University Press). **Bruce Robertson** reports that 'family life with Joanna, Andrew and Tim has been great. We spent a few years in Botswana helping set up their National Productivity Centre (www.bnpc.bw), which provided a number of highlights (particularly time spent in the Kalahari, an invitation to a local wedding and a SADC Commonwealth Conference). After a varied 'values driven'



Nick Brasiser and the team





David Smith's



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career, I am now volunteering at Citizen's Advice whilst working in a care home. I still play and enjoy Bridge with a number of Christ's alumni.' Julia Cooper writes that after the completion of her PhD in 1990, she spent 7 years in Germany, first as a post-doc and then working in the pharmaceutical industry. In 1998, she returned to the UK to work for PAREXEL, a clinical research organisation, where she took on leadership of the worldwide medical writing group. In October 2013, by mutual agreement, she relocated with her partner to Shanghai, to focus on growth of the PAREXEL medical writing team in China and Japan. Professionally, the timing of her stint in China was fortuitous, due to changes in the medical writing arena and also the pharmaceutical industry in general. From a personal perspective, she has been able to travel throughout China, and has become increasingly adventurous as her Chinese language ability has improved. In addition, she been able to indulge her scuba diving hobby, as Shanghai is well connected to interesting destinations that would be lengthy to reach from the UK, such as Indonesia, Philippines, Great Barrier Reef, and Micronesia. One of the key learnings in Shanghai has been to 'expect the unexpected', and there has certainly never been a dull moment. Most likely she will return to Europe at the end of 2016.

#### 1987 Year Group News:

**Russell Jones** has recently started a Global Marketing role with Carlsberg based in Copenhagen. He has also been promoted to become a Senior County Football Referee.

#### 1989 Year Group Representative Angela Merrick writes:

After an absence of news from the 1989 year group in the last couple of years, it has been a privilege to gather together updates of the many and various careers and life directions. Travel and international postings are a recurrent theme. **Dave Clinch** and family relocated from Hong Kong to Singapore in 2015. David is still a corporate partner with Herbert Smith Freehills, and a keen skier, cyclist and tennis player. **Jolie Powell** (née Carter) has spent 14 years living outside of the UK, in Madrid, Budapest and Geneva. This summer however, she and her family are moving back to live near London, with Dylan (14), Sam (12) and Megan (9) going to ACS Cobham, an international school. Jolie writes: 'Mike and I are really looking forward to living in the same country as our family and old friends again. The children are excited that they'll be closer to their cousins, but sad to say goodbye to friends (and skiing) in Geneva. I'm really looking forward to catching up with friends from Cambridge days, and possibly reviving my consulting career. I'm just wondering if our timing could have been better – we move a week after the EU referendum...!' **Caroline Webb** lives in New York,



John Hayward and family

and has just published an acclaimed book showing readers how to improve everyday working life by applying insights from behavioural science, called *How to Have a Good Day*. The book draws on her coaching and consulting work over the last couple of decades, and is being published in 17 languages and more than 60 countries.

Within the UK, members have been active across a range of professions and spheres of influence. **John Hayward** writes that, after working in Parliament for several months as senior researcher for one of the MPs elected in 2015, he was recruited in early 2016 to work in the Conservative
Party as Policy Forum Manager. A part of this role is to provide training for politicians from new and newly-emerging democracies, thus bringing together his interests in both international development and politics. **Barry Williams** is working as a project finance consultant in London, working more on renewable power projects worldwide. 'Outside work, I have just completed my RFU coaching badge and spend most of my spare time coaching rugby and cricket. I also recently had a disastrous experience as a contestant on 'Eggheads'!' **Julia Chalfen** (née Simon) has left her job running the Strategy Department of Leo Burnett London after 10 years, and is now training as a psychotherapist at The Tavistock, while freelancing for Absolut Vodka.

Family is another significant theme. Tim Longstaff writes: 'We've three kids, and we're sitting out in the Yorkshire Dales avoiding the gravitational pull of London and watching the UK's political self-immolation in bemusement. Very much enjoying ourselves anyway!' Andrew Allen reports: 'My partner, John Lake and I, celebrated our civil partnership at the Pavilion in Broadstairs, Kent on 27 June 2015. Jennifer Haywood was a witness, and Vicky Allan, Luke Blackburn, Sarah Thomson, Fiona Harvey (1990) and Adam Clitheroe (1990) were among the guests.' Charlotte Carry (née Large) writes: 'My husband and I are living quietly in the south west of England with three children who are verging on the UCAS applications themselves shortly. Where did that time go? I am now helping out in a local prep school; he with one of the big five accountancy firms. Law has faded into my past but the training is occasionally helpful when trying to persuade the NHS to concentrate on one of my family or when questioning the school's approach to my children's education. Highlights from last year: watching lion cubs on safari in South Africa, driving fast cars on a track day as an anniversary present, walking up Snowdon with my eldest on the last leg of her Three Peak Challenge, keeping pace with my middle one as he learns Greek reluctantly and supporting my youngest in her first ever lacrosse match.' Sarah Tett (née Dalzell) reports that, if A-levels go to plan, her eldest Isabelle 'will be flying the nest and heading off to University to read Mandarin. Gonville and Caius have also offered her a choral scholarship. Reassuringly the youngest, James, has NatSci ambitions.' Simon and Angie Mettrick (née de la Nougerede) have been enjoying re-acquainting themselves with university life when attending open days with their daughter Adelaide, who holds a conditional offer to read psychology (PBS) at Jesus next autumn. Simon continues to design command systems for Royal Navy ships with BAE Systems, while Angie retrained as a primary teacher a few years ago, and has a passion for developing early reading and writing skills within her class of five year olds.

Finally, James Maxwell-Scott has been appointed QC.

#### 1990 Year Group Representative James Ellson writes:

**Ben Sinnott** writes, 'We are still chugging along over here, our oldest child Megan is entering her final year of school and will be applying to university – and Christ's is on the list! So of course I had to sanitize most of the (good) memories and explain some of the oddities of University/Christ's life.' Ben supplied ten examples but space limits us to just one . . . 'Number 3, you try and crash your sixty foot boat into the boat in front of you. At full speed. Apparently it helps you overcome the realization that you wasted so many hours being cold and wet.' **Arabella Duffield** writes, 'Family all well....apart from burnt-down-house caused by neighbours. No-one hurt BUT very, very, very annoying as had been building it for 2 years. My learning of the year: neighbours can really make you angry.'



**Richard Pollard** writes, 'I am currently battling aphids in the garden and toddlers in the house. Have tried pesticides with mixed results. Failed abjectly to meet up with Bella and witness her prowess with Lego. Bella, if you're reading this (who needs social media!)' Thanks to **Divi Perera** for reminding me of the photo of Christ's Student Liaison Executive in 1990. You may not remember it, but according to **Richard Tateson** the Executive 'did important work'.

In addition **Richard Tateson** writes, 'still working in Cambridge and aiming to do just the right amount of outdoor swimming. The lido on Jesus Green (now with added sauna) is excellent for this purpose and I have also swum my thang in the North Sea, the Irish Sea (very briefly at Easter), the Med, Erikdalsbadet in Stockholm, the Baltic and one or two local rivers. The Irish Sea dip was followed by a week walking through the lake district on the 'coast to coast' route, which gave me sensory overload and blisters.' **Neale Upstone** writes, 'my partner, Su, and I had a daughter almost seven years ago, and three years ago I became Technical Director of a small and slowly growing company working with third sector organisations who provide care and support services mainly for those in social housing. Last year in the General Election I followed Griff's 2010 attempt at trying to bring some engineering knowledge to the House of Commons, by standing for Parliament. On this occasion it was more for the experience and as a way of being asked my views on something that I'd never considered before. It was great fun, albeit a token effort of 3 hustings.' Neale stood as a Liberal Democrat in Wolverhampton South West.

**Dave Hughes** writes, 'I've just completed ten years with the London Ambulance Service, am in my 22nd year with the Royal Naval Reserve, and ran the Brighton Marathon in aid of Cancer Research UK in 4hrs 30 mins. I'm proud of the fact that I only stopped once at ten miles for a brief *al fresco* call of nature with a beautiful view of the sea. No real damage suffered, other than one blistered toe and the observation from my wife that I run with limp wrists. I don't think it had any impact on my time.' **Steve Neal** writes, 'I'm still at the BBC. My day job is directing *The One Show*, a job I've done since it piloted in 2006. No two days are ever the same. I also direct a lot of the other BBC live factual output, and over the last few years have directed *Building Cars Live, Airport Live, Volcano Live, Springwatch, Autumnwatch* and *Watchdog*. I've also directed the BBC Eurovision stuff every year. I married my partner of 17 years, Richard, in 2007 and I now speak Swedish.'

**Simon Daniel** writes, 'I've launched Maslow (www.meetmaslow.com) which is the largest deployed UK residential energy storage (now in 500 homes here), like a tesla battery but for mass market.' **Laura Marschall** (née Hicks) writes, 'life in HK is as frenetic as ever. My private kitchen is still going full swing and I've also spent some time living in and researching the diverse cuisine of Yunnan in southern China. My boys are getting big, 8 and 10 and play every sport under the sun (they didn't get that from me!).' Laura sent me a typical Yunnan menu – I rather fancied a pine needle salad. **Geraint Lewis** writes, 'can't believe a year has gone by again. I'm still living in Sydney, still a Professor of Astrophysics at the University of Sydney, trying to unravel the universe. I have a book coming out in September called *A Fortunate Universe: Life in a finely tuned universe*.' **Emma Williams** (née Griffiths) writes, 'I now own a company helping people at transition points in their lives and work extensively with university researchers worldwide (poacher turned gamekeeper?). I'm also writing a book, *What every postdoc should know*. Now facing GCSE revision from the other side but at least have a further two sons to really get the hang of it all.'

**Finn Spicer** has written with news for the first time. His websites are well worth a look. He writes, 'I've taken two years' leave from work (philosophy lecturer at Bristol University) to enjoy life with my wife, Nicki. We're also enjoying NOT opening our garden to the public this year (though if anyone's passing Malmesbury this summer, let me know or drop by). I'm off to Mallorca tomorrow for the second time this spring, to lead a couple of cycling holidays with my little company Cycle Mallorca.' (See http://www.riverbarn.org.uk/ and http://www.cyclemallorca.co.uk/). **Mark Davies** is always the first person to reply to my request for news (thank you, Mark), often within minutes. This year he is doing a lot of volunteering and he writes, 'I am now Chairman of Archery GB, which means I'm off to Rio. However, we look set to miss all our targets there which isn't great given that hitting them is the object of the sport. Other than that I am mainly fundraising for various bodies. These include *Onside Youth Zones* (www.onsideyouthzones.org), which involves setting up places in London on a public/private partnership basis and aims to give young people a place to enjoy facilities that we took for granted at Cambridge.'

Robert Daniels-Dwyer writes, 'our third child, Maria, was born in December. I have returned to working freelance in IT, in information and enterprise architecture, and Deirdre continues to teach Law at The Other Place, write, and resist suggestions she return to the Bar.' Lizzy Prescott (née Taylor) writes, 'another action packed year in rural Northumberland has passed, a sadly mild and snowless winter, plenty of muddy sports kit, and another 70 lambs to herald the arrival of spring. No major additions to the menagerie - and still 3 Labradors in the pack. The camel on my in-laws' farm 200 yards away continues to be a huge source of attraction for the boys' school friends - our toucan pales into insignificance in comparison!' Sarah Ellson (née Boardley) writes, 'in between advising on implementation of the Audit Directive and drafting legal processes for mitochondrial donation cases at the HFEA, I hosted an Alumnae event at Fieldfisher's riverside London office. I met up with Linda Crow from our year and I would love to see more of our year at these very friendly networking events if you can get to London for an evening.' James Ellson writes, 'I am even keener now on fruit trees, and this year I have grafted almost 40. With one of last year's trees I bartered for a haircut. (Sarah's staying silent on who got the best deal.) We've started eating roadkill. (Sarah not sure about that one either.) I'm still writing a lot and I'm almost finished the third thriller of a trilogy, Missing, Manhunt and Manacled. Nothing published but just back from an Arvon writing course. Maybe one day.'

#### **1991** Year Group News:

**Daniel Squires** has been appointed QC. **Rowan Kitt** and his wife welcomed another baby into their family. Jonty James arrived on 20 February 2015. Rowan also has his first Test Match to officiate at this summer.

#### 1992 Year Group Representative Krishna Shanmuganathan writes:

Miranda Threlfall-Holmes published a book jointly written with her eldest son Noah, *The Teenage Prayer Experiment Notebook* (SPCK 2015). A new edition for grown-ups is being published in June 2016 called *The Little Book of Prayer Experiments*. Miranda writes: 'I was also elected to the Church of England's General Synod in 2015, and have just been appointed Area Dean of Durham.' Congratulations to Miranda and we all wish her luck in her new role. Meanwhile, **Phil Threlfall-Holmes** has started his own engineering research consultancy, TH Collaborative Innovation, and has been made a Visiting Professor at Leeds University. It will be Miranda and Phil's 20th wedding anniversary this September, which, as Miranda says, 'has made us realise just how young we were when we got married after leaving Christ's!' **Annilese Miskimmon** is running an opera company in Denmark and in Copenhagen at the moment. However, from August 2017 she will be running the opera in Oslo and has kindly made the following offer: 'If anyone is ever passing through they can hit me up for tickets and I will do my best to provide them.'

The security of our seas remains in safe hands, as **Steve McLaughlin** has recently transferred back to Navy Command HQ in Portsmouth, developing the future training capability for the Royal Navy, having completed a stint in Whitehall. Steve returned to Christ's a few years back to do an MPhil in International Relations. He assures us all that he passed the course which means he must have finally paid his Buttery bill. A number of the year group have taken the opportunity (risk?) to ditch corporate life for an entrepreneurial existence this year. **Susan Hill** writes from Switzerland: 'I have started my own company, which is proving to be lots of fun.' Susan has stayed loyal to her NatSci roots in starting Clipper Biotech. **Michael Surcombe** penned this note from his base in Wales: 'I had a quiet year. Esme and I got married. We had a baby, Edith Dilys. And I left the BBC to start a drone filming company shooting for the likes of Coast, Countryfile and BBC News.'

Finally, I (**Krishna Shanmuganathan**) have taken the leap into the unknown. I've dragged my family back to the UK from Singapore and have managed to do everything I've advised others against: resigning from work without anything else lined up and then, following a tense conversation with my mortgage broker and bank manager, moved out to the countryside. I am contemplating how best to scratch that entrepreneurial itch whilst sharing the school run duties with my long-suffering wife. Being the 1992 Year Group Milk Monitor is keeping me busy and I have just taken on the chairmanship of a small Anglo-Indian charity, St Jude India ChildCare Centres UK (www.stjudechild.org/sjicc-uk).

#### 1993 Year Group Representative Richard Alton writes:

It's been a relatively quiet year for the 1993 year group. Baby Kit Llewelyn James was born to **Ed Perkins** and partner, Treeva Fenwick (St John's m. 1995) this year. **Matthew Parish** has established and is the owner of an international law firm, Gentium Law Group, headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland. He is also coordinating the campaign of HE Vuk Jeremic (Queens' m. 1993), the former Serbian Foreign Minister and former President of the UN General Assembly, to be the next UN Secretary General to succeed Ban Ki-moon. Finally **Jon Wilkinson** managed to qualify for *The Times* National Crossword Championship finals at the first time of asking – clearly too much time on his hands. It's been twenty years since many of us left which surely calls for a celebration; look out for a get together in London in the autumn.

David Reed has been awarded an MBE for services to immigration policy.

#### 1998 Year Group Representative Brooke Morriswood writes:

October 2016 is a noteworthy date for the 1998 intake, as it will be literally half a lifetime ago since they all arrived at Christ's. **Kieran Bush** became vicar of St John's Walthamstow in March 2015. Sadly, his dear wife Aly died suddenly and unexpectedly in November 2015. Seven months on, Kieran and his sons (Isaac, 5 and Caleb, 3) are adjusting to a 'new normal' way of life. The family are very grateful for the love and support of many Christ's friends at both Aly's thanksgiving service and since. They are thankful for the eternal encouragement and good hope that faith in Jesus brings.

Rachel Chaplin (née Baldock) has three girls (Emily 4, Clara 2, Grace 6 months) and works as an oboist with London-based period instrument orchestras. Stewart Morris's son Oscar was born in April, a brother to 3-year-old Scott. When not tidying up after the children, Stewart works as an auditor at an investment management firm. Brooke Morriswood has been working part-time since mid-February, trying to juggle labwork and parenting in Würzburg (Germany). December will mark ten years since he left the UK. Caroline Muspratt just got married and is now Mrs Cowe (pronounced cow - so she had a cow print wedding cake). The wedding was attended by several Christ's friends with Sarah Brown as bridesmaid. Ellie Radburn (née Merricks) is still a Professional Support Lawyer in the Trusts department at Linklaters, and her two children are about to get a new playmate in the form of a Labradoodle puppy called Talisker, a prospect she finds exciting and terrifying in almost equal measure. Daniel Sargent lives in California, where he is an associate professor at UC Berkeley. He and his wife Alethea have two daughters, Corrina (2012) and Ramona (2015). Sarah Sketchley (née Bosworth) is still living in York and this year celebrates the tenth anniversary of her marriage to fellow Christ's College alumnus Christopher Sketchley (m. 1972). Their son will be read in as a chorister at York Minster in September, and Sarah is looking forward to spending the next few years revisiting favourite repertoire from her Chapel Choir days, albeit now listening rather than singing!

#### 1999 Year Group News:

**Mina Brajovic** (who works at WHO) is finalising her PhD at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana. Her thesis is *Adverse Childhood Experiences and Health in South East Europe Countries with Low Gross Domestic Product*. Her two mentors are Prof Dr Lijana Zaletel-Kragelj, at the University of Ljubljana, and Prof Dr Mark Bellis at John Moores University, Centre for Public Health, Liverpool.

Helen Howell works as a partner in an actuarial consultancy in Winchester. Helen is due to be on a BBC 4 TV quiz over the summer called Hive Minds. She has a nearly five year old son (Thomas) and 2 year old daughter (Phoebe) who will be watching her! Claire Simpson is still practising as a solicitor and lives in south east London with her boyfriend and son Rafael who is nearly three. Peter Tiltman got married to Jacqueline Louise Miller in September and they have had their first child: Henry Eric Tiltman born 13 April 2016. Alice Pennington is currently juggling her children, Leila (nearly five) and Edward (three), with part-time teaching and developing expat community resources in Bucharest. She and her husband Scott Allsop (Emmanuel, m. 1999) recently moved back to Europe and started teaching in Bucharest after living and working in Cairo, Egypt for a number of years. Anne McHale left her long-standing job at Berry Bros. & Rudd in February 2016 and she now works as an independent wine consultant and presenter. Anne's website can be found at www.annemchale.com.

#### 2000 Year Group News:

**Edward Whiting** has been awarded an OBE for public service and services to No. 10 Downing Street.

## 2001 Year Group News:

**Sarah Howe** won the T S Eliot prize for her first collections of poems, *Loop of Jade* (Chatto & Windus, 2015), which is the first time it's been awarded for a debut publication.

#### 2002 Year Group Representative Abteen Mostofi writes:



Guy Naylor's wedding



Kathy Turner, Chris Hart and their daughter Clementine



Barnabas Calder's new book

## 2004 Year Group News:

Guy Naylor married Hannah Robinson (Newnham) in Weobley, Herefordshire on 8 August 2015 with Martin Goodhand as the Best Man and many members of the year group reunited in attendance.

Kathy Turner and Chris Hart welcomed the arrival of their first child Clementine Turner-Hart in August 2015.

Juliana Chan and her husband Chester Drum are pleased to announce the birth of their second child Hayden Francis Drum on 21 March 2016. On 3 May 2016 Aimi Swift (née Bleasdale) and husband James welcomed Albert Cyril Thomas Swift, a brother for their now two year old daughter May. This year Erica McAlpine published her first book of poems

The Country Gambler (Shearsman Books, April 2016). More information can be found at her website www.ericamcalpine. com. Sarah Ferguson (née Ballantyne) gave birth to a baby girl, Daphne Jean Ferguson, on 30 December 2015. She weighed 8.5 lbs. Barnabas Calder has also published a new book with particular relevance to Christ's. *Raw Concrete: The Beauty of Brutalism* (William Heinemann, 2016) discusses the architectural movement that gave rise to the College's iconic Lasdun Building in New Court.

**Ananth Sivanandan** and his wife Suzanne (Gonville and Cauis, m. 2004) welcomed Anaka Mary Sivanandan on 23 January 2016. She was born at Nottingham City Hospital and weighed 8lbs 2 oz. **Ali Amini** and his wife Faezeh (New Hall m. 2004) celebrated their son Elias's 1st birthday on 17 January. Elias was born in 2015 at UCLH Hospital and weighed 3kg. **Dorothy Turnbull** and her husband Craig had a baby boy in July 2015. Wilfred Howard Turnbull was born in Chester, on 16 July 2015 at 4:16 am weighing 6lb 1oz. **Melanie Shaw** and her husband Peter emigrated to Australia in April 2016. She is now working at King & Wood Mallesons law firm in Brisbane. **Amy Barnes** graduated from the Bristol Old Vic Theatre School in July 2015 and has had some nice acting work since, including a couple of commercials, and most recently Amanda Whittington's new play *Kiss Me Quickstep*, in which she played Samantha Shaw, which opened at the New Vic Theatre before touring. It will transfer to Eastbourne late

July-mid August. Hannah Spencer joined the Editorial Board for Teaching Geography Journal in November 2015. Victoria Grebe and Matthias (m. 2009) welcomed their daughter Charlotta Evangeline Pearl in 2016. Charlotta was delivered at the Rosie Birth Centre at Addenbrooke's Hospital on 12 February at 6:31am, weighing 6 lbs 8.5 oz. She was christened in Christ's College Chapel on 18 June.



Victoria and Matthias Grebe with baby Charlotta

# 2005 Year Group News:

Lottie Greenhow has recently been appointed as Singing Teacher at the Stella Mann College of Performing Arts and Visiting Violin and Piano Teacher at Pilgrims Pre-Preparatory School. Lottie will be marrying fellow singer Harry Bagnall in August 2016. Adam Baker has recently been made an Associate at Strutt & Parker in their London Residential Valuation Team. Maximilian Schlote and Megan had a daughter, Elizabeth Anne (Lily) on 17 July 2015. She was three months premature, but is now doing very well.



Maximillian Scholte and family at Lily's christening in Temple Church in London.

#### 2006 Year Group News:

Simon Colliss writes, 'I'm in my second year of working for Mercedes AMG Formula One team as aerodynamicist, primarily designing the race car's front wing - we won our second consecutive world title and are currently leading the 2016 championship. Returning to academia, recently I was awarded 3rd place in the first CleanSky Best European Aeronautics PhD Award for my PhD thesis, completed at Christ's in 2014.' Imran Noorani writes, 'I was awarded the first Junior Barrow Neurosurgical Fellowship by the Society for British Neurological Surgeons. This will fund me to attend the Barrow Neurological Institute in Arizona for a short stay in September in order to gain further insight and experience in specialist cases treated there. I greatly look forward to this!' Tyler Henry Hung writes, 'since leaving the UK Diplomatic Service in 2014, I became an entrepreneur and got heavily involved in the strange field of "business growth" - with a special interest in the world of education and mentoring. Living now in Singapore, it's my pleasure to be able to marry all of these fields with my social and volunteering life - by being a part of the Committee for the Oxford and Cambridge Society, Singapore (patron: Singapore's Prime Minister himself), with which we have rolled out multiple pro bono programmes alongside the British Council, to demystify Oxbridge admissions for international or overseas-domiciled applicants." Kelly Lai tells us that she is currently based in Frankfurt, Germany, where she does a lot of travelling up and down the Rhine region (for work) and, unrelated, has been doing a lot of kayaking in her free time. Slated to move back to Singapore in late 2017 but the bucket list for Europe just keeps getting longer... Andrew Maddox reports that, 'unlike the majority of our year, I don't have any particularly exciting personal news I'm afraid. Not married, haven't bought a house or a sports car, don't have a cat... that being said, having just left banking, I am rather enjoying work now and spend most of my time traveling up and down the UK with the Uber expansion team. And I don't have to wear a suit every day! At the moment I am still in something of a training phase, but look out for me launching Uber in a city nearby sometime soon...' Charlie Ferguson writes, 'Victoria, Amelie and I moved "back home" to Coulsdon near Croydon in November last year. We had lived in Hertfordshire for 5 years while I was working at Tesco, who are based in Welwyn. We're very happy to be back below the Thames and near our family and friends and would love to hear from anyone in the area who would like to catch up.' Amanda Foan writes, 'in December 2015 I passed my PhD in GeoScience at the University of Edinburgh and I now work in the Learning Department at the Science Museum in London. In January 2016 Miles Coverdale and I got engaged and are getting married at Christ's next summer.' Chris Philpot left the Salvation Army in April after 3 years to take up a role in Business Development with Oxfam. Clementine Beauvais writes, 'After a few years at Homerton as a JRF, I'm now a lecturer in English & Education at the University of York. It's nice to have left the bubble after 9 years! I'm lucky enough to have moved to a gorgeous city, and the department and colleagues are great - lovely and dynamic. I'm still writing children's books, much more in French now, and finding it increasingly hard to juggle the two jobs, but amazingly rewarding too.' Mico Tatalovic writes, 'I have moved on from my job as a news editor of SciDev.Net, a science for development charity and media website, to a job at New Scientist magazine, where I am now Environment and Life Sciences News Editor. One of the most recent stories I commissioned for the magazine was based on research from my old group at the University's Department of Zoology, Large Animal Research Group, about meerkats. I have also been elected vice president of the Association of British Science Writers.' Richard Duncan writes, 'Just finished a Masters in theology at \*\* ford. Moving in July to Northampton where I'll be an ordained minister in the Church of England.' Emily Brown writes, 'I'm currently in my second year of working as a doctor in the NHS, based in Bristol. From August I'll be spending a year doing global health, expedition and research medicine around the world. I'm still traveling as much as possible, enjoying triathlon and waiting to get my first dog!' YC Ng writes, 'after a stint in finance, built up Scarlett of Soho and got acquired by Glasses Direct. Now working as a partner at Potential VC – we invest in early stage pre-seed post-traction UK companies within tech. Trying my best to help grow the entrepreneur ecosystem, particularly in Cambridge, or Oxbridge entrepreneurs giving it a go in London.' Anna Horvai writes, 'for the past three years and until recently, I worked at The Future Leaders Trust, where I led on a leadership development programme for CEOs of academy chains across the country. I left at the end of May to take up a new role at the Department for Education, working largely with academies across South West England. Outside of work, I've been very lucky to have the opportunity to live with four Christ's friends in a great part of North London.'

#### 2007 Year Group News:

Anna Protasio writes, 'last year I was awarded a 4 year NCBS-InStem Postdoctoral Fellowship. The research commenced in May based at the Gurdon Institute in Cambridge and later on this year I will begin 8 months at the NCBS Institute for Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine in Bangalore, India. I am one of four fellows from the first cohort in this exciting new partnership between the University of Cambridge and NCBS India. My research focuses on how animals use nucleic acids such as RNA as tokens for communication between cells and even between organisms. My husband Jeff and I are very much looking forward to this incredible opportunity to spend 8 months living and working in Bangalore.'

# 2008 Year Group News:

**Caroline King** (née Smith) married Damian King on 24 July 2015, and they have a baby due in October 2016.

#### 2009 Year Group News:



Victoria

and José

wedding at Christ's

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Victoria Mason married Iosé Bernardo Cañas Hernández July in 2015 in Christ's Chapel Fellow Christ's students Kirsty Macpherson, Hannah Newton and Laura Johnson were bridesmaids and Mark **Roberts** played the organ.

Iain Johnston married Rachel White (m. 2010) at Christ's College on 24 June 2015. They have now changed their names to Dr and Mrs Johnston-White.



Caroline and Damian King on their wedding day



Iain and Rachel Johnston-White on their wedding day

# IN MEMORIAM

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Erik Christopher Zeeman (m. 1943, Honorary Fellow)



Professor Sir Christopher Zeeman died on 13 February 2016, aged 91. Christopher Zeeman had a remarkable combination of mathematical and administrative abilities, allied to a considerable personal charm. He was a charismatic lecturer and an inspiration to a generation of British mathematicians. Zeeman's main contributions to mathematics were in topology, particularly in knot theory, the piecewise linear category, and dynamical systems.

Zeeman was born in Japan to a Danish father and a British mother. They moved to England one year after his birth. He matriculated at Christ's in

1943, and served as a Flying Officer with the Royal Air Force from 1943 to 1947: "I was a navigator on bombers, trained for the Japanese theatre, but that was cancelled because they dropped the atomic bomb a week before we were due to fly out. Since the death rate was 60% in that theatre it probably saved my life, but at the time I was disappointed

not to see action, although relieved not to have to bomb Japan, the land of my birth".<sup>1</sup>

He returned to Christ's after the RAF, first as an undergraduate and then graduate student, completing his PhD under Shaun Wylie (of Bletchley Park fame) in 1953. He was a research and then teaching fellow of Gonville and Caius College from 1953 to 1964. During this period he established himself as a leader in the field of geometric topology, with important work on knots and on the Poincaré conjecture.

In 1964 Zeeman moved from Cambridge to the new Warwick University, where he founded the Mathematics Department and created the Mathematics Institute.

"I was 38 and had developed some fairly strong ideas on how to run a department and create a Mathematics Institute: I wanted to combine the flexibility of options that are common in most American universities, with the kind of tutorial care to be found in Oxford and Cambridge."

Legend has it that the top five academics he wanted all turned him down initially. So he wrote to each that the other four had said yes, whereupon they all said yes. Certainly his first five appointments were stellar, and Warwick Mathematics became globally renowned. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1975.

In the 1970s Zeeman worked on dynamics and catastrophe theory, modelling systems where continuously varying inputs produce discontinuous outputs. Zeeman's

<sup>1</sup> MacTutor History of Mathematics archive: http://turnbull.mcs.st-and.ac.uk/history/ Sir Christopher Zeeman Archive: https://www.lms.ac.uk/2015/zeeman\_archive.

applications of catastrophe theory to the social sciences (prison riots, marital strife, economics, animal behaviour, and so on) caught the public imagination.

Zeeman brought the excitement of mathematics to the general public. In 1978 he delivered the Royal Institution Christmas Lectures, the first in their then 149-year history to be presented on the subject of mathematics. As he wrote of mathematics in the introduction to the series:

"We are never quite sure whether it is an art or a science, whether we invent it or discover it, whether it is a man-made toy or a truth so universal that it is independent of the universe."

The series made him into the first mathematical television star, and inspired a new generation of mathematicians. The enthusiasm generated by the series led Zeeman to establish the Mathematics Masterclasses for both primary and secondary school children that now flourish in forty centres in the United Kingdom.

From 1988 to 1995 Zeeman was Principal of Hertford College, Oxford. He was elected an Honorary Fellow of Christ's in 1989, and received a knighthood in 1991. He returned to Cambridge regularly, with his wife Rosemary for events in College, and as an important early influence on Cambridge's Newton Institute for the Mathematical Sciences. From 1992 he was the first chair of the Institute's Scientific Board. He took the Institute's architects to visit the Mathematics Institute in Warwick, and Zeeman's ideas on how to design a mathematics building have influenced centres around the world. In 2005 the University of Warwick's new Mathematics and Statistics building was named the Zeeman building in his honour.

After I became Master of Christ's, at the end of 2006, Christopher wrote to me a delightful letter, extending over four pages, with advice on being a Head of House. His letter was suffused with his characteristic mix of good sense, an understanding of people, and wry amusement.

He is survived by his wife Rosemary, an acclaimed jeweller, and his six children. Frank Kelly

#### Evelyn Algernon Valentine Ebsworth (Fellow 1959-67)

Many reading these pages will mourn the death, in August 2015, of Professor Evelyn Ebsworth, CBE, FRSE, eminent chemist, former Vice Chancellor and Warden of Durham University. He will likely be remembered as every inch a Cambridge man, relishing the city's mixture of intellectual stimulation and cultural history. He graduated with a First from King's in 1954, and was made Fellow there in 1957. After a year at Princeton he returned to Cambridge's chemistry department and held a fellowship at Christ's from 1959–67. And it was to his beloved Cambridge he was eventually to retire. In addition to being a distinguished research scientist – for over twenty years he held the Crum Brown Chair of Chemistry at Edinburgh University – he was an original, inspiring and highly entertaining teacher. Nothing excited him quite so much as seeing others "get the point".

With an encyclopaedic memory, his knowledge of history was vast, as was his grasp of a huge range of poetry and literature. Music occupied much of his time, as did bird-watching, an activity he especially relished in his later years. In Rose he found the perfect partner for his role in Durham, and their warm hospitality was enjoyed by many. He was famous for his quirky and mischievous humour: wordplays and puns poured forth memorably. Generous and deeply sensitive to those in any kind of trouble, some will recall the way he nursed his first wife, Mary, in her final illness. A devout Christian, he led in every sense a full life, and will be sorely missed by those fortunate enough to have known him. He is survived by his second wife, Rose, four children, Nicolette, Rachel, Jonathan, and Lucy, five stepchildren and eighteen grandchildren.

Jeremy Begbie

## Donald James Piggott (m. 1939)

Donald Piggott was born on 1 September 1920 and came up to Christ's in 1939 to read Economics. During his time at College he was a member of the Hawks' Club. He served in the Army in North West Europe and India between 1941 and 1946, before ultimately becoming Director General of the British Red Cross Society until his retirement. Throughout his life he enjoyed music and the theatre. Donald died on 6 March 2016. His wife Kathryn predeceased him.

## Dennis Sydney Buckland (m. 1940)



Dennis Buckland was born in April 1921 and came up to Christ's in 1940 where he read Classics. He was involved in the Ridout and Classics Societies and was a keen footballer and cricketer during his College years. His life was to change radically when, in 1964, he met Jennifer Barnes, who was about to move to Japan with a missionary organisation; Dennis happily agreed to accompany her and a wedding was swiftly arranged! After four happy years in Kobe, they returned to the UK in 1969 and two years later moved to Cornwall, where they enjoyed family life with a son and daughter.

Dennis took early retirement from his career in education in 1980, but continued to teach part-time; he was a dedicated member of the Religious Society of Friends and served on the ecumenical group Churches Together in Cornwall. With an unwavering commitment to non-violence, he devoted much energy to the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, the Campaign Against the Arms Trade and Amnesty International; he wrote frequently to his MP on issues of concern until weakened by a stroke in 2003. Dennis and Jennifer celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in January 2015, but after several months' illness Dennis died in his sleep on 20 October 2015.

Rosina Buckland (m. 1992)

#### David Gifford Temple (m. 1942)



David Temple, the son of Methodist missionaries, was born in Hong Kong, although the family returned to the UK shortly after his birth. David attended the Leys School in Cambridge, then read English and History at Christ's College. Whilst at Christ's he met Judith Start, who was a student at Girton, and they were married in 1946. On leaving school David had appeared before a tribunal registering as a conscientious objector and had been given an unconditional exemption from military service. He had a strong vocation to be a teacher and taught for several years at Bradford Grammar School. In 1952 he went with his young family as a Methodist missionary to Zambia where he trained primary school teachers at Kafue, later becoming the first principal of the pioneering ecumenical David Livingstone Teacher Training College. David and Judith returned to the UK in the mid-sixties and he was Educational Consultant to the Methodist Missionary Society. He had a long spell as honorary Treasurer of the Methodist Church Overseas Division and for several years led an ecumenical organisation called Christians Abroad. He was also an active Methodist and local preacher in Petts Wood and Chislehurst. For the final years of his life, David and Judith moved to Sheffield to be near their daughter. David had a strong Christian faith, a good sense of humour and a zest for life. He used his great ability to quietly work in the background to get constructive things done. He gained great joy from his family.

Elizabeth Willis

## Ronald Foster Pegg (m. 1942)

Ronald Pegg was born on 20 March 1924 and came up to Christ's to read Mechanical Sciences in 1942. He played Rugby during his time at College and after graduating he embarked on a career as a Civil Engineer. Ronald died on 4 September 2015 aged 91.

# John Raymond Crabtree (m. 1943)

Ray Crabtree was born in Stockton-on-Tees on 1 May 1925. He was educated at Emanuel School, London where he was Head of the School and Captain of Rugby Football. He was awarded an entrance exhibition to Christ's in 1943 to read Engineering, and was later awarded a scholarship. While at Christ's he won a halfblue for athletics, and played rugby for the College. After graduating in 1945, he served in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve (RNVR) as an Engineering Officer. After his discharge in 1947 he joined Rendel, Palmer & Tritton where he gained his civil engineering qualifications, principally designing bridges. This included working in Persia and Iraq. In 1952 he was awarded a Goodwin travelling fellowship from Christ's, and spent 14 months in the USA and Canada looking at the latest civil engineering practice. He joined PA Management Consultants in 1955. When he retired in 1984, he had spent the last eleven years as a main board Director. He married Mary Benstead in 1959, and in 1960 they moved to, and remained in Tanworth-in-Arden, Warwickshire. They had three children, John (m. 1978), Janet, whose brother-in-law is Mark Wilkinson (m. 1984), and Sue (now Meech, m. 1984). He was a kind and gentle man, and often of few words. He cherished the things which he had worked for, and several friendships of 50 years or more duration. He was a member of the village church. His other interests included rugby, sailing, walking, travelling in the Mediterranean, bridge, gardening, antiques and furniture restoration, and the stock market. He died peacefully at home on 10 March 2016, after a short illness.

John Crabtree (m. 1978)

#### John Cecil Faber (m. 1943)



Jack Faber, who died aged 90 on 5 October 2015, was born in 1925 in Shanghai, where his parents lived from 1922 until moving to Hong Kong in 1936. Jack was educated in England at Sunningdale School and Oundle, before going up to Christ's in 1943 to read Engineering on a two-year wartime degree. He was stroke of the College 1st May boat that won its oars in both 1944 and 1945. After some research work for the war effort, Jack qualified as a civil and structural engineer in London with Scott & Wilson, before returning to Hong Kong in 1949 (with his College oars) to

join his father's consulting engineering firm. As S E Faber & Son they designed and supervised many projects, particularly harbour-side developments for the HK Wharf & Godown Company, culminating in the Ocean Terminal (1966), still a landmark on the Kowloon peninsula. After his father's retirement, Jack played a part in the rapid development of Hong Kong's container port facilities, before merging his firm with the architectural and engineering practice Palmer & Turner in 1976. Jack married Audrey Thompson in Hong Kong in 1953; they had two sons and a daughter, and their house in Jardine's Lookout was a constant refuge for visitors from all over the world. Having served in the Royal Naval Reserve, including a stint in the Korean War, Jack eventually commanded the Hong Kong RNVR (two minesweepers to set against the might of the Chinese navy). He also became an expert navigator of oceanracing yachts: he sailed regularly in the South China Sea Race from Hong Kong to Manila, and twice represented Hong Kong at the Admiral's Cup, coming unscathed through the disastrous Fastnet race of 1979. Jack and Audrey retired in 1983 and settled in England near Chichester, while also keeping a base in Hong Kong until 1997; latterly they moved to Oxford in 2006. Jack is survived by Audrey, their three children, William, Robert, and Peglyn [Pearson], and three grandsons.

Robert Faber

#### Anthony Simpson Rogers (m. 1943)

Anthony Simpson Rogers died at home on 24 May 2016 at the age of 92. From the Merchant Taylors' School, Tony went up to Christ's College in 1943 to read History. Always humble about this achievement, his hopes of joining the RAF were dashed by ill health following a school rugby accident. Unable to participate in the sports he loved, he became active in the Union and the political clubs. With pride he told us of the occasion when he was appointed to entertain Lord Mountbatten before dinner at the Master's High Table. He would say: "I did not entertain him, he entertained me. I poured the house sherry." A professional career in politics followed Cambridge, when he went to work in the research department of Conservative Central Office, in Smith Square, Westminster. Here he met Jane, who was his wife for 66 years. Leaving politics behind, Tony worked in the financial sector, first in the Midlands and later in Yorkshire. His retirement years were spent in Easingwold, a small market town whose community spirit he loved. He was gregarious, enjoying membership of many clubs and societies, and will be fondly remembered for his unfailing courtesy, kindness and warmth that made him the truly gentle man that he was. A devoted family man, Tony was an adored and adoring father of Caroline and Linda and a much loved and proud grandpa to Richard, James, Robert and Guy. He was planning to attend the next reunion of Christ's Alumni in September.

Caroline Stott

#### Arnold John Sobey (m. 1943)

Adam Sobey was born on 19 March 1925. He came up to Christ's in 1943 to read Mathematics and while at College he was a member of the Milton Society, as well as taking an active part in the rugby and cricket clubs. Adam's lifelong passion was chess; *The Problemist* started publishing original endgame studies in 1968, and he was its first study columnist which he remained until 2000. Although inactive in his last years, he was a leading member of the British endgame study fraternity. Adam was the inventor of the game *Triplets*, for the Haslemere Chess Club Christmas meeting, in the 1980s. The game became incredibly popular and was even used in the 2nd Heterodox Chess Olympics. Adam passed away in July 2015, aged 90.

#### Thomas Bernard Doyle (m. 1944)

Bernard Doyle was born on 2 October 1920 and he came up to Christ's to read History in 1944. After College he worked in education and he went on to become the first Headteacher of the newly created St Thomas Aquinas School, Leeds, in 1961. In September 1965 he became Principal of Christ's College, Liverpool, a post he held for 21 years, training many men for service as Catholic teachers. He also became a major influence in Catholic Education more nationally during this time. In 1974, he was appointed a Prelate of Honour by Pope Paul VI with the title *Monsignor*. When Christ's College (Liverpool) became part of Liverpool Hope University, Monsignor Doyle was appointed a Senior Fellow of the new University. He died peacefully on 4 January at the age of 95 and had served as a priest for over 71 years making him the longest serving and oldest priest in the Diocese.

#### Edward Vaughan Harper (m. 1944)

Edward Harper was born on 28 June 1926 in Builth Wells and came up to Christ's to read History in 1944. Whilst in Cambridge he was a member of the Robert Hall Society. In early 1950, Edward's first appointment was a History Master in Bemrose Grammar School Derby. He then moved to Dagenham, Essex, where he was appointed Head of History in the County High School, before moving to North Wales, to Holywell Grammar School as Deputy Headmaster, later becoming acting headmaster. His final appointment was to Welshpool High School (1200 pupils) as Headmaster. He still continued studying and gained an MEd (Wales) from Aberystwyth. In 1980 he was awarded an OBE for services to education. He was an active member of the local Rotary Club and was elected President on two separate occasions. He was also Sargent at Arms of the Club. He was Chairman of the local Kidney Research Society and was a member of two local bowling clubs. Edward died in December 2015, aged 89, following a period of illness.

Judith Harper

#### Christopher David Biddell (m. 1945)

Christopher Biddell was born on 11 February 1927 and was youngest of a clerical family of three brothers and two sisters whose father was Vicar of Sandown on the Isle

of Wight. As a boy he was fascinated by the liners which crossed Sandown Bay and was able to enjoy a year in the merchant navy. He came up to Cambridge in 1945 as an organ scholar at Christ's, where he read Theology, and he accompanied the College Choir at their first ever broadcast performance. He was also a member of the Original Christian Minstrels during his time at Christ's. Christopher was the leader of the chorus when *The Frogs* by Aristophanes was performed under the supervision of J T Sheppard. This took place in an icy Cambridge theatre, since coal was still rationed. He was very pleased to be commended in *The Times* for his part.

He took a place at Ridley Hall in 1951 and, like his brothers he was ordained. He returned to live in the Isle of Wight after his marriage to his wife, Barbara, in 1956, and here his three children, Jane, William and Adrian were born. In all his parishes he maintained a high standard of music with boy's and men's choirs in the Anglican tradition. He was involved in the restoration of two of his church organs, at Bishop's Waltham and the magnificent Walker organ at St George's. Christopher was able to explain theological concepts simply in direct language and consequently his sermons were much valued by his congregations; every word was important, nothing was superfluous. He continued to be greatly valued. He conducted his last service in August 2015 and passed away on 18 February 2016.

Barbara Biddell

# John Stephen Roy Chisholm (m. 1945)



Roy Chisholm was born on 5 November 1926 and was brought up in North London. He read Mathematics at Christ's between 1945 and 1948. Later, in 1952, he obtained a PhD from Cambridge University. After Cambridge, he moved to Glasgow University and from there to University College, Cardiff, where he had his first lectureship in Applied Mathematics. Later, Roy became the founding Professor of Applied Mathematics at the University of Kent. He was extremely influential in shaping the nature of applied mathematics during his career which lasted nearly

30 years. He was a highly regarded mathematical physicist and he was welcomed as a visiting academic all over the world (Texas A&M, Los Alamos, Stanford, Adelaide, plus regular short trips to CERN among them). Although Roy's health was deteriorating in recent years, he remained active with an enquiring mind, even publishing his first novel, *Changing Stations*, in 2014. He is survived by his wife, by his three children and his granddaughters. Roy died on 10 August 2015, aged 88.

Adapted from an obituary written by Ruth Farwell

#### John Bernard Taylor (m. 1947)

John Taylor was born on 6 May 1929 and was educated at Watford Grammar School for Boys and then at Christ's where he read Classics. During his time at College he was a member of the JCR committee. He then won a Lady Kay Scholarship to Jesus College, where he proceeded to take a First in Theology. After graduating, he became a curate in Morden before becoming Vicar of Henham and Elsenham until 1964. He went on to be Vice-Principal of Oak Hill Theological College from 1964 to 1972, Vicar of All Saints', Woodford Wells from 1972 to 1975, and Archdeacon of West Ham from 1975 to 1980. His final post was as the Bishop of St Albans in 1980 before his retirement in 1995. He was also appointed as Lord High Almoner in 1988, stepping down in 1997. John died on 1 June 2016, at the Hospice of St Francis in Berkhamsted.

#### John Fowler Cullis (m. 1948)

John Cullis studied Modern Languages at Christ's College from 1948 to 1951. He spoke fondly of his life as an undergraduate, which had provided a welcome change from four years of army life in the Royal Signals after he had left Stowe School. After graduating, John worked as a journalist for Reuters before moving into public relations. He subsequently held senior posts with Dunlop, PA Consulting Group, and the Charterhouse Group in the City. In the mid-seventies, he transferred to public relations consultancy, specialising in the financial sector and



by the early 1980s he was a director of St James Public Relations. On his retirement in 1992, he became Secretary of the British Italian Society, a position he held for 8 years. In 1960, he married Harriet Graham Bell, the daughter of the late artist, Frank Graham Bell, and they had four daughters. They shared a love of art, literature and music. During their long and happy marriage (cut short by Harriet's unexpected death just before their Golden Wedding anniversary), he built up an impressive collection of works by the likes of William Roberts, Edward Burra and Wyndham Lewis. John was a modest man, with a quick wit which made him excellent company. He was also an accomplished sportsman, enjoying tennis in particular until quite late in life. He continued to play chess right up until his death and was a member of teams at both The Oxford and Cambridge Club and The Hurlingham Club in London.

Sophie Duverger

#### Brian Hughes Groombridge (m. 1948)

Brian Groombridge, academic, broadcaster, and author, was born on 24 April 1926 in West Ham. He was raised by his mother and had shown an early aptitude for writing and music appreciation, but an academic career would have been virtually impossible if it had not been for a chance evacuation to Midhurst School (in theory away from the bombs) where he met his mentor and sponsor, progressive Headteacher Mr Lucas. A scholarship to Christ's to study philosophy and history was the outcome.



Brian had a passionate belief that education, both formal

and informal could unlock anyone's potential. It was a philosophy that inspired his life's work. From researching the quality of London's libraries, to initiating the use of satellites in education; from examining the potential of the French U3A system and how it might be modified for use in the UK to steering the work of the University of London's Extra Mural Department and from approving the broadcasting of Sesame Street in the UK, to participating in inter-generational projects in Finland, the breadth of his educational work was astonishing. Part of the original planning committee, he received an Honorary Doctorate from the Open University in 1992, just two years after being awarded the Knight of the White Rose of Finland, and in 2009 he was inducted into the Hall of Fame of Adult Education at the University of Oklahoma. Brian died in July 2015, aged 89.

Ellie Austen-Sounmare

#### Ian Graeme McLean (m. 1948)



Ian McLean was preceded at College by his father Kenneth and also by his great uncle Norman who served as tutor from 1911 until he was elected Master in 1927, serving until 1936. Born in Edinburgh, Ian was educated in England at Aldenham School. After training with the Argylls, he transferred to the Intelligence Corps in Villach, Austria, for National Service. After his Law degree he was called to the bar by the Middle Temple in 1951 (in 1958 he was admitted to the Faculty of Advocates in Edinburgh also) and in 1955 opted for the colonial legal service as a

crown counsel in Northern Nigeria. His fiancée Eleonore joined him, and they were married in Kano in 1957 – an unusually happy marriage resulting in two daughters, three grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. In 1959 they moved to Zaria, to the Institute of Administration, where Ian was head of the Legal Department, training students for the bar, and the native authority judges, prior to independence. Ian returned to the English bar in 1962, working in London and abroad until appointed Metropolitan Stipendiary Magistrate in 1970. He sat in London until appointed circuit judge in 1980, sitting in most London crown courts and at Middlesex Guildhall court, until becoming resident Judge in Southampton, retiring in 1997. With colleagues, he published several law books. *The Magistrate's Index* and *The Crown Court Index* by Morrish and McLean, amongst others. Latterly he initiated an association between the judges of Southampton and those of Caen – a link that was a model of its kind in both countries. In retirement, he continued to update his law books and the family tree. He added Spanish to his knowledge of German, French and Hausa. In hospital he practiced his shorthand!

McLean Family

#### Thomas Punt (m. 1948)



Tom was born in Keighley, Yorkshire, on 16 April 1930. At the age of 10 he won a scholarship to Keighley Grammar School. He took his Higher School Certificate when he was 17, as a result of which he was awarded an Open Scholarship to Christ's College. In Tom's words, "September 1948 saw me as one of a handful of grammar school boys at Christ's under the pupillage of J H Plumb. I read History, including a module entitled *History of Political Thought.*" He graduated with a 1st Class Honours degree in 1951. Tom left Yorkshire shortly afterwards and

went to London, where he joined Lintas as a research officer. Five years later he moved to Mass Observation, working with Len England and Mollie Tarrant. In 1966

he became research director at Doyle Dane Bernbach and in 1973 moved back into research agency life with Taylor Nelson, where he soon became a director. From here he moved in 1976 to become a director at MIL Research; following its merger with NOP, he became Joint Divisional Director of NOP Social & Political, where he remained until retiring in 1993. After retirement Tom worked as a freelance researcher, finally stopping work altogether in 2000 at the age of 70. He maintained contact with his many friends in the research industry, however, and was a founder member of the Research Network. An enthusiastic blogger on research and political matters, he continued to serve on the Network Steering Group as webmaster until his death in June 2015. Tom is survived by his wife, Esmé, and daughter, Catherine. *Cathy Kent* 

## Harry Barber (m. 1949)

Harry Barber was born on 15 April 1923 in Vienna, Austria. His family intended him to go into the family business, however he was determined to become a veterinary surgeon. German troops marched into Austria in 1938, and Harry and his family were persecuted. He was fortunate to be offered a place on a kindertransport leaving Vienna and he arrived at Harwich on 12 December 1938. Harry worked on farms with pigs and cattle but was eventually interned on the Isle of Man as an enemy alien. He was released in February 1941 and sent to Leeds, employed by a tailor; he attended



evening classes and helped out in his free time at McCarmick's veterinary surgery. Harry realised he must advance scholastically; he moved to London and got employment as a kennel man in a veterinary surgery in Kensington. He was accepted into the Royal Veterinary College in 1943. In 1947 Harry was granted British Citizenship and he qualified in 1948. In 1949, he gained a scholarship to Christ's College to study the Natural Sciences Tripos. Having gained his honours degree in pathology and also a BA (later converted to an MA), he embarked on a PhD on Q fever which he completed in 1955. Harry moved to Reading and became a partner in a practice which specialised in orthopaedics. He met his future wife, Patricia in 1958, and they married in 1961. They had two daughters Alison and Philippa. Harry retired from the practice in 1989, but remained in contact with all at Castle Vets until his death on 12 December 2015, 77 years to the day after he landed in Harwich.

Philippa Barber

#### Alan George Mumby (m. 1949)



Alan Mumby was born in Newark, Nottinghamshire on 26 March 1930. His father was the fourth generation and head of Mumby & Son, bespoke tailors who had a factory in the town. Alan was the youngest of three brothers of whom Patrick (m. 1943), the oldest and now 91, survives. All three went to Gresham's School, Holt. During the war the school moved to Newquay, Cornwall, and he told of rather exciting journeys home during bombing raids! After Gresham's he joined Patrick at Christ's College to study Engineering. He

enjoyed his time there very much and loved to take friends – especially foreign friends – to see the sights of which he was clearly proud. Other than golf, which he loved, he was not a sportsman, but we always had to watch the boat race!

National Service in the RAF came after Cambridge. He was used as a teacher and met a fellow teacher who was giving music lectures which he attended. This deepened his love of music which was important to him all his life. After this he began work in the office of an engineering firm in London and then moved to Anglesey, Wales. After his parents died in the 1950s, he went to British Columbia, Canada, and was employed to work on the Bridge River Dam and later for Alcan. During this time he began his travels of Canada, the USA, Japan, Burma, India and across Europe. He married in 1962 and had three daughters. Work then took him to Nottinghamshire County Council and later to Kesteven County Council where he worked as a Traffic Engineer in the Highways Department. He became a member of the Institute of Civil Engineers. His final employment was with BP (Exploration) at Eakring, Nottighamshire, where he worked until his retirement in 1990. Alan died on 15 August 2015.

Sheila Mumby

## Edward Prince (m. 1949)

Edward came up to Christ's in 1949 to read for a PhD in Physics. During his time at College he was a member of the Milton Society and the Musical Society. After graduating, he became a Research Physicist before spending 37 years in the US Federal Civil Service. Edward died in 2016 aged 88.

#### David Ian Silk (m. 1949)

David Silk read Music and English at Christ's between 1949 and 1952. He died on 18 January 2015.

#### Charles Maynard Carus (m. 1950)



Charles read History and then Architecture at Christ's between 1950 and 1953. He completed his architectural training at Edinburgh School of Art. After working and travelling for a few years in North America he returned to England to work as an architect in Norwich. With his love of old buildings, he took a Diploma in Conservation studies at York University in 1973. He then specialised in that field, working as a Conservation Officer, first in South Norfolk and then for Norwich City Council. After his retirement, he took a part-time post caring for the fabric

of the fifteen redundant medieval churches in the charge of the Norwich Historic Churches Preservation Trust. He also served on the Diocesan Advisory Committee which helps churches to make suitable repairs and alterations. He had a great love of singing and was always a member of at least one choir. He embarked on family life quite late, and delighted in his two sons and four grandchildren. Charles died on 7 February 2016, aged 86.

Sally Carus

# John Marcus Blatchly (m. 1951)

John Blatchly, who died on 3 September 2015 aged 82, was a scientist who became one of the foremost historians of his adopted East Anglia. Born in Newport and educated at Sutton Grammar School, he read Natural Sciences before three years in the Instructor Branch of the Royal Navy. He ran science departments at various schools including Charterhouse and was the first person to be awarded a Cambridge PhD by submitting publications of original work in organic chemistry. From 1972 to 1993 he was a transformative Headmaster of Ipswich School. He was



also Honorary Treasurer of the Headmaster's Conference, editor of *Conference & Common Room* and chair of the advisory committee of the Centre for East Anglian Studies at the UEA, who later awarded him an honorary doctorate.

He retired from Ipswich School in 1993, but was to do much more for the town. He spearheaded a campaign to restore the medieval bells of St Lawrence Church, the oldest circle of working bells in the world, rescued the Town Library's 1,000 rare volumes from neglect, and masterminded the installation of a magnificent bronze statue to celebrate Ipswich's most famous son, Cardinal Wolsey. John proudly held the title of Honorary Wolsey Professor at University Campus Suffolk, recently established as the University of Suffolk. He was President of the Bookplate Society, chair of the Ipswich Historic Churches Trust, and long-term President of both the Suffolk Records Society and the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and History. He was appointed MBE in 2007. As Diarmaid MacCulloch said at John's memorial service, "It is safe to say no one individual has ever equalled his part in the preservation of East Anglia's historic heritage." His numerous publications included 16 books, more than 400 newspaper articles on Suffolk history, and 58 entries for the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography. Blessed with a profound curiosity and an indefatigable memory, joining the dots was John's particular forte. A passionate Christ's man, a loyal friend and a generous mentor, John's wise counsel, energy and enthusiasm will be greatly missed.

Richard Wilson (m. 1981)

#### Ian Mackinson (m. 1951)

Dad's story begins in 1940 when he was 13 and the destruction of his home in London by German bombers in the blitz of World War Two. The story unfolds with his school years as a town boy evacuee living with his grandmother in rural Suffolk and his overwhelming urge to fly with the RAF. Later he won an RAF scholarship to Oxford and went on to pilot training in Zimbabwe. He married his childhood sweetheart, Barbara, and joined Her Majesty's Colonial Service in 1951 when he came to Christ's as a post graduate before embarking on this



adventure to Zambia with Mum and me, as a child aged two. He remained in the Colonial Service till Zambia's Independence in 1964 and subsequently remained in Zambia till 1971. From there he was offered the position of Director of the

Management Services Unit in Mbabane, Swaziland where he was awarded the OBE for services to the Crown. A few years later he was appointed as Head of the Civil Service in the Seychelles for seven years. In 1981 he returned to England and joined The British Council until his retirement aged 60. Thereafter he spent the next 12 years as an independent management consultant working with various international aid agencies such as the World Bank, UNDP and the European Commission in 24 countries in the Developing World including the former Soviet Union states, Eastern Europe, and the Middle East. He retired to Hampshire aged 72. He and Barbara were married for 67 years and had three children, five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He died peacefully at home on 12 March 2016, surrounded by those who loved him dearly.

Ann Bailey

#### Paul Spencer (m. 1952)



Paul Spencer was born in Acton, west London in March 1932. After attending Woodhouse Grove School in Yorkshire, Paul took an Engineering degree at Christ's College, coming up in 1952.

With a career in industrial relations in mind, he became more interested in the human dimension of industrial organisation than industry itself, and so shifted to anthropology, which drew him into a three-year period of fieldwork in northern Kenya. In 1962 Paul joined the Tavistock Institute in London, where he carried out

sociological research, and 9 years later he accepted a post as a lecturer in anthropology at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS). He became a professor at SOAS in 1993 and remained there until his retirement in 1997. Throughout his career Paul was a meticulous fieldworker whose command of the Maa language – which he had taught himself in only five months – allowed him to engage his informants in long discussions, helping him to find the deeper meaning beneath the surface structures he observed. A hearing impediment, the result of childhood mumps, made him an especially attentive listener. Paul was a world authority on East African pastoralists, authoring six books including two major ethnographies: *The Samburu: A Study of Gerontocracy in a Nomadic Tribe* (1965), and *The Maasai of Matapato: A Study of Rituals of Rebellion* (1988). Paul, who died aged 83 on 21 July 2015, is survived by his second wife, Diane Wells; his two sons, Aidan and Benet, from his first marriage to Rosalind Scott, and two granddaughters.

Diane Wells and Aiden Spencer

#### James Abraham Whittaker (m. 1952)

James Whittaker came up to Christ's in 1952 and read Natural Sciences. He died in August 2015 aged 84.

#### Anthony Henry Headley (m. 1953)

Anthony Headley was born on 4 October 1934 and came to Christ's to read Natural Sciences in 1953. He died on 19 May 2015.

#### **John Heery** (m. 1953)



Jack Heery was born in Liverpool in 1934, one of eight children. His father died when he was young, leaving his mum to raise the children alone. He attended Saint Francis Xavier's, Liverpool, where he excelled, and went on to gain a place to study Classics at Christ's. Jack was a keen footballer and during his time at Cambridge he played for both College and University teams. He captained the Christ's team to success in Cuppers. He was also a staunch Everton supporter all his life. He graduated in 1956 and went into teaching, first in Liverpool, then St Anselm's College in

Birkenhead, where he was made head of Classics. In 1965 he began working for the Local Education Authority initially in Bootle, then Chester, and finally Knowsley until he took early retirement in 1990. He was a member of the Labour Party his whole adult life and was an active trade unionist. He was often manning stalls in local town centres, knocking on doors, organising and speaking at local meetings and engaging with local and national media. Jack was also a keen gardener: both his own and at Dale Farm, a centre for adults with Learning Disabilities on the Wirral, for which he eventually become Chairman. He had a lifelong love of Classics. He spent much of his retirement with fellow enthusiasts from The Ranulph Higden Society translating Latin texts detailing legal cases in 14th Century Wirral. A book, *The Cheshire Forest Eyre Roll 1357 Part 1*, was published from this collaboration just before he died.

Jack considered his family his greatest achievement. He is survived by his brother Pat, sisters Hannah and Margaret, his children Mary, Helen, David, Dan, and ten grandchildren. Jack passed away in December 2015 aged 81.

#### Piers Anthony Barrett Whitmee (m. 1953)

Tony Whitmee was born on 17 October 1932. He was educated at St Andrews, Eastbourne, and Harrow School. He performed his two years national service requirement in the Royal Navy (during which he participated in the Coronation parade, including a cameo role in the film of that event). He came up to Christ's in 1953 to read Natural Sciences. He participated fully in the social life of the College being a member of the Original Christian Minstrels, Beaufort Club and May Ball Committee. He was the organiser of a group of fellow Cambridge graduates (including a majority from Christ's) who attended the University Rugby football match at Twickenham for at least fifty years. In 1960 he married Susan Wilmot with whom he had three sons. On graduation he joined Tate & Lyle becoming a shift manager before moving into personnel management. This led to a move to the executive search firm Berndston International where he worked in London and New York prior to setting up his own firm. In retirement he had many interests including acting as a scrap metal merchant as well as delivering wine for one of his son's wine business. He founded the Pacific Islands Trust to promote trade between the UK and Samoa where his great grandfather had been a missionary. For many years he was Chairman of the Slough Voluntary Bureau helping disadvantaged young people to raise their self-esteem through voluntary work. After a brave and cheerful struggle with leukaemia for many years, he died on 12 January 2016.

Stephen Hall m. 1953 (with assistance from Bruce Whitmee)

# Joon Ming Yong (m. 1953)

Joon Yong was born on 26 December 1934 and came up to Christ's in 1953 to read Medicine. He died on 17 January 2016, aged 81.

# Angus Graham Ferguson Young (m. 1953)

Angus Young was born on 22 July 1933 and read Law at Christ's between 1953 and 1956. During his time at College he was a member of the Boat Club and the Christian Minstrels Society. After graduating, Angus embarked on a career as a solicitor. From 1956 to 1998 he was first an Articled Clerk, then Assistant Solicitor, Partner, and finally Consultant at Radcliffes & Co in Westminster. He was married in 1962 to Sheila and had two children, Nicola (born 1963) and Katharine (born 1965). His retirement hobbies included reading, walking, fishing, theatre, occasional sailing and shooting. Angus died peacefully on 6 November 2015, aged 82.

## Francis Joseph Burke (m. 1954)



Francis Burke was born in Liverpool in July 1929. He attended St Francis de Sales School, before entering the Seminary at Upholland, Lancashire to train as a Priest. He was ordained in 1954 and shortly after that he came to Christ's to study Ancient and Modern languages. On 29 June 1957 he was admitted to the Degree of Bachelor of Arts and later to the Degree of Master of Arts. He returned to Upholland and became Senior French Professor. When he left Upholland, Francis spent time as Diocesan Vocations Director in Liverpool. He was not Vocations

Director for long before, in 1976, he became curate at St Mary's parish, Douglas, in the Isle of Man, where he was chaplain to both the Hospital and the Prison. From the Isle of Man Francis went to Skelmersdale, Lancashire as a member of the Team Ministry. He became the 5th member of the Team Ministry and became Parish Priest of the Church of St Francis of Assisi, Digmoor. He celebrated the Silver Jubilee of his ordination in Skelmersdale. In 1982 Francis left the active priesthood to marry Jeannie, his wife. They were married by Bishop David Konstant (m. 1955), another contemporary from Cambridge days. Francis secured a position at Yorkshire Television where he worked for years on religious programmes and also became a School Liaison Officer and helped produce School Programmes. Jeannie and Francis made their home in Ilkley, West Yorkshire. After a long illness Francis passed away peacefully on 8 March 2016, aged 86.

Jeannie Burke

#### Michael Evan Lewis (m. 1954)



Michael was born in Caterham, Surrey, on 26 September 1935 and died on 5 March 2016, aged 80. He was the eldest of three brothers and his father Clifford was Head of Physics at Whitgift School, Croydon. Michael lived at Warlingham, Surrey and was educated at Caterham School, before being awarded a scholarship to study Natural Sciences at Christ's. This entitled him to live in College for three years, including a period living in Milton's rooms. Michael's tall and powerful build made him an ideal rower, and he enjoyed rowing for Christ's at number 5. After graduating, Michael remained in

Cambridge to carry out research but switched to studying to become an Actuary whilst working in London at Guardian Royal Exchange and Noble Lowndes. After qualifying Michael joined and became a partner at Pember & Boyle, City stockbrokers, who dealt mainly in gilt edged securities. Pember & Boyle were acquired by Morgan Grenfell prior to 'Big Bang', and then taken over by Deutsche Bank. Michael and his brother John were one of the few sets of brothers to become Actuaries. Michael enjoyed opera (making the pilgrimage to Bayreuth), classical music and holidaying on the English and Welsh canals and in France, Scotland and particularly in Cardigan in Wales with his partner Sheila, whom Michael married on 26 February 2016. Michael was a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries, a Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society, a Founder Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Actuaries and a Freeman of the City of London.

Rob Lewis

#### David Nasymth (m. 1954)



Coming up to Christ's in October 1954, I quickly found myself in a gang of five grammar-school Scholars and Exhibitioners: three historians (including J W Burrow), one physicist, and David Nasmyth, a Bristolian who read English. The College loved us because we wrote our weekly essays on time and gave them good exam results. But the essays, exams and research are not what I remember at all. I remember the second, parallel education which Cambridge allowed us to give ourselves: the shared discovery of literature, theatre, music, movies and art. Especially movies

and music. There were seven cinemas in Cambridge in the Fifties, and we went at least twice a week. David – whose basic mood was a gentle mischief interrupted by bursts of explosive laughter – was the unchallenged musical leader of our gang. Despite a double mastoid which had left him seriously deaf at the age of three (cured with two new ear-drums in his late forties) he was a highly accomplished pianist. We all followed his taste and bought life-changing LPs from Millers in Sidney Street. We took our degrees together in June 1957, in a temperature of nearly 100F. I was best man at his wedding to Virginia in 1959, and godfather to their daughter Catherine. Meetings became less regular as our careers diverged – mine into journalism and his into systems engineering – and his work for IBM (1963–1992) took him and his family to South Wales, Hampshire, New York State and Paris. Always a West Country man, in 1993 he bought some old barns in a field above Wells and converted them

into a splendid house with a fabulous garden and a large music room for charity performances. David's new passion in Wells was for The University of the Third Age, which he pioneered tirelessly. After his death he was elected to the Roll of Honour of U3A. David died in July 2015, aged 79.

A personal memoir by Michael Ratcliffe (m. 1954)

#### Roger Perry (m. 1954)



Roger Perry served with distinction in three notable roles on remote islands. He was the Director of the Charles Darwin Research Station on the Galápagos Islands between 1964–1970. He built up facilities for long-term research, and established programmes to protect endangered species (such as the long-lived but almost extinct giant tortoises) while maintaining good relationships with the people who eked out a living on the islands well before their home became a major tourist destination. A fuller account of Roger's work can be found on the Charles Darwin

Foundation website. Christmas Island in the Pacific Ocean, the atoll used as a base for Allied nuclear bomb tests, was home to Roger and his wife between 1977–79; he was initially wildlife adviser responsible for five reserves protecting native birds from invasive species and human disturbance, then the district officer. In 1984– 1990 Roger was the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha in the southern Atlantic, the world's most isolated inhabited island. On graduating Roger co-led an expedition to Colombia where he made the third-ever ascent of Alto Ritacuba Blanco (5493m). Later he climbed with Eric Shipton in other parts of the Andes. He wrote several books, including *Patagonia, Windswept Land of the South* (1974) and *Island Days* (2000). His final home in retirement was in Wetheringsett, Suffolk where the pioneer geographer Richard Hakluyt was Rector 1590–1616; Roger was heavily involved in marking the 400th anniversary. He is survived by his wife Shirley and step children Amanda and Mark.

Peter Grubb (Magdalene College)

#### David Robert McIntyre Wilkinson (m. 1954)



David Wilkinson was born in Zimbabwe in 1925 and was educated at Bishops Diocesan College, Western Cape. After Bishops, David became a navigator in the air force. He wrote about the experience in his *Memoir of the Shuttle Service/A Crash Course for the Innocent*. After the war he was given an air-force grant for a Batchelor's degree and he studied English Literature at Cape Town University. He managed to stretch the money to obtain a Master's as well. Subsequently he worked as a schoolteacher in the Cape and in Zimbabwe. He again saved money and decided

to apply to study English Literature at Christ's. He was accepted, and travelled to England by ship. Among the friends he made on board was Dorothea Krook, who had just been appointed as lecturer of English literature at Cambridge. She became his tutor during the next two years. English literature was David's passion and he greatly enjoyed the marvellous range of lecturers. After obtaining his Master's, David found a position as lecturer in English literature at Leyden University, and he was to stay in the Netherlands until the end of his life. In Leyden he met his wife, Han. It was to be a long and happy marriage, and the couple had three children and four grand-children. In 1964, after he had obtained his PhD, David was offered the chair of Professor at Groningen University. In addition to writing articles and doing research, he passionately enjoyed teaching. David died peacefully at home, aged 89. *Han Wilkinson* 

# Roger Cornwell (m. 1955)

Roger Cornwell studied law at Christ's, beginning his degree in 1955 after his National Service with the Royal Navy. During his time at College he was the editor of the *Varsity* newspaper and participated fully in student life, graduating in 1958. After working for the Welsh Gas Board, he moved to be a solicitor for East Midlands Gas in Leicester, and that was where he met his wife Pat. They married in 1964 and went on to have two children, Catherine and Edward. Roger's big promotion came in 1977, when he became Company Secretary for South Eastern Gas and the family moved to Warlingham in Surrey, to what would be the family home for 38 years. Roger was fortunate to retire at the age of 54 and spent his retirement years probably busier than when he was working. He was a keen O gauge model railway enthusiast and a very active member of the Conservative Party and Tandridge Probus group. He held Christ's very dear to his heart for the rest of his life, with several pictures and the coat of arms around the house, and his ties, cufflinks and coffee mug part of everyday use.

Catherine Fry

#### James Darell Dickson Thompson-Schwab (m. 1955)

Darell Thompson-Schwab was born on 1 August 1936 and came up to Christ's in 1955 to read Law. He was a member of the Boat Club while at College, and from 1976 he was a Stockbroker with Brewin Dolphin. Darell died peacefully after a long illness on 27 March 2016, aged 79.

#### Roger Martin Goss (m. 1956)

Roger Martin Goss died suddenly and unexpectedly on 28 February 2016. He came up to Cambridge in 1956 and read Economics. His working life was spent with BP, including several years in West Africa. However he was never a natural for big business and came into his own in later years championing health service patients through Patient Concern, an organisation he set up with his wife Joyce. He advised the Department of Health on issues such as consent to treatment and end of life care, was only the second non-medic invited to join the British Medical Journal editorial board and a founder member of the Making Decisions Alliance. He served on the committees of several Royal Colleges and will be greatly missed in the field of patient advocacy.

# Guy Anthony Woolfenden (m. 1956)



Guy Woolfenden was born in Ipswich on 12 July 1937. He attended Westminster Abbey choir school, where he became Senior Chorister and sang at the wedding of HM The Queen and at the opening concert at the Royal Festival Hall at the Festival of Britain. He later attended Whitgift School, Croydon where he started playing the French horn. He came up to Christ's in 1956 as a choral scholar and during his time at Cambridge he conducted many concerts and several operas, including Peter Tranchell's *The Mayor of Casterbridge* for the Cambridge University Opera Group. After graduating

he moved to the Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London where he studied conducting. Guy joined the Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) in 1961 and was the Head of Music for 35 years, where he composed scores for 150 productions and is probably the only composer to have written the music for all of Shakespeare's thirty-seven plays. Outside the RSC, Guy wrote music for productions at the Comedie-Française, Paris, the Burgtheater, Vienna, the Teatro Stabile, Genoa, Den National Scene, Bergen and the Norwegian National Theatre, Oslo. In collaboration with choreographer André Prokovsky, he arranged and composed music for two three-act ballets commissioned by Australian Ballet, *Anna Karenina* and *The Three Musketeers*, which he subsequently conducted in productions worldwide, including the acclaimed Russian première of *Anna Karenina* with the Kirov Ballet at the Mariinsky Theatre in St Petersburg. Guy's concert music includes major works for wind orchestra including *Gallimaufry* and *Illyrian Dances*, based on his incidental music, which are performed and recorded worldwide. Guy died on 15 April 2016 and is survived by his wife Jane and their three sons.

Jane Woolfenden

#### James Arthur Auty (m. 1957)

James Auty was born on 27 November 1936 and attended Prior Park School in Bath. He then read English at Christ's, matriculating in 1957. After graduating, he travelled in the Middle East and became an accomplished University Lecturer and teacher. He pursued his graduate studies at the University of Toronto, Canada, and at Manchester University, where he obtained a PhD on the 17th Century Poet, Andrew Marvell. He did extensive research on the Civil War, Fairfax, and Oliver Cromwell and he retired to continue this research. James died on 4 December 2015 at the age of 79.

#### William Le Hunte (m. 1957)

William Le Hunte was born in September 1936 and came up to Christ's in 1957 to read Moral Sciences. He died on 28 January 2016, aged 79.

#### Gordon Ridley Solway (m. 1957)



Gordon Solway was born in Nottingham in 1936. After attending West Bridgford Grammar School and completing his National Service, he won a scholarship to Christ's. He studied Natural Sciences for two years followed by Economics for two years, achieving a Double First. He enjoyed the intellectual challenge of his courses, the wider education from his friendships, many of which lasted throughout his life, together with the music opportunities and church life. He started working for The Boots Company in 1961 on the fast-track graduate scheme, which also sent

him to Harvard on a management course. Gordon had several roles including finance, administration, and pharmaceuticals including a post as Managing Director in the United States and culminating as Managing Director Pharmaceuticals (worldwide).

In retirement, Gordon and Kirsten enjoyed extensive worldwide travel and many musical concerts while also devoting many hours to serving their church in Nottingham. Gordon's deep faith, his love of numbers and his analytical thinking shaped his life. He loved to analyse complex arguments, using the skills learned from his education to present the case for each side to inform and guide the debate to resolution. He was keenly aware of the benefits his generation enjoyed as a result of their education at Cambridge and encouraged others to make the most of their opportunities. Gordon died on 3 May 2016.

Kirsten Solway

#### Julian Roger Peverley (m. 1957)

Roger Peverley was born on 10 August 1938 in Derby and came up to Christ's to read Natural Sciences in 1957. He is remembered as a committed physics researcher and early on in his career he moved to Washington DC where he took an initial teaching role at Catholic University. He then moved to George Washington University in 1977, where he was a professor of physics for 29 years. Roger eventually became Emeritus Professor before his retirement in 2006. His particular academic interest was in condensed matter, but he was interested in all areas of his subject and taught across the department on many different courses. Roger was also deputy chair of the department throughout his time at George Washington University and he continued to be involved in experimental research on electron-phonon interactions in solids. After retiring, Roger endowed an award called the Peverley Prize for an undergraduate with the best research project. Roger died on 6 February 2016.

#### James Christopher George (m. 1958)

Christopher was the youngest of three brothers all of whom were educated at The Leys School, Cambridge. After a National Service commission in The Durham Light Infantry he read History at Christ's, coming up in 1958. He completed accountancy articles in London before joining George Angus & Co in Gateshead. With his wife, Judith and daughters Sarah and Emma, he lived in Hexham and then Corbridge. A true Geordie, having been born in Jesmond, Newcastle on Tyne and brought up in Consett, County Durham, he always loved the North East. When George Angus were taken over by Dunlop he was appointed Finance Director of their Malaysian subsidiary living in Kuala Lumpur for 5 years. Returning to the UK he joined the defence arm of GKN retiring in 2000, living first in Wem and finally in Hereford. In retirement he was a trustee of many charities and active in a number of local activities. Christopher died on 30 March 2016, aged 77.

Edward George

#### Jeremy John Hatch (m. 1958)

Jeremy Hatch was born in October 1937 and came up to Christ's to read Natural Sciences in 1958. Later, he became an Associate Professor at the University of Massachusetts, Boston. Jeremy died on 2 December 2015 aged 78.

## Martyn Loveday (m. 1958)



Martyn Loveday died on 29 April 2016, aged 77, within one month of being diagnosed with brain cancer. He read Mechanical Sciences, played rugby, cricket (see sweater in picture taken in 1990!) and tennis for the College, and, at the end of his second Michaelmas term, was married to Marguerite, whom he had met through a mutual interest in jazz. After graduation they went for three years to Jamaica, where he worked for Alcan, and two sons were born. A daughter arrived after their return to UK, when he joined

British Oxygen. They were all off again, this time to Canada, where Martyn worked in the oil and natural gas industries, first in Calgary, then Montreal, where all three children graduated from McGill. A return to London followed, head-hunting in Belgravia, then an abortive attempt to retire in Canada. He finally ended up joining me in a small business in Norfolk in the mid-90s. Throughout his life his interest in sport was paramount. He took up golf in Jamaica, was captain of Fulwell GC in London, a member of Royal Cinque Ports, and after coming to Norfolk, of Hunstanton GC. He achieved four holes-in-one, but perhaps the oddest episode was when, as an Englishman, he played in veterans' sides and was President of the Montreal Irish Rugby Club! A member from those 1970s days attended his funeral, along with many members of his golf club, and his family from British Columbia, Colorado and London.

Robert (Robin) Loveday (m. 1955)

#### Anthony Seager (m. 1958)



Tony Seager was born in Yorkshire and spent his childhood in Burley in Wharfdale, attending Gill Royd School in Ilkley before going onto Winchester and then Christ's to read Law. He was also one of the last people to be called up for National Service. He was known as Anthony to his family and childhood friends, Max by his friends at Winchester, though no one seems to know why, and Tony was what he was called by those who knew him at Cambridge and subsequently at work. When Tony came up to Cambridge in 1958, he continued playing cricket for the Crusaders (the University 2nd XI) and this was at the time of Peter May, Raman Subba Row, Tony Lewis, and Robin Marlar. After this he began a long and successful career in the City. Sport was important to him and he was a member of three principle clubs during his life: Esher Cricket Club, St George's Hill Golf Club and The Forty Club Golfing Society. Tony passed away on 27 November 2015, aged 78.

Pauline Seager

#### Martin William Suthers (m. 1958)

Martin Suthers was born in June 1940 and came up to Christ's in 1958 to read Law. Martin, who was deputy leader of the Conservative Group at Nottinghamshire County Council at the time of his death, was an influential figure in Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City for many years. He served as Lord Mayor of Nottingham in 1988-89 and as a county councillor for the Bingham Division from 2000. As well as his involvement in local politics, he enjoyed a long and successful legal career and he contributed to many voluntary organisations and boards in his spare time. Among them were the Nottingham Valuation Tribunal, the Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust, Nottingham High School for Girls, Djanoply City Technology College, the Special Trustees of the charitable funds of Nottingham University Hospital and the Audit Committee of Nottingham University. His interest in the law and politics as an undergraduate continued throughout his life, with a particular interest in education and health, and especially environmental issues. He also had a keen interest in ornithology and foreign travel. Martin died on 21 May 2016, aged 75, after a short illness.

# James Kyle Moore (m. 1960)

James was born in April 1939 in Cambridge, where he attended the County School and where he was based for two years National Service in the Royal Anglian Regiment with postings at Bury St Edmunds and Berlin. From an early age he was a competitive swimmer with successes in the Army Championships, National events prior to university and many local races too. In the Army James included the Modern Pentathlon among his sporting pursuits and it was as captain of this event that he later led his Cambridge team to victory over Oxford. James was elected as secretary of the Hawks' Club while at Christ's and was also a member of the Marguerites' Club. The latter meant he had many good friends among Christ's Rugby fraternity. At Christ's James read Natural Sciences which led to a management job at a large sisal estate at Morogoro in central Tanzania. Unfortunately for James, the sisal industry went into serious decline due to the development of synthetics and the Morogoro sisal estate was abandoned. James therefore returned to the parental home in Cambridge with his wife and within a short space of time his two daughters. After a period of school teaching in Cambridge, James re-joined the army as a middle-ranking officer in the Education Corps. James therefore put his Cambridge degree to good use, although it meant a peripatetic lifestyle for the family, constantly moving between his teaching commitments at different Army Depots. James was a devoted husband, father and grandfather and in his retirement he spent many happy hours writing poetry. He died peacefully at home on 23 September 2015.

Ben Moore

#### Frank Bickerstaff (m. 1961)

Frank Bickerstaff was born in June 1927 and he came up to Christ's in 1961 to read Natural Sciences. After graduating, Frank began a career in education which led him to become Head teacher of Royal Alexandra and Albert School in Surrey. During his tenure he transformed the school and left a lasting legacy. Frank died on 24 July 2015, aged 88.

#### Marcus Barry Heritage (m. 1961)



Marcus Heritage was born on 16 March 1942 in Fareham. He came to Christ's in 1961 and received his Electronics Engineering Doctorate on an academic scholarship. He emigrated to the United States in 1968 for post-doctoral work at the University of Florida, discovering the joys of outdoor barbecues. After joining IBM at the Armonk, NY, research laboratory, he transferred to Boulder, Colorado, marrying Kathleen Davidson-Borst there in 1985. He obtained his Master of Business Administration from the University of Denver and they moved for temporary IBM

assignments with the University of Utah and the University of Washington. Upon retirement from IBM he worked briefly in business and finance for Avery Dennison in Pasadena, California before settling in rural Rogue River, Oregon in 2001.

Marc loved his retirement, during which he enjoyed friends, family, training their llamas, traveling with Kathleen – and a good pint of bitter. They hiked and backpacked trails from New Zealand, through the western US, and into Canada. Not to forget the Cotswolds, the Lake District and Scotland. (Yes, he loved England.) Their last big walk, in 2014, was 81 miles on the Southwest Coast Path from Falmouth to Plymouth. He is survived by his wife of 30 years, as well as previous wife Daphne Morgan Hurst, their two adult children and three granddaughters. Marc passed away on 11 December, 2015 at his home on Pleasant Creek Road, north of Rogue River, Oregon, aged 73, after a short but brave battle with cancer.

Kathleen Heritage

#### Ashok Jaitly (m. 1961)

Tony, as he was known to his friends and family, was born in January 1942. He came to Christ's in 1961 to read Economics and was a member of the badminton team while at College. After leaving Cambridge, he joined the Indian Administrative Service (IAS) in 1964 and was assigned the Jammu and Kashmir cadre. He served in various capacities and was the youngest IAS officer to rise to the level of Secretary. He served as the Chief Secretary of Jammu and Kashmir from 1996 to 2002. He retired from service in 2002 and served as advisor to the state government for six months. He was the second-longest serving Chief Secretary of the State. In his retirement he was a prolific reader and very sociable, and he wrote articles for many newspapers and magazines. Tony died in New Delhi in September 2015, aged 73, after suffering from a protracted illness.

#### Peter Innes Jooste (m. 1962)

Peter Jooste was born on 3 October 1943 and read Economics at Christ's, matriculating in 1962. While at College Peter was a member of the Rugby team, and Rugby Union remained a love of his throughout his life. He became a lawyer, working in his native South Africa, and in Australia, and was appointed QC in 1997. He was an inaugural member of the Takeovers Panel, a former President of the International Business Council in Western Australia, and the Corporations Committee of the Law Council of Australia. He died on 10 November 2015.

#### Julius Olajide Aje (m. 1963)

Julius Aje died in 2016 in Nigeria.

# Nicholas Bruce Jonathan Gurney (m. 1963)



Nick Gurney was born in Plymouth in January 1945 and was educated at Wimbledon College before going up to Christ's to read History in 1963. His tutors included Jack Plumb and Walter Ullman, and Simon Schama was a contemporary. Nick graduated with First Class Honours in 1966 and then took his MA in 1969. After Cambridge, he spent a year teaching English in Belize, as part of the British Volunteer Programme. He joined the Fast Stream of the Civil Service in 1967 and during the course of his career

worked in the Ministry of Defence, Cabinet Office and Department of Health. He was Assistant Private Secretary to the Minister of State for Defence from 1970 to 1972 and Private Secretary to the Lord Privy Seal from 1974 to 1977. Appointed an Under Secretary at the age of only 38, he was a Civil Service Commissioner from 1983 to 1988. In 1990 he left the Civil Service for Local Government. He was Chief Executive of Wokingham District Council from 1990 to 1993, of Portsmouth City Council from 1994 to 2003 and of Bristol City Council from 2003 to 2008. Following retirement, he was Chairman of North Bristol NHS Trust from 2008 to 2009 before standing down to care for his wife during her recovery from cancer. His active retirement included travel, bridge and lecturing on Abraham Lincoln and the American Civil War. He frequently returned to Cambridge and was very proud of his daughter Beth's collages of the city. Nick died suddenly of a heart attack on 17 October 2015, aged 70. He is survived by his wife, Caroline, three children, two step-children and seven grandchildren.

Caroline Gurney

#### John Richard Urry (m. 1964)



John Urry was born on 1 June 1946 and came to Christ's in 1964 to read Economics. In 1972, he joined the Sociology Department at Lancaster University where he remained as a Professor for 44 years. He was a distinguished academic and a central figure at Lancaster; Head of the Sociology Department, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, and University Dean of Research, and made a significant contribution to the establishment of the Academy of Social Sciences. He also led research in the wider community of Sociology and initiated collaboration around the world. John died suddenly in March 2016, aged 69.

#### Richard Douglas Marshall Bond (m. 1966)

Richard Bond was born in Edinburgh on 7 June 1942. During World War II and very early in life, he was an evacuee, an experience that had a lasting impact on him. He kept all his school reports and his masters noted that he excelled in maths, physics and chemistry. After his A-levels, he went to the University of Surrey where he received a first class degree in Chemical Engineering, going on to receive a post doctorate in Engineering from Christ's. From 1969, Richard worked at BP Chemicals where he planned and implemented an online multicomputer-based accounting and production records system for the Baglan Bay chemical complex. In the early 1970s Richard married his wife and they moved to Maidstone in Kent, where he worked at the Aylesford Newsprint Paper Mill and had two sons. In his time in the paper industry, he travelled to Brazil and America. Richard had a long and successful career and finally received Chartered Engineer status in 1990. He loved the natural world and geology was one of his hobbies. He also enjoyed a Cryptic crossword and was a runner up in The Daily Telegraph 20,000th Crossword competition. Richard died on 18 March 2016, aged 73.

#### Svein Hem (m. 1966)

Born in Skien, Norway, Svein Hem came to the UK in 1958 to study Paper Technology at Manchester UMIST where he obtained his Bachelors and Masters degrees. Following a period of employment in research and development within the paper industry, initially in Norway and then back in the U.K. in Kent, Svein came up to Christ's in 1966, where, with support from Reed Paper Group, he undertook research into what was then the newly emerging field of computer sciences applied to the control of industrial processes.

On completion of his PhD, Svein returned to Reed Paper group, where over the next 30 plus years, both within Reeds and subsequently SCA, he was able, as a leader of a small team, to implement this research work, developing ideas and algorithms relating to the control of the paper making process. On his retirement, Svein moved to the far west of Cornwall where, like many before him, he took inspiration from the scenery and quality of light there and was able to pursue his lifelong interest in art and photography. During this time he produced a prodigious amount of painting, sculpture and prints.

Svein was a quiet, essentially private man with a dry sense of humour. He died of a brain tumour on 1 May 2016, aged 77, after a short illness and is survived by his wife Vivien, daughter Nicola and grandchildren, Theo and Hannah.

Vivien Hem

#### Dominic Round (m. 1967)

Dominic Round was born in August 1940 and came up to Christ's in 1967 to read Classics. He was also an enthusiastic member of the Boat Club during his time at
College. Throughout his life he was variously a visionary promoter of educational opportunities for priests from Africa, University chaplain, family carer, co-ordinator of the Heads and Chairs of Governors of the Catholic schools of the town of Redditch, Chair of the Harvington Hall recusant house near Kidderminster, and an active contributor towards the project of strengthening flood defences for Uptonon-Severn.

He was an urbane and reflective, well-read man whose background in academia became rooted in the lives of ordinary people. In his early priestly life, he was a teacher at Cotton College, Staffordshire, a keen musician and singer. During his years as Catholic Chaplain to the University of Warwick, he used his tremendous intellect and thirst for learning to influence students and staff alike, and the many weddings he was asked to celebrate for past students over subsequent years was testimony to the appreciation that his ministry engendered. As Parish Priest of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Redditch, he nurtured many young priests and seminarians and accompanied people wishing to be part of the Catholic Church. For somebody who had so much to give, he was humble, in truth a lifelong learner. In his last years his health became less robust but his interest in people, in town life and in priestly fraternity was undimmed. Father Round passed away in September 2015, aged 75.

Reverend Monsignor Timothy Menezes, Vicar General, Archdiocese of Birmingham

# Robert Gavin Alexander Bittlestone (m. 1970)

Robert Bittlestone was born in April 1952. He was educated in classics and science before reading Economics at Christ's from 1970 until 1973. In 1979 he founded Metapraxis Ltd with the goal of helping large complex businesses improve their management information and board reporting. Today Metapraxis is a leader in strategic planning, financial analysis and data visualisation. In 2002 Robert returned to his love of the classics and strived to solve the age-old mystery of the location of ancient Ithaca. The publication of Odysseus Unbound: the Search for Homer's Ithaca in 2005 was greeted with accolades for the intellectual and investigative process he employed, in collaboration with his co-authors. The publication of Odysseus Unbound was only the start of the journey and Robert led the way over the next ten years in recruiting sponsors and supporters to test out the hypothesis using the most sophisticated tools available to geoscientists. This research has steadily strengthened the arguments in favour of the case. His colleagues are determined to carry forward the ground-breaking work that he began and bring it to a successful conclusion. Robert never fully recovered from the loss of his wonderful wife Jean in 2011 and he passed away at home on 4 May 2015 aged 63.

#### Pier Luigi Porta (m. 1970)

Pier Luigi Porta was born on 21 June 1945. He graduated from Bocconi University in Milan before coming as a graduate student to Christ's to read Economics in 1970. His scientific work was mainly focused on the history of economic thought. He knew the ancient and modern languages, spoke English fluently, and conversed in German and French. He was visiting professor at many universities around the world, most recently Tokyo in 2015 before his retirement in November 2015. He was also the author of many published essays and books and was Editor-in-chief of the *International Review of Economics*. Pier Luigi passed away on 29 January 2016 after a long battle with cancer.

## Brian Armstrong (m. 1972)

Brian Armstrong was born on 23 May 1953 and came up to Christ's to read Natural Sciences in 1972, and during that time he was a member of the College hockey team. Throughout his life, Brian was an ardent supporter of Point-to-Point (steeplechase) and had a particular fondness for Holnicote in Somerset, one of the country's most picturesque point to point courses. In 2007, he became the point-to-point correspondent for *Horse & Hound* magazine. Brian died in 2015 after a long illness.

### Peter Fraser Alexander (m. 1974)

Peter Alexander was born in Johannesburg in 1949 and attended Jeppe Boys High school, after which he completed his year's compulsory National Service in the South African Army. He spent much of the year as first clarinettist in the army band and then went on to do an arts degree at the University of the Witwatersrand before leaving South Africa for Leeds University where he specialised in early years Yeats. This, in turn, brought him to Christ's to do his Doctorate on the South African poet Roy Campbell. Peter met his wife, Christine, while at Cambridge and they both moved to take up academic positions at the University of New South Wales where they remained for the rest of their careers. In 1995 he made the move to writing biographies and his work was met with critical acclaim. His subjects included Roy Campbell, South African activist and writer, Alan Paton, William Plomer and Leonard and Virginia Woolfe. In 2006 he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and later in 2011, with cancer. Throughout his life, Peter was a devout Anglican and he and his wife found many of their closest friends through their church. Peter died on 13 January 2016 aged 66 and is survived by his wife Christine and their son Roland; their daughter Rebecca predeceased him.

### John Rathmell (Fellow) adds:

I remember Peter well as an immediately likeable and mature research student who got off to a flying start in 1974 with what would later become a standard (and highly readable) biography of the controversial South African poet Roy Campbell. Throughout his career as a literary biographer he tackled difficulty subjects (initially mainly South African) quite fearlessly, overcoming numerous difficulties with sensitivity and diplomatic skill. Together with his New Zealander wife Christine, the Bronte scholar, he settled in Australia where both were elected to the Australian Academy of the Humanities. Both appeared at the time I knew them to be brimming with good health and it came as a great shock to me to hear of Peter's death of incurable cancer at the early age of 66.

### John Simon Binner (m. 1976)

It is with enormous sadness that I come to write these few words of appreciation for the life of our friend Simon Binner who ended his life last October at an assisted dying clinic in Basel. Simon was diagnosed with motor-neurone disease in January 2015. His condition deteriorated at (literally) breath taking speed and Simon who lived life largely and fully on his own terms decided to take control of his own death and did so with formidable grace, humour and dignity. Many of you will have seen the marvellous documentary record of his final few months that was shown on BBC in February this year (*How to Die: Simon's Choice*). Those of you who saw the film will have seen that he retained the extremely close friendship of many of those he met at Christ's in 1976. Simon was a fizzing ball of energy, mischief, wit and laughter. He was always wonderful company, and not just because he was always seemingly effortlessly hilarious but because unlike many of us he remained open throughout his entire life to new ideas, to new experiences and was never shy of offering his own idiosyncratic (read 'wildly eccentric') views on anything and everything.

More he was an incredibly generous friend, always keen to offer open ended help where he could. It seemed especially cruel that someone who was so full of vim, who so self-evidently loved his wife, family, friends, his work, his entire busy life, should be diagnosed with such a cruel life-limiting illness. By bravely inviting the BBC to document his final, sometimes harrowing months he ensured that he was able, even while being stripped of his power of speech, to lend his support to arguments in favour of legalising assisted dying.

Simon Sandberg (m. 1976)

### Kathryn Alison Nehemiah (m. 1985)

Kathryn came up to Christ's in 1985 and read Modern and Medieval Languages. She was a member of the hockey club during her time at College and after graduating she moved to London to take up the position of Communications Planning Manager at the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE). Kathryn died on 18 August 2015 at home with her family, aged 48.

#### William James Stilwell (m. 2011)

Will Stilwell who died prematurely in 2015 aged 23 years was my tutorial pupil for part of his undergraduate years at Christ's. Will was a Moden Linguist; his languages were Spanish and Portugese, both of which he spoke fluently and idiomatically and combined, as his DOS remarked, with a deep love and knowledge of the Spanish poets. He was passionate about the culture and languages of Latin and Central America and spent his gap year back packing on his own through some of the most turbulent and dangerous countries of that region. His other passion was football which he played (for the College) with gusto if perhaps not the skill required for the Premier League. Physically Will was an imposing figure more than 6 feet 6 inches tall and one of my tutorial actions was to request a supersized bed to ensure that he could sleep without feet and legs dangling over the end of the mattress. He was a gentle and cheerful giant with a charming smile and great sweetness of manner, usually immaculately and fashionably dressed, at least when he came to see me for the occasional tutorial chat. His time at Cambridge was marred by serious illness to which he finally succumbed, but he had a talent for friendship and made close and supportive friends who mourn his loss. I remember Will as a kind, caring human being; we are all poorer without him.

Margaret Stanley (Honorary Fellow)

# KEEPING IN TOUCH



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# College Opening Times

The College is open to members of the public from Monday to Sunday 9am to 4pm (except during the "Quiet Period" and during the Christmas closure period) and the Fellows' Garden is open Monday to Friday only, 9am to 4pm.

In addition, members of Christ's are welcome to visit at any time. Please check in at the Porters' Lodge (St Andrew's Street) on arrival and let the duty porter know that you are a member of College.

During full term, Choral Evensong is sung in the College Chapel at 6.45pm on Thursdays and at 6.00pm on Sundays. Members of College are very welcome at services. Information can be found on the College's website: www.christs.cam.ac.uk

# Members' Privileges

## Dining

MAs of the College (with effect from the beginning of the academic year after proceeding to the degree of MA) and PhDs and other higher degree graduates are invited to dine with the Fellows up to ten times per academic year. Those dining assemble in the Senior Combination Room (SCR) (entrance from Second Court) where pre-dinner drinks are available from 7.20pm. Gowns are worn except when dinner is served in the SCR (normally outside the dates of Full Term). After dinner coffee can be taken in the Fellows' Parlour, or wine and coffee will be served in the SCR on evenings where there is sufficient demand. The first dinner of each term is at the College's expense.

It is possible to bring an adult guest to High Table by prior arrangement. Please contact the Catering Office to confirm the cost and to make the arrangements. Please note that a maximum of 6 alumni can exercise their dining privileges on any one night and that for dinner to go ahead there must be a minimum of two Fellows dining. Bookings can be made via the Catering Office on either (01223) 339556 or (01223) 334985 or by email to cateringoffice@christs.cam.ac.uk.

Bookings must be made before 1pm on the day on which you intend to dine, or by 1pm on the Friday if you wish to dine at the weekend, although we encourage you to book earlier than that if you can. When making a booking, please confirm with the Catering Office your name, year of matriculation, eligibility to dine at High Table, and any dietary requirements.

## Accommodation

During term time, the two single student guest rooms in College may be booked by Members, subject to availability.

The guest rooms are C.3 (1st floor level) and C.5 (2nd floor level) and you should note that each guest bathroom is also shared with one student occupant. Bookings may be made by contacting the Accommodation Office on either (01223) 334926 or (01223) 334969, or by email to accommodation@christs.cam.ac.uk.

The College welcomes enquiries about dinners, meeting and conferences. Please contact the Catering Office (catering@christs.cam.ac.uk) regarding dinners and the Conference Office (conference@christs.cam.ac.uk) regarding meetings and conferences. Alumni can also book accommodation at Christ's during the vacation online: http://www.christs.cam.ac.uk/alumni/accommodation

To receive the alumni promotional rate on single rooms, all you need to do is enter the code: **chalum16**. This is the code for 2016, which will change to **chalum17** in 2017 and so on.

## Keeping in Touch Online

You can now use the online community (http://alumni.christs.cam.ac.uk) to keep in touch with College friends, update your details, write a personal profile, book online for events and much more. The interactive parts of the site are password protected so if you need a reminder of your username or password, please contact alumni@christs.cam.ac.uk. The Development Office has set up a number of social media channels so you can keep up-to-date with College and alumni news online:

- Join us on Facebook to see photographs of College, hear the latest news and learn about events (http://www.facebook.com/christscollegecambridge)
- Follow us on Twitter for real time news and 'tweets' from College (http:// twitter.com/christs\_college)
- Become a member of the Christ's College, University of Cambridge Alumni group on LinkedIn – a great way to make useful professional connections or to join other alumni in discussions about College
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