

Young House 2000



The Bursar is well pleased with the contractors who have completed the large extension on time, so all is ready for the girls for the new term. An additional twelve bedsits have been provided which will take fourteen girls. The new large common room will be available to both the boarders and the day girls—some fifty in all—who make up

Young House under Alison Sloman. This extension helps to cover the expansion in the number of girls now in the Senior School. Benson House, the other half of the girls' accommodation, will be officially named on 23 September (Open Day) by Steve Benson, and will accommodate a further fifty day girls.

Meantime Collett House has grown over the last four years to reach its full potential and will have members in the Upper Sixth for the first time—approximately forty six boys in all.

John Dawson

We are sad to have to report the death of John Dawson at the age of 77 after a three month illness following a stroke. John came to the College in 1948 as a Prep School Master, he was appointed a Housemaster and then Headmaster of the Prep until he retired in 1982. He is survived by Joy and son, Andrew and four grandchildren to whom we send our sincere sympathy.

A service was held in St Michael's Church on 25 August where a large contingent gathered in remembrance of a loyal and much loved Stortfordian. John Campbell, Master (63-93), gave a splendid tribute to John, extracts of which are on page 4.



On Speech Day the Chairman of Governors

announced that work
would start on the

NEW POOL

the day after Speech Day
next year
prelims having already
been carried out

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Speech Day

Following Sir Stephen Lander's visit to the School - reported in detail in the May issue - the Headmaster was asked by journalists what it was about the College for it to produce such a long line of distinguished figures in the field of Spycatchers and Intelligence Officers. He replied, 'We try to teach pupils how to think. We also believe in traditional values, integrity and service to others, loyalty and responsibility. We think it is vital, also, to give people knowledge and understanding of the real world and important choices which determine their careers, values and lifestyles as adults'. Subsequently he thought that sounded a little glib, but when faced with a journalist it was easy to slip into that style! But when reflecting on what we have given to these young people, he tended to look a generation or two above them for the answer. He was very proud indeed to point to our staff because really the answer lies with them.

This year, once again he has seen teachers leading groups to understand the most complex and sophisticated of concepts. He has seen teachers get a grip on some boys and girls who began this year rather sloppily and distracted and turn them around. He has seen teachers spending time with individuals

and helping children with low self-esteem to develop as they have gone on into confident and happy characters. He has seen teachers demand more and more of pupils and get it. He has seen teachers create, from what appeared to be the humblest of beginnings, plays, teams, groups of musicians, and groups of expeditions: a whole series of triumphs.

The Headmaster then went on to report on the many projects with which the School had been concerned during the year. In Music, with the stunning Shostakovich 2nd Piano Concerto, the Dvorak 8th Symphony, the Choir Tour to Italy, 'Elijah', the Wind Band, Evensong at Bury St Edmunds and many fine performances of all types.

Three 6th Form students exhibited in the Mall Galleries' Exhibition of Independent School Artists for the Millennium and a significant number of pupils secured prestigious places at Art School this year. Design has been eye-catchingly excellent again.

Sport has been much to the fore. In Netball we narrowly lost the District Championship by one goal, Water Polo has been good, Rugby, Rounders, Tennis and Cricket had some marvellous games and in Hockey the girls retained the District Championship and the boys' 1st XI reproduced their familiar excellent record. Across the age groups in

hockey we were proud to gain a sack-full of representative honours for the County and the Region. Most notably, the two Mackay boys, Rob and Iain, both played Hockey for England and won gold medals in major international tournaments.

In Drama it has been an absolutely vintage year with 'Macbeth', 'Top Girls', 'Black Comedy', 'Our Day Out', 'Lord of the Flies' and of course, the excellent 'Oliver'. Drama at the College has stepped up to a new level of excellence.

The growth of Clubs and Societies has been heartening with Debating, the Millennium Society, the 20th Century Thought Group, the Website, the Radio Club, Social Services, the 80 Club and many others, in great form.

The Headmaster made particular mention of the Greenland Expedition which is reported elsewhere. He was looking forward to the opening of the newly expanded Young House at Open Day, and to the naming of the second Girls' House - 'Benson', and to the coming of age of Collett House, as its Senior boys reach the Upper 6th. He referred to the newly expanded 6th Form programme, with the largest Lower 6th in College history.

Extracts from John Trotman's speech

The President's Luncheon



President's Lunch, President's Day, President's Day Out - take your pick from its variety of designations! We were all delighted, however, that it proved not to be the latter and, that on the hottest day of the year to date, Vicky and David Hodge, our hosts at Cumberlow Green Farm, were much in evidence and could not have given us a warmer welcome.

With a feeling of some apprehension a number of us embarked on a pre-prandial tour of David's composting plant. There is no doubt that we were witnessing a success story of agricultural diversification, employing kitchen and garden waste in a process that was cleanly, efficiently and hygienically managed.

An interesting collection of School, team and House photographs and other

memorabilia were displayed in the marquee, some items provided by the President, whose years covered 1959-1965; the remainder was brought along by A.M. (Alan) Randall (SHa 33-38). Of the seventy-two who sat down for lunch the most senior OS present was W.R.C. Morton (SHb 21-24). Ruth Hughes, who it was also a delight to see and who was Assistant

Matron from 47-82 in Allott's, has family connections with the School which stretch back to Collegiate School days, prior to 1868! Her older brother, Bill Hughes, C.B., (DB 19-29), she informed us is keeping well and maintains his home on the edge of Wandsworth Common.

Following a marvellous meal, accompanied by a welcome light breeze blowing through the marquee, we were entertained by the President to a humorous account of how the English language was to be adopted as the official *lingua franca* throughout Europe. It was delivered with such good timing and conviction that David had us wondering at times whether it was hypothetical or not. Had it been true, however, one suspects that E.U. regulations would have made its implementation even more bizarre.

Our Guest Speaker, Teddy Faure-Walker, the High Sheriff of Hertfordshire, then proceeded to tell us a little about a childhood shared with David at the local village school before their respective transfers to 'Slough Grammar' and BSC and how, as neighbouring farmers, they had resumed their earlier friendship. Lightheartedly and informally, he continued to tell us of his duties as Sheriff of the County.

Stuart Findlay then took a few minutes to explain the current position of the OS Swimming Pool Appeal and how the total was moving towards the half-way mark. He applauded the generosity of the donors up to that point and urged all Old Stortfordians to support the Appeal.

We all departed having enjoyed a nostalgic afternoon of reminiscing among friends in the Hertfordshire countryside. Our hosts may be assured nothing could have improved upon the quality of the day.

DJP

OS attending: P. Fishpool, M.H. Powell, E. Carter, Miss R. Hughes, J.C. Tedder, P.A. Thomson, D.A. Watson, G.W. Hurren, M.K. Bull, T.J. White, H.P. Joscelyne, M.R. Charnley, G.W.L. Pryer, F.J. Lambert, W.R.C. Morton, R.B. Tremayne, D. Ewart-James, A.M. Randall, R.G. Sanderson, D.W. Neilson, M. Neilson, L.A. Brittain, J. Hodge, S.G. Findlay, D.J. Pittuck, M.R. Claridge, R. Franklin.
Staff and ex-staff: Miss Ruth Hughes, D.J. Pittuck, Mr & Mrs S.J. Fairclough, T.G. Hudson, Headmaster: J.G. Trotman.

What's on?

The Notice-board for OS events. Please support them if you can.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

THIS IS ON 10 NOVEMBER

10.20 am in the Memorial Hall

All welcome—Coffee in the Common Room afterwards

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SNOW BALL

23 DECEMBER 2000

7 - 12 midnight

Bishop's Stortford Football Club
*this is a new clubhouse on Dunmow
Road opposite BS Golf Club*

All OS of the last 6 years are welcome
**Ring Matthew Hood for further
details 01279 659379**

AGM & DINNER

**King's College,
Cambridge**

31 March 2001

Book the date now!

London & South East Annual Supper

2 February 2001

**HILTON HOTEL
(London Olympia)**

A relaxed informal evening

All welcome

Application form enclosed

OS AUTUMN DAY

SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER 2000

11.00 am Swimming Competition for
The Centenary Shield

11.30 am Water Polo v OS

2.30 pm OS XV v U18 XV

2.30 pm Rowena Tee's XI v U18 XI

Contact Rowena Tee on (01799) 550346
e-mail rowenatee@hotmail.com

4.00 pm Tea in the Dining Hall

Examination Results 2000 GCSE

An Excellent Year!

This year's GCSE results are excellent. 49% of examinations taken scored A* or A grades. 12 pupils were successful in attaining A* or A grades in all their subjects: Sebastian Aspland, James Barrett, Christopher Emmett, Tom Hanrahan, Ben Holdsworth, James Marriage, Charles Raine, Tom Read, Tim Russell, Abigail Short, Esra Tekdag and Simon Tulett.

Pride of place goes to Christopher Emmett, Charles Raine and Simon Tulett all of whom scored straight A*s. Close behind were James Barrett and Abigail Short who scored 9 A*s and 1 A.

This year group generally did very well indeed, with 95% of examinations resulting in a C grade or above.

The Headmaster is absolutely delighted with this year's results. This is the second best set of results in College history. These pupils demonstrate that academic excellence and excellence in other fields can and should happily co-exist.

A-Level Results 2000

Pupils and Staff are celebrating very good A-Level results, with 29% of all subjects taken being awarded A grades, 54% of grades were either A or B, and 75% either A, B or C. The overall pass rate was 96%.

The Headmaster comments 'I am pleased with these grades. Good results don't just happen. Hard work is as important as academic ability and both lie behind these results, which reflect well on staff and pupils. The points per pupil average of 21.1 is the third highest in the last 10 years'.

Pride of place goes to: Hilke Schlichting - 5 A grades, Chris Hadley - 4 A grades, James Clayton-Payne - 3 A grades, Alex Tout - 3 A grades, James Tout - 3 A grades and 1 B grade, Jonathan Warren - 3 A grades, Karen Parker - 3 A grades and 1 B grade, Mark Hannay - 3 A grades and an AS at A grade.

The following also gained 30 or more points: Gemma Burnell, Mike Little, Deepti Patel and Nick Walton.

John Dawson

John was born in 1923 and died on 16 August 2000, aged 77. The following is an extract from the tribute to John, given by John Campbell (Master (63-93). at the memorial service held at St Michael's Church on 25 August.

Today I am sad but only in part. Sad though this occasion is, I feel more like celebrating, celebrating the memory of a man whom I enjoyed serving under, for whom I had as great an affection as for any man and whom I respected more, I think, than any man I've known well.

He was an outstanding school master who served the College from 1948-1982, who coached all the games, who taught principally Maths but also anything else that was needed (even beginning the teaching of Science), who saw contentious issues and troublesome boys in perspective, who was not afraid of change, who brought in new ideas and methods, who produced plays and leapt without hesitation to provide what the school or the boys or the staff required, who had an equal enthusiasm for teaching the most able and the least able. Before he became the Grimwade Housemaster and then before he became Headmaster he was very much the brains and the driving spirit in the background. A day-boy House, for example, would not have been created when it was but for him. Often his was the clearest estimation of present needs and his the clearest vision of the future. He made bricks without straw. He was entirely without self-importance. His appointments were good and he trained his staff well, as is testified by the number who have gone on to Headships.

Outside the school, he and Joy - who gave much to Grimwade & the Prep and was always a great support to John - did much good by stealth. Many aged and infirm people were supported by them. In retirement John

worked on the Talking Newspaper For The Blind and for years he worked with great enthusiasm for the C.A.B. His stories were simultaneously discreet and hilarious. Recently John had been Treasurer of St Michael's Church, dealing with a multitude of tasks.

So much for recent history. For those of you who like a complete biography: after Denstone and a year at Oxford reading Classics & History, John, in the guise of a Seaforth Highlander, fought the Japanese in the monsoons and jungles of Burma, coming home a shadow of his former self, finished his degree and then came to Stortford. In those days enthusiastic games-playing schoolmasters who worked six or seven days a week made the best of things and were not given time off to play for clubs. John was a hockey-player and the Hertfordshire centre forward reputed to have scored in every match which is astonishing as this was the only hockey he was able to play.

John was fun to be with. His mind was quick, his laughter spontaneous and infectious. His driving was like his hockey, with wonderfully co-ordinated hand and eye and foot, fast, decisive, full of panache.

Burma must have left many marks on him. It cannot, I imagine, have improved his constitution but it may have helped him to endure pain. For many years he suffered much pain with great stoicism but he never lost his sense of humour or his humanity, his concern for others, his memory of their families and their circumstances. His last months were sad and particularly painful for him and for all who loved him. Now one can only be thankful that his trials are over. Joy and Andrew have lost a husband and a father who, they acknowledge, was beyond compare and his grandchildren will remember a much loved grandfather.

John Campbell

Chairman of Governors



We congratulate Richard Tee (63-71) on his appointment as Chairman of the Governors. He follows Dr Peter Radley who will remain as a Governor on the Council.

The Benevolent Fund

Report on the Financial Activities of the Charitable Trust for the year ended 5 April 2000
The Charity received income of £9,340 in the year and expended £4,600 in support of three Old Stortfordians and their families who had very limited financial means. The income included the collection at the 2000 Dinner, which amounted to £247, and the Trustees wish to thank those present for their generous contribution.

The Balance Sheet includes investments which have slightly diminished in value along with similar Stock Market investments during the period. The cost figure is £116,717 and market value was £202,167, which gives a reasonable base in order to provide income to be available to help former pupils or their families in the years ahead.

There will be additional demands on the Trust in the coming year, but if anyone knows of an eligible person who is in need of assistance, please contact one of the Trustees.

J.B. Chaumeton, E.J.T. Davies,

R.L.H. Price, D.A. Lancaster

The SPLASH DINNER

is on

SATURDAY 14 OCTOBER

If you have not already bought your tickets for the New Pool Appeal Dinner, please do so immediately and help us to reach our £250,000 target—otherwise you may miss out on an excellent evening at a reasonable cost. Tickets are £27 each or £50 a double.

The evening will begin at 6.00 pm with a Bucks Fizz Reception in the Theatre. This will be followed by a three course meal in the Dining Hall.

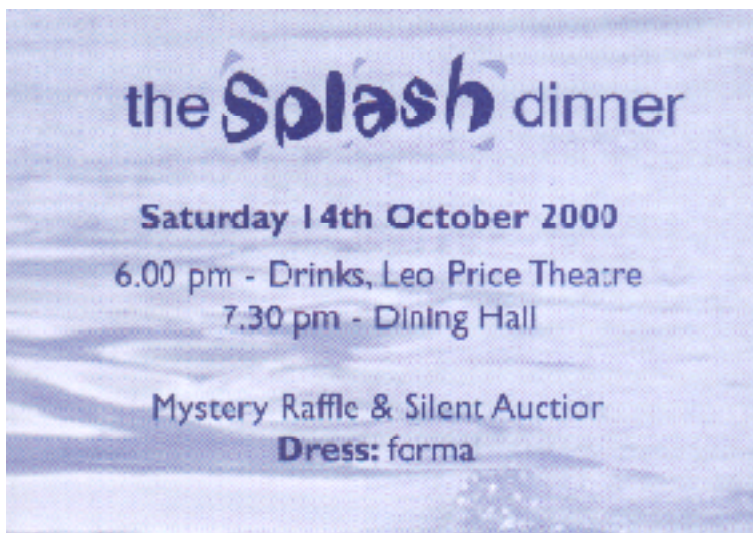
Irene Pearman (a former Head Girl) is organising a Silent Auction with many attractive offers—Trout Fishing, Holiday Accommodation, Newmarket Day, Painting and much more. Mike Claridge is organising a Mystery Raffle.

We are expecting to have at least one International and Olympic Swimmer attending. The evening may also contain a Surprise Entertainment!

The superb poster produced by John Pittuck and Ed Horrocks will be for sale and our own Julie Pridmore will be on hand to explain 'Gift Aid'.

This will be a friendly fun evening, so do not worry about coming on your own—we will seat you with your own age group, unless you ask otherwise. Guests welcome.

So order your tickets **NOW** by sending a cheque to Julie and she will send tickets to you very quickly. Please make your cheque payable to BSC Pool Fund and send it with your name and address to:



Julie Pridmore
OS Office
10 Maze Green Road
Bishop's Stortford
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The Greenland Expedition

This Summer a major expedition by pupils from BSC was inspired and led by Gareth Burnell. The following extract from Gareth's writings gives an insight into the purpose of the project. The expedition was the culmination of many months of training, preparation and fund-raising. The photographs here were taken by Robert Smith, now in the Lower Sixth and a member of the Greenland Expedition team.



The kayak has returned to its native shores of East Greenland. An Expedition of schoolchildren from Bishop's Stortford College believes it may have reversed a process which started back in 1930 when the British explorer 'Gino' Watkins was taught to kayak by a hunter from the island of Kulusuk and brought those skills back home, thereby launching a sport very popular here today. Kayaking in East Greenland took on an inevitable decline with the advent of the motorised boat and as the harpoon gave way to the rifle. . .

. . . The kayak was a killer in the days when the men had to go out in all weathers in order to feed the family and ran the risk of falling foul to the notorious 'piteraq', an ice-cap induced wind which can gust up to 75 metres per second, double hurricane force, and which blows up

from nothing in as little as half an hour. Small wonder that it gave way to the fibreglass boat equipped with powerful 70 hp engines. The kayak still has a small role here. The prize catch for any hunter is the narwhal. This strange, long-toothed creature, can only be hunted by the stealth of the kayak.

But this is not reason enough to promote the return of the kayak. The kayak is the very symbol of the resourcefulness of this people in a very hostile land. On the West Coast, where contact with western neighbours has perhaps sped up the process, last month witnessed the annual 'Kayak Championships', a competition which encompasses every aspect of the traditional skills from rolling (31 ways) to rope gymnastics. People come from the whole West Coast and abroad to watch or compete. It has given a new source of income: tourism.

The Bishop's Stortford College 'Return of the Kayak' Expedition led by Classics teacher and Arctic enthusiast Gareth Burnell, raised over £20,000 to buy and ship out 12 NDK 'Greenlander' kayaks to Tasiilaq. Two local boys, Tobias and Johannes, joined the party of 24 British pupils to learn the skills and canoe the waters of their fjord King Oscar's Havn. They were complete naturals, not

surprising perhaps. Their endurance of the icy waters was far higher than ours, and they practised rolling techniques until they were blue in the face. Six of the boats, complete with all associated equipment have been left with the school to form the 'Tasiilaq Kayak Club' whose aim will be to promote the learning of skills and recreational kayaking. Tobias, Johannes and local teacher Lars Alberg will be men with a mission.

The sight of such a fleet of kayaks on their waters, unseen for some 40 years, excited the interest and enthusiasm of the local hunters. The remaining 6 boats, which were due to be shipped home have been sold off to the hunters. Immacca was first in the queue and could pay cash! Burnell gave away his own personal kayak to a hunter who had lent his boat for expedition use, and had the satisfaction of seeing it instantly equipped for hunting with harpoon and line.

The new fleet is available for hire from the Tasiilaq Kayak Club by outside kayakers who want to experience these elemental waters. They cost £300 per unit per week and the proceeds will go towards the upkeep and replacement of the fleet. Please contact gb@exped2000.fsnet.co.uk.

Through the generosity of an OS, the Society have given a tree in memory of its most gallant member. From *The Victoria Cross* by R. Stewart:

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

LIEUTENANT (ACTING MAJOR)
BRETT MACKAY CLOUTMAN, M.C.
59th FIELD COMPANY, T.F.

For most conspicuous bravery on the 6th November, 1918, at Pont-sur-Sambre. Major Cloutman, after reconnoitring the river crossings, found the Quartes Bridge almost intact but prepared for demolition. Leaving his party under cover he went forward alone, swam across the river, and, having cut the 'leads' from the charges, returned the same way, despite the fact that the bridge and all approaches thereto were swept by enemy shells and machine-gun fire at close range. Although the bridge was blown up later in the day by other means, the abutments remained intact. — *London Gazette*, 31st January, 1919.



Marriages

COLLETT-YOUNG - On 6 May 2000 at St Mary's Church, Sanderstead James Collett (44-48) to Barbara Young.

Births

HOW - To Matthew (74-84) and Petra, on 31 May 2000, at the Norwich Hospital, a son, James Matthew.

Obituaries



ADKINS - Bruce Adkins (35-39) who was in SHb died on 23 May at Glangwili Hospital, following a short illness, at the age of 78. He was born in Harpenden, Herts and won an entrance scholarship to BSC.

He gained his Highers in 1938 and was a monitor in the 'B'. He went on to London University qualifying in the faculty of Engineering.

During the war he was commissioned in the Navy Special Branch, operating in Radar research and jamming. He was stationed mainly in Dover and saw service in many classes of ships, including submarines.

He married Joyce in 1944, who was touring hospitals, giving concerts to the war wounded. When the war ended he was appointed editor of the Naval Scientific Journal, which occupied him for some years. In 1958 he was appointed Head of Information and Public Relations for the Nuclear Energy Agency of OECD in Paris, where he worked until his retirement, his post giving him Diplomatic Status.

Throughout his career he wrote for scientific journals and translated many books on scientific matters. He also was a prolific writer of poems. Following a visit to WJS he penned

French Owls and Pussycats

The graphic French Owls of WJS

Were on show at the V & A

They attracted attention

And many a mention

In the artistic press of the day

Many pussies from France

Came to join in the dance

Then returned home to help spread the word

Till the whole country knew

That a Strachan French Hibou

Was a most special kind of a bird

... a bird

Was a MOST SPECIAL KIND OF A BIRD

with acknowledgement to Edward Lear

Bruce's hobbies were many, from gardening to a great love of classical music and latterly a profound interest in philosophy. Three years after his first stroke in 1993

from which he made a determined recovery, he moved to Lampeter with his wife, to be near his elder daughter and family. A great and lovable character, he will be sorely missed by his wife, two daughters and six grandchildren to whom we send our sympathy.

BROWNING-SMITH - Michael Browning-Smith who died on 18 April 2000 at the St Helena Hospice was at Stortford from 1944-48 in Alliot House. The son of a large farming family at Coggeshall he left school and went to work for Lord Rayleigh gaining experience in all aspects of farming. When his grandfather died he purchased Elm Farm, he also farmed Hall Farm, Marks Tey owned by his father-in-law. He had a family of 3 boys and 2 girls and was thought of as a wonderful father, always full of fun and laughter.

We send our sympathy to the family.



CLARK - Cyril Clark was born in 1910, the son of Alfred Clark a local builder of some note, he won a free place and attended BSC from 1922-26. On leaving school he joined the insurance

brokers of C.E. Heath in London. He later decided to specialise in Life and Pensions and in 1947 joined another broker, Stewart Smith which later merged and became Matthew Wrightson. Cyril stayed there until his retirement in 1975 having been in the life Assurance Industry for 47 years during which time he gained a formidable reputation as one of the finest Life and Pensions experts in the city.

Other aspects of Cyril's life were his lifelong interest in gardening and dog breeding. In his earlier years he was a founder member of the Herts & Essex Canine Society, also a member of the Kennel Club, and he often officiated as steward or judge both locally and at Crufts in London. He bred Cocker Spaniels. Gardening in general, and flowers in particular, were Cyril's main hobby. He was passionate about flowers and over the years won literally hundreds of prizes, both locally and in London, exhibiting carnations, roses, dahlias and lots more. He belonged to the Royal Horticultural Society for many years. It was a matter of personal pride to Cyril that on each day he left home to travel to the city he would be sporting a buttonhole of either a rose or a carnation which he had grown himself, and this became his trademark.

Over the years Cyril had been a great supporter of OS functions. He was a kind and caring man, a perfect gentleman. In business he set high standards by example, a 'hands-on' person, and yet he possessed that rare quality - the common touch. Having lived in Bishop's Stortford for many years Cyril had recently moved to Saffron Walden where he died after a short illness. Cyril's wife, Vera died last year and he leaves a son and daughter, Nigel and Angela to whom we send our sympathy.

DAVIES - Jeffery Philip (Chin) Davies (20-24) SHa died on 23 July at the age of 92. Although Jeffery left from the Lower 6th he played rugby for the 1st XV for 3 years, he was also in the 1st VII Water Polo & Swimming Team. He lived almost all his life in Havant practising as a dentist. He is survived by Chris (49-54), Jack (50-57) and Peter (56-59). Jack has taken over his father's dental practice in Havant. Jeffery recently moved to a rest home at Emsworth, some two miles away where he died peacefully at breakfast time.

We send our sympathy to the family.

DYKE - Roger Dyke who was at school from 1958-63 died suddenly from a heart attack on 25 July, aged 55. He had followed his father, Tom and uncle, Bewsey to Stortford and was joined by his brother, Jeremy. He played rugby for the 2nd XV (61-62), hockey for the 3rd XI and was captain of the 2nd VII Swimming and Water Polo Team (62-3). He was a member of the 80 club (59-61). He became head of Alliotts and remembered his housemaster, Bill Clare with great affection. He was also Head of School in his last year.

After school he joined VSO in Bolivia, studied at Leeds University and the Leathersellers College before working in the family tannery in Milborne Port, Somerset. Latterly he owned a leather shop in Sherborne. Three and a half years ago he suffered a massive stroke. Despite all the odds he learnt to read, write, walk and drive again. Not long after the stroke he was contacted by Jim Glen (57-62) and spent a good evening with him and 'Hank' Hogsflesh (57-62). He followed with great interest when some contemporaries became Presidents of the OS. Such names as Paul Fishpool, Frank Bennett and David 'Daisy' Hodge.

Although he visited the school only a few times he did attend the 75th Alliot House reunion and the family recognise BSC played a great part in forming the man they loved.

We send our sympathy to his wife, Sue and their son, Tom.

GARROULD - Charles Garrould DBH (40-48) died on 30 June. His uncle, Gordon Garrould (21-32) writes: I have sadly to record that my nephew, Charles, after years of successfully combatting the disease, finally died of cancer quite peacefully, in the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital in the early morning of Friday, 30 June. His funeral was held at the Methodist Church, Park Road on the following Friday.

The third son of Ivor and Yola born in 1931, he followed his brothers, James and William into the Prep and then on into the DBH. He was a Junior athlete and played for the 2nd XV for two years. 'Barley' to his friends, he next appeared in the heart of Stortford running 'The Cellar Man Inn' with his wife, Liz and three sons, Philip, Simon and Adrian till he moved away from Stortford down to Lowestoft to manage The Victoria Hotel.

Later, now married to Jan he joined Birds Eye and lived in Park Road, where they had two delightful children, Karen and Nigel. On retiring he devoted his whole time to the Methodist Church and other local charities, where his cheerful devotion to duties in all weathers with his lovely wife, Jan, proved to be an inspiration to us all for the next 5 years.

He will be sadly missed by his family and the Congregation which filled the Methodist Church to overflowing on the day of his funeral.

We send our sympathy to Jan and all the family.

HOARE - Richard Donald Hoare FRCP FRCR was at Stortford from 1928-1936 in Alliot House. He obtained his Highers in 1936 and was a member of the 2nd VII Water Polo and Swimming team.

The Editor is indebted to Alison Stewart (83-85) for information on Dick's career. She worked with him on the Romanian Child Development Project and despite a time gap of 50 years they found interesting links over such matters as the joys of 80 club. Dick had also been very interested in the establishment of Young House.

Dick has been reported by a colleague as having a 'legendary capacity for work and quiet goodness of nature, which endeared him to all those with whom he came into contact'. Dick qualified in medicine at King's College and St George's Hospital in 1941 and served his National Service in the Royal Navy. He became consultant neuro-radiologist in 1951, and worked across London, at the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, Guy's Hospital and the Maudsley Neurosurgical Unit. His last appointment was at the MRI centre at the Churchill Clinic. Dick also worked internationally as a visiting professor at the

Universite Libre De Bruxelles and the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Dick's skills have been described extensively as his dedication and attention to work. He was highly valued for his diagnostic skills and appreciated by generations of students. Dick became Secretary and later President of the British Institute of Radiology in the 1960s, Joint President of the 1968 Symposium Ossium and from 1976-1978 he was President of the British Society of Neuroradiologists. Dick also received the honorary awards of the Fellowships of the Colleges of Physicians and Radiologists.

Despite the demands of a challenging career, Dick was a family man, he met his wife, Shirley while working at the Middlesex Hospital and they have five children, four daughters and a son. They also have six grandchildren. Dick was a keen sportsman showing particular interest in cricket and of course swimming.

Dick died in April 2000, while visiting Timisoara, Romania to visit the centres of excellence for people with learning difficulties which have developed through the collaboration of Romanian organisations and the tireless work of Dick's wife, Shirley, with his active support as the chair of the Romanian Child Development Project.

To Shirley and the family we send our sincere sympathy.

HUDSON - Sadly we have to report of the death of Harold (Hal) Hudson - our oldest member. He celebrated his 100th Birthday in June last year when he was still very active. See **100th Birthday** in issue 84 of OS News, September 1999. Hal celebrated his Golden Wedding in 1996 and his 100th birthday at the Yacht Club.

Hal was born on 17 June 1899 and attended BSC from 1913-1917. At the age of 17 he joined the Heavy Garrison Artillery as Acting Unpaid Supernumerary Bombardier - he was demobbed when 19 as an Acting Captain. He joined his father's firm in Birmingham manufacturing brass and copper tubing. In 1948 he married Kathleen Bliss, living in Hampstead. They also had a house in Sandbanks, Dorset to which he retired. He died peacefully after a days illness on 18 July.

We send his wife, Kathleen our sincere sympathy.

KING - Bernard King (24-31). As we go to press we learn that Bernard died at Brighton at the end of July. Brian Latham (42-51) attended the funeral on behalf of the OS.

MACARTHUR - Ken MacArthur (1929-31) W was the son of a farming family who moved to Buntingford in 1922. On leaving

school he went to Oaklands College, St Albans. In 1939 he joined the RAF and trained as a Navigator on Wellingtons. On his first mission he was shot down over Holland and was a POW for 5 years. After the war he farmed at Letchworth until the farm was taken over by the Garden City. He joined Capt. Prior at Weston where he farmed until he retired. He remained a bachelor but was much involved with village activities - he was elected to the Parish Council and became Chairman. On his retirement he continued to shoot and built a show piece garden at his home in Weston. He was working in the garden when he died on 1 May.

We send our sympathy to his sister, Marjorie.

RICHARDSON - Jack H Richardson (33-38) SH died in Torbay Hospital on 3 March 1996. He obtained his School Certificate in 1938 and played for the 2nd XI Cricket. He served in the Navy in the war and afterwards went into partnership with fellow OS, K.D. Ripley growing tomatoes and cucumbers under glass near Newton Abbott, S. Devon. He leaves a widow and two sons to whom we send our sympathy.



WALTERS - H.J. Walters (Joe) passed away in July, aged 86. He was at BSC from 1925-1931. After leaving school he worked in London and Cambridge. In 1937 he learned to fly at

Marshall's Aerodrome, Cambridge.

When war broke out he was called up and joined the RAF becoming one of their most distinguished Bomber Pilots, surviving 26 raids over Germany. He was one of the youngest Squadron Leaders. He was shot down twice and on the second occasion came down in flames but he and his crew survived. He was a member of the Caterpillar Club. After the war he became Managing Director of Ernest Lake & Harvey Frost in Bishop's Stortford until he retired. He and Teddy had a daughter, Christine and two sons, David and Robert both attending BSC. Joe was a keen golfer and was captain of Bishop's Stortford Golf Club. He was a member of the OS Masons Lodge being Master twice. He was a Bishop's Stortford Town Councillor for a number of years. He and his two brothers, Reg and Albert founded Ward Radio with shops in Bishop's Stortford, Saffron Walden and Norwich.

In 1981 they moved to Bath to be near two of their children, the youngest, Robert (61-

67) living in Cardiff. Joe & Teddy celebrated their Diamond Wedding earlier this year. Joe always took a great interest in the OS Lodge although, as he grew older, he was unable to attend many meetings; the last one he attended a year or so ago, which he thoroughly enjoyed, not only the welcome but seeing all his old friends.

We send our sympathy to Teddy and her family.

WOODS - Michael L Woods W, AH & SHb (36-40), Head of Alliotics, then School House B and Head of School. Michael came from St Aubyns, Woodford where he was known as a 'bright boy' nicknamed Wee Georgie Woods. He won a scholarship to BSC where he obtained his Highers before he was 17. An exceptional gymnast and diver, he also played hockey for the 1st XI for 2 years and was in the 1st XV rugby side for 2 years - 'a great asset to the team'. As Head of House he set a high standard and ran a 'tight ship'. In his last year he won the Scripture Prize. He could walk the B dorm on his hands.

On leaving he volunteered for the Beds & Herts Regt, attended OCTU and was commissioned in the Durham Lt. Inf. He led his men to France on D Day + 4 - without getting his feet wet! Wounded twice he returned to the front and went through to Berlin. In 1946 he joined the Civil Service retiring at the age of 58 as an Ass. Sec. In 1951 he married Wendy Holland and they lived near Bishop's Stortford. They had two children, Nicholas and Allison. He had a two year posting to Washington and the family enjoyed visiting the east coast of the USA. He was a keen gardener and enjoyed sailing on the broads. Nick was sadly killed in a climbing accident. Shortly before retiring they moved to Barwick, near Standon, Wendy's family home. Michael was in his element altering and decorating the house. He created a large and productive vegetable garden. He and Wendy were great travellers but on their last holiday to New Zealand he had the first of a number of minor strokes. They were able to move to a small house in Standon where they lived quietly for the last 5 years. Michael died in a nursing home on 20 July.

We send our sympathy to Wendy, Allison and her two daughters.

WRIGHT - Ian Douglas Wright was born in 1945 and was educated at Worthing High School and St Luke's College, Exeter. He played club rugby for Rosslyn Park and Northampton, and county rugby for Sussex and Surrey en route to being capped by England and the Barbarians. An able all-round games player, he was also a Sussex Martlet. His first teaching appointment was

at Bishop's Stortford College where he taught Economics and PE, coached rugby and the 1st XV and, for a time, was in charge of the Junior School 1st XI cricket. He joined the staff in 1968, leaving in 1973 when he was enticed to St Edward's, Oxford by Joe McPartlin. BSC pupils were fortunate indeed that his England rugby days occurred while he was on the staff. A gifted and skilful outside-half, he was equally adept with the ball to hand and with his feet. In addition, his eye for the gap and swift acceleration ensured he was an exciting performer for both player and spectator alike. He had a deep love for the game and his chosen career as a schoolmaster afforded him ample opportunity to pursue his passion. After establishing his reputation as a rugby coach at St Edward's, he moved to Cheltenham College in 1984, where he made a lasting impression. His sixteen years there were a great success and his influence immense, both as a rugby coach and a member of staff. Tom Beim and Rob Fidler, both of Gloucester, were two gifted players he set on the path to international honours. He was also highly regarded as a Sevens coach - Cheltenham were finalists at the Festival Tournament at the National Schools Sevens three times, and in 1998 they were victorious. Ian Wright continued to teach Economics throughout his career with skill and dedication. He was also the driving force behind a very successful CCF at Cheltenham where, as Colonel, his energy and direction helped to make the cadets into a flourishing unit.

Although enigmatic on occasion, Ian possessed a great sense of humour and was always good company. His time at Cheltenham gave him an additional interest - horse-racing - and latterly the Cheltenham meeting began to vie with his rugby commitments. The esteem in which he was held was reflected in the minute's silence observed at the Gloucester v Northampton rugby match televised nationally and the large numbers who were present at his memorial service at Cheltenham College Chapel in March, which John Brigden attended on behalf of the OS and Bishop's Stortford College.

Ian will be sorely missed and our thoughts go to his wife, Pru and his son, James.

Charles Abram

Overseas News

Donald BOOTH (64-68) sends an e-mail from Florida having just received his OS News. He raises the question as to whether it will be possible to include e-mail addresses in the future. Don was interested to read about Stephen LANDER having been with

him in School House. Even then he felt he showed his natural leadership and bearing.

Donald graduated from Lafayette College in Pennsylvania and Philadelphia College of Fine Arts where he studied Sculpture and Jewelry Design. Since then he went on to become a freelance designer for the fine jewelry industry. He has two sons, Colin and Shawn (19 and 26 years old) both of whom are industrial designers in New York. He now lives on the beach in Florida, doing design work and fishing as much as possible. If anyone is ever vacationing there he would be pleased to hear from them. Tel. (561) 287 5601.

Maurice H BULL (42-51) writes an emotional letter from Ontario having emigrated 38 years ago. He misses involvement with the School and with OS functions and meeting his contemporaries. However, he sees this as the drawback of emigrating but he has had a very satisfying 38 years of practice and involvement in the local medical scene. He feels he has been able to give their children more opportunities than they might otherwise have had. All four children have taken advantage of the set up in Canada - two are married and presently they have four grandchildren. Recently Maurice has regained his involvement with the Windsor Rugby Club which he helped found in 1963. He believes the BSC credo that keeping fit helps one to enjoy life more fully. He is taking part in an Aquafitness programme which is, as he says, not bad for a cricketer! He sends his regards to his contemporaries.

Colin FARMER (78-87) was in the UK on a visit and saw a copy of the May OS News. He was very interested to see all that is going on and was pleased to report on some of his contemporaries. He writes: Daren KEMP is married and living in Hong Kong with his lovely wife, Gail and daughter, Georgina. I say this advisedly as I introduced Gail to Daren, and am Georgina's godfather. This is his second work stint in Hong Kong, where he returned after completing several years in New York, working for Jardine Fleming. On a sad note, he had a very tough year last year, with the unexpected and tragic death of his sister, Stephanie.

Fraser MARSHALL is working hard in the City in London, after leaving the Lifeguard regiment. Married to his lovely wife, Charlotte, he now has two children, to which I am godfather to Isabel. He and I try and meet regularly for a beer when I am over.

Julie FARMER is working in London at Grey Advertising, after previously working at Lowe Howard Spink, and before that, helping produce the Red Dwarf series for the

BBC. Working on a fragrance account, she spends a lot of her time travelling around Europe, performing research.

Jacqueline FARMER is working in Paris, where she has been living for around 8 years. She is working as a freelance producer, and is closely involved with the french film industry, although I'm happy to say not the B movie industry!

I also had dinner with Vicky CAVE on a rainy evening last November, whilst she was living in Bristol. She and I reminisced and discussed at length her chances of winning the dream prize in the local pubs Christmas raffle. Vicky has now moved on to better things in Stratford in London, developing a new children's museum, which I see you reported last issue.

I am currently in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, working for an advertising agency called BBDO, handling the Pepsi Cola International business. Luckily everyone here is very thirsty, and like Pepsi! I am nearing the end of my three year contract in Dubai in November. Any OS coming to Saudi, or even thinking of it, and would like some insight, they are most welcome to contact me.



Stuart FINDLAY (55-61) met up with Brett JONES (55-60) recently while on holiday in South Africa. Penny and Stuart along with Brett and his wife, Pam visited the site of the Anglo Zulu battles as well as the first Boer War confrontation at Talana Hill near Dundee, plus spending a few days Game-spotting on the Itala Reserve. The photo was taken on the way to the famous Welsh victory of 122 men over 4000 Zulus. 11 V.C.s were subsequently awarded - the highest number ever given at one time! Of course with a name like Owen Brett Jones he made the most of the occasion!

Alan PANG (78-83) describes himself as one of the 'Malaysian Contingent' along with Peter KANG and Ian FOO. He left BSC and started his Freshman year in London working on his Culinary/Hotel Degree. In his Sophomore year (2nd year) he went over to Strasbourg, France to work on his culinary skills and eventually received his BSc. Degree from Johnson & Wales University in

Providence, Rhode Island. He has since been involved in the Casino and Hotel Industry for the past 17 years.

Currently he is Vice President of Food & Beverage at the Viejas Casino in Alpine/San Diego, CA. In addition to managing the Food & Beverage operations, he is also in the midst of designing the All Suite Hotel concept for the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indian Tribe. He is married to Deborah and celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary in June. Deborah currently resides in Las Vegas thus flying back and forth to Las Vegas is interesting!

Alan was recently back in England visiting his brother, Albert Pang and his family in Bromley, Kent. Albert and his wife, Sarah are doing well and successful with his Dental Practice. Alan has kept in touch with OS news through the Newsletters and was glad to hear the success of Karl FEILDER and also other OS.

Alan's address in Las Vegas is 1339 Dusty Sage Court, Henderson, NV 89014 (Tel. 702 898 6935).

Home News

Pressure to have e-mail addresses in the OS Directory continues, the latest correspondence comes - via e-mail of course - from Paul ARMITAGE (79-88) writing to Hareen MARCELLINE (85-87). He wonders why the addresses haven't been published and thinks there ought to be a full OS Directory on the website. Paul suggests BishNet which Hareen thinks is great and he forwarded the e-mail to the office with the following letter:

Dear Julie,

In the words of Patrick Rossiter (67-74) 'I continue to be astonished by what the school achieves: given the size of the community, it is quite remarkable'. OS News, No 86 - May 2000.

It's brilliant that BSC has got a Website. Also, how about having an Email Network? It could be of some benefit to us (Stortfordians) to have such a Network. It will be free for any OS Past/Present (as done in OS News) to discuss, debate, highlight, advertise, etc. any number of issues that would benefit BSC. It will also help to keep Stortfordians corresponding with each other on a more frequent basis, in whichever part of the world they are.

For an example; the Email Network could be called 'SEN' (Stortfordian Email Network), or any other groovy name anyone could think of. The administration (updating Email addresses) and circulating Official News subjects, will have to be done from Maze Green Road (headquarters). Therefore it will be the individuals' responsibility, to

Email the administrator with his/her Email address if he/she wants to be on the Network. This way it could be properly monitored from the start.

If you think this would be of some benefit then maybe, you could publish this in the next OS News. Then maybe a favourable/unfavourable consensus regarding this idea could be determined.

Regards, Hareen Marcelline

Ed. Well, what do you think? Is this a good idea? If so, where are the volunteers?

Readers may remember that Hareen came to note whilst at school having scored no less than 1166 runs in the Summer Term 1987 - he hit five centuries and was not out 7 times with an average of 176. If he can bring such ability to setting up an OS Internet we shall have something of which we can be proud.

John BIRD (31-37) was pleased to read of the win in the Halford Hewitt first round. He wished the Society all possible success in the future. He relives the times he played in the Halford Hewitt in the fifties and early sixties. In 1958 he partnered Donald McClure and they were all square at the 18th, the matches being 2 all at that moment. They proceeded down the first at St Georges and he put Donald in the bunker just short of the green with the second shot. He got it out onto the fringe and their opponents had made a five. The green was encircled by the other members and other spectators and, miraculously, he (John) putted across the green into the hole and they went through to the Saturday morning. Many of the team had to unpack their bags to stay a further night. The following morning he again partnered Donald against Whitgift. They had a good game but were beaten.

John still plays a little and recalls his last meeting with OSGS at Bishop's Stortford in the 125th Anniversary meeting in 1993 and has a memento to remind him of the occasion.

John BRIGDEN (66-75) currently in School House at Blundells attended Ian Wright's Memorial Service in Cheltenham College Chapel. There were over 600 present including many past and present pupils of St Edwards, Oxford, Cheltenham, Rosslyn Park RFC and St Lukes College. John had got to know Ian well again whilst at Blundell's, Cheltenham. It was Ian who picked John for his first XV game at BSC and encouraged him to think about teaching.

Tom CAVE (86-91) qualified as a veterinary surgeon from Bristol in 1996. Since then he has spent 4 years in predominantly small animal practice in the South West. He has

continued to develop his interests in small animal medicine and was awarded the RCVS Certificate in Small Animal Medicine in 1999. His particular interest is oncology and in 1998 he and a colleague became the first non-university based team in the UK to diagnose and surgically remove a brain tumour in a cat. The tumour was benign and Barnabus the cat continues to do well to date. In 1998 he took part in a successful mountaineering expedition to Mera and Island peaks in Nepal. He married Claire Staples on 8 July at St John the Baptist, Axbridge, Somerset. Claire is the ICU nurse at Bristol University veterinary school. Tom begins a three year residency in Clinical Veterinary Oncology at the University of Glasgow in September where he hopes to research anti-angiogenesis (the prevention of new blood vessel growth to tumours) in dogs. He also hopes to complete his RCVS Diploma in Small Animal Medicine and so become a recognised specialist in medicine. He then plans to work in referral practice in the UK.

David CHAPPELL (35-40) writes in appreciation of the new look OS News - amongst various comments about contemporary OS he recalls the day when A.T. KOTHOVALA, who lived near Bombay, caused consternation in the school office. Never having seen snow he packed some up in a shoe box at break time to post home to his family!

We were very sad to hear of the death of Bryan CHAUMETON's (37-46) wife, Janice. She had been ill since Christmas and died in July. We send Bryan our sincere sympathy.



We were delighted to hear of James COLLETT's (44-48) marriage in May. His son-in-law was best man and his grandchildren, Matthew and Sophie were attendants. Among OS attending were his cousin Peter COLLETT and wife, Mary, his cousin Tony COLLETT and wife, Christine and his form colleague Clifford SHIPMAN and wife, Nicky.

Tony EDWARDS (53-57) retired earlier this year after 36 years working for Allied Mills Ltd, the cereal processing division of Associated British Foods Plc. This followed the take-over of the family flour milling business - S. Edwards & Son Beech Flour Mills by ABF in 1962. During his career Tony has worked in various executive management positions at many of the group's mills throughout the UK, but has never lost his love of the miller's art despite all the advances of modern technology and computerisation. Recent years have seen him taking on responsibilities, group wide, for technical training and human resource management. He continues his work for London City & Guilds Institute as Senior Examiner for the Milling Industry Scheme World Wide and is an associate of a national Management Consultancy specialising in outplacement services to industry.

Having survived fourteen house moves over the years, he has recently moved back to his family's favourite place - Cheltenham, and hopes to find more time to pursue hobbies which include steam railways, walking the Cotswolds, theatre and 1930s Jazz and Swing music. His two sons, Mark and Giles both work successfully in London as Publishing Art Director and freelance TV Camera technician respectively. He sends best wishes to all contemporaries in RPH and DBH.

Maurice ELLIOTT (43-48) and his wife, Janet are running a most successful herb garden from their home near Beccles. They supply herbs to addresses throughout the UK and are almost overwhelmed by the demand. Andrew KERSHAW (48-50) who lives at Burgh St Peter is a regular visitor and often helps when the gardens are open. Maurice recently met Tony COOPER (27-33) from Oulton Broad at a garden party. He also often meets up with John CAMPBELL (Master, 63-93) and his wife, Gill - so Norfolk Stortfordians seem very active!

Janet and Maurice were featured in a double page article in the Sunday Express on 27 August entitled 'A magical touch to produce heavenly herbs'. Here are some extracts: ...Maurice and Janet moved into the converted farm buildings at the end of a country lane in Barsham, near Beccles six years ago and Janet set about creating a garden that looks as if it has been there for ever. The beds are stuffed with mixed shrubs and perennials. 'I call it shoe-horn gardening' says Janet. 'I find a space and I push something in!' But Janet's pride and joy is her herb garden. She has some 600 herbs and many of them are rare. She learned the skill of propagation because it was the only way to stock the garden when she and her husband had fallen on hard times. It has become a

totally absorbing occupation' she says. Janet writes a gardening column in the local paper. And while she grows the herbs and propagates new plants, Maurice does research into the folklore and history of herbs.

OS will be sorry to learn that Sir Dennis GREENHILL (27-32) has had to move into a Nursing Home in Kensington and Lady Greenhill has been suffering from shingles.

Tom HICKLING (51-58) has given up playing cricket after 50 years which started with a 0 in 1949 and ended with a 0 in 1999. Fortunately he made some runs in between! He is still selling hosiery, but manages to fit in some golf and squash and choral singing with the U.R.C. Choir in Chesham. Tom has just moved house - the agent who helped him find his new one was his school contemporary Malcolm PHIPPS.

Andy HIND (85-90) writes to say that he has lost touch with his school mates since leaving. This year he is getting married and would very much like to catch up with a few people. He is interested in tracing anyone in his year who boarded at Alliot House with him from 1987 to 1990, particularly Andrew CHAPPELL. His address is 7 Shrublands Close, Chelmsford, Essex. CM2 6LR.

Sandy MACDOUGALL (79-83) writes to say that he and his wife, Alison and daughter, Freya have recently moved to the outskirts of Aberdeen. He has been working for ABB Vetco Gray for the past 5 years, who supply Wellheads and X-mas trees to the Oil Industry. He is based at Aberdeen in the Customer Engineering Support Department and his current customer base is Chevron, Britannia, Kerr MacGee and Marathon.

Amit SAHA (85-94) has just qualified as a Doctor from King's College, London, where he also gained a 2.1 in Pharmacology in 1997. He will be starting his first job on 1 August at Greenwich District Hospital in London. He has lost touch with some of his former friends and would like them to contact him on 0207 737 3565, especially Robert McADAMS and Edward STEBBING-ALLEN.

Andrew SMITH (72-80) has moved from Strasbourg to Bilbal where he is Head of Information & Communications at the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work.

Wayne STANT (86-93) received his copy of OS News with great joy and thought he ought to send an update on what has happened

to him. After leaving the college in 1993 he went on to achieve a 2.1 BA (Hons) in Modern Languages & Information Systems at the University of the West of England in 1996. Whilst at University he played American Football, until such a time that he suffered a swelling on the brain - which brought back memories of breaking his jaw, or was it Matthew Knight breaking his jaw, playing house rugby against Robert Pearce House. After his course finished, still feeling the effects of the head injury, he decided to continue on at University, staying at UWE for a further year to complete a Masters' Degree in Marketing and the Certificate of the Market Research Society. Since then he has been working in the Midlands in various Sales and Marketing roles. In 1997 he moved to Coventry with his wife, Stephanie whom he met at University. They married on 24 September 1999 with three BSC friends attending, Ian BATEMAN (85-93) as best man, Edward ALEXANDER (88-93) and James MOORE (86-91). He is now working as Product Marketing Manager for Itronix (UK) Ltd, a manufacturer of rugged handheld and notebook computers, and is studying part-time for the Chartered Institute of Marketing Diploma. He would love to hear from any old boys from his time at the college. His e-mail address is wps@i12.com.



Taffy MEREDITH (36-39) known in professional Toastmastering and Town Crying circles as Jim, has just won the over 65's world town-crier championships in Belgium much to his surprise. He has been town crier at Machynlleth for the last five years and has enjoyed every moment of it. He doesn't plan to take part in any more competitions though he hopes to continue as a toastmaster.

Very sadly we have just heard that Taffy's wife has just died. We send him our very sincere sympathy.

Marc THOMPSON (72-81) completed the marathon on behalf of the National Deaf Childrens Society and raised £2,500 but he was disappointed not to have had any support from the OS, particularly as the money raised was for sick children. For Marc it was a great experience and he found it very humbling.

Fergus TRIM (80-88) writes with news of his latest venture! By day he is a Chartered Surveyor with Weatherall Green & Smith in London. By night he has been working on a project on a cocktail bar in Battersea. After nine months of planning permissions, license applications and building works, the bar opened just before Christmas. The bar is busy, hard work but lots of fun. Fergus would love to see any OS who find themselves in South West London for a caipirinha or two. 'South Circular' is at 89 Battersea Rise, London SW11 (020 7207 0170).

The RA F Association

Until 1993 there was a thriving branch of the Royal Air Forces Association centred around Bishop's Stortford and including Saffron Walden. Unfortunately it fell through in that year thus depriving all past and present members of the RAF, WRAF and WAAF of the help and support that RAFA could give. As most members will be aware the RAFA, or the 'RAFA Family' as it is now known, was there to help any member regardless of rank or trade.

Last year I needed respite care and found that the nearest branch to Saffron Walden was at Chelmsford. Therefore my wife and I decided to revive the former branch, and after a few months we were able to announce the formation of the Saffron Walden Branch 0594. Regrettably due to the lapse in years we have not been able to contact members who were extant in 1993. I am therefore appealing through the OS News that any past or present members to the RAF, WRAF or WAAF contact my wife, Hon. Secretary, or myself, Hon. Welfare Officer at the address below. Our area covers Saffron Walden, Newport, Bishop's Stortford, Dunmow and Thaxted.

In these days of falling membership we need every member we can get.

Ken Plowright (34-36)

13 Elm Grove, Saffron Walden CB10 1NA

Ingham Cricket

OS v Ingham/Norwich - 25 August

The team met at the pub just behind the ground for their team talk, beer and food. Ingham batted first and got off to a flying start against the tortoise pace of Taj Mand and Sam Fishpool. They reached 90 for 1 after 10 overs, when the real bowlers in the

shape of Simon Hartnell and Luke Fishpool brought a semblance of reality to the occasion. However, the Ingham batsmen continued in their cavalier way, with many fours and sixes on the small picturesque ground. Ingham declared after two hours having reached 254 for 9. Simon Hartnell 3 for 84 and Luke Fishpool 4 for 69 bowled commendably.

The OS got off to a bad start with the Lindop brothers soon back in the pavilion. Some resistance came from Luke Fishpool 20 and Simon Hartnell 29. Simon was run out by Simon Chapman who was obviously sleeping off his intake of beer from lunch. The middle order of J. Clark, N. Baker and A. Goodson collapsed totally each one collecting a duck. A late flourish by Sam Fishpool 35, Simon Chapman 33 and Taj Mand 20 not out enabled the OS to reach a respectable total of 172 all out.

A good day was had by all but I suspect there may need to be team changes for next year!

PF

It was good to see a number of supporters for this annual contest. John Shearman delegated Jack Hulbert to supervise over the excellent tea. Willie Wild (45-52) swapped Alliot Housereminscences with Barrie Floyd (42-51), Adam Pryke (72-79) explained the finer points of the game to his son (age 3?) whilst Rhona & Philip Burns (Master, 46-55) caught up with news of old Stortford contacts from Hugh & Celia Joscelyne. Laurence Brittain (69-76) helped clear away tea and Paul Fishpool, accompanied by Lesley, kept an eye on the proceedings, whilst the Lindop brothers' Mother was nowhere to be seen! - but we were glad that she re-appeared later.

HPJ

OSGS

Spring Meeting - East Herts GC
Buntingford - 25 April 2000

Results: *Morning - Stanley Collett Memorial Cup - Stableford*

1st Alistair Brown	(18)	35 pts
2nd Keith Turner	(12)	35 pts
3rd Barry Scott	(12)	33 pts

Afternoon - John Hickling Trophy - Greensome

1st Keith Turner & Barry Scott	35 pts
2nd Mike Askins & Richard Tee	28 pts
3rd Chris Morton & Ian Ritchie	27 pts

Our President, David Hodge, joined us for dinner and afterwards the trophies and prizes were presented by the Captain, Mike Askins. Other prizes went to James Greenall for nearest the pin at the 18th and to Keith Turner for the longest drive on the 17th.

Attendance: J. Addyman, M. Askins (Captain), R. Brown & Guest, A. Brown & Guest, J. Carter & Guest, J. Borrett, D. Coleby, G. Dutton & Guest, J. Greenall, H.P. Joscelyne, J. Hickling, C.D. Jones, C.I.M. Jones, C. Logsdon, C. Morton & Guest, B. Scott, A.P.P. Smith, R. Tee and K. Turner.

Cyril Gray Tournament, Worplesdon
22/24 June 2000

Results: 1st Round Salver - Thursday am v
Merchant Taylors - lost 2 1/2 - 1/2
Edward Carter & Keith Turner lost 4/2
John Borrett & John Hunt lost 9/7
John Atkinson & John Hickling match halved
1st Round Plate - Thursday pm v Berkhamsted -
won 2/1
Edward Carter & Keith Turner won 2/1
John Borrett & John Hunt lost 3/2
John Atkinson & John Hickling won by 1 hole
2nd Round Plate - Friday am v Blundells
lost 2/1
Edward Carter & Keith Turner won by 1 hole
John Atkinson & John Hickling lost 2/1
John Borrett & Ian Beaton lost 8/7

JVH

OS v Staff Golf—11 July

This annual fixture between the OS and the College staff was played for the fourth time at Great Hadham Golf and Country Club. As most of the pupil golfers were preparing for their Greenland Expedition, the staff invited several friends to make up the numbers. The players set off in brilliant sunshine just before 9 am and all returned to the Clubhouse by 2 pm, where they were treated to a superb buffet lunch. The presentations followed the lunch: Bernie Cotton won the best golfer award, Mike Claridge and CIM Jones the longest drive and Garry Hudson and Chris Rees nearest the pin. The Staff retained the trophy - although there was some dispute about the handicap of some of the teachers!

As ever thanks go to John Hickling and Garry Hudson for organising this most enjoyable event in the OS calendar. Next year the match is scheduled for the Tuesday after Speech Day at Great Hadham.

Participants: OS: Ian Beaton, John Borrett, Edward Carter, James Carter, Mike Claridge, Peter Collett, John Hickling, John Hunt, Ian Jones, Hugh Joscelyne, Bill Kew, Barry Scott, Peter Smith, Chris Rees, John Turner. Staff and Friends: Garry Hudson, Chris Smith, Trevor Novell, Rod Reed, Ian Broad, Paul Halls, John Greathead, Bernie Cotton, Bob Kisby, Colin Williams, Peter Brandford, Richard Clough, Jonathan Herd, Phil Monaghan, Ted Cooke, Colin Murchie, Tim Hanks.

Before You Die!

In addition to the taxation benefits of giving by covenant, there are significant Inheritance Tax advantages in giving legacies to the College in your Wills. These legacies are tax free, which effectively means that the Revenue contributes 40% of the amount specified to the School.

Legacies can either be left to the School's general funds, eg 'I give the sum of £ -- to Bishop's Stortford College' or the legacy can be for a specific purpose in which case the words should be used to identify that purpose. You should consult your own solicitor if you have any doubts as to the form of wording or the School would be pleased to advise in such cases.

English show us how to share

This was the headline published in the Cape Town Times when they reported the Bishop's Stortford College rugby tour to South Africa in 1998. The tour gave the College First XV the opportunity to play rugby against South African schools, but they also helped in the development of black African rugby, when they played against the Cape Town black township side of Lagunya. The College players were so impressed by the enthusiasm and sportsmanship of their underprivileged opponents that on their return to the UK, the College team raised over £3,000 to provide the young men of Lagunya with playing kit. Look at these photographs to see the difference that it made.



Lagunya RFC before and after 1998

'The kit from Bishop's Stortford College has brought self esteem to boys who cannot afford a pair of shoes and has truly brought out the best in our developing players'—Norman Mbiko, Coach for the Western Provinces Academy

South Africa 2001

In the Summer of 2001, BSC are returning to S Africa with both an Under 17 development XV and an Under 15 team. They will each play six fixtures in Pretoria, Bloemfontein, Durban and Cape Town, culminating with matches in the black township. It is an exciting and wonderful opportunity for the Bishop's Stortford pupils and we would like to follow up our previous visit by providing Lagunya with the rugby balls, playing kit, boots, track suits and coaching aids: all the equipment needed to help the development of black rugby in South Africa.

We are already giving our time to a number of vital fund-raising schemes. **Can you help, support or sponsor our tour in any way?** If so, please contact Bob Kisby, Head of Rugby, on 01279 838575 (Work) or 01279 651643 (Home).

Cricket Review 2000

Overall, I felt that the cricket season at BSC in 2000 has been slightly disappointing in several respects. Firstly, the very wet weather, apart from a few days, has made a consistent quality of practice difficult, as well as making it very hard for any batsman to find form on the variable wickets with which they have had to contend. Secondly, the moderate results of the 1st XI, who

tried very hard in practice and in matches, but, were unable to bat well enough as a team, except on a couple of occasions, to be able to give their bowlers much confidence or chance. Thirdly, the variable enthusiasm amongst the senior boys, even before the onset of examinations, which meant that it was not possible to field a 3rd XI at times and on one very sad occasion the 2nd XI fixture had to be cancelled at the last moment. Fourthly, and lastly, there are too many boys in the junior forms, who consider themselves reasonable players, who have technical deficiencies that will prevent them ever being good quality players. It is disappointing that the boys have these deficiencies when they join the Senior School. However, without intense and regular coaching throughout their formative years, that can only be provided by a group of enthusiastic and knowledgeable people in an environment which encourages expertise in the sport, it is not really possible to monitor and develop a large number of players effectively. Also, some of the younger boys in the Senior School were reluctant to listen and act on the advice of their hard working coaches, so, sadly did not improve as quickly as they might have done. This is not to say that there are not keen cricketers in the school. There are several, although not as many as I would have hoped for, and they practice well and their performances reflect their attitude. Some will be good players, in time, and it is very encouraging to see them showing their interest and further developing their game, by playing outside school for local clubs. My wish is that their enthusiasm was shared by more.

The 1st XI results were not very good, even when it is realised that it was a young 'development' side. Only 2 games were won and 2 drawn from 11 played. To be fair, it is not now possible to hide a 'loss' in all but a name as an (outplayed) draw because many games are limited overs in nature - win or lose. Also, two of the limited over losses were very exciting games with the opposition 9 down as they scrambled the winning runs. But, a side that struggled to score 150 will always be up against it, especially on some of the quick scoring grounds on our circuit. Colchester and Perse were the sides beaten and Stamford and Framlingham were the '9 down' opponents. Richard Blackburn and the young Philip Marshall were the only batsmen to score over 200 runs and Gareth Lindop and David Martin took 18 and 17 wickets respectively. The fielding, although never reaching the sometimes outstanding standards of the last couple of years, was still good and became better and better as the season went on.

However, we must remember that the 1st XI was an inexperienced side with 4 players from the 5th form and below as well as a large group of L6th. The hope is that they will have learnt from this year and continue to develop their skills, both technical and mental, for the years ahead. However, the 1st XI can only be a reflection of what is happening in the rest of the College, and I feel strongly that there is a need, whatever the educational pressures and social trends to further develop the interest and expertise of more of the pupils, especially throughout the younger age groups, in what is most definitely the 'noblest game'.

CSB

Chapel News

We have once again enjoyed during the year a range of stimulating preachers both in our Friday morning Assemblies and our Sunday evening Boarders' Services. Some of the most interesting among them were Old Stortfordians who returned, in some cases having found that their years away had somehow turned their collar round... the Rev John Williams (76-81), now an assistant priest at St Michael's, the Rev Lawrence Squires, now retired and Luke Wordley (89-94), an agriculturist working in Essex who returned to the College bringing with him his new wife and an evangelistic urge to share his post-BSC faith with today's boarders.

One of the most significant developments in our Services has been the introduction of weekday Eucharists to mark important festivals such as at the beginning of Advent and Lent. The Headmaster is to be thanked for allowing and supporting this extension of Chapel time. It has been one of my most moving experiences of the year to see so many pupils and staff coming down from the balcony or running the gauntlet of their peers to get out of their row downstairs to come forward and receive Communion.

In March all the boarders walked down to Water Lane, Bishop's Stortford for the United Reformed Church (old 'Congo') evening service, almost filling the ground floor pews. The short service was very well received. One sixth former - the story goes - had a revision book with him in case the service was too boring, but never opened it!! Members of Young House were also appreciative of the occasion to visit the Non Conformist Church.

With all this, as well as Services of Baptism and Confirmation, Holy Communion for staff and parents, prayer meetings for staff and meditation groups for pupils, I can report that Chapel life is in pretty good shape both spiritually and liturgically.

Charities: This year has seen us continue the College tradition of healthy fundraising for Charity. Not only has our giving been in Charities Week but it seems that throughout the year, in response to world crises, pupils have felt the urge to contribute.

We have been able to give over £4,000 to many needs including Fr Kakuba Kapi's school in Uganda. St Clare's Hospice, Great Ormond Street Hospital, Crisis at Christmas, the Prostate Cancer Society, Imperial Cancer Research, OXFAM and the British Red Cross. A praiseworthy achievement.

Rev J Hart

Jim left at the end of the school year for an appointment at Felsted School. He is replaced by the Rev. Simon Hall, a Congregationalist —back to our Non Conformist days?

Millennium CD

We hear very good reports of the Millennium CD recorded recently. It features the whole school singing 'Heroes' in addition to numerous works sung by the three College choirs, two orchestras, the Band and several instrumental ensembles. It represents good value at £10. To purchase a copy please send a cheque made payable to BSC for £10, together with your name and address to Mrs Chris Mackey, Bishop's Stortford College, 10 Maze Green Road, Bishop's Stortford, Herts CM23 2PJ.

BISCOSS 2000

Once again the campus was taken over for two weeks in the summer holidays by large numbers of adults and children for the annual summer school. This year we launched a highly successful computer course run by Stephen Bacon, the director of IT, and Richard Honey started a new course of printmaking for beginners.

Amongst the courses for children the Multisports attracted a larger number than ever before. This year we had more younger children with some as young as 3 enjoying courses in Trampolining, Gymnastics, Minisports and a wide variety of craft orientated courses. Visitors to BISCOSS come from all over the world - this year we attracted pupils from Luxembourg, Japan, Germany, Bermuda and Australia!

CJW

Library Report

We are most grateful to all OS who have donated items during the past few months. Particular thanks to Michael Joscelyne (SHb, 27-34) who gave a most generous gift for the purchase of books on architecture and town planning. He has requested the inscription to read: 'In memory of those formerly of this school who gave their lives in defending our country in two world wars'.

We have also heard from Robert Dowsett (HH, 53-60) who kindly sent us some photocopied articles from Coturnix, and David Chappell (SHa, 35-40) who has donated several named photographs of School House students, together with photographs taken on an Easter trip to Norfolk in 1940. The venue in Norfolk was a substitute for Hasbro', that area then being a Defence Zone.

Our new JS Librarian, Rosie Pike, arranged a visit from the children's author Philippa Pearce. We now have signed copies of some of her books, including the award winning *Tom's Midnight Garden* and *Minnow on the Say* which is based on the adventures of her two brothers, both OS, Roger (24-32) and Arnold (29-35), in their canoe on the River Cam at Great Shelford.

We are always pleased to welcome OS to the Library or to receive news and photographs of your time here.

Mary Hilton & Fiona Williams

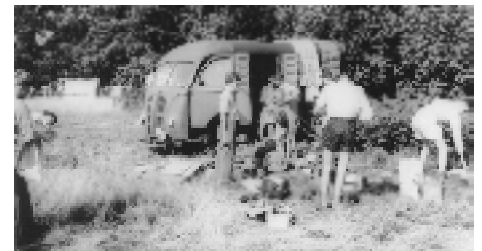
The Editor's suggestion that OS might like to donate a copy of Walter Strachan's book *Masks* to the Library produced immediate response and we are delighted to report two copies have been donated. The first by Patrick O'Donovan (64-71) and the second by Roger Heath (46-50). Many thanks to both of you.

Anecdotes

Sent in answer to John Pittuck's request.

A selection.

The 1958 Swimming Tour



No luxury transport for the 1958 swimming and water polo tour of East Anglia. Bill Clare put all the camping gear in a trailer behind his Ford Popular. I brought and drove the Austin 3 Way Van lined with straw bales for seating. Driver 18, no seat belts, we drove with the side doors open for fresh air. I can recognise Frank McNamara, Bob Lusty, Tim Bowden, Wally Strachan, Peter Szilagyi (who swam out to sea into a school of jelly fish and had to be rushed to hospital), David Lancaster and Brett Jones. We swam against H.M.S. Ganges, Stowmarket, Southend (Pier Pool 'B' cold!), Beccles (new experience Polo in the Broad). Those were the days!

George Read (49-59), Swimming Captain

Walter Strachan's 6th Form



From Patrick Cullen (SHa, 37-45)

Julian Smith (39-45) sent a card from Germany to Peter Rowe (39-46 and Headmaster, 57-70) who sent it on to me. J.E.S. suggested that 2 snaps taken of the Lower VI Modern 43/44 should be submitted for your 'compilation' as possibly being of interest 'to a whole generation of OS who had probably never seen their Headmaster at his very best'. This was Walter Strachan's VI form and the more zany snap represents a tribute of sorts to his endearing mannerisms/gestures. The only one remotely identifiable with Walter is back left, behind the trombone



THE NEW POOL

WE MUST MAKE IT HAPPEN!

The total raised to date, including tax benefits is now £106,078. We still have a mountain to climb if we are to reach our target of £250,000, by next June. This money is vital to the School finances if they are to authorise work to begin next year.

Can we spread the Load?

So far only 100 or so have donated on average £1,000 each. The Society is extremely grateful to all these Donors, some of whom sent a few pounds and some a few thousand. Nevertheless, there are still some 2,500 Old Stortfordians who have not yet responded. I would ask everyone reading this to consider making a donation, of whatever size.

We must give our Swimmers a Chance to compete

We have always been proud of the College's Swimming tradition and in particular our success in the Bath & Otter Cup Competitions held at Crystal Palace each year. We have won both competitions more often than any other British School - but not recently! This is no reflection on the coaching staff, only the out of date facilities!

Give anything rather than nothing!

Although we would love you to become a Patron (£5,000) or a Vice-President (£1,000 +), both to be recognised on a Roll of Honour inside the new building, we welcome *any* size of donation. If *all* OS gave £100, our troubles would be over! Many people can afford a small amount every month. For as little as *£17 per month*, over 4 years, the Appeal will benefit by £1,000 and you would become a Vice President. Please think about how much you can

afford, then send a cheque to Julie Pridmore and ask her for a Gift Aid Form. Do it *now* and join the list below before you forget.

Our Chance to get involved

Many OS, over the years, have asked us why the School has not built a new Indoor Pool. Other priorities and an emphasis on alternative projects has meant a long delay. However, this is a huge project costing £1.7m - far bigger than any other ever undertaken. The School have been saving hard but *we must* make a contribution—a major contribution.

Many of us learnt to swim in the Prep., continued to improve thanks to the 80 Club and School competitions and have benefited throughout our lives. Surely we can put something back into the School for the benefit of others to follow.

The President, David Hodge, has asked me to thank the many Old Stortfordians, not only those who have made a donation, but also those who have contributed by encouraging others to give. The 'Band' or 'Age Group' Leaders responsible for contacting their peers are doing an excellent job.

Duncan Newby, our Appeal Leader, is continuing to encourage and persuade in his own enthusiastic way. Duncan has worked very hard on the whole project from the beginning. Duncan is the instigator of the Pool Website. Those of you who are Web orientated may prefer to donate in that way. Like us, Duncan has always been confident that the OS care enough to raise this £250,000 for this new pool, for which we have waited too long.

The Pool Appeal Committee

List of Donors to date: J.E. Alexander, Sir Charles Alexander, T.S. Bailey, V.J. Baker, D.P. Bateman, R.A. Berendt, S.G.G. Benson, A. Blaxill, I.G. Booth, D.J. Bowtell, D. Brigden, D.J. Brown, C.M.E. Brown, R.G. Browning-Smith, M.K. Bull, M.G. Burry, P. Byers, H.E. Carruthers, J.J.A. Cave, E. Chambers, D.D.V. Chappell, P.T.G. Chastney, J.B. Chaumeton, the late S.D. Church, Mrs G. Clare, M.R. Claridge, D.E. Clodd, H.A. Clodd, Dr. A. Cockburn, F. Coleman, the late D.B. Collett, A.G.H. Cooper, Sir B. Corby, P. Cottee, G. Davies, J.P. Davies, W.J. Davies, Mrs G. Dean, C.T. Delaney, Mrs J. Dorman, A.J. Elleray, T.S. Ewart-James, S. G. Findlay, P. Fishpool, C.M.A. Forster, R.J. Franklin, J.M.J. Garner, H.R. Garrett, J.C. Gawden, A.T. Gear, N. Gerrard, J.M. Goodchild, D.J. Gray, N.D. Gregory, M.S. Gunn, R.W. Hale, J.S. Hall, A. Hancock, A.K. Hardyman, M.J.R. Hart, D.R. Heath, R.E. Heath, N.I. Hickman, J.V. Hickling, the late R.D. Hoare, D.R. How, T.G. Hudson, J. Hulbert, Miss R.G. Hughes, D.C. Jeffrey, M.R. Jeffrey, O.B. Jones, R.B. Jones, H.P. Joscelyne, M.N. Joscelyne, R.H.V. Joscelyne, J.E. Kitching, H.W. Lambert, D.A. Lancaster, B.A. Latham, J.M. Laws, V. Logue, N.C. MacMillen, B.J. Mead, T.P.H. Miller, N.W. Morris, M.J. Mynott, the late Clifford Newbold, R.P.M. Newman, R.B. Norden, OS Lodge, OS Swimming Club, B.H. Page, J.M. Palmer, R.J. Pascall, C.J.F. Pavey, M. Pavitt, I.D.F. Picken, T.P. Pitt, R.L.H. Price, A.I. Rae, A.M. Randall, J.E. Reeve, P. Rendell, G.S. Rice, G.T. Rolfe, C.N. Rose, S.C.J. Ross, P.W. Rowe, P.G. Ryan, R.G. Sanderson, D. Scott, H. Scott, S.M. Smart, D.A.E. Smith, Mrs E. Soady, J. Spooner, D. Steel, Miss A. St Lawrence, A.N. Strachan, L. Stirling, F.G. Stones, M.B. Swayne, E.C. Tait, A.S. Tee, Stanley Tee & Co, R.G. Turnbull, C. Wagstaff, P.N. Wall, D.A. Watson, B.F. Wells, W.L. Wild, G. Wilkerson, A.F. Wilson, R.A. Wisbey, B.C. Wood, D.G.M. Wood.

- the others show an imaginative surrealism which WJS might well have appreciated. The characteristic gesture was followed by something like: Gosh! Have you seen. . . (a reproduction of a painting by, say, Matisse or Derrain) or Have you heard. . . (apoem by, say, MacNiece, Auden or Verlaine).

Of these 8 pupils three historians won scholarships/exhibitions to Cambridge having distinguished themselves in their General Paper. At least one of them, possibly all three, failed their French 'Higher Cert!'

The double linguists in this group started their German at a time when the only teachers available were German/Austrian refugees. We had at least three different teachers in our first year, named, I think, Adler, Rosenberg and Loewe. The first insisted on our learning the Gothic alphabet and script, the second said 'forget it' - not difficult in fact! Another relied heavily on playing us a scratchy old record of 'Wer hat Angst vor dem bösen Wolf' over and over again. And one became memorable, when two boys began a bitter dispute in class, by saying 'Right, move all the desks to form a square, I will be referee and time-keeper, now fight it out Queensberry rules!'

The fact that all three refugees had different accents added nicely to the general confusion. An Austrian refugee who came slightly later was called (Willy) Berger - an extremely scholarly and sensitive man who had been forced to serve for a time in the Pioneer Corps. Custom was, in those days, to write 'FUG' with one's fingers on the classroom window when the panes became misted over. Willy entered the classroom on such a day, saw the harmless 'graffiti' and went to pieces. 'Feemish!' he cried, 'I can't help eet'. 'I know all zese verds!' he cried and left the room. Ironically he was the only one of the refugees who stayed until the end of the war and just long enough to repair, in the sixth form, the damage caused in that bizarre and disastrous first year of German.

Chas Mellows

Chas Mellows - I expect anecdotes about him will have flooded in, including mention of his corrective methods in the classroom (eg. his wooden sword and being consigned to the 'tea-pot'). My favourite, though I did not actually experience it myself, was when he took a party of boys to Switzerland (I think). Exact date uncertain.

Scene: ticket office at a Swiss railway station. Chas was handed a pile of coins as change. Departure whistle was blowing as Chas thrust the coins into his pocket - the one with a large hole in it. Train held up while officials and all and sundry crawled around picking up the rolling coins. Chas meantime

hopping from foot to foot and 'sizzling', in true Chas style, in his embarrassment. Stammering his 'Danke Schön(s)' he stuffed the coins back into his pocket—the same one—resulting in a rather less enthusiastic repeat performance from all concerned and in further delay to the train.

Mail-Out Day



The mail-out of 2,700 copies of OS News is quite an undertaking. We now use The Leo Price Theatre with twelve large tables. Envelopes are packed by OS and some twenty students with, of course, Julie Pridmore in charge. The photograph shows the last edition being enveloped ready for distribution.

**A Thanksgiving Service
for the life of
Douglas Church
(1928-36)
will be held in
The Memorial Hall
on Saturday 11 November
at 11.30 am
followed by refreshments
in the Dining Hall
All welcome**

Subject Matter

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Don't forget you can e-mail us:

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CALENDAR

School and OS Events

*Details of important OS events
are also given on
Page 3 in 'What's On'*

SEPTEMBER

- S 23 OPEN MORNING
- T 26 1st XV (A) v St Edmund's
- S 30 1st XV (H) v RHS
2.30 Girls' Hockey (H) v Gresham's

OCTOBER

- T 3 2.15 Girls' Hockey (H) v The Leys
- W 4 **OS Committee Meeting - 7 pm in Common Room**
- Th 5 BSC Careers Convention Evening
- S 7 1st XV (A) v The Perse
2.30 Girls' Hockey (H) v RHS
- T 10 4.15 Girls' Hockey (H) v Herts & Essex
- S 14 **SPLASH DINNER**
1st XV (A) v The Leys
2.30 Girls' Hockey (A) v King's, Ely
- T 31 1st XV (H) v Colchester RGS

NOVEMBER

- S 4 1st XV (A) v Stamford
- T 7 1.30 Girls' District Hockey at BSC
- F 10 **10.20 Remembrance Service**
- T 14 1st XV (H) v Felsted
2.30 Girls' Hockey (H) v Felsted
- S 18 1st XV (H) v UCS
Girls' Hockey (H) v Haileybury
- T 21 4.30 Girls' Hockey (H) v H Romanes
- Su 26 7.30 Concert: BSC Choral Society & Harlow Symphony Orchestra
—Mem Hall
- T 28 1st XV (A) v Berkhamsted

DECEMBER

- S 2 1st XV (H) v BS High
- Su 3 **OS Autumn Day - See Page 3**
- T 5 4.15 Girls' Hockey (H) v H Romanes
- Th 7 7.30 'Henry V' - Theatre
- F 8 7.30 'Henry V' - Theatre
- S 9 1st XV (H) v St Joseph's, Ipswich
'Henry V' - Theatre
- Su 10 7.30 Senior School Carol Service (1)
- W 13 4.30 Senior School Carol Service (2)
- Th 14 Term Ends 2.30 pm
- Su 17 1st XV (H) v Trinity GS, Australia
- S 23 **Snow Ball - See Page 3**

FEBRUARY

- F 2 **London & S.E. Reunion Supper—
See Page 3**

January 2001

The Editor will be visiting his daughter and family in Brisbane over the Christmas holiday and into January. John Pittuck has very nobly 'volunteered' to edit the January issue of OS News. Please help by sending in reports and news to the OS Office to meet the 31 December deadline.