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Editorial

In the Memorial Chapel at Hurst there are seventy-three names, from B A Adams to J Wilkinson-Bell, of OJs who lost their lives in the Second World War. Had they lived, they would now be coming towards the ends of their natural lives, sixty years having elapsed.

What a waste! What lost talent! But we must never forget that their sacrifice, to say nothing of the grief and anguish of their families and friends, contributed to the freedom which we enjoy today.

So sixty years on, let us salute once more our fellow OJs whom most of us never knew. Maybe the next time you visit Hurst you might like to pay a quiet visit to that lovely chapel, and to remember with thanks.

Editor

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Sport

Old Hurst Johnian Golfing Society

Main 2005 dates and venues

- 12th January - Halford Hewitt Draw, East India Sports & Public Schools Club
- 25th-26th February - Halford Hewitt Social Warm Up – Sandwich & Deal (*12 players*)
- 6th -10th April - Halford Hewitt Competition Sandwich & Deal (*scratch team of 10*)
- 5th May - Match v Old Eastbourmians at Walton Heath (*social team of 10*)
- 14th May - Grafton Morrish Qualifying at Knole Park (*scratch team of 6*)
- 19th May - Match v The College at Singing Hills (*team of 6*)
- 26th May - Spring Meeting at West Sussex (*all welcome – a/w*)
- 8th June - Royal Wimbledon Putting Competition (*team of 4*)
- 22nd June - Senior Meeting (over 55's) – The Drift GC, East Horsley
- 8th - 9th July – Mellin Salver Tournament – over 55's (*scratch team of 6*)
- 15th July - Friendly 36 holes at RAC club, Epsom (*10 players*)
- 29th July - Summer Meeting at Royal Ashdown Forest (*a/w*)
- 21st Aug - Match v Old Canfordians at Blackmoor (*social team of 8 or so*)
- 4th Sept - Sussex Schools Quadrangular Match, Walton Heath (*scratch team of 6*)
- 16th-18th Sept - Autumn Meeting at RCPGC Deal and Princes GC Sandwich (*a/w*)
- 3rd Nov - Match v Old Aldenhamians at Porters Park (*social team of 8 or so*)
- 18th Nov - AGM and Dinner in London – Boisdales in Belgravia (*a/w*)

Spring Meeting – West Sussex Golf Club, Pulborough, Sussex – 26th May 2005

Our first society meeting of 2005 was strongly attended by 27 members and one guest – this was eight more golfers than last year. The singles prize was won by Angus Stewart with 38 points, closely followed by Robert Scull. Jeremy Waud won the scratch prize and Rick Holgate the veterans tankard.

The afternoon Foursomes for the Petherbridge Bowl was won by Patrick McGahan and Robert Scull, with Kit Millington-Hore and Paul Ruddlesdin in hot pursuit taking second place. The golf was played on a bright warm and sunny day which was also enjoyed by two first timers to the society – Steve Foulds and James Emmett who both left Hurst in 1979. From New Zealand, we were also delighted to see Martin Dancy in fine form.

**Grafton Morrish Qualifying Event
– Knowle Park GC, Sevenoaks – 14th May 2005**

This is the second biggest and second most prestigious event in the old boys golf circuit after the Halford Hewitt – unlike the Halford, each school needs to pass a tough qualifier before attending the main event in Norfolk each autumn. After the disappointment of disqualification in 2004 on a card signing technicality, we entered the event in confident mood and fielded the strong scratch side of Richard Holgate and Richard Kelly, Mark Baldock and Russell Ogden and finally Jeremy Waud and Dan Burstow. Our total scratch stableford score of 86 points between us (exactly the same as in 2004 ironically) qualified us in 6th place out of the 16 schools assembled on the day. We are now preparing to represent Hurst in the finals of this competition at the Hunstanton and Royal West Norfolk (Brancaster) Golf Clubs over the last weekend in September.

Match against the College – Singing Hills GC - 19th May 2005

The College had the honour of retaining the Henwood Salver following a rain soaked and shortened 9 hole challenge. The first two matches were drawn and the final match in which we fielded our stalwart pair of Dudley Stratford and Tom Whitaker was won by the boys – again! Representing the School were Joe Fernandes (18), Ross Kennedy (7), Chris Viggor (17), Matt Roberts (11), Will Caroll (20) and Nick Denman (20).

The other OHJGS pairs were Jeremy Waud and Patrick Mc Gahan and Bob Carter with Chris Gray, the golf master at the College. We were delighted to welcome our OHJGS President, Laurie Henwood, to the post match supper where he presented the trophy to Ross Kennedy. We very much hope to see Ross and Chris in the society next year as they start their respective gap years prior to starting university in 2007.

Match against The Old Eastbournians – Walton Heath – 5th May 2005

This friendly encounter has been played for thirteen years and Hurst are now 7-4 up in the series after a sound 4/1 thrashing was dished out to Eastbourne for the second year in succession! Playing for us in the four ball better ball format off handicap this year were regulars – Derrick Fulcher and Stephen Waud, Patrick McGahan and Jeremy Waud, Graham Negus and Paul Ruddlesdin, Dan Burstow and Roger Goodacre. Our first timer Bob Carter was ably assisted by ‘old hand’ John Waterfall. Waud and Fulcher were rated to be our favourite pair, but they had the misfortune of an electric performance from their opposition who managed to take them apart 6/5!

Strong wins were none the less recorded by our other pairs, thus enabling us to retain the coveted 'Sussex 2 Iron' and be even louder than usual at the post match Chinese dinner!

2005 Halford Hewitt Cup – Royal Cinque Ports GC Deal

This historic event is the largest amateur golf tournament in the world – it has 640 competitors and lasts for six days including official practice. We had a very good tournament during the first week of April, with much promise for the future having fielded Alex Taylor and Simon Tedder for the first time. We were however missing star performer Tony Hildrow, who was down with the flu unfortunately. Watsons – our first round opponents at Royal Cinque Ports Golf Club and ranked as the best of all 64 participating schools over the last ten years on the Anderson Scale were predictably too strong for us, however we took them down the eighteenth in two matches which clearly was a shock to their system if not ours! Alex Taylor and Paul Turrell achieved an excellent half whilst Jeremy Waud and Dan Burstow succumbed on the 18th having been ahead with just four holes to play when the opposition really turned on the style. Our three other pairs – Nick Budge and Richard Kelly, Simon Tedder and Peter Masters, Mark Baldock and Russell Ogden all acquitted themselves very well.

In the Plate Competition at Princes Golf Club on Friday, three of our pairs from Deal made themselves available for another tough match against a top twelve side in the form of Radley! Alex Taylor and Paul Turrell lost on the 18th green, Mark Baldock and Russell Ogden were squeezed out to a half and Jeremy Waud and Dan Burstow lost 3&2. This close result again proves that we are a side to be reckoned with.

On the social front, the team was well supported by Dudley Stratford, Keith Jenkin, Patrick McGahan, Laurie Henwood, Rob Mc Cowen, Derrick Fulcher, Rob Dixon and Roger Goodacre. Their support was greatly appreciated and it speaks volumes about the team spirit that we have within our society. Social golf was played on Tuesday at Princes, Wednesday at Rye for those not playing for the team and finally in the form of the Peter Kenyon Bowl at Littlestone on Thursday afternoon. Rick Holgate, practiced with the rest of the squad, sat out the first round match waiting for the big second round call that sadly never arrived for any of us!

Now that we have a stronger team with greater depth and breadth all we need is a half sensible draw against a normal school to get through a round or two in 2006!

Contact details

The OHJGS is always looking for new members! Whilst we especially need low handicap players for our teams in the Halford Hewitt, Grafton Morrish and GL Mellin Salver, we are pleased to welcome any golfer to our members meetings provided that they have an official handicap. Any enquiries should be made to:

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Old Codgers' Golf Day

Deryck Fulcher organized a day's golf for veterans at his local club, The Drift. It was most enjoyable and we hope that it will be repeated next year... One round for the Over -55s. Pictured are nine golfers plus the President of the OHJGS, Keith Jenkin:

Tony Johnson, Rick Holgate, Kit Millington-Hore, George Hill, Bob Carter, Deryck Fulcher, Keith Jenkin, Raymond Gee, Derek Pitt, Bryan Renn.

An account of the year's remaining matches will appear in the winter newsletter.

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Hockey

OJ Hockey Match held on March 20th, 2005

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The OJs fielded a strong side although only 11 players appeared, and as has become the tradition, a very enjoyable match took place. Simon Warrender led the OJs as only he could, and galvanized them into a team immediately.

Most of the OJs play regularly and once they were into their stride this became very apparent.

The boys stuck to their task and more than contributed to the entertainment provided on a beautiful sunny day, scoring first with a flick by captain, Jamie Ardagh. The OJs then scored 4 before the school scored their second goal. Both goalkeepers played extremely well especially Keiron Norris for the school. In the last two minutes, the OJs scored 2 more goals to complete their afternoon. The final score was rather harsh on the school.

Teams:

1st XI: K Norris, C Viggor, N Denman, T Voller, A Kirby, J Ardagh (capt.), J Fernandes, B Ziller, J Wilson, R Benjamin, C McMullan, T Shearn, R Mannick, N Harding

OJ XI: S Austin, P Thomas, S Warrender (capt.), D Gibson, D Rodbourne, J Waugh, L Atkins, M Harrison, D Harrison, T Harrison, T Larman.

Many thanks to the umpires Alan Greg and Ian Buckeridge, and also to Jack Riddy who is standing down after organizing OJ Hockey for many years. Jack has done a superb job.

Vince Thomas

Cricket

Sunday 15th May v School OJs won by 2 wickets

It was a high scoring game with the school batting first and making 293 for 3, including a fine century by Australian, T. Bishop.

The OJ innings got off to a flying start with an opening stand of 145 between Jonathan Pilgrim (78) and Simon Warrender (48). A collapse followed but the situation was saved by a swashbuckling 61 from Stuart Hall. It was left to James Barnes and Roger Hickman to knock off the last few runs as the OJs got home with an over and a half to spare. Congratulations to the winning captain Gareth Dexter and his team.

School 293 for 3 declared, Bishop 103

OJs 294 for 8, Pilgrim 78, Hall 61, Warrender 48, Layzell 5 for 60

OJ Team: G. Dexter (capt), J. Pilgrim, S. Warrender, R. Willsden, M. Isepp, S. Hall, R. Hickman, J. Barnes (wkt), C. Bates, L. Atkins + one player lent by the school. ***Umpire:*** H.R. Thomas

Brewers Cup Fixtures:

Round One: Sunday 19th June v Sutton Valence at Hurst
Sutton Valence withdrew due to being unable to field a side, so the OJs proceed to Round Two.

Round Two: Sunday 17th July v St. John's L'head or Bloxham (Away)

Semi-Final: Sunday 7th August (Away)

Final: Sunday 4th September (Campbell Park, Milton Keynes)

Manager: Lee Atkins

Cricket Week:

Saturday 30 th July	v	Eton Ramblers
Sunday 31 st July	v	Romany
Monday 1 st August	v	Sussex Martlets
Tuesday 2 nd August	v	Old Rossallians
Wednesday 3 rd August	v	Cryptics
Thursday 4 th August	v	Stoics
Friday 5 th August	v	South Wales Hunts
Saturday 6 th August	v	Buccaneers

Manager: Tom Moulton

Shooting

Hurst OJs shoot predominantly full-bore at Bisley in Surrey; both Target Rifle and F-class. We are keen to hear from other OJ shooters interested in shooting at Bisley for the Imperial meeting in July, the PS Veterans match and other shoots. All standards welcome.

Please contact John Munn by email on OHJRC@btopenworld.com or through North London Rifle Club. Please include your shooting discipline, house and year.

We look forward to hearing from you and hope to see you on the ranges

Lawn Tennis

Congratulations to the newly formed OJ Tennis Club which in its inaugural tennis match against the College won 9 - 0.

Admittedly the College had a weakened side having played away that same afternoon, but, for a first time out, the OJs were impressive.

A second match is being arranged for St Ethelreda's weekend, and an official fixture is anticipated early next summer term when the College will no doubt be fielding its strongest team as it seeks revenge for this year's defeat.

We thank the College for its support, hospitality, and organisation and for putting a team together in difficult circumstances.

The day concluded with both OJs and College teams retiring to the Sportsman pub for a well deserved meal washed down with excellent ales.

	Jim Cowans James Dollsmith	Andy Forsey Phillip Applegate	Roger Dollsmith Alex Butler
Chris Buck (1) Roger Vernon (2) Rupert Ayton	1 - 6 (1)	0 - 6 (1)	0 - 6 (2)
Ian Brownlee Mark Wylam (1) Roger Vernon (2)	5 - 7 (1)	2 - 6 (1)	1 - 6 (2)
George Hill James Turner	0 - 6	1 - 6	1 - 6

Overall Scores : Sets – College 0, OJs 9
Games – College 11, OJs 55

OJ Team: Rupert Ayton, Ian Brownlee, Chris Buck, George Hill,
Sue Hill (Reserve), James Turner, Mark Wylam,
Roger Vernon.

Any OJs (Girls and Boys) interested in playing can contact Roger Vernon on rvernon@freeuk.com or on 01202-709527.

Rugby

The OHJRFC moves into the 2005/06 season with positive steps as the fixture card shows. The club has been encouraged by the amount of interest and commitment from younger OJs recently and welcome further support. This will be highlighted in the opening tournament of the season, when the U21's defend the Shield title at the Cunis tournament held at the Richmond Athletic Ground on September 4th. All support greatly welcome.

We then have a steady schedule of fixtures up to Christmas - both home at our ground in Reigate, and away - leaving clear weekends for people to attend pre-Christmas internationals, culminating in the annual OHJRFC Club Dinner on 17th December.

We continue to thrive as a club playing regular competitive rugby throughout the season without the demands of having to attend weekly training sessions but also to enjoy the social side after the game. The club therefore positively encourages all players to hang around after matches to have a few (!) beers and bring along any friends and family. The club is also open to non OHJs and indeed welcomes players (and non-players) from all backgrounds, educational establishments and continents.

Please contact Jeremy Carswell (Jeremy_Carswell@yahoo.co.uk) or Mark Porter (mporter@savills.com). More information, contact details and player profiles are available from the old boys' internet site.

OHJRC Fixtures 2005

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opposition</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>Internationals GMT hrs/Notes</i>
Sept			
3rd	CLOB Tournament	SW London Richmond Athletic Ground	Zurich Premiership Opens
4th	Cunis U21 Tournament		
10th	Old Reigatians	H	
17th	Old Alleanians	tbc	
24th	Awaiting confirmation		
Oct			
1st	Awaiting confirmation		
8th	Awaiting confirmation		
15th	Stags RFC	Etheldreda / College	OJ Dinner Evening
16th	College 1st XV	Etheldreda / College	OJ Service 11am
22nd	Wandsworthians	tbc	
29th	Bromley	tbc	
Nov			
5th	Old Cranleighans	A	
12th	No Game		England vs Australia
19th	No Game		England vs New Zealand
26th	Old Freemans	tbc	England vs Samoa
Dec			
3rd	Awaiting confirmation		
10th	Awaiting confirmation		
17th	Old Mid-Whitgiftians	A	OHJRFC Club Dinner

OLD HURST JOHNIAN RUGBY CLUB

Just left University or College and want to play social rugby in the London area?

OHJRFC has been thriving in London for the last four years and is keen to recruit recent (or not so recent) leavers to the club.

After Match Drinks



Social Rugby

Keep Fit

Touring

We play up to 15 games a season against well matched opposition in south west London/Surrey area. In addition we have regular formal and informal social events which form an important part of the club's annual calendar. Current players range from 19 to 33 and are of all standards.

For further information please contact Jon Gardiner on 07870 555703, Neil Brookes on 07979 944369 or Anthony Cook on 07787 536707.

News and Views

Congratulations to Matthew and Liz Lowndes on the birth of their son Jack on November 8th last year.

Congratulations and best wishes to Jack Riddy on his marriage to Caroline James on Saturday July 2nd.

My thanks to those who responded to the challenge to name the 1938 Cricket XI.
The answer:
O W H Berkeley-Hill, K Lock, C H Hammon, H E Franks, D Esdaile, L C
Henwood, A D R Williams, R E Bury
T F J Sibbald, I Forster, D C Hill, D J Church, K Hancock

Ken Hancock, in his reply, sent the following news of himself :

The scoreboard shows our innings of 284 for eight and I made 76. That summer we won 10 of 13 matches which equaled the school record; and it was against the OJs that we won and we had not beaten for 10 years.

In the season I opened the bowling with Tom Sibbald and the batting with Laurie Henwood. Derek Church was outstanding, scoring a large part of our runs including two centuries. Happy days.

From Hurst I went into the Army as a gunner, then to North Africa with Montgomery and the 8th Army – I became a ‘desert rat’ although 7th Armoured had pride of place and were The Desert Rats. We fought from El Alamein to Tunis and then on from Reggio to Rimini, Italy.

On return to the UK and demob in 1947, I found all my friends were getting married so I thought I should too – married Pauline Newman (ex WRAF). We had three sons, all successful business men, the youngest now an airline pilot first officer flying the BA 146. I had a long City career in insurance broking following my father, a highly successful broker on Lloyds.

Played cricket, a lot of squash, captained Purley club and for a short time captained the OJs – we had a strong team that included Philip Ayton.

I now live in Bournemouth. I am an MCC member. I will try to get over for the OJ cricket week. Not many left of my era – from the dinner list I only know Harry Travis, Brian Renn, Martin Gill and George Hill

W O (Bill) Cole writes to say he has left the army and has settled in the Frankfurt area. He remains in touch with Nick Bryan, Bruce Ruddock and Gilbert Kenzior ... as well as the OJ Golf Club

Congratulations to Sir Bryan Cartledge (Fleur de Lys 1945 - 49) on his marriage to Mrs Helen Manolatos (nee Mostra) on June 3rd.

Bob Cranmore (Eagle 1955- 60) writes:

After four years in Eagle, as one of the six original members, Canon Howard, asked me "which do you want to go to, Oxford or Cambridge?" "Cambridge, Sir, as I want to read Engineering." He sent me to Christ's and to Selwyn. At Christ's, I was asked by the notorious tutor of admissions, where I played and I replied "second row and I weigh 12 stone". "Sorry, too light!" Fortunately, Selwyn were not so ambitious for their rugby team and I spent three really fun years there, and by ensuring that I worked at least every morning, I left with a 2:2. The height of my career was to kick five goals for a team captained by Peter Gummer. I 'd already spent, what is now called a gap year, at Tipton, Staffs, working hands on in a steel fabrication factory, which was actually good training if only for DIY and a summer teaching near Chichester. Then, post graduation, after two years working in Luton, of all places, but driving home every weekend in my Mk1 Sprite, the North Sea gas industry started up, which sounded more fun. After following through Shell's recruitment process for 6 months, which included losing 2 stone this time, I started Shell training in the Netherlands. This marks the last time but one that I played for the OJs against the School. Unfortunately, my weight loss had made me so fit that I zoomed around the field, and I gathered up a loose ball even ahead of the scrum half, C N Stiff, who was public schools squash champion. Those were the days when a forward was not meant to run with the ball, but to pass it to a runner. I turned round and found my self alone and heard myself say *right in front of the Headmaster* "where the **** are you, scrum half?"

Then followed 32 years in Shell, Brunei, which was just like school with games starting at 4.30 every afternoon, Franco's Spain, with great food in the evening, Nigeria, but only for 3 months, UK where I was introduced to Scotland and Norway and towed out on Brent D where I stood at 119 metres draft with just 1m of concrete between me and the North Sea, two stints in the Sultanate of Oman, where I spent \$2 billion over 10 years, and another two stints in the Netherlands, six years in the North and a final four years in the Hague, cycling to the lab, where I edited the technology magazine and did many other fun things. Lest you think that all I did was play rugger, the height of my international cricket career was to open the batting for Brunei against Sarawak on the padang at Miri in 1967. I remember I scored 3 on the thick wet grass, but at least I exhausted their fast bowler from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. I still have the cap!

Early in my time in UK, I married Jennie, who taught whenever possible during our travels. We have a daughter, Arabella, who graduated from Edinburgh, and after a year or so in Oz, now seems to be enjoying herself working back there in a consultancy and living in her flat at the bottom of the Royal Mile.

We retired some six years ago and now live on the Brighton Road in Lancing, looking out over the beach and supporting our big black poodle: also proving that you can be busier in retirement on voluntary work than every you were working with a supporting team. It is a very convenient location and makes Hurst, Brighton and London easily accessible.

My brother, Andrew, who was in Eagle four years behind me, has lived in Paris for many years with his partner and son, working in the arts and converting old buildings

Travel Fund

The following report and photographs were received from Iain Waugh who received a grant from the OJ Travel Fund to help fund his gap year.



Iain with his flatmates in Prague

My seven-month gap year course was designed and organised by the Smallpeice (ei not ie) Trust with the aim of training 20 young engineers to the highest level. The trust was set up by William Cosby Smallpeice, who made a large sum of money from the invention of a new type of lathe, for the sole purpose of attracting young people into engineering, and training those already in the industry.

The first three months of the course entailed general engineering training, such as handworking, engineering drawing, AutoCAD and basic business skills, and was hosted jointly by Plymouth University and Plymouth College of Further Education. The use of CAD suites, hi-tech lathes and CNC machines was new to most of us, due to the large cost of such systems, and we found this to be very interesting. The highlight of the four-week manufacturing course was to produce a working compressed air engine from raw materials using the lathes and CNC machines provided, whilst also recording the design and progress of the project in written form. Soon, attaining the high precision tolerances required by such areas as the piston and its housing became quite easy!

The importance of presentational skills in a modern engineering environment was emphasised throughout the course, and after every stage a presentation was made by the groups or individuals involved. The most important presentation made in the first part of the course was on our individual research projects. The brief was to write a research project on any engineering topic and then to present the topic for 10 minutes in front of the students, staff and invited dignitaries alike. My chosen topic was the amino acid structure of the polypeptide chains in spider silk, and their subsequent secondary, tertiary and quaternary protein arrangements. The project centred on how the antiparallel β -sheets and β -turns in the structure directly contribute to the high strength and elastic properties of spider silk, and how man has tried to create a recombinant biomimicry of the silk with purified proteins from the milk of transgenically altered Nubian goats. The project was a fascinating insight into the complexities of the organisms and processes that nature has evolved, and how man is only just nearing the ability to copy nature, but now has the technology to outdo it.

The students then transferred to their host countries for the second part of the course, being one of France, Germany or Spain, where we underwent a month of intensive language training at a language school. I studied in Munich and I found it to be a fascinating place and thoroughly enjoyed the vibrant culture of the city. The next three months involved an industrial work placement with a company in one of the host countries above plus Finland or England.

I was placed with SGL Technologies in Meitingen, Germany, part of the SGL Carbon Group., which is one of the world's largest producers of carbon fibre and Graphite products. I was responsible for ongoing research into improving the carbon fibre properties for use in wet friction applications, through altering the process parameters in the production phases, and by altering the carbon fibre/resin ratio and the surfactants therein. The long process between having a raw fibre and forming a 3D piece from involves many steps and chemical compounds, and it was these steps that I altered. Then by testing the resulting thicknesses and surface frictions of the sheets we could modify our approach to tailoring the desired

properties. Another personal project I undertook was to test the chemical resistance of a new pre-impregnated carbon fibre to a commercially available lubricating oil, as the ions and presence of other chemicals can degrade the purity of the graphite plane structure in the fibres, thus making it unacceptable for certain applications. This was both very interesting and beneficial to the company and to me, and my German language skills improved untold amounts. As you can imagine, the first day when everything was being explained in technical German (for example: chemical names, and which of them could kill me (!), processes, and how to use my own hydraulic press, which could quite easily crush me with 326 Bar) was quite effacing, but by the end of the placement German became the normality and readjusting to speaking English was quite hard!

During this time I lived in Augsburg, near Munich, with three other students from the course, who had placements with MAN Roland, KUKA Schweissanlage, and EADS. We found time to enjoy and explore some of Germany, Prague, Austria and even a weekend to Spain, meeting and making many new friends along the way, whilst also climbing, skiing, and drinking a few German beers! All in all, the experience was thoroughly worthwhile, and has given me invaluable experience of the engineering and materials industry in Europe, plus many memories which I will never forget!!

Iain Waugh

Rock Climbing in Dorset



The 38th Annual AROPS Conference took place at Merchant Taylors' School, Crosby on Saturday 14th May. The Chairman, Roger Moulton (Old Pauline) welcomed 78 representatives from 55 societies. The Headmaster, S.J.R.Dawkins, welcomed the Representatives to the School and gave the opening address. He outlined the history and development of the school since its foundation in 1620. Dr Michael Holland, President of the Merchant Taylors' Old Boys, Old Crosbeians, talked about the history and activities of the old pupils' society.

Tim Neale (Old Radleian) introduced the AROPS Chairman, Roger Moulton (Old Pauline), who brought the representatives up to date with the developments within AROPS before going on to consider the topic: Old Pupils – 2010 and Beyond. He felt that it was essential for societies to plan ahead.

The second session consisted of five discussion groups. Group A, chaired by Guy Cliff (Old Silcoatian), considered subscriptions. Group B, chaired by Tim Neale (Old Radleian,) looked at the topic of Girls Only Societies. Group C, chaired by Melanie Whitfield (Old Embleian), discussed Amalgamating Girls' and Boys' Societies. Group D, chaired by John Millican (Old Barnardian, talked about Staffing Offices. Group E, chaired by John Kidd (Old Portmuthian), considered Starting/Regenerating a Society. All groups stimulated a huge amount of discussion which in some cases lasted for the rest of the day.

After lunch John Edwards (Old Wellingtonian) introduced Paddy Earnshaw, Administrator of the Old Pauline Club, who gave an extremely stimulating and entertaining talk about the subject of Communications.

The final session of Questions and Answers was chaired by Bill Gillen (Old Arnoldian). This year there was no panel and the questions were answered from the floor.

The Chairman closed the Conference by saying that he hoped to see many Representatives at the AGM at St Paul's Girls' School on Tuesday 15th November.

The 2006 Conference will take place on 6th May at Malvern Girls' College.

Tea and tours of the school followed.

The Annual Dinner was held in the evening at the School when representatives were entertained by guest speaker, Tony Whittaker, Deputy Headmaster of Merchant Taylors', Crosby.

The installation of Admiral the Lord Boyce GCB OBE DL OJ
as Lord Warden and Admiral of the Cinque Ports and Constable of Dover Castle

Your editor and his wife were lucky enough to be invited to this splendid ceremony in the grounds of Dover College. Although there were originally just five Cinque Ports, there is now a confederation made up of fourteen towns ... seven Head Ports and seven Limbs.

The installation itself was full of fine ancient language. The following brief extracts will maybe give the flavour!

Madam Speaker of the Grand Court of Shepway of the Cinque Ports to the new warden:

“My Lord Warden, I have the honour to inform you that the Barons of the Cinque Ports have appointed me their representative in this Grand Court of Shepway, and in this capacity it falls to me to request your Lordship to undertake the duties of the ancient and honourable Office of Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports and in the performance of the same to observe and uphold the franchises, liberties, customs and usages of the Ports”.

Michael Boyce follows in distinguished footsteps. Henry V and Henry VIII (before their enthronement) served in this office, as did William Pitt, the Duke of Wellington, Sir Winston Churchill, Sir Robert Menzies and, most recently, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

Hurst was quite well represented for the Headmaster of Dover College, Stephen Jones, and Rupert Hill, a senior member of the staff, were both pupils at Hurst Junior School.

It was a magical day.

Sadly, we have to record the deaths of the following:

C.H.READ Chevron 1932 – 36

The Rev'd Christopher Holditch Read died on 18th March 2005. After leaving Hurst he served in the Royal Navy until 1948 having reached the rank of Lieutenant-Commander and being Mentioned in Dispatches during the Second World War. In 1950 he entered Queen's College, Birmingham and was ordained deacon in 1953 and priest in 1954. From 1953 to 1956 he was Assistant Curate of Portishead and then from 1956 to 1958 Assistant Curate of Walton-on-Trent and Roliston. He was Rector of Bonsall and Vicar of Cromford from 1958 to 1963. He was then Rector of Grangemouth from 1963 to 1972. From 1972 to 1987 he was Vicar of Parwich with Alsop-en-le-Dale. He was also Priest-in-Charge of Tissington from 1977 to 1978 and Fenny Bentley, Thorpe and Tissington from 1978 to 1987. His elder brother, J.H.Read, was also ordained, was in Chevron from 1932 to 1934.

E G B (Teddy) CRUNDWELL Star 1940 -1946

Teddy Crundwell died on 26th April after a lengthy illness. After leaving Hurst he continued his education at King's College, Cambridge. His years at Hurst and at King's instilled in him a fascination for ceremonial and tradition, and his widow wrote that "he always spoke warmly of the years he spent at Hurst as a pupil, and many of the ideas and standards he found there influenced him throughout his life".

He was an academic chemist with a formidable intellect; in the 1960s and 70s, Portsmouth Polytechnic (as it was then known) developed a considerable reputation nationally for the teaching of pharmacology and it was no coincidence that Dr Crundwell was a senior and influential member of that faculty.

He was a man of many tastes and talents and had the true modesty and politeness of a true Englishman. So it was no surprise that he had a passion for cricket!

We extend our deep sympathies to his widow Kathleen, to his children, Ruth, Mark and Neil and to his wider family.

Andrew James Nicholas **DILLIWAY**
Junior School 1979-1983 and Fleur de Lys 1983-1986
Died in 2004. Brother of D.A.J.Dilliway (Star 1979-83)

J B R L LANGDON**Fleur de Lys 1952 - 1957**

Jonathan Langdon died on August 13th 2004 aged 64. Born in 1939 in Portsmouth, he was the son and grandson of naval officers. After school at Hurst he was accepted by Dartmouth Naval College. He served on HMS Bermuda, HMS Lincoln and HMS London and became supply officer of HMS Daring in 1965. Encouraged by the Navy to study Law, he was called to the Bar in 1970. He served in Hong Kong as a naval lawyer and from 1987 to 1990 he served as Chief Naval Judge Advocate based at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich. He resigned from the Navy in 1991 to become a circuit judge eventually in Canterbury Crown Court. He created a magnificent garden at his family home in Kent. He leaves a widow, Hilary, two sons and a daughter.

Mark RICHARDSON**Martlet 1975-1980****Keith P RANNIE****Fleur de Lys 1977-1982****Hugh Ballantyne (Master at the Junior School in 1958)**

Hugh was born on 13/3/1931 and died on 5/7/2005. He really enjoyed his brief time at Hurst in the Junior School and made lifelong friends - Harry Maxwell and also Mark Greenacre - whom he sponsored to migrate to Australia in 1971. The following is the announcement of death sent by the family

Beloved son of Fred and Gene (dec.). Loving brother of Janet and brother-in-law of Robin (dec.). Wonderful energetic uncle of Jane and Roger and proud and entertaining great uncle of William, Harry, Finn and Calypso and caring adoptive father of Phirom.

Calendar

30 th July	Cricket Week starts
8 th September	Michaelmas Term starts
9 th September	Installation and licencing of new Chaplain
17 th September	OJ Reunion for 1980s Rugby 1 st XV v Worth
22 nd September	Rugby 1 st XV v Seaford
1 October	Girls 1 st XI Hockey v Christ's Hospital
8 th October	Girls 1 st XI Hockey v Lancing Rugby 1 st XV v Caterham
15 th October	Etheldreda Weekend
16 th October	Etheldreda Service – Preacher:Mr Piers Coutts, King's School Rugby 1 st XV v OJs
20 th October	Half term starts
31 st October	Back to School
5 th November	Rugby 1 st XV v Brighton
12 th November	Girls 1 st XI Hockey v Epsom
17 th November	Girls 1 st XI Hockey v Brighton Rugby 1 st XV v Eastbourne
26 th November	Rugby 1 st XV v Christ's Hospital
3 rd December	Girls 1 st XI Hockey v Eastbourne
6 th December	Girls 1 st XI Hockey v Ardingly
10 th December	Decade of Girls at Hurst Celebratory Dinner
14 th December	End of Term
4 th January	Term Starts

LOST OJS

Please let the club administrator know if you move or if you have a new e-mail address.

The Hurst Johnian Magazine

The most recent edition of the Hurst Johnian Magazine will soon be available. If you would like a copy please send a cheque made payable to Hurstpierpoint College for £9 or £12 (overseas) to Elizabeth Watson at the College

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The programme for the Etheldreda Weekend is enclosed in this mailing and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**To be held in the Music School at Hurstpierpoint College
On Sunday 16th October 2005 at 10.00am**

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the previous meeting
3. President's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Elections
6. Reports
7. Any other Business

Nominations for membership of the Committee must reach the Honorary Secretary by Friday 7th October 2005 at the very latest

RHL Moulton
Hon Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
THE HURST JOHNIAN CLUB

Held at Hurstpierpoint College at 10.00 am on Sunday 17th October 2004

1. Apologies for absence

These had been received from J.R.Bettridge, D.E.A.Coles, E.H.R.Goodacre, R.N.P.Griffiths, R.W.J.Hall, L.R.Hands, J.W.I.Jenkin, S.Moulton, J.C.Rawlins, P.R.B.Salter, P.A.H.Tee, C.J.Thompson.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

These had been circulated before the meeting. It was proposed by J.P.Ruddlesdin and seconded by T.Moulton that they should be accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting of the 19th October 2003. This was agreed and the Minutes were signed by the President.

3. President's Report

The President felt that the Club was in good shape although there should never be room for complacency. The Committee was representative of all age groups of the membership. He said that the Committee was determined to ensure that membership of the Club gave good value to the members. He had been very encouraged by the interest shown by last year's UVI. Several new initiatives had been proposed. The Club was enjoying a good relationship with both the Acting Headmaster and the Headmaster Designate and had been fully involved in the last two Reunions organised by the College. The Club and the College were working together on a joint merchandise venture and there were proposals for redeveloping the Newsletter.

4. Treasurer's Report

The Hon.Treasurer presented his report. He announced that as at 31st July 2004 there was a surplus on the Income and Expenditure Account of £6,046. There was a surplus of £1,248 on the sale of investments which gave a total surplus of £7,294. The Club's investments, managed by Close Brothers Private Asset Management, as at 31st July 2004, had a book value of £70,062 and a market value of £73,790. He then explained various matters in connection with the accounts.

On the proposal of J.R.M.Hall seconded by J.P.Ruddlesdin the Treasurer's Report was accepted.

5.Elections

President

T.Moulton
Proposer P.H.McGahan Seconder A.R.Marshall

Hon.Treasurer

R.H.D.Ayton
Proposer H.D.Steer Seconder B.D.Renn

Hon.Secretary

R.H.L.Moulton
Proposer P.H.McGahan Seconder J.P.Ruddlesdin

Asst.Hon.Secretary

J.R.Bettridge
Proposer R.H.L.Moulton Seconder J.R.M.Hall

There being no further nominations the foregoing gentlemen were elected unanimously.

Committee

The following retired by rotation but were available for re-election:

A.L.Buttifant
Proposer R.H.L.Moulton Seconder J.P.Ruddlesdin

R.J.Ebdon
Proposer J.P.Ruddlesdin Seconder B.D.Renn

The foregoing gentlemen were re-elected.

The following elections were made:

J.P.Ruddlesdin (now that he was no longer the immediate Past President)
Proposer R.H.L.Moulton Seconder P.H.McGahan

Miss C.E.Lloyd
Proposer R.H.L.Moulton Seconder Miss L.May

Miss C.E.Tibbott
Proposer P.H.McGahan Seconder T.Moulton

The foregoing ladies and gentleman were elected unanimously.

6.Reports

Cricket

G.L.Hill reported on another highly successful Week. Unfortunately one match had been cancelled as Romany had been unable to raise a side. Of the remaining seven games five had been won and two had been drawn. There had been a huge amount of support for the Week and as many as 60 had been camping on Manyweathers. He said that after 31 years he was standing down as Manager and that T.Moulton would be taking over in 2005. Hill was thanked for his tremendous contribution to the success of the Week.

T.Moulton reported that the Brewers Cup team, ably captained and managed by L.J. Atkins had reached the Final only to be defeated off the last ball of the match. Three other matches had been played – 1 win, 1 loss and 1 draw.

Golf

This had been another good year for the Golf Society and D.N.Stratford was thanked for all his hard work in running the Society. Some good younger players were appearing and there had been some excellent golf days and a visit to France. There was a good age range amongst the members of the Society.

Rugby

A.L.Buttifant reported that the Club had 45 registered players and between 15 and 18 fixtures had been arranged for 2004/05. The Under 21 side had won the Plate Competition in the Cronk-Cunis Under 21 Tournament. He regretted that the fixture arranged for the previous day had been cancelled – the opposition had been unable to raise a side.

Headmaster's Representative

C.W.Gray reported that the College was in excellent shape and that it was a very happy place. There would be a joint boys and girls Hockey tour to Australia and New Zealand next summer. The Shakespeare Society would be performing *The Winter's Tale* in Japan and visits would be made to Honduras and Kenya. The Drama and Dance Studio was now complete. It was intended to develop and improve the cricket square on Ruckford.

7. Any other business

R.D.G.Vernon proposed that there should be an OJ Tennis Club. It was agreed that this was an excellent idea and he was asked to take it forward.

In reply to B.D.Renn's question about the number of pupils taking up Life Membership the President said that at present 80% of the pupils in the Senior School would become Life Members.

Renn also asked about the number of members of the Club. The Secretary said that it was approaching 2000.

T.Moulton proposed a vote of thanks to Patrick McGahan for all his work as President during his two years of office. This was carried unanimously and with acclaim.



July, 2005

19, Wisden Avenue
Burgess Hill
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RH15 8TL

Dear OJ

OJ CHOIR & CHORAL EVENSONG AT HURST : 15th OCTOBER, 2005

Following on from six years of highly successful OJ Choral Evensongs on the Saturday of the OJ Etheldreda weekend, we are now preparing details for this year's service. I do hope that you will wish to come along and sing at the service and also to enjoy taking part in the week-end's activities.

Music for the service is presently being finalised but it will certainly include some old favourites from the Hurst choral tradition!

The format for the Saturday will be identical to last year :

11.00	Choir meet in the Common Room for coffee
11.30 – 12.10	Sectional rehearsals in Music School
12.10 – 12.30	Full rehearsal in Music School
12.30 – 13.00	Choir Drinks in Common Room
13.00	Choir Lunch in Dining Hall
15.00 – 16.00	Full Rehearsal in Chapel
16.00	Choir Tea in Dining Hall
16.45	Robe in Vestry
17.00	Service

Do come along and re-live your choral training at Hurst! Nick Searls has kindly agreed to lead us through the rehearsals and, as Choir Master Emeritus, will be working with Neil Matthews, The College Director of Music and Clive Osgood, the College Organist.

Please feel free to bring family along with you; everyone will be welcome. You might also like to consider attending the Annual Dinner of the OJ Club in the Dining Hall after Evensong; if there are sufficient numbers, I will organise a Choir table. Dinner applications need to be made directly to the Club's Secretary. Perhaps you would kindly complete and return the attached reply form to indicate that you will wish to take part. I very much hope to see you on 15th October.

Yours sincerely,
Robert Ebdon(Martlet 1979 – 1984)

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Email:.....

I wish to / am unable to take part in the O.J. choral evensong at Hurst on Saturday, 15th October, 2005.

I can attend the morning rehearsal at 11.30 am.....please tick

I can attend the full rehearsal at 3.00 pmplease tick

I can attend the Choral Evensong at 5.00 pmplease tick

I will be applying separately to the OJ Secretary
to attend the OJ Dinner in the evening and would
like to sit at a Choir Tableplease tick

I sing: Soprano.....Alto.....Counter Tenor.....Tenor.....Bass.....

LOCAL ACCOMMODATION LIST

(These establishments have been taken from a list provided by the Tourist Information Centre – no recommendation is intended)

Hotels

Hickstead Hotel
Jobs Lane, Hickstead
01444 248023

Wickwoods Country Club
Shaveswood Lane, Albourne
01273 857567 Fax 857602

Hilton Park Hotel
Tylers Green, Cuckfield
01444 454555 Fax 457222

Ockenden Manor
Ockenden Lane, Cuckfield
01444 416111 Fax 415549

The Birch Hotel
Lewes Road, Haywards Heath
01444 451565 Fax 440109

The Vinyard Lodge
42 High Street, Hurstpierpoint
01273 835000 Fax 835041

Travel Lodge
Forte Travel Lodge
Jobs Lane, Hickstead
01444 881377

Pubs

The Wheatsheaf Inn
Broad Street, Cuckfield
01444 454078 Fax 449282

The Bent Arms Hotel
98 High Street, Lindfield
01444 483146 Fax 483455

The Jack and Jill Inn
Brighton Road, Clayton
01273 843595 Fax 846978

The Bull Hotel
2 High Street, Ditchling
01273 843147

Guest Houses

New Close Farm
London Road, Hassocks
01273 843144

Wickham Place
Wickham Drive, Hurstpierpoint
01273 832172

The Pilstyes
106 - 108 High Street, Lindfield
01444 484101

Mrs Norris
21 Hassocks Road
Hurstpierpoint
01273 833217

The Last Word

A mother enters her daughter's bedroom and sees on the bed a letter addressed to herself. With the worst premonition and with trembling hands, she reads:

“Dear Mum,

It is with great regret and sorrow that I am telling you that I have eloped with my new boyfriend. I know how upset you will be but I am truly happy. I have found real passion, and he is so nice, with all his piercings, his tattoos and his big motorcycle.

But it's not only that, Mum; I'm pregnant and Rocky says that we will very happy in his caravan. He wants to have many more children with me, and that's one of my dreams, too. I have learned that marijuana doesn't hurt anyone and we shall be growing it to sell to support ourselves and our children

Don't worry, Mum, I'm fifteen years old now and I know how to take care of myself. Some day I'll visit you for I know that you will want to get to know your grandchildren.

Your ever-loving daughter,

Judith

P.S. Mum, it's not true. I'm over at Sarah's house. I just wanted to show you that there are worse things in life than the school report that is in my desk drawer. I love you.
J”