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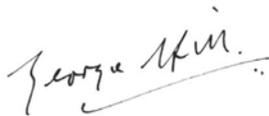
Cricket week – Chris Viggor and Greg Wisdom v Stoics

EDITORIAL

After some sixteen years and some thirty editorials, I have put pen to paper for the last time. It gives me much pleasure to announce that John Bettridge has agreed to take over the editorship of the OHJ newsletter. No one is better suited; as many of you will know he produced the Junior (Prep) School magazine with distinction for many years.

I sensed during cricket week (probably my fifty-eighth!) that it was time to hand over. In my early days at “the week” ... often playing every day ... I remember wondering who were these ancient spectators; did they ever play the game? Now, I am sure that many of the young, virile, athletic and extremely talented young players were glancing at me and justifiably wondering just the same.

So, the pen is following the bat and pads into a dark cupboard. It has been fun; thank you for tolerating me for so long. Please keep the news flowing in John’s direction.



George Hill, Editor



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Sport

RUGBY

OJ v School Rugby 13th October 2013

22-5 to OJs who last won the 'Tower's Trophy' for Rugby in 2009

A spirited game played in difficult, wet and muddy conditions with a hardy group of supporters in attendance

including most of the OJ committee. The school were depleted through injuries but managed to contain a talented OJ side restricting them to a 15-0 lead at half time. To the fore for the OJs were Marcus Campopiano, Richard Hadfield, Ollie Bunn (captain) and Jamie Hutchings all of whom stood out both in attack and defence. The school's try came from Charlie Austin-



OJs v College, 13th October



Rugby continued; Golf

Groome who was playing against his brother Harry in the OJ side. There was a post-match tea in the School and a presentation of the trophy to the OJs. OJ Honorary Secretary John Bettridge spoke to the OJs regarding communication and staying in touch with the OJ club.

GOLF

All match reports are available with some excellent photographs at www.theojclub.com but here is a selection.

7th May v Eastbournians at Walton Heath

In fine weather and the usual good spirit of camaraderie, OHJGS took on the Old Eastbournians for an annual encounter at Walton Heath after a

faltering start from a team availability point of view. With just one ringer in our eventual line-up we managed a record-breaking 6–0 whitewash of our south coast friends.

OHJGS v College at Singing Hills

We played our annual match against the College competing for the Henwood Salver on Thursday 2nd May 2013.

We were blessed with bright sunshine as we wandered around the tricky Singing Hills course near Albourne and Hurstpierpoint.

The match was a close encounter with the “Old Gits” coming home ahead by 2 matches to 1 to retain the Henwood Salver.

Tom Fairfax and Brandon Troak off 9 and 18 respectively (who gave them those handicaps?) played really well



OHJGS v College at Singing Hills

Golf continued

and struck the ball with great authority. They leave Hurst this summer for Birmingham and Durham Universities and we really hope that we can get them out to play for OHJGS, Tom in particular is very much Halford Hewitt material. The likely date for next year's fixture will be the first Tuesday of May – hence Tuesday 6th May 2014 and hopefully at Royal Ashdown or perhaps West Sussex.

May Spring Meeting held at West Sussex Golf Club, Pulborough

We were a more modest number of 13 players for this event, including one guest and one who played the morning round only. The conditions were dry after torrential rain the previous day, which still left some very wet areas around the course.

We had newcomer Dan Levene for this meeting, who thoroughly enjoyed the camaraderie and the course, and has said he will definitely be playing in future OHJGS events. He is the first to benefit from the new fund set up to encourage young OJs to play in the golfing society, and hopefully word will spread to other young golfing OJs that these are fun events with some friendly but competitive golf.

16th July – Match versus Old Canfordians

OHJGS team – Dudley Stratford, Derick Fulcher, John Waterfall, Graham Negus, Nick Budge, Rick Holgate and guest Ray Saffer.

The match was played in fine conditions at the usual venue of Stoneham GC. After a 4-0 defeat last year we were keen to put the records straight, and a close tussle it was.

There was the usual steak and chips supper after, with a lot of good banter, and we left with a win under our belts, and looking forward to another match next year.

6th September – Autumn Meeting in Le Touquet

Those attending: Dan Burstow, Jeremy Waud, Dudley Stratford, Rick Holgate, Angus Stewart, Jim Fawcett, Paul Ruddlesdin, Roger Goodacre, Martin Dennis (guest), John Westoby (guest), Jeremy Williamson (guest) and David Watson (guest).

The party met at the Channel Tunnel early on Friday 6th September and travelled first of all to play Belle Dune golf course at Fort Mahon Plage. This is a very attractive and tight course, set

Golf *continued*

amongst sand dunes in a nature reserve. After a light lunch and a brief downpour the singles competition for the Lowe Cup got underway. The winner was Dan Burstow with 34 points, closely followed by Paul Ruddlesdin with 33 points. We then drove into Le Touquet, staying for 2 nights at the Red Fox Hotel, which is very convenient for the local bars and restaurants. The evening started with a glass or two at L'Impasse Bar before moving to the Taverne Royale for a meal. After a prompt breakfast we then drove locally to Le Touquet Golf Club and played 36 holes in glorious warm sunshine at the La Mer course. The morning round was the singles for the St Etheldreda Cup, and was won by Rick Holgate with 33 points. Dan Burstow was second with 29 points. In the afternoon foursomes for the Piggott Boxes, local man (and OJ) Jim Fawcett with his partner Rick Holgate came in first with 28 points, closely followed by Paul Ruddlesdin and Jeremy Waud with 27 points. After the traditional wine tasting, we went over the road to the famous Chez Perard fish restaurant for a delicious meal.

After breakfast on Sunday 2 carloads made the journey home, but not content with 3 rounds of golf, Paul Ruddlesdin, Dudley Stratford and Roger Goodacre then extended their stay to play Hardelot, Villarcaux and Mortfontaine before making their

weary way home. This was an enjoyable trip, playing some very good courses which were in great condition.

23rd September – Sussex Schools

Hurstpierpoint put on a fine performance in the annual Sussex Schools Challenge golf competition at Walton Heath. We tied for 1st place with last year's winners, Brighton and succumbed in the sudden death putting play off – 'The Colonel', Alex Taylor, resplendent in collar and tie, drew the short straw and was pitted against their ex scratch player, Michael Mudie who came out on top after 3 holes of entertainment in the fading light.

It was great to field one of our new, up and coming golfers, in the form of Daniel Levene who partnered Dan Burstow and managed a convincing 4/3 win against Brighton's 1st pair in the morning session. All of our team played well and recorded victories during the day, with Simon Clapham (carried by ringer Charles Waud) being undefeated!

Insurance disclaimer –

Your committee wish to point out that the OJ Club does not provide insurance for sporting events.

Cricket

CRICKET

Old Hurst Johnian Cricket Club 2013

Played 12, Won 5, Lost 5, Drawn 2

Cricket Week 2013

This was a wonderful Week in which the most pleasing aspect was the number of young OJs who played. No fewer than twelve people made their Cricket Week debuts and this augurs very well indeed for the future of OJ cricket in general and for the Week in particular. A total of 39 players were used altogether, the highest number for some years and thanks are due to Nick Creed for encouraging so many to get involved. Five of the 2013 leavers played in the Week: Greg Wisdom, Eddie Blake, Brad Gayler, Marcus Campopiano, Jamie Hutchings and Matt Keats. This is very healthy indeed.

The Duck Club members were excited at the prospect of potential new hatchlings, but in the event were disappointed that only one candidate, Ollie Meredith, obliged, almost recording a “Broody” against the Cryptics. We were blessed with good weather for almost the whole Week, with the campers enjoying the usual happy atmosphere on Manyweathers.

The Eton Ramblers were stronger than in recent years and, batting first, made us toil in the field whilst they amassed over 300. We had ourselves to blame for dropping several catches, and much amusement was caused by Stuart Hall dropping a couple of these and then bringing himself on to bowl, only to pick up four quick wickets late in the innings. In reply, early wickets made it very unlikely that we would be able to chase such a big score, despite an excellent 79 from Jay Barclay, on debut. Good contributions from Omkar Khot (44) and Stuart Hall (53*) took us to 251.

Ed Welch, restored to his position of opener against Romany, cashed in with a characteristic innings of 77, ably supported by James Round, who made 43 on debut, and the increasingly prolific Omkar Khot (62), we were able to declare with a decent total of 254. Romany started well in reply but were pegged back by tidy bowling from Dan Burstow and almost bowled out by Jay Barclay who completed an impressive weekend with 5 for 34.

On the Monday the weather intervened for the only time in the week, always a shame but even worse when some of the opposition have had to travel from South Wales. After a shortened morning and an early lunch, Jeremy Rawlins’ team set up a potentially good game with a fair declaration, after Thom

Cricket *continued*

Brown had grabbed a five wicket haul. At 26 for 2 in reply after only 10 overs it would have been interesting, but sadly the rain returned and that was that.

The Old Rossallians seem to be getting younger! They brought a strong and youthful side on the Tuesday and we were soon in trouble against a young Lancashire prospect, LCW Williams, who was by some distance, the quickest thing on the menu. At 100 for 4 we seemed to have weathered the storm but his post lunch spell proved more devastating as we were shot out for 144. Rossall made fairly easy work of the chase as both teams adjourned to the High Street a little earlier than usual.

Wednesday's encounter with the Cryptics was also quite one-sided but this time in favour of the OJs. A well-paced century from Mark Semmence ensured that we were able to reach 200 and the Cryptics were then dismissed for 143. Good bowling all round was responsible for this, but particular mention should go to Greg Wisdom for an excellent early spell which set the tone.

The Stoics were partly responsible for the bringing in of the declaration law after Hampstead batted all day against them in 1886. With the laws preventing a declaration, Hampstead amassed 813 for 9, with A E Stoddart

making 485 (then the highest individual score in all forms of cricket). The Stoics lived up to their name, tolerating their suffering without complaint. 127 years on, this summer, they found themselves once again having to stiffen the sinews and be as stoical as possible, as the OJs defeated them in one of the more remarkable games in Cricket week history. Batting first, the Stoics rattled up a decent 240 for 6, which, they must have thought, was a reasonably competitive score. 36.1 overs later, with the scoreboard reading 242 for 0, they had lost by ten wickets. Chris Viggor, playing the part of a latter day Stoddart, as he knocked up an incredible and at times brutal 151*, and Greg Wisdom, who made 69*, broke all the partnership records in the history of OJ cricket. Their unbeaten 242 was the highest partnership made for any wicket and may have been a ground record. It is certainly unlikely that any higher score has been made at Hurst to win a match by ten wickets.



View from the pavilion during CricketWeek

Cricket *continued*

2013 CRICKET WEEK RESULTS		
Played 8 Won 3 Lost 3 Drawn 2		
v Eton Ramblers Lost by 51 runs	ER 302-9d OHJ 251	A Ball 115 S R J Hall 4-35 J R C Barclay 79, S R J Hall 53*, O K Khot 44, B R A Moulton 21 J Chohan 4-64
v Romany Match Drawn	OHJ 254-5d Rom 200-8	E W Welch 77, O K Khot 62, J P Round 43 S Owen 2-40 N Angus 78 J R C Barclay 5-34
v South Wales Hunts Match Drawn (rain)	SWH 238-6d OHJ 26-2	D Ricketts 99, C Portz 38 T G Brown 5-42 B J Gayler 8* T Sidford 2-15
v Old Rossallians Lost by 6 wickets	OHJ 144 OR 145-4	M Campopiano 24, N E F Chadwell 23, O J Meredith 22 L C W Williams 7-29 J Morrison 49, R Dingle 33 E I P Blake 3-49
v Cryptics Won by 62 runs	OHJ 205-8d Cryp 143	M J Semmence 114*, S R J Hall 24, J P Round 21 A D Fox 4-29 W Buckland 47, J Harvey 43 S R J Hall 2-8, G N Wisdom 3-48, M T Harrison 2-53
v Stoics Won by 10 wickets	Stoics 240-6d OHJ 242-0	S Campbell 126, R Baxter 44* S R J Hall 2-41, E I P Blake 2-52 C F J Viggor 151*, G N Wisdom 69*
v Sussex Martlets Won by 5 wickets	SM 154 OHJ 155-5	S Scott 57 M J Keats 3-25, R St J Hickman 2-22, S T Upton 2-60 M J Semmence 67, B J Gayler 50* J A McGowan 2-23
v Buccaneers Lost by 3 wickets	OHJ 290-5d Bucc 294-7	S J Warrender 80, S R J Hall 78, M T Harrison 50*, R G Noble 23* A Rydon 2-49 M Ragnauth 137 P H McGahan 2-26

Cricket *continued*

A more mundane affair followed on Friday as we beat the Sussex Martlets by only five wickets, Brad Gayler making a composed 50* to complement Mark Semmence's 67.

On Saturday it was our turn to be on the receiving end after we thought we had made enough runs to control the game. After an excellent start from new father, Simon Warrender (80), and Stuart Hall (78), Mike Harrison launched a characteristic late blitz to take the total to 290 for 5. It seemed a defensible total, but the Buccaneers had other ideas and squeezed home by 3 wickets in a tight finish.

Our customary thanks are due to the Headmaster for allowing us to come and to the Bursar's staff for ensuring that we had access to showers, dining facilities etc. The catering goes from strength to strength and we enjoyed excellent meals throughout. Our thanks go to Pauline, Patsy and the kitchen for this. Countless others work towards making the Week a success; we are grateful to scorers, umpires, cake makers, tea pourers, recruiters of players, cleaners of the pavilion, washer uppers and many others.

The following 39 people played in Cricket Week: Jay Barclay, Eddie Blake, Thom Brown, Dan Burstow, Marcus Campopiano, Nick Chadwell, Brad

Gayler, Stuart Hall, Mike Harrison, Tom Harrison, Matt Hastwell, Roger Hickman, Rupert Hill, Jamie Hutchings, Dom Keats, Matt Keats, OmkarKhot, Josh Levene, Raj Mannick, Simon May, Harry McGahan, Patrick McGahan, Ollie Meredith, Ben Moulton, Tom Moulton, James Newland, Rob Noble, Jeremy Rawlins, James Round, Jack Riddy, Peter Riddy, Mark Semmence, Scott Simkins, Sam Upton, Chris Viggor, Simon Warrender, Edward Welch, Will Wild, Greg Wisdom.

Cricketeer Trophy 2013

In the first round we were drawn against regular rivals, Old King's Scholars (King's Canterbury). This time we travelled to Birley's Sports Ground at Canterbury, a venue graced by a young David Gower in the 1970s. (Incidentally, it is reported that, as a young man, Gower was refused membership of one of our Cricket Week rivals, the Buccaneers, by the President, Geoffrey Moore, because his hair was too long and his jeans were torn.)

Returning to the match report, we won the toss and batted on what looked like an excellent pitch. However it was much slower than expected and we lost early wickets. Jamie Hutchings,

Cricket *continued*

CRICKETER TROPHY 2013		
Round One		
v Old King's Scholars Won by 1 run	OHJ 158 (47 overs) OKS 157 (50 overs)	J P M Hutchings 41, M T Harrison 39 P D B Mitchell 4-45 R W D McLeod 32 E I P Blake 2-19, J W Menzies 2-21, A C R Dell 2-23, M T Harrison 2-29
Round Two		
v Old Georgians Lost by 6 runs	OG 224 (50 overs) OHJ 218 (46.5 overs)	A D R Stanier 35, J R Tindall 26 E I P Blake 3-30, J W Menzies 2-41 M T Harrison 97*, S R J Hall 21 J Newell 5-63

promoted in the order, as an injury prevented him from bowling, made a solid 41 and Mike Harrison, unlucky to be adjudged leg before, contributed 39. Apart from that it was a rather woeful performance, with three run-outs contributing to a below par total of 158. However, an all-round excellent bowling effort brought us back into the game. Eddie Blake (9-3-19-2), was almost unplayable and was well supported by the miserly figures of Mike Harrison, Alister Dell and Josh Menzies. Alister Dell was left to bowl the final over in what had become the nail biter to end all nail biters. With 2 needed off the ball, we ran out the King's number 11 to win by one run.

In the second round we were at home to the Old Georgians, many of whom had played under Mike Harrison whilst he was Master i/c Cricket at St George's. They were amused by his bowling

figures but he nearly had the last laugh with his batting. OGs batted first and got off to a flyer, with the first 6 overs going for more than 60. However, tight bowling from Greg Wisdom and Josh Menzies pegged them back, before Eddie Blake once again worked his magic, taking 3 for 30 from his 10. Good support from Omkar Khot and Stuart Hall meant that OGs were able to post the not too daunting total of 224. In reply, the OJs slumped to 56 for 6 and it looked as if an early visit to the New Inn was likely. However Mike Harrison had a master class in batting in store for his former pupils. Firstly he added 85 for the 7th wicket with Stuart Hall (21) and then 49 for the 9th wicket with Eddie Blake (14). As we got nearer to the target, the OGs were getting pretty rattled, but it was not to be, as the last wicket fell at 218, leaving us 6 runs short with Mike stranded on 97*.

Cricket *continued*

Other Matches 2013

An enjoyable day at the College in June saw the home side post a formidable 250 for 5 in 40 overs, ensuring a torrid time in the field for the OJs. It is encouraging to see what good players the school is producing at the moment and we shall have to field a strong side to compete with them over the next few years. Regular wickets in our response meant that the result was never in doubt, but a fine innings with some clean hitting by Ken Tsang allowed the OJs to reach an almost respectable 168. On 30th June two sides consisting almost entirely of OJs met at the College as the official OHJs played the Priestfield Wanderers, led by Dom Rodbourne. The OJs batted first and

were able to post a large total, thanks in part to the century made by guest and non-OJ, James Chapman. The Priestfield Wanderers top order was blown away by a pacey Rob Noble, but Jeremy Taylor made an accomplished 90 to restore order and the margin was only 36 runs in the end.

Note

All OJ match scorecards from 1920 to 1977, and a few recent ones are now on Cricket Archive. The remainder will be added over the next 12 months or so. <http://cricketarchive.com/>

Tom Moulton

2013

v Hurstpierpoint College LOST by 82 runs	Hurst 250-5 (40 overs) OHJ 168 (37 overs)	D Vents 118, L Cammish 76 J Newland 2-75 K Tsang 76 G Garton 2-8, W Wright 2-22, B Barker 2-33
v Priestfield Wanderers WON by 36 runs	OHJ 243 (37.2 overs) PW 207 (37.4 overs)	J Chapman 101, S J Warrender 53, O K Khot 31 D Gibson 3-23, B Marsh 3-34 J Taylor 90, O Rodbourne 42, D Rodbourne 24 R G Noble 5-21, S May 2-13

News

NEWS

I find it a little strange to write to the editor of the OHJ Newsletter as that is myself, but going through the correct protocol I wish to put on record my gratitude to Elizabeth Watson who is standing down as the Club administrator after 12 years. Not only has she done an excellent job, but she has tolerated an editor who must have infuriated her at times when he missed deadlines etc; never once did she betray any irritation! Happily she will still be working at Hurst in her capacity as secretary to the director of music, but we shall miss her guidance and expertise.

Thank you, Elizabeth.



Football: College v Masters

Masters and Students replay match to remember

It was the year Tony Wilding won Wimbledon, John Henry Taylor lifted the British Open Golf Championship and Sunderland AFC reigned as English league champions but, at Hurst, 1913 was the year that 11 men faced 11 boys in an unprecedented football match between Masters and Students.



Football: College v Masters

News *continued*

On that autumnal day one hundred years ago, the game ended in a 3-2 victory to the Students; the Masters almost staged an unlikely comeback in the second half. Marking the game's anniversary last week, staff and pupils took to the pitch again to write their names in the College's history books.

It was the Masters who kicked off under the floodlighting of the College's South Astro. The early phases included attempts at both goals though it wasn't long before the Students began to put their intricate pass and move game together. The Masters' keeper, Tim Leeper, made a string of great saves but couldn't prevent his side from falling behind as the pressure mounted; the students' sharpness at corners gave them a healthy lead at half time.

If a second half comeback was to upset the confidence of youth then the Masters needed an early goal, alas it never came. Instead, the Students took advantage of their speed on the counter-attack and finished in style to extend their lead. The 9-0 final score said it all about the boys' unrelenting hunger for finding the net.

Although the 2013 game will be talked about in the cloisters and classrooms for its goals and dubious tackles, many of the players from the 1913 game are commemorated in the College for

making the ultimate sacrifice on the battlefields of WWI; no fewer than six were killed in action across Europe.

An extract of the match report found in the College magazine from 1913 reads: "On the whole the school team played well, but we look for great improvement in the next match, and hope that Lascelles may incite the other inside forwards to emulate his tireless activity." Richard Mark Lascelles, an all-round sportsman at Hurst, was killed at Oppy Wood near Arras in France on 16 September 1917 aged 21.

Current Headmaster, Tim Manly, attended the centenary match and in the programme notes wrote: "Knowing, as we do, what was to happen across Europe gives this particular event certain poignancy. In those days the school was much, much smaller ... everybody knew everybody else extremely well and I like to think that the Hurst spirit so in evidence then, is still with us today."

News continued; Careers

OJ Professional Network Event – Fishmongers’ Hall

Hurstpierpoint College hosted the launch of the ‘OJ Professional Networks’ at the Fishmongers’ Hall in London in May. It was great to have over 80 OJs join us for a drink – from recent graduates to the well retired. They represented a diverse set of careers from Tourism development, business development through to the British Embassy, Lawyers, Land, PR, Journalism, Events Management, IT Consulting, Engineering and more – and they were keen to make new connections and support the pupils back at Hurst. The Headmaster spoke about the importance of making connections and how these new professional links will help with career choices and development by supporting the careers programme at Hurst via their talk and work placement programmes, mentoring/coaching leavers and OJs at any stage within their careers and networking.

We have since met at a pub by the river over the summer – a glorious summer’s evening and another great opportunity for us to connect with one another. We hope to organise another occasion for us to meet again early in the New Year – any suggestions of a venue welcome.

In the meantime, if you’ve not joined our LinkedIn group yet and perhaps

one the profession sub-groups you can connect by following this link:

http://www.linkedin.com/groups?home=&gid=4819335&trk=anet_ug_hm&gback=%2Egmp_4819335



We are now in our fourth year of ‘Careers Hurst’, the programme that gives students invaluable insights into the world of work after school.

The programme has been set up whereby parents, friends and OJs come to the college to talk to interested students about their own profession and career path at our ‘Speed Talk Events’ covering a vast and diverse range of professions. We can accommodate up to 6 people who host a table each of up to 7/8 pupils. Every 10 minutes the pupils move to the next table – that way having the chance to engage with all 6 professionals with different backgrounds and experiences. Our evenings tend to be informal which encourages our pupils to ask more questions and we know the more intimate approach of sitting around a table further encourages meaningful information sharing and gathering. These events are available to all our Senior School pupils who are welcome to attend any events of interest.



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The Committee is always anxious to improve the levels of communication with the membership. The Committee has decided that it would like to make use of e-mail for special announcements and for reminders about Club events. At present the Club holds a number of e-mail addresses, some of which appear to be out of date. We would like to increase and update the e-mail addresses we hold. Needless to say, all e-mails will be sent out 'blind' and under no circumstances will the Club divulge any e-mail address to a third party. Therefore if you would like to receive e-mails from the Club would you please complete the attached pro-forma and return it to Elizabeth Watson c/o The College:

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Careers

This term we will have run 19 events covering a vast array of professions none of which would have been possible had we not had the huge and generous support from our OJs: 'The Land Society' (Andrew Claringbull, Robert Ebdon, Richard Saunders, Craig Flanders, John Graham), Simon Dubrey, Antonia Hawken, Wayne Bruce, Rob Lunn, David Royle, Robin Green, Dom Robinson, Manuel Lovell, Robert Thomas, Robin Field-Smith, Tom Large, Stuart Ruff, Myles Waud, Simon Warrender, Richard Storey and Stephen Hillier (at time of writing, 16th October).



Antonia Hawken

Our work placement programme is developing well with many of our pupils from Fifth and Sixth form being able to enjoy a staggering 102 weeks of placements this summer between them. I am pleased to report they were a huge success in that all placement providers

were delighted with the quality of commitment and work from our pupils and all our pupils said how grateful they were of the opportunity given to them gaining unrivalled access to the world of work in a variety of placements.

I intend to launch next summer's placement opportunities to our Fifth and Lower Sixth at the end of November so that they have time over the Christmas holidays to apply formally for any positions of interest by submitting a letter and their CV. During the first half of Lent term I will interview all applicants and then make recommendations to our placement partners for 2nd interview. Most of our partners 2nd interview during the Easter holidays and some ask that we make a choice for them by 2nd interviewing on their behalf. All offers are generally made by the middle of April and all placements take place over our summer holidays during July and August.

I am keen develop new work placement relationships with companies or individuals who could offer a placement to a pupil at Hurst. If you, or an individual or organisation that you know, would like to work with us we would be delighted to hear from you. For more information about the programme and how you might help support it please do get in touch with me via email at Tania.fielden@hppc.co.uk

Hurst Johnian Club AGM

The Hurst Johnian Club Annual General Meeting

held at Hurstpierpoint College on
Sunday 13th October 2013

The following were present: G Roff,
R Ayton, J Bettridge, J Bell, G Hill,
S Broster, N Paddenburg, H Thomas,
J Hall, P Scott, I Buckeridge,
P Ruddlesdin, R Moulton, R Ebdon

1. Apologies for Absence:

These were received from: C Tibbott,
G Croll, A Buttifant, A Claringbull,
R Ife, A Porter, I Brownlee, T Fielden,
T Moulton, D Hughes

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

These were read by those present, passed
as a correct record of the previous
Annual General Meeting and signed by
the President.

3. Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising.

4. Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer presented his final report
after holding the office for 27 years. He
reported that the Club had made its final
payment to the College's "Astro-turf
Appeal" of £13,800 meaning that a total
of £50,000 had been paid to the College
for this venture. With the increase in
school numbers and uptake of the life
membership scheme the membership
income continues to rise. The

investments are increasing with a surplus
total for the year of £42,337. He stated
that the increased income and general
healthy financial position would allow
the Club greater flexibility when helping
sporting and Travel fund requests.

He concluded by thanking the many
past and present members of the
committee for the assistance that he had
received over his 27 year tenure of the
post. Although there had been many
high points in his time the major low
moment had come with the "Dowland
Affair" of the 1990s. Despite the
Club's eventual legal success, measures
had been taken to insure against such
eventualities in the future.

The President asked the floor if there
were any questions regarding the
accounts. S Broster asked why there
had been a considerable increase the
cost of College services and the Travel
fund. The Treasurer and Secretary
explained that these always tended to
vary annually depending on costs and
travel awards. P Ruddlesdin asked if
with the general healthy state of the
Club's finances there could be a 3 or
5 year projected cash flow put into
place. The President replied that this
was in hand. R Moulton asked if the
Life membership fee was subject to an
annual inflationary rise. He was told
that it rose with the annual fee increase.
The accounts were adopted having been

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proposed by J Hall and seconded by I Buckeridge.

5. President's Report:

Good morning ladies and gentlemen. Thank you all very much for coming. I hope that you find the AGM informative and enjoy the rest of your day at the college.

At this point I would like to run through a few thanks yours. Firstly, I would like to thank the committee for all their work during the past extended year. In particular I would like to express my appreciation to Elizabeth Watson for her hard work and organisational skills on behalf of the Club. Elizabeth feels that after ten years she would in her own words "like to let someone else have a crack at the OJs". I would personally like to thank her for all her valued assistance during my time as President. Our new contact will be Glenda Bowden, Communications Assistant/OJ Club Administrator. Thanks go to George Hill for the splendid OJ Newsletter he has been producing for round about 20 years. George has decided that it is time to pass the Newsletter on, and I pleased to be able to inform you that John Bettridge has kindly agreed to take on the role.

Thanks go to Rupert our long-standing Treasurer (27 years) who

as you know wished to retire from the role some two years ago but has kindly stayed on while we looked for a new Treasurer. I am pleased to be able to announce that Nick Paddenburg has agreed to take on the responsibility of Treasurer.

Thanks also to John Bettridge for his meticulous work as Secretary. With John moving to the Newsletter a new Secretary will be required; this position is to be filled by Seb Broster.

Turning to this weekend, I would like to thank the Headmaster for hosting the events at the College today, and to the sports department for all their help and continued support. The Club would like to congratulate Heather Beeby on her new role at the College as Director of Communication. It is very much hoped that this will strengthen the bond between College and the Club.

On to the work of the OJ club, I'm very pleased to report that this year we were able to make the final donation to the College's Astroturf Plus appeal, bringing our contribution up to the pledged figure of £50,000.

We were delighted to again receive a number of worthy applications for awards from the Travel Fund, from both College students and OJs, and gave out 7 awards in total, 5 to gap year pupils and 1 to a more established OJ.

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With Tania Fielden, the College's employment specialist, Peter Bricknell (OJ) and the Club have been building an OJ mentoring and networking community. The aim was to build a professional community, to create stronger connections between OJs in their profession and to support each other in their professional societies and associations, to foster a mentoring relationship among OJs, also to build new friendships and strengthen existing ones. This has been started via a LinkedIn site for OJs which now has over 250 members, so please join if you have not already done so. To launch this new initiative the Headmaster held a drinks evening at Fishmongers Hall in London which all felt was a resounding success with over 90 people attending. This event was put together and superbly organised by Claire Tibbott and I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank her for all she has done. Tania has been able to use many of the attendees to assist putting on careers events for current pupils. A big thank you to all those who have supported Tania.

On to the various OJ societies. Congratulations to the Ladies OJ Netball team based in London which has again won the league. The usual OJ Cricket Week was a great success taking place during

the first full week of August, particularly as it was attended by a sizable number of this year's 1st XI. The Golf Society have had another active year which has included representation for Hurstpierpoint in the major and prestigious Public School tournaments of the Halford Hewitt, Grafton Morrish and Mellin which are held at some of our finest English courses. They have also hosted the Sussex Schools Foursomes tournament for the 10th year in succession at Walton Heath, competing against Eastbourne, Lancing and eventual winners Brighton. They are pleased to have recruited two quality newcomers to the ranks in the form of Alex Fleet and Daniel Levene. Players of all abilities will find a very warm welcome at their gatherings, both social and where they represent Hurst in serious matches.

The Land Society held their autumn drinks function on 27th September at Fino's wine bar in London. OJs from the Land Society attended two careers events at the College to meet current students and talk to them about a career in property. The third Over 60s London Luncheon will be taking place on the 4th February – further details to follow. Moving down the age range, there are plans to hold another Under 35s OJ drinks evening

on the banks of the Thames – more details will be published soon.

Just a reminder that to increase the awareness of the Club, we have now established a Facebook page, The OJ Club. Under the new LinkedIn site there are further sub-groups, for example the Land Society, and I would encourage you to join these sub-groups as well. We will also be revisiting our website during the next few months. The OJ Lodge is continuing to thrive and grow. We are continuing to supply water bottles showing our logo to college sports teams and to prospective OJs.

Looking forward, the College is considering the refurbishment and or the development of the cricket pavilion on the north field. The hope is that within these plans an OJ Club / Archive room will be able to be incorporated as a permanent and dedicated space with in the grounds for the Club's societies to hold events or meetings. This would be a very fitting project for the Club to be involved with as the pavilion is a war memorial, originally given by the OJs and, in addition, the clock is a memorial to the four masters who were killed in the First World War.

I would like to take this opportunity to firstly thank the Headmaster

and his team for all that they have done and continue to do for the OJ Club, and most importantly to wish Joe Bell the new President and his Vice President Claire Tibbott many congratulations, and I hope that the new, young and dynamic core at the heart of the committee get as much enjoyment in their new roles as I have experienced during my time.

Finally, I look forward to seeing you all at the 125th Annual OJ dinner, the date of which is still to be confirmed.

During his report the President presented an inscribed tankard to George Hill and an inscribed salver to Rupert Ayton as tokens of appreciation from the Club for the valuable service that they have given.

6. Election of Officers and Committee:

The following were elected as officers of the Club for the coming year:

President:	Joe Bell
Vice President:	Claire Tibbott (also AROPS Rep)
Past President:	Gordon Roff
Secretary:	Sebastian Broster
Assistant Secretary:	John Bettridge (Travel Fund)
Treasurer:	Nick Paddenburg
Editor of the Newsletter:	John Bettridge

Proposed by Ian Buckeridge and
seconded by Robert Ebdon

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The following were elected as members of the committee:

Alice Hanson
George Hill
Tom Moulton
Nick Creed (Common Room Rep)
Alan Buttifant
Graham Croll
Tania Fielden
Debs Treyer-Evans (Head's Rep)
Peter Bricknell
Will Sexton
Robert Ebdon
Paul Ruddlesdin
Claire Hance

Proposed by John Hall and
seconded by Gordon Roff

The President thanked R Moulton for all his work over the years as the AROPS Rep on the committee.

G Hill wished to stress that the coming year would be his final year on the committee. This statement of intent was accepted but the secretary wished to emphasise that his wise council in committee meetings was of great value to the club.

7. Any Other Business:

P Ruddlesdin pointed out that the development of the pavilion was a potentially emotional topic for many OJs with its history and associations for the many members, but the improved

facilities could be of great value to the Club and the College. An OJ input into the decisions to be made was, he felt, vital. R Ebdon explained that the project was in its early stages and the architect had presented several options to the College Estates Committee. Problems with dry rot and asbestos had been discovered in the building and the priority at present has to be to right these difficulties. Because of the space available on the present site there were now thoughts that it would be easier to construct a larger facility on the East Field. This would be multi-purpose and still, it was hoped, contain a home base for the OJ Club and Archives. He said that he would keep the committee in touch with developments.

There was some discussion on the subject of the archives of the school. P Ruddlesdin considered that it was really important that paperwork should be digitised and there should be permanent home for all papers and other memorabilia. The secretary agreed and said that he had had a passing conversation with the Head on the subject of digitising the archive in the past and more recently with the College Archivist, who had said that a pilot scheme was being set up. R Moulton said that compared with other projects it was inexpensive and funding from the Club would be possible.

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R Moulton urged the Club to make sure that it made every attempt to re-connect with OJs whose contact details were out of date. The secretary agreed saying that the data base was causing considerable problems and that future success of the Club depended on communication. J Bell agreed and said that he intended to try and set up year group reps as points of contact and in that way harvest as many details as possible.

R Moulton said that he had been researching OJ Cricket and that all OJ scores up to 1977 were now on the Cricket Archive website. This caused excitement amongst cricketers of a certain age present at the prospect of finding their names in print!

The meeting closed at 12.55 pm

House of Lords, Alumni Drinks Reception

**Friday 28th March 2014
6.30 – 8.30 pm**

A chance to meet up with Hurst alumni and enjoy a tour of the House of Lords.

Tickets: £50.00

More details to follow in the New Year. Places are limited and it is anticipated that this event will be over-subscribed. Please check the Hurst College website in January for details of how to book: www.hppc.co.uk

Postponed Alumni event

It was disappointing that the Alumni, Staff and families reunion planned for 19th October had to be postponed because of the delay in the building works at the College.

2014 Reunion Day

**for Hurst Alumni, former staff
and their families**

Saturday, 24th May 2014

starting with a celebration in the
Chapel at 10.30 am

The Programme will include

Tours of the campus

*New Library, Girls' Day House,
Chapel Mezzanine*

Launch of the

Hurst Digital Archive Project

*Commemoration of Hurst
and World War One*

Shakespeare in the Inner Quad

Introduction to our new community:

Hurst Society

Sports Matches

**Lunch and Afternoon Tea
will be served**

RSVP: Mrs Glenda Bowden,
Hurstpierpoint College, BN6 9JS

Telephone: 01273 836877

Email: alumni@hppc.co.uk

News continued

Late '70s Curry Club

The Late '70s Curry Club had a further meeting on the 18th September 2013 at the White Horse in Hurstpierpoint Village attendance was good:

Ian Buckeridge, Dave Hampson, Bruce Kings, Simon Godin, Stephen Hillier, George Brigham, David Gibson, Gordon Roff and Richard Aitman.

During the evening we paid a tribute to Andrew Penfold (Fleur de Lys) who passed away in the previous week.

The next meeting will be in Hurstpierpoint Village on the 18th December 2013 at the New Inn from 19:00.

Nicholas Harrison (Eagle 1993) wrote to tell us his news:

Since leaving Hurst I spent four years at the Royal Agricultural College before being commissioned into the Household Cavalry (RHG/1D).

After 7 years my wife and I moved to Tanzania to produce organic spices and herbs. As my previous employment had taught me, no plan survives contact with the enemy – or in this case Tanzania! I started working for a safari company and ran

their operations and also their anti-poaching division which was very challenging. One of the issues I would come up against was the deforestation for the areas for charcoal manufacture – ironically we would buy charcoal from these very same people when we had guests in camp. With this paradoxical situation in mind I left the company and started an alternative charcoal briquette factory (East Africa Briquettes Company) of which I am still director.

Over the 8 years we have been in Tanzania we are often asked for advice as to where to go on safari and who with, and with the small community of expats in Arusha it is very easy to match up safari guests with operators. We have also put up some tents on our farm in Maasai land which would be an ideal base for people wanting to explore the region who perhaps have already enjoyed a safari in Tanzania before and are looking for something different.

Please email me for further information: nicholas@eabcl.com.

Jerry Marshall (Eagle 1975) wrote to tell us that the story of his entrepreneurial journey has just been published. From Hurst and Cambridge to setting up a Call Centre

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in Bethlehem to support peace; using business to fight poverty in Africa; and leading the national campaign against HS2 to save the Government £50bn. See <http://amzn.to/13SOU4Q> for details, endorsement by Lord Freud and first chapter.

Robin Carr (Shield) writes that he played for the South in an over-70s regional hockey tournament at Cannock. He was delighted to find Nick Twine (Fleur 1960) also playing for the South and Clive Stiff (Red Cross 1960) playing for the North. He was delighted that the South won the tournament so that after fifty years of playing club hockey he has his first winners' medal. Well done, sir!

Best wishes to Rupert Ayton as he retires from the OHJ treasurership after twenty seven years! We offer him warmest thanks. The president was pleased to present him with an inscribed salver at the recent AGM.

He also presented George Hill with an inscribed tankard for his work on the newsletter for sixteen years. Both gifts were received with thanks and much gratitude, but thankfully no speeches!

Congratulations to Matthew Machan, whose cricket was nurtured by John Bettridge in the Prep School, on being offered a contract with Sussex CCC,

and for his becoming an international cricketer on being selected for Scotland this summer.

Looking through a 1949 copy of the Hurst Johnian in order find details about Peter Gawn (*qv*) I spotted the following written by HHCP:

The Forward

*A Forward had they with them on
their weye*

*That for his clubbe often hadde pleye
At Letherbed and eke at Canterberye
He was a lusty youngling and a merye.
Ful bravely could he thrust and push
and hele,*

*Wel wot he when to hold and when
to wheele,*

*At dribbling ther was noon coude
him bete;*

*The balle seemed y-glued to his feete
His veste was of white and red pardee,
A broidred fowle on his breast bar hee,
And on his hed a leathern cap withal
Lest evil chance his eres should befall.*

*For, sooth to seye it were a grete shame
A man should lose his eres in the game.*

*Ful massy was his chest, his legges thikke,
Yet when he ran he moved light
and quikke*

*As doth the hart when that the hunt
is uppe.*

*Ful wel hum liked bite and eke suppe;
And sweetly with his bretheren he sang
When they came home in the char-a-banc
(Fair reader, if my rime like you nat,*

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*At Stratford-atte-Bowe my French I gat.)
That is if they had wonden in hir game,
But if that they had lost, why then
’twere shame*

*To see him sitting silently and glumme
As he were wood or had y-lost a summe
Of gold that he coude ill afford to paye.
Than his lateyn was “Me miserrime!”
A scarf he had of wol, with colours brighte
Yet sooth to seye, I wot nat how he highte.*

HHCP

But who was HHCP? Can anyone solve the mystery?

I also noticed that the OJ Annual Dinner would be held in London in January 1950 ... ticket price 17s.6d ... that is 87 (and a half!) pence! Oh, wines were not included. GLH

We heard from **Lloyd Renals** (**Red Cross 2001**) about his sport “Strongman”.

I started 3 years ago after finishing my physiotherapy degree at Brighton University. I began in a gym in Brighton and Hove with a friend of mine, helping him out with training for Strongman as he was competing at a national level.

I then started going over to Fareham on the other side of Portsmouth with him

to train with strongman equipment and ever since I have been hooked.



Lloyd Renals – ‘Strongman’

Three years ago I won my first novice called Britain’s most Powerful, the year after I competed in the heavy weights and won England’s Strongest Man 2011, a year later I came 2nd in UK’s Strongest Man and got a World Record in the Giants Table Lift of 675 kg, and this year I competed at World’s Strongest Man in China which will be on Channel 5 over December.

I’m still new to the sport and have lots to learn and tricks to discover. In relation to the other competitors I’m

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new to the sport as most of the athletes have a solid background in strength sports like powerlifting, weightlifting or competed at a high level in Rugby or American Football, unlike myself. So I've got plenty of time to progress and plan to get stronger.

Weddings

Three OJs celebrated their marriages at Hurst over the summer:

Simon Dearsley (2002),
Robert Costick (2004) and
Sarah Jane Hurtle (2001).

We offer them our congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.

OBITUARIES

Simon P J Stewart (Shield 1957).

News has reached us that Simon Stewart has died aged 74. He was captain of Shield and a school prefect, and a good athlete gaining school colours for Rugby, Hockey and Athletics.

He took an engineering HND at Harris College, Preston and later emigrated to the USA. He lived in Connecticut where he became Director of Fabrication in Sikorsky Aircraft Factory.

Simon's widow told us that Simon loved his time at Hurst and talked about it with great enjoyment for the rest of his life.

Peter Gawn (Fleur de Lys 1949) was a house prefect at Hurst and played hockey for the school. He was also the head librarian. After leaving school he read theology at Jesus College Cambridge and at one stage worked for Pilkington Glass.

He moved to Canada and served as a flight lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Air Force, and later for the government as Director of Translation Services and Executive Director of Canadian Vocational Association.

Obituaries *continued*

Peter Croome (Star) has written with the following sad information about **Terence Leslie (Les) Eadon**. Born 23/11/48, died 22/8/13 aged 64.

Les came to Hurst in Michaelmas 1962. He was one of a small intake of just seven in Star, including myself. By the Michaelmas term of 1967, he was made House Captain and it was noted in *The Johnian* that he displayed “the right stamp of tyranny”. In fact Les was a thoughtful and diligent guy with immense integrity. Perhaps these characteristics were recognised by the then Headmaster Roger Griffiths, when he made Les School Captain in the Lent term – a surprise to many but not me.

Les played an active part in the school’s sporting endeavours in the 1st XV rugby and 1st X1 hockey teams and was captain of swimming. He loved playing the guitar and was frequently heard playing in the Star shower room – excellent acoustics! He left in Summer 1967 to read Botany and Zoology at Exeter University and graduated in 1971. He also took a Dip Ed to improve career prospects.

Spending ten years in the Middle East, where his father was stationed, Les was a chemical engineer and often worked on oil rigs. He emigrated to Australia in Jan 1979, to ensure his father got the best hospital care – typical of the man.

After ten years teaching, Les set up his own company in the computing industry in the Margaret River region, where he assisted most of the winemakers in the area. Over the years, not only did this develop in to a thriving business, but he became one of the prominent members of the Margaret River community. In 2005, he contracted a very rare form of cancer, but kept fighting the disease until his sad end. I caught up with him on Facebook in 2009 after many years. He seemed unchanged and he told me how much he valued Hurst. He described it as his “home” at the time. **Peter Sasson**, another of the Star intake of seven in 1962 and now living in Sydney, caught up with Les in 2012. They had not seen each other for 45 years and needless to say their reunion was very emotional. They spent the weekend reminiscing on their time at Hurst. Les was his usual happy self, full of life and as always smiling despite his ailment. He leaves a wife Lynne and Olivia, his daughter.

I also have to report the death of **Jeff Steddon**, another of the Star 1962 intake, who died suddenly in Feb 2012.

W John G Wright (Star 1937-40). He was born on 13th July 1924 and died on 3rd August 2013 at the age of 89.

At the beginning of the war, he

Obituaries *continued*

attended an officers' engineering course in Newport, South Wales, where he met my mother Anita. They were married in 1946 and were together for 63 years until my mother died in 2010. My father became an Estate Agent and Auctioneer, and ran his own Auction Rooms in Paignton, Devon from the mid 1950s until his retirement in 1988.

Latterly, my father had been living in a Residential Home in Reigate, and it was there that he suffered a massive stroke at the end of July and died a week later in East Surrey Hospital.

He is survived by his three children, all of us now aged in our 60s.

Although unable to return to Hurstpierpoint as often as he would have liked, he often spoke fondly of his time there and was always grateful for and interested in any material that he received from the OJ Society.

Andrew Penfold (Fleur de Lys 1980).

A healthy sprinkling of OJs joined a large congregation in Tonbridge School chapel to bid farewell to Andrew. Sadly, Andrew died at the early age of fifty-two. At Hurst he was a star of the shooting VIII, and went on to shoot for Sussex and England. After ten years in the Sussex police force, he was an assistant teacher for a year at Sevenoaks School before taking a degree at the Open University. He was commissioned in the TA, and when he became Marshall at Tonbridge School, he was heavily involved in the CCF and coaching shooting. He was a member of the OHJ committee for several years. The turnout for his funeral was clear testimony to his popularity at Tonbridge. Andrew married late in his short life, and we offer our deepest sympathy to his wife and his step children.

THE LAST WORD

A four year old boy was asked to give thanks before Christmas dinner. He relished the idea and thanked God for all his friends, carefully naming them one by one. Then he thanked God for Mummy, Daddy, his brothers and sister, his Granny and Grandpa and all his aunts and uncles. He then came to the meal and thanked God for what they were about to receive ... the turkey, the stuffing, the gravy, the mince pies, the

pudding and even the brandy butter. He then paused and every one waited. After a lengthy silence, he looked up at his mother and asked: "If I thank God for the sprouts, won't he know that I am lying?"

And finally:

Noah was an amateur; those who built the Titanic were professionals. It makes you think, doesn't it?



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